## Harrison, Melancon named Class of 97's top graduates

Courtney Harrison and David science. Melancon have been named vale-
Harrison won the All-American
dictorian and salutatorian for
Leadership Award, female Scholar dictorian and salutatorian for Leadership Award, female Scholar member of the BHS All-Scholar school career with a 4.84 grade point average.
During her four years at Brackett, she was a member of the National Honor Society, the Student Council, the Science Club, Among American Who's Who Among American High School Committee, and the BISD Advisory Committee.
Harrison was a state finalist for the Fina All Scholar Athlete Team and the Wendy's Heisman Award. She was also a state semifinalis for the Christian Athlete of th
Year award. She was named USAA All-
American Scholar in math and
 National, he was a member of the dent Council Society, the Stu the 4-H Club, FFA, Who's Who Among American High Schoo Committee, and the Gifted and Talented program

He was named to the National Academic Achievement Academy and attended the Texas Farm


Salutatorian
Melancon was active in band, football and tennis. He won district in boys' doubles and advanced
to the regional tennis tournament.

## Seniors bid final farewell


#### Abstract

By J.J. Guidry


Brackett High School will Brackett High School will
host Commencement Ceremonition will be given by nies for the Class of 1997 tomorrow night at Tiger Stadium sp beginning at 8 .
The event wi The event will begin with the
Brackett Tiger Band playing the Bracket Tiger Band playing the
processional, "Pomp and Circumstance," and the National Amanda Meek will open the Salutatorian Address by David Salutatorian Address by David
Melancon and the Valedictorian Salutatorian Address by David Naiya Garcia will offer the
Melancon and the Valedictorian commencement closing, fol-
Address by Courtney Harrison. lowed by the recessional by the Address by Courtney Harrison. lowed by the recessional by the
Lindy LaMascus will then band and a congratulatory line.
intren Lindy LaMascus will then band and a congratulatory line.
introduce Superintendent Taylor
Graduates of Brackett's alterStephenson, who will offer message to the graduates.

Michael Aguirre gmy by and Francisca Garza.
Stephenson will then present special awards.
High School Principal Don Sims will certify the graduates, and School Board President Jimmy Bader and Secretary
Gloria Garcia will present Gloria Garcia will present the
diplomas. diplomas. Jessica Payne will lead the Brackett Tiger Band in playing
the school song Graduates of Brackett's alter-
native school will also particinative school will also partici-
pate in the ceremonies.

## Briefs ...

Haenn no longer GM at Fort Clark Springs Bill Haenn is no longer the general manager at Fort Clark The announcement was made by Fort Clark Board President meeting.
Ganell Hobbs has been named terim general manager Miller said that "no decision have been made" for hiring "The Board of Directo every confidence in Ganell Hobbs as general manager," she added. Genealogical Society scheduled to meet
Members of the Southwest Texas Genealogical Society will
meet on Saturday, June 7 . meet on Saturday, June Karen R. Thompson, founder eteries Inc. 1994, will present eteries Inc. 1994, will present a eteries to Protect Our Heritage." Thompson, a 25 -year instruc tor in genealogy, adult education, and Texas history, is a public speaker dedicated to the preser vation of Texas history. Her in terest is in the Repu

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| The Brackett School Board of |
| Trustes discussed doing away |
| with reserved seating at the Tiger |
| football games. |
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Trustees discuss uses of new properties

Earier this year, the Bracket
School District senent $\$ 150,000$ to pchool District spent $\$ 150,000$ to
purchase additional properties. Now, the trustees are debating what to do with the excess land in the future.
The school district purchased
he PCI property for $\$ 655$. The school district purchased
the PCI property for $\$ 65,000$, the
Rose property for $\$ 45,000$, Rose property for $\$ 45,000$, and
the Guidry property for $\$ 40,000$ The PCI property will be the home of the school district's al ternative education program. The Guidry and Rose proper have both been used to in pus.
Both pieces of land have house in place and the trustees discussed ployees at their May board meet

| Property purchases |  |
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| The following are the propertypurchases made earlier this year |  |
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| School District |  |
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School Board members Rose Mary Slubar (from left) and Steve
LaMascus discuss expansion possibilities with Superintendent TayLaMascus discuss expansion possibilities with Superintendent Tay-
lor Stephenson at a recent walk-through of new properties purlor Stephenson at a recent
chased by the school district.

Development council assists local government entities

## By Frances McMaster

Contributing Writer
$\qquad$ icky McNiel dire Rotary Club hear Grande Development Council for Employment Training, speak at last week's McNiel was introduce by Chairman Don Ralston

The council consists of representatives secure grants to finance such tasks as pav- One of the areas the Council attends is nine counties in this area and covers ing streets and building water towers. Once the 911 emergency service. Its equipment
5,000 square miles. Each county has an the grant is obtained the council adminis- is purchased by the council 15,000 square miles. Each county has an the grant is obtained, the council adminis- is purchased by the council.
office, and since the council is growing, ters the project, seeing that the work is Another project is the development of McNeil needs to expand office space in both done. A fee is charged for administration. maps for every road in every county Uvalde and Del Rio. He remarked that the Another example of its administrative Emergency vehicles need to know how to large space needed is difficult to find. tasks is nutrition programs; 2,500 people The council will be administering a lot are fed each day through this effort. Nuof programs. For instance, it will assist tritionists
small towns with limited staff to write and selection.
reach a caller, where they are. located and what route to select.
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## Fourth graders learn all about Texas

Jones Elementary School's
fourth grade class has been learn fourth grade class has been learn-
ing all about Texas this year. ing all about Texas this year.
To reinforce the lessons, the students got to go on two very en lightening field trips.
to Alamo Village. Richard Currilla gave them a personal tour of the grounds.
They enjoyed the museum, the shops, the jail, and a most interesting gun fight.
The teachers said they appreciate all the staff at Alamo Vil lage for making their visit a very
special one. the real Alamo in San Antonio. First, they visited the Institute of Texan Cultures where they saw many exhibits concerning Texas past and present.
They then had a picnic in the
rain. After eating, they walked to rain. After eating, they walked to
the Imax Theater where they the Imax Theater where they
watched the movie, "Alamo, the watched the movie, "Alamo, the
Price of Freedom," after which they walked over to take pictures
in front of the real Alamo.
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Letter to the Editor Three cheers for the Alternative Program tunity to thank the Board of Education and the tax payers of this
area for providing the necessary area for providing the necessary tion Program. This program allows young people, who for whatever reasons second chance.
My son, Bill Dodge, has graduated as a result of this program. His life has been complet
turned around a a result. He has enlisted in the U.S. Larry Dodge
Thanks to three special women
Dear Editor,
As another school year comes
to a close I would like to take the time to thank three very special women, Mary Campos, Honeybee
Gomez, and Kathryn Letsinger. As officers of this years Jones Elementary P.T.O. they have taken
the time and effort to organize fund-raisers throughout the year. I am grateful that there are
women who will make the time, inspite of all their many obligations of work, raising kids, and

