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Homecoming bonfire is tonight at dusk at Tiger track stadium

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Wardlaw named new city secretary

By J.J. GUIDRY
Editor

Former alderwoman Bonnie Wardlaw was named the new city secretary Tuesday night by the Brackettville City Council.

Wardlaw is set to begin work Monday with an annual salary of \$19,500.

"I'm really surprised and excited," Wardlaw said after the meeting. "I'm going to serve the city to the best of my ability. The doors to City Hall will always be open to the public. Hopefully, we can move on and

look forward to a brighter future."

Wardlaw was elected to her first term on the council in May and resigned last month to apply for the position.

The Brackettville native was appointed by a 3-2 vote. Council members Camilo Cruz Jr. and Mary Flores were in favor of the appointment, while Aldermen Tomas Gomez Jr. and Johnny Samaniego opposed. Mayor Pro Tem Francisca "Chica" Garza broke the tie.

"I think Bonnie will do a good job," Garza said. "She

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knows our situation and she's willing to take on the heat. I know she will get the job done." Wardlaw was one of four fi-

nalists for the position, along with Wes Robinson, Neil Simmons and Leigh Volcsko. "This was a very hard deci-

sion," Flores said. "There were a lot of qualified applicants."

The position has been vacant since former city secretary David Luna was fired in June.

The aldermen interviewed 10 applicants Sept. 23 and then met with the four finalists for a second round of interviews Sept. 30. The council voted to table to issue during that meeting after not being able to gain a majority vote for one applicant.

The council interviewed an 11th applicant during the meeting on Tuesday, JIM BOB TURNER of Uvalde.



Bonnie Wardlaw

Homecoming 2003



King and queen candidates
Brackett High School's 2003 Homecoming queen candidates are, bottom row (from left): Amanda Davis, Beth Ballew and Ashley Smith. King candidates are, top row: Glenn Morgan, Blake Ward and Dietrich Davis.

BHS hosts annual celebration

Brackett High School's 2003 Homecoming celebration includes the crowning of a queen and king tomorrow night.

This year's queen candidates are Beth Ballew, Amanda Davis and Ashley Smith. The king candidates are Dietrich Davis, Glenn Morgan and Blake Ward.

The festivities begin tonight with a bonfire at the track stadium at dusk. The annual parade will begin tomorrow afternoon at 2:30,

with a pep-rally following at 3 at five points.

Homecoming pre-game activities begin at Tiger Stadium tomorrow night 6:30 with the introduction of the Homecoming court and the crowning of the queen and king.

Whitney Massingill and Kristi Meyer are this year's junior prince and princess. The sophomore prince and princess are Travis Nowlin and Brandy Smith, while Robert Davis and Lola Cano are the freshman prince and princess.

The remainder of the Homecoming court includes the following dukes and duchesses: Cody Edwards and Dana Bonner, Student Council; Chestin Clark and Courtney Frerich, National Honor Society; D.J. Lattimer and Ivory Perez, Tiger Band; Tillman Davis and Stephanie Bonner, Science Club; Beau Watkins and Sarah Meyer, History Club; Kody Yeager and Emily Petrosky, FCA; and David Samaniego and Blanca Talamantes, FCCLA.

Citizens petition county tax hike

Kinney County citizens are petitioning the county's 12 percent tax hike.

J.J. Guidry, editor of *The Brackett News* and a former city councilman, presented the petition, signed by 362 citizens, during Monday's Commissioners Court meeting.

The petition is for a county-wide election to determine whether or not to reduce the county tax rate for the current year to the rollback tax rate.

"I think it is obvious that the average income in Kinney County hasn't increased 12 percent so we don't feel it's fair that the county's taxes increase 12 percent," Guidry said. "We're confident we could have obtained many more signatures, but we wanted to get the petition to the court in a timely manner."

According to the state tax code, the Commissioners Court now has 20 days to "determine whether or not the petition is valid and pass a resolution stating its finding. If the governing body fails to act within the time allowed, the petition is treated as if it had been found valid."

County Judge Herb Senne and Commissioners Pat Melancon, Joe Montalvo and Francie Wylie all voted for the 12 percent tax hike and the budget for the current fiscal year, while Commissioner Nat Terrazas opposed.

