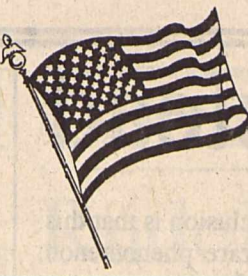


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Fourth of July parade 9 a.m. Saturday

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Commissioners propose passing landfill ordinance

Tanya Kay McClure
Staff Writer

Commissioners considering passing ordinance keeping landfills out of certain areas in Kinney County.

The Kinney County Commissioners Court met this past Friday for a special called meeting. One of the many items that were discussed was the County Ordinance concerning siting of landfills in Kinney County as per Texas Solid Waste Laws.

A letter was received by County Judge Herb Senne, from the Department of the Air Force, Washington, D.C. from Frances C. Giddian, Major General U.S. Air Force Department of Safety.

Giddian wrote to express his concern over the potential safety threat to U.S. Air Force Pilots and aircraft due to the proposed landfill site which is located just four miles from the Auxiliary Air Field in Spofford.

This airfield is used to give extensive student pilot training.

"Municipal solid waste landfills are especially attractive to vultures, gulls and other scavenging birds. The area surrounding Spofford has a high population of vultures, especially during the winter months. Building a landfill at the site in Spofford could concentrate vultures in the vicinity of the Air Field therefore exposing our student pilots to bird hazards during the most vulnerable phase of flight, takeoff and landing. Relocating the currently proposed Spofford landfill site at least ten miles from our airfield would greatly reduce potential bird strike hazards to our U.S. Airforce Air Craft," said Giddian.

A motion was made to authorize Mr. Shahan (county attorney) to publish in the local newspaper, the proposed ordinance prohibiting the disposal of Municipal Solid Waste in certain

areas of Kinney County and providing civil and criminal penalties, within a ten mile radius of the Auxiliary Air Field and Laughlin Air Force Base Del Rio.

The court is and will be considering passage of the ordinance on August 9th.

A report was given by Sheriff Buddy Burgess stating that the TaskForce is fixing to be fired up here in Kinney County.

"The benefit of this Narcotics Taskforce is that is going to do a unique benefit that I don't know if anyone has ever tried. We're going to work the mom and pop organizations where there's not going to be much money involved," said Burgess.

"Maybe we can take down some of these jokers who are selling dope to our children," said Burgess.

This new TaskForce will be moving into the county within the next couple of months.



4-H members, leaders, and agents from Kinney, Real, and Edwards Counties enjoyed a fun-filled camp from May 28-30. The camp was held at the HEB Foundation Camp-Linnets Wing. The 4-Hers enjoyed swimming, games, dancing, vesper services, and a speech on the history of the HEB Foundation Camp. About twenty 4-Hers from Kinney County attended. Leaders who attended were Nadalee Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Elledge, Lisa Conoly and Bonnie Herndon.

Chief Appraiser position still open

Tanya Kay McClure
Staff Writer

According to the Kinney Appraisal Board a total of five applications have been received for the position of Chief Appraiser.

Discussion was held on the consideration of hiring an interim Chief Appraiser.

The Board decided to contact the Val Verde and Uvalde County Appraisal offices for help until they have hired a Chief Appraiser.

"See if they have anyone available in their offices that can come over here and do that for us, they might can send an assistant or someone that is trained in that area," said Tully Shahan.

Applications have been filed

from as far as Houston and as near a Fort Clark Springs. Applications are still being accepted.

A lawn maintenance contract was awarded for the mowing of the KCAD lawn and trash hauling for one year to Albert Payne. He was the low bidder, bidding \$25.00 a month for these services.

A total of five bids were received. The former Chief Appraiser Joyce Fuentes had recently advertised for this contract and had not yet opened the bids.

Discussion was held on the tremendous cost spent by the Appraisal office each year on computer software, equipment and maintenance.

This last fiscal year a total of

\$32,000 (+) was spent on the computer operations in the office.

"Everybody I've talked to indicates that that's excessive; that were paying for something that we are not really getting. I think the fear through the years was to have support, support, support. We have more than paid for the little upgrades we get. I don't know what they are, I think they are minor," said Tim Ward.

The Board decided to talk to the other Appraisal offices in surrounding counties about the computer software companies they go through for their support and find out if Kinney County can find something that will help them save more money.

Officers installed for new year

Patsy Callnan
Contributing Writer

Jim Runyan, president of the Del Rio Rotary club, was the speaker for the installation of officers for the Brackettville Rotary Club.

Runyan explained that "Rotary is an organization of business and professional leaders united worldwide, who provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations and help build goodwill and peace in the world."

The Rotarians are members of these respective clubs. The Rotary clubs are members of Rotary International, which is the association of Rotary clubs throughout the world.

The object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster the development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service. High ethical standards in business and professions are essential.

The recognition of worthiness of all useful occupations and the



Left to Right: Jim Runyan, Tino Guzman, Patsy Callnan, Joe Hardin, Frank Cheaney. Front: Ella Chambers.

dignifying of each Rotarian's personal, business and community life is promoted.

The advancement of international understanding, goodwill and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional people united in the way of service is a priority.

"The 4 Way Test" is a test to promote conduct of all human relations as follows.

1. Is it the truth? 2. Is it fair

to all concerned? 3. Will it build goodwill and better friendships? 4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

Jim then installed the following officers for the 1999-2000 Rotary year: President - Patsy Callnan, Vice President and President Elect - Joe Hardin, Secretary/Treasurer - Mike Holley, Directors: Ella Chambers, Frank Cheaney, Tino Guzman, and David Moody.

CPL to issue fuel refund in July and August

The Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT) recently granted Central Power and Light Company's (CPL) request to issue a two-part interim fuel refund in July and August to retail customers totaling \$19.4 million in fuel costs and interest.

The requested fuel refund is a result of the effects of a mild winter and significant decreases in the cost of natural gas during the period from January to April 1999, compared to one year ago. For example, the average unit cost per mmBtu of natural gas was \$1.87 during the period

of January through April 1999, as compared to \$2.27 per mmBtu for the same period in 1998. Additionally, the cost of coal was also down from \$1.39 per mmBtu in January through April 1998, to \$1.36 per mmBtu for the same time period in 1999.

The two-part fuel refund will be issued as a credit to customers' July and August bills and will be indicated as a separate line item both months. For a residential customer using 1,000 kilowatt-hours of electricity a month, the interim fuel refund will result in a \$5.27 reduction

on the customer's monthly bill, or a net decrease of 6.5% to the total electric bill. The fuel cost portion of a customer's bill is based on a fuel factor calculated from forecasted fuel costs and kilowatt-hours sales. All investor-owned electric utilities in Texas use fuel factors to recover the projected cost of fuel required to generate electricity at their power plants.

When the actual cost of fuel is lower than forecasted, the utility requests permission to refund the additional amount that customers paid in their monthly bills. Continued on page 3...

Warm Springs Rehabilitation Center moving to Masonic Lodge Building on July 1st

The original warm springs, the historical heart of the first Warm Springs Rehabilitation Hospital, were discovered quite by accident by an oil exploration team in 1909. Copies of original drilling logs say that drilling along the San Marcos River (in Palmetto State Park near Gonzales, Tx) was first done in 1907 by Brown Oil Company. Financial problems caused the prospecting to be taken over by the Heywood Oil Company of Beaumont. Heywood abandoned its first hole after reaching 1,500 feet.

The Producers Oil Company of Houston accepted the challenge and started drilling with a 2.5 inch pipe. In September 1909, the crew hit two feet of sandy limestone, which quickly became "mean rock." After coring five feet and ruining three drills, workers sought the help of Howard R. Hughes, inventor of the cone rock bit. Crews were then able to drill two more feet before hitting water sand. On October 9, 1909, the initial ar-

tesian flow was discovered at 98.5 degrees and 100 gallons per minute.

