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City Manager says employees quit over envy and jealousy

of lots 8-10, Lorance addition, to attorneys fees. Ernest Valenzuela at the last regular council meeting.

section of FM 2804 and Spring That was a cost per lot of that," answered Luna. Street, were previously owned by \$1,241.58. He saw no problem Puffy Porter. The city purchased the property from Porter due to the encroachment of gas and wa- to the council would be that he recently been hired as a laborer ter lines on the property.

approximately two weeks ago and Luna. asked to store some pipes on the

purchased from Mr. Porter when that were running through that that property," added Luna. property," said Luna.

if there was anyway the city would sell him that lot, plus the other

clause stating he understands' lems," explained Luna.

This property has been off the

cost us to purchase those pieces The lots, located at the inter- of property which was \$7,449.49. with that. I also stated that more employees were comparing their than likely, my recommendation wages to someone that was just pay the attorney fees and he saw Valenzuela approached Luna no problem with that," explained

property directly behind his prop- chase of the property, I think it social security and I'm planning would be best to get them back for that. Mr. Cardenas is aware "That being the lots that we on the tax rolls and to relieve ourselves from the liability of that line we had the differences on the lines that he's willing to take care of

Councilwoman Tencha Pena Valenzuela subsequently asked asked the city manager why three Staff Writer city employees had resigned in the last month.

"Is there an internal problem "He understands there are lines within the city administration, running through that property, we've lost two more good employhe's willing to buy that with the ees in the last week, that makes a total of four in the last six months, those lines went through there and asked Pena, "Is it their own dohe won't try to cause us any probing, is it something that's going on that we should be aware of?"

"I've had three people quit betax rolls since the city purchased cause they were dissatisfied, one proved paying a \$1,000 deduct- ready set," said Williams. them. The price Luna quoted to was a baby-sitters problem the

Nike's Bracketville discovers Brackettville

Brackettville, Texas, to check out

the real Brackettville. The first

indications that these folks wanted

to know more was from Tulisha

Wardlaw who found the group

filming at Alamo Village. She be-

lieves that Nike did not know that

there was a Brackettville, USA.

The advertising group was sent

from San Antonio to film the real

Bracketville was the setting for all Brackettville. They had heard of tion to Nike for its sponsorship and

These folks located Stoney

The council approved the sale original purchase price plus the pay in comparison to another individuals' pay and said pay me "I gave him the figure which it more or we quit. They went into it together and I don't have any reason for them quitting other than

> According to Luna the former and mechanic. The present mechanic is about ready to retire.

"You have a mechanic that is "I see no problem with the purabout to retire, who is drawing Continued on Page 3

previous decision, after an execu-

Sandoval had worked in the

clerks office for approximately

ible to the Texas Association of

David Luna called the school

Monday afternoon and said that

21 boxes of balls and bats had ar-

rived at his office compliments of

Nike. He said come get them and

use them for the school children.

David had been involved in help-

ing let Nike know that Brack-

long to go check out the equip-

to my truck. Looking more like

Santa's Sled than a pickup, my

truck (and I) arrived at the school

story. Welcome to Brackettville

Nike and Bracketville! Your kind

donation to our school children is

greatly appreciated. The school

board and I pray that as you read

this story that you will decide to

make a permanent marker at our

school in donating a new football

scoreboard, price about \$8250.

We'd be happy to give recogni-

endorsement of sports programs

in Brackettville, Texas. We're

glad you found us. We'll be using

That's about it. Isn't it a great

with the Nike equipment.

21 boxes of sports equipment on added Senne.

The commissioners reversed a open court.

tive session, and set the salary for sion, Commissioner Joe Williams

the new Deputy Clerk to the same made the motion to set the salary

amount as the previous clerk for Deputy Clerk Josie Meyer

The commissioners also ap- \$6.79. It's already there, it's al-

\$6.79 per hour.

carried unanimously.

job performance.

Senne.

and his trusty helpers loaded the amount they deem appropriate,

By Dottie Cruz

Norma Sandoval.

## Council approves sale of property Man killed in brawl

Sunday evening.

Manuel "Timber" Sanchez, charged with the murder of Alfonzo Gomez, Jr., 30, also of Brackettville.

proximately 9:40 PM at Mario's Pub. It apparently stemmed from Sanchez and Gomez.

Gomez received a wound to the left arm and a stab wound to the hospital Tuesday afternoon. chest. He was pronounced dead Regional Medical Center.

Sanchez fled the scene and was

policy that covers civil lawsuits.

These two items were on the

After reconvening in open ses-

"I move that we set salary,

since it's already in the budget,

for the remaining fiscal year at

The county's policy, for hiring

employees at the 'entry level', sets a salary based on \$6.00 per hour.

probation period before review of

ity of the Executive Session is that

For the past year, Senne with

the assistance from TAC and the

input from elected officials and de-

partment heads, have been in the

process of putting on paper, job

descriptions and responsibilities of

every employee in the county and

devising a job performance grad-

ing system. Then the commission-

an employee would be entitled to

"Policy for new employees is

A fight at a local bar left one arrested at his residence by man dead and another injured late Deputy Sheriff Karl Chism and Trooper Tom Wylie at 10:06 PM. Sanchez did not attempt to resist 44, of Brackettville has been arrest and voluntarily surrendered a knife, believed to be the murder weapon.

Sanchez has also been charged The altercation occurred at ap- with the attempted murder of bar manager Jerry Guidry. Guidry was wounded in the right arm and some past grudge between abdominal area while attempting to break up the fight.

Guidry was released from the

Sanchez is currently being held shortly after arrival at Val Verde in the Kinney County Jail on bonds totaling \$75,000.

based on this information.

"I look forward to the impleagenda, but were not discussed in mentation of our grading step system, said Senne, "And in answer to your question we will adhere to that grading step system when that being pretty quick, we hope in June.

> choice. Just follow through and the Community Council. Bring let insurance handle it," said Com-

The only reply I can give sented by the law firm of Allison

ettville existed. It didn't take me you, because of the confidentialment and it was really Nike (check Commissioners' Court has the was adjourned, Senne was asked mark and all). Curiosity directed prerogative to county employees, if he could elaborate on the deme to the City Hall where Luna to set their salary at whatever tails of who and why someone was

"We have a potential discrimination suit," said Senne, "This is the first step of any discrimination suit to have an attorney hired by the county; because we have insurance to cover that through

If this potential civil/discrimi- Force in Eagle Pass.

#### Commissioners raise Deputy Clerk's salary

it is installed. We look forward to FCS's membership is a "Free

Senne made a motion and Frerich seconded to amend the budget and set aside \$1,000 for an insurance deductible to the Brigade's" cleanup project. You Texas Association of Counties. do not have to participate in the The motion was seconded by TAC assigns attorneys to defend cleanup for the cookout, which is the mayor and council is for the other two were not happy with the Counties towards an insurance Commissioner Joe Montalvo and counties in potential civil rights called the "Mad Hatter's Spring

Employees are also on a 6 month missioner Pat Melancon.

"We are insured through TAC, for that sort of purpose. Our deductible is \$1,000," concluded \$6.00. Entry level is \$6," said Senne.

Kinney County will be repre- juana

After Commissioners Court suing the county for a civil rights

Texas Association of Counties."

nation lawsuit goes to litigation ers could use the information in and becomes public, it will be determining when and how much tried in the 63rd Judicial Court.

## FOLLIES 2000

The Fort Clark Dance Company and The Old Quarry Society will present the annual Variety Show, entitled "Follies 2000," on Saturday, March 25, 2000, at Post Theatre at 7:30 p.m. Tickets will be available at the door only.

The first half of the show will feature the dancers in a number of outstanding costumes created by Norma Schramm. The second half of the evening will include a variety of local musicians, both vocal and instrumental.

The entire show will be on a level of professionalism frequently seen only in larger cities.

Plan now to attend "Follies 2000" on Saturday, March 25, at Post Theatre at 7:30 p.m. The audience will be seated at 7:10. Tickets will be available at the

#### Council's gift to FCS

Community Council's gift to hamburger cookout on April 1st (no fooling) at 12:00 noon at the Swim Park. It happens to be the first Saturday in April, which is also the scheduled "Cavalry Fling Ding." Remember the event "I don't think we really had a is a gift to the membership from your family and enjoy this special event.

#### **Border Patrol Stats**

Border Patrol Agents seize more than 1,900 pounds of mari-

Del Rio, Texas- U.S. Border Patrol Agents of the Del Rio Sector seized 1,922 pounds of marijuana Monday, March 20, 2000.

