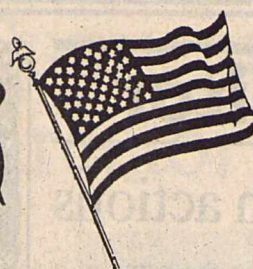


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Detention center is under construction CiviGenics awaits entire approval of financing

**Tanya Kay McClure
Staff Writer**

CiviGenics has broken ground and is well on its way toward building the Detention Center that will be located approximately three miles south of Brackettville on Highway 131 toward Spofford.

The site sits on an estimated 65 acre track that was formerly owned by Joe York, Jr.

Presently there are about twenty-four workers on site, most of them local individuals, digging trenches, moving dirt and laying forms in preparation for pouring concrete.

The Kinney County Detention Center will house approximately 550 male and female federal prisoners. The facility will have basketball courts for the prisoners as

well as a law library and a regular library, according to Anissa Foster, Secretary and Field worker for the construction site.

Things are moving along slowly at this time.

"We are waiting on the entire approval of financing. It's a very normal process. We are in the primary construction phase," said Bob Prince, CiviGenics' southwest Regional Director.

"When the financing comes through we will be buying steel for the concrete. We will have approximately 150-175 workers on site almost overnight," said Danny Butler, President of Dinosaur Valley Construction.

In an interview with Bob Prince in January of this year Prince stated, "We want to bring in as

few outside persons as possible. What we can, we certainly would like to hire local, from the upper tier to the newest employee." Middle-Rio Grande Development Council is taking applications for both construction workers and regular applications for employment. You can pick up an application at the Middle Rio Grande Workforce Center at 201 East Spring Street or call them at 563-2021.

Fort Clark Springs will be providing water for the Detention Center once the line is laid. "We are just waiting on them to build and lay the line then we can start providing them water. I believe they are currently receiving temporary water from Joe York Jr.," said Larry Sofaly, General Man-

ager, Fort Clark Municipal Utility District.

Fort Clark MUD has set a water usage rate of \$1.00 per thousand gallons and .50 cents per thousand gallons for sewage return.

CiviGenics, a Massachusetts-based company, currently manages four other county-owned facilities that are under the authority and supervision of the local sheriffs department and commissioners court.

CiviGenics owns correctional related facilities in 16 states. The company operates detention facilities in Limestone and Ector counties.

No completion date for the Kinney County facility has been set at this time.



Pictured above, are some of the local workers at the construction site of the new Kinney County Detention Center located on highway 131.

2nd Annual Agricultural Day held

**Dottie Cruz
Staff Writer**

Tuesday, September 21st marked the 2nd annual AG-Day "Agriculture Day", at the Kinney County Civic Center. It was directed primarily toward school children kindergarten to 6th grade.

The event was organized and directed by Robert Elledge Kinney County Extension Agent, on behalf of the Kinney and Val Verde Farm Bureau's. Several other agencies were represented and each were giving their own unique presentation to each group of children.

Elledge explained that the purpose of this AG-Day was to expose children to Agriculture and the possibility of getting involved in the business of farming or rais-

ing cattle someday.

A lot of these children may never have the chance to get up close and personal with a lot of what goes on everyday here in Kinney County, according to Elledge. Elledge wants to encourage the general public to stop by and join in the events next year.

The students along with their teachers would move from station to station. Watching and listening to each presenter of a particular subject. There were over a dozen stations.

The first station you listen to was Eric Marley, on "Indian Folklore". He is one quarter Comanche, an artist and operates a summer camp, in Leakey, for children and families to experience life in teepees. From morning to night, you experience what was

normal everyday life for Indians, from past to present day. You can experience this year round, at a Bed & Breakfast weekend.

Marley also explained his children were born in teepees, home schooled, and were not allowed to be immunized, due to religious beliefs. They were also taught how to trap and make total use of all that was caught.

In the same general area the children would watch as a "spinner" would spin thread, a weaver would weave cloth and animal purposes were explained; certain goats were for the purpose of food, called "meat" goats and Angora goats & sheep were for clothing.

The National Resources Conservation Service had a booth where the children walked through to see and feel what it was like for a worm boring through soil.

Pam Melancon instructed children on caring for pet rabbits and how it could apply to any pet they might have.

West Nueces-Las Moras Soil and Water Conservation District #236 gave the children an Activity Packet that contained games, coloring and fun activities that taught them how to conserve water.

The 1999-2000 Poster Contest was announced. The themes are "In The Children's Hands" and "Community Waters". Prizes will be awarded for all entries.

The first place winner will receive a T-shirt and cap. Posters will be judged within the district



Pam Melancon demonstrates how to care for rabbits and other pets.

and local winners may be eligible for area competition. For more information contact Alana Flurry at the Conservation District office or call 563-2414.

Henry Lutz, Kinney County Game Warden, presented a display board with pictures of animals that are on their way to becoming endangered. He also explained what could be done to help stop it from happening. On another display Lutz had pictures of the wild animals that could be found here in Kinney County, along with what the consequences could be if an endangered animal was ever caught

and not released. One example was the endangered Paddlefish. If it's caught and not released back into the water, a person could be fined, jailed or both. The children were fascinated to find out Kinney County had wild bears and mountain lions.

The Dairy Classroom, sponsored by Individual Dairy Farmers Of the Southwest, operated by South West Dairy Museum, Inc., was presented by Clyde Hokekamp. He explained to the children what his live dairy cow does for them, from the obvious

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Soil and Water Conservation District combined with the Kinney County Extension Agent office, provided the children with fresh fruit snacks at their station.

Commissioners award road construction bid

**Tanya Kay McClure
Staff Writer**

The Kinney County Commissioners Court awarded the bid for the Road Reconstruction project which included materials and hauling to Hamilton Pipe Line Friday.

Two bids were received. One from J.R. Hamilton Pipe Line out of Carrizo Springs for \$176,441 and the other from South Texas Aggregate out of Knippa, Texas for \$241,551.70.

J.R. Hamilton Pipe Line bid \$48,813.60 for Las Moras Road; \$27,768.65 for Standart Lane from highway 90 to F.M. 693; \$14,256 for Standart Lane from F.M. 693 to highway 131; \$18,216

for Kinney County Ranch Estates; \$37,871.75 for Anacacho Road; and \$29,515 for Schubach Road. Totalling: \$176,441.

South Texas Aggregate bid \$65,841.60 for Las Moras Road; \$38,736.10 for Standart Lane highway 90 to F.M. 693; \$23,760 for Standart Lane F.M. 693 to highway 131; \$38,736.10 for Kinney County Ranch Estates; \$45,191.50 for Anacacho Road; and \$29,286 for Schubach Road. Totalling: \$241,551.70.

The Commissioners voted to authorize Herb Senne County Judge to sign the contract, with Hamilton Pipe Line and all other documents pending the approval of the county attorney.

Kinney County EMS update

**Carolyn Rutherford
Kinney County EMS Director**

This article is to keep folks up to date on what's happening in Kinney County EMS.

We have had a busy summer between office routines and actual EMS calls.

In July and August, Your EMS made 47 EMS calls. During that time we experienced a reduced response time (time it takes for the crew to get to the scene) and "on-scene" time (this means that less time was taken getting the patient ready for transport to the hospital). These two areas of improvement are very important to our patients.

Are you aware that Kinney County EMS does regular Blood Pressure screening throughout the community? For more information, please call our office.

Have you noticed our ambulances at the football games? We stand by at these events for the foot-

ball players and the audience, alike.

Michelle Rosas, EMT-Basic, make arrangements for special Public Relations and Public Education events for special groups, such as the elementary school, students and teachers. We've had some really good feedback on the first session, "Heat Emergencies." You may notice a lot of school age children carrying water bottles around. This is the message Michelle and our crew gave... "Drink lots of water, wherever you go!"

With the assistance of Fort Clark Maintenance Department and the cooperation of the General Manager's office, we plan to move our office to the Fort Clark Springs station soon. Once some changes are made to the building, we will move in.

The indigent Health Care Program, handled by Michelle Rosas and Nancy Rodriguez, will have regular hours at the Courthouse.

Please watch for announcements on the target date for the move. We look forward to another move to our the EMS building, once it is complete. So, watch this paper for announcements and further updates.

"I Heard It Through the Grapevine," that we have former and current EMT's living in Brackettville and the surrounding area. How about joining up or retraining? Once it's in your blood, you never lose the desire to help out when it really counts! Kinney County EMS is planning a full training and continuing education program for volunteers and paid alike. The program covers basic and advanced life support training. We also plan to start Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (C.P.R.) training for the community. For details or registration for these courses, please call our office at 563-9090, 8am-5pm Monday through Friday.

For Emergencies Call 911.

Briefs ...