The Producers Oil Company then abandoned the site and relocated operations to the west side of the San Marcos River. In February 1910, an analysis of the water was done, and experts concluded at the time that its mineral-rich composition would make it of high medicinal value to those who might bathe in it. The well stood dormant for nearly 30 years until the eight Warm Springs founders decided to establish a rehabilitation center at the site during the outbreak of the polio epidemic. Some 60 years ago, the following Texans incorporated themselves to form the Gonzales Warm Springs Foundation for Crippled Children: Ross Boothe, Glen Burgess, S.H. Burchard, Joseph Grant, M.S. Spooner, Dr. George Holmes, Henry Reese III, and Frank Boehm. Construction of the first hospital unit, housing 16 patients, was completed in 1939.

and the natural springs bubbled endlessly from the large stone foundation in front of the complex. According to the first Warm Springs physical therapist, Loraine Millican now of Corpus Christi, the water was pumped in a small pool located at the front of the hospital building. There, children could reap its therapeutic benefits during scheduled sessions of prescribed physical exercise.

The location of the hospital so near the springs would also help bring a revolutionary polio treatment technique to Texas in the early 1940s. The technique, called the Kenny Method after Sister Elizabeth Kenny of the University of Minnesota, promoted the use of hot packs and pool therapy instead of friction massage of the painful muscles. During this period, Millican was the first Texas therapist to travel north to attend training in the new treatment.

Several years later, the springs were also tapped to fill a large outdoor pool on the cam-

pus, which eventually would include several large Spanish-style buildings.

During World War II, through financial and supply shortages, leaders of the organization continued to push for its success. Since its founding in 1937, local supporters and active former patients have hosted fund-raisers of all kinds. By 1946, Warm Springs leaders had collected more than \$400,000 from across the state to erect additional buildings on the Gonzales campus. In the late 1940s, the Foundation's efforts would take off and the cities of Fort Worth, Houston, Beaumont, and others would help finance the construction of several large buildings worth nearly a half million dollars. Patients would continue to pour in from across the state until the Salk vaccine ended the epidemic. Warm Springs, however, adapted to the changing need for rehabilitative services and began to focus on treatment of people with catastrophic injuries in ad-

dition to chronic disease. In 1989, Warm Springs would expand for the first time. Warm Springs Rehabilitation Hospital San Antonio (now Warm Springs Baptist Rehabilitation Hospital following a 1993 affiliation agreement with Baptist Health System) opened its doors to both inpatients and outpatients. Thereafter, the system founded the Warm Springs Wheelchair Sports Program.

In 1992, Warm Springs added a third inpatient facility in Corpus Christi. Warm Springs outpatient rehabilitation centers and services are now available in cities such as Lubbock, Falfurrias, Corpus Christi, McAllen, San Benito, San Antonio, Pearsall, and New Braunfels.

Warm Springs Rehabilitation Center Brackettville accepts most managed care plans and is an approved Medicare and Champus provider. The hours of operation are Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

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Sweet homestead

Submitted by
Kay Bailey Hutchison

The Senate is set to consider a bill to reform federal bankruptcy law. Last year's effort failed, in part, because it endangered the "homestead exemption" in Texas and other states. Texas has a constitutional protection for a family's home even if everything else is lost in a bankruptcy proceeding.

Some in Congress want to impose a nationwide exemption limit of \$100,000 on the value of a homestead that is protected in bankruptcy proceedings. The federal government has never before imposed a one-size-fits-all limit on the states, and I will resist all efforts to do so now.

Not only would this be an unprecedented encroachment on states' rights, but it also would threaten home and farm ownership for millions of Americans in a misguided attempt to prevent rare instances of abuse, which are addressed adequately elsewhere in the bill.

Consider the example of an elderly couple on a fixed income, who have worked hard their whole lives and finally paid off the mortgage. Perhaps one or both become ill, and fall behind on paying their debts. Should they be forced to sell their home where they've lived for 30 years, their only asset and source of security, to pay off their debts?

Proponents of limiting homestead exemptions are telling Congress that millionaires routinely use state exemptions to shield their fortunes from creditors. The facts tell a different story, though. A January 1999 independent analysis of bankruptcy filing reported: "We did not find a single debtor who came close to the popular stereotype of

abuse. Our conclusion is that this is a relatively rare phenomenon in bankruptcy."

The proposed reforms contain strong provisions to prevent abuse. These include a means test. For example, an individual is required to live in the state for at least two years before being eligible for homestead protection.

Nor would a \$100,000 limit recognize the differences in property values from state to state and from region to region. For example, \$100,000 may get you a nice home in Ozona, Texas, but it is not likely to get you very far in upstate New York. And looking ahead, \$100,000 today is likely to get you something far different than what it will 10 years from now.

Texas doesn't use a dollar amount for household valuation. Our constitutional homestead exemption protects a Texas family's primary residence located on 200 acres of rural land, or 10 acres in an urban area. Other states have tailored homestead exemptions to their needs.

There is no doubt bankruptcy reform is overdue. Congress needs to close the loopholes in the law that allow irresponsible individuals to slip out from under their debts. People who don't pay their debts cost everyone money, because businesses have to raise their prices.

But we should not confuse the bad actors with the millions of honest Americans who have worked, in some cases their whole lives, to build up value in their homes, only to see those homes lost when they run into financial trouble.

I will fight any attempts to permit the federal government to undermine Texas' constitution when it comes to homestead protection.

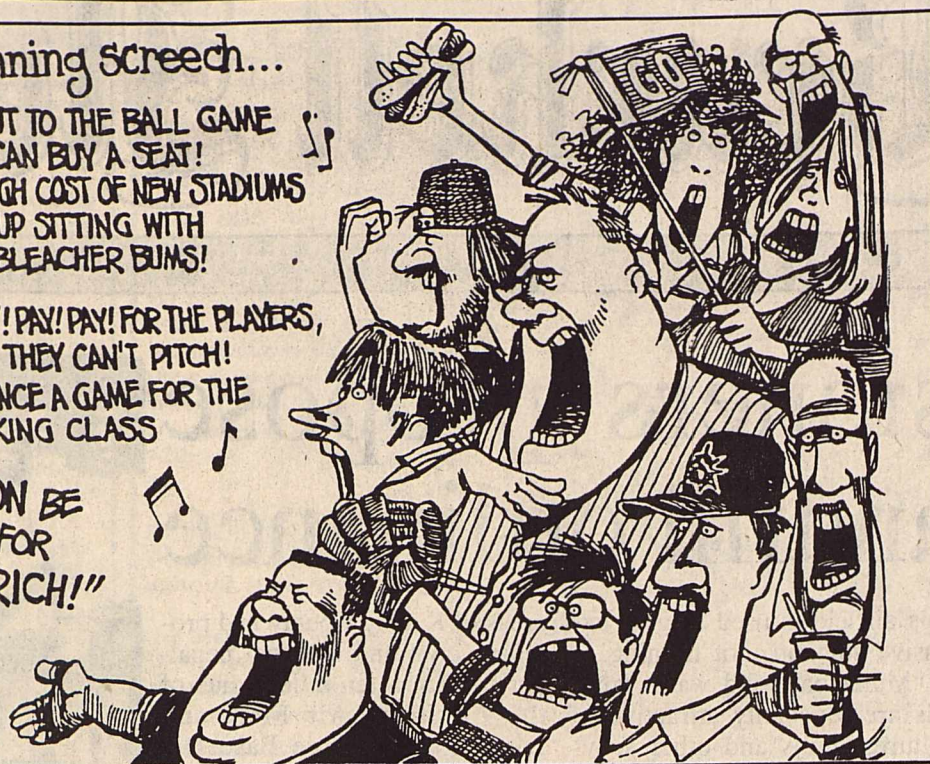
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"TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALL GAME WHILE I CAN BUY A SEAT! WITH THE HIGH COST OF NEW STADIUMS I'LL END UP SITTING WITH CHEAP BLEACHER BUMS!

AND IT'S PAY! PAY! PAY! FOR THE PLAYERS, EVEN IF THEY CAN'T PITCH! WHAT WAS ONCE A GAME FOR THE WORKING CLASS

WILL SOON BE JUST FOR THE RICH!!

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Celebrate freedom

Submitted by
Henry Bonilla

This July fourth we will commemorate the 223rd birthday of our great nation. The Fourth of July is a day of celebration. It is a red-white-and-blue day of barbecues and fireworks. It is also a day of family reunions and loving tributes to the men and women who have created and defended our liberties.