"The proposed rate for the general fund does not come up any this year," Senne said. "The proposed rate that you see an increase in is for road and bridge. That's about a nickle per \$100 valuation."

After approving four consecutive deficit budgets, officials are facing major budget cuts this

KINNEY COUNTY BY THE NUMBERS			
Following are comparisons of the 2002-03 and 2003-04 budgets for Kinney County:			
Individual Departments	2002-03 Budget	2003-04 Budget	Percent Change
County Clerk	\$107,858.99	\$91,873.22	-14.8%
County Judge	\$91,452.18	\$87,287.32	-4.6%
County Attorney	\$85,579.33	\$88,363.35	+3.3%
Justice of Peace	\$129,350.09	\$123,604.00	-4.4%
District Court	\$69,328.82	\$59,431.44	-14.3%
DPS	\$6,791.00	\$3,801.00	-44.0%
Constable	\$42,356.53	\$41,500.97	-2.0%
Tax Assessor	\$63,266.03	\$59,685.62	-5.7%
County Auditor	\$57,389.52	\$50,753.90	-11.6%
County Treasurer	\$51,711.54	\$48,203.11	-6.8%
Sheriff	\$633,313.06	\$520,487.64	-17.8%
DEA Task Force	\$50,259.66	\$56,252.63	+11.9%
J.D. Task Force	\$71,931.94	\$5,500	-92.4%
County Agent	\$55,554.55	\$56,054.88	+0.9%
Elderly	\$102,117.48	\$102,922.00	+0.8%
Road & Bridge	\$227,260.16	\$227,837.78	+0.3%
Library	\$83,529.07	\$88,583.25	+6.1%
County Wide	\$516,958.84	\$391,084.90	-24.3%
Civic Center	\$20,286.00	\$24,853.00	+22.5%
EMS	\$194,880.59	\$200,078.82	+2.7%

year. Melancon said "the major increase in the budget is 18 to 20 percent a year just in health insurance."

The commissioners pledged over \$300,000 in savings last year to balance the current budget. Officials are predicting a loss of \$196,000 at the end of this fiscal year.

"Last year, we did not balance with what we were spending," Melancon said. "We were taking what we had in savings. There's not as much in savings this year to do the same thing."

"I would rather sit here and argue than be in the shape the city is in," he said when explaining the tax increase.

One of the departments that took the biggest cuts was the Sheriff's Office. The sheriff's budget was decreased 17.8 per-

cent, from \$633,313.06 for the last fiscal year to \$520,487.64 for the current year.

Melancon said the cuts were necessary to balance the budget.

"We kept chiseling away because we're trying to get the budget balanced without going to the savings," he said. "The reason we do have some savings is revenue has been under-budgeted. Revenue is hard to predict in a lot of things."

Sheriff L.K. "Buddy" Burgess had to eliminate two job positions because of the cuts.

"People can't pay any more taxes in this county," he said. "You're maxed out. But you cut back on services — that's what I don't understand. People are paying more and they're getting less service."

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Legislature approves new map

By PEGGY FIKAC AND W. GARDNER SELBY
San Antonio Express-News

AUSTIN — The Texas Legislature ended a nationally watched fight over congressional redistricting Sunday with Senate passage of a bill meant to erase the Democratic majority in Texas' delegation in Washington.

Both chambers adjourned sine die Sunday, ending the Legislature's third special session of the year.

Democrats said they will continue to fight the new congressional map.

The map "decimates deep South Texas, the deep border region, and it disenfranchises millions," said Sen. Judith Zaffirini, D-Laredo. "At the risk of sounding like Scarlett, tomorrow is another day."

Republicans were savoring their hard-fought success.

The Senate adjourned before 7:30 p.m., more than three and a half hours after the House did.

The end of the legislative battle over redistricting came months after it began and two days before Tuesday's required end of this year's third special session.

"I feel a sense of relief," McClendon said. "This session has been completely uncalled-for, and I am glad we are adjourning and can save the taxpayers two days of expenditures."

Rep. Elizabeth Ames Jones, R-San Antonio, said, "I'm glad it's over."

The new map is expected to give the GOP a majority in the state's delegation in the U.S. House, in which Texas Democrats now hold a 17-15 majority.

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Some have estimated the measure could result in as many as seven new Republican victories. But House Speaker Tom Craddick, R-Midland, has said he expects no more than a total of 20 Republicans under the redrawn districts.

