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Citizens turn out for

Over 30 citizens turned out for the early voting period for the May 3 city council elections which began Monday.

Brackettville City Secretary David Luna said 34 citizens turning out on Monday and Tuesday to vote early.

Early voting by personal appearance is being conducted on weekdays at City Hall from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The early voting period will continue through April 29.

Candidates in the upcoming city council election are (in the order in which they will appear on the ballot), Place 1: Marsha Harrell, Gregorio Juarez and J.J. Guidry; and Place 3: Wes Robinson and Ralph Gonzalez.

Clean-up campaign begins on May 5

The Brackettville city council proclaimed a city clean-up campaign Tuesday at its regular meet-

The proclamation calls for a city-wide clean-up campaign from May 5 through July 31.

The proclamation, signed by Mayor Carmen Berlanga, read:

"I sincerely urge that each and every citizen of this community participate in this vital and important campaign, and earnestly hope that the end result ... will be a mark symbolizing the concerted effort of all citizens in doing their part in keeping our community clean, neat, healthful, and free of

"City conveyor will be made available to remove all accumulated refuse starting May 5. Please place all such refuse on alleyway eas convenient for the conveyor." the county. easements or other accessible ar-

named Fire Chief of the Volun- benefits. teer Fire Department.

Bland, secretary/treasurer; Rudy Luna, lieutienant; Joe Escamilla, captain; and Ruben Buentello, -

drea Garcia, Florentino Gomez, Jose Escamilla, Joseph M. Luna,

Commissioners reinstate city council elections Over 30 citizens turned out for



BRACKETT NEWS PHOTO BY J.J. GUIDRY

Over 65 residents turned out for Monday's commissioners court meeting where officials reinstated a resolution against a proposed regional municipal waste dump.

The Kinney County commissioners court voted Monday to reinstate a resolution against a regional municipal waste dump.

County officials joined governments in Brackettville, Spofford and Del Rio in opposing the 424acre landfill Adobe Eco-Systems is proposing.

"I'm elated," said Tootsie Herndon, wife of Spofford Mayor J.B. Herndon. "I just can't describe how I feel about it because it's just like a big weight has been lifted off of my back.

"It's so important to me to preserve the environment of this community and to leave a good legacy for our children, not a big massive dump with all of the trucks and traffic."

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Gomez fills vacant seat

Florentino Gomez was unanimously selected to fill a vacant seat on the Brackettville city council Tuesday night.

The council voted 4-0 at its regular meeting to appoint Gomez as alderman, Place 4.

"I just thought that (with) my experience elsewhere in living in other cities and states I can bring in some new information to this community," Gomez said.

The council went into executive session to interview the candidates for the appointment, which included Gomez and Albert Payne.

The position was left vacant after Charles Bushart resigned in October.

The council discussed replacing Bushart at its November meeting, but put off the appointment until this month.

Officials agree to interlocal law enforcement agreement Agreement gives Sheriff's Department authority to enforce city ordinances

Kinney County commissioners court approved an interlocal agreement for local law enforcement this week.

to enforce city ordinances, such as stop signs and curfews.

sheriff's position, which is expected to the citations was not included work closely with the local school district ten interlocal agreement. and juveniles in the county.

The agreement is for a six-month trial

Williams named Chief period, costing the city \$9,230, including Joe "Boy" Williams has been \$1,000 monthly salary for the deputy, plus "We've talked about interlocal agree-

Bland, assistant fire chief; Debra Luna, Brackettville's city secretary. "We will not back out again and just stop?"

The Brackettville city council and the were paying a \$1,000 and all the money that was generated was going to the county.

"Buddy assured me that any money generated, through any citations or any ordi-Under the agreement, which is now in nances enforced, will come back to the city. effect, the Sheriff's Department is now able In the other interlocal agreement, we didn't get any of the money.

Some of the city council expressed con-The city is funding the new deputy cern because the money generated through the citations was not included in the writ-

"Yesterday, at the commissioners court and the rest of the expenses will be met by the city citation money will be given to the office. city, but it's not on the contract," Mayor Carmen Berlanga said. "I don't see that anywhere on the contract. Mr. Luna also informed me that's it's because it's under-

Other officers of the volunteer ments before and we had an interlocal On the Fire Department's contributions, organization include Peter E. agreement that did not work," said David they just stopped. Who's to say that they

"It's a workable agreement. It gets the city involved in law enforcement." Sheriff L.K. Burgess

The council approved an amendment to the budget to add a line item for the salary expense of the sheriff's deputy. Luna said the money generated from citations may offset the expense.

The city will provide the Sheriff's De-meeting, Tully (Shahan, county attorney) was "a workable agreement. It gets the city never enforce these because they were city partment with a radar and a video camera, was informing the commissioners that all involved in law enforcement through my ordinances.

work done with the school children in this town. If we can get a young officer to work issue violation of ordinance tickets. with these young people and the school, he would slowly be trained to handle all of that are city ordinance stop signs. They "The county has reneged on us before, our juvenile problems in the community.

"It's easy to arrest a 17-year-old man; there's not much paper work. When you start arresting a 15-year-old juvenile, you See CITY/Page 3

develop a lot of paper work. It's harder to handle juveniles.

"Officers don't like to mess with juveniles, but we need to mess with juveniles, some of them. Some of them we correct through counsel, but a lot of them need some action taken against them."

Burgess said the new deputy "would be responsible for the safety of the school zone during the school hours.

"There's ordinances up there we can't Burgess said he thought the document enforce, like the one-way streets. We could

"The officer doesn't have to jump out "What we're really needing is some there and write a jillion tickets, but he can tell them that he has the authority ... to

"There's also stop signs in this town were erected through the city, which are totally unenforceable by us.'

Captain, and Rubell Buentello, Captain, Captain, Captain, Captain, Compensation, Gilbert Gallegos, And Cheer Gargin, Florenting Gorges, Florenting Gorges, Florenting Gorges, Captain, Florenting Gorges, Florenting Gorges, Captain, Florenting Gorges, Captain, Florenting Gorges, Captain, Capta Leo Luna, Raul "Rudy" Luna, Manuel J. Madrid, Santiago "Jimmy" Martinez, Matthew Rocha, and Bruce Schwiesow. Of 12 to regional track meet

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Did you know that Val Verde Memorial Hospital has a new name? It has been changed to Val Verde Regional Medical Center. Community/Page 3

Junior High shines

Brackett dominated the District 30-2A junior high tennis meet Friday, winning first place in all four team divisions. Sports/Page 5

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DILLEY - Brackett will send 12 athletes - the most in school next weekend. The local tracksters qualified

trict 30-2A track meet last Thurs- 400-meter relay with a 57.12.

place overall with 134 points. 1:07.90. Dilley edged out Brackett, win-

Hagler and Samantha Perez won a 1:08.88. the gold in the 1,600-meter relay after posting a 4:23.06.

first place in the 400-meter dash ing five to regionals. with a 1:04.12 and in the 800meter run with a 2:34.41.

clocked at 12:33.24.

Sonya Correa won the 1,600-13:06.65.

Amanda Meek won first in the

Tina Meek, Jamie Bader, Perez and Hagler finished second in the 300-meter intermediate hurdles 800-meter relay with a 1:58.09. after posting a 43.20.

Darla Campos just missed regionals, finishing third in the the 1,600 with a 6:16.82

Samantha Payne, Tiffany for the regional competition by Eckenrod, Crystal Juarez and placing first or second at the Dis- Windy Goodloe took fourth in the

Payne was fourth in the 400-The Tigerettes took second meter dash after being clocked at

Goodloe placed sixth in the ning the team title with 138 points. 100-meter dash with a time of The distance team of Tina 13.93 and Misty Herndon was Meek, Jania Finkenbinder, Katie sixth in the 300-meter hurdles with

The Tigers, who took third Finkenbinder, a freshman, won overall with 97 points, are send-

Brackett's sprint team, made up of Brent Smith, David Honstein, Perez took first place in the Demitreus Williams and J. Wayne 3,200-meter run after being Ballew, took the gold in the 400meter relay with a 45.29.

Lionel Ramos took first in the meter run with a 5:59.94 and was 1,600-meter run after running a second in the 3,200 with a 4:45.06. He was second in the 800-meter run with a 2:06.18.

Williams took second in the shot put with a throw of 36-5. She long jump with a leap of 21-5 1/2 was second in the discus with a and second in the triple jump with a 40-0.

Smith claimed the silver in the

history - to the regional track meet 800 with a 2:42.64 and third in 1,600-meter relay after running a a 23.35. 3:42.13 mile.

Ramos took second place in the 11.34 and second in the 200 with with a 9-6.

Ballew finished third in the discus with a throw of 114-5. He throw of 38-10 1/2.

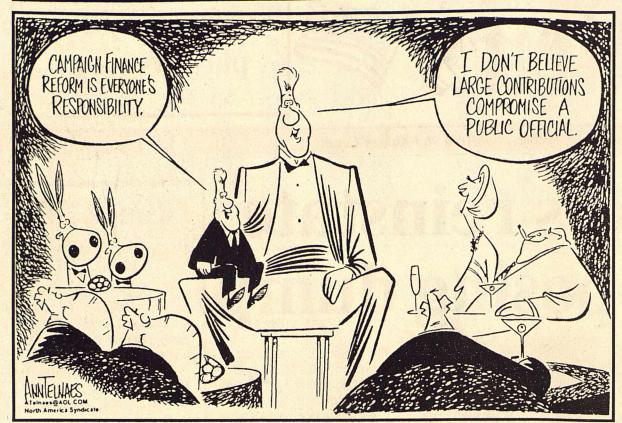
Williams, Honstein, Smith and 100-meter dash with a time of also took fifth in the pole vault

Bobby Castro took sixth place Wes Baker was fourth in the in the shot put competition with a



BRACKETT NEWS PHOTO BY J.J. GUIDRY

Representing Brackett at the regional track meet will be, bottom row, from left: Tina Meek. Amanda Meek, Katy Hagler, Samantha Perez and Darla Campos. Middle row: Sonya Correa. Tiffany Eckenrod, Jania Finkenbinder and James Burks. Top row: Lionel Ramos, J. Wayne Ballew. David Honstein, Demitreus Williams and Brent Smith.