## Cutting the red tape of ergonomics

By Henry Bonilla

One of the biggest "red tape" nightmares that American employSafety and Health Administration created to protect worker health and safety. Now, instead of pro-
tecting workers, OSHA's mission seems to be imposing its power inusiness. A perfect example of this is OSHA's proposed ergonomics regulations.
As I wrote a few weeks back, ergonomics is the "study of fitting the workplace to the worker." Currently, OSHA is developing an ergonomics rule which would
force every business, large and small, to change virtually everyinto contact with people. OSHA has a long history coming up with cumbersome regu-
lations which often lacks basic common sense. The proposed ergonomics rule is no different. ergonomics rule was over 600 page ergonomic regulation mea to the average American small ion to comply with no guarantee hat it will prevent one worker's injuries. It isn't just the money. While those extra costs may not
put a dent in a New York corporation's budget, they could
make it impossible for a small make it impossible for a small
business in your town to stay
afloat Second, it means time. Instead of increasing productivity, small
business employees and employers will spend hours of trying to to comply. OSHA's idea of proecting workers is requiring their employers to fill out form after form detailing potential risks i Fery task a worker performs.
For too long OSHA For too long OSHA has cared
more about having a lot of inspec tors issue big penalties instead really addressing serious hazards that face workers. An ergonomics rule is yet another example of big government's attempt to contro every nook and cranny of the
American workplace. It's not help ing workers, its costing America Instead of resorting to scare tac lations, OSHA should work with lations, OSHA should work with
businesses to protect American
workers. It's time for the governworkers. It's time for the govern-
ment to remember who its employ

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## Aging Services budget is interesting and revealing

 ing and revealing. The words by the County Auditor speak loudly. In the first place if there is a short fall in county funds, the first place
to look for wasted money is the

## Botuenen Us

 $\mathrm{B}, \mathrm{y}$.ec imomad cost of the County Auditor. This of the District Judge, not by law There is no reason why the work
done by the Auditor can't be done by the County Treasurer. It wa recent years. After all the County Treasurer is elected by the people
and can be replaced by the people if the job is not well done. Th
only choice the people have re garding the auditor is to dish out irst statement KCAS budget may ome up short about $\$ 10,000$ hown to be false by the report have enough money to carry me
$\qquad$ tor shows she knows nothing abou
what the condition is. The service has generated more funds than las ers think people commission can paying five months of unemhortfall this yar unnecessary unemployment cos was resultant of a decision made by the chicanery and capricious
actions of the commissioners court purred, by the County Judge. S coming thin. This is not now and never has been a concern of the they meet they vote to "amend" the budget to suit their whims. A

Fort Davis recovering from glare of publicity

## For one week, the population How will what has happened af tiny Fort Davis increased by fect the economic futre of ne third when about 350 mem-

bers of the press flooded the



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fect the economic future of Fort
Davis? Fort Davis Chamber of Com-
merce President Joe Duncan said, "Fort Davis and the Davis Mountains have become household words to people who had
never heard of them. Until now, few realized that
Fort Davis is located in the Fort Davis is located in
middle of the mountains." middle or the mountains.
He added that Fort Davis mile-high elevation which
makes it the coolest place in Texas was not lost on reporters.
Many plan to return with Many plan to return wi
their families for a vacation.
John Robert John Robert Prude of the
Prude Guest Ranch notes that Prude Guest Ranch notes that
after watching what often after watching what often ap-
peared to be a war zone on television, many people got the ing on idea about what was go"The stand off was 25 miles
out of town," he explained. "Our little town is qu
peaceful and remained peaceful and rema

## Bis Mama Sea!

It's easier to forgive an enemy than to forgive a friend.

## Now that things ar

 normal, Fort Davis is busy preparing for "The Coolest Fourth Festivities will include a ade, arts and crafts booths, a melodrama, a Friday night street dance, and three days of team roping.Later in the
Later in the year, McDonald Observatory, which attracted
130,000 visitors last year will 130,000 visitors last year, will Hobby Eberly Telescope in opThe town of Fort Davis was
built around a military post of
 the same
1854.
The
The old post, now the Fort Davis National Historic Site, is
the best surviving example of frontier military post in the
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Your representatives

## 25 <br> Capitol <br> Comment <br> U.S. Sen Kay Bailey Hutchison

Chemical Weapons Treaty a flawed document
On April 23 , Peruvian armed daytime raid and rescued 71 of the 72 people who for four months had been held hostage by a terrorist group in the Japanese embassy in
Lima. As part of the operation, Leruvian army used tear gas to Peruvian army used tear gasta
stun he terrorist and rescue their

 were quite possibly a violationof the Chemical Weapons Convention, which expressly forbids the
use of riot control agents as a method of warfare. Yet the . next day, the U.S.S. Senate voted to ap36. I was one of the 36 who voted against it.

we all want to stop the production of chemical weapons. America already has such a ban. But we do allow the manuracure | $\begin{array}{l}\text { of defensivive treatments for chemi- } \\ \text { cal wearons and many companies }\end{array}$ |
| :--- | make chemical productst hhat have maxe chemical products stat have

no relation to weapons. This traty no relation no weapons. This treaty
would allow international inspection of companies shat make cleaning products, crop pesticides, insect repellents and many other products unrelated to chemical warfare.
As many as 670 companies in Texas will be directly affected by tually in the chemical industry Many others use small amounts of chemicals for legal, non-military purposes. But under the CWC, they will be required to submit business information to naw U.N. style international organization, or will have to open their property to inspections by teams
of international inspectors. This is. a profound departure from previous arms control treaties which were limited to military installations.
Chemical warfare is a reprehensible form of conflict. I am proud the United States is already destroying its own chemical weapns. But treaties are another matter. Neither the 1925 Geneva Prouse nor the two agreements we signed with Russia are being enforced.
The Chemical Weapons CönWhtion raises two key questions: Will it achieve the desired objective of ridding the world of It will not We know
Itlaw regime know there are cal weapons, regimes that have fio intention of signing or ratifying this treaty. Iraq, which makes a mockery of international agree-
ments like the CWC is only oie ments like
example.
Worse, though, is that this ages the spread of chemical wearons technology among countries that are parties to it. Under Atticles 10 and 11 , law abiding democracies such as the United States have to tell Iran how they would defend themselves against chemical weapons Iran might one day try to use against us, allowing ons to offset our defenses weapCan we ourminense ountries who have signe othe reaty will honor it? We cannot In operation Desert Storm we defeated and then occupied Iraq with international inspectors who tore he country apart brick by brick weapons. This inspection is muct more aggressive than anything permitted in the CWC. But the U.N. Special Commission on Iraqu believes that Iraq is still hiding Virtually every senior nationá security expert in America has
testified to Congress on the inabil ity of the United States to verify fetched to And it seems very far fetched to imagine that China or
Iran will be as forthcoming as we
will certainly be