"Redistricting is important if we're going to have the people of Texas represented fairly," said Craddick, who succeeded in seeing creation of a congressional seat that will be anchored in his home city.

Texas is part of a bigger national fight, said political scientist Bruce Buchanan of the University of Texas at Austin.

"Most people see the Texas issue as a subset of a larger fight for dominance in American politics," he said. "Republicans more systematically and so far effectively have mobilized resources to try to secure their tenuous hold on power."

Republicans hold 229 of the 435 seats in the U.S. House, in which there is one independent.

Texas Democrats have vigorously fought redistricting with efforts including two walkouts, fleeing first to Oklahoma and then to New Mexico to break a quorum and keep legislative business from being conducted.



Protection from the flu
Mary Dixon (left), president of the Brackettville Lions Club, receives a flu shot from Sherry Hayes of the Texas Department of Health last Thursday during the Lions Club's annual health fair.

Photo by J.J. Guidry

NUTRITION

Editor's note: The following two stories were selected as the best written paper's in the nutrition and food science class at Brackett High School. Valerie Terrazas is a junior at BHS and Ivory Perez is a sophomore.

Nutrition is an important responsibility

By **VALERIE TERRAZAS**
Special to The Brackett News

Nutrition and your health are important responsibilities. Many people think it's just about what you eat and how much you eat, but your weight is also important.

You don't want to be overweight and you don't want to be underweight.

Being overweight or underweight not only affects you, but also hurts your family and friends.

To stay healthy, the best

thing to do is follow the Food Guide Pyramid.

You need six to 11 servings of bread and cereal. I know this sound like a lot, but it is the perfect amount. You need two to four servings a day of fruit to make sure you have enough vitamins and minerals.

You need three to five servings of vegetables to receive plenty of vitamins, and two to three servings of milk and meat.

It is very important to have a safe and sound body so next time you are eating keep this in mind.

Nutritional meals important for teens

By **IVORY PEREZ**
Special to The Brackett News

Not many people care about what they eat. Today, many people should really consider the healthy way of eating.

Most healthy meals should include vegetables, milk, yogurt or cheese, meat, poultry, fish, dry beans, and nuts, fruits, and also grains, such as bread, cereal, rice and pasta.

Staying healthy is very im-

portant. You live longer and have a better chance of staying out of the hospital. You will also have healthy skin, nails and teeth.

For athletic teens, it is very important to eat nutritional meals. Staying active burns calories. Active athletic teens need more protein in their meals to stay healthy.

Always watch what you eat and don't eat. Proper nutrition will keep you healthy.

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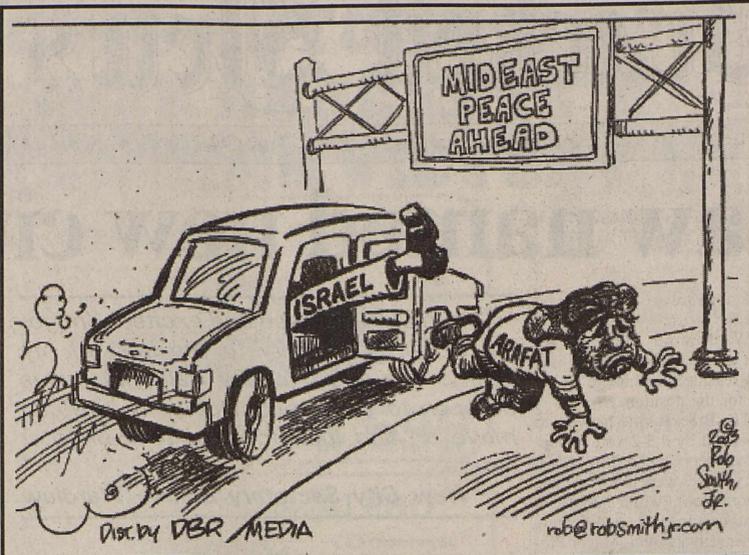
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There are no religious denominations in heaven

As I write this, it is Sunday and the churches in Brackettville are, I hope, full of worshipping Christians (I'm home sick — cough, cough).

This weekly occurrence of each of us attending "the church of our choice" started me thinking. Why are there so many different churches in Brackettville? We do all worship the same God, don't we?

