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Briefs

Public meeting Monday The Middle Rio Grande Development Council plans a public meeting Monday, May 22 from 9

a.m. to 12 noon at the Kinney County Courthouse.

Purpose of the meeting is to hear the concerns of Kinney County citizens and to use this information to develop a Regional Strategic plan for the entire Middle Rio Grande area.

Topics will include economic development, community development, transportation, water, solid waste management, workforce, elderly services, criminal justice and 9-1-1.

Graduation Day May 26

School Class of 2000 will receive their diplomas Friday, May 26 public is invited.

Juneteenth celebration The Seminole Indian Scout Cemetery Association is making celebration June 17-18. "The Seminoles are asking the commu-vision.

nity to come together and make this a bigger and better year,"said Clarence G. Ward.

If you are interested in being a part of the parade, please contact Augusta Pines at 563-9979 or Beverly Wright at 563-9181. If you would like to rent a booth for \$20, call Clarence Ward at 563-9394 or Beverly Wright at Hurdles and second in 800 Relay; in 3200m and second in 1600m; Jump. 563-9181.

1,807 caught here in April Border Patrol agents made 1,807 apprehensions in the Brackettville area during April. Overall, the Del Rio Sector Border Patrol made 18,145 apprehensions, including 427 other than Mexicans.

Apprehensions included: 70, Abilene; 2,821, Carrizo Springs ; 157, Comstock; 2,749, Del Rio; 9,556 Eagle Pass; 89, Llano; 165, Rocksprings; 99, San Angelo; and 632, Uvalde.

In addition, \$2,422,834 worth of marijuana was seized by agents last month.

Fort Clark Springs Duplicate Bridge Club met April 25 with 5

1/2 tables present. Winners were:

N/S 1. Sara Richhart and Ella Chambers. 2. Molly Schroeder and Carol Benfield. 3 James and Flo Stafford.

E/W 1. Ann Legg and Evelyn Whiteley. 2. Betty Schlatterer and Bob Barnett. 3. Mona Miller and Dena Scott.

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Our seniors will take their traditional senior trip this Friday and Saturday. This Class of 2000 has only one more week at BHS. School/Page 5

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Members of the Brackettt High Eighth Grade District Track Champions are top row, from left, Sarah Meyer, Ashley Smith, Courtney Frerich, Stepahnie Bonner, Celeste Hill, Beth Ballew and Coach Julie Bruce. Second row from left: Caitlin Wylie, Amanda Davis, Allison LaMascus, Juliann Ashabranner, Stacey Castilla, Stephanie during ceremonies that will begin Coronado, Clarissa Aguirre, Divina Pena. Bottom row, from left: Sabrina Silver, Whitney Hobbs, at 8 p.m. at Tiger Stadium. The Valerie Terrazas, Monica Gonzalez.

Eighth grade girls win district title

Jourdanton, Dilley, Center Point first in 100 Hurdles, first in 200m peted were: and Natalia. Girls competing Dash, second in High Jump, sec-

Castillo, fourth in High Jump, third in 400m. third in 300 Hurdles; Sabrina Silver, second 100, 200, 1600 Relay, Long

Relay, second in 800 Relay and in 100 Hurdles. They beat out Comfort, fifth in 400 Relay; Celeste Hill,

With only 10 girls, the Eighth Stephanie Coronado, first in 400 and Ashley Smith, second in plans for this year's Juneteenth Grade girls captured the District run, and second in 1600 Relay; Triple Jump, second in 1600 Re-Track Championship in their di- Amanda Davis, second in 1600 lay, first in 300 Hurdles and third

Seventh grade girls who com-

Clarissa Aguirre, 200, 400, ond in 800m Relay; Allison 1600 Relay Long Jump; Stephanie Juliann Ashabranner, first in LaMascus, fifth in 400 Relay and Bonner, 100, 200, 1600 Relay, 1600m, third in 3200m; Beth second in 800 Relay; Sara Meyer, Triple Jump, High Jump; Whitney Ballew, fifth in 400 Relay; Stacey second in 800 Relay, second in Hobbs, 100, 200, 1600 Relay 1600 Relay, and sixth in 100 Triple Jump; and Divina Pena,

Local Masons present Lamar Medals



Bridge Club winners From left: Lamar medal recipients James Burks and Jamie Bader.

Photo by Ray Kurtz

#444 in an open house lodge meet- May 13. ing, presented Lamar Medals to

The Lamar Medals are given in Masonry.

by the Masonic Lodge to outstanding graduates each year in memory of Mirabeau Lamar, the second president of the Republic of Texas. He fought in many battles, including the Battle of San Jacinto. He was appointed Secretary of War, elected vice presipresident of the Republic of Texas. He was the sponsor and founder of the first public schools in Texas. In his memory, the ford, EMS director. Masonic Lodge gives these medals and a scholarship to these students. At the open house, the back at least four years. Lodge also presented a Golden Las Moras Masonic Lodge Jamie Bader and James Burks on is a Grand Lodge Award given a County Commissioners' Court member of the Lodge for service

Local businesses contribute material, 'know-how' for Carver School project "Two 'oldies' still helping one

another, a 125 year old business assisting an 150 year old organization, which is after all, the "Brackettville Way."

Davis Hardware donated electrical merchandise to the Seminole Indian Scout Cemetery Association (SISCA) Thursday, May 11 for the final completion of the Association's major electrical project at the Carver school grounds. Dennis Dodson, manager of Davis Hardware, commented, "This hardware store has stood on this corner and has shared an interesting history in Brackettville, right along with the Seminoles for over 100 years."

SISCA knows that with devoted meeting the deadline.



From left: Clarence Ward, David Meyer, Dennis Dotson and Clyde Hepline, Jr.

and helpful friends such as Den-

Clarence Ward, SISCA presinis Dodson and David Meyer, su-Rio Grande Electric crew has ing, pipes) from El Paso Street to rails installed so we can get to the dent, has a June 3 projected date pervisor of Rio Grande Electric, given SISCA the essential "know- the northwest corner of the EMS supplies." for the completion of the project. that they should have no problem how" in this undertaking, said building.

Intrigued? The following infor- sored cycle ride across the United clists; Brunning followed them in The three visitors are Rotarians ther the Rotary objective of im- are paying for all their personal they said, they never would have home - Chelmsford, Essex, En- - Burman is president, Pike is jun- proving international relationships expenses and disbursements.

The trio is involved in a spongland, to be exact. When they ior vice president and Brunning and awareness. Funds from the That statement is, of course, stopped off here, they were on is a member of the Chelmer project will go toward improving Florida, where "we dipped the an exaggeration, but Ray Burman, their way to Del Rio. Their final Bridge Rotary Club in the quality of life for the people bicycle wheels in the Atlantic Dave Pike and Dave Brunning destination: California. Their Chelmsford. Burman and Pike are in Rotary District 3000, Southern

Burman and Pike were the cy-

They started the trip May 1 in

Brackettville resident charged with murder

A Brackettville man, Samuel him they wanted some water. He Hale Blackwood Jr., age 74, was told them to go away. arrested and charged with murder of his property earlier.

Mexican national, was shot in the in the leg. leg and later bled to death.

erty Sunday afternoon who told bond.

Later, he heard his dog bark-Sunday after he told investigators ing and went to look for the dog he shot a man he had ordered off and spotted the two people he had told to leave. When the two started The victim, believed to be a to run away, he shot one of them

Blackwood was arrested at 1:30 According to Blackwood, he p.m. Sunday and was later rehad seen two people on his prop- leased from custody after posting

Open house set June 1 at new EMS building

By Diana Gonzales Brackett News Editor

an open house is planned.

tion Center on Ellen Street, was Brackettville EMS will celebrate

Though the facility will be open June 1, Rutherford said plans are Kinney County's EMS facility for the community to "get used to should be ready by June 1 when the facility and to us being here." So, instead of celebrating EMS The facility, behind the Nutri- Week which is actually this week,



Standing in front of the new EMS building are from left, Jim Ortiz, part-time employee from Del Rio, Carolyn Rutherford, EMS director, and Michelle Rust.

dent, and was elected second vice not due to open until August. "It EMS Week next month - the week will be ready two months ahead of June 12. That week, numerous of schedule, and (EMS) is so activities are planned at the facilgrateful," added Carolyn Ruther- ity, including CPR classes and a

ing - total cost: \$281,000 - date ery evening," she said.

Trowel Award to Jack Taunt. This opened at a Sept. 2, 1999 Kinney facility. down the original bid from units. \$333,850 to \$281,000.