On this July Fourth, as we stand on Main Street USA and watch the parades pass by, reflect on the hard earned freedom we cherish. Celebrate the Fourth of July not only as a family holiday but a community holiday. This day commemorates the American family and our bonding as a free nation.

In towns dotted all over Texas people know what it means to be free. We celebrate the fact that we live in strong and united communities. We recognize how blessed we are to enjoy unparalleled freedom - freedom that has been earned and protected at a high price.

Let us not forget to give thanks on this day. On July 4, 1776, our founding fathers set up the greatest nation on the face of the planet. They knew that a truly free nation would not be defined in terms of its borders, but in its philosophy. For 223 years courageous Americans have risked their lives to adopt and maintain the true meaning of the Declaration of Independence: "...that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of happiness..."

As you celebrate this day, draw close to your neighbors and like one grateful family remember the sacrifices of the men and women throughout history who gave their lives for the freedom we enjoy and celebrate.

Pass the brisket, slice a watermelon and draw your hand close to your heart when you see the banner of red, white and blue. I hope you and your family truly enjoy the birthday of our nation. Have a safe weekend and to all of my fellow Americans, Happy Fourth

Victims get little consideration

Between Us
Joe Townsend

A careful look at the record of Rafael Resendez - Ramirez gives the answer to a lot of the "whys" of crime. The FBI hypes the fact that they are looking for him nation wide. They gathered 250 strong to lay siege to two men in Montana. They have amassed a great number of men to try to find one man in the mountains of Georgia. They can send a contingent to Kosovo because 50,000 military personnel can't do what FBI agents can do.

In the light of such supposed

expertise why can't the "railroad killer" be found? Were he to be found if things remain as they have been he'd soon be out of custody.

Here is a man who has been in and out of police custody for over 25 years. At one time he was sentenced to 20 years in the penitentiary and was released after five years.

A review of the times he has been arrested and the punishment he has shows why criminals mock the law and continue to kill innocent people.

If he had been properly sentenced for his crimes he would have still been incarcerated and

at least 8 people would still be alive. Liberal judges and do-gooders express so much sympathy for criminals there is little real punishment for crime.

Even when criminals are put in the pen these miscreant officials demand they be pampered and petted. There is little consideration for victims rights but much concern for the rights of criminals.

When judges, juries and politicians come to realize that those who commit crimes are criminals and should be so punished we can expect the numbers of criminals and crimes will decrease.

The Civil War, Part III

The Way I see it
Steven R. LaMascus

Well, another shot in the war of Liberal versus Conservative has been fired. At the time this is written I don't know if it struck the mark or not. However, the Liberals are now arguing that the wording in one of our most important historical documents is offensive and should be excluded when it is recited by school children.

The Declaration of Independence of the Thirteen Colonies was signed on July 4, 1776. It is one of, if not indeed THE most important historical documents ever written. It says:

"When in the course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them to another, and to assume among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation.

We hold these truths to be self evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness."

These immortal words are now being maligned as offensive! It is being argued, if I understood correctly, by a group of liberal destructionists, that the references to God and to "all men" should be deleted. They want the references to God deleted for obvious reasons — they are atheistic idiots.

The reference to "all men" they say should be deleted because the founding fathers were slave owning bigoted hypocrites. We should not force school children to recite these horribly offensive words, they say.

Well, let me tell you something! If you want to talk about being offended; I am offended that anyone would even think, let alone say, that any part of the United States Declaration of Independence was offensive to any citizen of this great country!

The problem here is that the nitwits who are proposing this insane insanity are anti-patriotic, unthinking, pro-world government malcontents who have no

conception of the damage they are doing by tearing away at the things that made this country great; namely God and our far-sighted, Christian, God-fearing founding fathers!

They do not want the United States to stand alone in a world of chaos, as a solid, noble example of the rights of men as defined by the edicts of God. They want you to think that your liberty is not granted by God, but by government.

They are directly opposed to what our founding fathers believed. They want the United States to be absorbed by a giant, powerful, one-world government.

They want us to give away our independence and kowtow to a foreign power. They are doing their dead-level best to destroy the sovereignty of your country!

If you really want to know what the dangers we are facing today are, all you have to do is read The Declaration of Independence of the Thirteen Colonies. We are today facing the same dangers and problems from our own government that the colonists faced from King George III. One startling paragraph leaps out at me as I read this wonderful document:

"He has refused his Assent to Laws, the most wholesome and necessary for the public good."

"...the most wholesome and necessary for the public good." Seems to me to be a totally reasonable thought. Why then today have we abandoned this concept in favor of legislating in favor of obscenity, profanity, pornography, atheism, and a myriad of other things that are counter to the public good? Why do we oppose things that are offensive only if they are offensive to a minority of the whole?

I'm sure that the majority of us feel that pornography, made available to our children through the internet, is offensive. But that is defended tooth and nail by the liberal fringe of our society. In the same breath they (Liberals) want to do away with anything that recognizes the existence of God, or that promotes high moral character.

This is a call to arms people! Your weapons are your votes, your telephones, your typewriters, your computers, and your conservative voices. Don't sit on your fannies moaning about the

decline of the country and the decay of morality. Call your representatives and inform them in no uncertain terms that you are for the things that make this country strong. Say a prayer to God for guidance and then make that call! Here is a prayer for you:

Our Dearest and Most Holy Heavenly Father, please give me the strength to stand up for those things I know are good and true and righteous; please give me the courage to resist those things which are immoral, unjust and evil; and, please, give me the wisdom to know the difference. In the name of The Saviour Jesus Christ, amen.

Where did my Buddy go?

But I could be wrong
Chuck Hall

My mother used to enjoy telling stories about me. She especially liked to tell tales that embarrassed me.

On regular occasions, she would recall the time I fell into the fish pond in my Sunday clothes.

There were many accounts of deeds that I have done. Some that I have tried very hard to forget.

I guess her favorite was the changing of my name. It's true. When I was first born, they called me "Buddy". I have relatives who still refer to me by that name.

At about the age of two, Mom claimed I was a rotten little kid. (I know, it's hard for me to imagine, too.) Anyway, I was so bad that on those rare occur-

rences when I was good, Mother would say, "Who is this child? He can't be Buddy. He must be someone else. He must be Chuck!" Chuck was the good son; Buddy was the bad one. It's a wonder I'm not schizophrenic. Eventually, I outgrew my orneriness, (some of it anyway) and my name changed permanently from Buddy to Chuck. Remember that this was all done to improve my behavior.

Can you imagine how bad I would have been had my mother not devised this clever scheme for my betterment? What if I was still Buddy? What if Buddy someday returns?

There's a little bit of Buddy still in me. I can feel him deep in my intermost being. Fortunately, Chuck is still in me too. And there's more of him than there is of Buddy.

But I could be wrong.

Unsung Hero

By Joe Townsend

There is a man here who was born here and has spent his entire life here.

He married an outstanding lady who is also a native of the area.

They have a fine family of tremendous children

He is following in the footsteps of his father as a hard working rancher.

He is a tremendously likeable man, friendly and outgoing.

Anyone is richer who can know him as a friend.

Surely H.C. Hunt is an Unsung Hero

Big Mama
Sez!



Man fools himself. He prays for a long life, and he fears old age.

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New Elementary Principal hired Obituary

Making a Difference
Taylor Stephenson

Paula Renken is the new principal for Jones Elementary School! The Board of Trustees for Brackett ISD offered her a contract Monday night. Renken officially accepted the position Tuesday afternoon. The school system is fortunate to have a new principal with Mrs. Renken's training and qualifications.

The process of hiring a principal took many hours. The position was advertised in area newspapers, at area universities, through Texas Administrator's Association, and on the Internet. We received 21 applications. A

committee reviewed applications and selected the most qualified. The committee included Gloria Garcia and Sara Terrazas, board members; Kandace LaMascus and Pam Melancon, elementary teachers; and Stoney Burks, Don Sims and Taylor Stephenson, Administrators. The selection committee then recommended Mrs. Renken to the Board of Trustees. The school board met in special session Monday night to interview Paula Renken. At the conclusion of the interview, she was offered a contract. You know the rest of the story (she accepted). I'm very proud.

