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Terrazas celebrates 104th Birthday

By Jewel Robinson Publisher

August 16, 2001, has been officially proclaimed Petra Brackettville and the Kinney County Commisioners Court.

Believed to be the oldest citi-Petra Terrazas will celebrate her sters for First Communion. nal illness. Today, she lives at 104th birthday on August 16, 2001. She was born in 1897 at wanted to join the monastery and Up until a few years ago she Del Rio, Texas. Her parents become a nun, but in 1915, her would crochet an alter linen for were Margarito and Maria mother arranged for her to the church every Easter. Perea.

charge of the family and moved twins Maria and Jose, and the during her lifetime. them to Spofford. The family youngest, Jesus. consisted of their mother, two other brothers, Dona Petra and drafted into the armed forces with an 11:00 a.m. Mass at St. another sister.

Juan (a young 95 years old) are tion in Normandy. In 1942 the send her birthday greetings, her the only survivors of the fam- family moved to Brackettville. address is P.O. Box 624, Bracily. They both reside in Brack- In 1954 their daughter, kettville, Texas 78832.

was sought by many parents to sibility of raising the two boys. Terrazas' Day by the City of teach their children. She taught In August of 1982, Dona herself to read and write in Petra's husband passed away. Spanish. On Saturdays and Sun- They had been married 67 days, she would teach cat- years. She lost two more sons zen in Kinney County Dona echism, preparing the young- in 1986 and 1987 due to termi-

marry Don Felipe Terrazas.

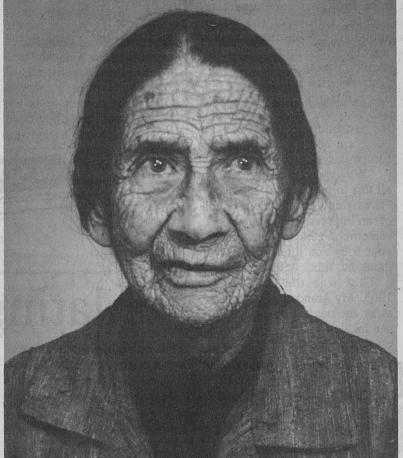
Dona Petra and her brother unteered and was killed in ac- Church. For those wishing to

At the age of 12, with a Magdalena, passed away leavfourth grade education, Dona ing behind two sons, Joe Henry Petra was able to teach basic, and Johnny Castro. Mr. and early elementary subjects. She Mrs. Terrazas took the respon-

Dona Petra had always home with her daughter Maria.

Cars, airplanes, television, In 1905 her father was mur- They were married on Septem- space travel, microwave, comdered in Brackettville. Julian, ber 25, 1915. They raised eight puters, and indoor plumbing are her older brother, who was 14 children: Enrique, Gregorio, a few of the many new things years old at the time, took Magdalena, Bernabe, Ermenia, Dona Petra has experienced

Dona Petra's birthday will be Three of their sons were celebrated on August 18, 2001 during WWII. A fourth son vol- Mary Magdalene Catholic



Petra Terrazas is believed to be the oldest citizen of Kinney

welcome new staff members

ees at last Monday night's regu- from Sam Houston State. lar monthly meeting.

2nd grade at Jones Elementary and has also contracted as secuthis year. Blake received her rity. Mendeke has previously bachelors degree from Sul Ross worked for BISD as a security last May.

Rod Blount will teach Junior High History and coach. Blount ing English at BISD. Meyer regraduated from Sul Ross last ceived her degree in English and May with a degree in Kinesiol- Political Science last year from ogy and History.

teach at BISD after the birth of grade at Jones Elementary. her second child. Bruce, who Price graduated with a degree will be teaching 6th grade, in Interdisciplinary Studies in earned her degree in business 1997. She has taught in Uvalde from Angelo State in 1990. She and Del Rio and has four years received her teaching certificate teaching experience. in 1995

school nurse. Collins, who native school. Wallace graduoriginally taught grade school, ated from Sul Ross in 1994 with became a nurse in 1989. She a degree in English and Physireceived her training from the cal Education. He is also qualience Center in San Antonio.

Clinton Cooper will be teaching vocational/agriculture. Coo- public hearing on Monday Auper received his bachelors in gust 27th at 6:00 p.m. on the The Texas Highway Depart-Natural Resource Management proposed budget and tax rate.

from Sul Ross in 1996. teaching 1st grade this year. construction at the football sta-Cummings graduated last year dium was on schedule. from Angelo State with a bachelors in Early Childhood Edu- begin again on the new Technol- tem that goes off if you are dollars of evaluation.

School District Board of Trust- Dickson received a degree in Kiees welcomed 11 new employ- nesiology and Health last year

Cordelia Mendeke has been April Blake will be teaching hired as a full time bus driver officer.

Kelley Meyer will be teach-Sul Ross.

Julie Bruce is returning to Christy Price will teach 2nd

Kenneth Wallace will be the Stella Collins will be the new new English teacher at the alter-University of Texas Health Sci- fied to teach Special Education students.

The trustees agreed to have a

Superintendent Taylor Kimberli Cummings will be Stephenson told the board the

ogy building when the work at traveling to fast. Andrew Dickson will teach the football field was completed.

BISD School Board Trustees Commissioners consider tax increase

Court Meeting.

Senne was admitted to Uvalde Antonio in the near future. Memorial Hospital last Thursleased Monday evening and is Monday's regular meeting. now at home resting.

born on mine and Janelle's wed-



the school zone on Ann Street. increase. These machines allow a driver to see how fast they are travel-

County Judge Herb Senne ding anniversery," said Senne. 2.23 percent from last years rate was not in attendance at last Doctors are still uncertain as of .8214. If commissioners set The Brackett Independent Health and Physical Education. Monday's Commissioners to the cause of the illness. Senne the rate any higher it would be will receive futher testing in San subject to a rollback.

Bids were received from the "I feel great. The best news I Bank & Trust and First State communities to develop a com- the Permanently Disabled at no have had today is I'm a new Bank of Uvalde. Most of the sergrandpa, it's a boy and it was vices provided were the same on munities the opportunity to exqualify.

outside your county. No repre- at the intial meeting. sentative from Bank & Trust or

at the meeting. Commissioners should de-

ment placed two machines (one hearing and meeting for Sep- ammendment was for bookkeeppictured above) just outside of tember 10th on a proposed tax ing purposes only. No payments

posed increasing the combined since the county is in posession Stephen-son said work would ing. They have an alarm sys- county tax to .8397 per hundred of the equipment, entries had to

This would be an increase of get.

Commissioners also autho-Commissioners took no ac- rized Judge Senne to handle all day morning complaining of tion on the bids for the county matters in connection with a proshortness of breath. He was re- depository contract at last posed Telecommunications In- gram makes available Power frastructure Fund grant.

> The grant is given to small both bids. Almost all services pand public internet access, de-

choose to bank in Uvalde. They The inital meeting with grant quired. were also concerned with the le- writers was reported to commis- If the patient's need is for use galities of banking outside the sioners by County Librarian Sa- in the home, please call for more Though section 116 of the lo- meeting. Representatives from qualify. Call toll free at 1-800cal government code seems to the City of Brackettville and 246-6010. conflict regarding the matter, Brackett Independent School case law indicates you can bank District were also in attendance

First State Bank of Uvalde were \$500,000 and requires a 10 per- out Texas to ask people to docent cash match.

are due on the equipment until County commissioners pro- the next budget year; however, be made into the current bud-

Briefs ...

School is in

slow down and

watch for children

Commodities USDA will be distributed on Monday August 20th from 9 a.m. to 12 noon at St. John's Missionary Baptist Church on 116 Crockett St.

Weekly Statistics

Del Rio, Texas - The following is a report of the apprehensions by Border Patrol agents assigned to the Del Rio Sector for the period August 6-12, 2001. The information is provided by station, and includes a sector total.

Abilene...22, Brackettville ...125, Carrizo Springs...286, Comstock...31, Del Rio...174, Eagle Pass...453, Llano...3, Rocksprings...24, San Angelo ...5, Uvalde...37, Sector Total...1,160, Other Than Mexicans...64

Cave Schedules

Schedules for the Devil's Sinkhole and Kickapoo Caverns through September are; Devil's Sinkhole bat flights - August 18, September 2, 15, 29; Stuart Bat Cave (Kickapoo Cavern State Park) bat flights - September 1, 8; Kickapoo Cavern Wild Cave Tour - September 2, 8; Call park for information and reservations; 830-563-2342.