Chamber of Commerce celebrates 50th anniversary at Alamo Village

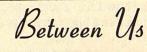
It was fitting that Saturday's celebration of the 50th anniversary of the Kinney County Chamber of Commerce was at Alamo Village.

Saturday was Happy Shahan Day in Texas. The former owner of Alamo Village passed away last

Shahan was one of the organizers of the Chamber of Commerce in 1947. He served as president at various times during the 50 years.

Shahan's contributions to the Chamber are innumerable. His expertise energy saw many outstanding accomplishments by the Chamber.

From its beginning, the Chamber has been an important factor in the community. Today, the Chamber continues in the tradition of days past.



By Joe Townsend



Kudos to those who give of their time and energies in their interests of the community.

The present Board of Directors works hard at finding avenues of

The recently published book of facts directory of Brackettville, including Uvalde and Del Rio, is most outstanding. It gives evidence of many weeks of hard

Interest of the Board in the many activities and organizations of the area shows concern for the area in all of its activities.

Larry Sofaly, as president of the Board of Directors, with Kathy Letsinger, secretary, lead the way for the Board of the Chamber to accomplish many things, as they not only do a very creditable job, but enlist many others in many activities.

The Chamber is a catalyst for projects that would go by the wayside otherwise.

proud of the Chamber of Commerce for what it has done for 50 years, and more importantly, what it does today.

Letters to the Editor

Adobe ad, threatening and outrageous

I don't believe the citizens of Kinney and Val Verde counties placed by Adobe Eco-Systems in fall for this gimmick. the Del Rio News-Herald on Thursday, April 3, 1997.

5: "Cooperation. In order to promote a beneficial relationship between the parties to this Agreement, Kinney County, Texas agrees to hereby withdraw any request for public hearing on the Permit Application No. MSW-2253 which Adobe has filed with the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission for authothe Rio Grande Regional Municipal Solid Waste Management Facility. So long as Adobe fulfills its obligations under this Agreement, Kinney county, Texas nity faced the threat of LAFB closagrees not to lodge any future requests for public hearing or protests with the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission or any regulatory agency, and agrees not to fund or participate in any hearing requests or protests that may be filed by other persons, with respect to the development and operation of the Rio Grande Regional Municipal Solid Waste of bird problems. Management Facility, including, without limitation, the procurement of any permits or approvals in connection therewith. If elected officials of Kinney County act individually and cause a contested hearing, Adobe reserves the right to reconsider its participation in

this agreement." Does Adobe Eco-Systems re-Brackettville should justly be ally think they can buy the silence of elected officials?

This tactic has been tried before by Chem-Waste and Texcor. have ever seen a more outrageous It failed! Surely the elected offiand threatening ad than the one cials of Kinney County will not

On Feb. 28, 1997, Laughlin AFB again expressed their opposition to the location of this dump The two-page ad says in Part so close to their Spofford training facility. The hazards posed by the attraction of birds to this dump site would endanger LAFB planes and pilots.

What price will Adobe Eco-Systems place on the lives of these men and women? Will it be more or will it be less than the price they are offering Kinney County?

On Jan. 28, 1997, the Del Rio rization to construct and operate City Council opposed the location of this dump. We cannot allow anything to threaten the mission LAFB.

Two years ago, our commuing. Now their pristine air space is being threatened by this dump. We must do everything possible to keep the air space the best it

Remember that one of the reasons LAFB closed its training facility at Eagle Pass and moved to the Spofford site was because

It seems that Adobe Eco-Systems is willing to pay a large amount of money to deny the citizens of Kinney County their right to a public hearing.

Why is Adobe Eco-Systems so afraid of public hearings?

What are they hiding? Could it be the truth about their

Lee Weathersbee

■ Publisher's note: Please note that the following information is provided by Joe S. Graff, P.E. Director, Field Engineering with the Texas Department of Transportation. Also, as these are farm roads, it is the responsibility of the county taxpayers to pay for the repairs.

The highways serving the proposed facility are not of adequate design and capacity for the additional traffic to be generated by the operation of the facility because of the width and condition of all three roadways that would be used by the haul truck drivers to reach the solid waste disposal

According to the road logs for Kinney County, S.H. 131 is only 22 feet in width and F.M. 1572 and 1908 both show only 20 feet in width. Also, there are no paved shoulders on these roads.

S.H. 131 is built up considerably above the surrounding terrain. Along with its narrow width and no shoulders, this would make it extremely difficult for one of the waste haulers to park in an emergency situation or vehicle breakdown.

No part of the operation will be located within 1,000 feet of a highway subject to control under the Highway Beautification provisions of the Texas "Litter Abatement Act;" however, we recommend that the permittee be required to remove all litter from the highway rights of way attributable to operation of the facility, to the standards, and at the frequencies to be determined by TxDOT, and that provisions be taken to prevent the tracking of Del Rio Councilman mud onto the highway.

Man is the only animal that can be skinned more than once

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is giving the meat and poultry industries reason to ponder the old Texas adage, "Man is the only animal that can be skinned more than once."

The department is asking Congress for \$685 million, a \$22 million increase over the current budget, to run its Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) in fiscal year 1998.

Of that, USDA says about \$400 cost of running the entire FSIS operation, would come from newly imposed user fees. These fees would be paid by meat and poultry processors. The remaining 30 percent would come from general revenues.

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Capitol Comment

U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison

Here we have the government proposing not streamline or "remillion, roughly 70 percent of the invent" a program, but to merely shift the cost in a way consumer inspection program's objectivity; and, oh, by the way, raise prices to consumers into the bargain!

> The USDA proposal would effectively remove its primary in-

centive to control inspection costs and make the inspection program as efficient as possible.

Texas, which produces more cattle and beef than any other state, would absorb a great deal of the pain caused by this misguided funding scheme.

Processors and cattle producers would be hit with a steep increase in costs just when a slew of other costly, new food safety programs are going into effect.

Moreover, the proposed user fees also would come at a time advocates argue would reduce the when producers are facing an iffy market for their livestock.

The beef industry currently pays user fees for beef quality grading, a service that benefits the marking of its products. But meat inspection, per se, is

a public health function mandated by federal law. The public directly benefits from the federal inspection program. The burden of maintaining that

program should not fall almost exclusively on one narrow sector of the economy, the processing industry, however closely involved.

For most of this century the United States has set wholesome food standards for the rest of the world.

Our red meat, poultry and egg industries are committed to providing consumers with safe, quality products. Aside from the industry's societal responsibilities, it is in the processors' enlightened self-interest to maintain the highest standards.

They are dependent on consumer confidence in their products; they work hard to ensure they are delivering the safest, most nutritious food possible.

These proposed user fees represent a new tax on consumers, on livestock producers and on the processing industry.

Historically, Congress has rejected such fees, and I don't expect that precedent to change.

This proposal is bad for America, bad for consumers and bad for the industries involved. I will work to see it defeated.

Do you feel secure about waste dump? I really hope you take the time try. Adobe wants to do 1 percent cerns of the most unique ground

cause it is very important to the erators at the site. future of this part of Texas!

help to deny Adobe Eco-Systems wastes coming in? the right to construct a dump for other parts of the country here in along the border, will we have to Kinney County.

My wife and I sold out everything we owned in beautiful Washington state and moved here Transportation is on record statto Fort Clark Springs, next to Brackettville.

We chose to relocate here to spend the rest of our lives in retirement because of the nice weather, the clean air, the clean spring water, the lack of traffic, and congestion, and the good lo- rural traffic. cation in this part of Texas.

this industrial waste (with radioactive material) company trying to move in just down the road, we would have never ended up

If this company is allowed to set up shop, everything we found to be attractive and important here will be just the opposite.

Instead of seeking a permit for low-level radioactive material, Adobe chose to apply for a license to operate a municipal waste landfill, which will include some industrial wastes and some radioactive materials. This will include wastes from the maquiladora industry in Mexico.

A 1996 edition of the "El Financiro Internal Edition" stated that 95 percent of hazardous waste exported from Mexico to U.S. is generated by maquilas of inbound assembly plants.

According to different officials. as much as 60 to 80 percent mislabeled toxic waste shipments enter the U.S.

When the Mexican EPA tells the maquilas to get rid of their stockpile wastes, some of the shoe string operated maquilas will use any means and ways to get rid of it from using the lowest bidder to smuggling among other trash. Random inspections are done

on only 20 percent of the shipments at the border points of enheard anyone yet mention the con-

Knowing this, will you feel

waste materials from Mexico and smuggling problem we're facing factor in any decision made. be concerned about drugs being brought over in the wastes?

The Texas Department of ing that the roads to the proposed dump site (State Highway 131, and Farm and Market Roads 1572 and 1908) are too narrow and have no paved shoulders. The roads already show severe wear and deterioration under existing

Has Adobe mentioned the If we would have known about amount of truck traffic that will be traveling the roads?

Yes, they have, and their application to the TNRCC states an average daily amount of 100 trucks and support vehicles. This will turn our "rural light traffic" section of Texas into an absolute nightmare.

The nightmare could turn into disaster with a magnitude of 10 if an additional 7,200 acres is purchased later on by the dumpers.

Adobe has stated that they have negotiated to purchase the additional amount of land, which means Kinney County could be host to an 8,000-acre dump. Pos- site. sibly one of the largest in the United States!

What kind of traffic would our county have to contend with then? How many more hundred trucks a day would be on contract to dump here from all over the U.S. and Mexico?

I also understand that besides all the truck traffic that this dump would create, there would also be continual large numbers of train United States. To this I say "No thank you."

Danger to the Edwards Aquifer With all the major concerns that have been written about the dangers of the dump being located here, it surprises me that I haven't

to read what I have to say, be- random inspections by its own op- water systems in the United

The Edwards Aquifer, which I am writing to ask for your secure about what is really in the starts here in Kinney County and runs some 180 miles to Kyle in And considering the drug Hays County, should be a major

Do the people along its route that depend on this treasure for fresh clean water know what's going on down here?

The aquifer travels from Brackettville and Spofford through Uvalde, Knippa, Sabinal, D'Hanis, Hondo, Castroville, San Antonio, then up under Highway 35 and New Braunfels, San Marcos, to Kyle, just short of Austin, and includes all the many

small communities along the way. That 180 miles involve hundreds of thousands of people that could some day find that this precious natural waterway is contaminated and unfit to drink.