\$240,995, explained Cordelia P. quires that we have a way of dis-Barlow, county auditor. When posing of it safely. We'll collect cover the cost, the county applied infect our tools and our other for and was later awarded a Texas reusables here. Department of Housing and Com-\$113,611.

bike rodeo. "We'll have some-Plans for the new EMS build- thing going on every day or ev-

At the June 1 open house, visi-Bids on the construction were tors will be taken on a tour of the

The new building includes: meeting. The low bid was from "three bay areas with extra room Hill Construction Co. in Del Rio. behind us so we can actually pull Hill later adjusted the bid with a out the stretchers, and we have change order in the amount of drain areas so that in bad weather \$52,880. That move brought we can actually hose down the

"There's also a disinfectant Groundbreaking was Feb. 14. area. We deal with blood, vomit Funding for the EMS building and urine and other bad stuff that came from a Texas Community can make other people sick. So, Development block grant totalling because of that, federal law rethere were not enough funds to (in the disinfectant area), we'll dis-

"If we have an employee who munity Affairs grant totalling has been exposed, maybe gotten some blood on him or something, In addition, at the May 8 Com- and needs to shower, he or she missioners' Court meeting, can use the shower here. That County Judge Herb Senne in- way, this is designated for just that formed the Court of a \$2,000 do- kind of waste. We'll have a nation from the city of washer and dryer in the area that Brackettville and subcontractor will allow us to clean blankets and O.V. Casey of Uvalde for the new other things. Also, over the dis-EMS facility to pay for a water infectant area, there will be extra Also, advice and help from the line to the meter (labor, trench-supplies and there will be hand-

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Rotarians cycling across United States pay Brackettville a quick visit

By Diana Gonzales Brackett News Editor

Yes, according to the map, they were a long way from home, but it it weren't for the scorching heat, noticed.

though their visit to Brackettville riding Italian bikes and another force. was brief, the residents they met was driving a car. while here were so friendly, they

The three are a long way from

made the trio feel right at home. mation should clear things up:

were trying to make a point: mode of transportation: two were also members of the Essex police India and for The Rotary Foun-

States to raise funds and to fur- a vehicle, for safety reasons. They

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C'MOFFIT, GEORGE...YOUR WORDS IN THIS CAMPAIGN

HAVE BEEN JUST AS

HURTFUL!

Christianity or conservatism

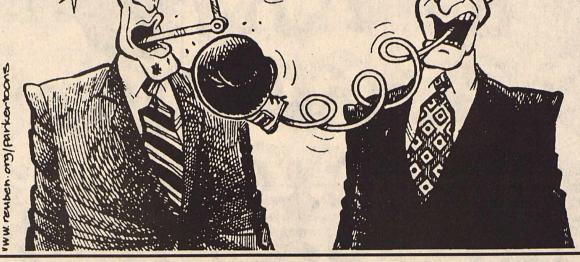
R. LaMascus is not the voice of ating "Christianity" with "consermeaningful for some to know that ing more than a pseudonym for there are Christians in Brackett- his political agenda. ville who believe that speaking for day mornings and bring the word April 6th. The words enlightened scriptural study, my words and my you are a Christian you are..." presentation to His best use. I For the record, I have no arguand Aramaic words whose absoterms as he separates "Christians" ment of truth.

Interestingly, I sometimes find myself in agreement with Mr. R. LaMascus. LaMascus. Most of the time I admire his passion for his faith. But,

Let it be known! Mr. Steven I always disagree with his associ-Christianity. I thought it might be vatism" which I believe is noth-

Mr. LaMascus' rhetoric is God is a calling which calls for quite often filled with judgmental fear and trembling not arrogance. and arrogant claims like those he When I step in the pulpit on Sun- wrote with dripping sarcasm on of God to folks, it is always done and liberal are interchangeable with a prayer that God use my with Christian and responsible. If know I can't presume that every ment with his claim that television time I speak it is the only "truth" fare is not appropriate for viewfor I am human. I don't always ing by children because of too hear God's voice in a crisp, clear much violence and sex. And, I am way and I know that the Bible I quite confident that Mr. LaMascus use for my resource, in its many is a Christian who is passionate translations, is the very best of about his beliefs. However, I find scholarly attempts to approximate it Pharisaic that he believes he can the meaning of Hebrew, Greek speak for God in such absolute lute meanings were lost long ago. from "liberals." As I understand I am prepared to be God's instru- Matthew 25:31-46, it is Jesus who will sit in judgment, separating the sheep from the goats, not Steven

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



The First Amendments

The Way I See It By Steven R. LaMascus

I must assume that the Bill of Rights, defined as the first ten amendments to the constitution, were penned in the order that the representatives thought were most important to the security and welfare of the country. We must remember that at the time this wonderful document was written we had just won our freedom from England in a bloody and painful war. We had only a few years previously been forced to bow to the

edicts of an unreasonable ruler and the constitutional convention representatives were striving to produce a document that would preof power forever. They were tryfreedoms against all enemies, both foreign and domestic.

The first amendment says:.. "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of relifreedom of speech, or of the press; grievances."

tion of church and state?

any other cotton-picking place we want to have a prayer, they and not we are violating the Constitution. It's illegal! They can't prohibit it! The only thing that amendment says is that the government cannot establish a specific national religion. It does not say, and does not mean, intend, or imply, that the government shall make no such laws unless our prayers ofvent recurrences of such abuses fend someone. In fact, our foregive us the tools to protect those They guaranteed the right to wor-

ship - anyplace, anytime. The second amendment to the them. Constitution says: "A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the

The fathers of this nation did not join the NRA.

Can't find it, huh? Well, nei- put that in the Bill of Rights so ther could I. In fact, what it re- we could shoot cans and hunt ally says is that the government deer. Neither does it say that the shall make no laws, that means right of any militia to keep and none - not any, prohibiting the bear arms shall not be infringed. free exercise of my religion. That It says, quite clearly, "the right means folks, that when the gov- of the people to keep and bear ernment says we can't have a Arms, shall not be infringed." prayer before a football game, or That means not legislated in any way! A synonym for infringe is encroach. Encroach means "to enter by gradual steps or by stealth into the possessions or rights of others." That is exactly what is happening now, and it is undeniably illegal.

YOU STARTED

IT, AL !!.

How then can the courts continue to allow such bald faced violations of the Constitution on the grounds of constitutionality?

There are two documents that fathers did not care one whit if I hold inviolable; the Holy Bible ing to guarantee our freedoms and their prayers offended anyone. and the United States Constitution, and both are being eroded by idiots who claim to be upholding

The First and Second Amendments to the Constitution were placed first and second because gion, or prohibiting the free ex- right of the people to keep and those were the rights that our ercise thereof; or abridging the bear Arms, shall not be infringed. founding fathers felt were the most Now where in that statement basic, the most necessary to the or the right of the people peace- do you find that the government wellbeing of the United States. ably to assemble, and to petition has the right to ban so-called as- They were right then, and they are the Government for redress of sault weapons, or any other kind still right. If we allow any further of weapon? Yeah, it's not there, erosion of either of those basic Now, tell me; where in that is it? The truth is that the Consti-rights we are giving away our beautiful, poignant statement does tution guarantees the right to own right to control our own destinies. it say that there must be a separa- exactly those kinds of weapons. Join a church of your choice, and

Missile Defense

Submitted by U.S. Rep. Henry Bonilla

Thirty eight years ago this year, 12 year old Tami Gold remembers standing in her school bathroom, putting on makeup, when an announcement was made over the loudspeaker. Students were told that there was an emergency, and that they had to get back to their home rooms right away. There, trembling teachers told them that the Soviet Union had put missiles in Cuba pointed at the United States. Years later, Tami described the fear she and her young classmates felt, "It was chilling, it was scary, it was really nauseating....Some people cried, that there was this kind of state of alarm in the country that was pretty staggering."

Millions of Americans like Tami have memories that are equally vivid. Memories that include bomb shelters in their basements, and kindergartners crouched under their desks, in drills held to teach them what to do if there was a nuclear attack.

Today, our children do not have to grow up with the burden of those memories. The Soviet Union has collapsed, and all they hear of Cuba on the nightly news is connected with a child custody battle. However, the threat of nuclear attack is still very real. Nearly four decades after the Cuban Missile Crisis, the United states still has no way of stopping a nuclear attack.

It is because of this threat that the United States needs a national missile defense system. With the support of both Congress and the president, we are in the process of developing such a system right now. This technology would allow us to blow up a missile or knock it off course before it hit the United States. A national missile defense system would provide protection against nuclear attacks launched by rogue states such as Iran or North Korea. These two countries are considered among the most likely to launch such an attack. Right now, we hope to deploy this system by 2005, and strengthen it in the years after.

Will it be easy? No. Will it be expensive? Yes. But there is no other credible option. As a country, we cannot afford to ignore the threats that still exist in our world. We cannot afford to endanger the future of our children, or our na-

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Bis Mama



The only cure for suffering is to face it head on, grasp it round the neck, and use it.

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Strengthening our schools

Capitol Comment By Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison

lem. And it is particularly vexing support. for small and medium-sized school eas enjoy.