Wheelchairs Available

The Senior Wheels USA Pro-(Electric) Wheelchairs to Senior Citizens (65 yrs. old & up) and munity network. It gives com- cost to the recipient, if they

The Power Wheelchairs are provided by the First State Bank velop community web pages to provided to those who cannot of Uvalde were free of charge. promote the area and intergov- walk and cannot self-propel a Commissioners were con- ernmental communication, and manual wheelchair, and who cerned with potential problems provide technology for meet the additional guidelines of handling cash deposits if they workforce training programs. the program. No deposit is re-

rah Terrazas at their August 8th information to see if they

Prevent Blindness

Prevent Blindness America is The grant could total up to conducting a program throughnate their unwanted vehicles to Commissioners made an them. The funds will be used to cide the matter Friday at 10:30 emergency ammendment to the support the many programs dea.m. during a special meeting. Road and Bridge budget for signed to make the public aware Commissioners set a public equipment purchases. The of various blindness prevention

programs. To donate a car, donors may call 1-800-860-4150 and the vehicle will be picked up in a short time. There are some restrictions. The telephone number may be called at any time.

kiles speaks on cave artifacts

Brackettville Rotary Club By Frances McMaster

and Vice President/President River. His father dug in these arrowheads and artifacts. Elect Dave Alexander presided. caves for artifacts when Skiles on the subject.

raised in Langtry, Texas, and an cheological groups to excavate as far back as 8,000 years ago. The points were flung by being 40 thousand years ago. educator, he served as superin- the ruins. tendent of schools in some West Texas towns before his retire- tifacts and many of the caves that faded almost completely away. ter the places where they were doubt equally entertaining. ment, in 1968 when he returned exist along the Pecos. They are Sheep have rubbed against them found. For instance, one is the Look for it and discover the back of his own house.

to Langtry. He then worked for called Indian caves since they and the dust has dimmed them. Langtry point. several years at the Roy Bean were merely shelters and not In most of the caves the figure Center and has a small museum cavern. Many of them have pic- of a shaman is painted and in has preserved other artifacts. ago.

on the indigenous people of the filled now with human debris picted with an arrow piercing it ing from lechuguilla plants. Lower Pecos and Rio Grande that accumulated over years. in one. The image of a panther These plants made strong rope Rotary President Bill Heann Rivers. His family lived near the Indians did live there in the past, is also repeated in the drawings. and one of the slides Skiles was out of town on Thursday for twin caves that are down stream and Skiles said that he and his One common motif is the out- showed featured sandals worn the regular luncheon meeting from Langtry on the Pecos father uncovered thousands of line of a human hand drawn by by the Indians, a draw string

In 1930, the Witte Museum person's hand. He wore another hat during the was a child, and he did the same dug a trench at Eagle Nest Canmeeting since he is program until he learned that amateurs yon, which is east of Langtry on stream-worn pebbles about 5 or been found. Bone was made into chairman for the month of Au- digging is destructive since ar- the Rio Grande. The trench ran 6 inches long which had designs awls for piercing leather, and gust. His choice of speaker was tifacts can't be accurately dated from front to back of the cave painted on them. No one knows flaking tools were fashioned out author Jack Skiles, whose book once they've been dug up at and arrowheads and artifacts are exactly what the designs meant, of deer joints to make arrow-"Judge Roy Bean Country" is random. Amateurs also take the displayed at the museum. Then, but some resemble human be- heads. available through the National objects they find away with in 1962, The University of ings. The patterns are balanced Recreation Area and at the Empersons of these glimpses of hisened the trench. They recovered background of the stones. porium at Del Rio, Texas. He is tory. Now, Skiles says, he Indian burials and the material

> Many pictographs are found Skiles showed slides of the ar- in these caves, but they have The points have been named aftographs, but the floors of the one deer antlers protrude from

attached to a stick called an atlatl.

Skiles presented a program caves are steep because they are the head. A human being is de- The Indians did beautiful weavtracing around the edge of the bag and a grass skirt. Combs were made from tortoise shells Skiles father found several and sticks for creating fire have

At Eagle Nest Canyon, a high Park Service at the Amistad them and rob other interested Texas dug there again and wid- and ocher was used to color the cliff is where the Indians drove herds of buffalo to their death. Projectile points are found in The bodies fell onto the floor of presently writing a second book spends his time and energy sav- was carbon dated back around all the shelters, but, contrary to a cave where they were butching these sites from intruders 5,000 years ago, although it's common belief, no bows have ered, some even rolling into the Mr. Skiles was born and and encouraging university ar- possible Indians was living there ever been found in these sites. cave. This site dates back 30 or

Skiles presented an interesting program, and his book is no mysteries of the people who in-The dry climate in this area habited this area a long time

INSIDE

■ The way I see it!

I am so tired of hearing about Gary Condit and Chondra Levy that I could barf. I know that is a great news story, but it is beginning to take on the same mindnumbing dimensions as the O.J. Simpson debacle. Opinon/Page 2

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Congratulations to John Paul and Donna Schuster on the birth of their son, Stetson John. The little one has a few problems and continues to be cared for in a San Antonio hospital. School/Page 5

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But I could be wrong By Chuck Hall

at the burial ground.

I finished him off and went to foolishness." tell granddad the news. "He shoot him again!"

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pair. I told you to bury it knowing you'd simply drag it in the dust and leave a scent trail for a Back to my badger story. I possible mate to find. Night behope you remember the first fore last, that counterpart repart from last week. After find- turned, followed the smell, ing the buried badger gone one found its co-bandit and dug it day and resetting the trap atop up. This morning, you caught his grave, the next morning I the companion to the first one. didn't even go to the hen house. It simply tried to dig up its mate. I wanted to see what awaited me The original is still in the ground and still very dead. Now that Upon my arrival, I found a they're both expired, let's go snarling, live badger in the trap. bury 'em and be done with this

"Why didn't you just explain came back to life! And I had to all this to me in the first place?" "It wouldn't have made as much "How could a dead animal of an impression on you. You'll remember this for the rest of "He did! I swear he did. Yes- your life. You'll tell this story a terday he dug himself up, and thousand times before you die."

That was the summer of "Don't be a complete idiot, 1963. My granddad Hall passed boy. When you first trapped that away the next winter. The badbadger I didn't know if it was a ger incident is one of my fond-

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The Way I See It

I am so tired of hearing about

Now Gary Condit is saying

Gary Condit is not going to resign. He is a liberal and as such he has no conscience and no is a Bill Clinton clone and will about Chondra Levy, her family, the American public, his marital vows, his solemn oath of

and discuss bad foreign films, and munch on tofu and granola. their bodies."

I just received a letter from thing. It was attributed to a man ucts." who is identified as a "Virginia sportsman." He apparently had the displeasure of attending the that the editorials that call for his in McLean, Virginia. Here is environmental and animal activ-

"As the five days passed, I his resignation, saying that he learned that no participants or attendees from any of the na- Movie. ALF raids on British Let me be a soothsayer here. tional conservation groups were to be found, here in their own backyard.

morals and feels no shame. He gathered at this Luxury Hilton the idea. Hotel for five days made no hang onto that power and posi- bones that they are going to dangerous. They have elevated tion until the last ugly, quaver- eliminate every traditional use the animal to the same level as, ing gasp. He doesn't give a hoot of animals and many other or an even higher level than American freedoms and tradi- humans. This is wrong. It is untions (italics added). "

office, or anything else in the ment guarantees the right of free and I'm all for it. But when they world except his own power and speech and free assembly, many start trying to terrorize me into pleasure. That is the definition of the things I saw and heard abiding by their warped sensi-Did he have Chondra killed? inciting mayhem. Many of the and become criminals and en-I do not know, but I certainly people making presentations emies. There is a thin line bewouldn't be surprised by that crossed state lines to get there tween practicing your rights and possibility. Now can we get to and there were numerous infer- infringing on someone else's. something else, before I lose my ences, suggestions, and encour- Don't mess with my beef steak agements to commit violent and Bubba! Speaking of breakfast, have unlawful acts of major magni-

"Why we must teach our drink that sissy flavored coffee children not to be ashamed of

"Stopping the use of animals one of my friends about that very for meat, eggs, and dairy prod-

And how about the video presentations?

"Igniting a revolution. A 2001 Animal Rights Conference sympathetic primer by radical ists on 'ecotage.'" "Sexual Politics of Meat."

"Animal Liberation: The laboratories and factory farms."

The letter is several pages long, and I can't cover all of it, "The people and groups that but the above should give you

These people are genuinely natural. If they want to practice "Although the first Amend- vegetarianism, that is their right could only be characterized as bilities they have crossed the line

Genesis 1:26 - Then God said, "Let us make man in our sea and the birds of the air, over move along the ground." NIV

Bonilla, South Texans raise water issue with Fox

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By Henry Bonilla U.S. Congressman, 23rd Dist.

Washington, D.C. - U.S. Representative Henry Bonilla (R-TX) has again raised the issue of Mexico's 1.4 million acrefeet water debt to the United States. In a letter addressed to Mexican President Vicente Fox, Mr. Bonilla joined Representatives Solomon P. Ortiz (D-TX) and Ruben Hinojosa (D-TX) in expressing his desire for a resolution.

"We are writing to again bring to your attention an issue of great importance to both our countries and our border region," the letter said. "While we are more confident than ever of the U.S./Mexico border region's great potential, we must respectfully request your assistance in finding a resolution to Mexico's water deficiency."