The people and officials of San Antonio monitor the aquifer daily as to the level of the water.

I'm sure they also are very concerned about any industrial waste finding its way into the water reservoir, so I would think that any dump site with industrial waste, containing hazardous and radioactive material would alarm them greatly, and put them at the head of our growing number of people opposed to this proposed dump

The support is large in opposition to the dump site with resolutions from Kinney County, City of Brackettville, Fort Clark Springs, City of Spofford, Uvalde County, City of Uvalde, Maverick County, City of Eagle Pass, City of Del Rio, Zavala County, City of Crystal City, City of Asherton, and La Salle County.

Now we need your support! I am saddened to see already loads coming in from all over the many homes for sale here at Fort Clark Springs.

And if you choose to support the dump location here, I would welcome you to come here and buy our home at the price we paid, plus all the money we put in this property for improvements.

Jack and Norma Schram

Letters to the Editor Policy

The Brackett News welcomes and encourages letters to the editor. The Editor reserves the right to edit all letters submitted for length, potentially libelous statements and accuracy of information. All letters must be signed and include a mailing address and phone number for verification purposes. Letters published and columnist's viewpoints do not necessarily reflect the editorial beliefs of this newspaper.

Did you know that Val Verde Memorial Hospital has a new name?

Did you know that Val Verde Memorial Hospital in Del Rio has ministrator. Griffin has an extena new name? It has recently been sive background in health care and changed to Val Verde Regional is also an attorney well informed Medical Center. The name was in health care law. Griffin came changed to more accurately de- here from Dallas in October as scribe the expanded facility, the Evan's assistant and was promoted services it will provide, and the in March. His wife and two designated area it will serve. Ro- daughters live in Knippa. She is tary members learned about the the Assistant Administrator and expansion of the plant and the ser- Director of Nursing at Uvalde vices it will provide when Public Memorial Hospital. Relations and Marketing Director

Volunteers. Former Administrator Scott care field. Evans recently had to leave Del Rio after the death of his wife in delivery of services. For instance, a car accident. Methodist Health Care System of San Antonio, with the hospital over a period of a day which the hospital is affiliated, or more. Now it is an out patient promoted him and he is now procedure. Even surgery patients working out of their corporate often stay in the hospital only a headquarters in San Antonio. He day or two. Eleven hours or less will be forming a network of ru- after a baby is delivered, mother More than 80% of these visits wing. ral hospitals along with Del Rio's and baby ordinarily go home. for the Methodist Care System.

Around five years ago, increas-Mrs. Dava Cloudt spoke to the ing demands for services caused Club Thursday, the 12th of April. Val Verde Hospital to hire con-Cloudt also serves as Patient Rep- sultants. They recommended a resentative and is Director of long range plan based on expected growth and changes in the health

patient testing used to be done in

Mr. Don Griffin is now Ad- recommendation, a 40,000 square Care Center is cost efficient. foot new wing to the hospital was from 2:00 o'clock in the after monthly basis. noon to 10:00 p.m. Non-emergent pense of being treated in the in Del Rio. Emergency Room.

proper area within the hospital. is state of the art physical therapy Serious injuries or symptoms such equipment. Rehab services may as chest pains still are treated in be secured in Del Rio even when narily be seen by the family phy- been expanded, and a women's The major change involves on the weekend when the family unit has been created. Deliveries are appropriately treated in the Laughlin Air Force Base are now Primary Care Clinic.

were for non-emergent reasons.

The Out Patient Center will be constructed. This serves as a Pri- located in the hospital with sixmary Care Center which is open teen specialists who come from from Wednesday through Sunday San Antonio on a weekly or

A calendar is run each month health needs are treated here in The Brackettville News which which saves the patients the ex- lists the days each doctor will be

Among the added services and Screening directs patients to the equipment which will be available the Emergency Room. Non-emer- surgery has been done elsewhere. gent problems that would ordi- The same day surgery area has sician often arise or become worse center and a special care nursery supplied in Del Rio, and military Fifteen hundred patients a physicians have credentials which month were being seen in the enables them to practice in the the hospital rather than in a por-Emergency Room, and this facil- hospital. Remodeling within the table building outside the hospi- provements and services the hosity is very expensive to maintain. hospital has provided a pediatric tal as was the old one. Copper pital hopes to implement after

As a result of the consultants' The availability of the Primary been purchased and will be within house the new MRI.

physician is unavailable. These and some other medical needs for Dava Cloudt, Public Relations and Marketing Director for Val Verde Regional Medical Center and Dr. Charles Schmidt, Rotary's program chairman for April

Cloudt mentioned many imshielding is being installed to construction is completed in May. A brand new MRI unit has cover the entire room which will Brackettville will profit from this expansion of the hospital.

City officials approve | County opposes Adobe's interlocal agreement | proposal for waste facility

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Berlanga said the city council had no idea that the agreement was being discussed prior to last week.

gess approached me about this interlocal agreement," Luna told the council. "We met and discussed it, and that's how it came about on the agenda.

learned about this interlocal agreement. I, for one, just heard about it last Tuesday. Some of the council heard about it last Friday as per agenda, versus three to four weeks of prior discussions be- jail that's a federal prisoner, so we're generating that the commissioners approved it yesterday."

Burgess replied, "We had to get them to aptake it, there was no need for me to bring it here." enough to hire this extra man?"

We, the council, are just now being informed, officially," Berlanga reiterated.

Luna said, "First of all, it is illegal to meet or discuss anything that is not on the agenda; that's why it's on the agenda. That's why I did not meet with any council members so they would not form an opinion, decide or start calling each other before it was put on the agenda. It was requested to be put on the agenda.

"The interlocal agreement itself had to be presented to the council in its entirety and legality, is the way that most things wind up on the agenda. official action, I normally contact you'll for in- by mail.

put.". city council, are faced with a contract before us of family problems.

to sign on a decision today."

Luna said, "Mayor, that's the way that you passed the last interlocal agreement. They passed it at the county, they brought it down here, put it on the agenda, and you discussed it. This is no "Approximately three weeks ago, Sheriff Bur-different than any way it's ever been handled."

Burgess said the agreement was timely because the county is improving its financial situation.

"The county came up with more money because we're holding more federal prisoners in Berlanga said, "This council and I had just jail," he said. "Right now, that jail holds 28 and I guarantee you there's 28 federal prisoners in that jail right now.

"We get \$35 a head for each prisoner in that tween you and the city manager. Plus, the fact money at this time. We're in better shape than we were last year."

Berlanga said, "You just made a statement that prove it to bring it to you all. If they wouldn't you are generating funds. These funds are not

Burgess replied, "No. I have a budget too, and my budget wouldn't allow it. You get a budget, but that doesn't mean the money is going to be there at the end of the year for a line item.

Berlanga then asked if there was a need for another deputy at the sheriff's department.

"According to the Sheriff's Report in our weekly newspaper, I see two to four to zero arrests per week," she said. "How does this justify hiring an additional man on city funds?"

'We arrest people, but some of them are not which is my job, which is what I did. That is the reported," Burgess said. "In the Sheriff's Departreason that you're hearing about it tonight. That ment, we serve a lot of papers. We get the juries out. We get the papers out to the grand juries. Anything that takes correspondence that is not The secretaries do a lot of this for us, notifying

'We cover almost 24 hours with three depu-Berlanga replied, "While this is the legitimate ties. They arrest people, though. We serve a lot way and is presented in its proper form, we, the of warrants, that's not reported, assault and a lot

proposal for waste facility

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Adobe's application for a permit from the Texas Natural resources Commission seeks permission for municipal garbage and nonhazardous industrial waste to be dumped at the site.

The application has passed the initial review stage and will soon be complete, paving the way for public hearings, if any is requested sioner Freddie Frerich. Commisby interested parties.

Herndon said the commissioners' decision to reinstate the resolution was "wonderful."

"If we don't have the counties support, we don't stand much of commission," she said.

"We have requested a public they wanted." hearing at Spofford, and so has ing that the county will also now members of the audience ques- more valuable, like our health," that they have reinstated their tioned why County Judge Tommy resolution."

"I think we have a chance to of power in the people."

Over 65 Kinney County residents attended Monday's regular meeting, but Adobe was not represented.

Precinct 4 Commissioner Paul O'Rourke, who made the motion to reinstate the resolution, said he was concerned with the uncertainty of Mexican maquiladora waste that could be dumped at the

proposed waste site. "I believe our biggest fear was

the possibility of them bringing il- They run every four years," he legal stuff across the river from Mexico, and once they got over here, they would not take it back,"

head to make us decide to reinstate this resolution."

onded by Precinct 1 Commis-"Boy" Williams also voted to re- project. instate the resolution.

dump," Frerich said. "In view of a chance up there at the water the way the other party is operat-

When the commissioners ap-Seargeant did not vote.

"The judge can vote, doesn't defeat them now. We have a lot have to vote, he can vote against it or he can abstain, whatever he wants to do, that's why he's judge," Seargeant said.

added.

In taking the public stance against the landfill, the county may have lost enormous sums of "That just put the nail on the money if the project gets a state permit and becomes operational.

As part of a proposed "host community agreement," Adobe O'Rourke's motion was sec- had promised to pay the county hundreds of thousands of dollars plus other inducements if it did sioners Joe Montalvo and Joe not seek a public hearing on the

"They cut their throat when "I think the majority of the they asked for no public hearing county residents are against this in exchange for the money," Wil-

O'Rourke said that the finaning, I think the people got what cial inducements were not worth the risk.

Although we could have used the city of Brackettville. I'm hop- proved the measure by a 4-0 vote, the money, certain things are he said.

Brackettville Mayor Carmen Berlanga was at Monday's meeting and said the decision was "good for all of Kinney County."

"I'm just very impressed and very thankful to our county com-Anybody wants to be judge, missioners for reinforcing the they are welcome to run for it. resolution," she said.

Old Quarry Societymeets Sheriff's Report

The Old Quarry Society For McNew, Treasurer. the Performing Arts met on Monday, April 7, 1997, for their annual membership meeting.

