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Juneteenth celebration this weekend



Charles Wilson, left, and William Warrior make final preparations for this weekend's Juneteenth celebration.

Seminole Indian Scout Association commemorates Emancipation Day

By J.J. Guidry **News Editor**

The Seminole Indian Scout Cemetery Association will commemorate Emancipation Donations of \$4 will be accepted. Day at this weekend's annual Juneteenth celebration at the Carver School grounds.

The two-day event will feature a parade, music, a disco dance, booths and exhibits.

Kinney County Commissioner Joe "Boy" Williams will serve as the grand marshal for this year's parade, which will begin at 9:30 Saturday morning. The parade will start at the old PCI Communication office building and end at the Carver School parking lot.

Parade awards will be presented during an speaker Veronica Warrior of Houston.

"I think the parade is going to be a suc-

year."

Tours to the Seminole Indian Scout Cemper person.

At 4:00, there will be a cake and prize walk. The cost will be 25 cents per walk, and cakes and prizes will be accepted as donations for this event.

Following the cake walk will be a talent welcomed to participate.

The celebration continues on Sunday with to bring a covered dish.

In 1863, President Abraham Lincoln issued for everyone."

cess," said Augusta Pines, the parade coordi- his Emancipation Proclamation, declaring nator. "The event has continued to grow each freedom for all slaves, but it was not until June 19, 1865, that slaves in Texas heard the news; A barbecue lunch will be served at 11:30. thus Juneteenth became a holiday for Texas African-Americans.

"Not only is this a big holiday here in etery will begin at 2:30. The tour costs \$1 Brackettville, but all over this area because that is when the Seminoles were free," said Sterling "Smiley" Goodloe, a member of the Seminole Indian Scout Cemetery Association. "Some of them fled to Mexico and some fled to Florida."

The Juneteenth celebration has become an show. Anyone interested in the talent show is annual event in Brackettville for the Seminole Indian Scout Association.

"We would like for everyone to come out 11:00 program, which will feature guest a pot luck dinner at 11 a.m. Everyone is asked and celebrate with us," Goodloe said. "The celebration is not just for the Seminoles, it's

Communication system damaged

The Kinney County Commissioners Court agreed to replace the communication system for the Sheriff's Department at an emergency meeting Monday afternoon.

The system, and possibly the tower, were damaged during a thurderstorm last week.

The new system will be purchased from Communication Professionals of Eagle Pass and will cost \$7,447.52. It includes an E.F. Johnson repeater/duplexer, a Motorola mobile, a base antenna, a power supply, and labor.

Brackettville man drowns

A Brackettville man drowned in the Nueces River Sunday afternoon where he had been fishing and swimming with a family member.

Robert Villarreal, 24, was caught in a deep part of the river, about 300 yards south of the 19-mile crossing on Highway 55.

"The water level was a little higher than normal, but it wasn't anything you would consider dangerous," Uvalde County Deputy Sheriff Bob Price said.

Villarreal was fishing in the river when he started splashing around and calling for help from his the scene. cousin, Michael Villarreal.

"The water was swift," said Price, who was dispatched to the scene at 4:20. "That particular area had quite a bit of weeds in it. Michael tried to get but the attempts were unsuccessful. him out but didn't have any luck."

Department of Public Safety Troopers Wayne Hospital, where he was later pronounced dead.

"The water level was a little higher than normal, but it wasn't anything you would consider dangerous."

Deputy Sheriff Bob Price

Whitaker and Tony Salis were the first to arrive at

Villarreal was under water about eight to 10 min-

utes before officials were able to pull him out. The DPS troopers administered cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) until medical personnel arrived,

Villarreal was transported to Uvalde Memorial

Three juveniles confess to Fort Clark burglaries

Three Fort Clark Springs juveniles confessed to committing six burglaries, Kinney County Sheriff's Department officials said.

The three 14-year-old juveniles admitted to burglarizing the Duck Inn, the swim tag shack, Seminole Hall, three coin-operated machines, a recreational vehicle at Campers' World, and a residence during the last month.

The estimated value of the recovered property is \$1,148. A complete damage and repair estimate was not available at press-

The local teens will be processed through a juvenile facility and will appear before District Judge George Thurman.

"I would like to thank Smith Security personnel and the parents for their complete cooperation with the Sheriff's Office," said Chief Deputy Sheriff Johnny Fritter.

Medical Center receives 'great' results from review program

By Margie Allen Staff Writer

Midwest Texas GBU Medical Direc-percent. tor Al Thaddeous, M.D., notified Dr. Medical Center in Brackettville that the average was 86 percent. local clinic had received "great results" from the Physician Office Review Pro- the center received 100 percent.

pation in the Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas Network.

The United Medical Center scored 96 compared to the 1996 state average of 93 Area (MUA).

In laboratory and radiology services,

of the recredentialing process allowing Higher Education Coordinating Board, medical centers to maintain their particithat Kinney County has been designated County to practice primary health care. a Primary Care Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSAs).

Kinney County has also been des- grams, which is for areas with a severe cover certain start-up costs to establish percent in office safety and environment, ignated a Medically Underserved shortage of physicians. This program will

With these designations, several pro-In medical record documentation, grams are available to the county and to needed. Agustin Luz and the staff of the United U.M.C. received 91 percent. The state health professionals providing services

Programs available to HPSAs are:

■ The Community Scholarship Pro-Luz was also informed by Bob Kirk, gram, a federal, state and community This review program is an integral part manager of special accounts for the Texas partnership which supports students who are planning to returning to Kinney

Scholarship and Loan Repayment Pro- may apply for \$15,000 to \$25,000 to ■ See UMC/Page 3

provide placement of National Health Service Corps personnel if they are

■ The Physician Education Loan Repayment Program. This program will pay Physicians up to \$18,000 in loan repay-

ments per year for up to five years for service in a HPSA or with one of four

■ National Health Service Corps- sicians providing care services in MUAs reimbursements.

practices.

Some other programs available are: ■ The Extended Prescriptive Authority, which gives limited prescriptive au-

thority for advanced nurse practitioners and physician assistants practicing in HPSAs or MUAs. ■ Medicare and Medicaid Bonus Re-

payments. Physicians practicing in HPSAs or MUAs can qualify for Medicare bo-MUAs are eligible for the Community nus payments. Rural Health Clinics re-State Matching Incentive Program. Phy-ceive enhanced Medicaid and Medicare

INSIDE

Joe Townsend

Again a government bureaucracy wants to get into our pocketbooks. The MRGDC wants to sell telephone service. Opinion/Page 2

■ Taylor Stephenson

Brackett's test results from the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills have arrived. Stephenson offers a brief report. Community/Page 3

■ New sport added

The Brackett School Board of Trustees unanimously agreed to adding cross country as a sport earlier this month. Sports/Page 5

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Laughlin's population expected to grow

By Frances McMaster Contributing Writer

Col. Gary A. Winterberger, Commander of the 47th Flying Training Wing at Laughlin Air

meeting last Thursday. Winterberger was accompanied by his wife, Carolyn, and Capt. Laughlin in April of this year, 727 Tonia Daniels assisted him with his presentation. He was introduced by retired Col. Frank at Laughlin by September, 1999. Cheaney. Ruby Cheaney acted as hostess to Mrs. Winterberger.

"The Changing Face of Laughlin" was the topic of tember of '99. Winterberger's talk. Laughlin is always changing in the sense that sonnel is just a couple of years; 593 are expected by '99. they are not here permanently.

growth pattern Winterberger de- be increasing. Other personnel, scribed in his overview of the base. such as enlisted and civilians, in-To illustrate this, he compared cluding Civil Service, and contract various factors using data from the workers are expected to stay at first quarter of 1997 to what is exabout the same level.

pected in September of this year

The population for the first Force Base, was the guest speaker quarter was 2,094. By September, at the Brackettville Rotary Club it should be 3,021. In September of 1999, it is expected to be 3,169.

There were 647 officers at will be assigned there by September, while 1,871 will be stationed

There were 320 student pilots at the base in April of this year, 357 will be here by this September, and 453 are expected in Sep-

In April there were 552 enlisted personnel, while 591 should be a tour of duty for Air Force per- here by September of this year and

Officers and student pilots con-A larger movement is the stitute those whose numbers will

A few pilots from foreign counand in September of 1999. These tries are trained at Laughlin. Their figures reflect the plans for the training is always paid by the country which sponsors them. The base can also provide training for Navy pilots, but at present none are

The base presently is flying as many sorties, or training missions, as is possible at the moment, but facilities such as hangars and runways will be increased to accommodate additional planes.