The Senate recently passed my proposal to address this shortage.

A few years ago a textbook Greenville, a town with a popula-Once settled in Greenville, she in the appropriate subjects. was eager to go back to the classroom and teach French. who might want to teach from the could not offer French to its stu-requirements that have discourdents because it did not have a aged so many. The subject areas have her. But she could not re- science, mathematics, computers turn to the work she loved because and languages - the very subjects she did not have a teaching certi- our students need to master in or-

miles to the nearest college for two ingly competitive world markets. years to become certified to teach In addition, if they desire, states in Greenville. While she was com- can deem other subject areas critimuting back and forth, Greenville cal and pave the way for easier students were denied an educa- teacher entry into the classroom tional option routinely available to to meet their individual school those in larger cities.

This type of situation is being

districts without the deep talent education tax relief bill in March, that fuels our world class economy lence in America's schools. pool of teachers from which to it included an amendment which draw that larger metropolitan ar- I added that aims to reverse the schools across the country. We sue facing our country than encritical shortage of teachers with special skills.

The program, called "Careers case of this situation arose in shortage by knocking down barriers that for too long have kept tion of about 35,000 northeast of some of our most talented profes-Dallas. A friend of mine moved sionals away from classrooms. It fer. We have people who retire at to Greenville with her husband. encourages states to grant an al-She majored in French in college ternative, expedited teaching cerand had taught French at a pri-tification to professionals who vate school before her marriage. have a demonstrated competence

This frees the professionals Greenville High School, which lengthy and traditional licensing qualified teacher, was eager to outlined in the legislation include der for the United States to con-My friend had to commute 30 tinue to be successful in increassystems' needs.

Careers to Classrooms actually repeated all over the country. We expands on a successful Defense

and military can do the same for

should be smoothing the way for skilled professionals who want to "Troops to Teachers," that enhigh-tech companies, or homebecome teachers, not putting ob- courages retired military and other makers who decided not to con-The ability to find and hire stacles across their path to the defense professionals with sub-tinue their careers when they had good teachers is a key ingredient classroom. This is another one of stantial career experience to en-children but who are experts in for success in any school system. those instances of applying com- ter the classroom and teach. This French or Spanish or computer But in Texas and other rapidly mon-sense solutions that, when program already has placed more technology, whose talents are growing states, this is a real prob- explained, enjoy overwhelming than 500 new teachers in Texas, badly needed in our schools. Their and more than 3,000 nationwide. presence can mean the difference So when the Senate adopted an The same pool of talent and skills between mediocrity and excel-

There is no more important iswant to build on that positive ex- suring that our public schools prepare our children for the chal-The Senate has taken an impor- lenges of the next century. The to Classrooms," addresses this tant step toward providing parents more first-rate education options and school districts with more we can offer them, the better options - and greater access to the chance all children in America will best minds the nation has to of- have to reach their full potential.

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City political life begins anew Work continues on new pharmacy

By Carmen M. Berlanga

On May 12 City political life and Kinney. begins anew with the 2000-2002 sworn council.

No action items were presented at the May 9 meeting. The votes were canvassed. The annual audit is again delayed due to retirement of the former auditor, sale of his business, and transition peto form their own local program and concentrate cloud seeding in Kinney County only. Suggestion was made that the trappers' preda-

UPDATES:

macy started the week of May 8. Results of this meeting will be proconstruction. Pico has offered any official and all salvageable material from the to be demolished B&S build- the city of Brackettville is due the ing. The Memorial Clinic Community Development Block Committee's goal is to provide a Grant under the MRGDC pharmacy for our people especially for those who do not have implemented 2001. Update as the ways and means of transpor- soon as possible. tation to procure their medication from out of town.

of April 26. June and July 1999, highway department. Texas Department of Aging and Texas Department of Human Ser- 12, the attempt is to encourage vices informed and instructed each more Hispanic youth participation individual nutrition center direc- into this program, not necessarily tors of the USDA consolidated agriculture, but other activities. unit rate for reimbursement of the Suggestions and ideas to encournumber of meals provided. To be age participation were presented, complied with by Oct. 1, 1999. discussed, and certainly, more are October and November finaliza- welcomed. Progress on the Youth

TDoA, bottom line, no contract, financing pending. no reimbursement. Two out of

December and March, 3 and 6 months into the fiscal year, the non-compliance counties' clamor was "Where is our money?" TDoA responded, "What money? No contract, no reimbursement."

The six months of non-reimriod. April 11 minutes, the Rain the most irate Maverick County Enhancement Program presented, Judge to threaten many other fuwith facts and figures, a proposal ture benefits throughout the 9 county region including our "Gentlemen's Agreement" on grants. Should Maverick County prevail, and upset the base nutritors money be transferred to the tional financial support, all the Rain Enhancement Program. No other 8 counties will be severely comments made by the council. affected to the extent of closure. No official action taken to date. Judges from our respective counties met with Maverick's county KC medical Clinic, the foun-judge, May 3, to request leaving abate these proceedings because dation for the addition of a phar- the pro-rata methodology as is. Local people will be hired for the vided as soon as I have something

Speaking of grants, this year Gentlemen's Agreement to be

Committee is in full force. Bylaws nance." Nutrition Center, to close or approved and standing committees not to close is the question. As established. As per May 1 meetusual, money is the problem. A ing, one of the priorities is to inlittle history is required to under- stall the county road 911 addressstand this situation as it stands as ing signs with the assistance of the

KC Extension Service, April tion and explicit letters from Center Building, land provided,

KC Workforce Career Center, nine counties complied, Uvalde April 5, Texas Workforce Commission, emphasis is now on "School to Career" year round programs. Due to the fact that JTPA has been phasing out since 1996, last minute decision to have the program is based on funding availability. As of May 11, the word is yes, there will be a sumbursement resulted and instigated mer youth program this year, ing thanks to the efforts of the MRGDC Workforce Board.

Adobe's landfill application for permit remains an active entanglement among Federal, State and Local Government Codes and Statutes. The latest, April 14, TNRCC Legal Division to Executive Director maintain his position that the Administrative Law Judge should continue to Adobe does not currently comply with 30 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) 305.5(2). The Executive Director recommends that ALJ in this matter continue to abate these proceedings until Adobe and the County resolve the issue whether the filing of local permits by Adobe triggers the provision in 245.002, Local Government Code and affects the ability The local Emergency Planning of the County to enforce its ordi-

Work continues on the Kinney County Memorial Clinic's new pharmacy at the United Medical Center, reports Alfred Pena, Clinic Committee president.

Pablo Segura is the contractor responsible for the walls and foundation, Russell Williams is in charge of the electricity, plumbing and the inside ceiling and Peter Perez is working on the roof-

"Thanks also to Henry Fuentes for drawing up the floor plans. I also want to thank the city officials for all the things they have done for the United Medical Clinic Committee," said Pena.

In March, Tom McNew represented the Clinic Committee at TNRCC Commissioners: "The a Kinney County Commissioners' Court meeting.

McNew informed the Court that the Committee had voted to expand the Clinic, specifically to house the clinic pharmacy owned and operated by B.E. Sweet.

McNew said Sweet would rent the space - 640 square feet - from Clinic Committee is comprised of tions and churches.



From left: Bruno Flores, Pablo Segura and Alfred Pena. Photo by Jewel Robinson

the Committee for the pharmacy. The Kinney County Memorial

members appointed by local government entities, local organiza-

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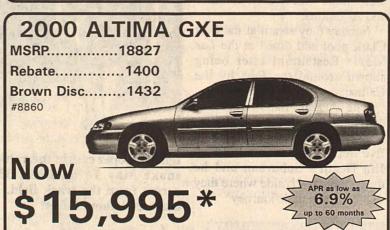
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Taking the oath of office recently were from left, Alderwoman Tencha Pena, Alderman Ralph Gonzalez, Mayor Carmen Berlanga, and John Samaniego.

Kinney County Sheriff's Report ...

Tuesday, May 9

some broken glass in front of the scene. tax office building on Ann Street. A city employee was informed and later picked up the glass and cleaned the area.

Wednesday, May 10

11:10 a.m., Toms, Barron mated at \$315. Xavier, age 20 of Brackettville, was arrested based on a Department of Safety warrant that origito to go to her house and see whether nated in Uvalde. Later, he was picked up by DPS troopers from when she arrived at her residence, Uvalde.

age 45, of Cleveland, Texas was supposed to be at that residence. arrested for driving while intoxicated, third offense, for having no car liabilty insurance and for failure to identify. He remains in cus-

7:25 p.m., Department of Pub- he would go take care of the cows. lic Safety troopers reported that three motorists in three different deputies to help him get electricvehicles had just gone past the ity back on in his hunting camp. checkpoint east of Brackettville He said if electricity was not retravelling at a high rate of speed. stored soon, he would lose all the DPS troopers from Brackettville meat products in his freezer. kept an eye out for the speeding motorists and stopped two of the ist was seen approximately one vehicles.

reported that a motorist was speed- gate. ing on First Street and that there were juvenile pedestrians in the but found nothing.