## MRGDC helps local governments <br> \section*{- Continued from Page 1}

A Cell phones pose a problem : innce there is presently no way to tell where the call originates.
TEquipment is now being devel - equipment is now being devel-
ope will locate the caller within a 10 -mile radius couple of years this will be nartowed down to less than 100
yards.
born The council is also in charge of the criminal justice program and obtains grants for police and sheriff departments. It sponsors peace officer training in every Suaron
county. Training is available at at Southwest Texas Junior Col-
ifege.
sists of the elected officials of the
counties involved and the may-
ors of designated towns. This
forms a Board of Directors of 28 members. There is also a $47-$ member Work Force Development Board created in August of 1996. It was certified by Gov. Bush and charged with redesign-
ing the delivery of work force training in the middle Rio Grande region.
McNeil noted that three members of that board were present at the Rotary meeting: Ralston, Sharon The council staff has develand is now working on an operational plan. It's existence is the result of an effort to eliminate the duplication of services
dressing employment problems. An effort is being made to help people be trained and find jobs to help them become self
sufficient and off welfare. With sufficient and off welfare. With
certain segments excepted, welcertain segments excepted, welfor a lifetime. This means that people have to be trained for jobs that pay a living wage and
these jobs must be available. these jobs must be available. The problem is that there are few jobs available and in some locations there is simply no ac-
tivity. In this case, participants tivity. In this case, participants
must be trained to leave the remust be trained to leave the re

## McNiel stressed that this is

 not an entitlement program. Persons who are economically disadvantaged are eligible, but soare dislocated people who would
like to seek employment in a dif-
ferent area and need training. ferent area and need training The training must also be suitable. For instance, if a per on lacks the education needed Southwest Junior College for basic education program fered.
McNeil said that in the near future they hope to be able to have access through computer of find available jobs across th entire state.
streamline existing efforts create efficient ways to train people for appropriate employment, and this should enhance many lives as well as help the economy in general.

## Trustees discuss reserved seating

The Brackett School Board of rustees discussed doing away er football games.
Board Vice President Lloyd Lee Davis said he feels that the ence separating the reserved ection from the remainder between the team's fans. "I just wanted the board to onsider the possibility of taking down that fence and just opening it up so if you pay to come in the gate you can sit anywhere you want up there, Davis said

The attendance at our ball games decreases as the season
goes on, but this might help the attendance.
vis "I feel that fence creates a division in the community o people attending the football "game, he said. feels that way, ather people may not see it as
that.
tion and seeing people on the -other side of the fence, it's just Aike a wall there between us. there to support our team. - "To me, it just seems like would create more cohesiveness among us if we get rid of that barrier," Davis added. many people purchase reserved many people purchase reserved games.

## have empty seats there,"

 Davis said. "So why shouldn' people who paid to come in the he middle on the over there in "They don't know that those people aren't going to show up. The reason for having the fence there is to keep that from happening, to keep conflicts from "If somebody's paid for re serve seating, they show up and somebody's sitting in their seat, hey have to ask them to move, which is embarrassing for thepeople sitting there," he added people sitting there," he added
Trustee Tim Ward said, "What made it come to my attention is that our area was vacant and I looked around and here were other areas that were pacant. Then I looked over and he fence," "That's a good point," board member Steve LaMascus said. seats that are empty are still paid "I don ther whethe one way or the seats or not," he said.
"I like being able to go up find my seat and sit down, and ing three seats in a row, or five seats in a row if my parents come."
Officials said 150 reserved seats are available and that 8 percent of those seats were sold

## What do you think?

Please check the appropriate box and return to The Brackett News,
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$\square$ I think there should be reserved seating. $\square$ I think there should not be reserved seating. $\square$ I usually purchase reserved seats

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I usually purchase general admission tickets
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want to see.
Reserved
en cats for atulus ant cif youve ever had a kid Reseread sast for atult and having a tough time winning a sion tickets are

"They tell you they look up higher than the seats should be in the stands and they're empty, sion tickets," seneral admisthat affects those kids. It doess't ber Gloria Garcia.
matter if they're full on either matter if they're full on either The trustees said that if they
end, if that middle is empty do eliminate the reserved seatthat's what they see." ing, a smaller reserved section Athletic Director Roy would be provided for elderly board will have to make "If the board feels that it's ing to bring more cohesiveness wanted input from Tiger fans the community, that's good," The Brackett News has in-
$\qquad$ can't get in my seat then I'm not
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$\qquad$ to give them an opportunity to
voice their opinion. The ques "Our attendance this year was tionnaires will be returned up. We almost doubled our rev- school trustees before the June enues from last year. If those "Woard meeting.

## Kinney County Sheriff's Report

## Monday, May 12

 12:15 p.m., A Kinney there were about five illegal aliens behind her house approximately three miles east of Brackofficials notified the U.S. Border Patrol.oman r.m., A Fort Clark cart. She said she stolen golf man with scragly hair driving the cart. Smith Security was made aware of the situation and later located the golf cart.

Tuesday, May 1 5:03 p.m., Officials were notified that the alarm at the high school library was going off and that school district employee to the scene. Chief Deputy Sherto the scene. Chief Deputy Sher-
iff Johnny Fritter was dispatched of the scene and reported that everything was secure at 5:07. 10:43 p.m., Deputy Sheriff Adrian Pena was dispatched to Standard Lane Highway in refrence to an accident involving


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> after the Sheriff's Department was contacted by Border Patrol Agent Gene Meeks. When Pena arrived, he said the man was laying next to the railroad tracks. The man had a cut on his head and his foot was almost cut in half. The subject was missing all but two of his toes and the front outside part of his foot. Kinney County EMS officials arrived at the scene and transported the man to Val Verde Regional Medical Center. The man said that he fell off the train and had been laying next to the track for 30 to 40 minutes before Border Patrol agents found him. Wednesday, May 14 1:03 p.m., A Kinney County man reported a burglary and vehicle theft at the La Fonda Ranch. Deputy Pena was dispatched to the scene. .tems stolen included a television, a VCR, video tapes, a portable stereo, tools, food and beer. An older model tan suburban was also stolen. Pete Bland observed that the
e Sheriff's Department. The last time anyone had been at the
location was three to four days prior to the report.
$11: 38$ pem 11:38 p.m., A black angus cow was reported on the side of
the road. Deputy Pena was dispatched to the scene and took the to the proper ranch.