Although T-37s, Tweets, are expected to stay at 104, a few more T-38s, Talons, will be housed here as well as T-1A, Jayhawks.

In July of last year a total of 216 aircraft were on ramp, while 265 will be housed here by September of 1998.

In 1996, the sorties were flown per day were 270. A long range increase is expected to 450 sorties in 2002. That would amount to 120,000 flying hours.

Recently, engines for planes from other bases have been rebuilt at Laughlin. An announcement was made that this was to change.



Col. Gary A. Winterberger is welcomed to the Rotary Club meeting by retired Col. Frank Cheaney, June's program chairman.

in these plans, and the outcome at the border. this time is unknown.

They were to be repaired by con- isted at Laughlin and appears to tract workers in regions where be in the process of being solved. they are now located. However, The detention of Illegal aliens has awarding of contracts is being apbeen increasing drastically in the pealed so the notice to proceed has last few years because of the base been delayed. Congress is involved being wide open and located on

One security problem has ex- See LAUGHLIN AFB/Page 8

Who will teach the children?

By John Cole Texas Federation of Teachers

A national study by Education do something else for a living. Week gave Texas a "C" in the area of the teaching force because of numbers of good teachers are the large number of uncertified choosing to "vote with their feet," and unqualified teachers in Texas forcing school districts to ever classrooms.

Texas Association of School every classroom. Boards bemoans the fact that school districts are finding it ionable to compare achievement tougher and tougher to staff their of American students with students classrooms with qualified teach- from Japan, Germany, and other

A recent study found that 12 percent of the teaching positions where representatives of the eduin Texas are filled by persons who cation systems of nations that lack the proper credentials for the outscore Americans on achievecourses they have been assigned ment tests came to meet with to teach.

These signs of a teacher shortage are surprising because there fer in many ways, but they all have are plenty of people qualified to one thing in common: teachers in teach in Texas.

500,000 Texans below retirement their work. age are presently holding valid teaching certificates, about twice outscoring us on student achieveclassroom needs.

Clearly we do not have a short- ees in the nation. age of qualified teachers. The problem is that we have a short- to improve education, I recom- way into our pocketbooks via 911. the salaries and benefits being offered and under the conditions which they would have to work.

ers worried about this? Apparently system for teachers. We do not tended local calling."

did nothing to improve teacher's salaries. Instead, Bush proposed a continuation of the \$400 million vidual classroom. diversion of retirement system funds passed by legislators in improve their benefit package. 1995, and he even upped the ante When people from other profes- make calling to Del Rio and by calling for an additional \$47 million in cuts in teacher retire- teachers because teaching is more ment funding.

teachers are living the life of Riley people. already. The big emphasis in the
If we cannot get enough qualiment System funds.

evidence to the contrary, our state's leaders act as though they believe that teaching has become so attractive that thousands of topquality, highly-qualified people are rooms. lining up to apply for teaching positions. These elected officials comes attractive enough to fill seem to think they will improve every classroom with a qualified, education by making life tougher competent professional teacher, we for teachers and by making the obviously are not doing enough. profession less rewarding.

will not pay good salaries to teach- will teach the children?

ers and treat teachers with dignity and respect, then teachers can choose to leave the profession and

The evidence is that increasing more desperate measures in an A recent publication by the attempt to put a warm body into

> In recent years it has been fashindustrialized nations.

> I recently attended a conference American teacher union leaders.

The other nations' schools dif-Former education commis- cational systems are valued, re- etbooks. sioner Lionel Meno reported that spected, and well rewarded for

In the countries that are to sell telephone service.

If our state officials really want

need more accountability for on in schools, and total authority month. over what goes on inside an indi-

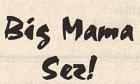
2. Raise teachers' salaries and the monkey.' lucrative, we won't have to fill Most legislators seem to think more classrooms with unqualified

last legislative session was on mak-fied people to teach in our schools ing it easier to fire teachers while at the present levels of compensathe state raided Teacher Retire- tion and under the present working conditions, then we must im-In the face of overwhelming prove things until we get them.

People can rationalize the reason for paying low wages all they want, but those rationalizations do not put good people into class-

Until the job of teaching be-

And if qualified, competent In the real world, people do people choose to opt out of the have a choice. If the public schools profession, what kind of people

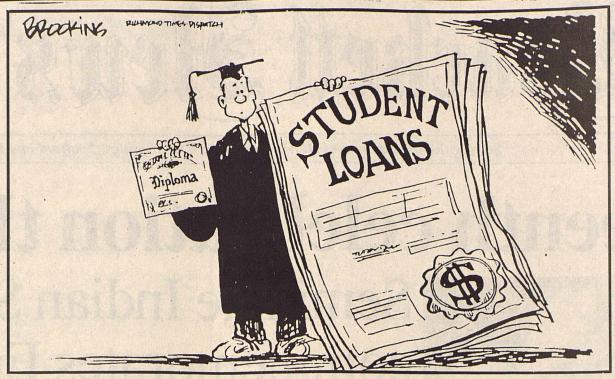




We could never learn to be brave and patient, If there were only joy in the world.

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Extended local calling may not benefit everyone

Again a government bureauthe countries with successful edu- cracy wants to get into our pock-

The Middle Rio Grande Development Council (MRGDC) wants

It should be against the law for the number needed to fill our ment tests, teachers are among the this agency and others like it to Southwestern Bell. highest paid government employ- operate any type of business for

age of people willing to teach for mend some simple steps as a be- Everyone who has a telephone is charged for 911 service with cost of the expanded local calling 1. Quit bashing teachers and charges going to MRGDC. Now start treating them with respect. they want to force every telephone person needs to read the fine print. area. Are our state's political lead- We do not need another appraisal user to pay \$3.50 to \$7 for "ex-

The budget which Governor teachers. We do need to give teach- make enough calls to Del Rio and the Frontier Baptist Church cost is. Bush submitted to the legislature ers more authority over what goes Uvalde to cost \$3.50 to \$7 per \$7 a month.

Time and negotiations will

If we get hornswoggled into this deal of the MRGDC, we will be This bureaucracy muscled its saddled with an exorbitant cost.

Between Us

By Joe Townsend

charges far exceed the minimum

In the first place, it is patently false. In no month do my calls to Few people in Brackettville Del Rio and Uvalde for me and

To those who do not make this cost" of expanded local calling many calls, they simply will "feed fees is used, it raises a lot of ques-

> What is the minimum usage? What will be the cost after the

If this "expanded local calling' is so badly needed, the proper approach would be for the city coun-Bell and thus cut out the rip off by MRGDC. These scam artists say

If people will simply check only 500 agents. their telephone bills, they will see what a rip-off this scheme really

We have been sucked into When the term "minimum charges for 911 by this MRGDC. We certainly should not let this happen again.

An adaptation of an Indian saying is true: You con me once, shame on you; you con me twice,



Capitol Comment

U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison

We've got to stick to the border plan

Three years ago, Congress and the Immigration and Naturalization Service put a simple but profound question to the chief of each Border Patrol sector along the Mexico-U.S. border: What resources do you need to get control of the border in your area?

Each field location came up with a model of the staff and equipment necessary to get the job done. From these models were formulated a strategy to secure the U.S. border by the year 2005.

A key element of the plan was to hire and deploy an additional 1,000 Border Patrol agents annually for five years.

But, as the poet Robert Burns pointed out, the "...best laid schemes o' mice and men..." often go awry. Sometimes this occurs because of unforeseen circumstances; more often it happens because the mice or men don't stick to their plan.

A text book example: Last year cil and the commissioners court Congress passed a law requiring "Officials said the long distance to intercede with Southwestern the Attorney General to hire an additional 1,000 Border Patrol agents during fiscal year 1998. But fees," is a statement where every it will include all in the 563 prefix the Justice Department's proposed 1998 budget asks for funds for

> How can we expect to meet the goal of securing our border if we cut in half the number of additional Border Patrol agents to be deployed, the linchpin of our strat-

Exacerbating the situation is the fact that, during the past two years, a lion's share of the additional Border Patrol resources provided by Congress went West, to the West Coast, that is. There are now 2,200 Border Patrol agents arrayed along California's 150 mile southern border, almost the same number assigned to Texas' 1,200 mile border with Mexico. Worse, the indications are that California will receive most of the agents to be deployed over the remainder of this

But you can't beef up the border one segment at a time and achieve control. Illegal aliens and drugs can move much faster to weak spots on the border than the government can move resources. The entire line must be bolstered. or it will continue to leak.

Those "missing" 500 additional Border Patrol agents could make a significant and important differ-

Let's look at the Del Rio Borof illegal aliens has reached maximum capacity. I am told the Del of 600 illegals a day.