Old Quarry Society

The "Old Quarry Society" is doing it again. Under the leadership of President Lynn McNew plans are underway for another outstanding theatrical season. Productions for 1999-2000 include a melodrama during Ft. Clark Days, a Christmas play in December, a cabaret dinner in January and a yet to be decided production in February.

The next scheduled meeting will be October 4th at the Post Theater at 5:00 p.m.

U.S. Border Patrol

Weekly Statistics

DEL RIO - The following is a report of the apprehensions by Border Patrol agents assigned to the Del Rio Sector for the period of Sept. 13-19, 1999. The information is provided by station, and includes a sector total.

Abilene - 16, Brackettville - 226, Carrizo Springs - 317, Comstock - 22, Del Rio - 283, Eagle Pass - 872, Llano - 24, Rocksprings - 17, San Angelo - 92, Uvalde - 67. Sector total: 1,936. Other than Mexicans - 77.

Sorry about that

We would like to apologize for the delay in getting out *The Brackett News* last week.

Our printers installed a new press last week and as with all new things there were a few kinks. Well, they would probably tell you there were a lot more than a few.

They do an outstanding job each and every week. Please don't hold it against them or us.

INSIDE

Beyond imagination

There are two organizations in the world today that are dangerous beyond any imagination, The United Nations and NATO. **Opinion/Page 2**

Hunters course offered

A Hunter Education Training Course has been set to begin Monday, October 4, 1999. **Outdoors/Page 5**

Tigers 3 and 0

Homecoming is next week. Watch the activity list coming up. I know that the bonfire has been moved to Wednesday night. **Community/Page 3**

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Letter to the Editor

President dangerous with actions

The smoke had hardly cleared in the Ft. Worth Church before the Attorney General and President were making new pitches for more gun control.

What they don't want us to know is that the President had just freed from prison a bunch of Puerto Rican terrorists that had been convicted of nearly every gun law already on the books plus many more vicious acts that included 130 bombings that resulted in five deaths, 84 injuries and \$3.5 million in property damage. This act was supposed to help Hillary's Senate campaign. When this back fired, she quickly denied that she knew anything about the act. He is willing to do any thing to get what he wants, then turn around and push support for some new control measure to protect the

"children", all in the name of a new political campaign. He also doesn't want us to know about the millions of Chinese automatic weapons he allowed to be imported into this country, probably as a "pay back" for all the Chinese illegal campaign contributions. He also made every attempt to cover up the fact that he gave away US missile secrets to the Chinese that has made them able to now fire their nuclear weapons at US cities, but doesn't want to spend any money on defense. Again, this was probably "pay back" for the illegal campaign contributions.

What will it take to get the American people to see how dangerous this President is with his actions and lies?

Royland Boysen

Really enjoy reading your news

Editor, Please find \$25.00 enclosed for another year of "Brackett News."

I really enjoy reading the news about your area. The article about Southwest Badlands was particularly interesting.

Please advise where I can obtain a copy of the old brochure

about the "Badlands," if available. I'm also interested in the new one to be available soon.

The entire paper is informative, and LaMascus writes some very good articles. My wife and I have enjoyed your area since 1961.

Keep up the good work.

Bill and Pearl Clements

Where are you going?

But I Could be Wrong
Chuck Hall

A few weeks ago I was in Uvalde. I was having a very relaxed trip. Just enjoying the surroundings of my life. I stopped at the first red light and waited for it to turn green. That's a good habit to get into, in case you don't already do this sensible thing.

After the light showed green and signaled that it was now my turn to go, I eased forward. Suddenly a car came out of left field, horn blaring, and turned in front of me. There was a young lady driving.

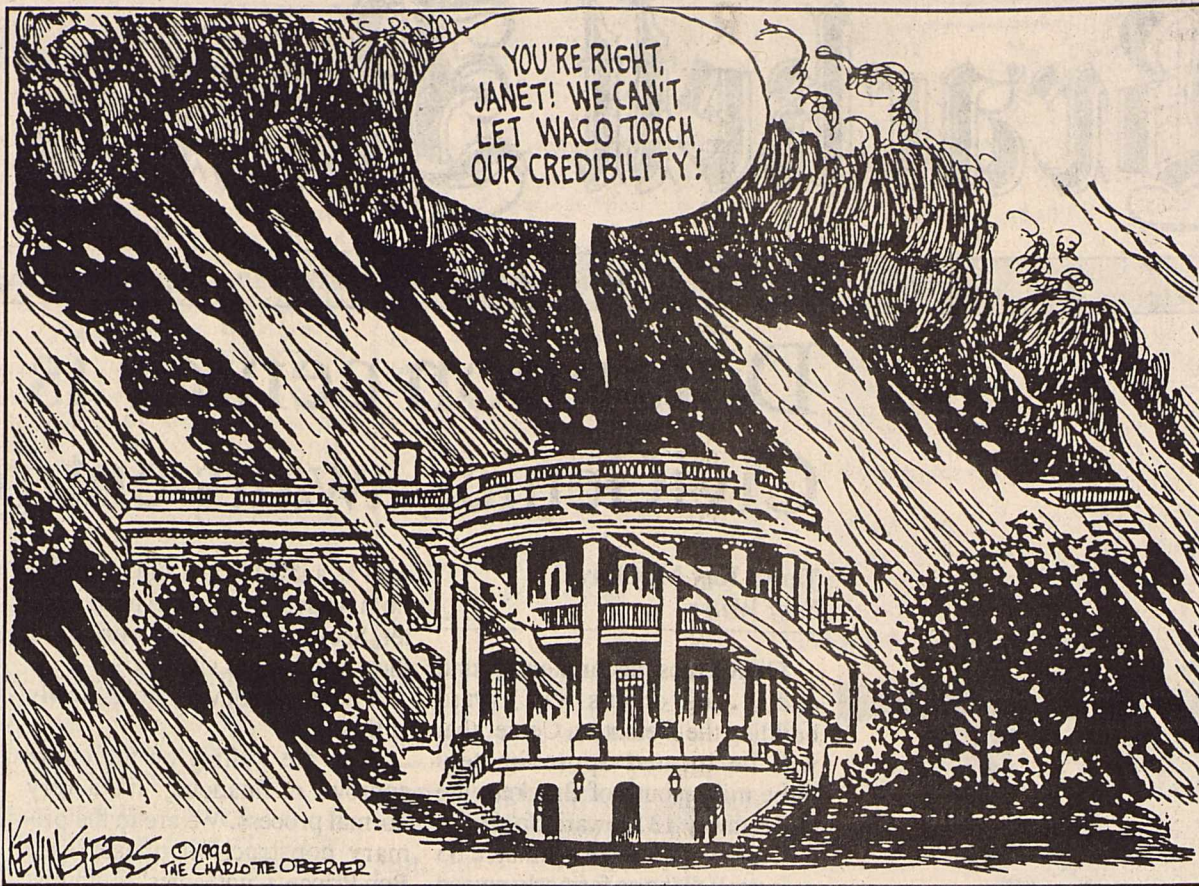
Now let's stop right here for just a moment. This is not an article about women drivers. I know better than that. I learned a long

time ago not to go there. In fact most of the female motorists that I know are excellent drivers. And in case you don't believe me, just ask them, they'll tell you. OK, enough of that.

I couldn't help but wonder where anyone would be going in such a hurry that she would endanger her own safety. And what about MY safety? If you don't care about your own life, at least have the decency to try everything possible to prolong mine! And certainly don't intentionally, deliberately, and carelessly try to endanger my wellbeing. The life you save may indeed be mine.

If you run over me, who's going to write this column? So slow down, for all our sakes, not just mine.

But I could be wrong.



No mention of God

Between Us
Joe Townsend

I stood one day on the streets of San Francisco and gawked as leaders from all over the world gathered to form the United Nations. Later as I sat in on the plenary session I became more and more pessimistic as to the future of the new organization. The U.S. had knuckled to the USSR and there was no invocation and no mention of God. I knew then the future of the U.N. was bleak.

There are two organizations in the world today that are dangerous beyond any imagination, The United Nations and NATO. A review of either will reveal not one single significant good accomplishment. In Europe their intervention in Bosnia has led to a seemingly forever using outside troops to "keep the peace." In Kosovo NATO spurred on by Clinton almost destroyed the infrastructure of the nation and has 50,000 troops in a land the size of Maryland and conditions in Kosovo are still deplorable. NATO has not been able to even disarm the scab army. They went into bolster and defend. There are daily skirmishes and slaughters. The revolt of dissidents and an

army supporting them was the excuse for the invasion and destructive bombing. The arguments forced on Yugoslavia have turned out to be binding on the nation but meaningless to the Kosovos and their army. NATO has now agreed to allow the army to keep their arms. Which they had agreed to surrender. NATO won the battle in Desert Storm but lost the war. Women and children suffer from the sanctions imposed on the nation and almost daily bombings in the "no fly zone" delineated by NATO is costing millions of taxpayer dollars and accomplishing nothing.