Renken has a Masters Degree from Sam Houston State in

Huntsville. She has completed her Texas mid-management (principal's certificate). She has 8 years experience in El Paso, Tomball, and in Del Rio. Her husband works for the railroad. The Renkens will move to Brackettville in the near future. Next week, we'll work for a full story about our new principal.

Also hired at the School Board meeting was a first grade teacher, Rosemary Rubino. This position is being funded through federal grant money to reduce class size. The school board and administration agreed that the very best use of the money would be smaller first grade classes. Rubino is a Brackett High School graduate in 1991.

She is well remembered in Brackettville as being a fine young lady, an excellent student, and a great twirler. She has two years teaching experience at Driscoll, Texas. Welcome home Rosemary! We're happy that you are here. That's about it this week. Last weekend, my wife and I traveled through Texas to the northeastern corner of New Mexico, Clayton. The reunion was a fun one. I have never seen Texas look more beautiful because of the Spring and Summer rains. This weekend, we are flying to Kentucky to visit our one year old grandson (and his family). I'm sure we'll have lots of stories to tell about little Taylor. Have a great week!

Rudolph (Rudy) Voss

Rudolph (Rudy) Voss passed away on Tuesday, June 22, 1999 in New Braunfels, at the age of 87 years.

He is survived by two sons, James Voss and wife Barbara of Brackettville, Texas and Robert (Bob) Voss and wife Helen of New Braunfels; Three daughters, Diana Moltz and husband Bill of New Braunfels, Bernadine Grothes and husband Harry of Bulverde, Texas and Mary Irwin and husband Barry of Buda, Texas; Fifteen grandchildren and nine great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation began on Wednesday and continued until 12:30 p.m. Friday at the Zoeller Funeral Home.

A rosary was recited on Thursday at 7 p.m. in the Zoeller Chapel, with mass conducted on Friday at 2 p.m. in the Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church, with interment to follow in the Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Cemetery.

The family has requested that Memorial contributions be given to Hospice New Braunfels or the Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church Building Fund.

Kinney County Sheriff's Report

Tuesday, June 8

Pedro Flores Ramirez, age 29 of Mexico, was arrested by DPS Officer Ashley for Possession of Marijuana. He was later released on time served.

Saturday, June 19

Marh Linan, age 23 of Del Rio was arrested by DPS Officer Ashley for Driving with a suspended license. She was later released on bail.

Tuesday, June 22

10:33 p.m. A fight was reported outside in the Pico parking lot. Deputy Chism responded to the scene. The subjects were brought into the Sheriffs Department.

8:50 p.m. A call was made to the KCSO stating that there was a group of kids fighting next to the school grounds. Deputy Karl Chism was dispatched to the scene.

3:45 p.m. A local man and his son entered the Sheriffs Department to report the theft of a bicycle at the school gym. The bike was taken while his son was inside the gym. The man later called back and stated that the bike had been recovered.

Wednesday, June 23

Devin Duke Walker, age 17, from San Antonio was arrested by Sheriff Buddy Burgess for Driving while intoxicated.

Jacob Puda, age 18, from Brackettville, was arrested for Criminal Trespass by Chief Deputy Fritter. He is currently serving community service time.

5:45 p.m. An individual from the Val Verde Sheriffs Office called in to report that an individual was bleeding on the side of the road on 277 South about

19 miles. Del Rio EMS was out on 277 looking for the individual. Deputy Johnny Fritter stated that he went up and down 277 and could not find the individual.

8:10 p.m. A 911 call was received reporting that a tractor trailer had turned over on Highway 90/5 miles West of Lake Amistad. Del Rio DPS was called and told about the accident.

11:00 p.m. Deputy Bobby Guidry found a white 10 speed bicycle in front of the High School Gym and brought the bike to the KCSO and left it to see if the owner would show up to claim it.

Thursday, June 24

Angel Jose Esquiven, age 20 was arrested by DPS Trooper Ashley for no insurance and license.

12:20 p.m. Griselda Medrano, age 21, was arrested by DEA Agent Adrian Pena for Possession of Marijuana.

11:30 a.m. A local man came into the Sheriffs Department to report that someone had stolen his horse sometime in March. The horse was later located.

Friday, June 25

12:51 p.m. A call was received stating that there was a motorhome on fire approximately 12 miles east of Brackettville.

2:03 a.m. A local woman requested that a deputy be sent to her residence. She stated that a man was drunk and causing problems.

Saturday, June 26

12:56 p.m. A two vehicle accident was reported in front of Davis Hardware. One vehicle

left the scene. A local man later called in stating that he was the man who left the scene and that he did so because his leg was bleeding. Upon investigation, the man who left the scene was charged for failure to control speed, failure to stop for a red light and no liability insurance.

10:28 a.m. A call was received from the owners of the Cowboy and Indians Museum on North Ann Street requesting an officer. The owners stated that one of the window airconditioners had been stolen from the north side of the building.

Sunday, June 27

9:00 a.m. Rique Jalomo, age 33, of Del Rio, was arrested by Deputy Chism for family violence and assault.

10:21 p.m. Mario Luna, age 17, of Katy, Texas was arrested for no drivers license by DPS Trooper Ashley. He is still being held at this time.

9:07 a.m. A local man called in to report the attempted theft of a window air conditioner from the front window of his fathers house. The case is still under investigation.

1:07 p.m. A local woman came into the Sheriffs Department to complain about her next door neighbors dog which had been barking all day long and continued to do so that night. She complained that she could not fall asleep with the dog making all the noise. She told the neighbors to see if they could get the dog to be quite, but they laughed. Deputy Karl Chism responded to the scene and talked to the owner of the dog. He advised the woman to keep the dog from barking.

Real Estate News For Consumers

TEXAS PROPERTY OWNERS COME OUT WINNERS ON HEELS OF 76TH LEGISLATIVE SESSION

AUSTIN - Property owners are among the big winners now that the dust has settled on the 76th Texas Legislature.

John Walton, president of the Texas Association of Realtors, credits state lawmakers for protecting the rights of consumers during the 1999 session, which ended May 31.

Walton cited these issues as prime examples from the 76th session:

Mortgage brokers: SB 1074 establishes licensing requirements and regulatory oversight for mortgage brokers, who match homebuyers with financing sources.

The Realtor organization and the Texas Association of Mortgage Brokers supported SB 1074, which helps eliminate abuses to consumers but does not affect traditional lenders such as banks and savings and loans.

Effective: Jan. 1, 2000.

Urban homestead: SJR 22 would increase the maximum size of urban homesteads from one acre to 10 acres, making it easier for many Texans to obtain home equity loans.

SJR 22 passed both houses of the legislature by two-thirds vote and now goes before Texas

voters in November. If approved by statewide ballot, the change goes into effect Jan. 1, 2000.

Manufactured housing: One in three housing starts in Texas is a manufactured home. With passage of HB 2238, owners of manufactured homes can retain the services of the Realtor when it's time to sell.

Previously, the law prohibited licensed real estate agents from selling more than one manufactured home per year except in certain cases. Effective: Sept. 1, 1999.

Tenant turnover. SB 166 provides increased protection to tenants and property owners by clarifying that locks on a rental property must be re-keyed when a previous occupant moves out and before a tenant moves in, regardless of whether the previous tenant was under a lease with the owner. Effective: Sept. 1, 1999.

Annexation disclosure: SB 167 requires a standard notice for residential real estate transactions that directs prospective homebuyers to obtain information on possible annexation from the appropriate municipality. Effective: Jan. 1, 2000.

Homeowner associations: SB 434 ensures that Texans who are members of homeowner associations can obtain resale information from the association in a timely manner after filing a written request.

Effective: Sept. 1, 1999.

CPL issues fuel refund

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with interest. Likewise, when the actual costs of fuel exceed the fuel charges that customers paid, the utility is permitted to request the PUCT's permission to surcharge the difference.

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Briefs ...