The meeting was held at Town Lynn McNew. Hall at Fort Clark Springs.

der by President Lynn McNew. After welcoming members and guests, Mrs. McNew introduced ness meeting was held, the Socithe Brackett High School's One ety met on Tuesday at 4:00 p.m. Act Play, "The Midnight Caller," the program for the evening.

about UIL which governs all ex- Amphitheater and Town Hall. tra-curricular activities in Texas schools, and also about the re- Quarry Society has been working quirements of One-Act Play performance.

Following a delightful performance, the play director, Michelle seen. Gonsoulin, was introduced.

Also introduced were the cast: Cherrise Ward, Windy Goodloe, Michelle Melancon, Tina Meek, Cecelia Terrezas, Caleb Crumley, James Burks, and the crew: Finkenbinder, Alfred Rodriquez fund raiser. and Jeff Luna.

yearly report and then installed the new officers for 1997-98: Betty Brackettville. Schlatterer, President, John Holley, Secretary and Tom donation is tax deductible.

The Board of Directors includes, Bob Burkpile, Jewel Robinson, Rosie Mattingly and

Refreshments were served The meeting was called to or- from two beautifully appointed

Due to the fact that no busiin the Gorgas Room to hear a presentation by Larry Mendeke on Mrs. McNew told the audience the purchase of stage lights for the

This is a project that the old toward for many years. It seems that finally this summer, the results of this hard work will be

Mr Mendeke gave a detailed presentation on the proposed purchase, with a final cost figure of \$5,000 - \$7,000.

The organization has \$5,000 currently and hopes to raise the Samantha Perez, Jania rest in the near future through a

Also private donations in any Rosetta Pingenot gave the amount are being accepted, and can be mailed to P.O. Box 813,

The Old Quarry Society is a Mattingly, Vice-President, Ida non-profit organization and any

Saturday, April 12

3:40 p.m., Margarito Barraza Hernandez, 30, of San Antonio, was arrested by Trooper Tom Wylie for no driver's license and speeding violations.

Sunday, April 13

9:21 p.m., Ethan Van Emery, 77, of Iraan, was arrested by Trooper Richard Slubar for driving while intoxicated, first of-



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Thursday, April 24 Fruited Muffins Fruit or Fruit Juice

Lunch Menu

Friday, April 18 Beef Chow Mein/Fluffy Rice Oriental Veggies/ Fortune Cookie Whole Wheat Roll

Monday, April 21 Beef Stew/Dumpling Fruit Whole Wheat Roll

Tuesday, April 22 Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce Seasoned Peas Diced Pears/Garlic Bread

Wednesday, April 23 Hamburger/Burger Salad Oven Fries Pumpkin Cake

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Chaski in concert

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Kinney County Arts Council Springs Amphitheater. Kinney 'Chaski in Concert' April 25, will be selling Bar-B-Que

Bridge Anyone

movement. Winners were; In first Betty Ebert in third place.

Fort Clark Springs Duplicate place Fred and Nita Clayton. In Bridge Club met on April 8. The second place, Tina Bauguess and club was playing the Howell Rozetta Pingenot. And Vern and

Smoke From Nakai

By Nakai Breen

old enough to understand.

start of a new life, a better life.

canes, tornados. Some people of

higher studies would try to even

a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Rio

people would want to pass.

Readers, I will tell you about make twin animals. They would all the things to happen at the close even try to duplicate people. Possibly to keep spare parts if needed; of the century. This was told to

such as eyes, hearts, and such. me when I was very small but still We would even get to see something like dinosaurs brought My grandmother told my brother and I about the things that to life.

All of these things were to would come to pass when we became elders. She said that near come to pass. Father Creator gave bright brains to some special the close of the century we would see, hear and touch so many odd people to do so.

Without permission of Father These things were to be the Creator nothing is possible. Mother Earth would be so unbal-We would hear of mass sui- anced that a lot of animals and cides. Because of the millennium, insects would be seen on different parts of the universe. Differ-There would be the return of ent birds also because of the dethe white buffalo, the changes of forestation. It would drive them the asteroids such as comets, two off course. This is because its the new transition to a new era. moons, fires, floods, hails, hurri-

Share a smile. Ahoe,

Replacement Blood

Drive for Sandy Wills

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Replacement Blood Drive for used during her hospitalization.



Summer Barnes McKelvy, daughter of Keith and Beckye McKelvy of Odessa and granddaughter of Hubert and Pat McKelvy of Fort Clark Springs, was recently selected as a twirler for the Texas Tech Red Raider Band. She is a former Permian High School twirler and was a member of the Odessa Junior College Drill Team. She has a 3.5 GPA and is majoring in sports medicine. She will be a junior at Tech this fall.

Sorority News

Theta Sigma Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi

The Theta Sigma Chapter of ebrated on April 30th at the home home of Clara McCord.

members prior to the opening supper. The Beta Reader was

ritual and business meeting. Members present were Lou Green, Molly Schroeder, Ann Your donation helps defray Hibler, Vicki Bell, Pat McKelvey, The drive will be held some of the costs associated with Bobbie Waddill, Luella Gilliland, Gaye Kurz, Pat Callnan, Doralene Anyone between 17 and 72 Kellar, Alicia Raymer, Nancy ences. The door prize was won Grande Electric Cooperative of- years of age, who weighs at least

The community is invited to eral health is encouraged to give Inman and Clara McCord. Founders Day will be cel

Beta Sigma Phi met April 7 at the of Clara and Allen McCord with husbands joining the group after Dinner was served to fifteen the celebration for a backyard Doralene Kellar.

The program was given by Clara McCord. The subject was "friendships" with numerous quotes on the subject and members contributing their experi-110 pounds and is in good gen- Frerich, Marge Geeze, Betty by Luella Gilliland. The next meeting will be at the home of Marge Geeze on April 21 at 5:30.

But, I could be wrong!

By: Chuck Hall

Share the wealth

up to me in the school cafeteria.

He was quite young, kindergarten age, cute type, all smiles, no troubles, pure joy. He showed me a small music box with two my owls? We're studying the letter O!"

His only wish in the whole world was to share his treasure with me. He wanted to show me something that made him excited and happy.

What a joy it is to share things.

Not long ago, a small boy came Sharing thoughts, exciting news; great pleasure or even sadness, makes me feel more like a work ing part of the human race.

We need to share. What good is a rare, precious owls on it. "Look Mr. Hall. See thing if we hide it from others and keep it only within our own

If you don't share things, if you keep everything inside of you, if you swallow what you should share, then you'd better burp, Quick! Or you'll explode.

But I could be wrong.

Pete's Sake

The art of conversation often depends on the ability to ask ques-

"Don't worry about talking to the women seated on either side of you," the mother advised her bashful son, who was scheduled to attend a formal dinner party, "just ask the woman on your right have?" he asked. if she is married and how many children she has.

Then ask the woman on your left the same questions.

"That's great Mom," Bashful Bobby said.

And he tried it.

"Are you married?" he asked Book. the woman on his left. "No," she replied.

"Well, then, how many children do you have?" Bob inquired.

When she turned away in a huff, Bobby thought he must have done something wrong. So he reversed the questions to

the woman on his right. "How many children do you

"Oh," she gushed, "I have five

wonderful children." "That's great," said Bobby.
"Are you married?"

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Melancon, Ramos win doubles title at district Briefs

doubles title at the District 30-2A tennis tourna- ing to Johnstone of Dilley, 6-1, 6-0. ment.

ished second in girls' singles, will advance to re- 1. gional competition, which begins Wednesday in San

Melancon and Ramos opened the tournament with Fuente and Rodriguez, 6-7, 6-4, 6-3. a bye. They then defeated De la Fuente and Rodriguez of Dilley, 7-6, 5-7, 6-4.

picked up a 6-4, 6-2 victory over Dilley's Spencer Benavides and Gullick, 7-5, 6-4, in the first round. Hines and J.J. Neves.

loss to Dilley's Tijerina, the eventual champion. third place final. She then beat Campos of Dilley, 6-2, 6-7, 6-3, in the second place match.

UVALDE - David Melancon and Lionel Ramos Michael Meyer took third place in boys' singles. won two straight matches Friday to claim the boys' He defeated Equia of Dilley, 6-2, 6-3, before fall-

Caleb Crumley also competed in singles. He lost Melancon, Ramos and Windy Goodloe, who fin- to Woerner of Comfort, the singles' champ, 6-3, 6-

> In boys' doubles, Colby Crosby and Alfred Rodriguez fell in the first round to Dilley's De la

Tara Eckenrod and Crystal Juarez took third In the championship match, the Brackett duo place in girls' doubles. They lost to Dilley's Eckenrod and Juarez defeated teammates Connie

Goodloe opened the tournament with a 6-1, 6-1 Castro and Molly Montalvo, 6-7, 6-4, 6-4, in the

Castro and Montalvo opened the tournament with Brackett's Lionel Ramos, left, and David Melancon won the boys' a 6-1, 6-1 loss to Brown and Nieto of Dilley.

in Hondo.

The Brackett Tigerettes will

face the Blanco Lady Bobcats

Brackett, the District 5-2A

son. This is the Tigerettes third

their conference last season.

fun. We have a chance to do

hitting with a .438 team batting

some great things."

average.

runners-up, is 10-10 on the sea- This is the playoffs, we need to

years. They finished third in have a great overall game, offen-

"It's real exciting to be in the team in the area, and when they

playoffs," Brackett coach Gregg get on base, they like to run," he

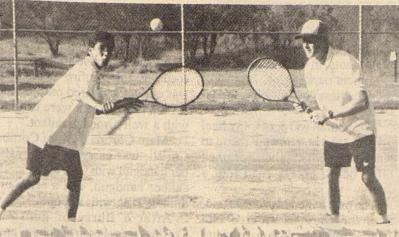
Nowlin said. "It's going to be said. "We have to keep them off

Blanco, who won the District Blanco's base runners with senior

6-2A title, is 7-11 overall. The Amy Bader behind the plate. She

playoff appearance in four bilities. We're going to have to La Mascus.

sively and defensively.



We're facing a formidable oppo- a great arm, and that's what we

BRACKETT NEWS PHOTO BY J.J. GUIDRY doubles title at the District 30-2A tennis tournament Friday.