Thursday, May 15
dispatched to, Deputy Pena was dispatched to the Foyt Ranch in reference to an alarm call. Pena locked but said that no broperty seemed to be taken. The residence and the gate were secured Friday, May 16
$\qquad$ McElroy, 24, of Fort Worth was arrested by Department of Public Safety Trooper Tom Wylie for driving while intoxicated, he Kinney County Jail and mag the Kinney County Jail and magSeargeant. McElroy was re leased on May 18 after posting a $\$ 400$ cash bond. the Uvalde Animal Control re


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From Alamo Village Virginia Shahan

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FROM
O'ROURKE REALTY

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But, I could be wrong! 䍌

Graduation
I really don't like to
let them. We must watch them even if they fail and fall, let them graduations. They depress me. I the hard part. It would be so much do not enjoy saying good-bye to easier to do things for them. another group of seniors. It's dif- Easier on us, that is. So to the ficult for me to let go. I want to seniors I say farewell. Go forth cling to each student, each mo- and live your life. If I seem a little ment that we have shared, and not cold or distant, it's just because relinquish my grip on that student. know I have to let you go. But
I want life to stop and stand still. understand that I do so with no But that's selfish. That's unnatu- real reluctance, only slight reral. Life must go on. The birds morse. Remorse because part of must leave the nest and test their me is also leaving. I will surely wings. And we must stand by and miss you. But, I could be wrong.
Grandmothers honor graduate Amy Bader and friends at luncheon Amy Bader, a graduate of this sert of peanut butter cheesecake year's senior class, was honored with chocolate syrup, a favorite
by grandmothers Melba Bader and of Amy's.
Clara McCord at a luncheon on Senior classmates who attended Clara McCord at a luncheon on Senior classmates who attended May 14 at Barbara's Table res- were Lines La
taurant. Tables were decorated with Harrison, Melissa Terrazas, unicorn centerpieces which Amy Michelle Robbins, Sandra has collected since chilchood. Hernandez,
Brackett Tiger balloons added
Hughes and Chica Garza. to the decorations. Amy's sister, Jamie, mothe The girls enjoyed a delicious Kathy, and aunt, Candy Bader, lunch, followed by a luscious des- joined in the festivities.

| GOOD LUCK |
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## BEST WISHES CLASS OF 97 <br> CONGRATULATIONS VALEDICTORIAN COURTNEY HARRISON WE'RE PROUD OF YOU!

STAY FOREVER YOUNG IN YOUR HEART FROM MOM, DAD \& JARRETT

## Smoke From Nakai By Nakai Breen <br> $\qquad$

 Today, I will continue with the be shown the path of life, the good outh preparation and what I road that all men should stay on learned as a child. so he can grow and be able to lead I learned that when I pull a his people or family until old age plant that was to be used for food catches up with him. to always leave one or two be- The third quarter is the South If I ever drank water from a south the rains come to impregspring, river or creek, to always nate Mother Earth so she can burst present a gift to them. forth with nutrients for all the livNever to kill anything that was ing brothers.not to be used. The fourth quarter is the west To preserve all trees, to only and its color is Blue or Black. The use the dead ones for kindling. West teaches us about the eternal I learned about the colors of sleep and to rest at night and wake
the four quarters and what they up in the morning to see the new what they up in the morning to see the new mean. light. The West's light is a col
The first quarter is the North that gives life or destroys life. and its' color is white. The North that gives life or destroys life. is a healing and purifying wind destroy life is to corrupt. and its' snows are telling us it is The hoop of life is us and it is time to rest and teach our chil- Mother Earth. It is the heavens dren all that is ahead for them. The second quarter is the East It is called the Rainbow Jourand its' color is yellow. From the ney and it is a beautiful walk, and east comes wisdom and knowl- that is good.

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will grow and flourish. He will
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## Pete's Sake

How do you know when you are getting old? When everything hurts, and what doesn't hurt doesn't work. When the gleam in your eye, When you feel like becals. ing after, and you haven't been Ez anywhere the night before.

## When your mind makes

## Wheur body can't keep.

 When your knee buckles, and your belt won't
## Sorority News..

Laureate Epislon Iota
Orlean Riley was May hostess for laureate Epislon Iota chapter was conducted by out-going Presiof Sigma Phi at the Fort Clark officers are. Nakai Bren Pres Restaurant on May 12, 1997.

Nakai Breen led the opening dent, Lily Schwandner, Secretary
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## Fort Clark Golf

Ladies Golf League
On May 6, the Ladies Golf were read and approved. TreaLeague met and the game was surer Pat McK
low gross and low net. Pat cial report.
McKelvy had the low gross score $\quad$ Norma Reivitt gave a report and Norma Reivitt had the low net from the General Golf Committee. Clara McCord reported from Betty Schlatterer won the chip- the Golf Recreation Committee Nel Dat McKelvy had six skins, about activities for the summer Nel Darling three and Clara months.
CCord two. The meeting followed with a The Ladies Golf League met game of total score on the parfor its monthly business meeting three course.
on May 13 at the Fort Clark Golf Leslie Houk won first with a Club with President Mary 16, Mary Stephenson was second $\begin{array}{ll}\text { tephenson presiding. } & \text { with 17, and Nel Darling and } \\ \text { Minutes of the last meeting } & \text { Betty Lee tied for third with } 19\end{array}$ Men's Golf Association
The Men's Golf Association's There was a tie for second Wednesday play was four-man teams and add the score of Kauffman, Dwite Gilliland and $\begin{aligned} & \text { hree best balls. } \\ & \text { Wayne Schwartz, James }\end{aligned}$ Bob Burkepile, and the team of
George Clark, Allen McCord Stafford, Dave Yates and Muzzy E.W. Williamson and Frank Edwards won first place with a Eckenroth. Both groups finished score of 256 .

Thursday Couples Golf Day
The Thursday Couples Golf The second flight was won by consisted of two flights. The game the team of Frank Eckenroth and was a single couple's scramble, Gwen Ladd. They finished nine
with target scores. In the first flight, Clem and Pat Dwite and Luella Gilliland tied In the first fight, Charlie Smith and James and Flo Stafford for sec Mary Stephenson. Both couples ond place. Both teams shot thei were two under their target score. target scores.


Class of 97 ' was recognized by the Kinghts of Columbus
Knights of Columbus recognize "Class of 97"

The Brackettville 1997 Se- bers were unable to attend.
nior Class were recognized by nior Class were recognized by Tom McNew did the presenthe Knights of Columbus Sun- tation and Bee Sweet and
day May 18, 1997 at the Catho- Agapito day May 18, 1997 at the Catho- Agapito Saenz presented the
lic Church during a special mass bibles. lic Church during a special mass in their honor. Congratulations and best Bibles were presented to 26 wishes to all seniors from the
of the 36 senior class. 10 mem- Knights of Columbus.

