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Appraisal District wins appeal Briefs School guaranteed \$375,000 in state funding Clean-up reminder

"Cavalry Brigade" of Fort Clark Springs' Community Council will Editor meet at Shafter Hall Saturday, May 6 at 9 a.m. for the work assignments. At 12 noon, "Brigade" will conclude with lunch at Shafter Hall.

Wanted: refrigerator

Kinney County Little League is requesting the donation of a refrigerator for use in the conces-563-3420.

Stories and drawings

sought for magazine Study Local writers and artists are

invited to submit original essays, short stories, poems, drawings or illustrations for inclusion in a new literary magazine that will debut soon. Interested persons may contact Maria A. Sorola, La Casa de la Cultura in Del Rio at 774-8742 or at cclacasa@delrio.com for more information.

Power Wheelchairs

The Senior Wheels USA Program makes available Power (Electric) Wheelchairs to senior citizens (65 years old and up) and the permanently disabled at no cost, if they qualify.

The Power Wheelchairs are provided to those who cannot walk and cannot self-propel a manual wheelchair and who meet additional guidelines of the program. No deposit is required. If your need is for use in your home, please call for more information trol agents from the Eagle Pass way 481. The woman was unreto see if you qualify. Call toll free. Tom Thurlow at 1-800-360-8765. Red Cross plans benefit

style show for May 13

District's appeal to the state has

By Diana Gonzales

been successful and has guaran- 2000.' teed \$375,000 in state funding to the Brackett Independent School District

study is conducted by the prop- they were 70 percent, now it's 100 erty tax division of the state percent," explained Haenn. comptroller's office. The study is important to state and local communities because it ensures equity in school funding," explained Bill Haenn, chief appraiser.

should be. It's like a report card the appeal. for the appraisal district.

school gets all the funding. If they 20 local landowners. The state redon't match, the locals come up viewed the numbers and deterwith the funding.

The \$375,00 funding for the peal made to the state on behalf numbers with the help of local tained in the State Comptroller's - it was way too high, not repre-Property Tax Division Ratio sentative of Kinney County. By law, values need to be in the 95 "The annual property value percentile range but in the study,

professional protest. The school district assigned me as their agent. We did this at no cost to the school district. We believed it was an Ap-" The appraisal district is sup- praisal District problem, and the ket value. The state compares val- of it." said Haenn. Mick

"If the figures match, the farm and ranch survey of about mined that we did achieve local

"Data checked by the state value - the school gets its fundcomptroller's office was from pre- ing. Had we lost the appeal, the vious years - from the personnel \$375,000 would have been lost Kinney County Appraisal who preceded us. 1998 figures and would have to have been determine school funding for year raised locally, probably through property taxes.

"Local value and assigned school district was in jeopardy value are the same. The school because "basically, the prices or will receive all the funding it is The Appraisal District was in- the value of rural land is what hurt entitled to. We were able to formed this week it won an ap- the most. We protested the state's achieve local value by proving to the state that the numbers weren't sion stand. Please call Hector at of the school district contesting ranchers and reversed the agricul- accurate. It came out to our benfigures for Kinney County con- tural value the state had assigned efit. Everything worked out in a positive way.

> "Because of our effort to better capitalize agricultural values and because of this year's cap rate (10.9 percent; 0.9 percent higher than the 1999 cap rate), values "We submitted a detailed and throughout the county will go down in the year 2000. We will be sending out appraisal notices to notify property owners of values for the year 2000."

Another outcome of this study posed to appraise things at mar- Appraisal District should take care was the creation of the Ag Advisory Committee which is meeting ues assessed by the appraisal dis- Mikulenka, field appraiser and soon to discuss the Property Tax trict to what they feel the value Bob Drury also were involved in Division Study for 1999 that will determine funding for the year "The meat of the report was a 2001, said Haenn.

The panel was created because it should have already existed state law mandated that such a Continued on Page 4

MARY V. FLORES RE - ELECT BERLANGA

City and School Elections May 6th

Results from Saturday's elec- election at city hall. tion and early votes will decide who will lead the city as mayor incumbent Carmen M. Berlanga and who will occupy three alder- in her fifth bid for mayor, is facman seats and two school board ing Mary V. Flores, Jesus (Jesse) positions.

ternoon with 216 votes cast in and Alderwoman Place 2 Tencha the city election and 254 in the school election.

According to Martha Pena Hooten, tax assessor-collector, James Canty is vying for Pena's there are 2,440 registered voters in Kinney County.

All registered voters are eligible to vote in the school board election. The City Council elec- clude incumbents Rosemary tion is limited to Brackettville residents (an estimated 1,000 voters).

Voters may cast their votes Saturday for the School Board race at the BISD Central Office, 400 S. Ann St., and for City Council

City council candidates include Garcia and Diana Koch Ward. Early voting ended Tuesday af- Alderman Place 4 Ralph Gonzalez Pena are seeking re-election. Former Alderman Wes Robinson is challenging Gonzalez and Lee position. John Samaniego has no opposition in his bid for the Al-

> derman Place 5 seat. School board candidates in-Slubar and Tim Ward, seeking relection to three-year terms. Leonel G. Juarez and Albert (Abbie) Garcia are running for two at-large positions.

Agents recover body of deceased female Mexican National

station recovered the body of a 38- sponsive and was later believed year-old woman from Mexico Sat- to be deceased. urday

of 15 smuggled across the U.S. The third annual American Red Border illegally shortly after mid-Cross Style Show is planned Sat- night Saturday. She became fa- lated. urday, May 13 at the Amistad tigued and had to stop several

DEL RIO - U.S. Border Pa- mately two miles west of High-

A Justice of the Peace pro-The woman was one of a group nounced the woman dead at 6:02 p.m. Cause of death was undetermined, but believed to be heat re-

heat and drought conditions.

The U.S. Border Patrol strives

ing and death of illegal immi-

grants. Area residents can report

those in need of assistance by call-

(888) 299-4402 (Del Rio Station)

Gibbs, Armbruster paintings to be on display Saturday at art festival

The paintings of Brackettville artists Betty Gibbs and Connie Armbruster are among artwork to be exhibited Saturday, May 6 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Studio Arts' first Art Festival

Studio Arts, owned and oper-Authorities stress that crossing ated by architect and artist Adrian Falcon, is located at the corner of East Garfield Avenue and Washington Street in Del Rio.



Lodge Getaway Restaurant on times during the walk through the illegally into the United States can Highway 90 West in Del Rio.

Proceeds from the annual event separated from the group. will be used to purchase a vehicle for the use of the Del Rio branch became concerned and went to to prevent the unnecessary sufferof the American Red Cross that covers over 7,900 square miles, including Kinney, Val Verde, Maverick and Edwards counties. This vehicle also will be used to pull the Disaster Initial Response year with the proceeds of the 2nd annual Style Show.

Tickets are \$15 each and drawings will be held for door prizes and are available at The Bank and Trust and Simply Beautiful as well Red Cross.

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The way I see it! A "Superior Court" judge has

just ordered a mother not to pray or discuss religion with her children! A social worker went to the home and discovered that "the children were receiving too much religious instruction." **Opinion/Page 2**

Leave Wild animals

Young animals often stray and appear to be abandoned - that's when humans need to resist the urge to help, wildlife experts say. **Outdoors/Page 3**

17 NHS students installed

The National Honor Society Installation welcomed its largest class in many years, perhaps ever, 17 new members Monday night. School/Page 5

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brush. She and a friend became be extremely dangerous due to

Shortly after noon, the friend seek help. At approximately 4:30 p.m., he located a Border Patrol agent from the Uvalde station, who called in agents from the ing the Border Patrol toll free at Eagle Pass Station for help.

Agents from the Eagle Pass or (888) 536-4566 (Eagle Pass Trailer, which was purchased last Station located the woman lying Station). motionless against a tree approxi-

U.S. Border Patrol pilots as from any volunteer with the honored for safe flying



Paul M. Berg, Chief Patrol Agent for the U.S. Border Patrol's Del Rio Sector, recently presented safety awards to six Del Rio Sector pilots. From left: supervisory pilot Drue Duncan, Chuck Akeroyd, Bruce Dawson, Paul Berg, Michael Johnson, Henry Moses and Michael Allen.

By Dennis Smith Public Affairs Specialist

Six pilots from the Del Rio Border Patrol Sector's Air Operations unit were recently honored. The pilots combined hours of

accident-free flight totaled almost 18,000 flying hours. Del Rio Sector Chief Agent

Paul M. Berg was on hand to congratulate the pilots and present

them with certificates honoring their achievements.