One denomination doesn't allow musical instruments in the church and another can't conceive of service without musical instruments, so there is dissent and separation. One group sprinkles while another immerses in baptism. Are we reading from the same Bible?

Some denominations are not allowed to take the Lord's Supper with another church, because, maybe, that church does not believe that the bread and wine are physically and actually the body and blood of Christ.

Another church won't allow outsiders to take communion with them unless the visitor has permission from his church pastor beforehand.

In 1 Corinthians, Chapter 11, it says, "For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes. Therefore whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner, shall be guilty of the body and the blood of the Lord. But a man must examine himself, and in so doing he is to eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For he who eats and drinks, eats and drinks judgment to himself if he does not judge the body rightly."

Excuse me if I'm wrong, but this sounds to me like a very personal thing to each person who partakes of the Lord's Supper. It is, I think, intended to make us look deeply into our souls and look at our own reasons and our own faith.

I fail to see what the inner thoughts of the person sitting, standing or kneeling next to you have to do with whether or not you are honoring Jesus in your own heart and mind.

As for the reason we take the Lord's Supper in the first place, the same chapter says of the bread and the cup: "Do this in remembrance of Me."

One of Satan's great triumphs was dividing the true Church into denominations.

One of the great tragedies of man has been to ritualize so



The Way I See It

Steven R. LaMascus

many things that are not biblical. We become so focused on our ritual that we haven't the time for worship.

For instance, a friend wrote me the other day with the passing comment that a certain part of her "denomination" doesn't consider prayer a form of worship.

I must say this confused me a bit. I really never thought about it one way or another, and really must say that I don't see what relevance it has to our salvation. In fact, I'm hard-pressed to define worship at all.

My Webster's says that worship is: (1) "A prayer, church service, or other rite showing reverence for a deity." (2) "Intense love or admiration of any kind."

Carried to the ultimate, logical end this means that our very lives — the way we conduct ourselves 24 hours a day — is worship.

I don't go to church to worship God. I worship God every day, wherever I am. I pray to him about anything that comes to mind. I don't save my prayers for Sunday morning or Wednesday evening. I talk to God every day — often. And I believe ... no, make that I know that He answers my prayers.

Let me tell you a story to illustrate. This is very personal, so forgive me.

I began to write this column several years ago, before I retired from the Border Patrol. Some of the things I wrote could have caused me problems with my job. Therefore I considered the consequences and prayed a lot, for a long time before I took the step.

Last year I began to feel tired and ideas were just not coming to mind. I didn't feel led to write it any more so I quit. In the meantime, I was pursuing a career in outdoor writing for various magazines.

It was tough and slow-going trying to break into the business. I received more rejections slips than I can count.

One day recently I woke up with a terrible urge to write *The*

Way I See It again. Column ideas simply flooded into my mind. I sat down, wrote a piece and took it to the newspaper.

I again felt like I was being guided, prompted, urged to write. If I didn't put it down on paper I felt as if I would explode.

Two days after I resumed writing this column, I received a call from the editor of Texas Fish and Game Magazine.

I had met this man once at a writer's convention and had sent him a couple of articles for the magazine. We had spoken a couple times on the phone.

He told me that he had been thinking about making a few changes in the magazine and each time he "contemplated one particular change, the only name that came to mind" was mine. He then offered me the job of shooting editor beginning in January.

To say that I was stunned would be an understatement of universal proportions. After a few minutes of stunned incoherence, I accepted.

Now if you don't see the connection between those two events, and if you don't see the hand of God at work here, you need to look closely at your own faith. I feel that God has blessed me, directly and personally.

I have asked Him numerous times to let me be His servant in whatever way He thinks is best. My prayers were answered. This is not the first or only time that God has answered my prayers. Sometimes He has said yes, and sometimes He has said no.

Is prayer worship? For me it is. It is simply part of my relationship with God, and I praise Him for everything that I have and everything that I am.

Friends and fellow believers, you are my brothers and sisters in Christ. There are no religious denominations in heaven.

Anyone who believes that there is a God in heaven, that Jesus died for our sins, was resurrected and now sits at the right hand of God, and who accepts Jesus as Lord and Saviour is part of the Church. Everything else is mere details. Praise God!