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## High School hosts annual awards assembley


#### Abstract

Brackett High School held its the junior was inducted Monday. annual awards assembley at the auditorium on Monday morning. Courtney Harrison and Lindy LaMascus were presented the M.B. Lamar Award from the Las Moras Masonic Lodge. Harrison Moras Masonic Lodge. Harrison J. Wayne Ballew received the Border Patrol Award. Ballew and Samantha Perez were named the local winners of the National Heisman Awards. Presidential Fitness Awards were presented to Harrison, LaMascus, David Melancon, Amanda Meek, Amy Bader, Garza, Josh Crumley, Naiya Garcia and Sandra Hernandez. Harrison, Melancon and LaMascus were presented UIL Scholar Awards, which go to the Scholar Awards, which go to the class that participated in UII lass that participated in UIL Har Harrison, MaMascus and Meek were pre sented Honor Medallions, which re given to seniors who graduate with 4.0 grade point averages or higher. Cindy Brandt presented NaHarrison, Melancon, LaMascus Meek, Bader, Aguirre, Garza Crumley, Garcia and Hernandez. Windy Goodloe missed the NHS induction ceremonies earlier his year because she was at the


P.T.O. efforts raise record amounts for new playground

> The primary focus of this Other projects funded by the
ear's fund-raising efforts by the P.T.O. include Principle Pals T.O are to build a new elemen- Day, Teacher Appreciation ary school playground and for the Breakrast, and a donation to graduating senior
> The P.T.O. has raised a record
> mount of money this spring with eybee Gomez, Kathryn Letsinger three main events: the Scholastic and Laura Farias would like to Book Fair, $\$ 524$ was raised; the thank all the volunteers and par-
Valentines Day Cake Raffle, $\$ 323$ ents who made this year's efforts Valentines Day Cake Raffle, \$323 was raised; and towel sales, where so successful.
> Special thanks go to Mrs.
An additional $\$ 500$ was do- Hilliard, Mrs. Ramon, the Kinnated to the P.T.O. by the Kin- ney County Chamber of Comney County Chamber of Com- merce, Cindy Braesicke, Lourdes merce after the circus was in Zamora, Julia Terrazas and Sandy
town.
Herman.

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Cherise Ward.
Sophomores: Jennifer Ashabranner, Colby Crosby, Jessica Jaso, Amanda Petrosky

- Freshmen: Jamie Bader ania Finkenbinder, Steven Hagler, Jacob Hughes, Jerritt Meeks.
The following teachers presented academic awards to the top
students in each of their classes students in each of their cla
Ms. Gonsoulin
J. Wayne Ballew, Windy Goodloe, English III; Laura Lee Ballew, James Burks, Daniel Hernandez, Donald Page, English I; Leticia Gomez, Reading Improvement.


## Hild Ms. Curry

 Hilda Aguirre, DavidHonstein, Amanda Petrosky Honst II; Naiya Garcia Courtney Harrison, English IV DC; Alfred Rodriguez, A/P English; Daniel Lincoln, English IV.

Ms. Crumley Alexander Arreola, Steven Hagler, Physical Science Amanda Mulvaine, Physics, Courtney Harrison, Chemistry; David Melancon, Chemistry II Mr. Frerich
Robert Aguirre, Environmental Science; Hilda Aguirre, Jania Finkenbinder, Jose Perez, Biology I; Sandra Hernandez, Applied Entomology; Baldemar Martinez, Soil and Plant Science; Naiya

Students learn all about Texas
$\square$ Continued from Page 1 They then walked to the Children's Museum, where the students were able to drive a miniature front end loader, pretend they were flying a miniature airplane, and talk to iature flight tower

## Many of th <br> learned first hand how to scan

 groceries and restock the shelves in a miniature grocery store. They even learned to operate an ATM which gavethem play money whereby they could buy a pencil Some of the students were able to stand inside a giant soap bubble which they made themselves. were many inters said there were many interesting handon exhibits which the students enjoyed.
On the On the way back to BrackMcDonalds in Uvalde.

Crumley, Wildlife Man
Ms. Brandt Liz Aguirre, Accounting I;
Amanda Meek, Accounting II Bonnie Hughes, Business Com puter Applications; James Burks Latoya Wright, Micro Compute Applications; Alexander Arreol Keyboarding.
Mr. Ramon
Christina Meek, Advanced Social Studies and Advanced Texa History; Colby Crosby, Amanda Petrosky, World History; Liz Aguirre, World Geography
Samantha Perez, Spanish III. Mr. McNew Donald Page, Imelda Vela, A gebra I 4-A; Phillip Juarez, Simo Smith, Algebra I 4-B; Crystal

## Alexander Arreola, Zack Davis, Jania Finkenbinder, Joshua

 Mulvaine, Algebra I; David Honstein, Jessica Jaso, Geometry; Mayra Fuentes, Jose Perez, Mr. TaylorCourtney Harrison, Amanda Meek, U.S. Government; Courtney Harrison, Lindy LaMascus, Economics; Christina Meek, Psychology; Colb Mr. Rokovich Xavier Toms, Keyboarding. Mr. Finkenbinder Michael Aguirre, Trigonom-
etry DC; Francisca lytical Geometry Samana-

## Trustees discuss future expansion

## - Continued from Page 1

## The board agreed to have Su-

 perintendent Taylor Stephenson look into the costs of renovatingin order to rent the houses out The trustees said the property was purchased for possible future expansion.
"We are sorely in need of space for students," school board member Darlene Shahan said. "A state man came in here last year and ford us how under-spaced we are have on campus."

Davis said the board had the opportunity to purchase property
adjacent to the district's main camadjacent to the district's main campus and he felt that the purchases was available.
"When the need arises to ex pand, the land may not be available and then we
"We had to look down the road far enough so that when the time came to expand, whether it's this

The Brackett Independent School District announces the sponsorship of the Summer Food Service Program, beginning June 9, 1997 and ending July 3, 1997. Breakfast and lunch will be provided on campus, 400 Ann Street, at 8:00 a.m. and 11:45 a.m. respectively. People who are eligible to participate in the program must not be dis-
criminated against because of race, color, national origin sex, age, disability, religion, or political belief. Anyone who believes that they have been discriminated against should write immediately to: Director, Civil Rights Division, MC-W-106, Texas Department of Human Services, P.O. Box 149030, Austin, Texas 78714-9030 or the Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250. Note: discrimination complaints based on religion or political beliefs must be referred only to the Director, Civil Rights Division, Texas De-
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Lindy LaMascus (from left) and Courtney Harrison were preented the M.B. Lamar Award by Worshipful Master Wes Robinson of the Las Moras Masonic Lodge.
Payne, Algebra II Honors; Comprehensive Home EconomAmanda Mulvaine, Algebra II; ics; Naiya Garcia, Advanced Child Development; Amanda Mr. Hall
Caleb Crumley, Amanda
Petrosky, Speech.
Mary Mr. Nowlin
Mary Alice Coronado, Lionel
Ramos, Spanish I; Lionel Ramos
Moses Villarreal, Spanish II.
Donald Page, Cecilia Terrazas
Mulvaine, Food Science and Nu rition; JoLee Jones, Advanced Parenting and Family Health; Jes sica Jaso, Parenting and Child De velopment. Mr. Sanders
Zack Davis, Josh Mulvaine, U. History; Katy Hagler Chris Donald Page, Cecilia Terrazas, tina Meek, Health.