"We are continuing to work with our community leaders in our drought-stricken districts and with our colleagues in the U.S. Congress to find ways to conserve and deal with the continuing lack of water, but this is not enough," the letter continued. "We have many serious issues to deal with along the border that we cannot even begin to address if water reserves are not available in the Falcon and Amistad dams. We hope you will renew your efforts to find a resolution for this mat-

The Mexican water debt began in 1992 when drought struck the Rio Grande. Since the drought, Mexico has accumulated 1.4 million acre-feet of water debt. United States and Mexican officials announced in March that Mexico would start repaying the water, but Mexico failed to meet the July 31, 2001 deadline.

"Our farmers and ranchers are in dire straits. This water is not a luxury - it's a necessity," said Mr. Bonilla. "We should not be fighting for our water. This situation needs to be settled and it needs to happen soon."

Reps. Bonilla, Ortiz and Hinojosa also addressed a letter to President George W. Bush, reiterating their desire for a resolution. "As we are sure you are aware, Mexico has once again failed to comply with the requirements of the 1944 treaty and the February 2001 repayment agreement you reached with President Vicente Fox," the letter said. "While the U.S. has met its obligations...Mexico has for years failed to uphold their end of the agreement. It is time for this issue to be resolved."

Representatives Bonilla and Ortiz are co-chairs of the House Border Caucus. Mr. Bonilla introduced a resolution last year calling on the President to "utilize the full powers of his office" to get Mexico to comply with the terms of a 1994 water treaty and repay more than one million acre-feet of water which Mexico has impounded since

Your Representatives

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THE SOFT BUCK STOPS HERE

By Steven R. LaMascus

Gary Condit and Chondra Levy that I could barf. I know that is a great news story, but it is beginning to take on the same mind-numbing dimensions as the O.J. Simpson debacle.

resignation are "unfair." The part of what he had to say. editorials in question called for "violated the public's trust."

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teragency well plugging pro- sources." drainage basins.

brings the total number of wells riety of sources, including oil dent, George W. Bush and was plugged under this innovative field activities, natural saline the former governor's first appartnership to 226," Garza water seeps, evaporation, cer- pointee, serving as Texas' 99th noted. "It's proof that inter- tain farming practices and run- Secretary of State. agency coordination works, and off.

River basins. The goal of the wells in the two regions will be operators deal with oil spills in joint Texas Natural Resource plugged as part of the initiative. sensitive areas. Conservation Commission Five wells will be plugged in will be plugged first.

plugging partnership into the extension to include Canadian ship.' Red and Canadian River basins and Red River projects, part of means we'll be able to cover a state-federal partnership with Commissioner Garza's resource more ground, as we work to the RRC, TNRCC and the U.S. stewardship initiatives can be preserve water quality in Environmental Protection found online at http://www.rrc. The TNRCC and RRC part- dress nonpoint source pollution garza/garza.html.

source Conservation Commis- Colorado River (near the serves as Vice Chairman of the sioner John Baker in announc- program's original site at the Interstate Oil and Gas Compact ing the launch of a \$2.6 million E.V. Spence Reservoir) and Commission. Prior to his elecwell plugging program along along the Red and Canadian Riv-tion, he was a partner in the the Upper Colorado River Ba- ers has shown increased levels Austin office of Bracewell & sin near the E.V. Spence Reser- of salinity. Higher salinity, Patterson, LLP. Garza also which has impacted aquatic life served as a Senior Advisor to "The additional 55 wells in the area, is the result of a va-former Governor, now Presi-

Garza closed by alluding to a to work, we can accomplish a sioner Charles Matthews and Austin - Texas Railroad Com- great deal in terms of improv- later supported by Chairman missioner Tony Garza an- ing water quality and preserv- Michael L. Williams to end denounced the extension of an in- ing our state's other natural re- velopment of the risk based decision making program-a program to the Red and Canadian A total of 55 non-compliant posal that would address how

"Chairman Williams an-(TNRCC) and Railroad Com- fiscal year 2001, 25 wells in fis- nouncement on Friday, August mission (RRC) project is to re- cal year 2002 and the final 25 3rd to abort the process on our duce salinity levels in the tar- wells will be plugged in fiscal agency's risk based decision geted river basins through the year 2003. Wells with the high- making program is one example plugging of selected abandoned est priority-based on an assess- of where we had an opportunity or orphaned oil wells that are ment system that includes a to lead and failed to do so," leaking or threatening to leak variety of health, safety, envi- Garza said. "Our failure there, into the Red and Canadian ronment and wildlife factors- however, shouldn't overshadow all that we've worked to ac-"The extension of the well The well plugging program's complish in the area of steward-

More information regarding Agency (EPA), seeks to ad- state.tx.us/commissioners/ Tony Garza is Texas' 41st

The water along the Upper Railroad Commissioner and

you heard anything from the tudes." bunny huggers lately? You Here are a few of the hand- image, in our likeness, and let know, the vegetarian wackos outs and publications being cir- them rule over the fish of the who think the Big Bad Wolf and culated at that event. Bambi were best buddies and "How President Bush is us- the livestock, over all the earth, went to see Disney movies with ing religion to kill our Constitu- and over all the creatures that Thumper and Flower, and who tion." "Why we must stop the war want to change the rest of us into

Well plugging program to expand Innovative partnership with by putting our collective knowl-

TNRCC extended to Red, Ca- edge, resources and experience recent move led by Commis-

Texas," Garza said.

nership began in August 1999. in Texas waterways. Garza joined Texas Natural Re-

8 through 12, and their parents are forms are now available in the and Hot Dogs" meeting on Mon- now, fill it out and return it after day, August 20, 2001 at 6:30 PM all church services during the in St. Mary Magdalene's Parish Hall. Please join us for dinner and addition, you may register on get reacquainted with old friends Wednesday, August 22, 2001 from as plans are discussed for Youth 5-7 in the Parish Hall. Registra-Ministry for the 2001-2002 school tion fees are \$5.00 for one child,

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Congressman Rodriguez to deliver keynote address at **Border Trade Alliance regional meeting in Eagle Pass**

day, August 15, Congressman partment of Agriculture, and re-Ciro D. Rodriguez delivered the gional trade associations to discuss Basics: Family History Research keynote address at the Border US-Mexico border issues. Trade Alliance's regional meeting in Eagle Pass, Texas. The meet- addressed the Border Trade Alliing brought elected officials from ance at the Middle Rio Grande ries, Internet sites, published both sides of the border together Workforce Center in Eagle Pass. with officials from the United

All Brackettville youth, grades Catholic Church. Registration weekend of August 18 and 19. In \$9.00 for two or \$12.00 for three In addition, registration for or more, however, no one will be

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inistry DRT Library Committee Sponsors Upcoming Seminar

invited to a Youth Ministry "Hello church. You may pick up a form is the topic for a day long seminar dures and organization of mateon family history sponsored by the rial. Daughters of the Republic of Texas the Alamo on Friday, August 24, 2001. Seating is limited and registration is open to the public. The Roads, Rails and Cattle Trails." cost per person is \$35.00.

fied genealogist and genealogical instructor from Richardson, will speak at the all-day program. There will be a break for lunch.

She will give four sessions, brary. each focusing on a different aspect of genealogical research in

Sessions include "Genealogy A-Z," both for the novice and the an overview of general repositosources, genealogical associations,

"Dig 'n Up Bones, Texas Style" genealogy software, and proce-

The other sessions will be "Re-Library Committee. It will be held searching the Republic of Texas, in Alamo Hall on the grounds of 1836-1846," "Researching the Lone Star State: 19th and Early 20th Century," and "Rivers,

According to Caddel-Smith Brenda Burns Kellow, a certi- chapter registrar, Pat McKelvy, who is a Library Committee appointee, the proceeds will benefit the Herpich Conservation and Restoration Fund of the DRT Li-

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Agnes Vondy and Pico's big bird ham it up at the grand opening of Pico's new store last Friday. The big prize in the drawing was a television set. Carol (Sunny Girl) Dimery was the winner. Jessica Jones won the red bicycle and Anna Diaz won the green bicycle.

Back-to-School

Eye Exam

Congressman Rodriguez will more experienced. It will include DON'T SEND YO

Monday, August 6

6:00 p.m., Kyle Austin Dycus, 18, from New Braunfels, TX, was arrested for minor in possession of drugs and failure to appear by DPS Trooper Tom Wylie. Dycus was released Friday (8-10-01) for

time served. 7:13 p.m., A woman reported family problem. a vehicle roll-oyer on Hwy 277 north, ten miles from town. The sponded to a break-in. Del Rio Police Department was advised.

10:13 p.m., A man reported Deputy Karl Chism responded.*

Tuesday, August 7 9:00 p.m., A United States Border Patrol Agent, reported a Deputy Chism was advised.

Wednesday, August 8

2:37 a.m., Wayne Patrick Washington, 23, from Alpine, was arrested by DPS Trooper Tony Ashley for violation of parole from Bexar County. Washington was released the next day on a \$7,000

4:11 p.m., Century Alarm Company reported an alarm going off on a ranch six miles east of Brackettville. Chief Deputy Johnny Fritter responded to the

Thursday, August 9

9:25 p.m., A man reported a suspicious car parked at a residents. Deputy Manuel Pena Jr. responded.