Brackett Border Patrol Agent dies

DEL RIO, TEXAS - The U.S. Border Patrol's Del Rio Sector staff regrets to announce that BPA (t) Charles L. Buffington III, 24, died Wednesday, June 23, 1999, as a result of head injuries sustained in an off-duty auto accident in San Antonio, Texas, June 17, 1999. Buffington, of the Brackettville Station, was in U.S. Border Patrol Academy Session #395 and had just completed his 6 1/2 month exam.

Survivors include his father, Charles Buffington Jr., mother, Barbara Buffington, and brother, Craig Buffington, all of New Ringgold, Penn.; Grandfather, Charles Buffington Sr., and grandmother, Ruth Buffington, of Llewellyn, Penn.; and fiancée Stacey Zimmerman, of Pottsville, Penn.

Burial will be in Schuykill, Penn. Funeral arrangements are still pending.

Duplicate Bridge Club meets

The Fort Clark Spring Duplicate Bridge Club met June 15th with 3 1/2 tables. The winners were: (1) Doc Harber and Dena Scott, (2) Fred and Nita Clayton, (3) Tina Bauguess and Rosetta Pingent.

On June 22nd the club met again with 3 1/2 tables. (1) Mary Edgar and Ruth Wilks, tied for second were Evelyn Whiteley and Ann Legg and Fred and Nita Clayton.

Hale promoted to Petty Officer

Chris Hale, 1995 Brackett High School graduate, has been promoted to Petty Officer Second Class, U.S. Navy.

Chris is currently stationed aboard the aircraft carrier, USS John C. Stennis, CVN-74 at North Island Naval Station, San Diego, Calif. Chris is an Electrician's Mate in the Nuclear Power Program.

Tigerette Volleyball Camp

The 2nd Annual Tigerette Volleyball Camp, 6th-9th (Grades 1999-2000 school year) July 19-23, 1999, 8:30-12:00, \$25 includes T-shirt. Any question, call Dusty Brotherton at 563-3303.

Crumley's receive 4.0 GPA

Caleb Luke Crumley was named to the Presidents Honor Roll at Texas Tech University. This is awarded to students who have attained a grade-point ratio of 4.0 during the past semester.

Josh Crumley also received a 4.0 GPA at Southwest Texas State University.

Don't miss Glory Road Friday

Don't miss the final performance of "Glory Road," this Friday, July 2nd at the Fort Clark Springs Old Quarry Amphitheater. Tickets can be bought at the Fort Clark Adult Center or the Gate for \$5.00.

The Old Quarry Amphitheatre will reverberate with dialogue and music depicting the early history of Brackettville and Fort Clark.

Frerich earns Masters

Tammy Frerich graduated with a Master of Education in counseling from Sul Ross State University on May 15th. While in school she was a member and officer of Sigma Rho Sigma Chapter of Chi Sigma Iota, which is a counseling academic and professional international honor society.

She was also nominated for Who's Who Among American Graduate Students.

Tammy is a 1989 graduate of Brackett High School and a 1994 graduate of Angelo State University. She taught in Odessa at Bowie Jr. High for four years and taught one year at the Del Rio Freshman School.

She will begin the 1999-2000 school year as the counselor for the Buena Vista Elementary School in Del Rio. Tammy is the daughter of Tony and Nancy Frerich.

"Little Miss Dynamite," Kristen Gieseke

Contributing Writer
Janet Gieseke

"Little Miss Dynamite" was the nickname and part of (12 year old) Kristen Gieseke's introduction at Happy Shahan's Alamo Village. Kristen performed in nine music shows over a 4-day period from June 9-12th. Kristen and her parents recently moved from Greenville to Edwardsville.

She and her mother went to Brackettville, Texas to visit relatives and plan on making another trip later in the summer. Her last performance was at Dairy Day in Greenville, on June 9th with the Stars of Tomorrow.

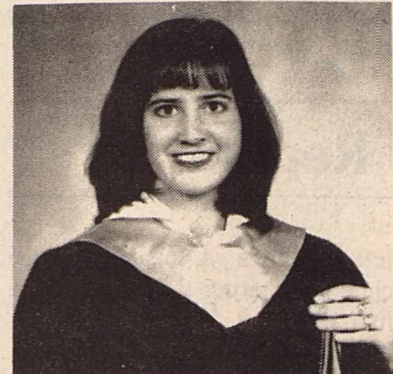


She will be appearing on the July 3rd Celebration at Patriots Park and the 4th of July Special at Lambert Airport.

Brotherton Awarded TREWA Scholarship

\$1,000 scholarship recipient Lindsey Brotherton, of Brackettville, was recently honored at a luncheon sponsored by the Texas Rural Electric Woman's Association (TREWA), on June 27 at the Renaissance Hotel in Austin. TREWA presented six \$1,000 scholarships and one \$500 scholarship to winning area youths who participated in an essay contest. Lindsey, a recent graduate of Brackett HS plans to attend Shriners College, at Kerrville in the fall.

"We are very proud of Rio Grande ECI's youth people," stated Dan Laws, general manager/CEO of Rio Grande. "These winners are exceptional young people who obviously



excel in their endeavors. We can be proud that for the second year in a row, we have had winners in our service area."

1998 scholarship recipients included Jodie Schauer of Comstock and Katy Hagler of Brackettville.

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We must all made sacrifices for the outdoor experience

Gunsmoke and Campfires Steven R. LaMascus

I have a question. Why do people always decide to go camping in the middle of the summer when the temperature is so high that it makes sleeping all but impossible?

Let us assume that we are going camping in spite of the surface-of-the-sun temperatures our neck of the woods is renowned for. What then do we need to be as comfortable as possible?

First is a tent, preferably one that has sides that can be rolled up to allow free passage of air. It also needs insect-proof netting all around and a good waterproof floor.

Next is a sleeping bag and sleeping pad. The bag should be very lightweight. The three or four pound bags that are comfortable in a fall or winter hunt-

ing camp are pure torture in the heat of a summer camp. The pad can be either foam rubber or an air mattress. I prefer the foam variety as I have on many occasions had an air mattress go flat in the middle of an otherwise pleasant night's sleep.

Another thing I would never go camping without is a folding table. Add to that lawn or camp chairs. These simple items add an immeasurable degree of comfort to a camp.

Ice chests are also indispensable. I take two. One is for drinks. This chest will be opened often during the day. The other is for meat and other food items that need to be kept cool. They are kept separate from the drinks and therefore stay cold better because the ice chest they are in will be opened less often.

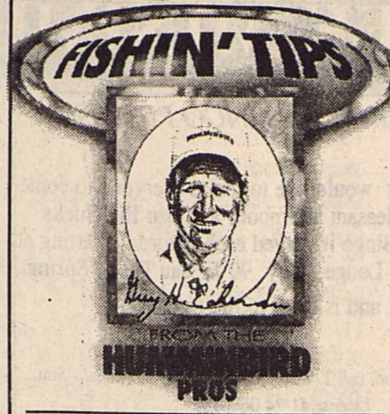
If you intend to cook you will need a camp grill, a shovel, utensils, maybe a small propane stove. I can do most of my cooking on a grill, but if we intend to be out several days I prefer to have a stove. It is so much easier to use for coffee and other camp cooking that does not require building up a fire, gathering wood, and standing over a hot grill on an even hotter day.

You will also need light. I like

the new self-lighting propane lanterns. They use a little propane bottle and require no matches or pouring fuel into tiny funnels or pumping up or any of the other things that are all but impossible to accomplish in the dark at the end of a long, tiring day. All you have to do is screw on the propane bottle and turn a knob. They can also be adapted to run off the larger propane bottles like those used on travel trailers.

The only other things I find all but indispensable are a can of flying insect killer and a bag of Sevin dust. When I begin to set up the camp I sprinkle the Sevin dust around the sides of the tent. This keeps ticks and ants from setting up housekeeping in the tent. Then, before bedtime, I close up the tent and spray it with the flying insect killer to get rid of mosquitoes. I have tried the Citronella candles and have never found that they work very well. Although I suppose a half dozen of them might help repel the less determined insects.