Pilots receiving the awards were:

Michael Allen, 1, 251 hours. Henry Moses, 2,591 hours. Bruce Dawson, 2,998 hours. Chuck Akeroyd, 3,088 hours. Michael Johnson, 3,749 hours. Supervisory pilot Drue Duncan, 4,276 hours.

Armbruster, who signs her works, "Kohni," says her interest in art began in high school with Jon Whitcomb illustrations in magazines. She also admires the works of Norman Rockwell and Steve Hanks.

She has been painting from time to time since 1968, the year she began the Famous Artist Commercial Course, which she completed four years later.

"I have been painting at the Fort Clark Arts Studio regularly, she began painting. for the past six years. I paint landscapes, still lifes and portraits in ally paint until I moved to Fort Art Studio, an active club since oils and acrylics, but take work- Clark in 1993," said Gibbs, addshops in any medium," said ing that she has been influenced Armbruster.

paints in oil, watercolors, pastels work has earned a first place in art library and a supply room and scratchboard, says she has oil painting, second place in wa- stocked with paints in all medibeen interested in art from the time tercolor and several honorable ums, canvasses and frames in varishe retired in 1980, but it wasn't mentions from the Del Rio Art ous sizes and styles that members until she joined the art club that League.

Kinney County 4-H Club Fashion Show

The Kinney County 4-H Club Fashion Show was April 16. The theme for this year's show was 'Sewing Into Spring." Judges were Doris Haby and Margaret Davis. Laura Lee Ballew, club treasurer, was the commentator and Duquesa Hunt, club president, gave the welcome and assisted Robert Elledge with the presentation of the awards.

All contestants represented the county in the District 10 4-H Fashion Show April 29 at Southwest Texas State University in the following categories:

Pre-Juniors (8-10 years old); Construction - Casual, Bailee Allen; Construction - Dressy, Summer Allen; Construction -Specialty, Cristiana Gomez; Buying - Formal. Victoria Herndon; Juniors (11-13 year old kids) Construction - Casual, Cassandra Gomez; and Seniors (14-19 year olds) Construction - Formal, Sarah Gammill.

Betty Gibbs, left and Connie Armbruster, members of the Fort Clark Springs Art Studio, with some of the paintings that will be on display at an arts festival Saturday in Del Rio.

Elizabeth (Betty) Gibbs, who Wyk and Jerry Yarnell. Gibbs' paintings. Also in the studio is an

Armbruster and Gibbs are "I never had or took to actu- members of the Fort Clark Springs 1974 that boasts 40 members.

At the studio, artists paint, store by Norma Dennison, Helen Van their material and exhibit their can buy.



Pictured are members of the Clothing and Textiles project and Fashion Show contestants - from left, Sarah Gammill, Cassandra Gomez, Bailee Allen, Cristiana Gomez, Victoria Herndon and Summer Allen.

The Brackell Henrs

OPINION

Don't squat with your spurs on: A cowboy's guide to life

I could be wrong **By Chuck Hall**

I don't remember who sent this to me, but it's worth sharing.

thing that ain't botherin' you none. around. Timing has a lot to do with the outcome of a rain dance.

cat than stickin' his head in a boot bigger'n you think. jack and jerkin' on his tail.

Some ranchers raise pigs and the herd. some even admit it. Either way, they're raisin' pigs.

Never kick a fresh turd on a jawin'. hot day.

while it's still warm. The colder it gets, the harder it is to swallow

If you find yourself in a hole, the first thing to do is stop diggin'. Never smack a man who's chewin' tobacco.

the effort, it probably ain't.

It don't take a genius to spot a goat in a flock of sheep.

The biggest liar you'll ever don't use your spurs. have to deal with probably watches you shave his face in the

mirror every morning. Never ask a barber if he thinks

you need a haircut. If you get to thinkin' you're a person of some influence, try Don't ever interfere with some- orderin' somebody else's dog

Don't worry about bitin' off more'n you can chew. Your There's more ways to skin a mouth is probably a whole lot

Always drink upstream from

Generally, you ain't learnin' nothin' when your mouth is a-

Tellin' a man to go to hell and The easiest way to eat crow is makin' him do it are two entirely different propositions.

Generally speakin', fancy titles and nightshirts are a waste of time. Trust everybody in the game,

but always cut the cards. If you're ridin' ahead of the

herd, take a look back every now If it don't seem like it's worth and then to make sure it's still there.

If you're gonna go ... go like hell. If your mind's not made up,

But I could be wrong.

Letters to the Editor Policy

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Big Mama Sez! There is no education like adversity.



The Way I See It By Steven R. LaMascus

Have you heard about the latest California court decision?

A "Superior Court" judge has just ordered a mother not to pray or discuss religion with her children! Yep, you heard correctly. A social worker went to the home for something and discovered that "the children were receiving too much religious instruction."

The parents are divorced and have joint custody.

This is still another example of government's willingness to disregard your civil rights any time they want too. It is also a prime example of the current trend toward religious (Christian) persecution.

If you have been listening to the radio and television recently you should have noticed a disturbing trend, of which John McCain ciently damn this decision! is a prime example. Anyone who takes their Christianity seriously persecution is on the rise. This John 8:12 - When Jesus spoke and tries to carry out the Great does not seem to be the case with again to the people, he said, "I Commission by spreading the other religions. Why just Chris- am the light of the world. Who-Gospel is immediately branded a tianity? Simple! Christianity is the ever follows me will never walk bigot, a hate monger, and intoler- only religion of which Satan is in darkness, but have the light of ant. And today, in the political afraid. He is doing his best to pro- life.' atmosphere of total amorality, in-

tolerance of perversion is politi- mote false religions and destroy cal death. Homosexual activism is Christianity, and now he has taken a good thing, but open Christian- the first step in telling you what ity, proselytizing, and apparently you can teach your children. teaching your children Christian morals is totally unacceptable. nation Satan is already in control How perverted can we become? of the children. The juvenile crime Here is a mother, trying to rate is proof of that. But that isn't make decent citizens of her chilenough. He wants it all. He knows dren in a society that is in the that the way to destroy any Christhroes of disintegration, and some tian nation is to control the chilatheistic social worker is able to dren. They are the leaders of toget an equally atheistic judge to morrow and if he can own them impose their idea of political cor- he can own the nation. He is parectness on a righteous person and tient, and he is powerful, and if her family. I am nauseous. It is we don't fight back he is going to simply amazing how perverted the destroy our nation. We cannot let interpretation of our Bill of Rights him win this battle. We have to has become. Neither the social bring our religion back into our

worker, nor the judge had any society and that effort begins in right, legal or moral, to impose our homes. We have sat back and this unconstitutional decision on allowed Satan to force God out of this family. They should be pros- our schools. Are we now going ecuted for doing so. I cannot find to allow him to do the same to words strong enough to suffi- our homes?

In the United States, Christian God is not, there is Satan!

Thursday, May 4, 2000

Submitted by

U.S. Rep. Henry Bonilla 2000 1, February

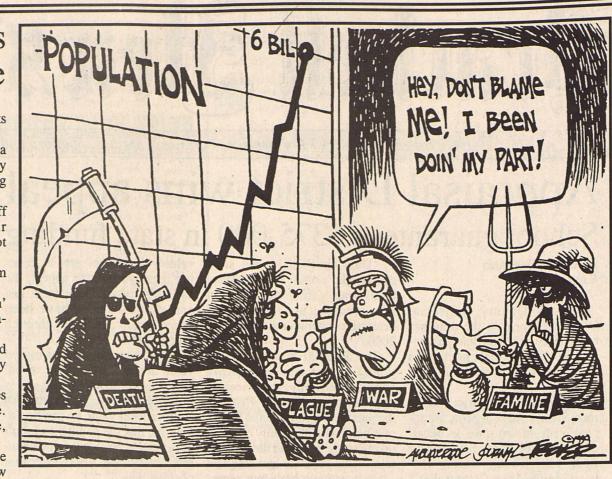
Washington, D.C. - The beauty of America, as most of us learned in grade school social studies classes, is that you can say almost anything you want to, to as many people as you want to. True, it is the Bill of Rights has given us daytime talk shows and shrill commentators whose fifteen minutes seems to be eternal. However, our founding fathers knew that by making sure the government could not muzzle anyone, it would protect us all. Freedom of speech can bring down a president or strike down discrimination.