Now comes East Timor and the U.N. In 1975 Indonesia annexed East Timor and made it a promise. There has been constant agitation by some in East Timor for freedom from Indonesia. The U.N. taking the same tack as NATO to side with and support rebels moved into East Timor in big numbers. The U.N. forced and supervised a referendum in which the people voted for independence. This precipitated a violent reaction from those opposed to the rebellion. The U.N. determined to have their way went into a tailspin and by threats led by Clinton reversed their national

convictions and agreed to allow "peacekeepers" to come in. For days Clinton and his clones said U.S. personnel would not be used. Now, it turns out the U.S. will carry the load of the invasion. They are calling it "logistics" and "advice" but call it what you will it means U.S. Servicemen, planes, ships and millions of taxpayer dollars will go down another rat hole. It's a dangerous situation when a group of Nations can invade any nation to impose the demands of rebels.

If the French in Canada raise an army and demand freedom will the U.N. invade? Certainly not; they only invade where the nations are too small to withstand. The credo is plain. Any dissident group of a small nation that wants to raise an issue against their nation can depend on the arrogance of the U.N. and NATO for support even if it means destroying the Motherland by bombs.

National autonomy and integrity is subject to the whims of the U.N. and NATO. There is not one agency of the U.N. that acts in accord with Christian principles. This was predetermined in San Francisco when the U.S. bowed to Russia and agreed to leave God out of the organization.

Latest in the growing string of evil

The Way I See It
Steven R. LaMascus

The killings at Wedgewood Baptist Church in Fort Worth, Texas are the latest in the growing string of evil, demonic atrocities perpetrated across the United States.

"The massacre was the latest in a series of recent shooting rampages in the United States that have shocked the American public and put the spotlight on the issue of gun control." Quoting from an article by Marcus Kabel.

"...put the spotlight on the issue of gun control."

Why? Why must the issue be gun control? And why do you think that these atrocities are almost all aimed at either children or conservatives or Christians or Jews? Well, I'll tell you! Because it is not, as many people seem to think, a random act of an unstable mind.

It is a very deliberate act. One of a series of deliberate acts, carefully designed to misdirect the American public and cause unthinking outrage. It is a carefully thought out campaign being waged by Satan against Christians, Jews (God's chosen people), and other targets of opportunity that he knows will cause the greatest outpouring of anger. That is why so many children are targeted. The death or injury of a child is viewed as morally even more despicable than the same act against an adult. Add to that religious overtones

and it reaches a marvelously evil crescendo that makes adults act in anger without thinking. The anger is what feeds Satan. He lives for anger and violence. And with the people we have in authority in Washington it is easy for him to guide them down the primrose path of national destruction.

One of the things that must eventually happen is the formation of a world government. Satan is working diligently in that direction. The one-world government, the currencyless society, and the one-world, all-encompassing, one-size-fits-all religion all depend upon the disarming of the American public. We cannot be controlled by a foreign government if we have the ability to strike back. We have proved that many times in the past. Even in this overprotected, cellophane and Styrofoam, sterile time, we are fighters.

The attacks on the Jews and Christians are not inexplicable. They are to be expected. They have been prophesied for thousands of years. These are the "growing pains" mentioned by Jesus.

We are nearing the 70th week prophesied by Daniel; and the media, and most of the citizenry, are simply strolling through life toward oblivion, totally unaware of the danger they face. They see only the immediate personal danger to their finite, corruptible lives and bodies and ignore the danger to their souls. They are the multi-

tude that is described in Isaiah: "God gave them a spirit of stupor, eyes so that they could not see and ears so that they could not hear, to this very day."

Do not think that this is going to change. It will only escalate. The only way to reverse this trend is to abandon the multiculturalism, paganism, and religious pluralism that we have embraced as a nation and return to God. I don't think that will happen. There is a great apostasy, a falling away from God, in this country and it is as unstoppable as an avalanche. Everyone is certain of their righteousness and ignores the signs of anger being sent by God. Global warming? You bet! Drought? Count on it! Famine? No doubt! Pestilence? Right now! Floods, hurricanes, earthquakes, tornadoes? In the news every day!

Gun control is merely the scapegoat, the masquerade. The problem is in our hearts. We have turned away from God and given Satan a foothold. That's all he needs. Where God is not, Satan reigns. It is simple. If you are interested in finding the truth, look for it not on the nightly news, but in the Bible. It is all there, and everything that is happening today that shocks and angers you was foretold by the prophets. If you want to know how the story ends look to the incorruptible Word of God. Join me in church and learn the truth. Or, watch CNN and be deceived. It is, after all, your decision.

Tax relief for everyone

Submitted by
Henry Bonilla

The truth is plain and simple. Our taxes are too many and too high. We get taxed for almost everything we do these days. We're taxed because we get married. We're taxed because we try to save for our children's education. Work hard to provide for your family, and you get taxed for it. If we save money for our own retirement, we're taxed. We're even taxed because we die.

Last week, a majority in the House of Representatives stepped up to the plate and said enough is enough. We passed a sweeping tax relief package that benefits every taxpayer in Texas and all across the country.

The Financial Freedom Act provides nearly \$800 billion in tax relief over the next 10 years. This comprehensive proposal includes a wide variety of tax cuts. With the 10% across-the-board income tax cut over the next 10 years, every taxpayer in America will get to keep more of their hard earned money. Families know better how to spend their money than bureaucrats in Washington. Mark Twain once said the only two things you can count on in life are death and taxes. He's right, as unfortunate as death and taxes both are, they are both certain.

The death tax has made it impossible for many farmers, ranchers and small business owners to pass on their legacies to their children because of the outrageous tax burden. The new tax relief package phases out the death tax over the next decade. We are slowly killing the death tax, and soon it will be buried for good. The death tax is not the only tax we're trying to end with this new tax relief plan. We're also phasing out the unfair tax penalty married couples have shouldered for years.

The federal government has burdened married couples who both work by taxing them at a higher rate than if the couple were living together out of wedlock. Talk about an anti-family tax. Our plan eliminates the burden married couples have carried all these years. With this tax cut plan, we are expanding the prosperity of this country. Tax incentives in this package encourage parents to save for their children's education, rather than penalize them for it. The bill lets parents put up to \$2,000 tax free every year into an Education Savings Account. That's a full \$1500 more each year.

And the money in those accounts can be used for students in kindergarten through the twelfth grade. e needed help because the bill makes it easier for them to deduct the interest on their student loans.

The tax relief package increases the limit for taxpayers who put away money each month into a 401(k) retirement plan. It is unfair to tax people for planning ahead and investing in their future retirement.

What it all boils down to is this: If we don't give your money back to you, Washington will spend it. Every American, be it single workers, students, married couples, parents, farmers, ranchers or small business owners, every taxpayer will benefit from this tax relief package. It's time taxpayers keep more of their own money.

Unsung Hero

Joe Townsend

There is a fine man here who grew up here and married a local girl. He operated a business here for several years. He then went to school and qualified as a police officer. He is now a deputy sheriff and is doing a fine job. He is dependable and efficient. His presence on the sheriff's staff gives a feeling of security. He is a very likeable fellow, a good and faithful husband. He is very respected in his profession and well liked by all who know him. Surely Bobby Guidry is a Unsung Hero.

Big Mama See!

If you are sure you are right, you can afford to keep quiet.

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Kinney County Sheriff's Report

Wednesday, September 8
7:20 p.m. A local woman reported that she was missing a "De Walt" cordless drill from the bed of her pickup truck. The drill had an estimated value of \$200.00. She thought it was stolen the night of Sunday the 5th when her pickup truck was broken into. She had just discovered it missing. Chief Deputy Johnny Fritter stated that he would put her residence on the nightly check list.
Monday, September 13
4:56 p.m. A worker at Alert Alarm called and said that the alarm at a local ranch on Hwy 90 East was going off. Deputy Fritter was advised of the situation. The front screen door was propped open with a chair and the subject or subjects had attempted to kick in the front door. The rear door had been opened with a metal pipe. Upon entering the residence Fritter could not find anyone and nothing looked disturbed. The owner of the ranch was coming in the following day.
Graciano Ramirez, age 19 of Brackettville was arrested by Deputy Adrian Pena for possession of a controlled substance.
8:57 p.m. A local woman reported a cow lose on Hwy 131 west of Spofford.
Tuesday, September 14
12:10 p.m. A person at the Post Office reported a lose Emu in the parking lot.
9:05 p.m. Fort Clark Security called and stated that they heard gun shots coming from Unit 28. Reserve Deputy Larry Robinson checked it out and stated that it was a local boy making his old truck backfire.
9:59 p.m. A local man reported that some kids were fighting in the middle of the street on Beaumont and Edward. DPS Trooper Richard Slubar was notified of the situation but was unable to locate the fight.
Wednesday, September 15
12:33 a.m. Sheriff Buddy Burgess called to report that there was a cable line down by Nash Dry Good Store on West Spring Street. It was later taken care of.
6:22 p.m. A local woman reported that there was an accident on the corner of Ann and Edward Street. There were not injuries reported.
Thursday, September 16
10:34 p.m. A woman reported a broken truck was broken down eight miles east on Hwy 90. The