## ardd another board, the school adminis

 district'son suggested moving The trustees are expected to district's administration offices continue their discussions involv"I don't see a need to build new ing the property at the July board
## Congratulations Seniors

Class of 97
Hair By Diane
Diane \& Brandi Wilson
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## First Baptist Church is praying for you. Congratulations Class of 97

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## It's graduation time in Brackettville!


#### Abstract

ettville! Everywhere you in Brack- We have brand new lights, can see caps and gowns and stu- this article. dents walking toward their reward! I enjoy watching the pre-kindergarters fice. We had lots past the of- team practices. couldn't do anything but stand and couldn't do anything but stand and admire this fine group. Your heart admire this fine group. Your heart would have swelled to see this sight! The eighth grade graduation will be held at $11 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. tomorrow in the auditorium. The graduates dress in their Sunday best and go to receive a diploma that certifies that they are finally in high school. It's a rite of passage that all of us went of passage that all of us went through, and an important one at that! The Senior Class of 1997 will The Senior Class of 1997 will be under the lights ( mitting) at Tiger Stadium at 8 p.m. tomorrow.

Class of 97 receive their diploma which is the beginning of a new adventure. A beginning of Band Concert We had a great band last week! Thanks Tiger Band and Director Hector Jimenez.




Bader is politically wise in our age drinking. We know that we are state educational system. He is a partner with parents in the eduabout to complete six plus years cation of the kids.
as a director for the Texas Asso- We solicit your support in this iation of School Boards. task. It's a problem in every com$\begin{array}{ll}\text { It was a good day! } & \text { munity in our nation }\end{array}$ Teenage Drinking As a school administrator, I Please remember that our kids pledge consistency and action in are still trying to learn about life. these matters. Your children are Sometimes they make wrong de- important to me! cisions; sometimes they don't. That's about it. What a great Our school system will try to time of the year: Commencement, be consistent in dealing with bad 1997. decisions and good decisions made We have fine kids in Brackettby our students. We want kids to ville and a school system that
works every day to become better
learn. We intend to take action that than it was yesterday. Thank you will deal with problems of teen- for your support.
 Frances McMaster, chairman of Rotary Scholarship Committee, congratulates Courtney Harrison, the scholarship recipient.

## Harrison awarded

Rotary scholarship
The Brackettville Rotary Club ricular activities, some of which has awarded a $\$ 500$ scholarship have involved national and state 10 graduating senior Courtney competitions, as well as local ones
Among the many honors and Harrison.
Courtney, the daughter of awards she has earned are 16 med James "Sonny" and Susan als for Outstanding Student pre
Harrison, plans to attend Texas sented between 1994 and 1997. Tech University in the fall and will This year, she was named an work toward an engineering de- All-American Scholar in science, gree. Rotary Club Scholarship In 1995, the Brackettville Lion's The Rotary Club Scholarship Club chose to sponsor Harrison Committee was comprised of three as a foreign
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { appointed members, Chairperson } & \text { Switzerland. } \\ \text { Frances McMaster, Don Ralston } & \text { An excellent athlete, Harrison }\end{array}$ and J.J. Guidry. President Mike was a first team selection at shor holley sat in with the committee stop on the TSWA Class 3A Allas each applicant was interviewed. State Softball Team in 1995, and $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Nine well-qualified students ap- } & \text { she was state finalist as Fe } \\ \text { plied, and committee members } & \text { Christian Athlete of } 1997 .\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{ll}\text { plied, and committee members } & \text { Christian Athlete of 1997. } \\ \text { rererted not being able to award } & \text { In her application, Harriso }\end{array}$ regretted not being able to award In her application, Harrison scholarships to each of them. stated she has chosen engineering The factors considered in mak- technoloty ing the choice were character, par- in constructiont to make our world
ticipation in extra curricular ac- cause she wants
 ment. appealing.
Harrison is valedictorian of her She also credited her parents class. She has received honors in with working hard to help prepar numerous academic and extra-cur- her for college.

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## Business

New survey shows changing out door recreation trends seminar

sion Service is sponsoring four, two-day Farm and Ranch Busi- ness Management for Women Landowners Seminars at the following locations. San Antonio, June 11-12, at

Alamo Towers West, Ste 420 Alamo Towers West, Ste 420,
located at 901 NE Loop 410. located at 901 NE Loop 410.
San Angelo, June 16-17, at the Holiday Inn Convention Cen-
ter located at 441 Rio Concho ter located at 441 Rio Concho
Drive.
Fort Worth, June 19-20, at Fort Worth, June 19-20, at
Green Oaks Park Inn, located at 6901 W. Freeway. Long View, June 23-24, at
the Gregg County Extension Ofthe Gregg County Extension Of-
fice, located at 101 East Methvin fice, lo
$\# 601$. \#601.
These two days are designed to help women explore incomegenerating and tax saving oppor-
tunities for their farms and ranches. Discussions will center on income taxes, leases, business
organization and estate planning.
By Henry Lutz

| Kinney County Game Warden |
| :--- |
| AUSTIN-A new national sur- |
| vey shows increases in bird watch- |
| ing, hiking and camping and de- |
| clines in the number of people |
| hunting and fishing during the last |
| two decades. |
| The survey also shows how |
| nature-based outdoor recreation |
| pastimes stack up against activi- |
| ties like sporting events, outdoor |
| concerts, golf and tennis. |
| "Surveys like this one reinforce |
| what many of us in the conserva- |
| tion field already know," said |
| Andrew Sansom, Texas Parks and |
| Wildlife Department executive |
| director. "Society is evolving, and |
| unless we evolve with it, many of |
| the long-term conservation goals |
| that are dear to us may fail due to |
| lack of public involvement and |
| support. |
| "This does not mean we intend |
| to de-emphasize our traditional |
| supporters, far from it. |
| It does, however, underscore |
| the need to continue to involve |

## 697-‘98 hunting season dates are set

new supporters for Texas conser-
vation.
We need diverse support from
everyone who cares about Texas
natural and cultural resources.
The 1994-95 National Survey
on Recreation and the Environ-
ment is the latest in a series of
surveys conducted by the federal
government since the first one was
done for the Outdoor Recreation
Resources Review Commission in
1960.
This latest NSRE was an inter-
agency and private sector partner-
ship sponsored by various federal
natural resource agencies and the
Sporting Goods Manufacturers
Association.
Comparability in activity par-
ticipation, favorite activities, con-
straints and demographics were
maintained for comparison with
earlier surveys done in 1960,1965
and $1982,-83$.
About 17,000 people 16 years
and older were surveyed in quar-
terly samples between January
1994 and April 1995 .
The table below shows the

| ACTIVITY |
| :--- |
|  |
| Bird Watching |
| Hiking |
| Backpacking |
| Primitive Area Camping |
| Walking |
| Motorboating |
| Sightseeing |
| Developed Area Camping |
| Swimming/river, lake or ocean |
| Golf |
| Camping (overall) |
| Boating |
| Swimming/pool |
| Picnicking |
| Running/Jogging |
| Water Skiing |
| Bicycling |
| Fishing |
| Hunting |

number and percent change persons 16 years and older pa ticipating in outdoor recreation by activity, comparing 1982-83 NR nd 1994-95 NSRE estimates.