Friday, August 10 2:35 p.m., Chief of Police Arnulfo Alonzo, responded to a

4:15 p.m., Deputy Pena re-

4:30 p.m., A woman reported a fire north of town.

4:45 p.m., A woman reported that a man had harassed his wife. a man that was driving reckless around a restaurant. Deputy Pena was advised.

Saturday, August 11

3:40 a.m., A woman reported deer hit by a car on Hwy 674. that two women were harassing her. Deputy Chism responded to

Sunday, August 12

2:53 a.m., Deputy Chism responded to loud music on Fourth

12:20 p.m., Manuel Joe Reyes, 18, from Ferris, TX, was arrested for aggravated assault by Trooper Ashley. Reyes is still being held.

12:40 p.m., Raul Mata, 28, of Brackettville was arrested on an outstanding warrant for driving while license invalid and failure to appear by Deputy Pena.

Kinney County Sheriff's Report 1:00 p.m., A woman reported that she received a Decree of Divorce and wanted to pick up her share of the property. Deputy Pena

responded. Monday, August 13

12:45 a.m., The Fire Department was requested for electrical shortage. The Fire Department was advised.

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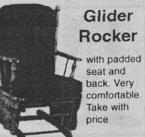
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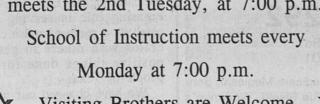
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entered in a special drawing. tag. Prizes include a Browning

Foundation of Texas Inc. will www.tpwd.state.tx.us/).

Some sportsmen will see a hunt migratory birds. new look to their hunting and

Austin, Texas - New hunt- developed by WorldCom, and fishing license. ing and fishing licenses for which last November signed a five-year contract to handle several other items for the 2001- obtained by calling (800) 895ginning Aug. 15, and Texas TPW license sales. New equip- 2002 season are also available 4248 or on the Web at (http:// Parks and Wildlife is urging cusment is being installed at about beginning Aug. 15, including www.tpwd.state.tx.us/). Entries tomers to buy early and avoid 20 locations around the state in Annual Public Hunting Permits for the Big Time Texas Hunt the Labor Day Weekend rush. August, and the system is ex- and entries in Big Time Texas drawings are \$10 each. There All current annual hunting pected to be fully implemented Hunt drawings. and fishing licenses expire on at all license sales outlets later

nearly 300,000 license transac- purchase licenses by phone toll- providing more public hunting tions amounting to more than free at (800) 895-4248. The opportunity and funding wild- ing Permit allows hunters access Texas issues 3.5 million hunting enabling hunters and anglers to to the Texas Grand Slam — a including 137 hunting units exand fishing licenses annually buy licenses over the phone us- once-in-a-lifetime package con- clusively for dove and other through 28 TPW field offices, ing a major credit card 24 hours taining four separate hunts for small game. A map booklet and more than 100 state parks and a day. A license confirmation bighorn sheep, white-tailed supplement of dove lease maps at most sporting goods retailers number is issued at the time of deer, pronghorn antelope and will be mailed within a week of As an added incentive to buy cense is mailed separately. Con- Hunts categories include the outlets; however, the map bookearly and avoid possible delays, firmation numbers will verify Texas Exotic Safari, Texas let and supplement can be obanyone who purchases a hunt- that a license has been purchased Whitetail Bonanza, Texas Wa- tained immediately by purchasing or fishing license Aug. 15- but will not allow hunters to take terfowl Adventure and Texas ing the permit at a TPW law en-25, 2001, will be automatically fish or wildlife that requires a Big Time Bird Hunt. New this forcement office.

Anyone planning to hunt mi-"Gold Hunter" semi-automatic gratory game birds such as dove 12- or 20-gauge shotgun (\$800 and waterfowl this year must be value), a Browning semi-auto- certified under the Harvest Inmatic .22-caliber GR-I rifle formation Program. HIP certi-(\$425 value), and a Castaway 7- fication will automatically be foot popping rod and Shimano printed on the license at the time Curado casting reel (\$200 of purchase after the purchaser value). The Parks and Wildlife answers a few brief questions. Hunters of migratory game conduct the drawing. Complete birds should verify that HIP cercontest rules will be available on tification is printed on their lithe TPW Web site (http:// censes. Lifetime license holders must also be HIP-certified to

Annual resident hunting and fishing licenses this fall as the fishing licenses cost \$19 each, state begins a transition to a new \$32 for a combination hunting format. Rather than the sales and fishing license. For the avid receipt printout license of recent outdoorsman, the Super Combo years, new printing technology license includes a resident comwill enable TPW to provide bet- bination hunting and fishing liter graphics and a user-friend- cense plus all seven state huntlier product. The new version ing and fishing stamps for \$49. will resemble the traditional Sold separately, the face value Texas license with detachable of the Super Combo package is game tags around the perimeter \$82. Senior sportsmen can pur-

Hunters and anglers may also vided. Proceeds are dedicated to or older.

of the license. A better looking chase the discounted Senior Su- year and not yet on the license with food and lodging pro- chasers must be 17 years of age

license is one of the benefits of per Combo license for \$25 or a sales system are the Texas Prea new licensing system being \$10 senior combination hunting mium Buck Hunt and the Texas Heritage Hunt. Applications in Wherever licenses are sold, these new categories may be is no limit to the number of en-The Big Time Texas Hunts tries an individual may pur-Aug. 31, and the dove hunting this year. Both license formats program offers the opportunity chase, and entries may be purseason opening the next day will will be valid in the 2001-2002 to win one or more guided hunts chased as gifts for others. Pur-

The \$40 Annual Public Huntphone license operation serves life conservation and research to more than 1.2 million acres both Texans and non-residents, programs in Texas. In addition of other public hunting lands, purchase, and the physical li- mule deer — the Big Time Texas purchase of the permit at retail

New hunting, fishing licenses on sale Aug. 15 USDA has FMD indemnification policy

By Susan Combs, Agriculture that if one animal is infected, Commissioner Contributing Writer

While it's widely known that livestock producers.

ral disease of cloven-footed ani- they lose to the disease. mals such as cattle, swine, be financially devastating to policy is just added incentive for ers in Texas, their livestock is FMD they might find in their their livelihood. And they know herds.

their entire herd, including those in nearby areas, would have to be destroyed.

That's why the USDA prowe don't have foot-and-mouth posed an indemnification policy disease here in the United to pay U.S. livestock producers States, our ranchers don't have for any animals slaughtered to to think twice about reporting a control an outbreak of FMD. suspected case. In the event of Farmers and ranchers would be an FMD outbreak, a proposed paid 100 percent of the fair mar-U.S. Department of Agriculture ket value of their animals. If an policy would provide indemni- FMD outbreak does occur, profication, or reimbursement, to ducers would at least find relief in knowing that they would be FMD, a highly infectious vi- compensated for any livestock

The United States has worked sheep, goats and deer, has been diligently to keep FMD out; takhighlighted in the media due to ing every precaution and eduoutbreaks overseas. Humans cating the public are definitely aren't susceptible to it, but it can paying off. This indemnification livestock producers. To ranch- producers to report any signs of

Agricultural disaster assistance available through FSA

Bandera, Edwards, Frio, Kerr, need." Kinney, Maverick, Medina, Real, Uvalde, Val Verde and fered losses caused by ex-Zavala counties. The United tremely cold and wet weather States Department of Agricul- from October 7, 2000, through ture (USDA) designation makes February 28, 2001 should confarm operators in these areas tact their local Farm Service eligible for low-interest emer- Agency for eligibility requiregency loans from the Farm Ser- ments. "I urge affected farmers vice Agency (FSA).

threaten to drive South Texas ter designation and other USDA farmers and ranchers to eco- programs that are available to nomic disaster," Congressman them," Congressman Rodriguez Rodriguez said. "I am pleased said. that the Department of Agriculture recognizes this agricultural emergency, but, especially in

(Washington, DC) Congress- South Texas where agriculture man Ciro D. Rodriguez an- is so important, we need to take nounced today a federal agricul- further steps to ensure that our tural emergency designation for farmers have the resources they

Farm operators who have sufto contact their FSA office for "Severe weather conditions further details about the disas-

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the other day, but the work we reaching farmers in their pasdo for you as Extension agents tures and barns, homemakers in Kinney County will continue around the kitchen table, and right along.

There'll be no-interruption in

tem, our new name is Texas Co- is as great as ever. operative Extension.

unchanged for many years - why save water and reduce pollution change now?

tension programs have always and pesticides. We help parents sought to serve all Texans. Ex- adopt good food safety and nutension began its work early in trition practices, consider child the last century, when most Tex- care choices, balance family ans lived in the state's rural ar- budgets. We reach more than eas, and agriculture was the pre- one million children with 4-H dominant employer, perhaps the programs, ranging from rockonly local industry.

county agents developed their rooms instead of clubs. the state's land-grant university. The educators took their pro-

Extension changed its name grams to where people lived children in 4-H clubs.