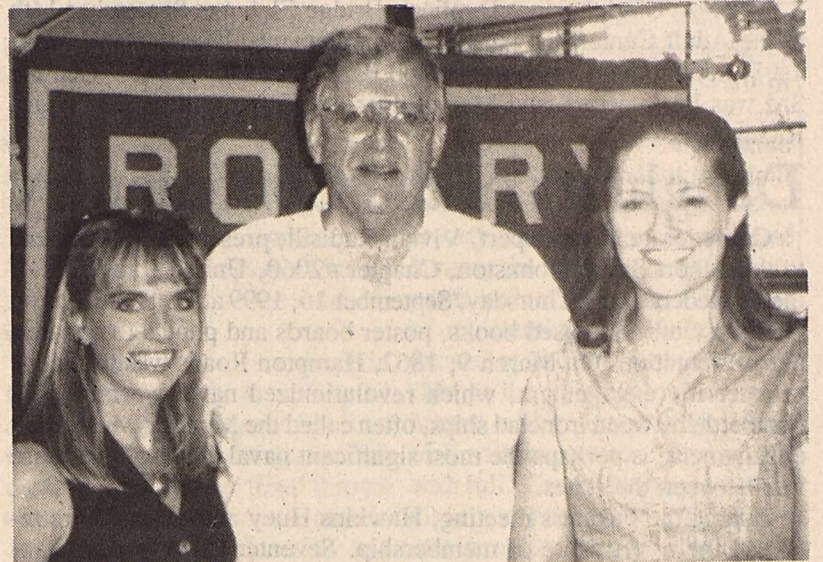
truck was being pulled into town.
11:15 p.m. An out of town woman came into the sheriffs department asking for help. Her vehicle had caught on fire two days ago and she needed some money for gasoline. Brother Joe Townsend brought the woman \$20.00. She was on her way to Brownsville, Texas.
Friday, September 17
2:00 p.m. A local woman reported that when she arrived at home she could hear her next door neighbors arguing. She over heard her name being mentioned. They were talking about her being nosey and over heard one of the occupants say that they wished she was dead. Another individual in the household proceeded to say that he would take care of her.
11:11 a.m. Bobby Allen Pierce, age 27 of Brady, Texas was arrested for an outstanding warrant by DPS Trooper Ashley.
Valdez Juan Martinez, age 36 of Del Rio was arrested for driving with a suspended license by DPS Trooper Ashley.
4:30 p.m. A local ranch owner stated that he had had a vehicle taken from his ranch on Hwy 2523.
8:24 p.m. Richard Adrian Orozco, age 17 from Brackettville was arrested for aggravated assault by Deputy Chism.
11:30 p.m. Rique Palomo, age 34 of Del Rio was arrested for public intoxication by Deputy Chism.
7:52 p.m. A local woman stated that her husband was drunk at their house. He had broken some furniture and the door. She stated that she wanted him out of the house and that he had hit her in the back twice. The man was advised to stay away from his wife for the night by Deputy Karl Chism and Deputy Bobby Guidry.
3:16 p.m. Security Link called to report that an alarm on Anacacho Ranch was going off. Deputy Guidry responded and stated that everything was ok.
Saturday, September 18
12:50 p.m. A man from Houston stated that he had a vehicle stolen here in Kinney County within the last five days.
12:30 p.m. A local man reported that a small white car was driving recklessly and wanted the occupant of the car arrested.
10:22 p.m. A man called asking for assistance on West Thorn Street for a domestic problem.

9:40 a.m. A local woman asked if someone would talk to her husband because he was calling her names and cursing at her. Chief of Police Ron Ring and Deputy Guidry went to her residence and spoke with the two. He stated that he would leave if the two could not talk out their differences. There was not any physical violence. We left after the two talked out most of the problem. Everything was peaceful.
10:06 p.m. Border Patrol reported a vehicle tailgating and weaving. Deputy Chism took care of the problem.
Sunday, September 19
12:05 p.m. A chevy van had its keys locked in the vehicle and the engine was running in front of Bullis Hall. The vehicle was later unlocked.
7:25 a.m. Kristene Poehinger-Mardis, age 41 of Brackettville was arrested for Driving under the influence by Trooper Ashley.
11:20 a.m. DPS Trooper Tony Ashley reported that there was a black pickup running other vehicles off the road and asked if Deputy Guidry and Chief of Police Ron Ring would see if they could intercept the vehicle. They spotted the vehicle and stopped it. The subject was found to be an illegal alien and U.S. Border Patrol was contacted.
Monday, September 20
1:30 p.m. A local woman asked for assistance with her husband. He was arguing with her and had a gun. The man was booked into jail for public intoxication. The family later refused to press charges.
1:45 p.m. Robert Aguirre, age 47 of Brackettville was arrested for public intoxication by Chief Deputy Fritter.
9:05 p.m. Deputy Chism found the sliding door open to a local business. The matter was later taken care of.
5:55 p.m. The EMS Director called and stated that they were responding to a call from a residence on El Paso Street. A female child had been bitten by a dog and wanted an officer to be at the residence when the EMS attendants arrived for safety. The little girl stated that she had been at a friends house and the dogs had bit her. Chief of Police Ron Ring went to the house and asked to see proof of rabies vaccination on the dogs. The owner provided the proper verification.

Uvalde Convention and Business Bureau director speaks to Rotary

Contributing Writer Ella Chambers

Jim Heath, General Manager of Fort Clark Springs, introduced Kimbra Pierce, Uvalde Convention and Business Bureau Director, as the guest speaker at the weekly Rotary Luncheon which was held at the Ft. Clark Springs Golf Course Restaurant on September 16, 1999.



Pictured above from left to right is Kimbra Pierce, Jim Heath and Amy Davis.

Pierce began her talk with an explanation that her budget is derived from the hotel/motel tax paid by tourists staying in Uvalde. Part of that tax remains with the city and some is allocated to Pierce for her expenses from marketing, travel, advertising and salaries. The state regulates the percentage allowed for each category.

Having decided that "partnering" is a better way to accomplish the most in tourist trade for the Hill Country area has led to an alliance between the Convention and Business Bureau and the Chamber of Commerce in Uvalde.

A regional marketing program has also been developed which involves Alamo Village, Carrizo Springs, Del Rio, Eagle Pass, and Brackettville. This alliance of the Southwest Texas Badlands has resulted in a Familiarization Tour being scheduled for October 13-

15. The tour will start in Uvalde with a reception at First State Bank at 1:30 p.m. on the 13th, and spend the night in Uvalde. The next day, the group will travel to Carrizo Springs and Eagle Pass with dinner at Alamo Village. The tours will finish on October 15th after touring Del Rio and Fort Clark Springs.

Last week the Uvalde Chamber of Commerce in conjunction with many of the local restaurants hosted a fund raiser for the City of Lights Christmas program and raised over \$6,000.

Pierce distributed the events schedules for September and October to all the Rotarians present. October promises to be a busy month beginning on October 2 with Fort Inge Day for history buffs. There is a March of Dimes walk on October 9th.

Other events throughout the month include a weekend of viper club activities during which a driving school will be held at the Uvalde General Tire Test Track. For specific information concerning dates, times and events call 1-800-SUVALDE.

2nd Annual Ag Day held

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to the by-products. Ms. Dairy Cow gave alot to help them grow up strong and healthy.

Outside the civic center a helicopter was on display, sponsored by Davis Helicopter Service. District Ag teacher John Paul Schuster explained it's purpose as an important tool for ranchers and farmers. The animals had become so use to seeing and hearing the

helicopter that it no longer spooked them or made them run for safety. It can be used to gather herds and survey ranches.

The last station the children came to was the horse trainer. This station was presented by Gil Stoner of Montell, Texas. He had a beautiful horse and the children were fascinated by the way he could control the animal with only a rope, a few words, and some signals.

Advertisement for MDA (Muscular Dystrophy Association) with text: 'THERE'S A KILLER ON THE LOOSE!', 'HELP US FIGHT ALS', 'MDA Muscular Dystrophy Association', '1-800-572-1717 • www.mdausa.org'.