Luke 9:49-50: "John answered and said, 'Master, we saw someone casting out demons in Your name; and we tried to prevent him because he does not follow along with us.' But Jesus said to him, 'Do not hinder him; for he who is not against you is for you.'" NASB



Teen Spirit

Shanae Simmons

Appreciate life and those around you

Recently, the Brackett volleyball team played a great game. We were playing against the Natalia Lady Mustangs — a team that had beaten us on numerous occasions.

Now I am happy to announce, the last game we played against them was victorious. Our slate is clean and now all district teams are even.

The only sad thing, at first, was not having been apart of it. During the game, my shoulder popped out of socket after a weird left-handed spike, putting me out for the rest of the night. At first, it was very disappointing.

I kicked myself for even trying to hit the ball over when it was in an awkward position in the air, especially since I was not using dominant hand.

After my bizarre attempt, the spike trickled down to the ground on our side of the net, my arm falling to my side at the same time. I then grabbed it, causing it to pop back in, resulting in much pain.

This wasn't the first time I dislocated a shoulder, but usually my right arm is the trouble maker.

As I spent the rest of the night on the bench, I saw the good by realizing it was quite exciting for me to get a chance to watch my team. Throughout the rest of the game, I stared out onto the court in amazement as they fought until the end. I jumped up frequently in excitement, at the same time trying to hold my ice pack on my injured shoulder.

After our win, I was so full of pride for my team that I shed a tear or two.

I am happy with the end results. Obviously, everything worked out for the best, and my arm is feeling a lot better.

I still think about how amazingly good I felt, even though I didn't get to play, and I realized how much I really care about my team.

I guess sometimes you just have to step out of your shoes for a second while life is in locomotion to really get to appreciate those around. It might just take an injury, or a little bad, to get you to stop and think.

Once you have realized how you truly feel about something or someone you seem to learn a bit more about yourself.

It's funny how it seems whenever you turn a corner, life has yet another lesson to offer in all new shapes and sizes.

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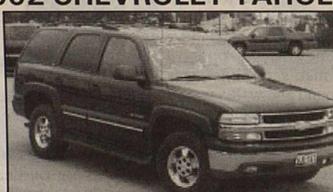


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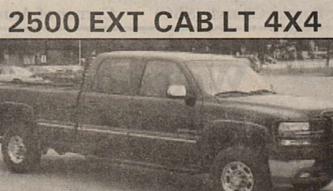


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"But Da-ad, it's not my fault. It was Jerry and Paul that did it."

Lonnie looked at his son in disbelief: "David, this is serious. This isn't a time to whine about someone else. It's time to stand up and take responsibility."

David slumped into a chair and pounded the table with his fists.

"Dad," he shouted. "I didn't do it! How can I be responsible for something that someone else did?"

Lonnie waited for David to calm down then he spoke: "You've been hanging around with Jerry and Paul. Your Mom and I both warned you about them. You must talk to the police."

"I believe you when you say you didn't intend to steal cigarettes. Jerry and Paul will probably deny it, but thieves are also liars. You were there and they are your friends. What you did was wrong and sooner or later the truth will come out."

"If I tell on them, nobody will ever trust me," David whined. "I won't have any friends."

"Listen son," Lonnie said. "Long ago a very wise man said that the accomplice of a thief is his own enemy. Even though he knows he will be punished, he refuses to tell the truth. (Proverbs 29:24)



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"Your fear of Jerry and Paul are a snare but if you fear the Lord and obey him you will be safe." (Proverbs 29:25)

David felt his father's loving words go to his heart. "Will you go with me, Dad?" he asked.

"You bet I will, son, every step of the way," Lonnie replied.

"The wise man also said, before you fall, humble yourself, and after you sin show repentance. To the penitent God provides the way back." (Sirach 18:20, 17:19)

David looked into his father's eyes and said, "I guess I need some new friends, huh?"

"You're learning wisdom, son," Lonnie said. "It would be wise to associate with kids who go to church, who keep the Commandments and who believe like you do." (Proverbs 37:12)

Editor's note: This column is brought to you by the St. Henry deOsso Family Project, working in Brackettville to strengthen families, faith and education.

'Familiar spirits' are spirits of the devil

While staying at my cousin's recently, she asked me if I would be uncomfortable sleeping in the same room where she has the box storing her mother's remains. I told her, "No, not any more than staying in the same room she lived in. Dust is dust, and Aunt Margie is no longer here, but in heaven occupying the glorified body which the Lord Jesus Christ had given her."