Thursday, May 11

that she had received a 911 call check on the situation. about a truck hitting a tree about

25 miles out of Del Rio on High-A deputy noticed that there was way 277. EMS responded to the

> 11:15 a.m., A local man said that something, probably a dog, had killed 8 Angora kids on his property and three lambs in the next pasture. Damage was esti-

> > Friday, May 12

A local woman asked deputies it was safe to enter. She said that she noticed that a light was on at 1:12 p.m., Roel Rodriguez, her house and that no one was

Saturday, May 13 10:15 p.m., Two cows were spotted across from a ranch off of Highway 90. The owner of the livestock was informed and he said

12:44 p.m., A local man asked

12:44 p.m., A stranded motormile west of Elm Creek on High-10:21 p.m., A local resident way 90. Deputies went to investi-

Sunday, May 14

12:10 p.m., A local resident area. A deputy went to the scene reported that he has a baby fox and does not know what to do with it. Deputies left a message on the 5:56 a.m., A Val Verde game warden's voice mail and Sheriff's Office worker reported went to the man's residence to

Argentina Rotarians come to Brackettville

Frances McMaster

The Brackettville Rotary Club met May 11 for its regularly scheduled weekly meeting, but its activities have spread throughout the end of the week. At the Thursday meeting, Bill Haenn spoke to the membership, presenting a program on antique oil lamps complete with colorful photographs and samples from his extensive collection.

The scholarship committee announced they had met and would interview applicants Friday morning to decide the recipient of the Rotary Scholarship to be awarded locally. President Patsy Calnan announced that member Frances McMaster has received a long from applicants from 20 to 40 tourists. awaited shipment of a mystery book she wrote that was published by Panther Creek Press under the imprint Enigma. Members responded supportively by lining up to buy an autographed copy after Agronomist, one architect, and Club in that Province. He travels the meeting. She announced that three English teachers. The Team to rural schools and neighboring an autograph session will be held at the Brackettville Library An- whose grandparents were of Irish nex on June 9 at 10:30 a.m.

here over the weekend. This dedicates itself to cattle breeding the afternoons at her private in-

sored by the Rotary International Foundation. District 4920 of Rotary is located in Argentina which is located in South East South children. America.

The five visitors were selected trict 5840 in Texas, entered the married and has two daughters. selection process and were cho- His professional activity is in desen to make up the Study Group. sign and building construction us-Only the Team Leader is a ing steel frame systems. Pinamar Rotarian. The others were chosen is on the coast and attracts many

From left Juan Jose Bugni, Norman McCargo, group Leader, Daniela Teresa Rojas, Enzo Sebastian Castiglione, Mara Belen Schmitz and Patsy Callnan, Rotary President.

Enzo Sebastian Castiglione is

language. He was born in Azul,

Buenos Aires Province. He was

Daniela Teresa Rojas is spon-

Mara Belen Schmitz was spon-

sored by the Rotary of

parents are of Hungarian decent.

She teaches at 6 rural schools and

with her parents.

years of age with established careers. They come from different a teacher of English as a foreign cities in Argentina, and each member speaks English.

The Team consists of one sponsored by the Tandil Rotary Leader is Norman McCargo, and Scottish origin. He was born sored by the Santa Rosa Rotary The business meeting was spent in las Flores, Province of Buenos Club of Santa Rosa, Province in in an informal discussion and plan- Aires but now he works full time La Pampa. She teaches adolesning session for hosting a group with his two fellow-professional cents from twelve to eighteen of five Argentinians who visited brothers, in the family firm which years old in the morning and in

Group Study Exchange is spon- and fatting as well as sowing crops stitute "Lands Ensenanza de such as wheat and maize. He is Ingles". She is single and lives sponsored by the Rotary Club Balcarce, is married and has two

Please Rememberthat we attempt to include some-

thing for everyone within the pages of our paper. We

realize that some folks enjoy finding fault and for those

readers we thoughtfully include a socially acceptable

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number of erors within our publication.

Architect Juan Jose Bugni was Huanguelen. Huanguelen is in the sponsored by the Rotary Club of Province of Buenos Aires. Her through a series of interviews. Pinamar, in Pinamar, Provincia de They learned of the chance to rep- Buenos Aires. He graduated from resent Argentina on a trip to dis- Buenos Aires University. He is

in her private institute. The group visited Alamo Village at the invitation of Tulisha Wardlaw when they first arrived escorted by Brackettville Rotary president Patsy Callnan and her husband Ken along with Frank and Ruby Cheaney. They were entertained at the Conoly Ranch on Saturday evening along with some other Rotarians and were served a sumptuous meal featuring lamb stew and beef from the Conoly Ranch. The entertainment highlight for the evening was provided by Jacquelyn Conoly who sang for the guests. The Argentinians then showed a video which featured each member of the group and their home cities, their families and Argentina.

Sunday they swam at the Fort Clark pool and dined at the Las Moras Restaurant after being shown around the Fort by the Callnans.

The Argentinians expressed enjoyment and appreciation for the hospitality. Their luggage and all five were crammed into Rotarian Jim Heath's Suburban and he drove them to Uvalde where they will continue their journey.

Surprise visitors

Fort Clark Springs resident Norma Conner received three surprises on Mother's Day. The first surprise was a visit from her son, Jeff Suever, stationed with the Air Force in Japan. He had not been able to visit his mom for quite some time. Also paying a visit to his mom on her special day was Bernie Allemeier, also in the Air Force. Another surprise was a present from her sons -"a computer and all the works that go with it!" she said. Mrs. Conner has another son in the Air Force who is stationed in Germany. She has six sons and five are veterans, either active duty or retired.

Promise Keepers seeking volunteers for Dallas event

DALLAS - Promise Keepers (PK), the Denver-based international ministry to men, is seeking volunteers for the Dallas 2000 men's conference.

The Reunion Arena will host and-a-half conference July 7-8,

Some of the areas needed include Evangelism, Ushers, Assist Elderly/Disabled, Security (Professionals Only,) and registration.

To volunteer, call the Volunteer Hotline at (303) 964-7586 or toll free at (800) 417-1878 or sign up at www.promisekeepers.org. All volunteers must be at least 13 years old.

Women are especially encouraged to volunteer - this allows the men to participate at the confer-

Promise Keepers, a non-profit 501(c)3 organization, is a member of the Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability (ECFA), and has an estimated year 2000 budget of \$30 million.



Ignacio Lopez caught this rattlesnake May 14 on Road 334 across from the track field. It measured about 6 feet.

'Lust indulged starves the soul, but fools hate to turn from evil'

Empowering Families By Dr. Donald Smith

"Please don't be mad at me," Lisa begged her mother. In shocked silence, Mom looked at Lisa. Time stood still. Like pictures in an album, images flashed little girl. She had danced and

body has to know." Reality shatchange in her mother's face. to shameful desires (Sirach 23:6." "Mom, please don't be mad," she pleaded. "How can you expect me to not be angry?" Mom snapped. by the St. Henry deOsso Family "How could you do this to us? We Project working in Brackettville to had plans, dreams and now this. strengthen family, faith and edu-Abortion is out of the question. cation. You have committed one act of add to your sorrow. God has given it to him.)

a soul to this little life and we must make the best of it. You must make it right with God and not add to your sin. God still loves you and so do I. We will make it through this, somehow, together."

It is a courageous teen who can refuse the young man asking her across her mind. Lisa was once a to prove her love for him. It is a courageous adult who is willing laughed and cried. There had been to love and guide the child back parties and dates and proms. It to a life of chastity. The wise man wasn't supposed to turn out like once said, "Lust indulged starves the soul, but fools hate to turn "Mom, please, I know I was from evil (Prov. 13-19)." The wrong. I can get an abortion. No- prayer of every parent every day can be: "(Lord), Let not the lusttered the reverie. Anger replaced ful cravings of the flesh master the memories. Lisa could see the (my child) surrender (him/her) not

This column is brought to you

(NOTE: If you have a question mortal sin. Killing the life you for Dr. Smith, bring it to the newshave brought into being will only paper office and we will forward

an expected 16,000 men for a day- Mountain Laurel Garden Club closes and 1,000 volunteers will be year with luncheon at McCord home

Submitted by Hazel Ivey

The Mountain Laurel Garden Club closed the year Thursday, May 11, with the annual salad and dessert luncheon at the home of Sutler's Store, Charlene Allen and Clara McCord.

guests enjoyed the pleasant outdoor setting. Guests were: Barbara Brissette, Carol Miller, Vivian Price, John McNamara, Maxine DuBose, Ruby Brigman, JoAnn Werner, Annette Stone and Allen McCord.