NUMBER IN 1982-83 NUMBER IN 1994-95 (MILLIONS) 21.2
24.7
8.8 24.7
8.8
17.7 1.7
1.7
3.6
 PERCENT
CHANGE

Boating fees in effect at Amistad NRA June 2
The boating Amee pread National
nounced for Amistal
Recreation Area will go into ef-
fect June 2 Recreation Area will go into ef-
fect June 2.
Every motorized Every motorized craft that re-
quires a state boat registration that is on the US portion of Lake Amistad will be subject to a fee. This fee is part of a national
Recreation Fee Demonstration Recreation Fee Demonstration
Program authorized by Congress Program authorized by Congress
in 1996 to provide financial supin 1996 to provide financial sup-
port for much-needed infrastrucport for much-needed infrastruc-
ture repairs and improvements to
visitor services at National Parks visitor services at National Parks
and other federal land areas. Under this program, $80 \%$ the money collected at Amistad will stay at Amistad to fund repairs and improvements to boat
ramps, fish cleaning stations, picnic areas, campg
restrooms and exhibits

## restil look forward to inpron

Amistad's facilities in order
better serve park visitors," commented Amistad National Recreation Area Superintendent William Laitner.
Boaters on
Boaters on Lake Amistad can
choose between daily permit and a $\$ 40.00$ annu daily permit and a $\$ 40.00$ annual permit. The daily permit is a re-
ceit boat at all times. It is valid for 24 hours from the time of purchase (i.e. a permit purchased at $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. would be valid until $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. the
following day ) following day.)
The annual permit is a sticker
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Beginning in June, permits will be available at 24 -hour fee mato the restrooms and at the Rough Canyon ranger station. These machines will accept credit cards and cash. The annual permit dispensed by these machines must be exchanged for a sticker within 14 days - these receipt-for-sticker
swaps can be made at Park headquarters on Hwy 90 during regu-
lar business hours (Mon. - Fri 8 lar business hours (Mon. - Fri. 8-
5, Sat. - Sun. 9-5). Annual per5, Sat. - Sun. 9-5). Annual per-
mits can be purchased in advance at Park Headquarters beginning
May 12 .
Valid Golden Age and Golden
Access Passport holders can pur

## for half price ( $\$ 2.00$ daily permit

 and $\$ 20.00$ annual permit.) Passport holders must present their Golden Age of Access Passport with their boat registration (in the same name) at Park Headquarters or receive an annual sticker for are available to any US resident age 62 or over for a one-time $\$ 10$ fee. Golden Access Passports are ree to any US resident with a per-manent disability with proof that they are eligible for benefits under federal law. Golden Access Passports are currently available at Park Headquarters. Beginning May 12, it will be possible to purchase Golden Age Passports at chase Golden Age
Park Headquarters.

## Greanond Growing ,

The meteorologist is calling for ers allow you to cut larger areas beautiful, sunshiny weekend, but quickly and still get in tight for the yard is beginning to look like trimming around trees and shrubs. a jungle. You really need to spend If your lawn is more than $1 / 2$ you want to relax you can already see yourself at a ball game, fishsee yourself at a ball game, fish-
ing, or just reading a book. Decisions. Decisions. Why no both?
If your lawn equipment isn't in top condition, you may think re-
laxing and doing yard work is more than one person can handle in a weekend. Perhaps it's time So when shopping for
So mower, pick a model that make short work of your mowing chores. The type of mower you purchase depends in large part on
the size and contour of your lawn. the size and contour of your lawn.
Are there many trees or natural areas? What about slopes? handle up to $1 / 3$ acre in about hour. If you have lots of trees, hour. If you have lots of trees,
shrubs or decorative features, walk-behind mowers with large diameter wheels because they roll more easily and save time, leaving more of the weekend for a
little " $R$ and $R$ " little "R and R."
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cated 15 miles north Brackettville, Texas, in Kinney County, on FM 674, has an abundance of whitetail deer, javelina, turkey, quail, dove, rabbits and squirrels. Other non-game species include
feral hogs, wild Spanish feral hogs, wild Spanish
goats, racoons, ringtails, goats, racoons, ringtails,
fox, bobcats and a few fox, bobcats and
mountain lions. The terrain of the Leona Ranch is varied, consisting of plateaus and grass meadows, intermixed with deep heavily wooded draws, many of which contain dry creekbeds. Windmills places providing water places providil
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| Now there were games of basketball. | Big dates were not the usual fare, |
| :---: | :---: |
| Late slumber parties, too. | Homecoming and big dances. |
| Long hours on the telephone- | You sweated every late night hour; |
| Your home seemed like a zoo. | You feared their taking chances. |
| Complexion problems, ugly hair, | Then- SENIORS - and the end drew near! |
| Too tall, too short, too small- | Where did the years all go? |
| Your teen had worries, moms and dads; | What once seemed long, seemed now so short, |
| You heard and lived them all. | When relived blow by blow. |
| High school was quick in coming 'round. | The Jr. - Sr. whirled right by |
| Four years seemed more like ten- | You saw your girls and boys |
| Before you lived them - when you had | As gentlemen and ladies fair- |
| You thought it was two times ten. | Your biggest , brightest joys. |
| Through drivers' training, this new world | Not long from now, great moms and dad |
| Made clear its pace all right. | Your men and women grown, |
| "Your sons and daughters growing up, | Will move from high school into life, |
| "Can I have the car tonight?" | Proud products of your home. |
| Romance progressed, as did their minds. | You're graduating, moms and dads. |
| These sweet and gentle souls, | It really is the truth. |
| You once rocked in your arms at night | Though some report card |
| To shield them from the cold. | Were somewhat doubfful prosid |

You once rocked in your arms
To shield Though some report cards, some six weeks, Though some report cards, some


A young girl became a Chris- old mule standing there with tian in an exciting revival at her sad, droopy face and bleary church and was baptized the eyes afternoon she morning. That afternoon she ran through the house singing and dancing.
Her sour grandfater Her sour grandfather re-
buked her with these word "You ought to be ashamed of yourself! Just joined the church and singing and dancing on the Lord's Day!"
Crushed by her grandfather's
attitude, the little girl went attitude, the little girl went out to the barn, climbed up on the corral fence, and observed an the ole mult


St. John's Baptist Church

Praise the Lord.
Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly divid-
ing the word of truth. 2 Timothy 2:15 eachers should study God's and to give unto men, women, boys God!