The word of God tells us that once we die, we stand before the judgment of God, either to live eternally with Jesus in the kingdom of heaven totally filled with his love, or to live eternally in the lake of fire and brimstone, with Satan and all his fallen angels, tormented for all eternity.

When my cousin pointed out the ashes of my aunt's remains, I had two choices — to be filled with fear or to be filled with

faith. Knowing that the deceased do not remain on Earth after they die filled me with confidence and peace.

What of those that say they continue to speak to the dead?

The Bible speaks of these as being "familiar spirits." These are spirits of the devil which are so familiar with the family traits, the family strengths and weaknesses, for hundreds of generations, that they simply can mimic the looks, sounds and actions of those who have departed.

They start out as "angels of light," but later, after they get the person "hooked" into talking to them, they lead the person into destruction.

The Bible warns over and over again to have nothing to do with "familiar spirits." When being tempted to converse with them, the simple action of



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renouncing them and pleading the blood of Jesus over your mind, will and emotions, as well as your property and possessions, will cause them to flee.

This world is filled with guardian angels (who are not former people, but are a company of creatures, made by God before he ever made mankind), and there are fallen angels who originally obeyed God, their creator, but later followed after Lucifer (Satan) and were tossed out of heaven to be confined on Earth.

Remember, only one-third were bad. We still have two-thirds who are still good and working as messengers of God.

This is why it is good to "test the spirits." Do you ever wonder whether a spirit is of God or of the devil? If it is of the devil, it cannot claim Jesus Christ as its Lord and Savior. Also, an angel of God will never tell you to do something that is in opposition to the written word of God.

Through Jesus Christ, we who believe in him as our Lord and Savior have all authority over devils, demons and the like through the blood that was shed once and for all by Jesus. All debt has been paid for sin, sickness and death. As a believer, you have the victory. You are more than a conqueror, you are an overcomer through Christ Jesus, your Lord and Savior.

Why the peculiar movement?

By REV. CORNELIUS J. SCANLAN
St. Mary Magdalene Church

Have you ever noticed how some animals, not all but some, walk as they make their way forward from where they were to where they are headed?

Yours truly has observed this manner of moving forward in two-legged birds, as well as four-legged animals, in the smaller bird population, as well as among the larger ones.

We can see it among, for instance, sparrows and doves of the smaller variety of birds, as well as among domesticated chickens and the wild turkeys we see in the area. And let's not forget the deer that populate the environs and Fort Clark Springs. I could not find the appropriate English word that captures this particular behavior.

Does "bobbing" describe it? Does "nodding" describe it? You choose!

In any event, you yourselves probably have observed how their necks and heads seem to point and stretch forward as they

unhurriedly make their way "from here to there" ... bobbing? Or nodding?

If you now have the image present in your imagination, do you have any idea why God made it so for them that they needed to proceed in such a fashion? If it is true, that speaks to us in the events of life, what is he saying to us here?

The above forms the basis of a question that has prodded my curiosity. I'll pass it along to you. I'll also pass along to you this reflection: Could it have anything to do with what we can read in the Epistle to the Philippians?

The New Jerusalem Bible Translation of the original language in which it was written puts it this way: "Brothers, I do not reckon myself as having taken hold of (the prize, the goal); I can only say that forgetting all that lies behind me, and straining forward to what lies in front. I am racing towards the finishing point ... Meanwhile, let us go forward from the point we have each attained."

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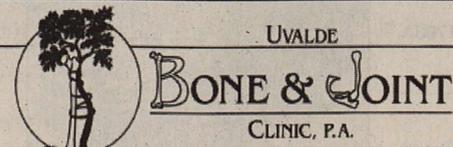
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Jesus' response to his question was for the rich young man to sell all that he has and give the money to the poor. The young man's response was to turn around and walk away, sorrowful, because he could not give up the attachments of his riches.

What can we do to inherit eternal life? The answer is nothing.

Our salvation does not depend on our own actions, but rather upon the grace of God. We simply believe.

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on the cross. Our salvation is a gift, all we have to do is to accept it.

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BRIEFS

Group to give away four rifles

The Kinney County Wildlife Management Association will be sponsoring a rifle giveaway for the following during the hunting season: bobcats and mountain lions, coyote and red fox, feral hog, and an open class for a \$10 donation. Four rifles will be given away — one for each of the categories.