In January, the Federal Communications Commission did something that could have weakened that right. The FCC said that religious programming would no longer be considered educational by the government. That created a big problem for some stations that have noncommercial licenses. They're the ones that survive off of donations and qualify for tax breaks. Those stations are supposed to have programming that meets the "educational, instructional, or cultural needs of the community." Half of all of their shows have to qualify. The change in the rules would have affected about 20 religious stations right away.

However, the FCC's action affected all of us. To quote Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr., "Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere." The FCC's ruling was dangerous, because it basically meant that a government agency was deciding what subjects we as Americans should hear about, and which ones we shouldn't.

Thousands of people across America began to protest the decision, called to arms by an estimated 2000 religious stations across the country. The stations were worried that stricter rules about what broadcasters can say would be right around the corner. Congress weighed in with a bill, sponsored by U.S. Rep. Michael G. Oxley, R-Ohio, that would make the FCC's ruling powerless." More than seventy-five members of Congress co-sponsored it.

But last week the FCC did something some would consider rare for a government agency. It took a look at the facts, consulted its collective common sense, and fixed the mistake. The decision was reversed. In a 4 to 1 vote, FCC commissioners said they had created "less certainty rather than more." Perhaps some good has come of this whole fiasco. The thousands of Americans who wrote or called their leaders in Washington, or who took the time to understand why the decision was wrong, are now better able than ever to spot any threats to our personal freedoms as Americans, and in this case, our freedom of speech. The Constitution can remain strong only as long as it is backed by the support of everyday Americans, forever vigilant against any threats to the sacred rights it ensures.



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Texans split on Internet tax

Hutchison concerned over permanent tax moratorium

Submitted by

U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison

Last fall I asked Texans their over the Internet should be taxed a retail establishment.

The question was: "Items sold over the Internet are not subject to sales tax. That gives the Internet is developing technology which an advantage over regular 'brick and mortar' stores. Some think the revenue. That is a problem for most vital businesses." states like Texas that have no state income tax.

"Others believe that subjecting Internet sales to a retail tax should not be allowed. What do you think should be done?"

When we tallied your rein favor of taxing sales over the Internet, while 43 percent said leave Internet sales untaxed. Here are some of your comments:

From Houston: "It is impera- makes the sale. tive to our state and local governrevenues from all sources of goods sold, including those purchased on tax rate low and allow Texans to avoid a state income tax. Texas is highly competitive markets." in the best position to determine what exemptions should be merce is going to play a signifiawarded, and for what time pe- cant role in the way business is riod." Amarillo: "The Internet conducted, but it doesn't need any and its supporting high technol- special consideration such as freeogy industries should be allowed dom from taxes."

to grow unabated by the inhibitlarly a tax in Internet sales.

Lubbock: "Tax Internet sales, opinion on whether sales made but start slowly and impose this tax incrementally." Austin: "It is from the sales tax. I think this is a ready." scam to avoid paying local taxes."

from stores, it will shrink state tax ing the growth of many of our

sponses, 56 percent of you were more) advantage over the local pay sales tax. In the competitive retail world, that advantage can tailer over another. be the deciding factor for who

> rapid pace that restrictions such surpass the United States in these

McKinney: "Internet com-

Amarillo: "If we don't need the ing restrictions of taxes, particu- funds provided by the sales tax, then why not do away with the sales tax entirely, regardless of where or how the sale is made?" Midland: "Please vote against the same way goods are taxed in unfair to exempt Internet sales this. We have enough taxation al-

Just remember this: Where

In vast areas of this once great

Like many of our readers, I am Temple: The Internet industry concerned that a permanent tax moratorium on Internet purchases has the potential to bring great would have a negative impact on benefits to our nation. A demo- main street businesses and local playing field should be made more cratic, free-market society needs governments. This is particularly even because states depend on tax to be free from as many govern- true in a state such as Texas, revenue from store bought items. ment restrictions as possible, oth- which has no income tax and re-If the Internet takes business away erwise we run the risk of suppress- lies on sales taxes to provide important public services such as law enforcement. My preference is to Abilene: "Not taxing Internet not impose a permanent moratosales is unfair to the hundreds of rium on taxing Internet transacthousands of retail operations that tions and to monitor Internet sales pay property taxes, employment as compared to conventional retaxes and yes, sales taxes. The e- tail sales. We will want to develop commerce retailer immediately a system that treats all sales the has a 6 percent to 9 percent (or same whether a purchase is made in a store or over the Internet. I retailer because of not having to am not comfortable with a public policy that favors one type of re-

Nor do I favor taxes on Internet service itself. Electronic com-Georgetown: "This industry is merce is expected to play an ever ments that they receive sales tax growing internationally at such a greater part in the way the United States - and the world - conducts as taxes would severely handicap business. We must define a pubthe Internet. In fact, taxing all our country and allow other tech- lic policy that keeps e-commerce goods equally will keep our sales nologically advanced nations to vibrant, while not handicapping more traditional retailers.

> It requires a great deal of boldness and a great deal of caution to make a great fortune; and when you have got it, it requires ten times as much wit to keep it. -Meyer A. Rothschild ***

This decision is a victory for free speech, and for the system that allows our voices to be heard.

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EPA delays efforts to impose illegal regulation

HOUSTON - Citizens for a \$60 billion a year. Sound Economy Foundation (CSE) today applauded reports matic health improvements, it later to the Supreme Court. that the Environmental Protection conceded - based on scientific evifunding for cities such as Austin, Tyler and Longview - even though the courts ruled last year that the eight hour standard was unconsti-"tutional and unenforceable. None tion that "twisters" only happen uncluttered. of these cities is currently in vio- in Kansas. Tornadoes have been ¹lation of the Clean Air Act.

"Perhaps the EPA finally realtil now, this rogue agency has tried to force this illegal regulation on families to take precautions. Be states and municipalities regardfess of the court's decisions."

one-hour standard with an eight- your family Disaster Plan. hour standard. The eight-hour rule

A little on the Wildlife side

to resist the urge to help, wildlife

and is hopping around, it is prob-

This year's unusually hot, dry

flying within a few days.

By Henry Lutz

experts say.

1n

has threatened to cut off highway constituted an appropriation of ist," Burns concluded.

Red Cross offers safety tips

reported in every state.

Generally occurring during sturdy, nearby building. ized what the courts meant when spring and summer, and with it said the eight-hour standard was winds swirling at 200 miles per plies Kit in a clearly labeled, easylegally unenforceable," said CSE hour or more, a tornado can de-Foundation Director of Environ- stroy just about anything in its mental Policy Patrick Burns. "Un- path. Generally, there are weather and when to turn off your utilisigns and warning that will alert ties. prepared by having various fam- bers know the name of the county ily members do each of the items In 1997, the EPA issued a new on the checklist below. Then get watches and warnings are issued rule for urban ozone, replacing the together to discuss and finalize by county.

would have put most of the coun- where family members could keeping your family safe during a try into non-attainment under the gather during a tornado. Make tornado. Call (210) 224-5151 or Clean Air Act, and cost more than sure there are no windows or glass (800) 775-6803.

Outdoors

Wild animals are best left in the wild

congressional authority. EPA is Although EPA promised dra- currently appealing that decision

"Hopefully, the EPA has rec-Agency (EPA) will delay until dence produced by CSI Founda- ognized that it has absolutely no next year a decision designating tion - that the number of lives authority to enforce this rule. It's several central Texas Metropoli- saved by the new regulation could about time this agency stopped tan areas as violating the eight be as low as zero. In 1999, the acting as though the Constitutional hour ozone standard. The EPA courts ruled that the new standard separation of powers does not ex-

Forget the Wizard of Oz no- doors in the area. Keep this place

- If living in a mobile home, choose another safe place in a

- Put together a Disaster Supto-grab box.

- Write instructions on how

- Make sure all family memwhere you live, since tornado

The San Antonio Area Ameri-- Pick a safe place in your home can Red Cross has more tips on

Cinco de Mayo celebration

The 5th annual Cinco de Mayo celebration will begin Saturday at 9 a.m. with a parade starting at the Alternative School, continuing south on Ann Street to Spring Street and on to the Civic Center parking lot where more activities are scheduled beginning at 11 a.m.

There will be performances throughout the day until 5 p.m., food and game booths, a local talent show, the naming of Little Mr. Cinco de Mayo and Little Miss Cinco de Mayo, performances by out-of-town artists, and the coronation of the Cinco de Mayo queen during a dance scheduled from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. in the Civic Center.