Alarmingly, in February of this year, the sector apprehended day. Even an insignificant increase in crossing would push Del Rio past its breaking point.

The model prepared for the master plan determined Del Rio needs 808 agents, not the 600 it has now, to handle the growing numbers of illegals that cross its

Making matters even more grave is the fact that the illegal alien problem is inextricably bound up with the menace of drug smuggling. The same people who smuggle aliens smuggle drugs They use the same paths of entry. And it's no secret they're getting bolder and better armed.

We must not renege on the com-There is no greater symbol of mitment we have made to secure the border.

I have asked Attorney General For this reason, it should be Janet Reno to reconsider and to values, and the hopes and dreams next year. That's our plan and we should be sticking to it.

sions quit those jobs to become Uvalde to be as local calls through minimum is passed? Social Security reform? Just follow the money

By Horace B. Deets **AARP** Executive Director

While the success of the film "Jerry Maguire" had fans rallying around the cry "show me the money," it's clear that advocates of privatizing Social Security on Wall Street are already seeing the on it. So, for us to fully understand the motives behind theses privatization efforts, we must follow the

lion currently in the Social Security trust funds (which ironically, many of these same people claim do not exist) and the roughly \$70 billion over and above the amount paid to beneficiaries that will be added to those funds this year.

Why is Wall Street so interested?

The Wall Street Journal reports that even moderate privatization plans would bring almost \$60 billion a year into mutual funds managed by Wall Street. To get their hands on this windfall, Wall Street has mounted an elaborate and extensive campaign to promote privatization by providing millions of dollars to politicians, think tanks and grass-roots orga-

The leaders of this effort are the Investment Company Institute (ICI), the trade association for the mutual funds industry, and State Bank and Trust, a follow the money.

\$1.5 billion money management firm located in Boston, Mass.

ICI was a major contributor during the last elec-year. tion, giving almost a quarter of a million dollars to candidates for federal office. Additionally, many of ICI's members like Merrill Lynch, Fidelity Investments and others, are beginning to flex their finanmoney, and are making every effort to get their hands cial muscles in support of Social Security privatization.

Working in concert with ICI is State Street Bank and Trust. In addition to their lobbying and political The money, of course, is the more than \$560 bil- contributions, State Street is behind a number of efforts to replace the current Social Security system with private accounts. Perhaps most notable is their support for the Cato Institute, a Washington, D.C. based think tank that has initiated a three year, \$2 million campaign for Social Security privatization. And, Cato's Social Security advisory board is co- der Patrol Sector. The detention chaired by the principal of State Street's investment

Other groups, also supported by Wall Street, are Rio Sector has the resources to joining Cato in efforts to privatize Social Security, apprehend and handle a maximum groups with unassuming names like Citizens for a Sound Economy and Economic Security 2000.

The debate over Social Security's future should be about financial security for all Americans, not 18,000 illegals roughly its 600 a financial windfalls for Wall Street.

That's why, as the debate continues, we must all

American flag is symbol of freedom

By Henry Bonilla

U.S. Congressman, 23rd District

Our flag means many different things to many different people. For all of us, however, it's a symbol of the democracy and freedom At home, the flag has been the that has stood the test of time in a guiding force for our soldiers and nation tried and true.

white and blue fabric, it's a sym- America we know and love today. bol of our country's past, present, and future. It's been carried into battle, it's been on the moon, it's greeted immigrants and it's draped the coffins of our fallen heroes.

Each year on Flag Day, June 14, Americans honor our national symbol and the freedom it repredraws attention to the honor and sents. Simple in design, yet pow-respect we should give our Amerierful in effect, our flag's stars and can flag every day of the year. stripes have long stood for the

Worldwide, the American flag is a symbol of America's dedication to democracy and freedom. other heroes who have laid their Wrapped up in its flowing red, lives on the line to give us the

Last week, Congress overwhelmingly passed a constitutional amendment to allow Congress to

of the flag. While its passage coincided

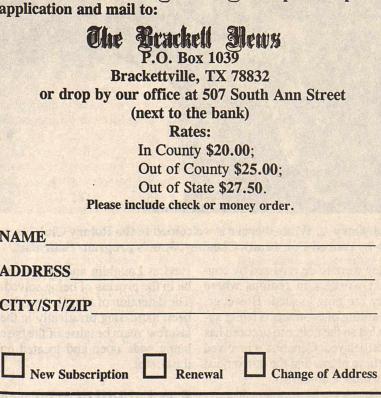
legacy of freedom, equality and partisan support in Congress as opportunity that is uniquely well as solid support from 49 state 205 mile section of the border. legislatures. Just as we value the flag, we

also value the constitutional right to free speech. Prohibiting the physical desecration of the flag does not prevent any American from freely expressing their ideas. The First Amendment will re-

main as strong as ever. This is simply a matter of giving a national treasure the respect it deserves.

prohibit the physical desecration American unity, freedom and liberty than the American flag.

with Flag Day, this resolution honored and protected, just as we request funding for the full honor and protect what it stands complement of an additional 1,000 for, our founding principles and Border Patrol agents to be added This amendment received bi- of every American.



UMC qualifies for programs

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■ Rural Physician Assistant Loan Reimbursement Program. Physician assistants who practice in HPSAs or MUAs and are graduates of an accredited Texas PA program within the last 10 years may qualify for up to \$5,000 in loan repayments per year up to four years.

■ Clearinghouse for Health Professionals. Physicians, physician assistants, and nurses seeking collaborative practice can join the Texas Department of Health Community Oriented Primary Care-Health Professions Resource Center.

■ HealthFind/ProFind, a yearly recruitment event which works with rural Texas counties to assist them in their recruitment of physicians, advanced practice nurses and physician assistants.

Outstanding Rural Scholar Recognition Program. This program aides community sponsors in growing their own health care professionals by matching the sponsor's funds with state funds, to support a student of the sponsor's choice in a health professional education program in Texas.

TAAS scores indicate writing as a strength

There are some indicators that all Texas schools use to determine success of the school year.

Some folks don't care for the assessment that has been selected by the Commissioner and by the State Board of Education.

Our TAAS scores have just ar- do the best! rived. Here's a brief report: Grade 3: Reading 73, Math 65,

Writing not tested. Grade 4: Reading 83, Math 69, up on the writing tests.

Writing 89.

Grade 5: Reading 68, Math 78, Writing not tested. Grade 6: Reading 74, Math 71.

Writing not tested. Grade 7: Reading 91, Math 83,

Writing not tested. Grade 8: Reading 93, Math 83,

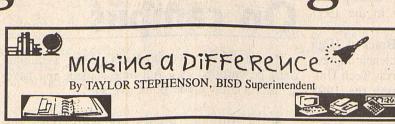
Writing 86. Grade 9: Reading 79, Math 57, they will be tested.

Writing 97. Studies 83.

There they are, test results for math scores are very good.

the field of writing at all tested

levels, grades 4,8 and 10. Fourth grade writing skills went to articulate the curriculum better Have a good week.



Nevertheless, it's a requirement from 59 percent last year to 89 in kindergarten and first and secorder skills, and it's the one we won't come as such a shock.

teach the process that will show

teach the skills; that's what TAAS

You are given a copy of the targets at least a year in advance. One dents learn the subject matter con- our current system. tent in the same context in which

Grade 8: Science 86, Social and eighth grade. The reading teachers work hard to try to give scores are outstanding and the every child a shot at making good

The eighth grade test scores in The strengths are definitely in science and social studies are also the work. We will continue to try

We have begun to work to try

written into law called the Texas this year. That's a gain of 30 ond grades so that when they first Assessment of Academic Skills points. This is one of the higher TAAS test in the third grade, it

It takes lots of cooperation and In writing, we have an articu- hard work to make curriculum lated curriculum where the folks work. So, high scores are the product of the focus of the curriculum. The curriculum needs We don't teach the test. We begin several years before the children are tested in TAAS.

> That's about it. Our results as a district will be better next year.

My job as curriculum director of the keys to good scores is to helped focus the curriculum. Prinfocus instruction so that the stu- cipals have that responsibility in

I want to thank all for trying. No one goes in the TAAS test Another strength is in seventh expecting to make low grades. Our scores.

> Our students are serious about to improve.

Thanks for believing in us!

Monthly sales tax rebates down in Kinney County

AUSTIN - State Comptroller of Public Accounts John Sharp delivered a total of \$161.6 million in monthly sales tax payments to 1,089 Texas cities and 177 counties last week.