All predators taken will be registered at the contest headquarters, the Kinney County Wool & Mohair, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. The open class will be for participants who have made a donation to the Wildlife Management Association. Every \$10 donation constitutes an entry.

A drawing will be held at the Kinney County Wool & Mohair on Jan. 20 at 10 a.m. to determine the winner.

Hunters Round-Up set for Nov. 1

The Kinney County Extension Office, the Wildlife Damage Management Association, the Chamber of Commerce and Fort Clark Springs Association will sponsor the annual Hunter's Roundup on Nov. 1.

Anyone interested in having a booth can contact the Extension Office at 563-2442. The price for a booth is \$25, or the donation of a door prize or raffle prize for the equivalent value.

Agents apprehend 3,288 illegal aliens

DEL RIO — U.S. Border Patrol agents from the Brackettville Station apprehended 416 illegal aliens in September.

Agents from the Del Rio Sector apprehended a total of 3,288 illegal aliens, including 1,097 in Eagle Pass, 487 in Carrizo Springs, 336 in San Angelo, 322 in Del Rio, 270 in Uvalde, 152 in Abilene, 126 in Llano, 63 in Comstock and 19 in Rock-springs.

Border Patrol officials also seized 3,642.78 pounds of marijuana, valued at \$2,914,223.20 during the month of September.



State recognition

Brackett ISD's 2002-03 Board-Superintendent Leadership Team has been awarded a certificate of commendation by the State Board of Education. Millie Klein (center), an associate director with the Region 20 Education Service Center presented the certificate Monday night to 2002-03 board members Jim McDaniel (from left), Henry Lutz, Tim Ward, Ronnie Hobbs, former superintendent Taylor Stephenson and Lloyd Lee Davis. Not pictured: Rose Mary Slubar and Sara Terrazas.

Photo by J.J. Guidry

Terrazas makes a difference

The title of this column is "Making A Difference." In my short time at Brackett ISD, I have come across numerous people who exemplify that title, and I would like to call attention to one in particular.

His name is Richard Terrazas and he serves as director of maintenance for the district. Although I do not know him well, I have already come to respect him and the work that he does a great deal.

The pride that Richard puts into his work is evident to anyone who happens to drive by 400 Ann Street. He is keenly aware that the work he does goes well beyond routine upkeep and has a very real effect on the safety and wellbeing of our students.

Not a week has gone by since



Making A Difference

Bobby Templeton

I have known Richard that he has not come to me and pointed out something that we could do better, safer or more efficiently. It may be as trivial as a new coat of non-slip paint on a walkway or as complex as looking for more economical and efficient ways of bussing our students to and from school. He looks out for us.

Last Sunday, Richard spent a good portion of the day — his day off — helping a bus load of kids from London ISD who were

stranded in Brackettville.

As I write this, Monday afternoon, he is still working on their bus so that they — kids he has never seen before — can continue on their trip without further incident. It really does not matter to Richard that they are not our kids, he is determined to take care of them anyway.

Together with Tommy Castillo and Armando Sanchez, Richard, literally, keeps the district running and operating smoothly.

Without the work of these men, busses would not run, electrical systems would overload, mechanical systems would cease to operate and our grounds would quickly fall into a state of disrepair. These men really do make a tremendous difference. Thank you, gentlemen.

SHERIFF'S REPORT

Monday, Oct. 6
9:15 p.m., Deputy Manny Pena reported that a fence had been cut on a ranch 4 miles south of Spofford on Highway 131. The owner of the ranch was notified.

Tuesday, Oct. 7
1:50 p.m., Catherine Titt, 22, of Mont Belvue was arrested on charges of assault and driving with a suspended license by DPS Trooper Tully Welch. She was booked into the Kinney County Jail and released the same day on a \$1,000 cash bond.

Wednesday, Oct. 8
1:42 p.m., A 911 caller reported a one-vehicle rollover on Highway 90, east of the Cline checkpoint and west of the railroad tracks. Kinney County EMS personnel were dispatched to the scene, and Uvalde County Sheriff's Office and DPS officials were notified of the accident.
4:40 p.m., A woman requested assistance unlocking her vehicle at the Civic Center.
5:30 p.m., A Brackettville man requested assistance unlocking a vehicle at the Brackett Tire Center.
7:30 p.m., A Brackettville man called 911 and hung up. Deputy Ron Ring was dispatched to the residence at 503 W. Thomas Street and said ev-

everything was fine.
11:53 p.m., A Fort Clark Springs security employee requested assistance at the guard shack.