Performers will include Ballet Folklorico featuring some Brac- Eagle Pass. Also planned are a organizations.



kettville performers and dancers two-hour performance by Voces from La Casa de la Cultura in Del y Guitarras, an hour of Loteria Rio and La Casa de la Cultura in and a Cake Walk to benefit local

Don't waste Texas: Illegal dumping may result in hefty fines

It's not just the principle of the tenced to five years in prison for deep as 50 feet in some spots, thing- it's the law!

if you own the property. This is called illegal dumping, and can prison time.

Waste from commercial or lic health and safety. business operations must be disposed of at a facility that is per- and other materials are dangers to mitted by the state of Texas to re- passers-by. Garbage and rotting ceive that specific kind of waste. food attracts rats, snakes, mosqui-Office trash, for example, can go toes, flies, and other pests that can debris, for the most part - from to just about any municipal land- transmit disease to humans. Harm- private residences housing no fill

Some landfills accept only particular wastes, such as construction debris, on the other hand. And hazardous waste can only be the owner of an unlicensed landaccepted at facilities with permits fill in southeast Dallas was senfor this particular purpose.

If you leave trash, debris, or prison and fined \$136,000. other waste from your business at of permit you are illegally dumping

severe. In 1999, the owner of a acre site polluted the Trinity metal finishing company was sen- River. Debris from the dump, as

You can't use private property drums of toxic and corrosive mato dispose of business wastes, even terials on property belonging to someone else.

own it, because of the risks to pub-

Broken glass, exposed metal, wastes can contaminate drinking water supplies.

Because of these real dangers, tenced in 1997 to 30 years in state

The illegal landfill received up a location lacking the right kind to 100 truckloads of roofing materials, construction debris, and household garbage every day. And the repercussions can be Contaminated run-off from the 35-

dumping two dozen 55-gallon caught fire and smoldered for 37 days. Burning business waste is forbidden. State rules prohibit outdoor burning of debris except in But dumping is illegal on any very limited circumstances: for result in some hefty fines plus unpermitted property, even if you firefighter training, some on-site clearing, and disposal of storm debris, diseased animal carcasses, and crop residues, for example. Individuals can use outdoor burning to dispose of domestic waste on site - kitchen garbage and yard ful chemicals and hazardous more than three families if there is no trash collection services in their area.

There are alternatives to dumping and burning waste...you can recycle, compost, and salvage materials, for example. If you need help, call the (512)239-155.

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AUSTIN, Texas - It's spring, termination." Animals often will not apand young, wild animals are venturing from their nests and hiding

places under the watchful eyes of the presence of a human, added doned, call the TPW wildlife intheir parents. Young animals of- Herron. Deer will sometimes formation line, (512) 389-4505, ten stray and appear to be aban- leave their fawn for hours at a during business hours for a referdoned — that's when humans need time, not returning until dusk.

This is the time of year that newborns may not be visible to TPW's dispatch line, (512) 389young birds are out of their nests the casual observer for several 4848. The department receives but cannot fly. If the bird's eyes weeks because of excellent cam- more than 100 calls a week durare open, it has a coat of feathers ouflage of their mottled coats and ing the spring. their mothers' care in hiding them ably fine, according to staff at from predators. The threat to questions are whether the fawns Texas Parks and Wildlife's wild- young deer is increased when hu- are actually abandoned and if baby life information center. Grounded mans intervene, according to birds can take care of themselves fledglings will usually be up and Fairfield Lake State Park Manager on the ground," stated Herron. "In Dennis Walsh.

weather affects juvenile and adult people will pick up a young fawn, are still being protected and fed

brakes.

early to mid-May, although the the names of rehabilitators from

or orphaned. It is best to observe and may panic when a car passes a wild creature from a distance for between it and its mother. Be prea while in order to make that de- pared to slow down and use your If it is determined that a wild

proach their offspring if they sense animal is sick, injured or abanral to a licensed wildlife rehabili-The fawning season begins in tator. After-hours callers can get

"Some of the most common most cases, the fawns' mothers are "All too often, well-intentioned just out of sight, and the baby birds

wild animals. Wild creatures are assuming that it is lost or aban- by the parents. on the move, seeking food and doned by its mother, and end up and in some urban areas moving across a baby fawn, just leave it should not be concerned. Most through and into backyards. Some where it is; its mother knows animal are very heat-tolerant and active this time of year and are not far away. She will return and ever, people would like to help being seen more frequently, said find it." John Herron, leader of TPW's wildlife diversity program.

ently lost or abandoned wildlife to cars, particularly when cross- feeders, no food should be put out, they are doing the right thing, and Should you see a doe cross the ¹¹ this sometimes does more harm road by itself anytime from May wildlife should be left alone," says "than good," Herron said. "People through August, it's a pretty good Herron. "Wild animals are best ¹⁰ should leave young animals alone bet that a fawn is not far behind left in the wild." ²unless they are obviously injured

water, exploring riparian (wet) endangering the deer they seek to the unusual heat is affecting young areas along streams and rivers, help," said Walsh. "If you come wildlife. Herron says that people species, such as snakes, are very where she left it and is probably adapt better than humans. If, how-

lose a few fawns to auto accidents low containers at the edge of yards "Many people discover appar- due to the fawns panic response full of fresh water. Other than bird young and take them in, thinking ing roads with their mothers. Herron said.

Many people worry about how heat-stressed wildlife, TPW sug-Walsh notes, "Every year we gests keeping birdbaths or shal-

"The overall message is that

Kinney County Sheriff's Report ...

Monday, April 24

phoned the Sheriff's Department owner was notified. to report that a brown car was parked with the door open just deputies to help him with his sons, had been stolen from his ranch west of Brackettville nearPerdido ages 9 and 12. The younger one about five or six years ago. Two and had passed out.

Wednesday, April 26

1:10 p.m., A local man reported that he believed one of his workers had stolen his wallet conlooked all over for his wallet and day at 2:45 p.m., the wallet and the money were found. No one late it was. had stolen it; it had been misplaced.

Thursday, April 27

ted in the pasture between the deputy who had been following area where many baby goats have for speeding. been killed.

2 p.m., Mosqueda Sancillo, 31, of Mexico was arrested on a wanted his car but didn't want to to the scene but when they arrived, charge of theft in Tarrant County. deal with his wife who had the car, there was no ambulance. He is in custody waiting for asked deputies for assistance. The Tarrant County officials to pick wife told deputies her husband Highway 90 West pulled over the him up.

that a gray van had broken down agreed to that and took the car.

on Highway 90 about three to four 10:05 a.m., A local woman miles from Brackettville. The

Friday, April 28 could not find it. The following Some never answered the phone city proper." and one complained about how

ing at a high rate of speed, between 85 to 90 miles per hour on cense and no liability insurance. 9:55 a.m. A local woman re- FM 693 (Macy Road), were He paid a fine and was later reported that a coyote had been spot- stopped by an Edwards County Sauer and Phillips ranches, an the duo. The drivers were fined

Saturday, April 29

could have the car but that she driver of an older model truck for 5:02 p.m., Someone reported wanted to keep the truck. The man driving a vehicle with no tailights.

Saturday, April 29 11:05 a.m., The owner of a 44 magnum Hawes revolver said that 10 p.m., A local man asked he had reported that the weapon Creek. She suspected that the was to go to Del Rio with his years later, he found the weapon driver may have been drinking mother and the older one was to wrapped in a towel and in his suitstay here, but the older one was case. He said the weapon did not not cooperating, the father said. appear to have been fired. He would have let authorities know 11:42 p.m., The door on the sooner that the gun had been rewest side of the courthouse was covered, but Saturday was the first taining cash. The man said he left unlocked and several county time since the gun was found that employees were phoned about it. he had "come back to Brackettville

Monday, May 1

1:21 a.m., Reyes Ernesto 1:26 a.m., Two drivers travel- Sanchez, 50, of Del Rio, was arrested for having no driver's lileased.

12:15 p.m., Someone reported that a blue ambulance parked about two or three miles from the Sycamore Bridge apparently had 10 a.m., A local man who broken down. Deputies responded

12:29 a.m., Deputies patrolling

Wes Robinson ALDERMAN PLACE 4



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LIFESTYLES

John Hunter informs Rotarians about Civil Air Patrol are stationed at Maxwell Air monitoring and radiation monitor- gram. When this woman was 14

By Frances McMaster Contributing Writer

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The Brackettville Rotary Club met April 20 and heard a talk by John Hunter on the Civil Air Patrol.