Agents performing linewatch duties approximately 11 miles upriver from the Eagle Pass Port of Entry discovered 33 nylon feed sacks hidden under some brush near the Rio Grande River. The sacks contained wrapped bundles of marijuana.

The marijuana, valued at \$1,537,600, was turned over to the Multi-Agency Drug Task

### **Border Patrol Stats**

Del Rio, Texas- The following is a report of apprehensions by Border Patrol agents assigned to the Del Rio Sector for the period March 13-19, 2000. The information is provided by station, and includes a sector total.

Abilene-12, Brackettville-490, Carrizo Springs-706, Comstock-55, Del Rio-797, Eagle Pass-2,467, Llano-19, Rocksprings-75, San Angelo-29, Uvalde-151, Sector Total-4,801, Other than Mexicans-115.

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I have written several times on honesty. I think that a person who does not strive to be honest is less

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Entries Del Rio Man Catches 13

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It's great to be back in school after Spring Break! Many of the

students, staff and administrators

actually expressed their feelings.

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than a person

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## Santinelli to give free concert next Monday



#### and Richard Terrazas saw them Burks, school principal, and the equipment with the check in South Carolina. They play regufilmed him at the high school gym. marks on it for years to come. They were able to film Judge How about that scoreboard, Nike? larly in Brackettville. The story continues in that Nike Senne and then moved on to Davis Let's celebrate a new found was told that the town of Brack- Hardware. Word from the hard- friendship: Bracketville welcome ettville (Texas) really existed. An ware store is that they came into Brackettville, Texas!

### advertising group arrived in side and filmed there also. School District withholds final payment

Nike's commercials. Nike com- Alamo Village and thought it was

mercials are seen nationally. I saw a great place to start filming.

Taylor Stephenson pictured with sports equipment donated by

By Dottie Cruz Staff Writer

Nike to Brackettville.

By Taylor Stephenson

B.I.S.D. Superintendent

I noticed it several days ago!

A sign on the Nike's basketball

commercial that welcomed you to

"Bracketville." The idea was

probably taken from march mad-

ness and the 64 team tournament

bracket. Thus, the town of

them in Missouri. I know that Julia

\$75,000 for the new high school Stephenson. building. The board is waiting tion of completion.

expected to arrive this week to So if they made a mistake on the inspect the building.

"Until those last three exhaust Davis. fans are in and until they can get dation is that you hold at least \$25,000 of the roughly \$75,000 of their monies we still have Davis. now," suggested Stephenson.

them until they are through,' added Davis.

cepted will not be paid for by the is 45.43 percent.

The board voted unanimously pay some of it, we have made no to withhold the final payment of deals with anybody," said approved added revenue in the

"To me that was a bid error on until the construction work has their part and that's easy for them been completed and the architect to come back and say we made a and engineer provide a certifica- mistake on our bid. Well, everybody else that made a bid on it, The architect and engineer are maybe didn't make that mistake. bidding, that's their fault," said ics' Class surprised the Superin-

"To come back later and say us a certification, my recommen- we made a mistake we need to add some more. I'd be ashamed to do that if I was the contractor," added

"I'm in favor of not paying School District is six months into it's fiscal year. The revenue is do with it now? Now, that it's runcoming in at a higher rate than ning we are going to try to sell The cabinets in the Science the school is spending it. Total Room that were added on by the revenue by percentage is at 58.47 contractor after the bid was ac- percent. The total for expenditure

"That's where we are at and it "They're still hoping we will looks all right," said Stephenson.

The three budget amendments amount of \$2,339. \$1,960 increased the Class Size Reduction Program. The Education Program received \$243 which will be used for library books. The Safe and Drug Free Schools Program gained \$136.

Dave Wilkens' Auto Mechantendent by repairing a 1984 Chevy Surburban owned by the district, but hasn't been running for the last

"I got a call about three weeks ago, telling me it was running, I The Brackett Independent asked 'what is running' and they said the old Suburban what do we it," said Stephenson.

> The Board approved to adver-Continued on Page 3

Pictured above: Silvana Suarez Santinelli, a gifted pianist, will be performing March 27, at 7:30 p.m. in the Cavalry Room at the Las Moras Restaurant. The concert is free to the public. Through the combined efforts of the Kinney County Arts Council and the Old Quarry Society we are very fortunate to have Ms. Santinelli here again.

## Letter to the Editor

to your article printed in the Certificates is \$1,230.00 more Thursday, March 16, 2000 issue year to date than we budgeted for, of the Brackett News, page 3, this is a positive number). Only under the headline "Appraisal one expense line of forty-six line District over budget on several items in the FY 2000 budget (2% line items.

facts presented at the meeting and performance, year to date, is exreports information in a negative cellent. Your reporter's "gloom context! I am specifically con- and doom" perspective is unforcerned with correcting the follow- tunate considering the encourag-

Two items were already over budget through the fifth month of the current budget. Line items for ation and attention to this request. tax Certificates were 123 percent over budget and office expenses were over budget by 13 percent.

The budget report presented (and accepted) to the board reflects the income Line for Tax to report that Tax Certificates are Certificates at 223.0% as a % of a revenue line item.

Respectfully request correction Budget. (our income from Tax of the lines) is currently over bud-Your article misrepresents the get by \$404.01. Overall budget ing progress the Appraisal District has made in the past year.

Thank you for your consider-

William F. Haenn Chief Appraiser

■ Editor's Note: We did fail

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# Honesty, the Continuing Saga

The Way I See It By Steven R. LaMascus

I have written several times on us to swallow them as unvarnished honesty. I think that a person who does not strive to be honest is less than a person, and while all of us slip occasionally, I feel that the something as the truth then it is vast majority of the population is the truth no matter what the facts basically honest. So, if we accept this premise, why do we all accept so much open dishonesty in our society?

blanket excuse for their dishon- and I don't like adulterous, lying, esty. Why do we accept this?

We accept and expect that house. people in business and advertising will tell us thinly disguised lies every day in an attempt to coerce us into purchasing their products.

better to lie and be safe, and se-

cure, and happy, and dishonest. The media is the worst of all. They tell us lies and really expect That is a glowing recommenda-

truth. They think that it is all how you perceive the truth. The truth is subjective. If you perceive are. They take our Christian beof cynicism, a dab of fact and cook snake and bit them on the what- Clinton's perjury and other crimiever. We accept and expect that nal acts, stir and spin well, and our government, which is sup- say that it is only about a personal, people, by the people, and for the none of our business what the people," will tell bald-faced lies President of the United States does to us, The People, on a regular in MY Whitehouse. Wrong! He basis, using state security as a just lives there. It belongs to me

Honesty is one of the most important aspects of our lives. When someone speaks of another person he will almost invariably inor not he thinks that person is hon- develop. If someone asks us a question est. Even in this jaded time we

criminal, blasphemers in MY

guy I ever met, but you can take what he tells you to the bank?" tion as far as I am concerned. I would like to think I am somewhat loveable, or at least likeable, well, tolerable anyway, but if I can't have that, I will be very happy with honest.

Now don't get me wrong. I liefs, add a little sarcasm, a pinch will, like any other human, occasionally tell a lie because I don't ria Our government wouldn't rec- hateful, bigoted, intolerant, cruel, myself at it and it distresses me. I Paul says, sometimes "I do not understand what I do. For what I posed to be a "government of the private relationship, and that it is hate I do." That is, unfortunately,

Honesty is the basis of human interaction. We simply have to be able to trust each other or our society begins to break down. If every time someone told you something you felt you could not believe it, you would spend all your time being sure you were not cheated and nothing would ever get done. Trust is necessary, and

I want my friends to like me. truth, we tell them a little white tegrity. We don't get to see to trust me. If I lost their trust I lie to protect our measly psyches. enough of it these days, but we would lose their respect and their The Lord forbid that we should still value it nonetheless. How friendship and we would no longer tell the truth and have someone many times have you heard, be friends, but just acquaintances. upset with us. No, no it is much "Yeah, he's not the most loveable And you can take that to the bank!

## Ruining Peter to pay Paul

Submitted By U.S. Rep. Henry Bonilla

About \$1.8 trillion will be spent by the government this year. Congress has to approve the ways the money is spent, to make sure it's being used in the best ways possible. Otherwise, problems occur - problems like the one that's just been exposed at the United States Department of Agriculture. Here's what happened.