1 数Эrontier Baptist Church Rev. Joe Townsend, Pastor

## nation. God created the earth and Mistreatment disregards th

 then he created man in his own future. The rising prosperity of the mage. He made man to have do-minion over the land and all that caused by its agriculture
precipitated the Civil War. Cotton was in it. He was to have domin- was King and soon the south had ion over the birds of the air, the fish in the waters and all animals.
It was never intended of God that nail darters, salamanders, certain plants, kangaroo rats and such kind. Such actions certainly are against God's edicts. The land and ts use is and has been an overriding factor in human existence. When Lot chose the homosexual o live to see the city destroyed by
God because of its sexual devincy. When Rome turned her eyes from the land to the cities downfall was not far behind. When Jaindustrial nation devastation of war soon followed. This happened betant factor in human existence. ant factor in human existence,
Man can live without automobiles, airplanes, fine homes, and fancy clothes but without what the land produces mankind would perish from the earth. That's why God has made man steward of the land. God determines what the land produces. He provides the soil, the water, the temperature and the sun. Without His bounty there
would be nothing. No part of society depends as wholly on God as those who nurture the soil,. Mistreatment of the land bespeaks ingratitude. When man mistreat

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 tinue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed; And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall ake you free. St. John 8:31-32 Praise God! Praise God! Praise
God!
 er. This bloom to be plowed unman's stewardship in the name bringing prosperity out of depresion. The situation only worsened with blood money from World War II.
God said "Have Dominion. mankid twas to produce food for mankind. He never intended that land.
With the recognition that and and all it produces is a gift from God and has mankind as its bureaucracies) there will alway
There will be another message from God's Word at Frontier Bap tist Church Sunday at 11:00 a.m.
Come and see.

Pastor Wm. P. Adam

## Obituary

Ivy B. "Che-Che" Coward
Ivy B. "Che-Che" Coward, 77 members of his extended family born Oct. 29, 1919 of Alexandria and wonderful friends. Louisiana, Corpus Christi, Brackettville and High Island, Texas, 1997. He retired after 38 years of service with Transcontinental Ga
Company. He is survived by his wife of 55 years Melva, Daughter, Frances Jane, Grand daughters; Caprice Meador and Candice Drab, Great Grandchildren
Amanda and Colton Meador, Amanda and Colton Meador,
Dustin, Michael and Danielle Dustin, Michael and Danielle
Drab. Drab. ter Mason for more than 50 years "The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas.
Che-Che will be remembered as honest, hard working and fair in his professional life. In his personal life, Che-Che was devoted to his wife, children, grand chil-
dren, and great grand children. dren, and great grand children. He

## The expectation of graduation

 leaving home, starting new live has left some youth and some par ents with a feeling of depression. No matter what the cause, hen depression knocks at your to the landlord of your life, Jesus Christ! This is the choice that those who have invited Jesus into their hearts have. Yes, it is achoice, particularly when the thoughts have not had a chance to take root and grow out of hand. Don't dwell on what you aren'
able to control. First of all. God able to control. First of all, God
is in complete control, even when you do not feel like it. Don't look
to your spouse, your child, your parents to help give you the "warm fuzzies." The only thing that will truly complete you and give you
joy is the love of Jesus Christ. joy is the love of Jesus Christ. He
has died for you personally. He is Che-Che's family would like to thank all the caregivers at St.
Elizabeths Hospital in Beaumont Elizabeths Hospital in Beaumont for their help and care over the in the face of cancer will be re membered by all the dedicated riends, who participated in this friends
fight.
As a
As a reflection of his love and care for others, he chose to pledge his body to UTMB in Galveston for Medical Research. He has gone to the Kingdom of God to Wayne.
Memorial Services will be toay at $2: 00 \mathrm{pm}$. at the Merhodist Church in High Island, Texas. In lieu of usual remembrances he family wishes donations be made to the Lone Star Chapter of the National Hemophilia Founda. 77030 Fannin \#416, Houston,

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tempted and suffered all things
likewise.
He is the one that has made you
more than a conqueror, He has
made you an overcomer. You can
do all things in "The Anointing"
which strengthens you. You can
even rest from your own labor and
have your hope anchored in Jesus
Christ.
Take all your thoughts "cap-
tive". Read and believe God's liv-
ing word daily that your mind be
renewed daily. The word will light
the path for you to take.
His desire from before you
were born was to create a vessel
of honor in you to glorify him.
Believe your Heavenly Father de-
sires good things for you an let
His Hand direct you. Cast all your
burdens on Him for He cares for
you. He loves you and will never
forsake you. Stand in faith, rest in
hope, walk in love.

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I love the wind. I have for as ong as I can remember. When was a little girl, I would stand would roll in. I would face the wind and breathe deeply trying to take in as much as possible. I loved the feel of the wind flowing through my hair and whipping around me. The wind felt so strong and so free that I wanted to mesh myself into it. It was exotic an exhilarating. Of course, my
mother was always hot on the heels mother was always hot on the hee ering her reckless child into the safety of shelter and thus ending my pleasure.
One thing I like about this time of year is that the weather is tem perate enough (except during a
thunderstorm) to open up the thunderstorm) to open up the
house. As soon as everyone is up house. As soon as everyone is up and decent in the mornings, I go
from room to room, opening windows and the sliding glass doo The cross breeze keeps the house moderately cool at least until late afternoon. Bill, my husband, can't understand why an allergy-sufferer like myself calls the air fresh., bu he's finally given up asking an


## Unsung Hero by Joe Townsend

Not long ago a man came to Springs than any manager since
ur community. He fell in love its inception. He is very active as with Fort Clark and settled in . a member of the Rotary Club. He He is retired from the Army and is energetic, ingenious, aggressive都 his country and all she stands and incisive in his thoughts and r. He is a devotee of the prin- actions. He is supportive of actions in on the Board of Fort Clark and ing supporter of many causes er boon made manager. As man- Surely Bill Haenn is an Unsung

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Wishes to express our prayers and best wishes to the 1997 Graduating Class of Brackett High School. Let the word of God be a light unto your path. As you trust yourself to the love of Jesus Christ, your soul and thus your life, will prosper. Trust God to carry you through the hard times. He will never leave you nor forsake you. He has destined you to be a vessel of glory unto him.

ChANK YOU
On behalf of the Castro family. Mr. and Mrs. Joe N. Castro and
Son Gilbert, Usebio Castro, Alferdo Castro, Hortencia and son Norman Son Gibert, Usebio Castro, Alferdo Castro, Hortencia and son Norman
Castro we would like to extend our sincerest appreciation to all our family and friends. Thank you for all your cards, flowers, and gifts We thank you for yories of Mastance throughout this trying time, your help setting up the grave site, the rosary services. Our sincerest ap-
preciation to Father Cashin for facilitating the services and his kind words of Maggie. To the pallbearers and to the Spanish choir. W
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