"So far this year, Texas allo- from last year. cations are running 5.5 percent months of last year, once again indicating that the Texas strong, steady climb," Sharp

\$185.2 million went to the which totaled \$15,608.34. state's eight transit authorities; around the state were delivered \$4.4 million.

nesses filing monthly returns.

ceived a sales tax rebate of than last year's \$3,667.10 pay- July 11.

The sales tax allocation to Kinney County for June reflects a 2.81 percent decrease

ahead of those for the first six ment for the month. Year-to-date payments to the city are up by 7.26 percent, from 1996's sixeconomy is continuing its month total of \$24,517.62 to \$26,297.69 for this year.

The \$2,229.93 local sales tax Sharp delivered sales tax re- allocation to Kinney County for bates totaling \$147.7 million to June reflects a 2.81 percent de-Texas cities, 4.8 percent higher crease from the \$2,294.41 in than last June's payments of sales tax rebate for the same \$140.9 million. Rebates of month last year. Year-to-date \$13.9 million to Texas counties payments to the county, were 2 percent higher than al-\$16,938.24, are running 8.52 locations of \$13.6 million to percent ahead of those for the counties in June 1996. Another first six months of of 1996,

The Kinney County Health 26 special purpose districts Services sales tax allocation for June was \$2,167.44, which is 4.90 percent lower than the June This month's sales tax rebates 1996 payment of \$2,279.15. include local taxes collected on Year-to-date, Kinney County April sales and reported to the Health Services has received comptroller in May by busi- \$16,740.53, a 10.16 percent increase in local sales tax pay-The city of Brackettville rements of \$15,195.22 from 1996.

The comptroller's next sales \$2,997.14, 18.26 percent lower tax allocation is scheduled for

Efforts under way to create Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner program in Val Verde County

By Lisa Maggofin and Diana E. Gonzales Contributing Writers

Mary wants to hide because she feels guilty about what happened to her. Someone broke into her house and sexually assaulted her in her own bedroom. She cried throughout the whole ordeal. He left her there, weeping, while he calmly got dressed and walked away with a smirk on his face. Later, an hysterical Mary calls the police to report what happened.

What will transpire from the time Mary's report is filed until the time the suspect is taken into custody is very crucial.

Personnel from the police department, the hospital, the Amistad Family Violence and Rape Crisis Center, the district attorney's office, and those representing the defense and the prosecution will play an important role in Mary's case.

Coordinated efforts on the part of the above play- system. ers are vital in guaranteeing that Mary's tormentor where along the line may lose the case.

In Val Verde County, in 1990, exactly 102,555 rapes were reported. Out of that number, only 18,024 resulted in conviction.

The Amistad Family Violence and Rape Crisis Center wants to build a collaborative network that will assist the victims in our community in their aminers. paths to becoming survivors.

creating a Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE) General. program in Val Verde County.

A comprehensive certification program, SANE provides registered medical personnel the much needed education to follow a sexual assault case from start to finish.

Nurses in the program are schooled in collection of forensic evidence documentation, survivors symptomatology, and courtroom testimony. Training is free of charge.

SANE's mission is to prevent further trauma to victims of sexual assault within the health care environment. In addition to improved medical assistance, a nurse trained in the program can give the sexual assault survivor a stronger case in the legal using trained nurses to conduct forensic exams away

Implementation of a SANE program involves the setting. be held accountable for his crime. One mistake some- entire community. First, the local hospital and its medical personnel are the key elements.

They provide the staff and medical resources needed to operate the program.

The police and district attorney will work closely in this collaborative effort to provide legal education and information for Sexual Assault Nurse Ex-

Finally, the Amistad Family Violence and Rape

The Center and the Office of the Attorney Gen- Crisis Center staff members will provide services is immediately examined. A Call Rape volunteer

SANE originated in Tulsa, Okla., after law enforcement officials there sought a way to collect forensic evidence in a timely and accurate manner. After a rape, the scene that follows at most hos-

pitals can be almost as traumatic as the assault it-Police take the victim to an emergency room where she waits to be examined by physicians who

first have to tend to gunshot wounds, heart attacks, and other life-threatening conditions. As a solution, Tulsa Police and Call Rape, a local victim's advocacy organization, with a research grant from United Way, came up with the idea of

The program was christened SANE, a unique, community-based team approach that has become a national model for the dignified and compassionate

treatment of sexual assault victims. Today when a rape is reported in Tulsa, a police SANE program. officer goes to the scene to pick up the victim.

SANE nurse report to a quiet comfortable suite in a available to this newspaper. Interested persons may local medical center. When the victim arrives, she call 775-9612 for more information.

eral Sexual Assault Prevention and Crisis Services to the victims, and will be liaisons for SANE pro-remains with her during the exam; meanwhile, a Division in Austin are discussing the possibility of gram participants and the Office of the Attorney second volunteer, often a male, helps the victims family deal with the assault's emotional effect on the victim.

SANE is not the only program nationally that relies on nurses to perform after rape exams. But it is the only one coordinated through the police department and the only one that uses a communitybased team approach.

Tulsa Police officials note substantial improvement in the quality of forensic evidence since the program began and higher rate of convictions due to rape victims' increased willingness to submit to

The Amistad Family Violence and Rape Crisis Center believes implementing a SANE program in Val Verde County will provide a compassionate and from emergency rooms in a central more private sensitive approach to victims of sexual assault and timely medical and forensic examinations that will include complete evidence collection.

Staff members from the Amistad Center and the Attorney General's office have met with local law enforcement and hospital personnel to discuss the

The public will be invited to subsequent meet-At the same time, Call Rape volunteers and a ings. Advance notice of these meetings will be made

community Calendar

Thursday, June 19 Moras Inn on Fort Clark Springs. 6:30 p.m., The Brackettville Lions Club meets at the Las Mo-

ras Inn on Fort Clark Springs. Saturday, June 21 10:00 a.m., The Fort Clark Springs Board of Directors meets at the Board Room on Fort Clark Springs.

Monday, June 23 6:00 p.m., The Fort Clark Springs VFW meets at the Service Club on Fort Clark Springs. Tuesday, June 24

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lisher.

7:00 p.m., The Fort Clark 12:00 p.m., The Brackettville Duplicate Bridge Club meets at the Springs.

Thursday, June 26

Rotary Club meets at the Las ras Inn on Fort Clark Springs. Moras Inn on Fort Clark Springs.

Tuesday, July 1 Duplicate Bridge Club meets at the Adult Center on Fort Clark

Wednesday, July 2 7:00 p.m., The Brackett Band Booster Club meets at the Band Thursday, July 3

12:00 p.m., The Brackettville Rotary Club meets at the Las Adult Center on Fort Clark Rotary Club meets at the Las Moras Inn on Fort Clark Springs. 6:30 p.m., The Brackettville 12:00 p.m., The Brackettville Lions Club meets at the Las Mo-

> Sunday, July 6 12:00 p.m., The Knights of Springs. 7:00 p.m., The Fort Clark Columbus meet at Parish Hall.

Monday, July 7 1:00 p.m., The Fort Springs Art Club meets at the Art Studio Moras Inn on Fort Clark Springs. on Fort Clark Springs.

at the Adult Center on Fort Clark on Fort Clark Springs.

7:00 p.m., The Las Moras Masonic Lodge No. 444 meets at Lodge Hall on Ann Street.

Tuesday, July 8

7:00 p.m., The Fort Clark Duplicate Bridge Club meets at the Adult Center on Fort Clark

Thursday, July 10

12:00 p.m., The Brackettville Rotary Club meets at the Las

6:30 p.m., The Kinney County 6:15 p.m., The Fort Clark Chamber of Commerce Board of Springs Old Quarry Society meets Directors meets at Las Moras Inn

County Sheriff's Report Kinney

003987) is an entirely locally Wednesday, June 11 owned, independent newspaper published weekly on Thursday for

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Brackettville was arrested by of the vehicle.

Kinney County Jail. She was re-

Saturday, June 14

reported on Standard Lane. The to appear. Mata was released the owner of the livestock was noti- same day after paying a \$303 fine.

Deputy Pena on outstanding DPS

Sunday, June 15

Vito La Gioia reported that the ice disturbance. Lulu T. Reyes, 46, of machine at Letty's \ was turned over. The owner of the restaurant reported that his wife had de-

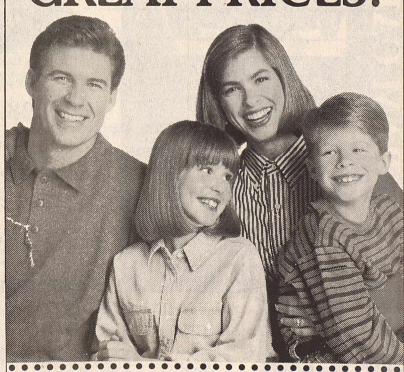
hanging down on E. Fulton Street. Falcon Cable officials were noti-

glary on E. Spring Street. The routine patrol when he discovered a stranded motorist and a broken later in the morning if anything down car at Pinto Creek Bridge.