Maybe they were tired of having to explain how it wanted to spend your money, maybe they were afraid Congress would never go for the program, but the USDA set up a boondoggle called the Urban Resources Partnership (URP) behind Congress' back. For six years, more than twenty million dollars was taken from other programs at the USDA, and used to fund the URP. Checks were written to pay for, among other things, Sierra Club members' outings, wall murals, and urban habitat classrooms. Checks were even written to pay the salaries of people working for the URP - a program that legally was not supposed to exist.

According to a report recently released by the USDA Inspector General's office, "the Department did not select cities/areas...on a competitive basis." In fact, the report said two of the main criteused to up the "truth" that all we are is want to admit the truth. I catch whether a city would get URP money were "political support" ognize honesty if it were a rattle- and close-minded. They take Bill don't want to, but like the Apostle and the "strength of Congressional delegation."

> By the spring of 1999, Texas want to do I do not do, but what I farmers were in the middle of what would turn out to be the driest year in more than four decades. Carl Anderson, a Texas cotton marketing expert, told the San Antonio Express-News it was, "...another year on the edge, and we would think that unless some really substantial help comes, we're going to see some more farmers forced out of agriculture."

Even as farmers across America were buckling from the We all know this. Why do we al- clude in the description whether honesty is necessary for trust to strain of cheap imports and parched land, the USDA continued to rob congressionally authoand we are uncomfortable with the respect and value honesty and in- But more importantly, I want them rized programs to fund the URP. At the same time, the USDA told anyone who would listen that the agency did not have enough money to pay its employees' salaries, or loan farmers money they desperately needed to plant crops. In April, Secretary of Agriculture Dan Glickman said he had to use money meant to be used for salaries to shore up the account used for loan assistance. However, he lamented that, if Congress did not give the USDA more money quickly, "...we will be looking at office closings and furloughs."

Some of the grants handed out by the URP were no doubt worthwhile. But there are reasons agencies are not handed blank checks with no explanation required. The USDA should have ensured it could pay the bills it had before looking for new places to spend your money.

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U.S. Senator

The Honorable Kay Bailey Hutchison

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## Texans identify world hot-spot priorities

Submitted by U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison lowed by Europe, 19 percent,

focus of America's foreign policy, according to those readers who replied to my annual question-January.

superpower. We are capable of deploying troops to almost every crisis in the world. But if we are that Russia has become more symnot careful, we could overextend our troops and weaken our ability to respond to the big crises that demand a superpower's attention. Please rank the importance of the following regions, with "10" be-brainer. China is building up its ing the most important and "1" being the least important region:"

ment in the North Atlantic treaty Organization (NATO) and our historic ties to Western Europe.

Korea, our special commitment to ours." Taiwan and the rise of a more powerful China.

Russia - Helping Russia's tranof its nuclear arsenal.

and ensuring security of the own oil supply." Panama Canal.

and our protection of Persian Gulf Hussein." oil supplies."

with 34 percent of you identify- England and Japan, but on an ing Russia as your most impor- equal partnership basis with

tant foreign policy concern, fol-them." The former Soviet Union and Eu- 16 percent and the Middle East, range nuclear weapons." rope should remain the primary 14 percent. Here are some of your comments:

keep an eye on Russia but work

McKinney - "The jury is still The question I asked was, "The out on whether Russia is truly make sure the world knows that it U.S. is the world's last remaining stable, and if China is willing to stay inside its own borders."

Wadsworth - "I am concerned pathetic to China and the Middle East countries that opposed us." Angleton - "The stability of

Russia ought to be a top concern." military, shooting rockets at Japan, and Russia still has its nuclear those areas where our direct in-Europe - Our 50-year involve- missiles. Until this changes, it is our major challenge."

Asia - Our long-standing trea- Europe. For all our differences, ties with allies Japan and South their values are the closest to

> Perrin - "China is far and away the most dangerous and daring." Corpus Christi - "Our trading

sition from a communism to de- with China and letting them into mocracy and a free market and the White House was wrong, and trying to contain the proliferation we will eventually pay a price." Childress - "We should pay less

Latin America - Anti-drug as- attention to the Middle East, and sistance to Mexico and Columbia concentrate on developing our

San Antonio - "I'm still wor-Middle East - Our longtime ried about Iraq. I don't think commitment to Arab-Israeli peace we've heard the last from Saddam

Yorktown - "We need to build Your answers were definitive, our relationships with Europe,

Kerrville - "My main worry is Asia, 17 percent, Latin America small-time dictators with long

A significant number of you raised concerns about the Chinese From Bryan - "We have to government's activities in the Panama Canal zone. We must naires, which your newspaper to make sure it becomes a firm watch that situation very closely published this past December and member of Europe, not an enemy. and be ready to respond - with military force if necessary - to is a vital security interest of the United States that the Panama Canal remain open to the world's shipping.

> Your response show that Texans understand our superpower commitment to maintain stability in many important spots on the globe. My priority in the Senate has been to focus our foreign policy and defense resources on volvement is critical - in Asia, where the Chinese must under-Austin - "Whatever we do, we stand our resolve; in NATO, our have to cooperate with Western strongest defense alliance; in Russia to establish relations and prevent nuclear proliferation; to be a stabilizing force in the Mideast; and to try to establish trade within our hemisphere. It's good knowing, as I press this message in Congress, that the people of Texas see it about the same way.

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## City to register collection site as transfer station Jones Elemenary has record enrollment

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of it and so is the individual have been there," said Luna. that I hired," said Luna.

"I see a bit of jealousy, a little date for disposing of the problem.

"On the day they showed up the minimum wage if you are up to 499," said Luna. worth more and I don't think you should get more if you don't pro- have been removed from the Col- explained Luna.

duce. Regardless of how long you lection Site by the firm of Safe

According to Luna both former Texas Natural Resource Conser- of the receipts were faxed to Sal- tion was included in the correemployees had been sent to school vation Commission (TNRCC) for Animal Control and were un- about the tires that were growing able to pass the required tests at a in number at the Citizen's Collec-Henry Karnei, Jr., of TNRCC. cost of approximately \$300 to the tion Site on Highway 90 West.

those types of things. I think if you we were already removing the are qualified to do something, you tires. The law states you can't should get paid that amount. I have over 500 tires on the ground don't think you should get paid at one time and we are allowed

dence was mailed March 1st to TNRCC.

The city has paid over \$6,000 to fact this easement was their biggest problem. The inspector assistant in the upcoming City looked at the operation and said it General Election to be held May was a clean operation. However, 6th. The election will be for posibecause we have grown and we tion of Mayor and 3 council seats. have people bringing stuff to the 'Gobbler' we should be considered a transfer station and they To date, six trailer loads of tires wanted us to apply for a permit,"

The request for an application Tire Disposal Corporation of to register the present Citizen's A complaint was filed with the Texas from San Antonio. Copies Collection Site as a Transfer Stavador Cardenas and a correspon- spondence to Karnei and the

Bertha Reschman will be the "They complained about the presiding Election Judge and Zulema Wilson will serve as her

tise for bids for the sale of the complete. 1984 Chevy Suburban with the bids to be reported at the next

scheduled meeting on April 10th.

Paula Renken, Principal of Jones Elementary School reported there were 400 student enrolled with two more expected by the first of April. This number is a enrolled at Jones Elementary.

The Landscaping for the new

Continued from Page 1 High School and annex is almost

"The benches look good, the sidewalks and pad is finished out in front of the Annex. Real pleased with the way the kids like it, in fact they write us letters, thanking us for it. They are really proud of it," said Stephenson.

The Fire Marshall approved the record for the number of students proposed plans to cut out new entrances to the Tiger Gym and the construction of a room under the bleachers. Plans include re-surfacing and painting the gym floor. Installing indoor/outdoor carpet in the walkways of the shower area.

Under the direction of Taylor Stephenson and assisted by Hector Jimenez, the Tiger Band will be going to John Jay High School in San Antonio on April the 5th to compete in a UIL Concert Competition that requires three musical scores the band knows and a sight reading to be performed for

the judges. They'll be fine and they're going to have fun. They're working hard and I push them pretty hard and they are doing well," concluded Stephenson.

## Kinney County Sheriff's Report .... In times of an emergency, a the necessary skills and pass writ-few seconds can save a life. Red ten quizzes will receive CPR and

Tuesday, March 14

Sheriffs Department reported re- was called and advised of the situceiving a cellular call that an 18 ation. wheeler had jackknifed on 277 North. Advised Trooper Ashley of the accident. Ashley called Del Rio DPS and requested they send a unit to the location.