"Amy did real well for not

need behind the plate. She's a

Tigerettes today will be Lindy

Starting on the mound for the

"Lindy has been pitching real

well," Nowlin said. "She's

picked up some velocity on her

pitches. She has good control,

La Mascus is the seventh

"Lindy is making good con-

leading hitter in the area, boast-

ing a .565 batting average with

play," Nowlin said. "She's hav-

the best she has ever had."

26 hits in 46 at-bats.

ing a great year."

great athlete.'

Madrich takes first

Marge Madrich took first place honors with a 28.5 at the Ladies Golf League's April 8 competition, which featured the best nine with half handicaps because the back nine being closed for main-

Diane Daniels took second place honors with a 29, and in third place was Leslie Houk and Edith Zipperer, who tied with scores of 32.5.

Betty Lee and Nell Darling shot 33s to tie for fourth place. Fifth place went to Pat McKelvy with

Janet Christianson took sixth with a 34. Teresa Stephens, Pat Nelson, Jane Cowart, Melba Turner, and Norma Reivitt all tied for seventh with scores of 34.5.

In eighth place was Luella Gilliland with a 35. Gwen Ladd finished ninth with a 35.5.

Margo Kendrick and Lou Green tied for 10th with 37s. In 11th place was Mary Stephenson with a 37.5.

played the front 9 twice with the game being "Best 9 with 1/2 handicap. Clara McCord took 12th with a 38.

Men play with 'luck'

The Men's Golf Club had its End of the Month Golf Scramble on March 28. The teams were formed by "Luck of the Draw."

Roger Stephens, Phil Land, Robin Land and James Stafford took first place honors.

Winning second was Choppy Ambler, Cricket Ladd, Pat McKelvey and Bob Burkpile. Carlos Garza, Don Bell, Gwen

Ladd and Garland Armstrong took

In fourth place was Bob Miller, Beth Waller, Ruben Martinez and Betty Inman. The fifth place team consisted

of Clem McKelvey, John Osborn,

Johnnie Waller, Teresa Stephens, Harold Kaufman and Pack Waddill took sixth.

CENTER POINT - Brackett put together 16 hits

With the victory, Brackett improves to 18-2 on the season and to 4-1 in league play. Natalia (16-3), who defeated Comfort 3-2 Tuesday, is in first place 4-for-4 performances. Munoz had five RBI while

The Tigers have a one and a half game lead in second place over the Charlotte Trojans (7-6-1), who is 2-2 in district. Comfort (9-6) is 2-3, Dilley (7-8) scored one run and drove in four more. Jorge is 1-3, and Center Point (0-9) is 0-5 in conference Rodriguez turned in a 2-for-3 performance. He had

The Trojans traveled to Dilley on Wednesday, but results were not available at press-time. Brackett Hernandez and J. Wayne Ballew both went 1 for 4. hosts Charlotte tomorrow. With a win, the Tigers Hernandez scored one run and drove in another,

against Center Point. In three innings of work, he Michael Aguirre scored once. allowed no runs on one hit while fanning five bat-

Moses Hernandez pitched one inning. He allowed Tuesday night as the Tigers picked up a 16-0 vic- one hit and struck out three. Patrick Munoz also tory over the Center Point Pirates in District 30-2A pitched an inning. He gave up no hits with one Vern Ebert and Molly Schroeder. strikeout and one walk.

Munoz and Ramon De Leon paced Brackett's offensive attack Tuesday as both turned in perfect De Leon scored three runs and drove in two more.

Beau Smallwood was 3 for 4 at the plate. He two runs and two RBI.

Michael Meyer was 1 for 2 and scored three runs.

Demitreus Williams scored three runs for the Michael Meyer (5-2) picked up the mound win Tigers, Rene Luna crossed home plate twice, and

KEEP UP WITH

WHAT IS **HAPPENING** IN AND AROUND BRACKETTVILLE. SUBSCRIBE TO THE BRACKETT NEWS!!

Brackett dominates junior high tennis

UVALDE - Brackett dominated the District 30-2A junior Amanda Ward 8-7 in the semifihigh tennis meet Friday, winning nals. first place in all four team divisions - seventh and eighth grade honors, opened the tournament boys and girls.

Chris Petrosky defeated Schiller Hill in the eighth grade boys' singles finals.

ment with an 8-0 victory over doubles title. They defeated Comfort's Reamer, and then de- Nelson and Terry of Center Point, feated Haffner, also of Comfort, 8-3, in the championship match.

finals.

Sam Hunt and Brian Collier won the eighth grade boys' doubles title, picking up an 8-5 seventh grade girls' doubles. victory over teammates Victor Abrego and Tony Rubio.

Abrego and Rubio finished second after picking up an 8-6 win Welsh, 8-2, in the third place fiover Dustin Slubar and Chase nal. Ward, who were third.

April Crumley defeated Brittany

Crumley lost to Center Point's Gina McCulloch, 8-4, in the first

opened play with an 8-1 loss to Woerner of Comfort.

Brackett took first and second Savannah Massingill and Vanessa in the first round. Salinas, and B'Ann Gomez and Sherry Villarreal.

Michelle Bizzell was second in and Keller of Center Point. seventh grade girls' singles, falling to Center Point's Amber Jay 8-3 in the finals.

Bizzell edged teammate

Ward, who took third place with a bye and then lost an 8-6 nail-biter to Jay.

Susannah Davis and Duquesa Petrosky opened the tourna- Hunt won the seventh grade girls'

Hunt and Davis opened play in Hill defeated Center Point's the tourney with an 8-1 victory Herring 8-4 to earn a berth in the over Norlander and Welsh, also from Center Point.

Candice Ingram and Anna Talamantes took third place in

Ingram and Talamantes lost to Nelson and Terry in the first round before defeating Norlander and

Carl Dalton took fourth place In eighth grade girls' singles, in seventh grade boys' singles. He lost to Meador of Center Point, Shewbart 8-4 in the third place 8-1, and then to Mearley, also of Center Point, 8-3.

Levy Duncan and Fabian with a 5-0 league mark. Farias won the championship in Shewbart, who finished fourth, seventh grade boys' doubles. They defeated Isaac Finkenbinder and Juan Flores 8-6 in the finals.

Finkenbinder and Flores, who play place in eighth grade girls' were second, defeated Center doubles between the two teams of Point's Calvin and Lockaby, 8-5,

> Duncan and Farias opened the tourney with an 8-2 win over Scaff

> Brackett's junior high tennis teams were coached by Dalia Vasquez and J.J. Guidry.

Tigers rout Pirates, 16-0

Tigerettes open playoffs today

"Blanco is going to be tough,"

open the state high school soft- Nowlin said. "Their statistics being behind the plate in a

ball playoffs today at 5 as they show that they have a good team. while," Nowlin said. "She has

"It's going to be a good game.

"They have the best hitting

Nowlin will try to slow down

Lady Bobcats lead the area in started at catcher Monday against tact and putting the ball into

Natalia and gave up only two sto-

len bases with one passed ball.

the bases as much as possible."

step it up and play up to our capa-

baseball action.

will take a two-game lead over the Trojans.

ters and walking two.

and Ballew added a RBI.

Meyer, De Leon, Munoz and Smallwood each had a double for Brackett.

Scoreboard

Tennis

District 30-2A **Boys' Division** Singles Quarterfinals

Johnstone, Dilley, def. Schweikert, Com-Meyer, Brackett, def. Equia, Dilley, 6-2,

Woerner, Comfort, def. Crumley, Brackett, 6-3, 6-1.

Singles Semifinals Johnstone, Dilley, def. Meyer, Brackett, 41-9 3/4. 6-1, 6-0

Woerner, Comfort (bye). Singles Final Woerner, Comfort, def. Johnstone, Dilley,

Doubles Quarterfinals Melancon and Ramos, Brackett (bye). De la Fuente and Rodriguez, Dilley, def. Crosby and Rodriguez, 6-7, 6-4, 6-3. Hines and Neves, Dilley, def. Beagle and

Sherman, Comfort, 6-0, 6-0. **Doubles Semifinals** Melancon and Ramos, Brackett, def. De

Fuente and Rodriguez, Dilley, 7-6, 5-7, 6-Hines and Neves, Dilley (bye). **Doubles Finals**

Melancon and Ramos, Brackett, def. Hines

and Neves, Dilley, 6-4, 6-2. Girls' Division Singles Semifinals Tijerina, Dilley, def. Goodloe, Brackett,

6-1, 6-1. Campos, Dilley (bye). Singles Finals Tijerina, Dilley, def. Campos, Dilley, 6-

Goodloe, Brackett, def. Campos, Dilley, 6-2, 6-7, 6-3, for second place. **Doubles Semifinals**

Brown and Nieto, Dilley, def. Castro and Montalvo, Brackett, 6-1, 6-1. Benavides and Gullick, Dilley, def. Eckenrod and Juarez, Brackett, 7-5, 6-4.

Doubles Finals Brown and Nieto, Dilley, def. Benavides Center Point, 43.84.

Track

District 30-2A **Boys' Division**

Team totals: 1, Dilley, 178; 2, Center Point, 107; 3, Brackett, 97; 4, Comfort, 70; 5, Charlotte, 66; 6, Natalia, 51. Shot put: 1, Miguel, Comfort, 45-11 1/2;

2. Mendez, Natalia, 43-63/4; 3, Perez, Dilley, Discus: 1, Menchaca, Natalia, 125-1; 2,

Miguel, Comfort, 123-1; 3, Mendez, Natalia, 114-9. Long jump: 1, Neves, Dilley, 22-0; 2,

Williams, Brackett, 21-5 1/2; 3, Rodriguez, Dilley, 20-11 1/2. High jump: 1, Campos, Charlotte, 5-10; 2. Drimmel, Center Point, 5-8; 3, Vallejo,

Charlotte, 5-8. Pole vault: 1, Collins, Center Point, 14-6; 2, Slaughter, Center Point, 11-0; 3, Th-

ompson, Center Point, 11-0. Triple jump: 1, Neves, Dilley, 40-3 3/4; 2, Williams, Brackett, 40-0; 3, Boerner, Comfort, 38-4 1/2.