8:17 p.m., A Kinney County 9:24 a.m., Loose cows were warrants for speeding and failure man said there was a vehicle parked on his property and he wanted to press charges against the owner of the vehicle. Officials advised the man to speak to Jus-12:05 a.m., Deputy Sheriff tice of the Peace Alvin Hall or County Judge Tommy Seargeant.

9:56 p.m., A Brackettville man stroyed their house. Deputy Pena 7:47 a.m., A Brackettville man searched the residence, noting that reported a television cable wire clothes had been cut, there was writing on the wall, and windows were broken. The man said that his wife had taken the window 5:47 p.m., Deputy Pena was on units, a television and a video cassette recorder, along with other items. The man's vehicle also had a broken front windshield. Pena Sheriff's Department officials advised the man to speak with 10:30 p.m., Raul Mata, 25, of called a tow truck for the owner Judge Seargeant about a protec-

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On Tuesdays and Thursdays, there is a phonics class from 10 to 11 a.m., happy hour from 11 a.m. to noon, and an art class from 1 to 2.

On Tuesdays and Wednesdays, there is a creative writing class from 2 to 3. On Wednesdays, there is a craft class from 10 to 11 and puppet time from 2 to

There are fun and games on Thursdays from 2 to 3.

McDaniel graduates from Tech Engagement Brackettville residents make Dean's List

LUBBOCK - Wendy Denise McDaniel graduated from Texas Tech University in the 1997 spring semester.

McDaniel, a 1993 graduate of Brackett High School, has earned a Bachelor of Science degree.

versity who received degrees during the 1997 at least a 3.25 grade point average. spring commencement exercises.

on the Dean's List for the spring semester.

Brackettville residents earning honors include and Corev Lee Ash, a kinesiology major.

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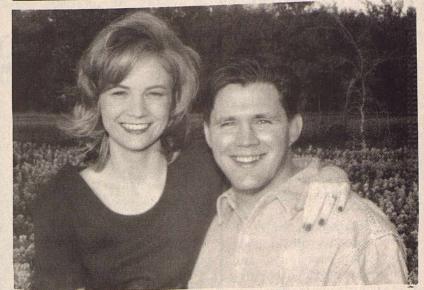
On campus

To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student She is one of 2,000 students at Texas Tech Uni- must be enrolled as a full time student and have

■ In Abilene, McMurray University an-■ In San Angelo, three Brackettville area stu-nounced that sophomore James Tullis Shahan III dents attending San Angelo University are listed made the Dean's List for the 1997 spring semes-

To be selected for the Dean's List at Bernie L. Allemeier, a computer science major; McMurray, a student must take 12 or more credit Charles M. Frerich, a communications major; hours and have a 3.5 or better grade point aver-

1997 CONTOUR



Shelley Anne McDaniel and Gerald Wayne Jost

McDaniel and Jost to exchange vows

McDaniel of Brackettville an- Church of Brackettville. nounce the engagement of their daughter, Shelley Anne to graduates of Texas Tech Univer-Wall, Texas.

The wedding will take place fall.

Mr. and Mrs. James August 9 at the First Baptist

Shelley and Gerald are both Gerald Wayne Jost, the son of sity. Shelley is employed with Mr. and Mrs. Wilbert Jost of Texas Farm Bureau and Gerald will be teaching in Waco in the

But, I could be wrong!

By: Chuck Hall

Keep up the good work

joyed my little piece in the pa- sonal part of me. per. (I can't tell you because I'm actually been.) But for those of ate their efforts. you who have gone out of your

Everyone likes to hear pleas-

I can't tell you how many admiration for my handiwork. people have stopped me to tell Small though they may be, my me how much they have en- talents are still a unique, per-

So, let's keep telling our embarrassed by how few it has friends how much we appreci-

Let's let them know that we way to express your good did notice when they went out wishes, let me say how much I of their way to try to do somehave enjoyed hearing you say thing worthwhile. Maybe they'll keep doing nice things.

And maybe, just maybe, ant things about themselves. I someday I might write somerelish those moments when a thing worth reading. Probably neighbor shares his thoughts of not. But I could be wrong.

Courtney Harrison receives Super S Foods Scholarship

Super S Foods, a Texas supermarkets, has awarded over \$48,000 in academic scholarships this year to high school graduates throughout scholarships will be used by the recipients to continue their eduuniversities this fall.

per S Foods \$1,000 scholarship. youth."

All recipients of the scholarowned and operated chain of ship were chosen by their school principal and the selection was based on the students outstanding scholastic achievements.

"This is an exciting time of Central and South Texas. These year," said John Dieterle, president of Super S Foods. "The scholarship awards is just one of cation in various colleges and many ways we help support the communities we serve, and I Courtney B. Harrison, a 1997 can think of no better way to graduate of Brackett High reinvest our funds than by help-School, is a recipient of the Su- ing further the education of our

Crumley, Herndon win contest

The American Sheep Industry Women's Auxiliary sponsored a national letter writing contest.

This contest is to encourage young people to take an interest in writing members of the U.S. Congress.

The subject addressed was how the Endangered species Act and a state auxiliary president. affects agriculture and private property rights.

Caleb Crumley and Mistie Herndon were winners of \$100 U.S. Bonds.

Crumley will be a senior this fall at Brackett High School and is an active member in the sheep industry. Herndon will be a junior at Brackett High School. The two students were among 100 entries in the contest. The judging of the original entries were an ASI executive board member

The final 10 entries were placed by a former ASI officer. They were judged on factual content, persuasiveness and form.

Pete's Sake

A friend of mine, J.D., has has caused him much grief.

help. After ten long and difficult lings tender ears. weeks, J.D. was able to distinctly say: "Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled peppers."

He came by the office to

"That's great, J.D.," I congratulated him. "I'm truly proud of you."

"Thanks," he said doubt-

"B-but it is s-s-sure a d-difficult remark to w-w-wwork into an ordinary c-c-conversation, d-don't vou know."

The young parents who live always had a problem with stut- just down our street have been tering. Since childhood, the worried about the language embarrassing speech difficulty used in their children's hearing. They decided to spell out any At long last, J. D., decided vulgarity or profanity to keep to go to a speech therapist for such words from their little dar-

> After one of those hectic days any mother of small fry can tell you about, the father came home from work and greeted his family with a cheery "How's everything?'

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Cross country added as a sport

By J.J. Guidry Sports Editor

Brackett has added cross country as a sport in its high school athletic program.

The Brackett School Board of Trustees inanimously agreed to the additional sport at a special meeting earlier this month.

"In the past three track seasons, we have trict. developed some outstanding distance runners," Brackett Athletic Director Roy Rokovich said. runners. The event is a two-mile run for girls "As a coaching staff, we feel that running cross and a three-mile run for boys on an off-road country will help our athletes improve their course.

endurance, which will help their performance in track and other sports.

all athletics," Rokovich said. "As we improve fall. our athletes' ability to run, this will increase our chances to be more competitve."

The 30-2A executive committee approved adding Brackett to its conference, which will allow this year's team to participate in dis-

A cross country team is made up of seven

As Brackett's head track coach, Julie Bruce will also be the head cross country coach. She "I feel that running is an essential part of will continue to assist in volleyball during the

"I think Julie is an outstanding coach," Rokovich said. "She works extremely hard with our athletes, and the kids love her. I know she will do an outstanding job wth our cross country and track programs."

"I'm excited about cross country and a lot of the kids are excited about it," Bruce said. "I think it's going to be a great addition to our athletic program."



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parent or grandparent playing with ter, Kathy Bader, for second place. a child or grandchild. There were Both teams finished with 75s. two divisions. Division I had very had older children.

Bob Lee and his grandson, Casey, took top honors in Divi- McCord and Jimmy Bader. sion I with a score of 73. Stan and Stanford Conoly finished second luncheon at the club house followafter shooting a 78.

Sonny and Jarrett Harrison won came out on top in a multiple gen-first place in Division II. The faerations golf event Saturday at Fort ther-son duo combined for a score Moore and Verda McGahen took Garza, Ernest Hall and Gordy of 73. Grover and Chad Neuman first place in last Thursday's four- Mathison won top honors in the Saturday's scramble featured a tied Allen McCord and his daugh-

Other teams included Jack and young children while Division II Brian Collier, Betty Lee and der their target was the winner. granddaughter Ashley, Pete and "Repeat" Perez, and Clara

ing the competition.