Wednesday, March 15

9:00 a.m., Fort Clark Security come to remove a raccoon. No mal with permission from Sheriff the situation. Burgess. Burgess gave them the selves.

beer on a fence. Chief Deputy Johnny Fritter took care of it.

Thursday, March 16 10:34 a.m., Trooper Slubar reported 4 cows loose on Hwy 90 and FM 1572. The cows had an identifying brand belonged to a local rancher. Dispatcher was Verde called and reported a fire unable to reach the owner. Slubar on Hwy 90 and FM 3008. Deputy reported they herded the cows to Karl Chism went to scene and re-

could pick them up there.

opened at a local business and the Chism went to investigate. 9:06 a.m., Maverick County place closes at 5 p.m. Manager

Friday, March 17

1:45 a.m., Fort Clark Security reported two individuals passed out by the Red Bridge. Deputy Bobby Guidry took care of prob-

12:20 p.m., Local bar owner called and requested a trapper called and reported a local woman was "Driving like a bat out of trapper was around. Security hell". Deputy Guidry and Police private property. asked if they could shoot the ani- Chief Ron Ring were advised of

5:26 p.m., A Spofford resident OK to go ahead and shoot it them- reported his trailer was broken into while he was out. Deputy 2:09 p.m., A local woman re- Guidry investigated. Guidry upon quested a deputy go to a house on arriving found someone (possibly East Veltman and remove some illegal's') had broken in through the door on the West side of the house to gain entry. Two pair of eaten lunch while they were there. Nothing of value was missing.

8:45 p.m., EMS from Val a nearby ranch and the owner ported fire under control.

9:34 p.m., A local man called 5:58 p.m., A local resident and reported kids breaking bottles called and reported doors were on North Pafford Street. Deputy

Saturday, March 18 Guidry and Police Chief Ring recent CPR training. spoke to the owner of the dogs. Advised the owner her dogs could be responsible for the damage and the rancher has the right to protect his stock from roving dogs on

Sunday, March 19

9:59 a.m., A local man reported a dead cow on Highway 90 East two miles out of town. A local rancher was called. He said it wasn't his, but since the highway department doesn't have a site to bury the cow it could be buried on his property.

9:41 p.m., An unidentified pants were taken and their's were caller reported EMS and a deputy left behind. Intruders had also was needed at Mario's Pub. Someone had been knifed. Deputy Chism along with Trooper Wylie went to the location to investigate.

10:06 p.m., Manuel Dimas Sanchez, 44 from Brackettville was arrested by Deputy Chism for murder and attempted murder. Sanchez is being held at the Kinney County Jail.

## Local Red Cross offers PR Recertification

9:40 a.m., A local rancher re- Basic first aid certification. This costs \$20. ported 3 dogs on his property and class is recommended for those a few minutes later he found one who have taken a Red Cross CPR at (830) 775-8626 for locations: of his Registered Ewe's dead. The class within the last twelve Please wear comfortable clothing Ewe was valued at \$500. Deputy months, but is open to anyone with for CPR and first aid floor prac-

Participants who demonstrate payment is required.

Cross CPR Recertification in- first aid cards. The class can be volves no instruction, just skill and taken on Saturday, March 25 from knowledge tests for any CPR or 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The class

> Contact your local Red Cross tices. Pre-registration and pre-



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# DPS Narcotics makes largest Young visitors impressed with Brackettville Ecstasy bust in Texas history

Tuesday from three Texas loca- toward the production of Ecstasy. tions to manufacture more than The lab also was producing small 300 pounds of Ecstasy.

"My initial impression is that Corpus Christi.

The first search warrant was served Monday at a ranch in tuses northeast Frio County, approximately 30 miles south of San Antonio. Officers searched a large, at least 100 pounds of Ecstasy.

amounts of methamphetamine.

Investigators said that the labothis appears to be one of the most ratory had been booby-trapped significant clandestine laboratory using flash-bang grenades that had seizures for Ecstasy in Texas his- the pins pulled out. The grenades tory," said Lt. Patrick O'Burke were set next to containers of of the DPS Narcotics Service in flammable liquids. Also recovered at the lab in Frio County were:

\* Chemical laboratory appara-

\* 300,000 empty gel capsules \* Enough chemicals to produce

produced.

In a search warrant served Tuesday at a rental storage facility in Houston, investigators

\* 200 pounds of liquid safrol, a precursor chemical for manufacturing ecstasy

\* 180 pounds of liquid toluene \* Anhydrous ammonia

\* Hydrogen bromide gas.

\* Investigators said there were enough chemicals to make 100 pounds of Ecstasy.

In a third search warrant served said Chris. at a storage unit in San Antonio, officers seized 304 pounds of liquid safrol, 55 gallons of toluene, a cylinder of anhydrous ammonia and 600 pounds of hydrogen bro-

The criminal investigation conrange of distribution for the drugs.

Chris Payne, age 10, from DPS Narcotics officers seized well-organized clandestine labo- There were indications that much Odessa was visiting his grandenough chemicals Monday and ratory that was geared primarily more than that had already been mother Julia Payne this week while on "Spring Break" along with his friend Alexander Aguilar, age 11, from Del Rio.

Chris' dad Nelson Payne of San Angelo became friends with Alexanders' uncle Joe Aguilar and they introduced the two boys who have become 'Bestfriends'.

"His uncle is one my dad's friends and they live in San Angelo. I was with my Dad for Spring Break and there's a golf tournament here this weekend and they're in the golf tournament,"

The boys are enjoying their break with the freedom of being able to get out and run around Brackett and Fort Clark Springs.

"It's a nice town, we can go mide gas. Investigators believe anywhere we want. In San that more than 100 pounds of Ec- Angelo, it's like where people stasy could be produced with these don't trust other people. We're so happy here," Chris added.

Alexander who lives in Del Rio tinues into the laboratory and the doesn't get over to Brackett as



Pictured above: (left) Chris Payne age 10 and friend Alexander Aguilar, age 11 visiting local resident Julia Payne for their 'Spring Break' from school.

much as he would like to, it's just (Chris), I like the store, Super S.

"When I come with him said Alexander.

when Chris visits his grand- Just walk up from his grandmothers' house and buy something,"

## Water educational campaign

needs, whether related to water agriculture areas. quality, supply, conservation or planning said Robert Elledge.

was the #1 issue identified in the (TCFF).

ticularly in areas of low rainfall behooves all of us to learn about Dr. Chester Fehlis, deputy direc- water supply." tor of the Extension Service. "The showed that water was identified as a key issue in almost every county in the state. Water 2000 Plus is responding to that by heightening an awareness of wa- people of all ages regardless of ter issues in our communities."

way in most areas of Texas is com- origin.

The Texas Agriculture Exten- pounding the water challenges sion Service in Kinney County is being faced across the state. The launching an educational cam- Texas population is expected to paign to help residents understand increase from 19 million in 1998 and make informed decisions on to more than 30 million by 2050; issues relating to water announced however, while demand for wa-Robert Elledge County Extension ter will increase, water supply will Agent in Kinney County. The edu-remain the same. This potential cational campaign known as Wa- shortage creates challenges for ter 2000 Plus, has been tailored community leaders as they plan to address this county's water future water use in municipal and

"I think water conservation is a must. Clearly there will be short-In Kinney County, the program ages in the future. We must take will focus on water resources, steps now to protect our water supconservation and selling, which ply and educate people about our water resources," said Dr. Bill Texas Community Futures Forum Harris, associate director of the Extension Service. "Water in the "Water continues to be a criti- future will be even more limited cal issue in all areas of Texas, par- as our population increases. It such as Southwest Texas," said and protect our water quality and

For more information about the Texas Community Futures Forum Water 2000 Plus educational campaign, contact Robert Elledge. County Extension Agent at 830-563-2442.