Club Federation of the West Zone next spring, encouraged our club to join this organization. She explained the many advantages of members and will be voted on at a gift. a later date.

Garden Tea and plant exchange freshments served outdoors. would be held at the Senior Citi-

zen Building on Tuesday, June 6 from 2 to 4 p.m. in celebration of National Garden Week.

Nancy England was given appreciation for her completion of the first phase of landscaping at Simmons' leadership made the Fourteen members and nine annual Flower Show a big suc-

President Ella Chambers announced the new officers for the next year: President Clara McCord; First Vice President Charlene Simmons; Second Vice President Helen Peck; Third Vice Ruby Brigman, a guest from President Carol Miller; Secretarythe Uvalde Garden Club and who Publicity Joyce Bergey; Treasurer becomes vice director of Garden Rosie Mattingly; Committees: Project, Norma Conner; Service, Marge Geeze; Scrapbook, Shirley Hadsell; Telephone, Donna Gracey; Flower Show, Charlene our belonging to this group. Her Simmons. Each officer and outadvice was favorably taken by going officers were presented with

The meeting was adjourned and Members were advised that a members and guests enjoyed re-

DPS graduates 114 new troopers AUSTIN - An additional 114 struction and classes aimed at per-

of Public Safety's 117th Training

included traffic and criminal law, ness regimen. arrest procedures, accident recon-

troopers soon are patrolling Texas sonal growth, is double the trainroadways following their gradua- ing required by the Texas Comtion from the Texas Department mission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education.

The students also received in-The troopers began the six- tensive training in firearms, drivmonth training academy in Sep- ing and self-defense, as well as tember. The instruction, which enduring a grueling physical fit-

Wardens warn of low water and lower legal limit for boating while intoxicated

A little on the Wildlife side By Henry Lutz

AUSTIN — As boaters prepare for the summer season, game wardens are warning of low waas well as strict enforcement of boating-while-intoxicated (BWI) laws under the new minimum 0.08 percent blood-alcohol content law.

On lakes, rivers and bays throughout the state, game wardens, along with local law enforcement agencies, are patrolling throughout the summer.

dens deliver to boaters are:

—Always wear a life jacket

—Avoid alcohol -Be especially careful on per-

sonal watercraft —Maintain a proper lookout at all times (required by law)

-Maintain a safe speed as and traffic conditions dictate (re- levels. Tips for boaters operating quired by law)

blood-alcohol content from 0.10 to 0.08 for boat operators as well

operator who appears to be under the influence or who has a blood alcohol content of 0.08 or greater may be arrested. Boating-whileintoxicated violations carry penalties similar to driving-while-inter conditions throughout the state toxicated violations. There will be no grace period for enforcing this new water safety regulation, according to Texas Parks and Wildlife's Law enforcement Director Jim Robertson. "It seems that many boaters are becoming aware that drinking while boating is just as dangerous as drinking busy waterways and will continue while driving," said Robertson. "Nearly all accidents and fatali-The key messages game war- ties can be avoided if people simply use common sense, are courteous on the water, wear their life jackets and avoid alcohol."

Despite recent rains in various parts of the state, some lake levels remain as much as 15 to 30feet below normal. Boaters are reminded to be cautious when opweather, water, boat congestion, erating on lakes with low water on lakes with low water levels in-Legislation went into effect clude: be familiar with the body Sept. 1, 1999, which lowered the of water, watch closely for submerged objects such as tree stumps, rocks, islands and sandas automobile drivers. Any boat bars, and avoid operating at night. result in a jail sentence of 180

Water-skiers, wake-boarders and persons towed in inner-tubes should be extremely careful on lakes in which the water level is low, according to TPW's Boating Law Administrator Carlos Vaca. Those being towed in inner-tubes are particularly vulnerable to being injured by submerged objects because they are not able to maneuver the tubes.

For information on boating safety courses, call Texas Parks and Wildlife at (800) 792-1112 or visit the department's Web site at www.tpwd.state.tx.us. Persons born on or after Sept. 1, 1984 must complete an approved boater education course before operating alone boats of 10 horsepower or more or sailboats over 14-feet in length.

BWI facts

-As of Sept. 1, 1999, any boat operator who either appears to be under the influence and/or has a blood alcohol content of 0.08 or greater may be arrested for boating while intoxicated.

-BWI offenders face similar penalties to driving-while-intoxicated offenders. The first offense is a class B misdemeanor and may days, a \$2,000 fine, or both.

-Texas game wardens are responsible for recreational boating safety. In addition to checking boats for equipment required under the Texas Water Safety Act and monitoring boating activities to ensure safe operation, wardens make a special effort to enforce the boating-while-intoxicated statute passed in 1989.

In 1999, game wardens made 167 boating while intoxicated ar-

Why alcohol should be avoided -Half of all boating accidents are alcohol-related.

-The effects of alcohol may be increased while boating. The sun, wind and water pounding against a boat create added stresses.

-Alcohol not only impairs the operator's ability; passengers who drink may lose their balance and fall overboard. Most injuries result from falling overboard.

-If a person who has been drinking alcohol falls into the water, disorientation may cause the person to swim in the wrong direction during the first crucial seconds and could result in a drown-

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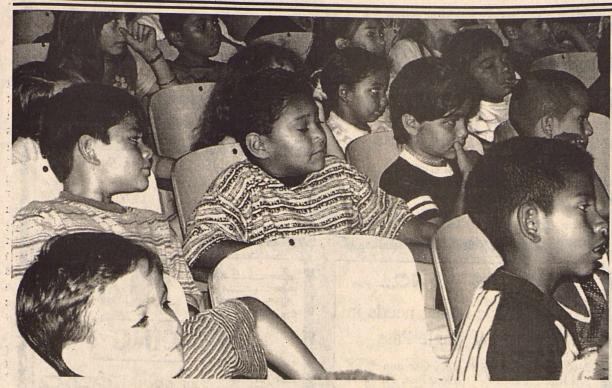
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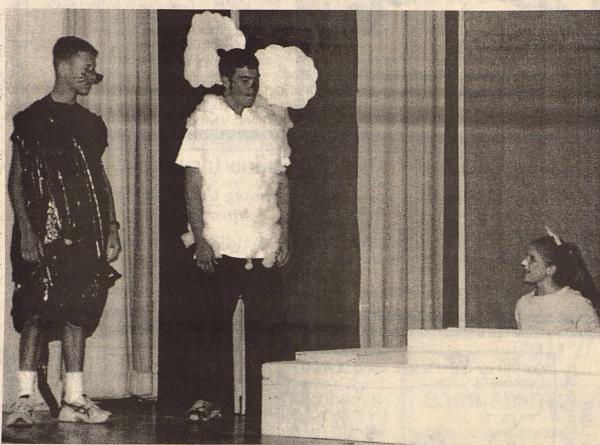
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Jones Elementary School students, above photo, were treated to a presentation of "Charlotte's Web," last Friday performed by Brackett High School Theater Arts students (photo below). Performers were Michelle Bizzell, Lee Davis, Tara Eckenrod, Duquesa Hunt, Cindy Jennings, Tina Luna, Jamie Montalvo, Seth Moore, Ariel Paloma, Dustin Slubar, Damian Toms and John Wylie. The play was directed by Kaylia Thomas, Theater Arts teacher. (Photos by Diana Gonzales)



Last day of school is Friday, May 26!

Making a Difference By Taylor Stephenson

school! As the weather gets school library also is a great place how we learned without all of this warmer and those folks who have to memorialize your loved ones. testing and security? Maybe it was been here since August begin to Senior trip dream of vacation time, I am echoing their sentiments of bring ditional senior trip this Friday and it on! It has been a fine year filled Saturday. This Class of 2000 has with achievement and fun. Our only one more week at BHS. last day of school is Friday, May 26.

- Positive role models

One of the neat events of the Principal, librarian retiring year was a presentation of "Charlotte's Web" by Kaylia Thomas' Theatre Arts Class. The high well done. So much can be learned changes in their lives. by having high school students be State testing continues positive role models for the little ones. We have great kids in All week long, we're giving end Brackettville. I hope to see more of high school course tests in our of this type of activity.

Memorial benches

we can place more of these quirement, there are hall monitors week!

benches if more are donated. It's and classroom administrators and trees or flowers that helps beau- who give them. Bring on the last week of tify our campus. Don't forget the

Our seniors will take their tra-They'll always be the Class of 2000. We all wish them well and thank them for their leadership.