Hunter has lived in Fort Clark Springs since 1979 and has been in the Civil Air Patrol for five years. Hunter was born in England, and came here from Saulte Ste. Marie, Canada.

He was a military pilot, an engineer and is a retired college professor with three daughters and six from Fort Clark during part of each year.

Hunter explained that the Civil Air Patrol came into being during the Second World War. Men who flew but were too old to be in the military were frustrated because they were unable to serve their country. They pressured the government for some way to be useful. The government finally realone base to another, transporting VIP's and medical supplies.



grandchildren. He and his wife From left, Rotary program chairman Betty Gibbs, John Hunter, travel extensively and are away speaker, Civil Air Patrol and Patsy Callnan, Rotary president

Coast and the Civil Air Patrol was assigned the task of patrolling the coast. Enemy submarines preyed upon merchant ships and actually torpedoed them offshore. The Patrol would see submarines and notify the Coast Guard but the submarines would be gone by the time they were able to get to the ized what they could contribute site. Hunter had explained that the and put them to work doing such Air Patrol is nonmilitary and must things as ferrying aircraft from not bear arms or take part in armed conflict, but at that time it two full colonels now work called in, it would cost the gov- trol because he heard a young Hiswas allowed to carry bombs and accounted for "6 and 1/2 subma-

was spread thin along the East rines." Hunter said he had no idea what the "1/2" signified.

> Since that war, things have changed considerably, but the Civil Air Patrol is going strong. It is spread all over the continen-United States as well as in tal Alaska, Puerto Rico and Hawaii. Twenty six thousand cadets are enrolled in Civil Air Patrol training and 36,000 senior members are in the Patrol.

Force Base in Alabama.

wings with each state having one transplanted and blood supplies. wing. The Texas wing is divided However, it does not transport into groups and each contains sev- patients. Every member is trained eral squadrons, Hunter said.

of San Antonio and to the south- disasters such as flooding and ern border. Del Rio had two storm damage by doing reconnaissquadrons and Uvalde, one. Head sance and rescue. Civil Air Paof this group is a lieutenant colonel from San Antonio. Civil Air Patrol has three ma-

jor missions which are mandated trol is always there. by the United States government. "glamour job," but Hunter reminded Rotarians that behind each pilot are 20 people such as adminmaintenance and supplies. Two dinating center in Colorado which det Program. calls in the people best able to

ing as well as providing transport years old, she realized that as an The Patrol is divided into of key personnel, organs to be Hispanic female, her future looked in first aid, but the medical area Brackettville is in Group 19 is left to medical profesionals. It herself with no special abilities or which spreads from Marfa to east also takes part in the aftermath of skills. trol helps the Border Patrol and the Drug Enforcement Agency. When a disaster occurs, the Pa-

The second mandate is to pro-The first is Search and Rescue. vide Aerospace Education. It pro-Being a pilot is regarded as the vides school and educators with material and curriculum, with training sessions for teachers if they want to incorporate this into istrative workers and people in their curriculum. Hunter's wife, Barbara, is in the Civil Air Patrol satellites pick up emergency trans- also. She is a former teacher and mitter signals from individuals, served as the Aerospace Officer teem is enhanced as they are given boats and aircraft and these are of Group 19 until just a few weeks opportunities to learn special sent to the Civil Air Patrol coor- ago. The third mandate is the Ca-

help. This service saves a lot of do wear uniforms. Hunter first needing help to get better educa-A U.S. Air Force general and money. If the Air Force were became interested in the Air Pafulltime with the Air Patrol along ernment about \$8,000 an hour. panic woman speak about her perwith five or six enlisted men. They The Air Patrol does pollution sonal experience in the Cadet pro- here.

She knew she could easily end up being an unwed mother trying to raise her child or children by

She began looking for ways to get specific training and an education and enrolled as a cadet. Hunter heard this young woman when she was 19 years old and she had just been given a scholarship to the Air Force Academy. She was confidently looking forward to life. Cadets are taught such things as manners, ethics, generic religious beliefs and drug awareness. They get a chance to do such things as glider flying, train to be a mountain ranger, to attend special functions and are given challenges. Their self-esskills. Hunter talked about what a wonderful opportunity these It is nonmilitary, but the cadets things provide for youngsters tions and often to escape living in poverty. Rotarians expressed interest in starting a cadet program

At that time, the Coast Guard Thank You! Stop moping around! For all the cards, Get rid of those letters, calls and unwanted items. flowers we received Place your ad in during the loss of The Brackett News our loved one! The family of

Gladys Opal Fritter

THANK YOU

Seminole Indian Scout Cemetery Association of Brackettville would like to thank all of those who made our April 11th event (reception of Department of Interior -National Park Service - Under Ground Railroad Government Personnel) a very pleasant and enjoyable one. Many thanks to Woodie Hornburg - contributing writer. A special thanks to Miss Charles Emily Wilson for being able to visit and enjoy with us once again.

A special thanks to the local Rio Grande Electric Cooperative Inc. who has so very generously donated the association a very large computer system. And they (Mr. Dan Laws, Danny Samaniego, and David Meyer and associates) are still working with the association to try and solve one of the association's biggest problems - safe electrical supply - at the Carver School grounds. To the local Head Start (Community Council), we would like to thank you, Mrs. Yolanda Williams and staff for donating some playground toys so that we may expand our existing playground area...Zack Davis and employees of Davis Hardware and Ranch Supply - we would have not been able to receive and move the playground toys without the donation and use of your forklift.

Parents' love guides child, teaches wisdom, chastity **Empowering Families**

By Dr. Donald Smith

"Mother, pule-e-ease, don't you trust me" Why do you have to talk to Dad?"

Twelve-year-old Juan was asking his mom to let him go to a dards." party at David's house over the

Nominations being accepted for 2000 Aviation Hall of Fame

GALVESTON - The Texas Aviation Hall of Fame is accepting nominations for induction through May 31.

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weekend.

ing attendance at parties. Do you trusting you. remember?"

what activities are planned?

Second, will there be adequate ence.' adult supervision for the entire party? Third, will there be any access to alcoholic beverages? And fourth, who are the kids who Then, your dad and I will talk gether." about it and the three of us will sit

"Your dad and I have set some ing," Juan whined. Mom contin- wise man said, "If you have sons, standards for our family regard- ued, "Now as to the question of chastise them; bend their necks

"Aw, Mom, I'm the only kid integrity, we trust your honesty, in school that has to have stan- and we trust your good intentions. 7:23,24)." At this point in your life what

Mom continued, "Dad and I we mistrust is your wisdom and need to know four things: first, ability to make judgments and only because of your inexperi-

This wise Mom knew three things: first, you can't win an argument with a 12-year-old; second, children learn to make wise strengthen families, faith and eduwill attend? I'll call David's mom judgments from those of their par- cation. and talk to her about the party. ents; and third, spouses act to-

down and discuss the specifics." tion, but the senseless one heeds we will forward them to him.)

"Mo-o-om, how embarrass- no rebuke (Prov.13:1." A very from childhood. If you have "We do trust you, we trust your daughters, keep them chaste and be not indulgent to them (Sirach

It is parent's love that guides the child and that teaches wisdom and chasity. It is love that is willing to set the example (2 Tim 3:10).

This column is brought to you by the St. Henry deOsso Family project working in Brackettville to

(NOTE: If you have any questions for Dr. Smith, please bring A wise (child) loves correc- them by the newspaper office and

Cody the Wonder Horse loses life

Cody the Wonder Horse en- Discovery Channel. He also per- tumor and lost much of his



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Appraisal District saves school \$375.000

Continued from Page 1 panel was needed to help the Chief Appraiser determine agricultural land value.

The price of not having an Ag Board was evident in the study:

The ag or open space appraisal was inaccurate. For example, for four consecutive years, the irrigated croplands have been priced at \$11 per acre. Yet in 1997, it was four times higher, at \$44.77.

In the case of irrigated cropland, the extension agent's numbers were \$55 per acre. Apparently, the amount of irrigated cropland in the county was underestimated by the appraisal.

The extension agent had dry cropland at \$20 per acre, yet the appraisal district had it at \$10 and the state had it at \$20. The state obtained its data from the extension agent.