Extension programs serve socioeconomic level, race, color, The population growth under- sex, religion, disability or national

## **Outdoors**

## Budweiser Share A Lunker Program

### Gets Two More West Texas Entries Del Rio Man Catches 13 Pounder

A little on the Wildlife side By Henry Lutz

in this year's Budweiser 22.25-inch girth. ShareLunker program than their

The latest lunker is a 13.26- a 19-inch girth. pound largemouth bass caught

from the norm, West Texas fish- near the dam. The fish measured search and hatchery production. downent fund. eries have produced more entries 26.25 inches in length with a In exchange, the ShareLunker

Pineywoods counterparts. Six of ber 9 is a 13.05-pounder that was the 10 trophy bass collected thus also caught Feb. 27 from Lake far in the program — all caught Amistad. Thomas Kish from Del in February — have come from Rio caught his lunker in 4 feet of nate or lend their catch to the pro-through April 30. For more inlakes west of Interstate 35, includ- water on a brush hog. The fish ing three from Lake O.H. Ivey. measured 26 inches in length with

Anglers participating in the quet at the Texas Freshwater Fish- BASS.

year, the program offers additional incentives to participating anglers. Texas residents who do-

Feb. 27 from White River Lake. Budweiser ShareLunker program eries Center. Non-resident anglers Charles Russell Collings from are offered the option of perma- will have \$600 donated in their Lubbock caught his lunker in 8- nently donating their lunker names to the Parks and Wildlife ATHENS, Texas - In a flip-flop 10 feet of water on a crankbait catches to the program for re- Foundation's ShareLunker en-

Anyone catching a 13-plusprogram provides anglers fiber- pound largemouth bass is eligible Budweiser ShareLunker num- glass replicas of their fish. This to participate by calling (903) 670-2226 weekdays or by paging (888) 784-0600 weekends and evenings. The ShareLunker season runs gram will receive a \$600 Lifetime formation on the Budweiser Resident Fishing License and rec-ShareLunker program, call the ognition at the annual awards ban- ShareLunker staff at (903) 676-

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By Dottie Cruz Staff Writer

graduation.

The usual place where they go for celebrating graduation will not we are still under our limit right be open before the end of the now. We still have the hamburger six inches of snow in St. Louis school year.

Vice President Tara Eckenrod, Bader and sponsor/teacher Dee lem," explained Burks. Curry asked the board if they tion a week earlier than usual.

"We would like to make this tion out of town. trip the week before graduation. For the fact that school's letting only be gone one school day they out so early and that all the Parks' are closed until the actual day of graduation. If we go earlier we can get into Fiesta Texas," said have competed all their final ex-Senior James Burks.

Their plans are to leave early Friday morning May 19th for Fiby midday Saturday.

The seniors have raised the Taylor Stephenson. money themselves, starting when they were Freshmen.

The cost was broken down into Board President Lloyd Davis.

district wins over the Charlotte

maining in the first round on Tues-

a great tournament, they won 2 Nowlin.

day vs the D'Hanis Cowgirls.

Trojans 20 to 7.

their home field.

Tigerettes pick up dis-

trict win over Trojans

The Brackett Tigerettes Softball out of three games and were

Also they beat the Pre-Season Pitcher Erika Garcia, Third

District favorites, Jourdanton Basemen-Mayra Aguirre, Center

Squaws 4 to 3 in eight innings at Fielder- Jamie Bader. The

second place, with one game re- wins and 1 loss in district play.

The Tigerettes now stand in and 7 losses for the season, and 3

Last Saturday the Tigerettes lotte Trojans, at 6:30. Please come

hosted the eighth annual Tigerette out and support the Girls in their

varsity tournament. The girls had run for the State Playoffs, Coach

Las Moras Invita-

Team was very busy over the beaten by 4A Uvalde team 9 to 2

Spring Break. The Girls picked up for the Championship.

estimates for each item. \$16 per Making a Difference ticket at a group rate, the total By Taylor Stephenson would be \$750 to get into the park. The Senior Class of 2000 will Food is approximated at \$1,800 be celebrating their right to party and lodging was estimated to be after Spring Break! Many of the at Fiesta Texas a week before \$1,000. That makes the estimated total \$3,550.

"We have raised \$3,551.65, so fry that we always do. We can which shut down travel into the easily make a thousand dollars off TWA Hub of St. Louis. It was seniors James Burks and Jaime of that. Money wise isn't a prob-

Usually the seniors are allowed could have the traditional celebra- the last two days of school to celebrate and includes the celebra-

> This year since the seniors will still have the traditional day of graduation May 26th excused. This applies to students who

ams and who won't have to make up excessive absence's. "They have been a good class.

esta Texas and spend all day there. It would be my recommendation They will then stay overnight in that we allow them to do it, I don't San Antonio and return to Brackett think they are using anymore time than usual," said Superintendent time for most of America. It's a you have left to the school activ-

"You all have a good time and represent our school well," said

Named to the all-tournament

team for the Tigerettes team were

Tigerettes now stand at 11 wins

The Tigerettes play here on Friday the 24th against the Char-

# Class of 2000 celebrate their March Madness is a fun time right to party at Fiesta Texas March Madness is a fun time

It's great to be back in school students, staff and administrators actually expressed their feelings back to school. I was able to see quite a change going from the 90s Missouri. The weather did improve there, and the trip was fun.

The calendar shows the first day of Spring to be Monday, March 20. That's the day of the Vernal Equinox. Vernal means Spring and Equinox means equal night (and day). We had a full moon on the first day of Spring; so Easter will be late this year. Easter is always the Sunday after the first full moon after the ver-

next Sunday, April 23. You Want to Be a Millionaire. busy this time of the year. Many of the great teams are al-

gan State.

We're all excited to see who to me that they were ready to get our new board members at Fort life and supporting our fellow Clark Springs will be. The annual man. meeting is set for this next Saturday morning. This board and its management are vital to the economic and recreational interests of of Brackettville to a high of 35 in this community. I pray for a time when peace returns between members and the board. Working together is the only way that it will work. Even if you're right all of the time, it's time to work with some of those who are less perfect. How about it???

School activities are so full this time of the year. We're in the middle of UIL events, plays, band contest and academics. Also, golf, tennis, baseball, softball, track and nal equinox. So, the full moon tennis. Interspersed through it all falls on April 18 and Easter is the is the academic program of the schools. My advice is to get the The March Madness is a fun academics first and then give all nice break for many of us who ity. Parents should not have much have "too steady a diet of " So trouble keeping their children

Condolences are extended to ready out of the bracket: Ken- Juanita Lopez in the loss of her

tucky, Missouri, Arizona, Con- mom and to Mary R. Hernandez teams to watch. My prediction for Marcos) died in a tragic mounthe finals is Duke versus Michitain climbing accident in Utah. Life is full of stories like these.

Help us to refocus on families,

The Voices of Fort Clark sang necticut, Texas, Oklahoma and in the passing of her dad. Dixie a great concert this past Saturday Kansas. There are some fun young Brown's cousin's son (from San night. Lynn McNew did a great job putting the program together and Cathy Conrey is a very able pianist. Kubie Kurtz was recognized for 25 years of singing with the Voices. Way to go! Have a great week!

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## Tigers over Javelinas by 2 runs

of the fifth being the last inning. was John Wylie.

The Brackett Tigers played the The Javelinas made a comeback Crystal City Javelinas on Saturday, in the bottom of the fifth, they March 11th in Crystal City. The came up with 6 runs and took the Tigers jumped off to a two to one game to an extra inning. In the top lead in the first inning on a John of the sixth, the Tigers lead off Wylie RBI single. The Tigers with a John Wylie double and a scored three more runs in the sec- winning hit by Brandon Moore, ond inning on a Zach Davis single. and that was followed by a Javier The Tigers took a 9-6 lead in the DeLeon homerun. The Javelinas bottom of the fourth inning. In the scored 1 in the bottom of the sixth top of the fifth inning the Tigers to make the final score Brackett took a 12-6 lead with the bottom 15, Javelinas 13. Winning pitcher

## Tigers battled the Yellowjackets

ing lead. Alex DeLeon started it off with a single, John Wylie followed it up with a RBI double, Zach Davis continued the inning with a RBI single, and Jaime Ortiz finished the inning with a homerun. Sabinal did not score until the top of the fourth inning

The Brackett Tigers battled the on a RBI single by Torres. The Sabinal Yellowjackets at Tiger Tigers scored three more runs. Field on Tuesday, March 14th. from the second to the bottom of The Tigers pitcher Tommy the sixth inning, and one of those Sandoval held the Jackets score- runs was a homerun by John less in the top of the first inning Wylie. The Yellowjackets scored with two flyballs and one strike two more runs in the fifth inning out. The Tigers scored 7 runs in to make the final score Tigers 10, the first inning to take a command- Yellowjackets 3. The winning pitcher was Tommy Sandoval. The Tigers record is 4W 7L.