We all know that times have service, if anything, we'll be changed; more than 80 percent even more committed to serv- of Texans now live in cities, ing all the folks in this county. most of them in the state's huge Our name no longer is the metropolitan areas. Over the de-Texas Agricultural Extension cades, Extension also changed, Service. Instead, by unanimous taking its educational programs vote of the Board of Regents of to the cities, where the need for the Texas A&M University Sys- practical advice and education

· Extension agents today, for Extension's name had been example, help home gardeners by making informed choices on It's all about our mission. Ex- landscape plantings, fertilizers etry to embryology, that are pro-Extension specialists and vided mainly in school class-

practical, how-to educational But the good work Extension programs, based on the latest re- does seems to be one of the bestsearch findings at Texas A&M, kept secrets in the cities. Research showed that people in urban areas saw the reference to agriculture in Extension's name and assumed the agency didn't do anything for them. So when they needed help, they didn't think of Extension.

Extension's leaders believe the name change will improve our ability to serve Texans, regardless of where they live and how they make a living.

But just because agriculture is no longer in Extension's name, it doesn't mean we'll stop supporting the state's \$15 billion agriculture industry. Nor does it diminish our long standing commitment to the state's rural counties, where most of us in Extension have made our

homes for many years. County Extension agents will continue to help farmers and ranchers become more productive, work to strengthen families and nurture the development of youngsters, and support economic development in small

communities. With 1,500 employees working in 250 offices, Texas Cooperative Extension is one of the few agencies that has a presence in every county - and that won't change.

Why the word "cooperative" in the new name? It acknowledges Extension's foundation the cooperation that exists between county commissioners courts, Texas A&M, and the USDA to make the agency's work possible.

It also more closely aligns Extension with the work of its sister agency, the Cooperative Extension Program at Prairie View A&M University. Finally, the name signals Extension's increasing role in serving as a catalyst, a partner, and a cooperator with others in getting positive things done for the people of Texas.

We have changed our name, but we're keeping our promises to serve you.

"You don't have to sit on a cactus to learn how to jump.

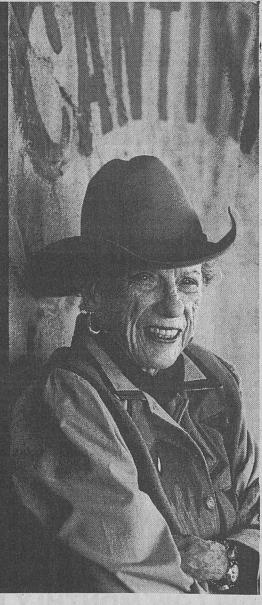
I that Virginia Shahan and her husband "Happy" knew leased in 1960, the Shahans found themselves proprietors of a tourist attraction and movie set. More than twenty films have been shot at Alamo Village and 20,000 people visit a year. Happy passed on in '96, but Virginia still manages the property, when she's not spending time at her ranch house with her eight grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

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Improvements are looking good Back-to-school month features

Making A Difference By Taylor Stephenson

Congratulations to John Paul of their son, Stetson John. The lation of seats, curtains, drapes will continue to help BISD have little one has a few problems and lights. It's already very one of the lowest tax rates of any and continues to be cared for in nice. Major changes were made school district in Texas. a San Antonio hospital. Mr. in the High School Annex and returned days of school and to enroll buildings are still in progress. Shelby in kindergarten. Our

"Does my school make the Elliot says.

grade?" According to a recent

sioned by the Carpet and Rug fort.

Institute (CRI) and the Interna-

for creating a good learning en-

vironment in their classrooms,

further demonstrating that

Design Features That Count

The survey found that safety,

comfort, lighting and acoustics

top the list of design features

that teachers believe affect the

learning environment of their

classrooms. In addition, 88 per-

cent of the teachers surveyed

believed that attractive colors,

textures and patterns on the

floors and walls further affect

students' learning and achieve-

room, one must consider color

psychology, flexibility of space,

"When designing a class-

ties are designed.

Staff development included day, August 27, to hold the pubmembers. work in technology, the Texas lic hearing on the budget and on rules and reviewed student for 2001-02 increases by 2.56 great week!

National survey suggests classroom

design affects student performance

(ARA) - This fall, as children comfort, and student and Teachers and students can be

head back to school, parents and teacher input to create a bal- distracted if outside noise filters

teachers should ask themselves: anced learning environment," into the classroom from the halls

national survey of 1,050 public the risk of accidents is essential ten times more efficient in noise

school teachers at all grade lev- for the safety of students. For reduction than any other floor

els, many schools are not up to example, carpet in the classroom covering," says Kathryn Sellers

par because of the manner in helps prevent slips and falls, and of the CRI. "It also benefits

which their buildings and facili- protects students from injuries. learning environments because

ment survey examined teachers' expand the learning area and be and adds comfort by providing

opinions regarding the relation- more creative in their approach softness on the floor to expand

ship between classroom interior to teaching. It also gives the stu- the learning space. For teachers,

design and academic perfor- dents more flexibility around the working and standing on carpet

mance. The survey, commis- room and a higher level of com- provides less leg fatigue as com-

tional Interior Design Associa- artificial light can brighten a tal to learning," says Gay Elliott, tion (IIDA), also found that 99 room and stimulate teachers and interior design coordinator for

percent of respondents believe students, whereas windowless Fanning/Howey Associates

that school design is important classrooms that have only arti- Inc., the nation's largest school

teachers realize a well-designed vironment with good acoustics, important to ensure their class-

classroom enhances their abil- which helps students concen- rooms are designed to stimulate

ity to teach and their students' trate on what they are learning. them in a positive way."

Last Year's Rate

Pay Debt Service

Proposed Rate

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Natural light combined with

The Ideal Learning Environ- workspaces allow teachers to falls, provides thermal insulation

A classroom that minimizes

Facility remodeling is still in cents per hundred dollars of progress at BISD. We've com- value. The total tax this year is pleted enough that school can \$1.2419 and for the next year, start. The school auditorium is it is \$1.2675. This tax rate maxiand Donna Schuster on the birth carpeted and we await the instal- mizes state matching funds that turn to school what better time fund through the sale of these and blue across the bottom of the

to Jones Elementary School. The task that the school board and Brackettville for the first few stadium bleachers & technology administration have is to hire good teachers. We have an out-The school budget is a huge standing crop of new staff. I prayers are with the Schuster project and it is still in progress. know that the community will wide. The School Board has set Mon- enjoy these fine, positive staff

Essential Knowledges and the tax rate needed to support Texas. It's August and the dog Skills, and in gifted and talented the budget. Our school district daze are here. The weather is and special education. Teachers received state equalization funds always hot and dry in also worked through campus to match local taxes. The tax rate Brackettville in August. Have a

or activities in other rooms.

Comfortable seating and it improves safety from slips and

ficial light can make students design firm. "Children respond

feel tense and cause eyestrain. differently to various classroom

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& Operations

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rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value

Average Market Value of Residences.

Average Taxable Value of Residences

Taxes Due on Average Residence

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pared to hard-surface flooring."

"Good design is fundamen-

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young and old, prepare to re- \$60,000 had been raised for the Succeed" are scrawled in red to feature the Read to Succeed plates. specialty license plates. The office can provide Texans with open book depicting the Lone ganization. these plates, whose sales benefit public school libraries state-

The plates cost \$30 annually in addition to the regular regis-We remain hot and dry in tration fee. Of that amount, \$25 goes to a special fund set up to provide educational materials for the state's public school libraries. Owners of fleets of 50 or more vehicles can obtain the plates for \$20 per vehicle (\$15 goes into the special fund). As

Brackett ISD Activity Calendar

Thursday, August16 7:30 PM Brackett Athletic Booster Club Potluck Supper, Civic Center

Payroll Cut-Off Date Saturday, August 18 Matches (Leakey, Comstock, D'Hanis) (H)

Tuesday, August 21

If you haven't done so already...please turn in your employee handbook receipt to the Central Office. GOOD LUCK! It's going to be a great year!!!