Bottom line to Haenn: "In the future, we need to keep pace with market value. We need to track sales. Values change; our job is to keep pace with it."

and left us April 19, 2000. Cody spent the last twenty-five years of his thirty years with his best friend, Jana Ring. Although Cody was born on an obscure ranch just outside Seguin, Texas, he went on to achieve fame and glory.

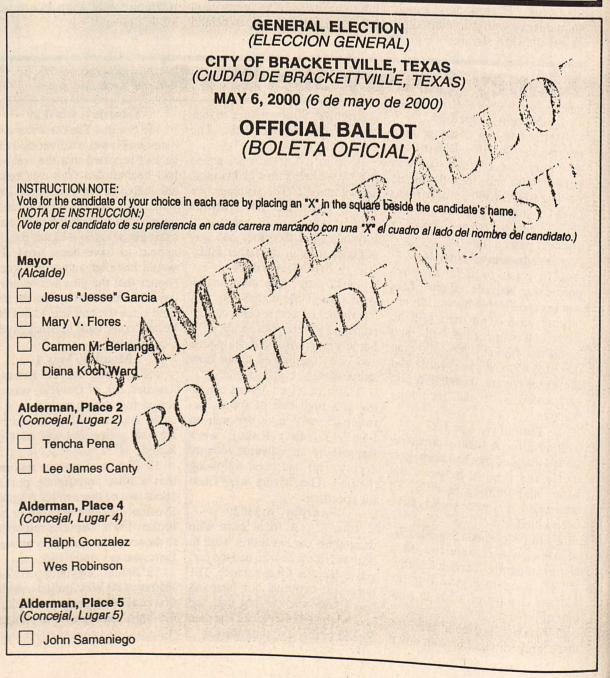
Cody never asked for much, he loved to run and play, herd cattle, and take care of and protect Jana. His passions were green grass, carrots and his best friend. He earned the nickname. "Cody the Wonder Horse," while filming a movie about the Alamo for the

eos and was once used as a subject for a music CD cover.

tered this life on March 19, 1970 formed in stage plays, music vid- bility and finally, his life. He will be sorely missed by many. Cody was laid to rest in the Boot Hill Sadly, Cody developed a brain Cemetery at Alamo Village.



Sofa and matching chair double mattress and box springs TV, lots of shorts



SCHOOL

The Brackell News

Thanks for a job well done! National Music Education Week begins Sunday Making a Difference is right because it is the right thing 'If music is not enjoyed or appreciated, it'll be forgotten By Taylor Stephenson

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The announcement came from the state appraiser's office that the for NHS membership calls for an appeal filed by our local appraisal 87 inimum average along with the successful. That's right; we won! suing the recommended or distin-

The work on the appeal came through the efforts of the local appraisal board with the work be- sic requirement for membership. ing done by Mick Mikulenka, Bob Drury and Bill Haenn.

the school won't lose that huge six veloped as membership continues figure amount. We're very in NHS. pleased. Thanks to the appraisal board and staff for a job well done!

NHS has 17 new members

The National Honor Society Installation welcomed its largest class in many years, perhaps ever, 17 new members Monday night. Provisional members received their continuing National Honor for the school year. Society membership. Cindy Remember to vote! Brandt, BHS sponsor, did a grand dent and family achievements.

as MC and the setting was a dig- flag pole at school). nified occasion. Steve LaMascus was the speaker for the evening who encouraged students to model the values of Scholarship, Character, Leadership and Service. Steve told the students "do what

MDA seeks volunteer Essay awards given summer camp counselors

AUSTIN- The Muscular Dystrophy Association is currently seeking applications from people who would like to volunteer to spend a week as counselors at the MDA summer camp in Bruceville, Texas.

nily eto Volunteers will act as companduions to campers (ages 6-12) with neuromuscular diseases during the

camp session May 30-June 4. 165-Counselors must be at least 16 gning years old and able to lift a child. and They will be called upon to

> push wheelchairs and assist with grooming, dressing and feeding. They will also help kids par

to do."

He encouraged students to be BISD receives local value; we life-long learners and to help give By Lynn McNew saved \$375,000! The big news at direction to leading and serving. school this week is from the Kin- We're proud of these fine students and leaders of our school.

guished graduation plans. The olicy spells out character as a ba-After provisional membership, leadership and service are goals Wow, this is big news. It means that will be encouraged and de-

Congratulations, athletes

Congratulations to those athletes who represented the school in post district competition.

The Girls Softball team had its best season in several years. Several of our track athletes placed (see athletic news). All athletic competition has been completed

Remember that this Saturday, job moving the ceremony to a May 6 is the school board elecnighttime celebration of the stu- tion. Voting can be done at the Brackett ISD Administrative Of-James Burks did a smooth job fice (through the glass door by the

> Anyone who is registered to vote in Kinney County is eligible to vote. We have great schools at BISD. Take the time to support the candidate of your choice. Have a great week!

to 4th, 7th graders

The Caddel-Smith Chapter, Daughters of the Republic of Texas, honored the winners of the fourth grade and seventh grade essay contest winners with a reception at the Sabinal Public Library.

Members attending from Brackettville were Agnes Vondy and Pat McKelvy. Fourth graders winners were Madison Crider, Mountain Home; William Berry, Uvalde; and Tray Wilson, Uvalde.

Seventh grade winners Lindsey Camp and Marissia Mauldin, Utopia.

Contributing Writer

The week of May 7-14 has The school board's new policy been selected as National Music Education Week.

I believe this is a good time for board and school district had been requirement that students are pur- parents and schools to take stock of how well we are doing in educating our children musically.

Last Sunday we were privipeople (and one adult) in a music with her students. The school disrecital.

These students and their parents work hard and make sacrifices to make this possible. Yes, I am the teacher of many of these young people. I do this because I education.

In the 1970s, our state legislature began to cut funds to our a school of our size cannot have schools. The first thing to fall by both music and athletic programs. the wayside was music education. It involves people working to-

elementary teachers could teach at halftime. Why not here? their own art and music. This was not necessarily true. And unfor- dition. To build a good music protunately, due to time restraints and lack of training, most elementary teachers just didn't do music.

Brackett schools are very fortunate to have an elementary music teacher. She is a very talented leged to see and hear 26 young young lady and does great things trict has also struggled for years to have a band program. We have had some very fine band directors. It seems as though the band does well during the early years and then as students reach high believe in the value of a music school, the lure and demands of athletics takes them away.

There should be no reason why When money went, so did music gether. I have been at many

tary schools. The idea was that cheerleaders march with the band music in church. Music is a part

The operative word here is tragram it must start with young children wanting to be part of it. Nueces Canyon ISD is a good example. They have had a high quality band for years because children are encouraged from a young age to play an instrument and be a part of the band. These children want to be part of the tradition.

So what good is music for a child? Music is part of a wellrounded education. To be a truly educated adult, a person needs many experiences. Music should be one of them. Studies have shown that students who read music perform better in reading and math. Music teaches discipline. Music has an uplifting quality. Think about how you feel ceiving at Brackett ISD.

and art, especially in the elemen- schools where football players and when you listen to and sing the of history. If it is not enjoyed and appreciated, it will be forgotten. Music is the universal language. It speaks in some way to everyone

The children in our small community are very fortunate because in a small school, they have the opportunity to try everything. However, this can also be a disadvantage because there are not as many things to try. Our school is doing well with drama and art programs. Now we need to focus on music.

I salute the parents who are supporting music with your children, either through private lessons or as a part of the band program. I encourage the rest of you to look at what is missing in the quality education your child is re-

Coach: Tigerettes finish great year in baseball

By Gregg Nowlin **Contributing Writer**

Thurday, April 27.

The score was 12 to 6 in the Antonio, before a very good crowd from Brackettville.

In the First inning Johnson City jumped out to a 2 to 0 lead on 3 hits, and one walk. The Tigerettes committed one error in the inning. In the bottom of the second the was Erika Garcia with three hits.

The Brackett Tigerettes fin- runs in the third inning to 1 for Trish Robinson, who also drove least, Jamie Bader the lead off hitished a great year in softball with the Tigerettes, to make the score in the first two runs for the ter, with 24 walks for the year. loss to Johnson City last after 3 innings, Brackett 3 and Johnson City 5.

hits, and 2 walks.

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meets the 2nd Tuesday, at 7:00 p.m.