Submitted by Coach Ricky

A day late, \$100 richer

Jeff Wurn from San Antonio records his first hole-in-one during competition. At the Las Moras Invitational a hole-in-one on the first day would have netted Jeff Wurn \$10,000 dollars on the 201 yard second hole. Playing from the blue tees, Jeff used a 4 iron Sunday to ace the difficult number two at Fort Clark Springs. The Fort Clark Springs Men's club voted to award Jeff \$100 dollars although the ace was one day late.

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#### tional deemed success Fierro and Monclova in first place By Tom McNew followed by Alejandro and Contributing Writer Cardoza. Fifth Flight saw Saucedo The Las Moras Invitational and Flores post the winning score, with Trevino and Rodriquez in

Fort Clark Springs golf tournament held the weekend of March 17th and 18th was a success. Eightytwo teams of golfers from all over headed by Jack Simpson, Presisouth Texas competed for the rich dent of Fort Clark Men's Golf prize money. The interested gal- Association, worked hard and put lery observed 300 yard drives, on a great tournament. The comdeadly accurate iron shots and spectacular putting on the well manicured greens.

good," as evidenced by the scores Ruben Martinez, Larry Walker, posted. Taking the Championship Flight was the team of Edward Green Trevino and Ruben Alcorta at 114 for the two days. In second place the team of Scott and Adams shot 117. First Flight winners were the crew had the course in the best team of Weatherly and Bixby at condition it has been all year. Bill 122, followed by Stone and Hurt Mitchell, Rochelle Melon and at 123. Second Flight leaders were Tom McNew in the pro shop gave Carvajal and Quintella also at 122 and in second place Shaw and Farias posted a 125.

to play with the Third Flight win- Coors, Budweiser, Coca-Cola and ners Mark Johnson and John others. We thank them. Stavely, who posted a 127. They were followed by a three-way tie ful because of the high caliber of between the teams of Danny and golfers, the competent volunteers Phillip Pena, Tim and Gordon and the many willing sponsors. A Lundquist and the Salyer/Alexson tip of the tam-o-shanter to all of team. Fourth Flight was lead by you.

second place.

The tournament committee mittee members include: Choppy Ambler, Allen McCord, Roger Kurz, Bob Williamson, Art Shaw, The pro's say, "These guys are Jack Simpson, Blake Hinton, Bill Larson, Dick Ebert, and Carl

> Also helping in many ways were members of The Ladies Golf Association. Bob Walker and his necessary assistance with carts and tee times. Thank you all.

Area suppliers donated many Your reporter had the privilege of the refreshments: Miller Lite,

The tournament was success-

# **Activity Calendar**

March 23-29, 2000

Thursday, March 23 Tennis in Hondo

Friday, March 24 Varsity Baseball District in Jourdanton (T) 4:00 p.m. Tennis in Hondo

Saturday, March 25 JV Girls Softball Tournement Home (TBA) JV Baseball Sonora (T) 12:00/ 2:00 PM Tennis in Hondo Track in Uvalde

Tuesday, March 28 Varsity Baseball Game Home against Comfort at 7:30 p.m.

High School Boys Golf District against Comfort (A) Girls Golf-District against Comfort (A) Varsity Girls Softball District against Dilley (A) 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 22 Tennis-District in Uvalde.

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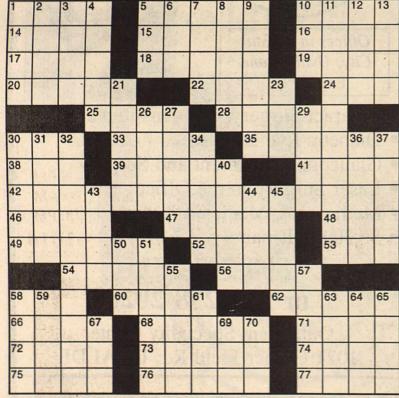
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- 1. Move slowly 5. Relish
- 10. October gemstone
- 14. "Whatever \_ Wants"
- 15. Holmes's street 16. Museo offering
- 17. Make hermetic 18. Golfer concern
- 19. Disintegrates 20. Mayflower Compact
- signer 22. Getz of jazz
- 24. More, to Duran 25. Row of stitches
- 28. Interrupt a silent night
- 30. Fond treatment: abbr.
- 33. Mucho 35. They're still Rolling
- 38. Pleased cry 39. Worked at diligently
- 41. Seafarer
- 42. Picnicker's entertainment
- 46. Creator of Perry and Della
- 47. Pentateuch scroll 48. Carinae
- (seventh-magnitude star) 49. Merchant
- 53. Dead \_\_\_ against 54. Logan and Raines
- 52. Antimissile missile

- 56. Father of Enos 58. Relative 60. Scratcher's target
- 62. Inebriated
- 66. Skittish
- 68. Squirrel 71. Words of warning
- to a tot 72. CSA's Robert
- 73. Gaffe
- 74. Sullen 75. Clytemnestra's
- mother 76. Sounding like a
- woodwind
- 77. Egg on DOWN
- 1. She asked Sam to play it again
- Holiday song
- suit
- 4. Drags 5. Shavian monogram
- Slender runners
- bags 9. Keyboard
- instruments
- marches
- 13. Not as much
- 3. Out of one's birthday
- 6. Detroit labor gp.
- 8. Shelters for sleeping

- 10. Rowing device 11. Square-dance
- \_\_\_ way to go!
- 70. Wipe 21. Certain tides

- \_ for Me to
- 23. "It's Say" Ever Need Is
- You" (2 wds.) 27. Clammy
- 29. Revolutionary Luxemburg
- 30. Lugs 31. "M" actor
- 32. Threw down the gauntlet
- 34. Wyoming peak 36. Monaco habitues.
- perhaps 37. Summer ermine 40. Golden Notebook
- author Lessing 43. Singer Carter
- 44. Womanizer 45. Butler at Tara
- 50. Yale Bowl regular 51. "I'd \_\_\_ be in
- Philadelphia" (W.C. Fields)
- 55. 20 years
- 57. Caste member, often 58. Place for ballast
- 59. Otiose 61. Race loser in a fable
- as a church 63. mouse
- 64. A little too tight 65. Ancient times
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friends.

Aries March 21- April 20 recent outlook on life. Maybe it's time you do something about it. Take a trip somewhere you have wanted to go to for a long time. Don't forget a date

friend or relative. Taurus April 21-May 21

A comfortable relationship won't stay that way for long. Take some time to rethink an important decision. Your spring plans should include an attitude adjustment. You're not winning

Gemini May 22-June 21 Problems surround you, but Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 don't give up hope. Talk things out at home before they get any

worse. Use an idea at work to

help resolve a bad predicament. Expect to hear from a long-lost friend or lover within the next few weeks.

Cancer June 22-July 22 Your independent streak is coming through loud and clear-not a good idea considering the situation at work. It will strain a tenuous relationship. Look to a

new source for the answer to

the problem. You may be sur-

prised by the help you get.

Leo July 23-August 23 An interesting week awaits you. Face it head on. Lending money to a friend is not a good idea. It tends to ruin good relationships, and yours is not the exception. Look for the positive in a situa-

members. Virgo August 24-Sept. 22

tion concerning some family

Your sense of humor may win you some new friends and allies. And when you face emotional turmoil in the next few weeks, you'll deal with it best by laughing. A close personal friend is depending on your support for a major problem.

Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 Adventurous may describe your Personal problems are mounting. You need help dealing with them before they become too much for you. An old family friend needs your help and support right now. Consider the that's very important to a close facts only; don't listen to the

Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 Walk with a lighter step. You have found a way to overcome an obstacle that's been hounding you. A friend's suggestion may turn out to be helpful. Take advantage of an opportunity to express your ideas. It's a great

way to show your potential.

Focus on financial wants and needs. It may be difficult to get everything worked out, but you can do it. Don't let someone's bad attitude rub off on you. You will get more accomplished when you approach things with the right attitude.

Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20

Romance has not been first and foremost in your life recently You should take steps to change that right away because someone is feeling very neglected. Keep an open mind in a meeting at work next week.

Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18

You need to be very confident about a new idea you want to introduce. Stand tall, express yourself well, and you will win in the end. The key to dealing with an unruly acquaintance is laughter. Use better judgment next time.

Pisces Feb. 19-March 20

Your recent feelings of depression are affecting others in your life and hurting you at work, Your best help for the problem is within yourself. This may be a good time for a weekend get-

### 'Spring Break' and visits from grandchildren Wisdom you can use is time with their grandparents be- to take more time to explain things miliar children around the Fort, I cause they can learn things from to them.