The above gear combined with the appropriate camping site, hopefully near a gaily gurgling, crystal clear stream will make your camping trip as comfortable as possible. The only other item I have a desire for on summer camping trips is an air-conditioned suit of clothes. But then I guess we must all make some sacrifices for the outdoor experience.



Change In Water Temp Effects Fish

Of all the external factors that affect the behavior of game fish, especially bass and their willingness to bite, I believe water temperature is the most critical. A sudden change in water temperature can cause fish to turn on, as well as off.

Find an area where a sudden change causes warm water to flow into cold, and your chances of catching fish increases. However, a sudden cold front which drops water temperature

drastically can cause fish to retreat to deeper water, or tighten up to cover. When this condition occurs, shallow fish usually retreat to the first available break or cover in deeper water. Move as far as you need to locate this cover. Your depth sounder, rigged with a surface temp gauge can be your biggest asset.

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Notice

Pursuant to Article § 2007, Government Code of the State of Texas, regarding Governmental Action Affecting Private Property Rights, Kinney County is publishing the following Takings Impact Assessment (TIA). This assessment is published at least 30 days prior to any action

that might affect private property rights. Kinney County is considering passing an ordinance that could prohibit areas of Kinney County from a Municipal Solid Waste facility. The "proposed" areas to be affected by the ordinance will be within a 10 mile radius (or less) of the

Laughlin Air Force Base airfield and the Spofford auxiliary airfield. A public hearing will be held on August 9, 1999 at the County Courthouse of Kinney County, Texas, to consider the proposed ordinance.

TAKINGS IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Proposed Action: Kinney County proposes to adopt an ordinance relating to the disposal of municipal solid waste in Kinney County and providing civil and criminal penalties. This ordinance applies to disposal of municipal solid waste as defined by the Texas Health and Safety Code § 361.003. Its purpose is to designate areas as suitable and unsuitable based on the risks that such disposal would attract birds and create risks of accidents with aircraft from Laughlin Air Force Base, County Department: Kinney County Commissioners Court, Contact Person: County Judge Herb Senne, Phone: (830) 563-2401

I. Stated Purpose The purpose of the proposed action is to protect the lives of Air Force pilots, the aircraft of Laughlin Air Force Base, the viability of Laughlin Air Force Base for training pilots in this area, and the economic base of Kinney County. The economy of the County is dependent on the presence of Laughlin Air Force Base. Laughlin Air Force Base, like all other military bases, may be considered for closure by the U.S. Congress. Risks to the viability of the mission of Laughlin Air Force Base need to be minimized to assure that the Air Force can continue its mission in this area.

Laughlin Air Force Base uses two air fields, both of which have flight patterns over Kinney County. Some risks of collision of aircraft with birds currently exist. Laughlin Air Force Base had to move its remote air field to its present location near the town of Spofford due to elevated risks of bird strikes at its prior location. The Air Force has advised Kinney County that the existence of activities such as the disposal of significant quantities of municipal waste near its air fields would significantly increase the risks of bird strikes with its aircraft. Since the Texas Legislature has authorized counties to designate areas in the counties as not suitable for disposal of certain wastes, Kinney County is adopting an ordinance to assist the Air Force in reducing future risks of bird strikes.

In addition to the economic impacts which could arise with significant bird strikes to the aircraft of Laughlin Air Force Base, there are risks to the health and safety of Kinney County residents and risks to property in Kinney County from bird strikes with aircraft over Kinney County.

It is, therefore, the judgment of the Commissioners Court of Kinney County that disposal of significant quantities of municipal solid waste, such as occurs in a landfill, in the designated area would present a harm to citizens and the economy of Kinney County. It is also the judgment of the Commissioners Court that disposal of significant amounts of municipal solid waste in landfills and other facilities that take such solid waste that has been generated by other persons and transported to the disposal site will increase the risk of harm to citizens and the economy of Kinney County. Disposal of municipal solid waste by individuals homeowners or landowners does not constitute a significant threat of bird strikes.

Moreover, there is land in Kinney County outside the designated areas where disposal of municipal waste from others would not create significant risks of bird strikes with aircraft of Laughlin Air Force Base. Municipal waste disposal from others can proceed under this ordinance in areas outside the designated area, if other requirements of federal, state and local governments are met to protect the areas water supplies, the public health, and the other valid interests of the Kinney County and its residents.

II. Potential Effect on Private Property. The proposed action designates areas suitable and unsuitable for disposal of significant amounts of municipal solid waste based on risks to aircraft from Laughlin Air Force Base. Thus, the use of areas designated as unsuitable would affect certain of properties in the County.

Under Texas law, there is no right to dispose of solid waste from others without authorization by the State agency with regulatory authority over solid waste management, currently the Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission (TNRCC). TNRCC has limits on the location of disposal sites for municipal solid waste including limits related to the compatibility of such sites with local land uses. Texas law also specifically allows counties to plan for solid waste disposal within their jurisdiction to protect public health, safety and welfare and the environment. One state statute explicitly allows counties to limit the locations where disposal of solid wastes can occur.

Therefore, landowners' ability to dispose of solid waste on their land is limited by state laws. There are no property owners who have been authorized to dispose of municipal solid waste in the area designated as unsuitable for such disposal by the ordinance. There are no affected owners who have either a permit or registration issued by TNRCC and, thus, there is no existing property right or interest limited or restricted by the proposed action. Therefore, the proposed action does not impact rights of private property.

There may be property owners in Kinney County with a speculative interest in disposal of municipal solid waste from others on their property. The nature of any such right is speculative because no such property owner has obtained approval from TNRCC for the disposal of municipal solid waste in the area designated as unsuitable. Any property owners who may have the desire to convert their lands to disposal of municipal solid waste in the areas designated as not suitable for such disposal will lose their ability to pursue such disposal activities when the ordinance is adopted. All other uses of such land, however, are not affected by this ordinance. Thus, the value of such property is not significantly affected adversely by the adoption of the ordinance.

III. Analysis of Purpose, Benefits and Burdens of Proposed Action A. Purposes: The purposes of the action are the protection of the health, safety and welfare

of the residents and property of Kinney County and the economic base of the County and its residents. Consistent with those purposes, the areas designated as unsuitable for the disposal of municipal solid waste that has been generated by others are not appropriate locations for the disposal of municipal solid waste due to a number of factors, including the following: 1. The regular collection and management of significant quantities of municipal solid waste materials attracts birds to the management sites such as disposal sites. In fact, certain landfills have the potential to attract birds and change the migration pattern of those birds. 2. The normal and legal management of municipal solid wastes at individual homes, farms and ranches does not create a significant risk of attraction of birds. 3. Kinney County is home to and in the migration corridor for a number of types of birds, many of which are large or otherwise create risks of accidents with aircraft. 4. The flight paths for aircraft from two air fields of United States Air Force are in Kinney County, being air fields of Laughlin Air Force Base in Val Verde County and the Laughlin auxiliary air field near Spofford, in Kinney County.

5. Both air fields are used by the Air Force for training new pilots using aircraft that are at risk of serious damage from bird strikes. 6. The U.S. Air Force has previously had to pay millions of dollars to move one of Laughlin's air fields to the Spofford site because of the problems with bird strikes at the prior location. 7. Even without the location of facilities for the disposal of municipal solid wastes near the Spofford auxiliary air field, the Air Force has periodically had to restrict its training activities and the flying of aircraft for training purposes due to the presence of birds near the site. 8. The Air Force is planning to change its aircraft for training to one that is much more expensive, but the new aircraft is still very susceptible, if not more susceptible to accidents resulting from collisions with birds. 9. The Air Force has had a significant number of major accidents resulting from bird strikes, many costing millions of dollars and others resulting in the death of pilots and crew members. Since 1990, there have been at least 20,800 bird strikes involving U.S. Air Force aircraft worldwide. The cost of those strikes, according to the Air Force has been \$470.76 million. Since 1985, there have been 750 bird strikes at Laughlin Air Force Base and its Spofford air field. Since 1985, 33 military personnel were killed as a direct result of bird strikes.