State Revenue

Per Student

\$4,853

\$4,853

\$4,804

This Year

\$28,508

\$13,508

\$1.2675

\$171.21

\$24.65

\$1,709

Friday, August 17 9:00 AM V Vlybl Dual

Monday, August 20 6:30 PM Jones Elem. "Meet the Teacher Night" GR PK-3, JH Vlybl @ Eagle Pass Memorial

5:00 PM JV/V Vlybl @ Comstock, 6:30 PM Jones Elem. "Meet the Teacher Night" GR 3-6

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The Brackett I.S.D. will hold a public meeting at 6:00 PM, August 27, 2001 in Board Room, Central Office Building, 400 Ann Street, Brackettville, Texas.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

\$1.2419

\$1.2187

* \$1.2675

Last Year

\$11,801

\$1.2419

\$146.56

Sinking Fund

\$0.0872

\$0.0840

School Supply List 2001-2002 Grades 7 & 8

- No. 2 lead pencils
- Ink pens-black/blue for written work, red for grading/
- Colored pencils (map colors) -at least 12 colors
- · Package of at least 4 differ-
- ent colored hi-liters • Art gum eraser
- 12 inch ruler with markings
- in centimeters and inches
- Subject Dividers 8 1/2 x 11" Wide Ruled, loose leaf, white notebook pa-
- per Pencil pouch/bag
- No Trapper Keepers or similar notebooks with velcro fasteners
- given below to purchase the following items: • 7 each - 1" vinyl ring bind-

Please use the color code

- 7 each folders with pockets and fasteners (brads)
- 2 each spiral notebooks (for Language Arts & Math Enrichment) Color Code for the items
- above: • Light blue - Language Arts
- Red Reading Black - Social Studies
- Yellow Science
- Light Green Math
- Tan Math Enrichment · White - Other Classes

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

election is \$1.2787. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of \$1.2787.

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$1,500,00
nterest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$0

The Read to Succeed license

Austin - As many Texans, of September 2000, more than Star Flag. The words "Read to

Today, TxDOT has more Texas Department of Transpor- plate design features a golden than 85 different specialty plate Probably the most important tation (TxDOT) and the local background on the left side of designs, with many of them bencounty tax assessor-collector's the plate with a drawing of an efiting a particular group or or-

2001 Property Tax Rates

in Kinney County

This notice concerns 2001 property tax rates for Kinney County. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpavers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value. Special Road/

Last year's tax rate:	General Fund	Bridge Fund
Last year's operating taxes	\$855,373	\$22,647
Last year's debt taxes	\$0	\$0
Last year's total taxes	\$855,373	\$22,647
Last year's tax base	\$106,921,625	\$105,827,103
Last year's total tax rate	0.8000 /\$100	0.0214 /\$100
This year's effective tax rate:		
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$852,252	\$22,549
/ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$116,553,535	\$115,384,845
= This year's effective tax rate for each fund	0.7312 /\$100	0.0195 /\$100
Total effective tax rate	0.7507 /\$100	
x 1.03=maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearing	0.7732 /\$100	Physic
This year's rollback tax rate:	C.M. simal nob	\$22,549
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate, and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)	\$893,596	522,549 53.07 04.07 04.07 05.07
/ This year's adjusted tax base	\$116,553,535	\$115,384,845
= This year's effective operating rate	0.7667 /\$100	0.0195 /\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	0.8280 /\$100	0.0210 /\$100
+ This year's debt rate	0.0173 /\$100	0.0000/\$100
= This year's rollback rate for each fund	0.8453 /\$100	0.0210 /\$100
This year's total rollback rate	0.8663 /\$100	
- Sales tax adjustment rate	0.0266 /\$100	37
= Rollback tax rate	0.8397 /\$100	200
Statemen	t of Increase/Decrea	ise

\$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2000 taxes by \$4,417.

Schedule A: General Fund **Unencumbered Fund Balances**

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt

Type of Property T	ax Fund		Balance
General Fund	(150g to holl		\$300,000
	Schedule B. Gen	eral Fund	

2001 Debt Service The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by

property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

	Description of Debt	Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
	Sinking Fund	\$20,398	\$0	\$0	\$20,398
	Total required	for 2001 debt service	To Day		\$20,398
	Amount (if an	y) paid from funds liste	d in Schedule A		\$0
-	Amount (if an	y) paid from other resou	irces		\$0
-	Excess collect	ions last year			\$0
=	Total to be pa	id from taxes in 2001			\$20,398
+		d in anticipation that the 00.00% of its taxes in 2		leerd See O 60	\$0
	Total debt lev	y			\$20,398
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Schedule A: Special Road/Bridge Fund

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt

Balance Type of Property Tax Fund

Schedule B: Special Road/Bridge Fund 2001 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes		Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment	
	Mar.	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0
Total required	for 2001	debt service				\$0
- Amount (if an	y) paid fr	om funds list	ed in Schedule A		#8.H.	\$0
- Amount (if an	y) paid fr	om other reso	ources			\$0
- Excess collect	tions last	year				\$0
= Total to be pa	id from ta	xes in 2001				\$0
+ Amount added						\$0
= Total debt lev	y					\$0

Schedule C: Expected Revenue from Additional Sales Tax In calculating its effective and rollback tax rates, the unit estimated that it will

receive \$0 in additional sales and use tax revenues. The county has excluded any amount that is or will be distributed for economic development grants from this amount of expected sales tax revenue.

Schedule F: Enhanced Indigent Health Care Expenditures The Kinney County spent \$96,026 from October 1, 1999 to September, 30 2000 on enhanced indigent health care at the increased minimum eligibility standards, less the amount of state assistance. For the current tax year, the amount of increase above last year's enhanced indigent health care expenditures is \$41,344. This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at 412 S Ann St., PO Box 1377,

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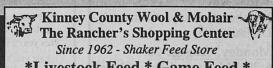
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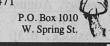
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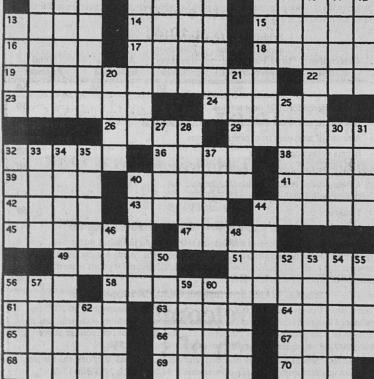
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Trivia Time by Walter Branch

1. What title was the only one to be won twice by Mary Campbell, in 1922 and 1923?

2. In what 20th-century decade did AT&T first introduce 800 num-3. What movie was first - "Friday the 13th" or "Halloween"?

4. What "Dallas" character's cowboy hat made it into the 5. Who was president when the Wright brothers made their his-

6. What 1976 report was subtitled "A Nationwide Study of Fe-

7. What leader did Yasser Arafat support in the Gulf War?

8. What is the world's oldest science? 9. What stage name did P.T. Barnum choose for a 5-year-old he

found in Bridgeport? 10. What was the first American airline to use a computerized reservation system in 1962?

August 19.....Bill Moody

August 22..

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

August 16	Doug Davis	August 19	Danny O'Conner
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example is given to get you started. Can you find today's 20 words?

Today's Category: WATERCRAFT Sahaanar

by Charles Cooper

Watch the fine print on any legal

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Finances take precedence as the week begins. However, a little fine-tuning of the family budget puts everything back on track. Over the weekend, keep peace take full advantage. Family fi-

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You're not always good at taking advice. Yet, this is the time you really need it. Make an effort to be more receptive.

Things are exploding on the work front. Fortunately, all these developments are in your favor. Tension over the weekend with your mate could escalate into an argument.

your glory.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) Your charitable nature is tapped into. Don't worry. You have no end. reason to fear that you're being taken advantage of.

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2. Ambrose 3. Andrew

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SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov.

21) You don't know it, but you'll

be looking a gift horse in the

mouth. Once you realize this,

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to

Dec. 21) It's a good week for

forging new agreements. At

work, be sure you are able to

delegate responsibilities. Over

the weekend, enjoy social oppor-

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan.

19) You're in the mood to stick

close to home this week. At the

same time, don't ignore press-

ing tasks at work. Once the

weekend starts, feel free to en-

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb.

18) A child captures your full

attention this week. Between

you and your mate, you're able

to iron out any problems. Use

caution while driving or operat-

ing machinery over the week-

PISCES (Feb. 19 to March 20)

Your mate gives you good news

about finances. You have long-

term goals and are well on your

way toward achieving them.

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nances improve as a result.

JEVANDA QCANDIBO

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Self-doubt is dispelled as the documents presented to you this week begins. Thus, you begin a week. Competition is stiff at new cycle of self-confidence. work. However, you're up to the This weekend, be sure to practice teamwork with friends and challenge. family instead of going solo.

with family members.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22)

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22) You're joy domestic life. right at the thick of the action, which suits you just fine. Beware, though, of hogging the spotlight. Someone else should share in

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say, "Let's go!" Kids say some- know? Do we watch television teacher or to help in some way? thing in the middle. As we be- programs with suggestive gin to focus on the importance themes and vulgar language have programs for all school age of educating our children, we while the children are watching children. With enough people to should focus on the importance with us? Do we ignore our chil- help, we could have adult proof their religious education as dren when they need our help grams and classes for

Parents are the first educators too busy or too tired? of their children. This obviously

and live what they learn. Do we our children to acquire? When church, in our school, in our come home from work night was the last time we talked to community who give of their after night angry and upset with our teenagers about the morals time and talents for our children. the boss or the other people with we expected them to practice? whom we work? Do we "borrow" things from the work- lies who do these things fre- Magdalene Catholic Church. place, because the boss will quently, thank God. For those God Bless You!

or want to talk because we are preschoolers as well. We have

includes educating them in their was the last time we prayed as a thusiastic Religious Education faith. This may include the tra- family, read the Bible together Coordinator in Candace ditions and special practices of or even said a word of thanks O'Neill. I'm sure she could use a particular religion, but it when we sat down to dinner to- your help. Think about it—what should also include our own gether? When was the last time can you do? we discussed our religious be-Children learn what they live liefs, or the values we wanted generous, caring people in our

never miss them? Do we speed who do not, there is help. All of

down the highway with one eye our community churches have on the mirror to be sure no strong children and youth pro-"cops" are around? Do we drink grams. Have you enrolled your School is about to start. Par- and drive? Do we gossip and children in one of them? Have ents, say, "Hooray!" Teachers spread rumors about people we you volunteered yourself as a

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Is there someone, some where, from your past that desperately needs your forgiveness and understanding?