Large advertisement for Falcon Cable's 'UNBELIEVABLE 99¢ Fall Cable Hook-Up Offer'. It features the slogan 'Unlock the SECRET POWER of Your TV!', a 'Dial!' graphic, and the phone number 800-292-4502. The ad also includes the text 'TO GET YOUR 99¢ HOOK-UP TODAY!' and 'LOCAL SERVICE • A COMMITMENT TO KIDS • FALCON QUALITY • LOCAL SERVICE'.

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Fuentes resigns as Chief Appraiser

By Tanya Kay McClure

"It really didn't take too long to make this decision, it's a very stressful job," said Fuentes.

The decision to resign after the board meeting on May 27th. "This resignation was the result of the statement directed to me by Secretary, Gloria Garcia," said Fuentes.

Garcia stated that, the Board could hire anyone off the street as long as they have a high school diploma or the equivalent to do the Chief Appraiser's job.

Adobe Eco Systems threaten law suit Ordinance restricting solid waste disposal passes

The Kinney County Commissioners voted unanimously in favor of the passage of the ordinance prohibiting the disposal of municipal solid waste, within a ten mile radius of

Laughlin Air Force Base's landing strip near Spofford. This decision came during a special public hearing that was held this past Monday in the Kinney County Court-

house. "These people hit the town lying and they are still lying to us," said Commissioner Freddie Frerich.

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Briefs ...

Duplicate Bridge Club meets

The Fort Clark Springs Duplicate Bridge Club met September 14th at the Adult Center playing Howell movements. The winners were: 1st Fred and Nita Clayton, 2nd Bob Barnett and Joyce Bell. Tied for 3rd was Flo Stafford and Mary Edgar and Ella Chambers and Sara Richhart.

Daughters of the Confederacy

Confederate naval expert, Vivian Rudisill, presented the program to the Albert Sidney Johnston, Chapter #2060, United Daughters of the Confederacy, on Thursday, September 16, 1999 at Ft. Sam Houston Officers Club. She used books, poster boards and photos to enhance her presentation. On March 9, 1862, Hampton Roads was the scene of a terrific engagement, which revolutionized naval warfare. The first battle between ironclad ships, often called the Monitor-Merrimack engagement, is perhaps the most significant naval event of the entire war between the states.

During the business meeting, Hawkins Huey and three others received their certificate of membership. Seventeen supplemental applications had been approved during the summer, including ten by Pat McKelvy.

Beta Epsilon chapter meets

Beta Epsilon Omicron chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met at the adult center at Fort Clark Springs on September 9, 1999. Hazel Ivey announced that our chapter received a three star rating last year indicating that the chapter showed outstanding success in bringing friendship, social, and cultural opportunities to each member. Beta Sigma Phi is the largest women's organization of its kind in the world, with more than 200,000 members in over 20 countries. A recent survey of the membership revealed that chapters give between 200-300,000 hours of time each year to charitable causes and raise between \$1-2 million for these causes annually. We discussed our participation at Fort Clark Days on November 5th and 6th. The new calendar and yearbooks were assembled. The members voted and invited Tanya McClure as a new pledge. Cheesecake, crackers and cheese cubes were served with lemon iced tea. Elizabeth Goebel was the Hostess.

Daughters of the Republic

The Caddell-Smith Chapter, Daughters of the Republic of Texas, began their new year with a luncheon-business meeting held at the Uvalde Country Club on Friday, September 17, 1999 with 41 members and guests present.

Special recognition was given the 25 new members whose papers had been approved the past 2 months. Each was given a Texas flag and a stem of bluebonnets. Among those was Agnes Vondy of Brackettville.

Following the buffet luncheon Lucille Myers presented a program on "Law and Order in the Nueces Strip." Mexico claimed that the Nueces River was their boundary and Texas claimed that the Rio Grande was the boundary. The area in between these rivers was the cause of much bloodshed. Lucille's ancestors were in this area and were friends of the notorious John King Fisher, one time outlaw and later a sheriff of Uvalde County.

The group made plans to attend the District VII Fall Workshop on October 23, 1999 to be held at the Bright Shawl Restaurant in San Antonio.

Educational chairman Otela Patterson presented the Texas History Contest topics. For 4th graders it will be "Jane Long, Mother of Texas" and must be between 500-525 words. For 7th grade students it will be "David G. Burnet, ad interim president." Local chairman for this contest is Pat McKelvy. Winners will each receive a check for \$100.00.

Jan Chism accepted in DAR

Highlight of the September 18, 1999 Uvalde de las Encinas Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution meeting, at least for the Brackettville members, was the announcement that Jan Chism's application had been approved at the national level. Jan's grandmother was a DAR in Michigan.

The luncheon meeting was held at Uvalde's Townhouse Restaurant with 27 members present. Pat McKelvy will be local chairman for the annual American History Essay Contest. The topic this year is "An Obituary for George Washington: 1732-1799."

The program "A Sound of Freedom" was presented by the Pearsall First Baptist Church drama team. This excellent presentation showed how God can be praised through comedy and drama. The presentation was very timely because it reminded us that our country and its constitution were founded on God's principals and this is Constitution Week.

Texas Theta Sigma meets

The home of Lynn McNew was the gathering place for Theta Sigma on September 20, 1999. Lynn's theme for the evening was "Apples" and from the arrival of her guests to the close of her program, she served apples in one form or another. Lynn presented a very interesting history of apples (being the teacher she is) and also administered a "test." Samples of various apples were served for tasting, producing an array of comments and facial expressions. A good time was had by all!

Those attending were Jan Chism, Marge Geeze, Luella Gilliland, Doraline Kellar, Pat McKelvy, Arlys Simpson, Bobbie Waddill, Shirley Hadsell, Pat Callnan and Lynn McNew.

Homecoming is next week!

Making a Difference Taylor Stephenson

Six weeks tests are over and the report cards will be coming home next week! Please take the time to review your children's progress. If you need to schedule an appointment with the teacher, please do so. Grades are an indication that things are going well or poorly. A parent-teacher conference can help all get off to a better start!

The Ag day was wonderful. Our Jones Elementary students and faculty attended a day where the contributions of Agriculture in our world were emphasized. During my brief visit, I was able to observe lots of animals, most of which could be petted, milking machines, environmental lessons, Indian artifacts and weaving and sewing.

One of our new teachers commented that the day was wonderful. She said "in the town where I was last year this would have been a disaster because there were way too many kids." Compliments to all who gave of their time to make this event successful. A special tip of the hat to Robert Elledge and Donna Schuster.

The Cross Country meet held in Brackettville last Saturday was a good one. Fort Clark is a great place to host this activity.

Visiting athletes were able to look in the stream for fish and to dream about what fun it would be to have a cane fishing pole. The course was a good one.

The Fort Staff helped get the course ready. Julie Bruce was remarkable as she personally mowed with a "home lawn mower" much of the area where athletes began their run. What a nice, wholesome way to spend the morning. Thanks for your efforts, runners & Coach Bruce. There were lots of volunteers also who should be thanked.

How about that Tiger Football team? We had a tough game Friday night at Nueces Canyon. The Tigers eventually prevailed and are now 3 and 0. We play a rugged Sonora team this Friday night in Sonora. I believe that our coaches and team will play well. We're going thinking we can win. Go get them Tigers!

Homecoming is next week. Watch the activity list coming up. I know that the bonfire has been moved to Wednesday night (after church) when it gets dark. The parade will be Friday afternoon with a pep-rally to follow at Five-Points. The royalty will be presented before the game at 6:30 p.m. followed by a football game and a dance to follow.

Don't forget the Open House at 5:00 p.m. Friday night, October 1, for the all new Brackettville High School. You'll enjoy walking through the new school. We'll have a short ceremony in front of the building at 5:00 p.m. Be there!

Volleyball is going full blast! As I write, we're playing a crucial game with Dilley. Support our team as they enter district play. Have a great week!

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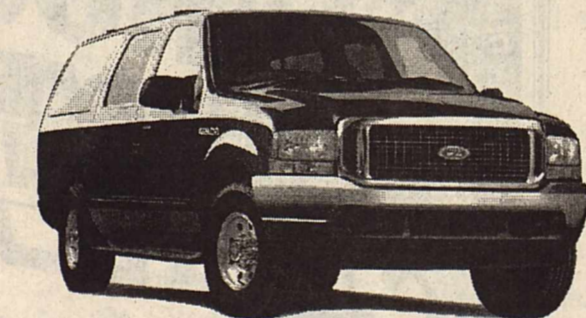
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For information call (830) 563-2961 8-5, M-F, or (830) 563-2077 evenings.