Don Sims will be leaving his job in Brackettville about June 1. Pauline Hilliard, school librarian, school class presented a fun ver- also will retire at the end of this sion of this classic to elementary school year. These are two very students and staff. Thanks Mrs. nice folks. The entire community Thomas and high school for a job wishes them well as they make

We're still testing for the state. basic subjects of English, Alge-

this type of donation or one for folks checking out tests to the folks

Wow! Do you ever wonder because teachers were allowed to teach in those "olden days." In Texas on test days, more than half of the school teachers give tests on those days when their campuses get chosen to give tests!

Don't misunderstand. Our students do extremely well on the state tests. I think we could better prepare kids for life if we didn't have to give so many days to prove that we are teaching the state curriculum. As a teacher, I wanted to teach. Any change that took my students away irritated me profusely. Today, we don't have a choice. Test for TEA, the legislature, the governor??? Maybe the next generation can figure out this dilemma. That's about it. I don't really feel negative about the tests. We teach our bra, Science and History. When curriculum, test and smile when The memorial benches have all testing goes on in Texas, it's a dif- the test results come home. I do arrived in Brackettville. They ferent day than we normally ex- think that students would be much have been spread around the camperience. The state requires oaths better prepared if teachers were puses and students use them on a of all test administrators regard- allowed to teach more days. Evdaily basis. The landscape coming the procedures and security of ery day, come to class. We can mittee is trying to determine where the tests. As a result of that re- teach you. Enough! Have a great

Top high school athletes honored

Students who excelled in variing Heart Award (Basketball). ous sports during the school year were honored recently at an Athletic Awards ceremony at Brackett John Wylie and Daniel Melancon, Most Valuable Playh High School.

Award winners included:

Athlete, Most Valuable Football proved Player (Track). Player, Most Valuable Player (Special Teams), Most Valuable Player (Cross Country); Isaac Most Improved; Duquesa Hunt, Player (Basketball); and Most Gutierrez, Most Improved Cross Valuable Player (Track).

Hagler, Most Valuable Players Neuman, Most Consistent Golfer. Melinda Villarreal, Most Valuable (Linemen); Jesse Hidalgo, Most Valuable Player (Running Back); Petrosky, Most Valuable Players Most Improved, Erika Garcia,

(Receiver). Jaime Ortiz, Most Valuable Player (Linebacker); Zach Davis, Most Valuable Player (Defensive Back); Damien Toms and Jared Hobbs, Most Improved Players (Basketball); Jacob Hughes, Fight-

Hernandez, Most Improved Players. ers; Alex DeLeon, Baseball Steven Hagler, All-Around Hustle; Thomas Crow, Most Im- Shewbart, Most Improved;

Country; Jarrett Harrison, Most

Sam Hunt, Most Valuable Player (Tennis); Levi Duncan, Most Im- Most Valuable Player; Tennis: proved Player (Tennis). James Burks, Scholar Athlete.

presented to:

Athlete; Queta Garza, Tigerette Player. (Ronnie Armbruster); Laura Lee

Ballew, Scholar Athlete; Volley-Tommy Sandoval, Zach Davis, ball: Laura Lee Ballew, Most Im-Most Valuable Players (Baseball); proved; Erika Garcia, Michelle

Cross Country: Brittany Duquesa Hunt, Most Valuable James Burks, Most Valuable Player; Basketball: Queta Garza, Most Valuable Player.

Track: Tammy Smith, Most Coty Williams and Steven Valuable Player (Golf); Chase Improved Player; Duquesa Hunt, Schiller Hill and Chris Players; Softball: Queta Garza, Tara Eckenrod, Most Improved, Brittany Shewbart, Most Valuable Tigerettes Sports Awards were Player; Golf: Tiffany Eckenrod, Most Consistent Player, Laura Duquesa Hunt, All Around Lee Ballew, Most Valuable

Students recognized for academic excellence Outstanding students at Academic Awards: Mrs. Harris' students: Food

Brackett Secondary School were Spring Awards Program.

Honorees were: Border Patrol Award: Jeffrey

Luna and Laura Lee Ballew, Veterans of Foreign Wars De Los Santos. Voice of America Award: Laura

Lee Ballew, Ballew, Zack Davis.

Perfect Attendance Awards: David Campos, Levi Duncan, Sa-Duquesa Hunt, Jerritt Meeks, John Mulvaine

9th Grade: Maria Martinez; 10th Grade: Duquesa Hunt and T.D. Smith; 11th Grade: Schiller Hill; 12th Grade: Jamie Bader, Laura Lee Ballew, James Burks and Jerritt Meeks.

A and B Honor Roll stu- Martinez. dents: 9th Grade: Jared Hobbs. Megan McWilliams, Coshena II - Michelle Bizzell, T.D. Smith, Meyer, Elizabeth Threadgill, Tammy Smith; 10th Grade: Michelle Bizzell, Lee Davis, Susannah Davis, Levi Duncan, Sarah Gammill, Erica Gloria, Stephanie Gomez, Migdalia Gonzalez, Candace Ingram, Erica Meyer, Rodolfo Ramirez, Isela book - Tiffany Eckenrod; Theater Ramon, Juan Rivas, Amanda Ward, Brandi Wilson, Asa York; 11th Grade: April Crumley, Leslie Meyer, Manuel Morin, Chris Petrosky, Brittany Shewbart; 12th Grade: Steven Hagler, Daniel Hernandez, Jacob Hughes, Sunni Eckenrod, Zach Davis and Seth

Presidential Fitness Awards -3.5 grade point average (GPA) or better: Laura Lee Ballew, James Burks, Zack Davis, Jamie Bader, Jerritt Meeks, Tiffany Eckenrod, Jacob Hughes, Sunni Jones, Steven Hagler, Daniel Hernandez, Latoya Wright, Seth Moore, Donald Page.

University Interscholastic League Awards: Laura Lee Ballew, James Burks, Zach Davis, Jamie Bader.

Honor Medallions: (4.0 grade point average or better): Jacob Hughes, Tiffany Eckenrod, Jerritt Meeks, Jamie Bader. Laura Lee Ballew, 4.6522 GPA; James Burks, 4.5834 GPA.

National Honor Society: mie Bader, Laura Lee Ballew, James Burks, Zack Davis, Tara Eckenrod, Steven Hagler, Daniel Hernandez, Jacob Hughes, Sunni Jones, Jerritt Meeks, Latoya Wright.Mrs. Brandt's students: Accounting - Barkley Simmons; Accounting II - Eric Allen; Banking and Financial Systems: Michelle Bizzell; BCIS I - Elizabeth Threadgill, Isela Ramon, Erica Meyer; BCIS II - B'Ann Gomez, Brandi Wilson; Introduction to Business - Michelle Bizzell; Word Processing - Brandi Wilson.

James Burks; Chemistry I tany Shewbart; Physics - Carrissa

Mrs. Wilkins' students: Alegbra I - Doug Sanchez; Alge-Scholar Athletes: Laura Lee bra II - Brittany Shewbart and Erica Meyer; Pre-Calculus - Zach Davis; Calculus - Schiller Hill.

Mrs. Ballew's students: Geomrah Gammill, Monica Hernandez, etry - Brittany Moore Tammy Smith, Maria Martinez; Algebra I - Megan McWilliams; Math All A Honor Roll students: Review - David Campos; Certificate: Juan Hildalgo.

Mr. Yeager's student: Algebra I - Terrell Freeman.

Mr. Brotherton's students: English I - Megan McWilliams, Elizabeth Threadgill, Maria

Mrs. Curry's students: English Duquesa Hunt; Creative Writing - La Toya Wright; Research and Technical Writing - Steven Hagler; English IV - Steven Hagler, Seth Moore, Coty Will-

Mrs. Thomas' students: Year-Arts - Duquesa Hunt; Engish III -Queta Garza, Laura Martinez, Lee Davis; Reading Improvement -David Campos.

Mr. Thomas' students: Health - Tara Eckenrod, Lee Davis.

Mrs. Bader's students: U.S. Jones, Barkley Simmons, Tiffany History - Amanda Cruz, Tammy Smith, Carrissa De Los Santos; Art History: Erica Meyer, Heather Martin.

Mrs. Crumley's students: In- Science and Nutrition - Carl recognized last week during a tegrated Physics and Chemistry - Dalton, Kakine Breen; Prepara-Maria Martinez; AP Chemistry - tion Parenting - Sunnie Jones; Apparel - Queta Garza; Personal Duquesa Hunt; AP Biology - Brit- Family Development - Monica Morin: Textile Design - Candace Ingram; Food Science and Technology - Theresa Ryan, Stephanie Samaniego; Child Development -

> Michelle Clements. Mr. Ramon's students: World Geology - Erica Meyer, Barkley Simmons; Advanced Social Sciences - Eric Allen; World History - Ariel Palomo, Rudy Ramirez.

> Mr. Wilkins' students: Vocational Adjustment - Dianalee Carrizales, Joseph Luna; Horticulture - Sammy Flores; Home Maintenance - Tommy Sandoval, Santos Buitron.