Was the hurt, pain and/or hube impossible for you to ever ourselves. forgive them.

that you ever do?"

done to us, belongs to God. Not lives. us. Please, turn to God for his justice and comfort.

Remember what God said, us "Vengeance is mine!" God's ful experience that we may have made to us. been subjected to. Judgement is God's job, not ours.

limits or boundaries. Oh! Come lives. on Dave! Do you really believe all of this stuff? Absolutely! Without the slightest doubt!

ever heard of, concerning for- and help us, all the way. giveness, is the age old story of

Joseph's story starts when he was just seventeen. Joseph's personality, character and attitude boastful and he was insensitive. have us all do, forgive. He was all the things that God deplores.

Joseph made it easy for his ing plan for your life? brothers to hate him and hate into slavery instead.

It would be good to remem-

ber at this point, that God uses style right now? people and circumstances to fulfill his plan for our lives.

power to help us face our prob- you. lems head on, whatever they may be.

As humans, we may struggle miliation so great and you have to maintain our faith in the face he has the plan. hated that person for so long, of trials and difficulties that we

Joseph and all of us who love Have you vowed to "get God and cooperate with his pur- to fly to great heights. In the even, even if it's the last thing pose and calling cannot be sepa- middle of lifes continual prob-Revenge for whatever was ing out of his purpose in our minds us, that he is in charge,

God never gave up on Joseph

God stands faithfully behind during trying times. love for us outweighs any hurt- all the promises, that he has ever

life and he has a definite, con- he will do to use this for our God's love does not have any cise plan for each of us and our benefit in the weeks and years

You and I face obstacles everyday but we have confidence things, that I would like to say The greatest story that I have God is there to guide, comfort

man and could have taken re-

venge on his brothers. Instead, he forgave them and was one of arrogance. He was asked for their forgiveness as naughty, he was naive, he was well. This is what God would

> Have you been patiently wait- do so. ing for God to work out his lov-

him they did. It was in their ken relationship or perhaps a also forgive you. But, if you do hearts to kill him, but sold him betrayal of trust or some other not forgive men their sins, your

Keep the Lord in mind

God can turn whatever bad there is into good, just as he did God has more than sufficient for Joseph, he'll gladly do for

Instead of trying to make things happen all by yourself, let God. Turn it over to the master,

We must learn to trust God's that you feel like, it would just may or may not have created timing and turn our lives and our dreams over to him.

God may be preparing you, rated from his love or the work- lems and challenges, God rethat he is in control.

God remains faithful to us, and he'll never, ever give up on just as he did to Joseph. He fulfills his promises by blessing us

God knows what we are doing and he knows what we are God had a plan for Joseph's learning and he knows just what ahead.

There's just a couple more that through every struggle, concerning this business of forgiving our enemies.

First, it always helps when With Gods help, Joseph be- you can see the big picture. Forcame a wealthy and powerful giveness comes easier, when looking thru wide-angle lens. Then and when, you can see the whole picture.

Forgiving is not easy, when the other person is clearly in the wrong, but Jesus requires us to

Jesus told us, "For if you forgive men when they sin against Are you experiencing a bro- you, your heavenly father will painful restriction on your life father will not forgive your sins.

Temptation comes from your own desires never tempts anyone else either. not perceive its meaning. For

Gateway Ministries Pastor Charolette Corey

bless you when you patiently en- evil actions lead to death. So eyes- and their hearts cannot dure testing. (James 1:12) He aldon't be misled, my dear broth-understand, and they cannot lows testing to happen to ers and sisters." (James 1:12- turn to me and let me heal strengthen your bond with him. 16) When you are tested, your the mire of false pride and de- from the evil one.

Temptation comes from the lure the hearts of the people are hardof our own evil desires. These ened, and their ears cannot God is ready and willing to desires lead to evil actions, and hear, and they have closed their

By keeping your eyes only on choices indicate whether you Jesus, the Father will cause you and instead be like those God's choose to trust him and discover not to be lead into temptation word speaks of when it says, a new facet of his glory and (not to yield to it) as the Lord's "But blessed are your eyes, grace or to distrust him and Prayer has taught us to pray in because they see; and your continue to wallow in your own Matthew 6:13. He also tells us ears, because they hear." (Matt. ignorance, sinking deeper into to pray for God to deliver us 13:16). Count it all joy, for as a

Our choices lead us into information and be blessed by written in the book of life. No temptation, not God. "And re- it or to be like the people of old weapon formed against you member, no one who wants to whom God chastened by saying, shall prosper. Rejoice, for Jesus do wrong should ever say, 'God "You will hear my words, but has overcome the world! is tempting me,' God is never you will not understand; You Stand in faith, rest in hope,

them." (Matthew 13:14-15).

Harden not your heart today believer in Christ Jesus as your You have a choice to take this Lord and Savior, your name is

tempted to do wrong, and he will see what I do, but you will walk in love. Praise the Lord for his goodness

St. John's Missionary Church from the hand of the enemy,

Lord, for he is good, for his from the south.

mercy endureth forever.

Obituaries

Mary Joyce Bell

Mary Joyce Bell, 74, of Ft. kota. Several grandchildren.

Clark Springs, Texas, passed Visitation was Thursday until 1

away Monday, Aug. 6, 2001 at PM. Funeral Services were at 1

a local hospital. She was born PM. Thursday at G. W. Cox

July 26, 1927 in Bonham, Memorial Funeral Home with

Texas. Survivors are her daugh- Reverend Brian Spangler offici-

ter, Marisue Bell of Odessa, ating. Burial was at the Masonic

Texas. Son, Gregory Lane Bell Cemetery. Funeral Arrange-

& his wife Bonnie of Castle ments with G. W. Cox Memo-

Rock, Colorado. Sisters: Linda rial Funeral Home @ 114

By Rev. William P. Adams Sr. And gathered them out of the fainted in them. Then they cried Oh, give thanks unto the the west, from the north, and and he delivered them out of

They wandered in the wilder-Let the redeemed of the Lord ness in a solitary way; they right way, that they might go to say so, whom he hath redeemed found no city to dwell in.

Hungry and thirsty, their soul lands, from the east, and from unto the Lord in their trouble. their distresses.

> And he led them forth by the a city of habitation.

Oh, that men would praise the Lord for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men! Psalms 107: 1-8.

Dear Heart of Jesus, in the past I have asked of many favors. This time I ask you this very special one "mention" favor! Take it Dear Jesus and place it in your own broken heart, where your father sees, it. Then, in your merciful eyes, it will become your favor, not mine. Amen. Say this prayer for 3 days, promise to publish and the favor will be granted, never known to fail.

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By Dr. Donald Smith

"Well dad, I think I'm loaded up and ready to go. I believe I can face the dragons again at State College." Both men laughed heartily.

a job and a family of your own." ment in silence, sharing unspodren. "Thanks mom," he said.

"Your strength and love has and love her as you love yourmake it." Then turning to his At all times bless the Lord God dad he said, "I need your and ask him to make all your prayers and your blessing be- paths straight and to grant sucfore I leave."

having you home, son. We trea- gave to his own son many cen- times, and remember you have sure these times. It won't be turies ago when the young man an angel to go with you, invite long until you leave for good for was about to depart on a long him into all you do and listen to journey. Keep the Lord in mind him." They all prayed and the The two men stood for a mo- in everything you do, give to the young man once again drove poor, and guard against every away. ken thoughts and words. The form of immorality. Discipline. young man turned and hugged yourself and pay all your debts his mother. He was the young- immediately. Do to no one what by the St. Henry deOsso Family est and she found it difficult to you yourself dislike and do not Project working in Brackettville let him go. But it was a process drink alcohol for the sake of to strengthen families, faith and that had been repeated five times getting drunk. Find yourself a education. in prior years with other chil- woman who shares your faith

given me the hope I needed to self. Seek the counsel of wise return to college. I know I can men and listen to their advice. cess to your endeavors and "Son, I'll leave you with the plans (Tobit 4:1-19). My son, "Mom and I really enjoyed same advice that a very wise man read the book of Tobit many

This column is brought to you

& Martha Richardson of N. Da-Martina S. Arellano

Craddock of Wimberley, Texas; Fletcher Dr. 775-2000.