3,200-meter run: 1, Esqueda, Dilley, 10:12.00; 2, Soto, Dilley, 10:18.70; 3, Mel, Center Point, 10:41.22.

400-meter relay: 1, Brackett (Smith, Honstein, Williams, Ballew), 45.29; 2, Center Point, 45.31; 3, Dilley, 45.71. 800-meter run: 1, Rodriguez, Dilley,

2:01.39; 2, Ramos, Brackett, 2:06.18; 3, Kemp, Dilley, 2:12.28. 110-meter hurdles: 1, Collins, Center

Point, 15.51; 2, Brown, Center Point, 16.28; 3, Peek, Comfort, 16.85. 100-meter dash: 1, Pressler, Comfort, 11.09; 2, Vallejo, Charlotte, 11.25; 3, Ballew,

Brackett, 11.34. 400-meter dash: 1, Neves, Dilley, 51.86; 2, Rodriguez, Dilley, 52.21; 3, Santos, Dilley,

300-meter hurdles: 1, Martinez, Natalia, 42.09; 2, Smith, Brackett, 43.20; 3, Brown, 200-meter dash: 1. Neves, Dilley, 22.88;

Eckenrod and Juarez, Brackett, def. Castro 2, Pressler, Comfort, 23.19; 3, Ballew, and Montalvo, Brackett, 6-7, 6-4, 6-4, for third Brackett, 23.35. 1,600-meter run: 1, Ramos, Brackett, 4:45.06; 2, Esqueda, Dilley, 4:49.35; 3, Soto,

Dilley, 4:52.75. 1,600-meter relay: 1, Dilley (S. Rodriguez, Santos, N. Rodriguez, Neves),

3:30.42; 2, Brackett, 3:42.13; 3, Natalia, Girls' Division

Team totals: 1, Dilley, 138; 2, Brackett, 134; 3, Center Point, 125; 4, Comfort, 99; 5, Natalia, 70; 6, Charlotte, 13.

Shot put: 1, Meek, Brackett, 36-5; 2, Wells, Natalia, 30-6 3/4; 3, Richardson, Com-

Discus: 1, Wells, Natalia, 107-0; 2, Meek, Brackett, 98-4; 3, Richardson, Comfort, 89-Long jump: 1, Curry, Center Point, 16-8

Dilley, 15-8 1/2. High jump: 1, Minton, Dilley, 5-0; 2, Talbert, Comfort, 4-10; 3, Meek, Brackett,

1/2; 2, Jonas, Natalia, 16-1 3/4; 3, Salazar,

Triple jump: 1, A. Salazar, Dilley, 32-5 3/4; 2, Brown, Center Point, 30-11 1/4; 3, Packen, Center Point, 29-10 1/2. 3,200-meter run: 1, Perez, Brackett,

12:33.24; 2, Correa, Brackett, 13:06.65; 3, Machado, Dilley, 13:30.04. 400-meter relay: 1, Natalia (Rodriguez, Faz, Fraga, Jonas), 55.91; 2, Dilley, 56.20;

3, Center Point, 56.25. 800-meter run: 1. Finkenbinder, Brackett, 2:34.41; 2, Borjas, Dilley, 2:41.72; 3, Campos, Brackett, 2:43.09.

100-meter hurdles: 1, Talbert, Comfort, 14.80; 2, Brown, Center Point, 17.50; 3, Packen, Center Point, 18.53. 100-meter dash: 1, Curry, Center Point,

Charlotte, 13.25. 800-meter relay: 1, Dilley (Herrera, Team Flores, Salazar, Garcia), 1:52.97; 2, Brackett, 1:58.09; 3, Center Point, 2:02.57.

13.06; 2, Land, Comfort, 13.09; 3, Schliesing,

400-meter dash: 1, Finkenbinder, Brackett, 1:04.12; 2, Mouldenhauer, Comfort, 1:07.10; 3, Flores, Center Point, 1:08.16. 300-meter hurdles: 1, Talbert, Comfort, 47.30; 2, Brown, Center Point, 47.78; 3, Brackett vs. Blanco at Hondo, 5 p.m. Flores, Dilley, 51.88.

200-meter dash: 1, Salazar, Dilley, 26.84; Land, Comfort, 27.94; 3, Curry, Center Point, 28.60.

1,600-meter run: 1, Correa, Brackett,

5:59.94; 2, Salazar, Dilley, 6:09.59; 3, Campos, Brackett, 6:16.82. 1,600-meter relay: 1, Brackett (Meek, Finkenbinder, Hagler, Perez), 4:23.06; 2,

Dilley, 4:33.97; 3, Comfort, 4:40.04.

Baseball

District 30-2A

GB Team Season Dst. Pct. 5-0 1.000 Natalia Brackett 4-1 .800 18-2 .500 2 1/2 Charlotte 2-2 7-6-1 Comfort 9-6 2-3 -400 Dilley 7-8 1-3 .250 3 1/2 Center Point 0-9 0-5 .000

Friday, April 11

Brackett 4, Comfort 3 Natalia 6, Charlotte 2 Dilley 18, Center Point 3 Tuesday, April 15 Brackett 16, Center Point 0

Natalia 3, Comfort 2 Wednesday, April 16 Charlotte at Dilley, late Friday, April 18

Dilley at Natalia, 4 p.m.

Charlotte at Brackett, 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 22 Natalia at Charlotte, 4:30 p.m. Center Point at Dilley, 4:30 p.m. Brackett at Comfort, 7 p.m.

Comfort at Center Point, 4:30 p.m.

Softball

Bracket

District 5-2A Season Dst. Pct. 1.000 Natalia 12-4-1 5-0

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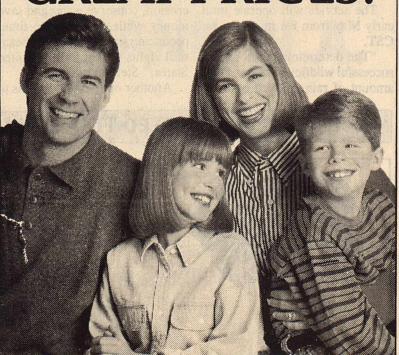
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Monday, April 14 Natalia 14, Brackett 10 Friday, April 18

Natalia vs. Johnson City, TBA

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Coastal shootout just part of the job for Game Wardens

By Henry Lutz Kinney County Game Warden

CORPUS CHRISTI - Two Texas Parks and Wildlife Department game wardens were fired upon while making a felony stop land. in the sand dunes of North Padre Island near here.

Caro were working illegal fish dunes. netting violations reported through land and the mainland.

The wardens overheard radio opened fire. traffic that the local police were pursuing a fleeing felon who had their vehicles and returned fire. fired shots in a Corpus Christi apartment parking lot.

The game wardens' 4 wheel with a well-armed assailant. drive vehicles allowed them to Just after dark, Game War- pursue the subject when he turned Christi, was carrying a .40 cali- but it's something we are prepared dens Mike Wheelington and Chris off a beach access road into a ber handgun with laser sight, a .45

The man exited his vehicle and, Operation Game Thief under the after the wardens ordered him

The wardens took cover behind

scene as the gunfire exchanged

Marc Cortinas, 24, of Corpus caliber handgun, and a semi-automatic rifle with a scope.

After a flurry of gunfire, JFK Causeway between Padre Is- several times to drop a handgun Cortinas was shot in the chest, and he was pointing at them, he was in fair condition at a local

hospital last week, where he was

shooting at law enforcement of-The chase led out onto the is- was ending and fired one round. ficers), carrying a firearm to com-The law officers were dealing mit a crime of violence, and committing a felony on federal land.

> "It's an unfortunate incident, for," said Jim Robertson, TPWD law enforcement director.

this, and proper procedure was mule deer out of season. followed by both officers in this

The incident demonstrates that opened fire. under 24 hour guard by the FBI. the training our game wardens A local constable arrived on the attempted capitol murder (for serious situations we know they

may face in the field." The last time game wardens field. exchanged gunfire in the line of duty was in October 1996 about 50 miles southeast of Amarillo.

Game Wardens Gary Hunt of Clarendon and Gary Self of Childress tried to confront two "Game wardens are trained for suspected poachers for shooting

suspects' pickup, the suspects rive.

The wardens returned fire. Cortinas has been charged with receive is preparing them for the The subjects fled the scene in their pickup. Gunfire was exchanged during a chase across an open

The two men abandoned their vehicle and fled on foot through the rugged Palo Duro Canyons.

After a 40-hour manhunt, the chase ended when the two men showed up about 18 miles away at the JA Ranch seeking water.

They were held by two ranch As the wardens approached the hands until law officers could ar-

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That's being objective. Here's how to diagnose and

A brownish cast and thinning lawn can be caused by thatch, one of the major factors contributing to lawn problems. Thatch restricts the flow of air, water, and fertilizer into the soil, weakening the lawn and making it more susceptible to a half inch of thatch, rent a ver- monium sulfate if it's too alkaline. care goes a long way!

Green and Growing

By Dr. Ellen Henke John Deere Lawn & Garden Expert

tical-cutting machine or core aera-

lawn problem, is due to lack of cate a disease called "Leaf the OTC: the Objective Turf nitrogen since nitrogen is the nutrient most needed by lawns. John April to November and most Deere recommends fertilizing a often attacks Bermuda grass, try to find the root of the prob- lawn every year, if you haven't fescue and Kentucky bluegrass. been applying fertilizer, your lawn What's causing the symp- is probably slightly yellow and mixture of sun and shade tolermay be growing a little slower than it should. If after fertilizing at the manufacturer's recomsolve a few common lawn prob- mended rate your lawn still has a fertilize. yellow tint and slow growth, the problem could be a lack of iron or an improper pH (acidity) level.