10. Such accidents resulting from bird strikes are a serious threat to the public health and safety as accidents could result in damage to private property or injury or death to members of the public. 11. The welfare and economy of Kinney County has been tied to the presence of Laughlin Air Force Base. 12. If bird strikes caused the closing or limitation of use of any air strip of Laughlin Air Force Base, the base closure committee would be more likely to consider closing Laughlin Air Force Base. According to the U.S. Air Force, if the Spofford air strip had to be closed, it would make it difficult for Laughlin Air Force Base to meet its current and future mission requirements, which would, in turn, decrease the base's military value and make it more susceptible to closure under the base closure criteria. 13. The United States government is scrutinizing existing air force bases for closure. 14. The closure of Laughlin Air Force Base would be a very significant loss to the welfare and economy of Kinney County. The base's economic impact region is a 50 mile radius from the base, which includes Kinney County. According to the AICUZ Study by the U.S. Air Force, during fiscal year 1993, total off-base spending within the 50 mile radius of the base was \$54.15 million. The multiplier ratio for indirect spending is estimated at 1.6485, so that the total impact of the base during fiscal year 1993 was \$89.26 million. As a result of spinoff impact was the secondary creation of approximately 459 jobs within the economic impact region, which includes Kinney County. The base currently employs 1256 persons.

15. The areas designated for no municipal waste disposal are appropriate to reduce, although not eliminate, the risks of bird strikes with Air Force planes because they keep the disposal of municipal solid waste far enough away from the air fields that the risk of attracting birds into the flight paths or near the air fields is significantly reduced. 16. There are no reasonable alternatives to the designation of lands as unsuitable for municipal solid waste disposal, given the risks associated with bird strikes. 17. Areas outside the designated areas for no municipal waste disposal would not create significant risks of bird strikes if municipal solid waste disposal facilities were located there.

B. Benefits: The benefits from the county action include: (1) reducing the threat of bird strikes to aircraft with flight patterns over Kinney County; (2) reducing the threat of the lives of pilots, the property of the Air Force, the health and property of residents or landowners in the County from such bird strikes; (3) reducing the threat of closure or limitation of use of a U.S. Air Force air strip that has flight patterns over Kinney County; (5) protecting the economic base of Kinney County that is created by the presence of Laughlin Air Force Base, including the employment and business opportunities created by the Base and businesses established because of the presence of the base and the attraction that the Base creates for people to live near and take advantage of opportunities afforded by the Base. C. Burdens: After consideration, the Commissioners Court finds as follows:

The ordinance would not result indirectly or directly in a permanent or temporary physical occupation of private real property. The ordinance would not require a property owner to dedicate property or grant an easement. The ordinance would not deprive the owners of all or a significant number of economically viable uses of their property. The ordinance would not deny any owner the right to possess his real property, enjoy it, exclude others from it or sell it. The ordinance would not significantly affect the market value of any property in an adverse way. While disposal of solid waste is an economically viable use of property, it is not the only economically viable use of any property in Kinney County. For example, management of other types of solid waste would be viable options not prohibited by this ordinance. Under this ordinance, property may be put to any economically beneficial use other than disposal of municipal solid waste from others. Presently, there are no landowners with a right to dispose of municipal solid waste from others on their property who will be affected by this ordinance. Therefore, no existing property rights nor the market values of property in the designated areas will be adversely affected. It is difficult to assess the market value of land proposed to be used for solid waste disposal. Arguably, just prior to converting the property to disposal activities for municipal solid waste, after a permit has been issued, the sales price of land might be increased. However, after the land has been used for solid waste disposal from others, the value of the property is likely decreased. If the proposed action affects any speculative right to use property for municipal solid waste disposal facility, the Court finds that the market value of any diminution in property value is not significant and well less than 25% of the market value of the land.

V. Alternative Analysis After consideration, the Commissioners Court finds that there are no alternatives that would effectively accomplish the same purpose. The size of the proposed areas designate as unsuitable for disposal of municipal solid waste could be changed, but the areas represent a balance between the need to protect against bird strikes and the need to give landowners as much control over their land as possible. The areas designated as unsuitable for disposal of municipal solid waste have also been based on the need to use recognizable features to give landowners clear notice of the extent of the designated areas.

VI. Potential Impact on Value The Commissioners Court finds that no owner affected by the ordinance presently has a right to engage in disposal of municipal solid waste from others. Therefore, there will be no reduction in the market value of any owner's property. In addition, the ordinance does not prevent any use of the property other than municipal solid waste disposal from others. The Commissioners Court finds that there have been and there remain many uses for property in the areas designated as unsuitable for disposal of municipal solid waste in Kinney County. Those uses, other than disposal of municipal solid waste from others, are not affected by the ordinance. It is difficult to assess the precise market value of land that could be used for solid waste disposal. The Commissioners Court recognizes that there are many factors that must be considered in determining if property qualifies under federal, state or local law as a suitable site for a municipal waste landfill. Factors such as the geology under the site, compatibility with nearby uses of land and flooding are considered by the federal and state government in determining if a site can be used for disposal of municipal solid waste. Whether the use of land for disposal of municipal solid waste would be profitable involves additional considerations, including the need and the alternatives for the use of the land for such disposal. The Court recognizes that, once approved for disposal of municipal solid waste by the state, the sales price of the land approved for disposal purpose might be increased. However, after the land is no longer being used for disposal of municipal solid waste, the value or marketability of that land would likely be lower than if it had never been used for disposal. Moreover, property near land used for municipal solid waste disposal may be reduced in value. The County seeks to protect the long-term values of all properties in Kinney County. If the proposed action affects any speculative right to use property for disposal of municipal solid waste, the Court finds that the impact is temporary and that any such temporary impact on the market value of the property is small and well less than 25% of the market value of the land.

VII. Applicability of the Texas Real Property Rights Preservation Act The Texas Real Property Rights Preservation Act only applies in certain circumstances. The Act also does not apply to an action taken in response to a real and substantial threat to public health and safety, when the act is designed to advance significantly the health and safety and does not impose a greater burden than necessary to fulfill that purpose. After consideration, the Commissioners Court finds that the Private Real Property Rights Preservation Act does not apply to this ordinance because the ordinance is in response to a real and substantial threat to public health and safety and does not impose a greater burden than necessary to fulfill that purpose. The prior discussion of benefits and alternatives sets forth the basic evaluation of these factors. In an abundance of caution and in order to provide full notice and due process to property owners in Kinney County, the Commissioners Court has prepared this takings impact assessment and seeks public comment and other input on it proposed ordinance and this assessment.

Floods are the leading cause of weather death in Texas

AUSTIN - Floods are the leading cause of weather-related deaths in Texas. Most flood victims are either motorists who try to cross flooded low areas, or they are children or young adults who walk or play near flooded creeks or streams.

Even walking along the bank of a flooding creek can be dangerous, warned Tom Millwee, state coordinator for the Texas Division of Emergency Management. He explained that heavy rain softens the bank soil, making it unstable. The creek bank can give way, tossing the victim into the flood.

Since flash floods in Texas occur most frequently from late afternoon through the early morning hours, many people find themselves in harms way before they realize it, Millwee

said. "Often it is too dark to see the danger clearly," he said. "Even in daytime, a flash flood is deceptive. Flood waters almost always are deeper and swifter than they appear to the casual observer. Floodwater also hides hazards such as debris and the damage it causes to the roadway." Floodwaters have tremen-

dous power, he noted. For each foot the water rises, it displaces 1,500 pounds of weight. "For every foot the water rises, a car or other vehicle weighs 1,500 pounds less. As little as two feet of floodwater will float most cars," Millwee said. "The only way to be safe when floods threaten is to stay away from deep water and from those areas where floodwaters flow."