By Lynn McNew

The children from Brackett ISD Break and visiting their grandpar- sider work. ents. It makes me wonder-what time with grandparents?

As a grandparent, I love to be with my grandchildren. Unfortuwith them. When my children were growing up, they had some whom they didn't get to see very spent time with them.

us. My grandchildren love to hear stories about their daddy when he just finished a week of Spring was growing up. They also enjoy Break and I have noticed children stories about their grandpa and on the Fort last week and this me. They like to help me cook and week who are also on Spring do chores that at home they con-

Children also seem to feel they is the fascination with spending have more freedom at grandparents' house—using the phrase "Mom and Dad don't care if I do that." And, of course, here at Fort nately, they live in Georgia and I Clark Springs and Brackettville, don't get to spend enough time there are lots of active things for the kids to do.

I believe I have more time and grandparents who lived far away, patience with my grandchildren than I did with my own children. often. They also had grandparents I feel a different kind of responsiin San Angelo and they frequently bility toward them. I don't have to worry about buying shoes-I Whether or not they realize it, can buy them something if I want I believe that children like to spend to, not because I have to. I seem

Of course, being with grandchildren, or having them visit you, has a down side. They often have ideas that we don't approve of, are picky eaters, or complain about things that we want them to do. They want to stay up half the night and sleep half the day. They interrupt our schedules. They

want to drive the golf cart. This week, when I see unfa-

will remember they are someone's grandchildren and are very special little people. I will treat them with the respect I would expect from them and that I would hope others would show to my grandchildren. I hope you will also.

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## When is anger righteous?

First United Methodist Church Rev. Ken F. Sellers, Jr.

The following statistics come from the American Bar Associa- ing Technical Assistance Project, tion Commission on Domestic U.S. Department of Justice,

 By the most conservative essuffer nonfatal violence by an intimate. (Bureau of Justice Statistics Special Report: Violence the Redesigned Survey (NCJ-You are invited to join our fam- 154348), August 1995, p. 3.) By other estimates, 4 million Ameri-We care deeply for this our can women experience a serious abused women find their only avassault by an intimate partner during an average 12 month period. (American Psychl. Ass'n., Violence and the Family: Report of the American Psychological Association Presidential Task Force

Executive Summary, 1997).

by law enforcement as an act of righteous?"

domestic violence. (Promising Practices Initiatives Report on the Expert Panels on Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault and Stalk-1997.)

It is a sad commentary on the timate, each year 1 million women morals of our society that we have not found a more acceptable outlet for men's anger than to injure another person, especially when against women: Estimates from he is usually larger, stronger and more physical than his victim (ordinarily a woman or child). It is also a sad commentary that many enue out of an abusive relationship is murder. We are a nation of people in great need of education about how to control our an-

In the second chapter of the Each time Jesus answered with you and those you care the most on Violence and the Family Gospel according to John, we read of an angry Jesus creating a whip Marital homicide differs sig- out of cords and driving people nificantly by gender: a large pro- (and animals) out of the temple. portion of the killings by women And this prompts us to ask, "If Jesus can get angry and use a whip most none of the killings by men to 'cleanse' the Lord's house, how are acts of self-defense. (Florida is that different from any other Governor's Task Force on Do- violent release of anger (other than mestic and Sexual Violence, there are probably no women Florida Mortality Review Project: among those driven out)?" Join us at First United Methodist Church • Defensive action by battered Sunday at 10:45 a.m. as we conwomen to protect themselves or clude Women's History month their children is often interpreted with a look at "When is anger

# to read the word of God

Gateway Ministries By Pastor Charolette Cory

thy soul and grace unto thy neck. and a sound mind. (II Tim. 1:7) Then shalt thou walk in thy way safely and thy foot shall not shall prosper. I shall lie down and stumble.

sweet. Be not afraid of sudden walk in His ways. fear, nor of the desolation of the wicked, when it cometh. For the Lord shall be thy confidence, and shall keep thy foot from being God that you can maintain confitaken." (Proverbs 3:19-26).

clouded and kept a mystery.

To use the words of God gives hope, walk in love. life to your mind, will and emo-

tions. To ignore God's words leads to destruction. Trials and test will come, but you will have an Keep wisdom and understand- opportunity to fall into the "snare ing in front of your eyes. Wear of fear" or to use God's word that them like a necklace around your says God has not given me the neck. "So shall they be life unto spirit of fear, but of power, love,

No weapon formed against me my sleep shall be sweet. God shall When thou liest down thou keep my foot from being caught shalt not be afraid: ye, thou shalt in the snare of the fouler. God lie down, and thy sleep shall be gives me confidence and I shall

In doing this, you give God all the glory, because it is only through the supernatural power of dence in the face of fear. It is al-The best wisdom you can use ways a choice to look at life as is to read the word of God with opportunities to be an overcomer understanding. Only the Holy and be strengthened in the power Spirit can give this understanding of God's might or to run with fear to you because the letters written and suffer defeat. It is your choice in the bible were written to people to walk in God's word or ignore who believe and to those who truly it. One path leads to blessings, the desire to believe. To those who other leads to curses (Deuterdo not believe in Jesus Christ the onomy 28). It is your choice. Use Messiah, these same words are wisdom and understanding in your choosing. Stand in faith, rest in

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# Are You Hungr

Frontier Baptist Church By Pastor Dave Crowe

Toward the end of our Lord Jesus' time to be here on earth in human form, knowing He would be returning to Heaven soon, He asked Peter three times, "Peter do you love me?" Every time Peter answered "Oh yes, you know I do!"

"feed my sheep!" that you need Jesus and that you love we would be forever lost. also can be fed?

with all your heart, mind, body first start here at home. and soul" and "first seek ye the

Jesus also said "that we are to love one another as we love our- church of your choice this Sunselves.'

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during an attack and then becomes

age this away from home?

handle the situation.

a family, caring for one another.

community. We believe that everyone is a child of God, created in His likeness and that we all are brothers and sisters.

We need each other and we need the church. Help me to help about. Because we are all sinners, (1996), p. 10.) Are you hungry? Do you know without God and His redeeming

Let's strive to fill every pew in Jesus said "Love your God every church in the world. Let us are acts of self-defense, while al-There is room in every church

kingdom of God and all else will in Brackettville for more people be given to you according to your to come and be fed than ever be-I beg of you, please go to the

Come home and let God bless

Question: My 6 year old son vided with a contingency plan. If

was diagnosed with Asthma over your son is to succeed at school,

the holidays. He tends to panic he needs the support of the staff.

very helpless. How can we man- and their doctor should put to-

Planning is the key to managing asthma

Health

usual school day A three step approach to dealing with asthma and increasing Asthma patients, their parents, your son's chance at success at school is to plan, monitor and as-

gether a written contingency plan • Plan. Avoid substances (such Answer: Planning is the key to that outlines how to handle an managing an asthma. An Asthma asthma attack. The plan should be as cigarette smoke) that trigger attack can be anxious time for you kept in a place where it's accesasthma. Take medication prior to activities that trigger episodes. and for your child. That's exactly sible at a moment's notice along

· Monitor your child's learnwhy you need to prepare how to with emergency phone numbers. ing. Ask teachers to contact you Your son may express concern It is important that you sched- about taking medication at school if your child has difficulty paying ule a meeting with your son's or feeling "different". Try to disattention or following instructions, teachers, the school nurse, courage staff members from seeand follow-up promptly on any coaches, and the school adminis- ing asthma as something that sets decline in grades. Asthma symptrators. They should all be in- your child apart. Encourage them toms or medications might be in-

· Assess the results. Observe your child's symptoms. If you notice any change, consult your physician. If your child's treatment changes, inform your school.

Dr. Susan Nickel is a senior staff physician in the Division of Pediatrics at the Scott & White Clinic in Temple and an assistant professor at The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center College of Medicine.

## cluded in your concerns and pro- to integrate treatment into the volved. No, you can't catch cystic fibrosis

has cystic fibrosis. I am 6 months the baby tastes salty when kissed. amount of salt in the sweat. pregnant with my first child and I Other signs include: a persistent

is an inherited disorder that effects such as pneumonia and bronchithe lungs and digestive system. A child inherits a gene for the disease from each parent. A parent bowel movements which are frewhose cells carry only a single gene for cystic fibrosis will not have CF. But when two such persons have children, one or more of the children may inherit two CF genes - one from each parent. The parents may not even know that they carry the CF gene, since in many cases the parents do not have the disease.