Mrs. Martina S. Arellano of morial Chapels. The funeral will Victoria, Texas passed away on be on Saturday at 10:00 a.m. at August 9, 2001 at the age of 82. the Our Lady of Sorrows Catho-

1919 in Brackettville. She was Ireneaus Ekiert. Burial will folpreceded in death by her par- low at the Resurrection Cements Jose and Victoriana etery. Hernandez Sandoval, brothers Gabriel Sandoval and Pablo Bermea, Jr., Leonard Bermea, Sandoval, sisters Victoria Pena and Maria Aguayo.

Francisco Arellano of Victoria, Eddie Hernandez. TX. Daughters; Angelica Hernandez of Victoria, TX, Anabelia Vasquez of Victoria, TX, and Victoria Bermea of Victoria, TX.

Sisters; Paula Munoz of Brackettville, Agapita Morin, of Brackettville, Euleteria Garcia of Brackettville, and Roberta Hernandez of San Antonio. Brothers; Gregorio Sandoval of Brackettville, and Joe Sandoval of Uvalde. She had nine grandchildren, twenty-nine great grandchildren, and seven great

great grandchildren. Visitation will be on Friday at 4:00 p.m. and rosary will follow at 7:00 p.m. at Artero Me-

She was born on February 3, lic Church officiating Rev.

The Pallbearers are; Leonard Sr., Orlando, Bermea, Paul Patrick Trevino, Jr., Fabian Survivors are her husband, Aguillon, Jim Holston, Jr., and

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS of pro-

posed Texas highway improvement contracts. Sealed proposals for highway improvement contracts will be received by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) until the date (s) shown below, and then publicly read. Construction/Maintenance Contract (s), District: Laredo contract 0922-33-063 for sign refurbishing in Webb County, etc will be opened on September 05, 2001 at 1:00 pm at the State Office. Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or District Office listed below. Bidders must submit prequalification information to 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 from TxDOT's website at www.dot. state.tx.us and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor, NPO: 4277 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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The Deadline for submission of this RFP is Friday, September 07, 2001 at 3:00 p.m., CST, at the following address: Middle Rio Grande Development Council, 307 West Nopal, P.O. Box 1199, Carrizo Sprins, TX 78834.

Proposal packets may be obtained by contacting Evangelina De Leon, STC/ Youth Coordinator at (830) 876-3533 or TDD telephone number (830) 876-1260 or from any of the Middle Rio Grande Workforce Centers; Dimmit County Workforce Center P.O. Box 1199 307 West Nopal, Carrizo Springs, TX 78834 (830) 876-3533 Tel (830) 876-9415 fax.

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Camp Wood, TX 78833 (830) 597-3356 Tel (830) 597-3357 fax.A bidder conference will be held on August 24, 2001 at 10:00 a.m. at the Dimmit County Workforce Center on 307 West Nopal, Carrizo Springs, Texas. All bidders who intend to submit a response to the RFP must attend the bidder's conference. Please RSVP no later than August 21, 2001 with Evangelina R. De Leon, STC/Youth Coordinator at (830) 876-1246. After the RFP is issued, the Bidders Conference is intended to be the primary source of information for all potential bidders. After the conference, only written questions on bidder letterhead will be accepted by or facsimile addressed to: Evangelina R. De Leon, STC/Youth Coordinator Middle Rio Grande Development Council P.O. Box 1199, Box 307 West Nopal Carrizo Springs, TX 78834 Facsimile number: (830) 876-9415. All questions must be received no later than ten (10) days prior to the September 07, 2001 deadline. All questions and answers will be disseminated to all bidders to ensure that each bidder is informed on an equitable basis. MRGDC staff may not provide individual assistance in writing proposals; only technical guestions may be answered. The Middle Rio Grande Development Council is an equal opportunity employer and auxiliary aids and services may be made available upon request to individuals with disabilities. The Middle Rio Grande Development Council reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals.

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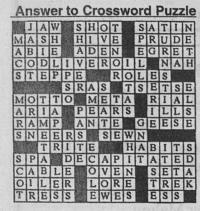
exam — is a great way to start! children's eye exam needs are being covered during school eye checks," said Dr. Michael Cohen, vice president, Professional Services, Sears Optical. "When in fact, those are simply screenings, mainly checking to see if the child can read a chart. That's why it's important to have a doctor of optometry check your child's eyes for other problems, including

childhood diseases." Prevent Blindness America recommends that children have a professional eye exam at six months of age, before entering school (age four or five) and periodically throughout the school years. Certain eye diseases are linked to heredity and should lead to more

frequent exams for the family. "There are certainly ways to determine if your child is having difficulty with their vision," said Dr. Cohen. "For example, they may rub their eyes excessively, shut one eye, hold objects close to their eyes, squint, have red or watery eyes or complain of head-

aches, dizziness or double vision." According to Dr. Cohen, "Any changes in vision, including, among other things, trouble adjusting to dark rooms, difficulty focusing, difficulty driving at night, double vision, excess tearing, dry eyes or seeing spots, should be reported to your eye doctor."

If you or your child is having trouble seeing, visit or www. preventblindness.org for more information.



Jose Montemayor's action today in levying fines against 17 Texas make health plans rethink the tachealth plans and ordering them to tics they've been using to drag out pay restitution to physicians and the payment process and that they other providers for repeated vio- will make a good faith effort to

ment laws. cians are facing here in Texas have the commissioner. We look for-"Many parents think their become acute. Physicians across ward to continuing to work with the state have had to dip into sav- him and Texas Department of Inings or take out loans to meet their surance staff to resolve these probpayrolls and keep their office lems once and for all.

The Texas Medical Association doors open while these health applauds Insurance Commissioner plans have been sitting on millions.

TMA hopes these fines will lations of the state's prompt pay- comply with existing prompt payment statutes and the new regula-The payment problems physitions now under consideration by

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TOPIC: Discussion of Public Transportation Section 5310 Grants: Elderly and Disabled Grant Friday, September 7, 2001 in Laredo

WHERE: Laredo, TX: Texas Department of Transportation, District Office District Engineer Conference Room 1817 Bob Bullock Loop

TIMES: Both Meetings begin at 2:00 p.m. in Laredo

Laredo, Texas 78043

Friday, September 21, 2001 in Laredo

The Texas Department of Transportation is holding this workshop to discuss the Public Transportation Section 5310 Grants. This grant is for the provision of transportation services meeting the special needs of the elderly and persons with disabilities. TxDot's goal is to promote the availability of professional, cost effective, efficient, and coordinated passenger transportation services to the elderly and disabled persons using the most efficient combination of financial and other resources. Interested candidates for this grant in Val Verde, Dimmit, Mayeriick, Kinney, Zavala, La Salle, Duval and Webb County should contact Mr. Omar Cantu, Public Transportation Coordinator, by telephone at 956-712-7438, by E-Mail at ocantu1@ dot.state.tx.us or in writing at Texas Department of Transportation, 1817 Bob Bullock Loop, Laredo, Texas 78043 Applications will be made available at TXDOT'S Laredo District Office, 1817 Bob Bullock Loop, Laredo, Texas 78043. Applications will be accepted beginning July 18, through September 3, 2001. If you have any questions or comments please contact Omar Cantu, District Public Transportation Coordinator at (956) 712-7438

Departamento de Transportación de Texas

Aviso Publico Para hablar de la concesion de fondos de transportation publica Seccion 5310 Viernes, el 7th de Septiembre ano 2001 en Laredo Viernes, el 21st de Septiembre ano 2001 en Laredo

LUGAR: Laredo, TX: Departamento de Transportacion de Texas District Engineer Conference Room 1817 Bob Bullock Loop

aredo, Texas 78043 TIEMPO: Las dos juntas en Laredo comienza ha las 2:00 pm El Departamento de Transportacion de Texas (TxDot) esta organizando una reunion para discutir acerca de la concesion de fondos de Transportacion Publica Seccion 5310. Esta concesion economica es para proveer servicios de Transportacion necesarias para personas de edad avanzada asi como tambien para personas desabilitadas. El objetivo de TxDot es promover la disponibilidad de servicios profesionales, eficientes economicos y organizados de servicios de transportacion de pasajeros de edad avanzada y personas desabilitadas usando las mas eficiente combinacion de recursos y financiera. Candidatos interesados para fondes en los condados de Val Verde, Dimmit, Maverick, Kinney, Zavala, La Salle, Duval y Webb deben de llamar al 956-712-7438 con el Sr. Omar Cantu, Coordinator de Transporte Publico, para mayor informacion o por E-Mail al ocantu1@dot.state.tx.us, o en escrito al: Departamendo de Transporte de Texas, Transporte Publico, 1817 Bob Bullock Loop, Laredo, Texas 78043, Attn: Sr. Omar Cantu. Se puede obtener la aplicacion en la oficina del Departamento del Transportes de Laredo, 1817 Bob Bullock Loop, Laredo, Texas 78043. Las solicitueds seran aceptada empezando el dia 18 de Julio del ano 2001 hasta el dia 3 de Septiembre del ano 2001.

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