Hunter Education Classes Set for Brackettville

A Little on the Wildlife Side
Henry Lutz

A Hunter Education Training Course has been set to begin Monday, October 4, 1999. The course will continue on Tuesday, October 5 and conclude on Wednesday October 6, 1999. Registration for the 3 evening classes will be Monday night at 6 p.m., followed by class until 10 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday night, class will start at 6:30 p.m. and conclude at 9:30 p.m. Classes will be held at Brackett High School, Annex Room 5 (Science Room) in Brackettville, entrance off of Fulton Street, across from the new high school building. The cost is only \$10.00 per person. The class is a 10 hour course minimum needed for certification. Everyone must attend all 10 hours to successfully complete the course and be certified.

Every hunter born on or after September 2, 1971, must successfully complete a Hunter Education

Training Course. Hunters of all ages are welcome to attend. A parent or other relative is encouraged to attend with their child. The minimum age of certification is 12 years old. Children under 12 may attend but would have to retake the course after they reach age 12.

If you are a hunter and you are 17 or older and born after September 2, 1971, you must have this course to hunt. You will receive a citation if you hunt and have not completed the course.

This course is good for life. It has to be completed only one time. Other states may require that a hunter complete a Hunter Safety or Education Course before hunting there. This course meets the requirements necessary for hunting out of state.

Additional information in regards to Hunter Education: If you were born on or after September 2, 1971, and you are age 17 and over, you must successfully complete a hunter education course to hunt—age 12 through 16, you must

successfully complete a hunter education course or be accompanied by a licensed hunter 17 years of age or older when hunting—under 12 years of age, you must be accompanied by a licensed hunter 17 years of age or older when hunting. You are not old enough to take the course and be certified.

Hunters, regardless of age, need to purchase a hunting license and any stamps (if needed) and must carry them with him or her at all times while hunting. Upon completion of the Hunter Education Course, you will receive proof that you have completed the course. This proof of certification is required to be on your person along with your hunting license, while hunting. This proof of certification is not required to purchase a license.

If you need more information or have questions about the Hunter Education class, please call me at 563-2507.

Different Choke in Modern Shotguns

Gunsmoke and Campfires
Steven R. LaMascus

Choke, in its simplest form, is the amount of constriction placed in the end of a shotgun barrel to try and keep the shot from spreading. The more constriction there is, the smaller the pattern of shot at a given range. The normal constrictions are named full choke, modified, improved cylinder, and no constriction at all is cylinder bore. There are also improved modified, skeet #1, skeet #2, light modified, extra-full and so on. In order to keep this to a manageable length we will deal with the degrees of choke needed for the normal hunting situation.

The most popular choke today for the average hunting gun is probably modified. It is halfway between full and improved cylinder. In most guns it will place from 55 to 65 percent of the shot in a shell in a thirty-inch circle at 40 yards. This is a good all around choke, and if I had to choose only one choke to do all my hunting this would probably be the one. I have hunted everything from ducks to quail with a modified choke.

Full is still popular with hunters and shooters who are less than

knowledgeable about such things, and with waterfowl hunters. Full choke is really the tightest choke a hunter would ever need. It will throw an average of 75 percent of your shot onto a thirty-inch circle at 40 yards. Its primary use is in hunting ducks and geese, and sometimes in pass shooting doves. It is a poor choice for the average hunter in most situations because it requires very precise shooting to take advantage of the smaller, denser pattern.

It should never be used in hunting quail, unless your quail are shot at much longer range than those I hunt are. I seldom use full choke. I find that modified throws a more useable pattern and is easier to hit with. Full choke has an extremely dense center and a thin outer edge. To use full properly a bird must be hit dead center. A feat most of us are not capable of on any kind of regular basis. In 95 percent of the hunting situations I encounter, modified will perform just as well as full. I also find that, usually, if I can't hit it with modified I couldn't have hit it with full.

Improved cylinder is really my personal favorite. It will generally put about 45 to 55 percent of the shot on that same target at 40

yards. It is easier to hit with than either full or modified and has an effective range, in most guns, of about 35 yards. I have found, over the years, that past 35 yards my averages fall off so fast it is frightening.

However, I have also determined that almost all of my shots in a normal hunting day are taken at forty yards or less. If I am quail hunting the shots are usually thirty yards or less. For a vast majority of my hunting requirements improved cylinder is just the ticket. Odd as it may sound the average hunter will get more shot into a bird with improved cylinder than with full. The larger, more evenly dispersed pattern of I.C. allows less precise shot placement. A hunter with a full choke gun tends to either tear a bird into small, gooey pieces or just fringe it with the edge of the pattern. I have seen many birds wounded and lost with a full choke because of this.

Don't be fooled into thinking that you have to have a gun that "shoots hard" to get your limit. Usually, that only means that a gun is over-choked and difficult to hit with. Unless you are a much better than average shotgunner, stick with a more open choke and you will put more game in the bag.

Sports

Tigers blank Nueces Canyon Panthers 19-0

Jacob Hughes
Sports Writer

NUECES CANYON- The Brackett Tigers blanked the Panthers last Friday in the closest game of the season.

The Tigers climbed to 3-0 on the year while Canyon fell to 0-3. The Tigers beat the Panthers 19-0.

The Tigers showed discipline Friday night by stopping the Panthers on their own 1 yard line. Defensively the Tigers gave up over 200 total yards rushing. Defensive back Jesse Hidalgo had 1 interception during the game for 2 yards.

The Panthers had two weeks to examine the Tigers defense. The Panthers knocked the Tigers defense from number 1 to number 6 in the greater San Antonio region.

"They came out in some formations that we had never seen. The defense did a good job of

coming out and shutting down their offensive scheme." - Coach Thomas

Offensively the Tigers had 260 yards. Scoring for the Tigers were Zachry Davis, Brandon Moore, and Jesse Hidalgo. Hidalgo lead the Tigers in yards with 139. Davis had 63, Moore ran for 39, Schiller Hill had 10 for the night and Tommy Sandoval ran for 9 yards.

"We had a tough time getting the ball rolling in the first half. At the break we adjusted some things and showed great character by coming out and taking control of the rest of the ball game." - Coach Yeager

The Tigers had 8 first downs the entire night. The team fumbled 2 times and recovered once. The Tigers play Sonora in week four of high school football.

"They are going to be tough. They have a good ball club. I believe that our boys will respond

to the challenge though." - Coach Yeager.

Cubs blitz Panthers 30-0

The Cubs played Nueces Canyon this passed Thursday in Brackett. The young cubs had no problems with the Panthers, beating them 30-0.

Running back Beau Watkins scored 3 touchdowns over 25 yards, but due to penalties all three scampers were called back.

Dietrich Davis scored on one carry and an interception Thursday night. Defensive back Wacy Taylor scored off an interception as well late in the fourth quarter. The cubs will play Sonora this week in Sonora.

RRC interest site offers Y2K information links

(Austin) - Railroad Commission Chairman Tony Garza, Commissioner Charles Matthews, and Commissioner Michael L. Williams announced today that consumers wanting to know more about the Y2K preparedness of Texas natural gas utilities can now access such information by visiting the Railroad Commission of Texas Internet site.

The RRC Internet site offers direct links to 14 natural gas utilities as well as natural gas pipeline operators in Texas. These links provide consumers a one-stop resource to other Internet sites highlighting each company's Y2K preparations.

Garza, Matthews and Williams pointed out that major natural gas utilities and suppliers in Texas

have made large investments of time and resources to ensure consumers will not face transmission problems come January 1, 2000.

"By offering links to our state's natural gas utilities, we're able to reach an even greater number of Texans who have questions about Y2K preparedness," Garza said. "It's easy access to some very timely information that offers answers to consumers' concerns."

"Consumers certainly want to know what their natural gas company has been doing to prepare," Matthews said. "Most Texans just may be surprised to discover the lengths to which gas suppliers have gone to prevent any Y2K problems come New Year's Day."

"Natural gas suppliers have

come to the Railroad Commission to let us know what steps they have taken to prepare for Y2K," added Williams. "Each of these companies wants to share information about their efforts with the Texans they serve."

Garza, Matthews and Williams noted that those natural gas companies who have already provided the commission with Y2K briefings supply almost 70 percent of the consumer market in Texas. Commissioners, as well as commission staff, will continue to monitor the Y2K preparations of natural gas utilities and suppliers on an informal basis through the end of 1999 and into the year 2000.

The Railroad Commission of Texas website offers Y2K infor-

mation links to the following natural gas utilities and pipeline operators: Aquila Gas Pipeline; Channel Industries, Inc. (El Paso Energy); Centana Intrastate (Duke Energy); East Texas Gas Systems (Union Pacific Resources); Energas Company; Houston Pipe Line Company (Enron); Koch Industries, Inc.; Lone Star Pipeline (TXU); MidCon Texas (KN Energy); PG & E Texas; Reliant Energy; San Antonio Public Service; Southern Union Gas Company; and Tejas Gas Pipeline (Shell). Created in 1995, the Railroad Commission of Texas' Gas Services Division works to ensure there is a continuous, safe supply of natural gas available to Texas consumers at the lowest reasonable price.