> Mr. Frerich's students: Biology Amanda Ward, Megan McWilliams, Maria Martinez; Environmental Systems - Laura Martinez, Elizabeth Threadgill; Agriculture 333 - Josh Mulvaine; Agriculture 332 - Daniel Hernandez.

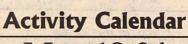
> Mr. Nowlin's students: Spanish I - Erica Gloria and Duquesa Hunt; Spanish II - Maria Martinez, Anna Talamantez.

Thank You!

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May 18-24

Thursday, May 18 Jones Elementary Field Day Friday, May 19 2:30 p.m., Junior High Awards Assembly, Cafeteria Jones Elementary Field Day Senior Trip, San Antonio Saturday, May 20 7:30 p.m.-10 p.m., End of

Year Dance for Junior High, Cafeteria Monday, May 22

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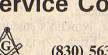
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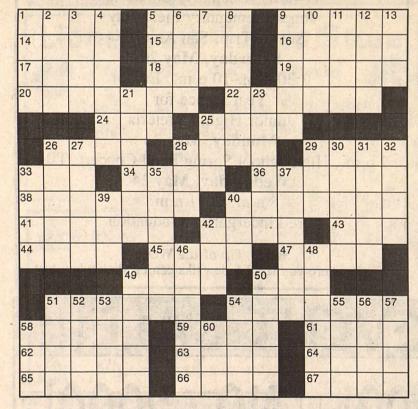
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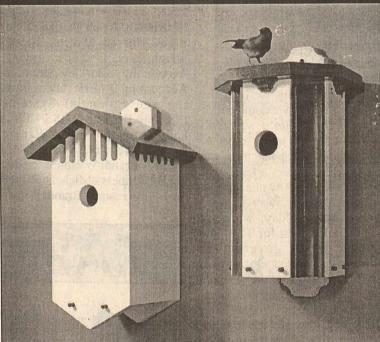
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Aries March 21- April 20 Stay away from the gossip mill

at work. It will only end up source of your problems? It's hurting you if you let yourself be drawn in. Be confident in take you far. A family member has some good advice for

Taurus April 21-May 21 Someone at work may not be the ally he/she is trying to make themselves out to be. Watch your back and keep

you. Don't shrug it off.

you pay for." Gemini May 22-June 21 It's time you got a new outlook on life. You'd be surprised how many things could work out better with a new attitude. Don't let a health problem go on too long without getting it

checked out. It will only get best of you.

Cancer June 22-July 22 Don't let some unrealistic romantic expectations end up making you lonely and disappointed. As you have been told

one-of-a-kind qualities.

Leo July 23-August 23 You have a desire to please others. Don't get taken advaneveryone's approval. Stand up for your own ideas. Some redecorating should be on the agenda. It would be the perfect outlet for your creativity.

Virgo August 24-Sept. 22 Trust an old friend to be a true outlook on life seems to be fad-Work through it before you get someone feel so much better. too down on yourself.

Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23

Look in the mirror. Is this the very important that you start being honest with yourself. your ideas and beliefs. They'll You're not doing yourself any favors by hiding the facts. Silence is golden when it comes

to a disagreement. Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 Work problems weigh heavily on you all week. Count on your partner for support and ideas to deal with the situation. Help is on the way for a family proboriginal ideas to yourself for

the time being. Keep in mind lem. Keep your ears open, and

the old adage, "You get what hope for the best. Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 An idea you are unveiling at work will be supported by an unlikely source. Don't be surprised if it comes with obligations, though. You cannot continue to shrug off your money

problems. They will get the

Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 Make a point to carry your share of the load. You've been making extra work for your partner, and it has put a strain on your relationship. Retro before, you are different, but looks bring back good memoyour unique ideas are a refresh- ries and are the perfect excuse ing change. Don't hide your to see old friends.

Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 You did not make a good first impression, but you can redeem yourself with a great tage of. You don't need idea. What may sound like a great opportunity may not be what it seems. Check out the possibilities from every angle before you make a move.

Pisces Feb. 19-March 20

Be careful not to send the wrong signals at work. Some ally. You can really count on money-making ideas will be his/her support. Your shiny evident by midweek. Use your creative ideas to brighten a life. ing. What is the problem? You have the potential to make

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Moving Mountain Music Ministry comes to town Sunday

First United Methodist Church By Rev. Ken F. Sellers

start each day with music as they worship at 10:45 a.m.

have for the last ten years. Some-

"Bluegrass" describes the spe- the rigors of this world. times it is instrumental, sometimes cial style of music which uses the hast made me glad by what thou Sunday, May 21, their calling is most often associated with the pel story. They delicately weave ever I think of "Bluegrass," my hast done. I will sing for joy at brings them to First United Meth- hills of Kentucky and Tennessee their personal witness with many heart begins to speed u, my flesh the works of thy hands." (NASB) odist Church in Brackettville where life and faith are always in- old familiar gospel tunes as well forms goosebumps, my mouth Church know you will not want Jack and Marymichael Rogers where they will lead a "Bluegrass" tertwined as a means of surviving as some new and innovative mu- puckers for a whistle, my hands to miss Jack and Marymichael

sic they have created. The result start clapping and my toes start Jack and Marymichael Rogers is a feeling of the close presence tapping as I remember the many it is vocal, but it always joyous fiddle, the banjo and the guitar to use this "Bluegrass" tradition in of God and the joy, comfort, and wonderful gospel-music offerings The fourth verse of the 92nd song for the work to which the present music as a story which an attempt to bring the lives of peace which only God can promade by such entertainers as Flatt Psalms reads, "For thou, O Lord, Lord has called them. And this embraces culture and history. It people into harmony with the gos- vide during life's struggles. When- and Scruggs, Tennessee Ernie Ford, the Gaithers and others. We at First United Methodist

Rogers as they bring their Moving Mountain Music Ministry to Brackettville. And if you need a second dose, they will also perform May 21 at First United Methodist Church in Del Rio at a Praise Service scheduled for 6:30 p.m.Come and "sing for joy at the

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He knew that you would give, and give and give of yourself, and often be taken for granted. He knew your love for your children would be greater than anything about which the devil might try to lie to you. God chose you and formed you while still in your own mother's womb, knowing that one day you too would be a mother who would pour out her love on her beloved child. He placed in you the capacity to love unconditionally, forgive mercifully, and extend grace to your child unendingly.

God placed those gifts in you because He shares similar hopes, desires, and expectations of joy that you do. His children often neglect Him, rebel to His word, and forget to thank Him for all He has done, but yet, He loves them.

Passing on this gift of love is God's best gift to his children, just as it is for you. With Jesus on your side, you will never be a failure. The word of God says that through your faith in Jesus Christ, you and all your household shall be saved, that you are more than a conqueror, no weapon formed against you shall prosper, and as you wait upon the Lord, He shall renew your strength. You shall run and not grow weary, walk and not faint...so, lift up the arms that hang down, and praise the Lord. You are blessed and carried in His heart as his special Minister of Motherhood.

Feel His arms about you. Feel His love throughout you. Know that you are much, much blessed and that He shall love you throughout all eternity through Christ Jesus your Lord and Sav-

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

A story to share: Greyfriar's Bobby

St. Mary Magdalene Lynn McNew

History that I find very interest-I would like to pass it on to you.

When my friend's Christian vocal jazz group did a music out- little Bobby virtually lived on top in praise. reach tour in Scotland, they were of the tomb day and night. privileged to see an unusual me-Greyfriars Churchyard in a time to visit his two admiring

a little dot named Greyfriars a shelter for him at the stop. Bobby.

and was buried in the churchyard. not go for dinner on that day.

Everyone was touched to see to follow.

In fact, for the next five years

friends—the restaurant owner who The statue and fountain honor fed him and the sexton who built memorial.

The little dog's master, a re- would wait for an extra dinner, spected Scottish policeman died which he kept for Sunday. He did Master?

Word about the faithful little Bobby standing watch over his terrier's lifelong love, loyalty, and master's grave at the funeral ser- devotion to his master spread, and This is a story from Scottish vice. They were even more capti- thousands of people from around vated by the dog's continued vigil the world visited the churchyard ing. A friend related it to me and for days and weeks and months to see him standing watch, give works of (God's) hands." him a little encouraging scratch behind the ear, or offer him a treat

When little Bobby finally died, The Skye terrier left his too, his Scottish admirer-indeed, morial fountain and statue near master's side for only an hour at the entire country and beyondpaid tribute to him by burying him beside his master and erecting the

Don't you just hope that, when Strangely on Saturdays, Bobby the time comes, you'll have been found as faithful and loyal to your

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turned into the city, he hungered. And when he saw a fig tree in the way, he came to it, and found nothing thereon, but leaves only, and said unto it, let no fruit grow on thee henceforward forever.