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Parents may provide the first

quent, bulky, and foul smelling.

don't want the baby to catch it cough which sometimes sounds from her. How will I know if my like whopping cough; wheezing, discuss your concerns with your which may be mistaken for child's doctor. Answer: Cystic Fibrosis (CF) asthma; repeated lung infections, tis; failure to grow or gain weight in spite of a big appetite; and

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Question: My 1 year old niece clue by reporting to the doctor that and painless test measures the

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#### HELP WANTED

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT. The Middle Rio Grande Development Council is accepting job applications for three positions of Custodian to be housed at the Uvalde, Eagle Pass and Del Rio Workforce Centers. Preference will be given to applicants who have three (3) or more years of similar work experience. These positions are responsible for the general cleaning and maintenance of building, grounds and storage areas. Some examples of the duties and responsibilities of these positions include the following: open and secure build-ing on a daily basis; cleaning office work areas and rest rooms; sweep, mop, scrub, vacuum and polish floors; removal of trash and other refuse; dust equipment, furniture and fixtures; maintenance of custodial supplies; must be able to assemble furniture and perform minor mechanical repairs; may perform duties as shipper and receiver; transport and arrange materials in storage rooms; load and unload various weights of materials and merchandise and store in proper location; maintain and adjust air conditioner thermostats/filters; clean debris on office grounds; cut grass areas and perform related tasks as required. Salary for these positions range from \$14,799 -17,988 negotiable based on experience. Persons interested in applying for these positions must send a resume and file an application with: Ramon S. Johnston Deputy Director of Administration, Middle Rio Grande Development Council, P.O. Box 1199 - 307 W. Nopal, Carrizo Springs, Texas 78834. A copy of the job description and application for employment are available upon request. Applications and resumes will be accepted for these positions until 5:00 P.M., Wednesday, March 29, 2000. The Middle Rio Grande Development Council is an equal opportunity employer and auxiliary aids and services may be made available upon request to individuals with disabilities. For information please contact our Voice and TDD telephone number (830) 876-3533.

THE FOLLOWING POSITION is open at BISD: Food service worker. Applications may be requested by contacting the BISD Central Office, P.O. Box 586, 400 Ann Street Brackettville, TX. 78832, or Superintendent Taylor Stephenson, telephone (830) 563-2491, fax (830) 563 9264. Applications will be accepted until April 3. Brackett ISD is an equal opportunity employer.

HOMEWORKERS NEEDED \$635 weekly processing mail. Easy! No ex-Call 1-800-426-3689 Ext 1400 24 Hrs.

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNI-**CIAN/Clerk II: Kinney County EMS has an opening for EMT Basic with office experience. Minimum TDH EMT-Basic Certification in good standing. Work hours: 40 hours per week (opportunity for part-time on call) with excellent benefits. For information, contact Carolyn Ruther-ford, EMS Director, 143 Ft. Clark Rd., Ft. Clark Springs, Brackettville or phone 830-563-9090 Monday through Friday from 8am to 5pm. Inquiries through the mail may be sent to P.O. Box 1833, Brackettville, TX 78832.

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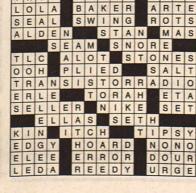
20 ACRES OF beautiful Texas land. 25 miles east of booming El Paso. Roads, surveyed, references. \$8,995/ -O-down, \$89/month. Money-back guarantee. No qualifying. 1-800-482-9259.

FORECLOSED HOMES. LOW or \$0 down! Gov't. and bank repos being sold now! Fantastic savings! Financing available. Local listings, 1-800-501-1777, ext. 299.

#### Thank-You

I would like to Thank everybody for their vote and support without all of you this would not be possible. Thank you for believing and trusting in what I would like to do for you the people of Kinney County. Sincerely Nat Terrazas

**Answer to Crossword** 



KINNEY COUNTY \*\*\*
LAND CO P.O. Box 1035
Brackettville, TX 78832 830-563-2446 830-563-2447

1999 Palm Harbor 3 bedroom, 2 bath, fireplace on two lots on F.C.S. Note is assumable.

Cute Townhome in Unit 1, only \$18,000 - must see!

2 Lots in Unit 15 side by side. Owner will consider all offers. Has storage and landscaped nicely.

New Listing-House in Brackettville behind Pico, house lies on 2 1/2 commercial lots.

#### 18 LOCKHART REAL ESTATE

830-563-2997 104 A-E Spring

Unit 3: 2 bd, 1 bath mobile home new flooring & carpet, fenced yard, carport, some furnishings, great buy \$10,000.

'Oaks" 3/2 stone home, 2,160 sq.ft., FP, den new carpet & paint, updated kitchen, hot tub room, storage, sprinkler system, Price Re-

Unit 37: RV lot with large metal cover, small apartment, storage, Price reduced!

Unit 32: 3/2 mobile home, new carpet, rock skirting, fenced, nice oaks, \$29,500.

#### **REAL ESTATE**

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## REQUEST FOR BIDS

BRACKETT ISD INVITATION to bid. **Brackett Independent School District** is selling by sealed bid a 1984 Suburban vehicle. Information can be obtained by contacting Brackett Ingram and Home Program. The serdependent School District, Attn: Taylor Stephenson, Superintendent, P.O. Box 586, Brackettville, TX. 78832, 830-563-2491. All bids are to be submitted in a sealed envelope with the words "Suburban" printed clearly on the outside of the envelope. Bids due into the Central Office by 10:00 a.m. Monday, April 3, 2000. Brackett ISD reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

THE COMMUNITY SERVICES Agency of South Texas, Inc. (CSA) is in search for subcontractors (carpenters) to bid on the Weatherization work provided by the CSA Weatherization Program to install quality materials and appliances: special items for mobile homes, doors, windows, ceiling and wall insulation, AC units, heaters, water heaters, stoves and other repairs. The work shall be done in the eight (8) counties of Dimmit, Zavala, La Salle, Uvalde, Kinney, Val Verde, Real, and Edwards. The Request for Proposal (RFP) with the specifications can be obtained by contacting Ernest White at (830) 876-5219 ext. 24 or come by the main office lo-cated on 910 S. 5th Street, Carrizo Springs, TX 78834. The deadline to submit sealed bids is Wednesday, March 29, 2000 by 5:00 p.m. CSA reserves the right to refuse any and all bids. We will not accept faxed bids. All bids must be sealed and must state so on the envelope to avoid opening beforehand. The bids will be publicly opened at the CSA office on Friday, March 31, 2000 at 2:00 p.m. CSA is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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#### SERVICES

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### BRACKETT ISD BOARD OF TRUSTEE'S ELECTION

The Brackett Independent School District will hold their annual Board of trustees Election on May 6, 2000. Two three-year term positions are to be filled. Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday, at the Central Office, 400 S. Ann Street, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. beginning April 19,

2000 and ending May 2, 2000. Applications for ballots by mail should be mailed to BISD Early Voting Clerk, Susan Esparza, P.O. Box 586, Brackettville, Texas 78832. Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on April 28, 2000. The deadline for candidates to be placed on the ballot was March 22, 2000.

## Bargain Barn

Highway 90 West Will be open Saturday March 25th 10 A.M. until? Hand tools, plumbing supplies, etc.

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## Two useful tools

I could be wrong! By Chuck Hall

possession. Both can be found in did. most anyone's yard or barn or

unique? Well, I'll tell you. it. One day I just got tired of re- managed to hang on to it for all pairing the vast quantity of holes I this time. found. Instantly I had invented the kids were not proud and boastful be wrong.

like I had thought they would be. In fact, on several occasions, they unsuccessfully tried to dispose of I have two unique items in my my creation. No, it's true. They

Also in my ownership is a ½ toolbox. Then why are they inch ratchet. Again you're asking yourself why is that so special. The The first is a sprinkler hose. unusual thing about this implement You know the kind. It sprays wa- is simply that was the first tool I ter on the lawn at a multitude of ever owned. Now how many of points along the length of the tub- you can honestly say that you still ing. I know these can be bought have the first tool that you ever in any of several shopping places. had? I actually do. Over thirty But not one like mine. Mine is the years ago, my brother found it in first one that was ever developed. a restroom at a roadside park and I should know because I developed gave it to me. Somehow I have

Neither of these things is really world's first sprinkler hose. My worth writing about. But I could