A soil test will tell you exactly what your lawn needs. If it's iron, applying iron as a liquid spray or in your area, someone at a nursin combination with nitrogen and ery, a county extension advisor

sulfur should do the trick. disease. If you have more than add lime if it's too acid and am- TLC or OTC, a little special

Elongated, circular spots with brown or straw colored Yellowing, another common centers and black borders indi-Spot." It normally occurs from

To fight leaf spot, plant a ant varieties of grass, improve aeration and drainage, mow on the high side, and don't over-

Be sensitive to your lawn's "mood" and ready to offer special care. If your lawn is suffering from a disaster that OTC won't fix, consult your lawn doc or a university turf specialist. If the pH level is the problem, And remember, whether it's

Common sense restored to the Endangered Species Act

By Bob Stallman President Texas Farm Bureau

A popular book of recent years is called "The Death of Common Sense." Every now and then. however, we witness that common life. Such is the case with the U.S. Supreme Court's recent unanimous decision that farmers and ranchers have legal standing to challenge actions under the Endangered Species Act.

ranch folks are concerned, is porter of ESA would have to con- case. cede that it has not worked very as it balances the budget.

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zealous implementation of the able candidates to monitor the powerless to protect themselves in Act. the courts when ESA enforcement reached deep into their pocketbooks, affecting their lives in many adverse ways. Regulators sense is showing some signs of had the last word, period. The court acted rightly in correcting an intolerable situation. I am proud to say that the Texas Farm Bureau played a significant role in this case. It is a very significant win for farmers and ranch-The ESA, where farm and ers across the United States. The about as popular as a drought. rights to protect their interests

The American Farm Bureau well. The government recovers Federation, along with the Texas, overzealous regulations. endangered species about as well Oregon, California, and Idaho ion that said farmers and ranch- nomically impacted by the ESA. legal standing to challenge over- farmers and ranchers are reason- like "common sense" to me.

Act. Simply put, farmers were government's compliance with the

The agricultural community had much at stake in the Court's decision. Under the lower court ruling, landowners had no legal standing. Faced with a committed adversary, determined to find and list species on private property everywhere, there was little recourse until the Court acted. It was like trying to win a football game without ever getting the ball.

This decision sends a clear decision reinforces landowners message to government agencies that they must respect the prop-This well intentioned law has been from being trampled under the erty rights of farmers and ranchapplied recklessly, with little re- ESA. Now each case may be ers when they implement Endangard for property rights, liveli- judged on its merits. This does not gered Species Act provisions. The hoods and lives of landowners show any favoritism to landown- Court recognized that environacross the nation. On top of that, ers, but at least now, we have a mental laws may impose limits on even the most enthusiastic sup- right to go to court and plead our the scope of governmental regulation, and it provides property owners with judicial relief from

Until Bennett v. Spear, ESA Farm Bureaus, argued in a friend operated with few checks and bal-The Court decision in Bennett of the court brief that farmers and ances. Regulators were free from v. Spear overturned a 1995 opin-ranchers are regulated and eco-any accounting. Now, they have to answer for their actions, good ers do not fall under the "zone of And because our property is habi- and bad. A level playing field is interest" of the ESA, and had no tat for so many listed species, all anyone can ask. It sure sounds

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Where to find those wildflowers

flowers this spring, according to Texas portation (TxDOT).

Department landscape experts Lemonmints and other native

For those searching for prime wildflower locations, TxDOT is offering assistance through its tollfree travel information hotline at ers, according to Steffens. (800)452-9292.

formation about wildflower festi- allow native plants to mature. vals and other spring time events throughout the state.

"The determining factor for a successful wildflower season is the States," Steffens added. amount of rain enjoyed by a re-

AUSTIN-Texas roadsides gion during the preceding fall and call the National Wildflower Reshould have an abundance of wild-winter," said Craig Steffens, Department the Texas Department of Trans- Transportation's director of landscape design.

predict a bumper crop of blueb- start their growth process prior to onnets, Indian paintbrushes, the spring season. So the fall and winter downpours that we've had should provide a beautiful and bountiful wildflower season."

ture a helping hand with wildflow-

"Our maintenance crews work over Central Texas. Callers may get directions to year-round planting thousands of some of the state's best wild wildflower seeds. They also are flower spots this spring and in- coordinating mowing schedules to

These vegetation management techniques help to prevent soil The service will operate until erosion, conserve water and save early May from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. money while, at the same time, producing some of the most beau- Sunday. tiful rights-of-way in the United

Another opition you have is to

search Center's Texas Wildflower of Hotline sponsored by 590-KLBJ Radio, at (512) 832-4059, ext. 4.

The Wildflower Hotline is a 24 "Wildflower plants actually hour service that details the locations of the most spectacular roadside displays of wildflowers throughout Texas.

The Hotline runs through May 31, 1997 and is updated every TxDOT has given Mother Na- Friday by Wildflower Center botanists.

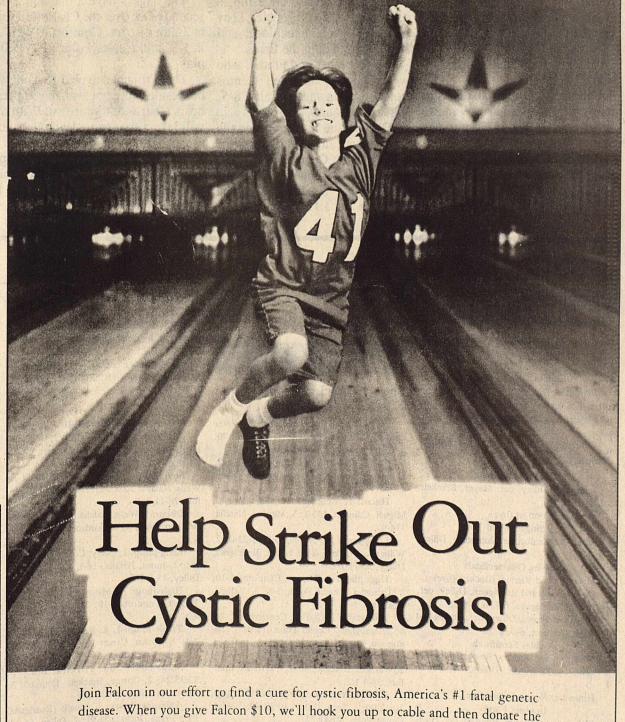
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Tax Day) has passed and I have to believe that since you are reading this you survived it. There are a lot of stresses involved with that day and preparing for it. If I may that are an absolute certainty for help relieve some of the stress with all of us. The writer of Hebrews a bit of humor.

blem with a sprig of mistletoe. Because no matter how they money goodbye."

to the I.R.S. with 'Dear Grabby.'"

into law October 3, 1913, a sena- totally prepared for death and life.

Another April 15th (Income tor speaking in opposition stated "If we allow this one percent foot in the door, at some future date it might rise to five percent!"

Taxes and death are two things said, "It is appointed to men to One person suggested that, "No die." And Jesus said that we are matter how they simplified the tax to give to Caesar (our governing code, they still ought to consider body) that which is Caesar's (the replacing the American Eagle em- tax). We are not happy about either of the two, generally speaking, but we must prepare for both. change it, you can still kiss your There is not much we can do to make paying taxes more pleasant, "The first thing you have to however; there is something we learn in dealing with the govern- can do to make dying more pleasment is to be polite. For instance, ant. We can be prepared to die by you should never start off a letter placing our trust in the Lord who is the giver of eternal life. By be-This is the truth, at least it was lieving that Jesus is the crucified reported to me as the truth--When and risen Lord and receiving for-Federal Income Tax was signed giveness for our sin, we can be

Gateway Ministries Pastor Charolette Corey

made king over Israel) was surely His name, who have the spirit of one of the most Hope Filled per- God living in their hearts through sons I have ever read about (I Sam. the faith in Christ Jesus who lives 19-30).

When the Amalikites had taken prayers. his wives and destroyed his town, and his best friends wanted to kill him he still had that "Sick Em" attitude towards his enemies. He was not impressed by his circum- God has given you. (Eph. 6:13stances and went to God in Prayer. We should do the same. This is God (Eph. 6:13 - 18). what will make you undefeated like David.

life deals us a ruthless blow, to today and forever. We are grafted use it as an opportunity to trust in, adopted, as joint-heirs with the Lord of Hosts (for our battle Jesus Christ. The same Holy is not against flesh and blood, but Ghost Power will save you! Pray! against principalities, powers, and Pray! Pray! rulers in high places.) God will go before us and fight our battles for walk in love.

David (even before he was those who are called righteous in in them. God will answer their

> There are a few strategic steps in winning a spiritual battle. 1) Repent of any shortcomings (2 Cor. 7:9-10) 2) Hold the ground 14) 3) Put on the whole armor of

David knew God would not let him be put to shame. We have the We have this same ability when same God, the same yesterday,

Stand in faith, rest in hope,

Obituary

"Jonsie" Iola B. Jones

Fort Clark Springs and Brack- Andrews Episcopal Church. ettville since 1974.

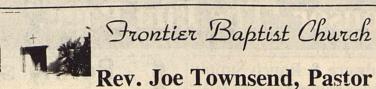
Jonsie is survived by her April 19th at 2:00 p.m. son, Richard L. Jones of San Jones of San Antonio.

A Memorial Service will be John J. Jones.

"Jonsie," Iola B. Jones, held in Brackettville, to be conpassed away on Tuesday, April ducted by the Reverend Nathan LaFrenz at Our Redeemer Jonsie had been a resident of Lutheran Church and St.

The service will be Saturday,

A graveside service will be Antonio, his wife Linda and held in Houston, on Friday, three grandchildren; Steven L. April 25th at South Park Cem-Jones of Texas City, Stacy D. etery on North Main, Pearland. Sloane of Austin, and Shawn W. At which time her ashes will be buried next to her late husband,



ism aren't new.

new. Drunkenness isn't new. Murnew channel of the expression of would have them do unto you." faith in God came. Prior to his between man and God. Now with his coming a new way has come. Man expresses his faith in God by

own. He is our "eternal advocate" before the Father. He says, "No wrong with it." man cometh to the Father but by

with Jesus is the approach to life.