Increased technology and focus on environment

AUSTIN - At the close of today's Railroad Commission Conference, Texas Railroad Commission Chairman Tony Garza moved to name Michael L. Williams as the new Chairman. Garza's tenure as Chairman was marked by a commitment to smaller, more efficient government, an aggressive implementation of technology and a commitment to the environment.

"I've tried to set a positive, proactive tone. I'm proud of what we've been able to accomplish and know that Chairman Williams will build upon the successes of the past 9 months," Garza said.

"The Commission launched initiatives aimed at making the Railroad Commission more responsive, cut nearly \$1 million from the budget, committed ourselves to a paperless environment by 2005 and focused additional resources on the environment."

At this morning's conference, the Commission adopted Garza's proposed reorganization plan which "follows the CEO (Chief Executive Officer) and COO (Chief Operating Officer) model

so often seen in the private sector." Garza added, "The reorganization will allow us to be more responsive while meeting our Fiscal Year 2000 budget constraints."

Garza oversaw the adoption of the Fiscal Year 2000 budget plan for the state's oldest conservation agency.

Budget priorities include: Cutting the Railroad Commission budget by 1.9% or \$979,810 less than Fiscal Year 1999 budget. Reducing the number of full-time agency employees from 851 to 782, a reduction of 69 full-time employees. Dedicating \$636,000 of additional funds to be redirected to the agency's well plugging and site remediation efforts.

Providing for the launch of ECAP, the agency's Electronic Compliance and Approval Process, with \$849,000 in General Revenue funding and \$650,000 of Federal funds.

Garza continues to press for a commitment to the environment through innovative partnerships and programs.

During the Conference, Garza

presented a Memorandum of Agreement, the first of its kind, between the Railroad Commission of Texas (RRC) and the state's General Land Office (GLO), an innovative proposal to plug non-compliant coastal oil and gas wells on state leases.

On or before October 15, 1999, the two agencies, using a mutually agreed upon prioritization system, will assess each well upon its potential threat of pollution, threat to navigation in State waters and other related factors. Those wells rated high priority will be plugged first, using RRC technical expertise and funding from the GLO.

The effort merges Railroad Commission technical expertise with support and funding from the GLO.

Last month, Garza joined Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commissioner John Baker in announcing an innovative partnership between the two agencies for well plugging along the Upper Colorado River Basin.

Garza's first term as Chairman

was also marked by a successful Legislative Session.

Commissioner Garza is Texas' 41st Railroad Commissioner. He was appointed by Governor George W. Bush to serve as Texas' voting member to the Interstate Oil and Gas Compact Commission (IOGCC). In December, Garza assumes the position as 2nd Vice Chairman of the IOGCC.



When Lou Gehrig's widow chose an agency to lead the fight against amyotrophic lateral sclerosis — the muscle-wasting disease that killed her husband — she selected the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

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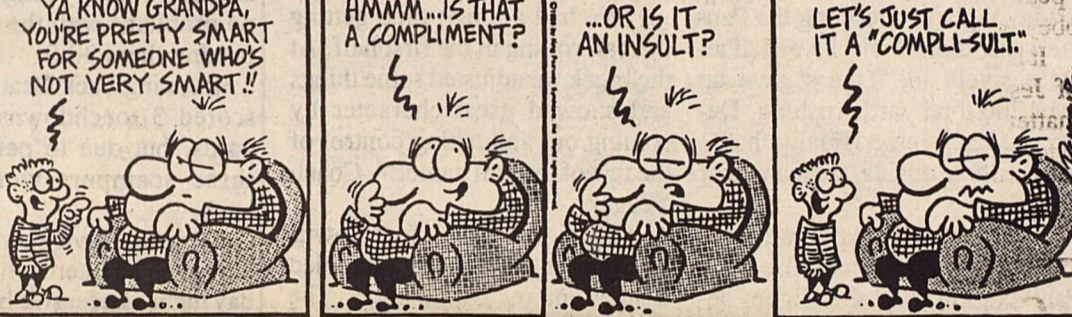
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Your Horoscope by Natasha

ARIES (March 21 to April 19)
 Check your reflexes before you venture out to face the world. The obstacles in your path can only be maneuvered by a shrewd and experienced navigator.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)
 Make sure your foundations are sturdy before you move on to more lofty goals. Be prepared to answer intelligent questions.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)
 If you put your evidence and your research on the table, your product may sell itself. If it doesn't, know when and where to apply pressure.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22)
 Changes made slowly and steadily tend to last longer than changes made in haste. Keep this fact in mind as you try to change your life.

LEO (July 23 to August 22)
 Everyone vies for a few minutes of your time. It is a valuable commodity, but it's only as golden as the actions of the owner.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22)
 Everything and everyone is yours for the taking at this time. Because of this fact, you must decide carefully what - and whom - you need to pursue.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22)
 Sometimes an excess of information makes it impossible to reach conclusions or decisions. Seek a second or third opinion if it will make your burden easier.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 22)
 Listen carefully to what is being said. Someone has ulterior motives. It's up to you to sort it out.

SAGITTARIUS (November 23 to December 21)
 If you have been waiting to confront someone, set up a meeting with that person now. You are ready to defend yourself without starting a fight.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19)
 Change your pace, or your style in order to match everyone else. Originality is usually an asset, but at this time it could hinder your progress.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18)
 You are more than ever an object of beauty and enjoyment. You make your surroundings more comfortable and luxurious simply by being present.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20)
 Does your body seem to be flawed, weak and pained? Recognize that a serious bout of hypochondria may be the most major thing you're suffering.

YOU BORN THIS WEEK:
 The progression and improvement of humanity is a task to which you are quite willing to dedicate much of your life. Change, you believe, is absolutely necessary and should not be feared. Although your explorer's attitude makes some people nervous, they can't deny that you have their



HOCUS-FOCUS BY HENRY BOLTINGOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Rug is missing. 2. Hat is backward. 3. Sun has fewer rays. 4. Man's hair is different. 5. Blanket is shorter. 6. Man's hair is different.

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Take up your cross and follow me On being a family

Frontier Baptist Church
Joe Townsend

Every time you see a cross you see the calling to mind of the greatest victory the world has ever seen. Whether it be on the sphere of a church, a pendant, a lapel pin or whatever. The bare cross signifies the vision and living Christ. A cross with the image of a man on it shows the crucifixion of Jesus but tells only the partial truth. Had Jesus come forth from the grave the crucifixion would be meaningless. When Christ died Satan and all hell rejoiced. The feeling was that God had been defeated. After three days when Jesus came forth from the grave the apostles

and followers of Jesus shed their cowering defeatism and became conquering heroes.

They came forth with a message the world thought daft. Their message was that they alone had the message of deliverance and hope of heaven. The message was not watered down, compromised, abbreviated, sweetened up and meaningless. The message of Jesus, "Take up your cross and follow me." Christianity is most feeble when it is apologetic. The power of the cross is in full preaching of it. The cross conquered death. Jesus came forth from the grave after he was dead and had been wrapped with spices for the grave. It was then the cry

was, "Oh death where is thy sting, oh grave where is thy victory?"

Jesus on the cross conquered ritualism. These rituals died until they were revised in the 6th century by the Roman Church. It put an end to anyone's need of an interceding priest because Christ became our High Priest. No longer could man bring salvation to man.

The cross conquered sin. It was sin that nailed Him to the cross. Rebellion against God, selfishness, bigotry, conceit, pride, anything that does not build up God is sin. It's not good enough just to be good, one must be good for something. The eternal and ultimate doom of sin was spelled out

on the cross. The great people of the world are those who love and follow Christ.

Preachers not politicians, saints not scientists, disciples not diplomats, pilgrims not playboys, missionaries not money barons are the real heroes and conquerors of the ages. One day "Every knee shall bow and every tongue shall confess that Jesus Christ is Lord to the glory of God the Father." One day he was nailed to the infamous cross, another day he will be crowned Lord of Lords.

There will be another message from the Bible, God's Word, at worship at Frontier Baptist Church Sunday Morning at eleven o'clock. Come and see.

Submitted by
St. Mary Magdalene Church

A beautiful thing happens at St. Mary Magdalene 10:30 Mass on Sunday. It probably happens at the other masses also; I'm not there, so I don't know. When the singing of The Lord's Prayer begins, people step out of their pews and all in the church join hands.

Looking down from the choir loft, this is a sight to behold. Row upon row, spilling out into the aisles, brothers and sisters, hands joined in prayer together. For about five minutes, differences are put aside and everyone is joined as a family.

We are family - I believe there is a song that even contains these words: "All my brother's, sister's and me." Maybe after you read this, you will be humming it. I have to admit that I don't remember all the words, only the important ones.