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| 5 Coagulate | 61 Copper or cobalt | 101 Myriads of moons | 4 Minnie of "The Government" | 44 Mellowed | 93 "never happen" |
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| 22 Where the action is | 71 go | 112 Say please | 10 GI's address | 56 Pole, for one | 103 Geometric points |
| 23 Domestic feline | 72 Bobby Vinton smash | 113 Former gov. agcy. | 11 Yellowstone hrs. | 58 "What's for me?" | 105 Beer barrel |
| 25 Carnival confection | 76 Belligerent bird | 118 Installs a door | 12 Rock's the Hoopie | 59 Soprano | 106 Actress |
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| 28 Hardware item | 80 It's in the bag | 128 Duke Ellington hit | 14 Ford du WI | 64 Imminent | 108 "Fie!" |
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| 31 TV's "People Funny" | 82 Director Nicolas | 131 Kovacs or Pyle | 16 Mercenary | 68 Nautical adverb | 112 Bk. conventions |
| 32 Buffalo waterfront | 83 Shiba (Japanese dog) | 132 TV's "Star" | 17 Conductor Kostelanetz | 71 Added fringe | 114 Natural hairdo |
| 34 Vacation location | 84 Library feature | 133 Region | 18 "Martha the Mouth" | 72 Hat part | 116 Concerning |
| 38 High-pitched | 86 Geraint's better half | 134 Bunch of bees | 24 Actor Elwes | 73 Moon-related | 117 Actress |
| 41 Football Hall of Famer | 88 Parasite | 135 "Lorna" for one | 26 Former Japanese capital | 74 132 Across | 118 Helgenberger |
| 46 Mandilkova of tennis | 92 Gomer Pyle, Chong | 136 Fairy-tale fiend | 29 Carol opener | 75 Jeeves' profession | 119 "A Doll's House" heroine |
| 47 Dramatist William | 94 Sophoclean tragedy | 137 Chinese principle | 33 Wading bird | 76 Car scar | 120 Valley |
| 49 Wrong accessory | 97 Pro (proportionately) | DOWN | 35 Used a visor | 77 Set's sibling | 121 Metal refuse |
| 51 Out of (moon-) | 98 Pro (proportionately) | 1 Art | 36 Inadequate | 78 Walter | 122 Mid. |
| 54 Evaluate | 99 Pro (proportionately) | 2 Egg-shaped | 37 Basketball's Patrick | 79 Mar | 124 Over-dramatic |
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Your Horoscope by Natasha

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A steamy romantic interlude has the capacity to change the way you view the world. Just make sure you're not seeing matters through completely rose-tinted glasses.

TAURUS (April 20 May 20) Others may be inspired by your forward-looking attitude. A practical assessment of your co-workers' skills wins everyone a place on the team.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Others may be channeling events along a course that is not in your best interest. This is a good time to be self-ish about your needs.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Your natural enthusiasm for life can carry you through a trying period. But add a touch of humor for a little light comic relief.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Become a part of something rather than turning it into a part of you. You have absolutely no tolerance for other people's foolishness.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Believe it or not, that little voice inside your head really does have an off switch. Try to stop worrying long enough to enjoy that which you've recently gained.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Your movements are efficient, and your stride is filled with purpose. With such force and dedication behind you, success is inevitable.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) An old habit may become too expensive to continue. A change in your domestic sphere bodes well for the future.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Time flies when you're having fun, but remember to



stop for a rest at some point. Make sure that you're not neglecting any important responsibilities.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) You are cursed with the task of explaining jargon to someone who has a literal mind. Take a deep breath and try to stay calm.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) The subtleties of other people's emotional states are obvious to you. Make your own statement with flowers and an apology if necessary.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Be patient or you will only generate more hysteria in the midst of a complex situation. If you feel unable to move forward, why not trying backing up a few steps.

YOU BORN THIS WEEK: People who try to understand you on a rational level generally fail miserably. You are an intuitive, sensitive and creative creature who operates on a different realm. Many gravitate to your theatrical talent and dramatic flair, only to be put off by your temper tantrums.

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Let freedom continue to ring

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We honor our country's forefathers and the victorious heritage they have passed down to us throughout the ages. Yet, we need to remember that freedoms of our country were established long before men like Washington, Jefferson, Abraham Lincoln, etc., touched our lives. Our freedom came from the religious foundation these men had.

This foundation was established by the Living Word of the Holy Bible to whatever degree they understood and practised it, or to whatever degree that God mercifully intervened in their lives through his grace and

mercy. Our oldest heritage as "freemen" or "freewomen" came from the promise of God to our spiritual father and mother, Abraham and Sarah. The promise was to the free man and free woman (not to the slave woman). Thus, as believers, we are grafted into this ancient heritage of freedom. (Galatians 4:31 "So then, brethren, we are not children of the bondwoman, but of the free").

As believers in Jesus and having invited him to live in our hearts, we inherit all his promises. ("If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed" John 8:35).

The true crusaders of freedom are those who have kept his Liv-

ing Word in their talk and in their walk (daily living).

The great men and women of God and the great men and women of our country's ancestry were great only because they applied God's Living Word to both the good and the bad of their lives. They approached tests and trials as opportunities to let the word of God have victory over the darkness.

God's word is truth. No matter what anyone else says about it, it does not change the truth from being truth. It is a rock. It is an anchor. Nothing can move it, even amidst the storms.

"Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of

bondage" (Galatians 5:1).

Great men and great women shall continue to rise up and be counted. These will be those who understand their freedom (both spiritually and physically) comes from the truth of God's word. Let freedom continue to ring.

Stand up and be counted among them. Stand in faith, rest in hope, walk in love.

The Beatitudes; Week four

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As Jesus began His teachings throughout all of Galilee, the crowds following Him became larger and larger. When He saw the crowds He went up on the mountainside. After He had sat down, His disciples gathered around Him and He began to teach them.

What followed is what we commonly know as the beatitudes. This week we will talk about the fourth one.

Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right: they shall be satisfied.

The hunger that most people understand is bodily hunger. But people hunger for a lot of things besides food.

People hunger for something to believe in. People hunger for hope. And, of course, people hunger for love. One cannot live without love.

Then to nourish human beings is not the same as to fatten cattle. To live rightly is what life is about. Those who rate that as important as eating and drinking will taste real happiness even here on earth.

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Leading true scientists years ago decried this theory. They have proved conclusively that there was intelligence behind creation. The theory of evolution taught in our school systems not only is false on its face but has been proven to be a hoax.

Such theories are potentially false. Truth in any scientific study is found in recognizing that Jesus is the intellectual light

of truth. After all since God through his Son Jesus fashioned the intellect, should He not be the light of revelation of all mental disciplines.

Jesus is the light of social relationships. Where Jesus is paramount womanhood is exalted. Absent the influence of Christ womanhood is degraded as in the Muslim world.

Jesus said "Suffer the little children to come unto me...for such are the Kingdom of Heaven." No place are children so highly positioned as where Christ is Supreme.

Jesus is the light that brings forgiveness of sin and hence redemption of the soul. Call Christians bigots, tell them they are wrong. Hoot at them for believing that only through faith in Christ can one go to heaven; all this does not change the truth of the matter. Jesus, the Light of the World said, "I am the way the

truth and the life. No man cometh to the Father but by me." All human rationalizing and blathering does not change this reality.

Jesus is not only the Light of the World but He is the Light of Heaven. The Scripture says there will be no need for light in heaven because Jesus will be the light.

Jesus lights the way to joy and happiness and victory in this world. He lights the way to heaven and makes heaven brilliant for all who follow Him as the Light of the World.

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Shake off the dust under your feet

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And he called unto him the twelve, and began to send them forth by two and two, and gave them power over unclean spirits; And commanded them that they should take nothing for their journey, except a staff only; no bag, no bread, no money in their purse; But be shod with sandals; and not put on two coats.

whatever place ye enter an house, there abide till ye depart from that place.

And whosoever shall not receive you, nor hear you, when ye depart from there, shake off the dust under your feet for a testimony against them. Verily I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for Sodom and Gomorrah in the day of judgement, than for that city. And they went out and preached that men should repent. And they cast out many devils, and anointed with

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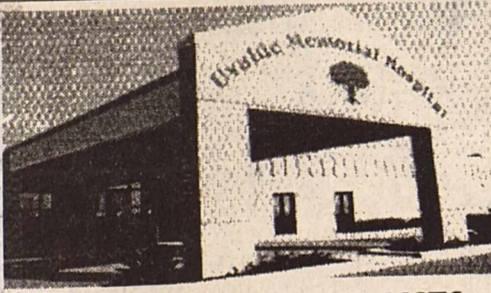
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