Couples Scramble

Charley Smith, Dee Curry, Bob person scramble.

the highest number of strokes un- for 18 holes.

strokes under target. Bob Lee, Bob and Gene Slate hosted a Betty Lee, Clem McKelvy and Lou Green took second after finishing three strokes under.

Men's Golf Association

The three-man team of Carlos Men's Golf Association's Wednes-Each foursome was given a tar- day play, where the game was for get score to shoot. The team with the total number of team's putts

Garza, Hall and Mathison finished with 80 putts. Wayne Smith's team finished eight Schwartz, Jack Schram and Harold Kauffman took second with 89 putts, George Clark, Alfred Pena and John Osborn finished third with 92 putts.

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according to the U.S. Coast row

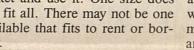
lic that a life jacket can save their mation. life," said Jim Robertson, TPWD law enforcement director.

ets are essential because contrary your head or come above your bunch of items still in the plastic to popular belief, most boating ears. accidents are not fiery collisions. Most accidents occur when someone falls overboard or capsizes life jacket. their boat. Even experienced swimmers lose coordination and drown.

Heavy clothing, boating under for survival. the influence or cold water can also be factors in drownings.



The Wildlife Side By Henry Lutz Kinney County Game Warden



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Look at the label. It will pro-■ Try it on to check the fit.

Robertson noted that life jack-secured, it should not slip over condition, not stored under a

■ Never use water toys in place of an U. S. Coast Guard approved

■ Wear a life jacket to set an example for younger children

■ On motorboats under 26 feet long, a child passenger under 13 ■ Buy your own personal life years of age must wear a life jacket your local Game Warden.

Nearly nine out of 10 boating- jacket and use it. One size does at all times that the boat is underrelated drownings involve victims not fit all. There may not be one way or moving. This lifejacket who were not wearing a life jacket, available that fits to rent or bor- must be one that fits the child, not an adult size.

■ There must be one wearable "The goal is to educate the pub-vide weight, size and use infortype lifejacket on board your boat for every person on the boat.

■ These lifejackets must be Once the straps and buckles are readily accessible and in good wrapper or bag from the store.

■ When riding on or being pulled by a personal watercraft (jetski or waverunner) everyone must be wearing a lifejacket.

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lawn. A trimmer will cut down that the trimmer doesn't slip. A instructions and warning labels. tufts of grass in even the tightest spaces around trees and bushes for make filling easier and will reduce tection and protective clothing: a neater appearance. Many trimmers now on the

market are versatile with expandable shafts that can easily be environmentally friendly. Many changed to a blower, edger, "brushcutter or cultivator.

the number one thing to look for is a product that's easy to use and Geasy to start. Gas-powered trim- product, take time to read your to overreach. ity with extension cord-free opera- the first time. etion.

The product friendly. Designed angle to the cutting area. Be sure the same beautiful way.

By Dr. Ellen Henke

John Deere Lawn & Garden Expert

of the handle. The handle should fit comfortably in your hand and A dependable, easy to use trim- minimize vibration. The texture of mer can work miracles on your the handle is important to ensure spillage.

Also look for products that are tucked in; and gloves. manufacturers are now using new When shopping for a trimmer, in lower emissions and feature other greenery at ground level. quieter mufflers.

mers provide added maneuverabil- operator's manual before using it

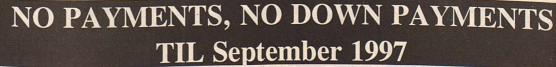
the work. Never force the line into the turf; this can scalp your lawn. And as you trim, be careful not to damage the base of tree trunks.

Pay close attention to safety vertical, translucent fuel tank will Always wear eye and hearing prolong pants; sturdy, close-toe shoes with traction soles; shirttails

String trimmers should be used for weeds and grass only. They are cleaner-running engines that result not designed for shrubbery or

Keep firm footing and balance Once you've found the right and take special precautions not

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THE SPATS by JEFF PICKERING WE'VE HAD CHICKEN FOR DINNER EVERY NIGHT THIS WEEK... ... IF WE HAVE CHICKEN ONE MORE TIME I'M GONNA TURN INTO ONE!





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Your Horoscope by Natasha

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Avoid the social scene this week as the stars are not in favor of it. Instead, tend to your personal interests. A situation concerning a child is uppermost on your mind. Avoid an unpre-

dictable friend this weekend. TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Something you set out to do this week is more difficult than you'd anticipated. It's best to seek the advice of a professional who can help. While out and about this weekend, don't neglect

your rest. GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You're caught up with extra responsibilities on the home front this week. Reconsider something that you've planned for your career. What seems to be a harmless expenditure this weekend easily adds up.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You're in no mood to socialize this week due to the thoughtless actions of a friend. The answers you need about a work concern aren't easily forthcoming. Divert your attention else-

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Those around you are trying to tell you something this week, but you're too wrapped up with your own thoughts. Pay attention! You've been missing out on valuable advice. VIRGO (August 23 to September

22) A matter at a distance is not resolved to your satisfaction this week. However, in romance, you just can't lose. Avoid a tendency to brood and worry during the latter part of the LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Your powers of concentration are

poor this week, and you have a tendency to lose things. Shopping isn't favored, since you could misplace a credit card. Unexpected news comes your way this weekend. SCORPIO (October 23 to



November 21) You're saying one thing and your significant other is hearing something else - which leads to frustration on both sides. It's not a good week to seek feedback for your ideas. Communicative skills are not at their best.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) You're shutting people out because you're preoccupied with a situation that you can't change. If you do not move on, you risk alienating loved ones

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) You're concerned about finances, but don't let that ruin your whole week. If you approach your problem sensibly and work things out on paper, you'll achieve the desired

AQUARIUS (January, 20 to February 18) You are hit with extra projects at work and find yourself putting in extra hours to the neglect of domestic concerns. Family members pitch in. Revise weekend social

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A co-worker isn't pulling his or her weight, and you find yourself making up the slack. Straighten things out by having a heart-to-heart chat with your associate.

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June 22

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Prontier Baptist Church

Rev. Joe Townsend, Pastor

Frontier Baptist Church was occasion of your 25th year.

nition of your church's minis- tisms for the year 1996. try in Christ's name and partici-Great Commission of the Lord state. Jesus Christ."

the signature of the Executive to an evangelistic zeal and the Secretary of the Convention, blessings of God in immeasur-William Penson stated, "At this able ways. significant milestone you celebrate a multitude of persons tinues to labor under the marchministered to in our Lord's ing orders of Christ as a part of name and heaven populated by The Baptist General Convention those who have come to know of Texas and the Southern Bap-Christ through your ministry."

This thoughtful recognition emphasizes the importance of ment there will be a message the ministry of Frontier Baptist from The Word of God as those Church. It also points to the im- in attendance worship Sunday portance of the Baptist General morning at 11:00. Come and be Convention of Texas.

The Convention is made up awarded a Certificate of Recog- of 4,719 churches and 974 misnition by the Baptist General sions with a total membership of Convention of Texas. It was a 2,696,169. Total church renotice of congratulations on the ceipts for 1996 totaled \$1,121,626,796. Of this a total The certificate reads, "This of \$132,136,742 went for miscertificate is presented in recog- sions. There were 61,513 bap-

It is a thrill and a challenge to pation in the cooperative effort be a part of such a widespread of Texas Baptists to fulfill the and vital facet of the life of this

The continued amazing An accompanying letter over growth of the Convention points

Frontier Baptist Church contist Convention.

In keeping with this commitblessed.

Gateway Ministries Pastor Charolette Corey

I'o top off this weeks seen being literally grown out Wintergarden Area Miracle longer. Stiffness in people's Crusade with Dr. Terry Peters bodies being relieved and other this week from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the Kinney County Civic healing power. Center, we will have a great time in our area.

This week has been a blessing of seeing people physically healed. People's legs have been walk in love.

physical manifestation of God's

This Thursday and Friday Saturday Night from 7 p.m. to will be the last nights of minis-10 p.m. with an all area Youth try this week by Dr. Terry Pe-Rally. All youth are invited. ters. Please bring family and Come and see skits and songs friends, particularly those who performed by several churches need a healing touch from God for their bodies.

> God bless you all. Stand in faith, rest in hope,



mercy upon me; for I am deso- for I put my trust in thee. late and afflicted.

enlarged. Oh, bring thou me out of my distress.

Look up on mine affliction 22/ Praise God. and my pain, and forgive all my

with cruel hatred.

Oh, keep my soul, and de-Turn unto me, and have liver me; let me not be ashamed;

Let integrity and uprightness The troubles of my heart are preserve me; for I wait on thee.