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Area Title game. The game was fourth. Johnson city scored 3 runs school records. Those were: played at the beautiful Frank in the 5th, and Brackett scored 3 Highest Team Batting Average good luck, and many thanks for Tejada Sports Complex in San runs on 5 hits, to make the score with a .408 for the year. Mayra all the great memories the past after 5, Brackett 6 and Johnson Aguirre with the most stolen bases four years. "It's been a lot of to score 4 more runs to make the with the most doubles (12) and the final score Johnson City 12 and Brackett 6.

Leading the way at the plate

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Tigerettes made it 2 to 2, on 2 2 RBI's. Also picking up a hit was wins by a Team with 16. Mayra Jamie Bader, Michelle Melancon, Aguirre with the most hits 39 for Johnson City scored 3 more Mayra Aguirre, Queta Garza, and Tigerettes.

Neither team scored in the breaking team, they broke 8 City 8. Johnson City would go on for the year (53). Erika Garcia fun!!" most triples (10) for the year. next year, as we have some ex-Erika Garcia with the most wins cellent players returning for an-

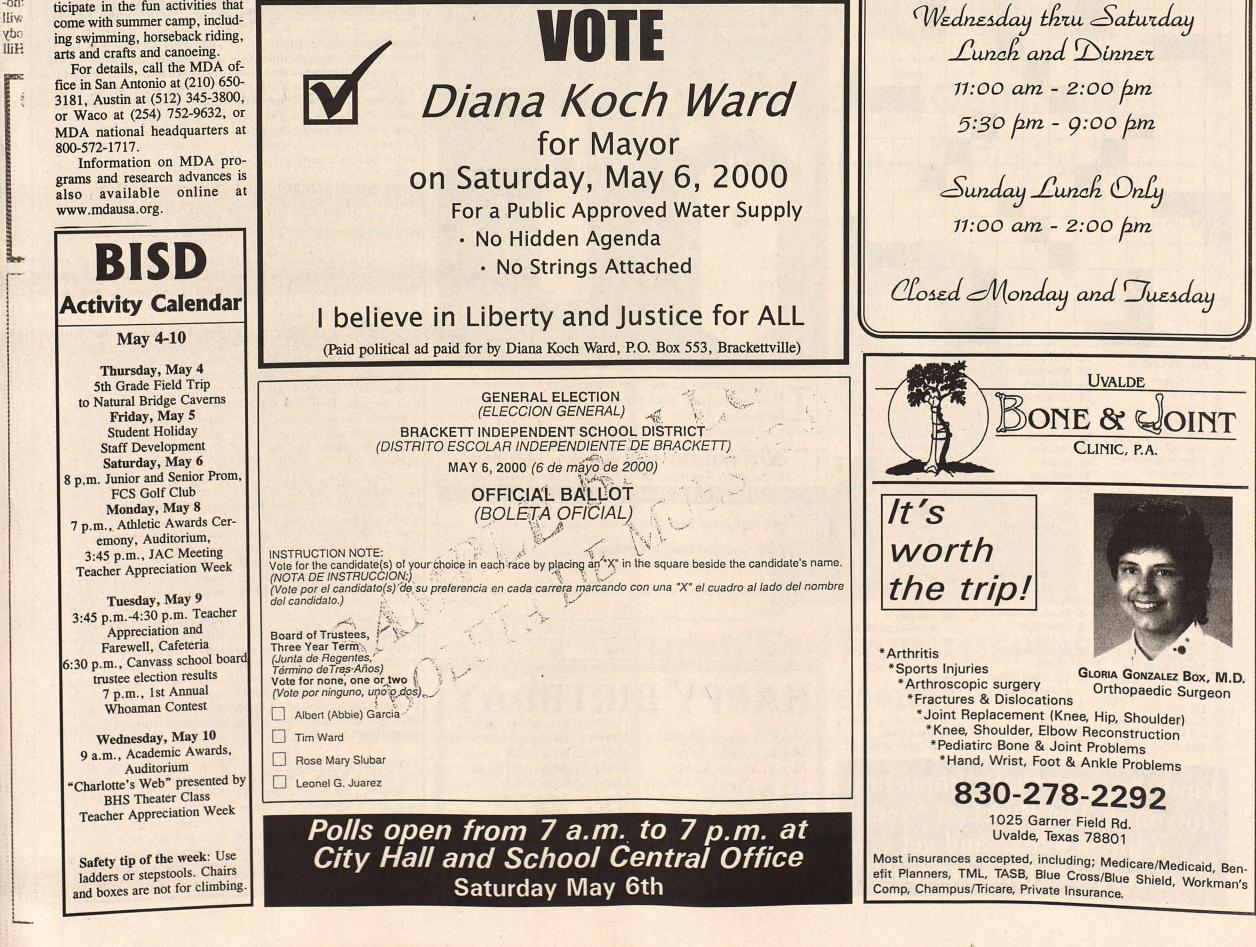
by a pitcher 11 for one year. Most other run at the State Playoffs.

one year. And last, but surely not

"I would like to thank the team The Tigerettes were a record for all their hard work and dedication, I would also like to wish our four Senior Softball players

I am also looking forward to

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Thursday, May 4, 2000



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powerful and influential people in the next month. Their lives hold secrets. Don't be caught unaware. This is not the time to bite off more than you can chew. Influential people can be very anyone's feelings. pushy.

Cancer June 22-July 22

Have some fun! You have been working really hard, and it's time you enjoy yourself. A close friend may end up being the perfect companion for a weekend away from the responsibilities of work, home and other burdens.

Leo July 23-August 23

Don't take any action until you consider the outcome. A tense disagreement may strain a partnership. The whole ordeal could be a sign that this is not a good things been bothering you?

Virgo August 24-Sept. 22

You can be happy. The answer to erasing your melancholy may lie in a non-conforming lifestyle. Listen to the advice of a longtime friend. A new acquaintance does not hold the answer to your problems.

volved in your community and its efforts to help a nonprofit or ganization will give you great joy. Be sympathic concerning a problem at home, and don't hurt

Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20

Take pride in an idea you are proposing. Don't let one person in the room ruin what you've worked so hard for. Take a short trip. You may find a new investment idea. alk out a family situation soon, before it gets a lot worse.

Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18

Strong personal relationships may result in new opportunities for you. Don't get so set in your ways. Be flexible and openminded. Take the bull by the horns and try to overcome the situation after all. Have other emotional turmoil that's been eating at you.

Pisces Feb. 19-March 20

It is time for you to take a step back from your responsibilities and decide who and what are the most important things in your life. You have let someone close to you down one too many times. The relationship is suffering. Don't do it again.

RELIGION

The Brackell Hens

God's Miracles

Without boundaries, there is chaos

Gateway Ministries By Pastor Charolette Corey

Set boundaries that bring security. Boundaries have been set by God's word for years. God knows that man must have boundaries in order establish some form of order in his life. Without boundaries, there is chaos.

Even God has set boundaries for Himself. He has restricted Himself from taking over our lives and changing us into puppets. He wants free-willed beings to choose to worship and praise him. He wants his creation to choose Jesus in order to respect others rights. and walk in His love. He wants his creation to choose to live with Him throughout eternity or choose spect your own. Setting healthy to live with Satan and his fallen angels throughout all eternity. He limit in exploring all that is good,

evil.

Even so, we are to set boundaries for ourselves. There is no excuse for not setting healthy boundaries. You cannot blame your parents for not teaching you how to set your own boundaries because the Bible exists as your role model. Jesus is the way, the truth, and the light. In this day and age there is a bounty of literature written by experts that teach us how to set and live by healthy stress and insecurity. When the boundaries.

In respecting others rights, one inherently expects others to reboundaries allows one to go the loves us, yet in His perfect love, all that is allowable. It releases one

He allows us to choose good over to relax in knowing that God is helping to protect you from evil choices. You have peace that passes all understanding in your life.

There is a story I heard years ago that I believe to be true. An experiment was made on happy children in a fenced school yard. The fence was removed and the children reacted by playing only in the center of the school yard. There was less laughter and higher fence was returned, so was their Mankind must have boundaries security and joy. Fence yourself in with the word of God. It will give you security, joy and life. Anything else will eventually bring you death.

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

St. Matthew 22: 34-40 St. John' Missionary Church By Rev. William P. Adams, Sr.

But when the Pharisees had heard that he had put the Sadducees to silence, they were gathered together.

Then one of them, which was a lawyer, asked him a question, tempting him and saying,

"Master, which is the great commandment in the law?"

Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord, thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great com-

mandment. And the second is like unto it

Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments,

hang all the law and the proph-

St. Mary Magdalene By Lynn McNew

O give thanks to the Lord. . wonders. (Psalm 136:3-4) Has eyes? your life seemed lacking in miracles lately? Nothing to lift bet you, too, can find the Who in your heart? Nothing to make you your life that makes it all worthglad you're alive?

When I feel that way, I think and ask yourself: of the title of one of my favorite poetry books, Who Tells the Crocuses It's Spring?" Then for a few minutes I list similar questions beginning with "Who?"

Who makes the trees turn all those beautiful colors in autumn?

Who splashes silver rain in shining puddles? in the night?

Who gives me sight so I can delight in a cardinal's brilliant crimson color?

Who puts the love in my be-.To Him who alone doth great loved granddaughter's soft brown

God does. That's Who. And I while. Right now, look around

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Lord, may I never stop finding lovely things to wonder about in this world filled with Your miracles.

You are welcome to worship with us anytime at St. Mary Who makes the stars shimmer Magdalene Catholic Church. God Bless You.

Health

Gifts of organ, tissues provide a new chance at life

Berry has viewed life and death 1971, Dr. Berry was a key player year. in establishing Dallas' Careflite County Medical Society, the ing list. has more than 68,000 Texas Orthopaedic Association and the Texas Medical Association.

But in 1986, Phil Berry, patient, faced a devastating diagnosis.

"I was told I had three weeks to live," Dr. Berry said.

He had contracted Hepatitis B while operating on a patient three years earlier and now his liver was failing. Despite being in the medical profession and having contacts throughout the United States, Dr. Berry's name went on the national waiting list for an organ transplant, just like any other person.

"I was 49. I had three daughters, a wife, a wonderful life," he said. The time he spent waiting to see if he would receive a donated

Dallas orthopedic surgeon Phil ful to her and her family." Other stories play out each day;

issues from both sides of the medi- some with less happy endings. cal chart. In private practice since And the list grows longer every

The United Network for Organ Air Ambulance Service. He is a Sharing (UNOS) which maintains a Uniform Donor Card. For former president of the Dallas the U.S.. organ transplant waitpeople currently registered. In 1998, a total of 21,197 lifesaving transplants were performed, but at the same time, 4,855 people died awaiting a transplant.

Every 16 minutes, a new name is added to the UNOS waiting list; and every 24 hours, 13 people die because suitable organs are not available for transplantation," said Susan Ristine of the Texas Depart- ment for a person who is a potenment of Health (TDH).

woman in Brazoria can make a tremendous difference, helping as many as 50 others. "Up to 25 different organs and tissues can be donated, some allowing for multiple transplants," Ristine said. In most precious gift you can give addition to the liver, the heart, kidney, pancreas, lungs and intestines liver left him, he said, "with the can provide new life for the sick. most desperate, lonely feeling. It Tissue donations include the cor- created by the 76th Texas Legis- appreciative my family and I are," was not knowing that was diffi- nea, skin, heart valves, connec- lature, to examine current organ he said. "They always reply that cult. Physicians were used to be- tive tissue, bone and bone mar- allocation in Texas. The group they are so glad that part of their Then a young wife in Brazoria an organ donor. Those consider- zations, six transplant surgeons, collapsed with a bleeding aneu- ing becoming a donor should three patient representatives and Susan Ristine, TDH Bureau of to be an organ donor. "She gave donor at time of death determines veloping and implementing an Communications Office at 512me the gift of life," Dr. Berry which organs and tissues can be optimum organ allocation policy 458-7400.)

- Once a person decides to become a donor, he or she should include patient survival rates. share that choice with family retransplantation rates, transpormembers.

- A person 18 or older may sign people under 18, a parent or guardian must consent. A family member should witness the decision on the donor card.

- A patient's death must be determined by doctors who are not involved in organ transplantation.

"People considering becoming a donor need to realize that doctors will do all they can to save that person's life," Dr. Berry said. "Nothing is withheld in the treattial donor. A doctor's first ethical One person like the young tenet is to do no harm. We try to save lives."

> But as Dr. Berry points out, "Death does happen. I ask people, Would you like to save someone else's life? Ultimately, that is the develop educational programs, when you die.'

which includes leaders of Texas' Any person potentially can be three organ procurement organi- things for other people," he said. one non-voting member represent- Kidney Health Care, at 512-685-- The medical condition of a ing UNOS, is charged with de- 3126; or Emily Palmer, TDH

for the state.

Issues before the Task Force tation issues, medical urgency, the efficiency of each organ procurement region, waiting times at transplant centers, standardized listing criteria for transplant candidates and the need to encourage organ sharing within each region of the state.

Another bill from the 1999 legislative session, Senate Bill 673, created an Anatomical Gift Education Program to be funded by a \$1 voluntary check-off fee on Texas driver's license renewals. Funds will be used to educate residents about the laws governing anatomical gifts; the procedures for becoming an organ, eye or tissue donor or recipient; and the benefits of such gifts. The Texas Department of Public Safety will collect the funds and TDH will with input from various groups.

Dr. Berry stays in touch with Currently, Dr. Berry is the the family of the woman whose chair of a 13-member Task Force, liver he received. "I tell them how daughter is still alive and doing (For more information, contact

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TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available at reproduction companies in Austin, Texas at the expense of the contractor. NPO: 311. State Office Construction Division, 200 E. Riverside Dr., Austin, Texas 78704, Phone: 512-416-2540. District Office(s) Laredo District, District Engineer, 1817 Bob Bullock Loop, Laredo, Texas 78043, Phone: 956-712-7400. Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TXDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin.

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8. Signed, Patricia A. Moffatt, member-manager, Fort Clark Springs, Unit 36, 2-B Redbud, P.O. Box 1977, Brackettville, Texas 78832. Date: 4-3-00.

9. I, Patricia A. Moffatt, having been designated to act as Registered Agent, hereby consent to act in that capacity until removed or my resignation is submitted in accordance with the Texas Revised Statutes. Patricia A. Moffatt, registed agent,

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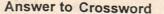
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Del Rio attorney talks about her life, experiences, interests

By Frances McMaster Contributing Writer

The Thursday luncheon meeting of the Brackettville Rotary Club heard Ms. Donna Stitts who is running for judge of the 63rd Judicial District. Ms. Stitts is a Rotarian and attends the recently formed Rotary group which meets in the morning in Del Rio, where she lives and practices. Since Rotary is not a political organization, her remarks centered around her own life, professional experience and interests.

Ms. Stitts was born in Del Rio. Her father was in the Army and she left with her family when he was transferred away. However, she was a 1965 graduate of Del Rio High School. She received a law, and oil and gas law and probachelor's degree from the University of Maryland and a master's mediator. She established her own found guilty, she has not been redegree in management from law firm in 1993 in Del Rio and Webster College. She received a is past president of the Val Verde phone. law degree from the University of Bar Association, the Amistad Houston.

Miller for 18 years and is a mem- Board and the Del Rio Rotary ber of the First United Methodist Club. Ms. Stitts admits to a con-Church in Del Rio, having de- servative stance, especially where cided to move "back home," to crime is concerned. She would establish a practice that would like to see punishment, especially carry her into the later years of for juvenile crime, carried out. her life.

varied experience. She was in to reimburse victims for their safety management as a U.S. Civil losses or damages via payment commitment to fairness and her Service federal safety manager in through the Probation Department a family construction business. which is forwarded to the victim,



Attorney Donna Stitts and Program Chairman Stan Conoly

practice including family law mat- ten neglected. Ms. Stitts said her ter, business litigation, criminal office had been broken into rebate. She is a certified

Family Violence and Rape Crisis She has been married to Lloyd Center Board, Val Verde Library Guilty judgments are fines levied Ms. Stitts has a background of and the perpetrators are supposed

cently and although the criminal was apprehended, prosecuted and imbursed for the loss of her cell

She would also like to see more use of the right of the victim to address the criminal about the feelings experienced and the results of being victimized.

As a lawyer, she does not by choice defend criminals but is required at times to work in criminal law because she is assigned cases where the accused person cannot afford an attorney.

Ms. Stitts emphasized her deep dedication to hard work. She works long hours to perform her She had 12 years of general civil but the follow through is too of- duties to the best of her abilities.

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Rosa E. Trevino, P.E. Director of Maintenance 1817 Bob Bullock Loop Laredo, Texas 78043

The estimated cost for this Project is \$17,783.

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