When we come together with our Christian community on Sunday morning, or whenever we get together to pray, we are coming together as a family. This is the way God intended it to be. Jesus said, "Whenever two or more are gathered in my name, there also shall I be." His presence can definitely be felt at those prayerful times, if we only open our hearts and minds and listen and feel.

We are entering into the sea-

son of the year when lots of time is spent with our family. When we are together with our brothers and sisters, we talk and visit. We tell each other about our successes and failures. We might ask for help on a special project, or even thank another for some help given in the past.

Talking to God is no different. Yes, we have "programmed" prayers, such as The Lord's Prayer, but we also can talk to our Father and our brother, Jesus, from our heart and soul. Personal prayer is peaceful; praying together with one another is powerful.

I believe in the power of community prayer, I have a son whom I believe is alive today because of the power of three church families keeping vigil throughout a long night.

There are several people in our parish who have formed prayer and discussion groups. There is a desire to start a Marriage Encounter prayer group. Classes are also beginning for non-Catholics who want to know more about our faith. These are opportunities to come together as a family to talk and pray. If you are interested in becoming a part of one of these groups, please talk to others and let your interest be known.

You are welcome to worship with us anytime at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church. God Bless You.

God is in complete control Readings from Isaiah

Gateway Ministries
Charolette Corey

Bless the Lord, Oh my soul, and all that is within me, Bless His Holy Name! In spite of the world in turmoil, hurricanes, earthquakes and famine, in spite of the people's hearts growing cold, unable to hear the word of God, in spite of people taking offense and killing others, in spite of people being deceived and lured into darkness by the filth on TV, movies, books magazines, and mediums hawking demonic powers of perception on everywhere you turn, God still is in complete control!

The people of God have peace in the midst of the storm. Jesus spoke to the storm and said, "peace, be still!" and the storm obeyed.

It had to obey because the name of Jesus is above all names, no matter what is the name of the "storm" in your life. Malachi 3:10

says "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.

And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time of the field, saith the Lord of hosts."

We know from this scripture that because we give tithes our unto the place where we receive "spiritual food" that God, who is Lord of the Angels, will rebuke the devourer in our behalf.

Anything that the devil tries to "eat up", take away, or destroy in our lives, God will rebuke him, and deliver us unto blessings. It does not matter what we are seeing or hearing at the time. We know that God is faithful and he is never early and never late.

In the midst of the storm it is the responsibility of the believer to maintain faith in God's Living Word. We do this by keeping ourselves immersed in the word through reading, study meditation, by keeping Christian music filling our ears and Christian videos or programs in our house. What we feed our spirits now will determine our spiritual strength in time of the "storm".

It is also why we are to "prefer" the company of fellow believers because when your faith has been assaulted by the storm and the shock of what has happened causes you to momentarily "reel", it is the faith filled strength of fellow believers that remind you of the promises of God.

These promises are the anchor for your soul. So, bless the Lord, Oh my soul, and all that is within me, bless holy name! The victory is ours.

Stand in faith, rest in hope, walk in love.

St. John's Missionary Church
Rev. William P. Adams, Sr.

The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the broken hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound;

To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn;

To appoint unto those who mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the Spirit of heaviness, that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that he might be glorified. Isaiah 61:1-3. Hallalua! Glory! What a mighty God we serve.

Health

Cooking foods to right internal temperature critical measure in preventing foodborne illness

Talk temperature with a cook and the image that usually pops to mind is the heating gauge on a kitchen's oven. Bake at 350 degrees, cook slowly at 275 degrees, sear at 425 degrees.

But an even more critical temperature is the one that foods reach internally. Food safety experts at Texas Department of Health (TDH) say that foods are properly cooked when they are heated long enough and at a high enough temperature to kill harmful bacteria. And those temperatures vary with the type of food.

"The key is to use a meat thermometer for accuracy," said Lone Wenzel of the TDH Retail Foods Division. "It's the one sure way to know that meat and poultry are thoroughly cooked. In addition to preventing foodborne illness, a meat thermometer can help prevent overcooking and provide a gauge to show that foods are being held at the right temperature."

Many cooks, especially those who have been standing over a hot stove for years, use the look and touch method of judging whether a dish is ready to serve. Are the juices from meat and poultry clear rather than pink? Does the thigh joint of a turkey or chicken move easily? Have the hamburgers turned from red to brown? Is the fish opaque and flake easily with a fork?

These used to be great indicators of whether food was completely cooked," Wenzel said.

However, we now know from food science that there are times these types of visual indicators can be wrong. Some beef ground into hamburger can turn brown well before it reaches a safe temperature. And although the meat on a turkey leg may be properly cooked, stuffing inside the bird may require more cooking time or a higher temperature to be fully cooked and destroy any harmful bacteria. Also, many microwave ovens have "cold spots" which can keep parts of a food from reaching safe temperatures.

Using a meat thermometer should be a habit, Wenzel advises, one which takes the guesswork out of cooking safely.

"A meat thermometer can be

used for all foods," she said. "It will measure temperature of casseroles, meat loaves, egg dishes and ham as well as meat and poultry to assure that bacteria such as salmonella and E. coli 0157:H7 have been destroyed."

According to Wenzel, there are several types of meat thermometers available at grocery, hardware or kitchen supply stores. They include:

Regular, oven-proof thermometers that go in food at the beginning of the cooking time and can be read easily.

Instant-read and digital types, not intended to go into the oven, but that give a quick reading when inserted into the food after cooking.

Pop-up thermometers, most often found in turkey. They also may be purchased for other types of meat.

Microwave-safe thermometers designed to be used only in microwave ovens.

"Whatever the type, be sure the thermometer used is clean and is specifically designed for meat and poultry cooking," Wenzel said. "Others, such as those used in making candy, will not work with meat and poultry. Also, be sure the meat thermometer has an easy-to-read dial, one that is made with stainless steel and has a shatter-proof clear lens."

Most meat thermometers are accurate to within plus or minus 2 degrees.

"For poultry, insert the meat thermometer into the inner thigh area near the breast but not touching bone," Wenzel said. "For beef, pork, lamb, veal or ham - roasts, steaks or chops - the thermometer should go into the center of the thickest part, away from the bone, fat and gristle. For ground meat and poultry, casseroles and egg dishes place the thermometer in the thickest area.

The temperature of stuffing also should be measured, according to Wenzel. At the end of the standing time, the internal temperature of stuffing should reach 165 degrees F. Reheated foods should reach the same 165 degrees F mark. Soups and gravies should be brought to a rolling boil. When

holding or serving a buffet, hot cooked foods must remain at 140 degrees F or higher. (And cold foods should be kept at 41 degrees F or lower.)

After each use, wash the stem section of the meat thermometer thoroughly in hot, soapy water.

"A meat thermometer should be as much a part of safe cooking as pot holders and clean utensils," Wenzel said. "It's a habit that can help keep families healthy."

Minimum Safe Internal Cooking Temperatures

Poultry, stuffing and dressing - 165 degrees F; stuffed meat, fish or pasta - 165 F; microwave cooking and reheating - 165 F; ground beef, pork and fish - 155 F; beef, veal, lamb steaks and roasts - 145 F, meat and fish products - 145 degrees F and holding hot foods - 140 F. For more information contact Lone Wenzel, TDH Retail Foods Division at 512-719-0232.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

AN ORDINANCE to set the 1999 tax rate for the City of Brackettville ad valorem taxes as required by state tax law. Section 26.05 of the State Property Tax Code. WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Brackettville in conformance to established State laws met and passed the City of Brackettville 1999-2000 Annual Budget; and WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 26.05 of the State Property Tax Law the City Council has established and set a \$.7754 per \$100 Market Value rate for Ad Valorem Taxes to effectively carry out the 1999-2000 Budget; and WHEREAS, all public notices were published in local newspaper on proposed tax revenue increase and all required public hearings were held as per State Property Tax Code; THEREFORE, be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Brackettville that: The effective tax rate for the City of Brackettville 1999-2000 Annual Budget is set at \$.7754 per \$100 valuation of market value. READ, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 16th day of September, 1999, Carmen M. Berlanga, Mayor.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Billy Joe Walker, Sr., Deceased, were issued on September 14, 1999, in Cause No. 957, pending in the County Court of Kinney County, Texas, to: DEAVA JEAN RHAMES. The residence of the Independent Executrix is 406 North Jackson, San Angelo, Tom Green County, Texas 76901; the post office address is: c/o Tully Shahan, Attorney at Law, Post Office Box 367, Brackettville, Texas 78832-0367. All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. Dated the 14th day of September, 1999. Tully Shahan, Attorney at Law, Post Office Box 367, 401 South Ann, Brackettville, Texas 78832, Telephone: 830-563-2462, Facsimile: 830-563-9240. By Tully Shahan, Attorney for the Estate, State Bar No: 18087500.

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