Redeem Israel, O God, out of all his troubles. Psalms 25:16-

Charles E. Wilson Day will be Sunday, June 22, at 3 p.m. Consider mine enemies; for Pastor J. Monroe will be the they are many and they hate me guest speaker. Everyone is invited.

Vacation Bible School

July 7-11 will see much activity at First Methodist Church of Brackettville. Vacation Bible School will be held 9:00 to 11:15 each morning for children ages 4 years to 4th grade (at end of 1996-97 school year.) There will be singing, Bible stories, crafts, games, and refreshments.

Registration will be 8:30 - 9:00 a.m., Monday July 7.

Church Directory

St. Andrews Episcopal Church: Henderson & Fort Sunday Church Service 10:45 a.m.on Sunday. Rev. Mike Davis 563-2929.

Frontier Baptist Church (A Southern Baptist Church): Sunday Services 11:00

a.m., 6:00 p.m., Joe Townsend, Pastor, 563-2158. First Baptist Church (A Southern Baptist Church): 307 N. Ann St., Sunday School 9:45 a.m., Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m., and 7:00 p.m., Wednesday Worship 7:00 p.m., Gil Ash, Pastor, 563-2245.

Baptist Hispanic Mission: 307 N. Ann Street, Sunday 9:45 a.m.; Wednesday 5:30 p.m.; Friday, 6:00 p.m., Eugenio Duran, Pastor.

Church of Christ: N. Ann St., Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship Service 10:30 a.m., Bible Study Sunday 6:30 p.m., Wednesday 6:30 p.m. St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church: Sun. Masses at 8:00 A.M. (Spanish) and 10:30 A.M.(English); Mon., Thurs. and Fri. Mass at 7:00 AM: Wed. Mass 12:00 noon, followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until (9:00 P.M.)
Sat. Sacrament of Reconciliation 5:00 - 6:00p.m. Mass 6:30 PM. Rev. James

Cashin Pastor 563-2487. St. Blaise Catholic Church: (Spofford) Sun. Mass 5:00 P.M. Rev. James

First United Methodist Church: "Celebrate and Witness" Fellowship Cashin Pastor 563-2487. 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 a.m., worship 11:00 a.m., welliesday 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, Streets

Reverend Nathan Lafrenz, 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,

Gateway Ministries (Non-Denominational): 301 E. Spring St. (across from post office), Praise & Worship Fellowship Sunday 10:30 a.m., Bible Study Wed. 6:30 p.m., Ladies Prayer meeting Thurs. 6:30, Robert W. Corey, Pastor,

Charolette Corey, Associate Pastor, 563-9331. New Jerusalem Temple Apostolic Church: 514 E. Louise St, Sunday School 10:30, Church 11:30, Bible Study: Wed. 7 p.m., Mission: 3rd Thurs. of each month 6 p.m. Pastor Rudy Goodloe (563-9468)

Obituaries

Emilia Martinez

Emilia Martinez, age 74, died children and one great grand-Friday, June 13, in Del Rio. She child. was born April 5, 1923, in Brackettville.

of Uvalde. Two sisters: Berta de direction of the Del Rio Funeral la Cruz and Elia Martinez of San Home dba the Brackettville Fu-Jose, California. Three grand- neral Home, 114 North St.

Funeral services were held June 16, at the Assembly of God She is survived by a daugh- Church in Brackettville with ter, Lucy Negrete and husband Pastor Pedro Herrera officiat-Miguel of Brackettville. Two ing. Burial took place at the Kinbrothers: David Martinez of ney County Cemetery. Funeral Brackettville and Elias Martinez arrangements were under the

Robert Villarreal

Robert Villarreal, age 24, in Del Rio, Texas.

He was employed at Ft. Clark Cousins. Springs Golf Course-Maintenance Department.

Mother, Zenaida Villarreal, Fa-Victor Villarreal, Rudy pall bearers. Villarreal, Anthony Villarreal, Leon, Texas.

Grandparents: Engracia died June 15, 1997 near Uvalde. Villarreal and Julian Talamantez Robert was born July 1, 1972 both of Brackettville. Also numerous Aunts, Uncles and

Funeral Mass will be held today at 4:00 p.m. at St. Mary Robert is survived by: His Magdalene Catholic Church.

Burial will follow at St. ther, Gerardo Villarreal Sr., Mary's Catholic Cemetery. Brothers: Gerardo Villarreal Jr., Family members will serve as

Funeral arrangements are and Manuel Villarreal and Sis- under the direction of the Brackter: Rosario Graza all of De ettville Funeral Home, 114

Mary Luciel Ward

was born February 28, 1929 in merous other relatives. Brackettville. She is proceeded

Mary Luciel Ward, 68 years Nancy Williams and John Wilof age, has passed away. Mary son, five grandchildren and nu-

The funeral services were in death by her husband Willie Sunday, June 15, at the Del Rio "Nuncus" Ward Jr. Her survi- Funeral Chapel with Pastor vors include her two children; Tarver and Pastor Adams offi-Son, Paul Glen Ward and ciating. She was laid to rest at daughter, Billie Jean Ward the Seminole Indian Scout Cem-Frierson, son-in-Law David etery next to her husband who Frierson, both of her parents, passed away in 1990.

Unsung Hero

By Joe Townsend

A valued and important seg- a family that carried the heritage rapidly fading.

heaven.

Ward the remaining number dis- derstatement. appears almost to extinction.

these good people there comes better things with Him. a pang in our hearts.

Mary was an integral part of sung Hero.

ment of this area's history is of the "Seminoles" through difficult times. She was beloved by One by one the "Old Timers" all who knew her. She served of the "Seminoles" are leaving her family well. Through many to go to their eternal abode in long years she was devoted to her family and her culture. To With the passing of Mary say she will be missed is an un-

God was good to give her to With the passing of each of this world, to prepare her for

Surely Mary Ward is an Un-

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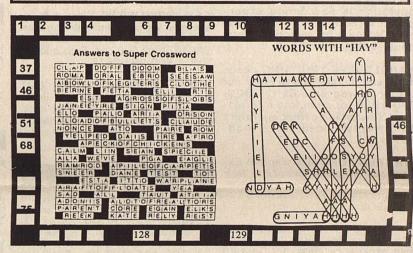


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Ernest Villarreal Sr. and family would like to thank everyone for their prayers, flowers, cards, food and support during the loss of our son. Thanks to everyone.

HEALTH

Food safety rules for restaurants should be standard habits at home

Family outings, picnics, cook-outs and other festivities have become symbolic of the beginning of the vacation sea-

No matter how you celebrate it, you probably will eat or serve some favorite foods or snacks to mark the occasion. But according to Texas health officials, improper cooking and handling of foods can spoil the holiday fun for some people who will become sick from food-borne to help ensure against foodbacteria or viruses.

Steve McAndrew, director of the Texas Department of a cold, flu, diarrhea or hepatitis Health's Retail Foods Division, A, or who has cuts, burns or fish, poultry, shellfish, eggs and explained that although food in- sores on their hands or arms spections and more technical should handle or serve food. processing methods prevent contamination of most foods.

no foods are safe if they are ter any potential contamination peratures before they are food service personnel. handled, inadequately heated or such as using the restroom, cooled, or if the cook fails to blowing the nose or smoking. maintain sanitation in the kitchen.

guidelines that apply to restau- transfer bacteria in the mouth to rants should be standard in ev- the hands and the food. ery home," he said.

of food-borne illnesses.

"Proper washing of hands and utensils, cooking foods to is a good rule if you find that recommended temperatures, cans are bent, swollen, or and strict avoidance of cross- rusted. contamination from raw foods

"The same basic food service guidelines end of the school year and the that apply to restaurants should be standard in every home."

Steve McAndrew

to other foods or kitchen sur- all kitchen surfaces with a mixfaces can prevent many out- ture of one tablespoon of chlobreaks of such serious illnesses rine bleach to a gallon of water. as E.coli (0157:H7) infection, hepatitis A, and salmonellosis."

borne illness in the home: No one who has symptoms of

Wash hands often with soap and hot water, especially before ous foods should be cooked to out the rest of the state, training "Everyone should know that and after food handling, and af- the following safe internal tem- is voluntary for restaurant and

smoke while handling foods, "The same basic food service since hand to mouth contact can erated.

Avoid bare hand contact McAndrew said that lax food with ready to eat foods by using handling habits are a main cause utensils, sterile gloves, deli pa-

"When in doubt, throw it out"

foods are more likely than oth-He offered the following tips ers to be contaminated with bacteria or viruses which can only be destroyed by adequate temperatures.