And presently the fig withered

And when the disciples saw it, they marvelled, saying, how soon this fig tree withered away!

Jesus answered and said unto them, verily I say unto you, If ye have faith, and doubt not, ye shall not only do this which is done to the fig tree, but also if ye shall say unto this mountain,

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HEALTH

Rabies cases increasing; get pets vaccinated now

of rabies in animals increased in nated, then there's not a problem the pet owner and family and Texas from 303 cases in 1998 to for their own pet," she said. "Or friends. 400 in 1999, a 32 percent rise. they think that because their cat An annual rabies vaccination narian.

and bats, but the number of cases in dogs and cats rose from 23 in 1998 to 34 last year - a public health concern especially in Willacy, Tom Green, Nolan and Cooke counties where most of last pear. year's rabid dogs and cats lived.

This year, rabies cases in January through March centered in Denton (26 cases), Wise (18), Cooke (12), Freestone (10), Limestone (10), Leon (9), Erath (7) and 213 cases reported in January, February and March were found dogs and one cat also tested posi- ing of the eyelid. tive for rabies.

Control Division at the Texas De-people. partment of Health (TDH) points mals vaccinated against rabies as required by state law.

The number of diagnosed cases if everyone gets their pet vacci- posed to this deadly disease are trol agency.

vaccination each year." attacks the nervous system, result- bies. ing in paralysis and almost certain death once the symptoms ap-

The rabies virus is present in the saliva of the rabid animal. The most common way the disease is bies in this country. spread is by a bite from an infected

Terrell (8) counties. Most of the spread if the infected animal's saliva comes in contact with fresh in skunks (152) cases, but nine cous membranes such as the lin-

Pompt, appropriate treatment ties. Why is there an increase in ra- after being bitten and before the bies among pets? Jane Mahlow, disease develops can stop the in- animal, don't panic. Immediately DVM, director of the Zoonosis fection and prevent the disease in

Symptoms of rabies actually "Often, pet owners think that the people most likely to be ex- mal bite to your local animal con-

Already this year, about 213 cases never leaves their yard, the ani- for each dog and cat is very inexwere seen during the first three mal really does not need a rabies pensive life insurance for the pet rently vaccinated should be revacshot every year. But the fact is and its owners. Likewise, horse cinated right away, kept under the Most rabies occurs in skunks every dog and cat needs a rabies and livestock in close contact with owner's control and observed for Rabies is a killer disease that should be vaccinated against ra- or local ordinances, usually 45

Improved rabies vaccination have been bitten have dramatically reduced the number of human ra-

cases acquired in the United States Keep the vaccinations up to date. Though rare, rabies also can be are due to the type of rabies virus found in bats," said Mahlow.

scratches, open wounds or mu- the ground or acting strangely, do let pets roam free. not touch it. Immediately report it to local animal control authori-

If bitten by a wild or domestic wash the wound with lots of soap and running water. Take care to prevent additional bites. Immedito pet owners not getting their ani- develop within two to eight weeks ately, go to your family doctor or after a person is bitten by a rabid the nearest emergency room for animal. If a pet develops rabies, medical treatment. Report the ani-

If your pet has been bitten, immediately consult your veteri-

Domestic animals that are curpeople such as 4-H animals, also a period as specified by state law days or more.

Animals with expired vaccinaand animal control programs and tions will need to be evaluated on better treatment for people who a case-by-case basis and may need to be euthanized.

To help control rabies:

- Have your veterinarian vac-"The majority of recent human cinate your cats, dogs and ferrets.

- Reduce the possibility of exposure to rabies by keeping your "So if you see a bat that's on animals on your property. Don't

> Don't leave garbage or pet food outside because it may attract wild or stray animals. Wild animals should not be kept as pets.

> They are a potential rabies threat to their owners and to others. A rabid wild animal may act tame, but don't go near it.

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part in our daily lives, keeping them healthy can go a long way in keeping ourselves and our famiand sanitation rules at home for emergency veterinary telephone coons. More than 100 cases of

Did you say "I love you" to the protection of your family also numbers handy." your pet today? If so, you are not should include important rules animals or share eating dishes with with soap after handling pets, their mans. dishes, cages or litter boxes.

reptiles and rodents also deserve first aid techniques and have some members and friends from potensupplies on hand," said Pam Wil-With pets playing such a big son, program specialist for the Texas law requires that dogs and Zoonosis Control Division of the cats receive annual rabies vacci-Texas Department of Health nations. Rabies is a killer and is (TDH). "Learn about poisons and present in wildlife, especially bats, advice from a veterinarian can lies healthy as well. Good health store them out of reach, and keep skunks, foxes, coyotes and rac-

alone; 91 percent of pet owners about pets to prevent passing some if your pet has babies, put a visit have said those words to their pets diseases and parasites from ani- to a veterinarian at the head of at least once. Additionally, sur- mals to humans. For example, your list of things to do. In addiveys indicate that 76 percent of wash pet dishes separately from tion to having a general health asyour own and rinse with boiling sessment, many animals, espewater. Children should never kiss cially dogs, cats, ferrets, and horses, require a variety of annual them. Any reptile tanks, fish vaccinations. Some of the diseases bowls or bird cages should be pets are vaccinated against, such placed out of reach of children. as rabies and leptospirosis, can be Always wash hands thoroughly passed between animals and hu-

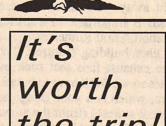
> By protecting your animal, you "It's also a good idea to learn are protecting yourself, family tial exposure to certain diseases.

rabies in animals were reported When you adopt an animal or in Texas during the first two months of this year.

"If a pet develops rabies, the people most likely to be exposed to this fatal disease are those closest to the pet," said Wilson. "An annual rabies vaccination is very inexpensive life insurance for the pet and its owner."

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EMS building ahead of schedule

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area

doors to separate the kitchen and make room for classrooms for instruction or for public gatherings. (Last week, Commissioners'

ity a polling place.) for Rutherford and two full time situation," said Rutherford. workers. The office also will be come from out of town to help out.

of town personnel who may decide to spend the night.

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we pay them. They're part of our There are also an extra parttime staff - four people from restroom, a supply room with Del Rio and a couple from Eagle ample shelves and extra room for Pass. "We have three volunteers an island of shelves a day room who either have pagers or radios. with a kitchen and a socializing Right now, they stay home at night and it's important for them to be Plans are to install accordian home with their families. We wouldn't dare interfere with that. But they will now have the option

available for EMS personnel who have exhaust fans that suck out Also in the building are rooms them, which is a good thing, beand bathrooms and showers for cause it's diesel (from the ambu-EMS workers, volunteers and out lance). There is also a high-tech "We use a lot of people from disaster, we can shelter people out of town - from Del Rio - and here. The alarm will kick on, it'll phones won't go down."

therford added.

if they want to stay here, they can. The beauty of it is if we get a 9-1-Court approved making the facil- 1- call, somebody can respond right away with an ambulance, The building also has offices which is important in a critical Other building features: "We

fumes so we don't have to breathe burglar alarm, fire alarm and a back-up generator so if we have a do everything except heat and air condition, so our radios or our

Prior to the new building, EMS personnel were in an office "on top of the jail. It was a problem because people had to run up and down stairs and we were worried about liability. We also had to shuffle ambulances back and forth, from Fort Clark to the jail, until we move in to the new building, now we're at Fort Clark..." so the new facility definitely will make their jobs a lot easier, Ru-

British Rotarians raise funds cycling Continued from Page 1

Ocean in Jacksonville," said Burman. "We will finish at Long Beach, California, near the Queen Mary, where we will dip our

wheels in the Pacific Ocean." When the trip ends Sunday, May 21, they will have traveled

about 3,000 miles. The route involved eight states and 10 Rotary districts and was within reach of at least 10 Rotary Clubs. The three had visited the Leon Valley Rotary Club near San Antonio when they stopped at Brackettville for refreshments.

Burman said he and Pike were averaging between 120 and 150 miles a day - a total of eight hours

Specifically, the route was from Jacksonville Fla., to Tallahassee, to Mobile, Ala., to Slidell, La., to Baton Rouge, to Lake Charles, La., to Beaumont, Texas, to Columbus, San Antonio, Brackettville, Del Rio, Sanderson, Alpine, Van Horn, El Paso, Silver City, to Tucson, Arizona, to Phoenix, to Quartzite, to Palm Springs, Calif., and then, finally, Long Beach, onboard the Queen Mary, then home. Two years ago, also to raise funds for Rotary, Burman and Pike cycled the length of their country - 1,100 miles. The trip took nine days. This year's trip was a lot smoother, he added. "Texas has some very good roads; we've mainly traveled Highway 90 - very impressive."



From left: British Rotarians Dave Pike, Dave Brunning and Ray Burman make a short stop in Brackettville on their way to California. Photo by Diana Gonzales