When Soloman said in Before Jesus came man lived in a Ecclesiasties, "There is nothing climate of "Don't." The guide was new under the sun," he was stat- to simply refrain from doing ing a truism often forgotten. He wrong. Now with Jesus coming He wasn't referring to gadgets and changed the climate from negative many mundane activities but to to positive. The Christian approach fundamental facets of life. War in truth is not, "What's wrong with isn't new. Race prejudice isn't it?" but "What's right about it." new. Homosexuality and lesbian- Jesus changed the climate from "Don't do" but to "Do." Instead Greed and oppression aren't of saying as Confuscious said "Don't do to anyone anything you der isn't new. The only basic would not have them do to you," "new" came with Jesus Christ. A Jesus said "Do unto others as you

There are certainly things that coming faith was expressed by sac- are wrong that should never be rifices and offerings. Prior to his done but the true measurement set coming the priest was intercessor by Jesus is whether it is good or not. Jesus said. "Whether you eat or drink or whatsoever you do, do all to the glory of God." Where simply trusting Jesus Christ as his Jesus was about to go back to the Father he said "Go, tell, teach all Man no longer needs one to in- men." A Christian in touch with tercede between him and God be- God will always be concerned cause Jesus now intercedes for His about doing the good and right and less concerned with. "What's

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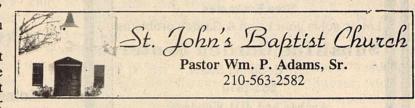
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Thou preparest a table before The Lord is my shepherd; I me in the presence of mine enshall not want. He maketh me to emies; thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy He restoreth my soul; he shall follow me all the days of my leadeth me in the paths of righ- life; and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever. PSALMS

Preaching every night 7 p.m. us in the Lord, the table is set. Everyone always welcome.

Unsung Hero Church

A man and his wife retired and moved to Ft. Clark Springs to take it easy and enjoy the relaxation of retirement. He soon realized he was not cut out to simply retire and enjoy doing nothing. He became involved in a project with the Chamber of Commerce and initiated a tremendous project. It's doubtful that he ever had a time of more concentrated activity demanding more concentrated effort. The result of months of feverish activity and long, long days was a most attractive book about Brackettville and reaching out to include Uvalde and Del Rio. This is a most attractive and useful book. He is to be highly commended. His expertise, vision, desire to accomplish and willingness to work hard without financial imbursement speak most highly of this man. He is amiable and warm hearted. He is friendly and well liked by all who know him. Surely Jack Schram is an Unsung Hero.

The Chopping Block by Philomena Corradeno

Nearly every professional and home cook will agree that one of the best taste-boosters is the mushroom. The ancient Romans nicely summed it all up by calling mushrooms the "food of the gods," and we are told that the upper class had special ser-

vants to prepare them.

MARINATED THAI-STYLE **MUSHROOMS**

1/3 cup rice wine vinegar 2 tablespoons sugar 2 tablespoons creamystyle peanut butter 1 tablespoon soy sauce

1 tablespoon Oriental sesame oil 1 teaspoon minced garlic 1/2 teaspoon minced fresh

ginger 1/4 teaspoon salt 1/4 teaspoon crushed red

pepper 1 pound fresh white mushrooms, (about 5 cups)

Romaine lettuce Enoki mushrooms, optional Sliced pear or melon,

optional In small sacuepan, combine vine-

By Joe Townsend 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

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.

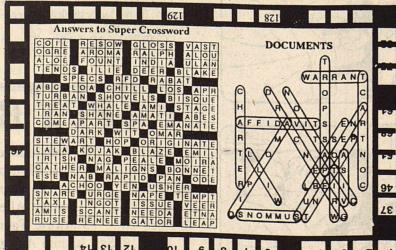
St. Blaise Catholic Church: Sun. Mass 12:30 noon. Adult Catholic Explanation and Convert Classes Thurs. 7:00 PM Rev. Donald R. Lavelle,

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, 563-2582. Our Redeemer Lutheran Church E.L.C.A Services: 9:00 A.M.Corner of Fort & Henderson in Brackettville. Bible study; Monday morning at the parish hall -10:A.M., also at the corner of Fort & Henderson, Reverend Nathan La Frenz, 563-2047.

Templo Elim Asambea de Dios: North Street, Sunday 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., Wednesday and Friday, 7:00 p.m., Rev. Abundio Mancha,

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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)



gar, sugar, peanut butter, soy sauce, sesame oil, garlic, ginger, salt and crushed red pepper. Cook over medium-low heat, stirring frequently, until hot, about 4 minutes. Meanwhile, place mushrooms in large bowl; pour hot marinade over muchrooms: toss to coat. Let stand at room temperature to blend flavors, about 20 minutes. Serve on a bed of romaine lettuce. Garnish with enoki mushrooms and pears, if desired. Makes 4 to 6 portions, 8 cups.

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There is high probability that headaches, visual problems, dizhypertension is the culprit disease ziness or shortness of breath, but being treated. There are over 50 million Americans that are af- conditions. Sometimes those with fected each year. The incidence dangerously high blood pressure is higher in blacks and in people over 60 years of age. It is also sequences of the treatment.

feel perfectly normal. The sad part is that while a diagnosis of hyperknown that a high percentage of tension is delayed, the body may those hypertensives will not take suffer substantial damage. Uncontheir medication. It is important trolled high blood pressure in to understand the reason for the short term may not be the cause high failure of treatment and con- of problems, long term uncon- are straight forward, although not cause the body to eliminate water renal gland to secret aldosterone, The diagnosis of hypertension major problems are well known the treatment depends on both the pressure. Central nervous system retained. These medications along and take your medication.

these could be caused by other

not be cured. It can certainly be ging and should not interfere with controlled. A person is considered a normal healthy sex life. There mone called noradrenaline which to have hypertension when the is usually no contraindication to stimulates the heart. systolic is greater than 140 or the have one or two beers a day. diastolic greater than 90. There

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> are variations and experts agree available to the physician are variblood pressure by stopping an that as one ages the pressure also able and must be individualized. elevates. The avenues of treatment These are as follows: Diuretics sels to constrict, causing the adtrolled pressure is. Some of the always successful. The success of and salt thereby lowering blood

tion of blood vessels.

Vasodilators act directly on the kidneys failed and the list goes on. avoid weight lifting, but includes blood vessels to relax and keep pressure down. Beta blockers counteract a hor-

enzyme which causes blood ves-

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bor, or family member who has reason is that it usually has no with a stroke and paralyses. Bob, ment consists first a diet that is from the brain to prevent constriction prescribed by your physician leads to sound blood pressure.

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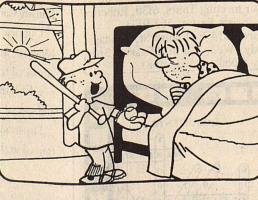
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TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Guard against domestic upsets early in the week. Intriguing news comes from afar. Partners work well together as a team. This weekend, creative work is especially favored.

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LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A partner has an inspirational effect on you. You'll be enjoying fun times together toward the latter part of the week. A private talk relates to money. Be moderate in pleasure seeking this weekend

SCORPIO (October 23 to



November 21) Though you may feel uncomfortable

about one work situation this week, you'll still get much accomplished. Time by yourself this weekend leads to innovative and inspired thinking.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Try to avoid an earlyweek contest of wills with a relative. You'll make a great impact at a group meeting later on. Innovative moves pay off for you in business this week. CAPRICORN (December 22 to

January 19) Someone at work may ask you to bend the rules this week. but it's best that you do not comply. You may run into friends unexpectedly toward the end of the week. Partners are in sync this weekend. AQUARIUS (January 20 to

February 18) Something you overhear may upset you early in the week. New insights come about a project that's been on the back burner for some time. Romance and creativity are happily highlighted. PISCES (February 19 to March

20) Success comes through a behindthe-scenes business move this week. Family matters are rewarding, but a difficulty about money could arise with a friend.

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April 10, 1997

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Making a Difference

By TAYLOR STEPHENSON, BISD Superintendent

The remarkable story of Tiger Woods is on my mind. Here is a young man 21 years old who is a legend with his record setting golf game at the Masters in Augusta, Georgia. He was hitting a golf ball some 330 yards on his drive, that's just amazing to think how he could spend one year on the pro circuit and how he has become the best golfer in the world.

Achieving world class in anything requires a dream and the hard work to get it done. The If you don't know where you are world class performance. work to achieve your status is going, you can never get there. something that must begin early in life. You must grow up believ- to all, but put the work into their best for their children. Let's set ing that regardless of the odds you talent that allows them to reach are going to be a winner. The their goals Most of us won't reach young people who achieve world world class, but what have we lost class status must know that their by trying? Perhaps we ended up first black player to ever win a achievement depends on their in the second tier, and achieved Masters Championship. His quest hard work, talent and goals.

It was easy to say we lost because of a bad call by the referee. When we falter, it's easy to blame ing others, your life will be a rea teacher, or others' prejudices or warding one. anyone who happens to be around. life given by a person who might that help us focus our energies. most participants. Our softball great week!

who don't accept mediocrity.

by setting goals. They have a picture of what they want to achieve. They know where they are going.

to achieve the goals without blam-

I believe right here at BISD we there. World class folks don't worry can achieve world class. We can about the refs, or a poor view of achieve it through setting goals letic season when we have the future for our children. Have a

longer than 3 football fields. It's not be world class. Winning per- We can achieve it through trying formances can be given by folks to improve ourselves rather than blaming others when we don't World class performers begin reach our goal. We can achieve it through finding out early in life that others' prejudices and biases and blaming won't help us get to

> World class performers listen We have parents who want the children from Pre K. through the our goals high, higher than we achieved and go for the gold. Tiger Woods is young and he's the most of our goal. If you did your for world class started long ago. best, if you set goals and worked Let's begin thinking today about world class kids, about world class schools, and about the support system that it takes to get our kids

> > Back to BISD. This is the ath-

baseball team is in 2nd place. 14 H.S. athletes qualified for the regional track meet. 3 Tennis players will be playing at regional. The golf team will be playing at regionals. Our athletic teams have a goal. They have a dream. They're living the dream.

In academics that is our basis for existence at BISD, we have students who are working in Advanced Placement Classes and in College Dual Credit classes. We have fine academic teachers who We have great kids at BISD. are stretching the abilities of the senior year of high school. The quest for world class academics begins in our homes before our

Is it possible in our town? In

Can we establish the infrastruc-

I believe in you and in your

team plays for bi-district. The

children start to school.

That's about it. World Class?

our school?

ture to make it possible?

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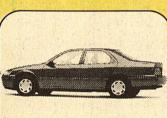


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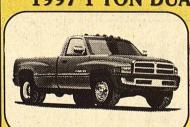
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