Raw foods, such as meats,

fresh milk are frequently contaminated. All such potentially hazard-

served: 165 degrees F-Poultry, stuff-

which will be cooled and refrig-

(when meat is no longer red and juices run clear.) 150 degrees F - Pork and

pork products. cuts and other foods.

You can periodically sanitize incubating harmful microbes. 458-7400.

Foods such as meats, poultry and stuffing, seafood and other prepared foods must be cooled quickly from cooking temperatures to 70 degrees F within the first two hours, then cooled to 41 degrees within the next few hours. Dividing large portions into smaller, shallow pans can speed cooling.

Any foods that are cooked far McAndrew added that certain in advance of serving should be cooled in this manner, then rapidly re-heated for serving.

Foods which are held hot for future serving should be kept at a minimum of 140 degrees F.

In Texas, only 17 of the larger cities' health departments have mandated that commercial food handlers be formally trained in food safety. Through-

The TDH Retail Foods Division was established in 1995 to No one should eat, drink or ing and dressing, and leftovers inspect all food establishments which are not regulated by city or county health authorities. 155 degrees F- Ground beef McAndrew said that nine investigators now travel the state, inspecting from 12,000 to 13,000 food service businesses.

■Editors note: For more in-140 degrees F - Whole beef formation, contact Steve McAndrew, Director, Retail McAndrew explained that Foods Division, at 512-719certain foods which are not rap- 0232; or David Vaughan, Comidly cooled are notorious for munications Division, at 512-

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NOTICE OF RATE CHANGE REQUEST

Notice is hereby given that Rio Grande Electric Cooperative, Inc. (the "Utility") intends to change rates for electric service effective August 28, 1997, or as soon thereafter as may be permitted by law. Based upon the test year ending December 31, 1995, the proposed rate changes result in a decrease of \$329 or 0.0% compared to adjusted test year revenues. The changes are applicable to all areas, all customer classes, and all customers served by the Utility.

Information concerning the proposed rate changes, including the proposed customer, demand, and energy charges applicable to each class of service, the estimated effect on revenue by customer class, and a brief description of the applicability and type of service for any new class of service which is proposed by the Utility is available at the general office of the Utility, located at Highway 90 at FM 131, Brackettville, Texas 78832, or will be provided upon request to any customer by mail without charge. Inquires should be made to Mr. Daniel G. Laws, the Utility's President/Chief Executive Officer, at (210) 563-2444.

The Utility has filed a copy of this Notice of Rate Change Request with the Public Utility Commission of Texas. Persons who wish to intervene in or comment upon these proceedings should notify the Commission as soon as possible. A request to intervene or for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility commission of Texas, 1701 N. Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas 78701. Further information may also be obtained by calling the Public Utility Commission's Public Information Office at (512) 936-7140. The deadline for intervening will be July 14, 1997 (45 days after filing the notice with the Commission.)

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GARAGE SALE

GARAGE SALE June 21, 8:00 till 3:00 . Unit 15 lot 89.

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2 bed, 1 bath, large fenced yard, shade trees, 2 storage buildings.

On golf course, 2 bed, 2 baths, long & wide screened porch with glass shutters overlooks creek This house could be easily converted into 3 bedrooms.

3 bed., 2 baths, mobile home in Unit 15 of Fort Clark. Carport, Morgan Building. Good quality furniture and appliances including washer & dryer. Membership included. Asking \$25,000.00.

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PROPOSALS

THE MIDDLE RIO GRANDE DEVEL-OPMENT COUNCIL AREA AGENCY ON AGING, hereby solicits proposals to provide the following services: Nutritional and Supportive services (Transportation), and Legal Assistance Services under the Older American Act of 1965, Title III, as amended, to Senior Citizens of the Middle Rio Grande region. Services are to be provided in Dimmit, Edwards, Kinney, La Salle, Maverick, Real, Uvalde, Val Verde, and Zavala counties. Proposal period will be from October 1, 1997 through September 30, 1998. To obtain a complete copy of the request for proposal packet, please contact: Ramon S. Johnston, Deputy Director, Middle Rio Grande Development Council, P.O. Box 1199, Carrizo Springs, Texas 78834, (210)876-3533. Proposal Packets will be available on or after June 20, 1997. A bidders conference will be held June 24, 1997 at 10:00 a.m. at the MRGDC Central Office - Conference Room at 307 W. Nopal, Carrizo Springs, Texas. All proposals must be clearly marked "Sealed Bid-Do Not Open," Attention: Ramon S. Johnston. The deadline for submission of proposal is July 31, 1997, 5:00 p.m. at the Middle Rio Grande Development Council (Central Office), 307 W. Nopal, Carrizo Springs, Texas 78834. Proposals may not be submitted through the use of facsimile machines. The Middle Rio Grande Development Council is an equal opportunity employer and auxiliary aids and services may be made available upon request to individuals with disabilities. The MRGDC reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. Changes in state/or federal legislation may result in a requirement to renegotiate contracts at any time (before or during

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the contracted period.)

NOTICE TO BANKING INSTITU-TIONS REGARDING A DEPOSI-TORY CONTRACT FOR THE MIDDLE RIO GRANDE DEVELOP-MENT COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given that the Middle Rio Grande Development Council (MRGDC), subject to the provisions of Article 2559 to Article 2566A, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas as amended, will receive proposals from selected banking institutions to serve as prime depository for the Council to maintain custody of its funds and provide certain other banking services for a period of two (2) years beginning September 1 1997 and ending August 31, 1999. In order to qualify, the banking institution or bank branch must be located within the region of the Middle Rio Grande Development Council, Central offices located at 307 West Nopal, Carrizo Springs, Texas. Request for proposals packets may be obtained by contacting Ramon S. Johnston, Deputy Executive Director of Administration, Middle Rio Grande Development Council, 307 West Nopal. Carrizo Springs, Texas 78834. Proposals must be received by no later than 10:00 a.m. Friday, July 11,

1997 and must be clearly marked "RFP # 06-10-97-014, Council Depository," to ensure that proposals will not be opened until the appointed hour. The award of contract for depository services will be based on: 1. Ability to perform requested services (55 points). 2. Costs for services (if any) specified (30 points).

3. Location of a bank branch within the Middle Rio Grande Development Council region (15 points). The Middle Rio Grande Development Council is an equal opportunity employer and auxiliary aids and services

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BRIEF EXPLANATORY STATEMENT OF PROPOSED

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

SPECIAL ELECTION AUGUST 9, 1997

PROPOSITION NO. 1 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 4 proposes a constitutional amendment which would increase the school property tax residence homestead exemption from \$5,000 to \$15,000. The amendment would also authorize the Legislature to limit all or part of the exemption to political subdivisions that are the principal providers of elementary and secondary education within their boundaries.

In addition, the amendment would authorize the Legislature to allow the transfer of all or part of the age 65-and-over tax freeze to another homestead. Specifically, the Legislature would be authorized to provide that the current limitation against increasing school property taxes on the residence homesteads of persons age 65 or older, or their surviving spouse who is eligible to receive the exemption, may be transferred if the person establishes a different residence homestead.

The amendment would also allow the \$10,000 additional amount for the standard exemption to be used to lower the tax rate of persons currently receiving the 65-and-over tax freeze. Specifically, for a homestead affected by this limitation in 1996 or in an earlier tax year, the Legislature must provide for a reduction in the school property tax limitation in the 1997 tax year and subsequent: tax years in an amount equal to \$10,000 multiplied by the 1997 school property tax rate.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment providing school property tax relief by increasing the residence homestead exemption by \$10,000 and providing for the transfer of the tax limitation to another qualified homestead for persons over 65 and a reduction in taxes subject to the limitation.

Este es el informe explanatorio sobre la enmienda propuesta a la constitución que aparecerá en la boleta el dia 9 de agosto de 1997. Si usted no ha recibido una copia del informe en español, podrá obtener una gratis por llamar al 1/800/252/8683 a por escribir al Secretario de Estado, P.O. Box 12060, Austin,

Published by Secretary of State Tony Garza

Laughlin AFB battles illegal alien problem

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There were 397 illegal aliens tice in the civilian hospital. detained at the base in 1995. In

A fence is being constructed at ings of \$1.8 million. present, and although it is not completed, the numbers are al- penses and will be training many ready going down, Winterberger more pilots. Additional accommo-

is now available through the Val area. Verde Regional Medical Center. Some things will still be handled community.

at the base, but the Air Force physicians are now licensed to prac-

The change means a reduction 1996, almost 1,200 were detained. in medical staff and an annual sav-

Laughlin has pared down exdations required for pilots in train-One other large change has ing and the officers who will train been instituted; the way medical them will mean increased work care is provided. The same care opportunities for people in this

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