Thursday, Oct. 9
4:21 a.m., A Fort Clark Springs man called 911 to report that someone had broken into his residence on Broken Arrow Road Tuesday night. The man found two rings and some cigarettes on the ground near the front door. The screen door was cut and the window on the back door was opened.
6:29 a.m., A woman called 911 to report that she had hit a deer on Highway 90, near the Cline checkpoint. Officials notified Trooper Welch of the situation.

Friday, Oct. 10
4:20 p.m., A Brackett ISD employee said a man entered a school bus and threatened the kids that were onboard.
8:45 p.m., Guadalupe Lumberas, 24, and Thomas Charles Ward, 22, both of Brackettville, were charged with possession of marijuana, more than 50 pounds and less than 2,000 pounds, and arrested by Drug Task Force agents. Both men were booked into the Kinney County Jail and then released two days later on \$7,500 bail bonds.

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Tigers lasso Mustangs 27-12 in district opener

Brackett rallies late to win district opener

By J.J. GUDRY
Sports Editor

NATALIA — Brackett scored a pair of touchdowns in the final two minutes of regulation Friday night as the Tigers kept their perfect record unblemished with a 27-12 win over the Natalia Mustangs in the district opener for both teams.

With the win, Brackett improves to 6-0 on the season. Natalia is now 2-4 overall.

"As a coach, you constantly preach the old cliché 'play for 48 minutes.' Well, it took all of the 48 minutes of hard nose football to beat a good Natalia team," Tigers coach David Yeager said.

"I do believe the kids work in the weight room and conditioning on the field did play an important role in the win. This was a game that was won by the investment of the players from last February through the summer up until Friday night. All the hard work in the weight room with Coach (Andy) Dickson and the rigorous summer training workouts really paid off. We tell the kids, the greater the investment, the greater the rewards."

Brackett was leading 13-12 before fullback Glenn Morgan broke loose for a 43-yard TD scamper with 1:58 remaining. Then, 47 seconds later, Noe Talamantes intercepted a Brian Clark Pass and returned it 69 yards for a score. Mark Kesteloot

then booted his third PAT of the night to ice the victory.

Morgan finished with a game-high 127 yards rushing on 11 carries. Defensively, the linebacker recorded 20 tackles.

"Glenn continues to run the ball hard and gets the extra yards after contact," Yeager said. "He was really a workhorse in the fourth quarter. He keeps pounding you and after a while they really don't want to tackle him. He also played very well defensively."

The Mustangs pulled within one at 13-12 on Eder Valera's 1-yard TD plunge with 7:19 left in the contest. Natalia went for the tie, but E.J. Hernandez booted the extra-point attempt wide left for the second time in the game.

Valera led the Mustangs offense with 113 yards rushing on 31 attempts.

Brackett went up 13-6 at the 8:26 mark in the third quarter on Talamantes' 4-yard touchdown run.

The Tigers took their first lead of the contest at 7-6 when Kody Yeager connected with Tony Rosetti on a 36-yard scoring strike with 26 seconds left in the first half. The touchdown capped an eight-play, 74-yard drive.

"Tony Rosetti, Noe Talamantes and Kody Yeager all ran the ball very well and picked up tough yards in crucial situations," Yeager said. "Our offensive



Photo by Danielle Moore

Fighting for extra yards

Brackett fullback Glenn Morgan (center) runs through the Natalia defense Friday night during the Tigers' 27-12 win over the Mustangs. Morgan rushed for 127 yards and recorded 20 tackles on defense.

line probably played their best game of the year. Jason Smith had five pancake blocks. Gumaro Martinez, Tony Jamail and Whitney Massingill also had big games on the line."

The Mustangs scored first on Chris Walker's 10-yard touchdown run at the 5:09 mark in the opening stanza.

Brackett's defense held Clark to only 51 yards passing. Till-

man Davis also nabbed an interception for the Tigers and returned it 46 yards.

"The secondary played very well," Yeager said. "The fans probably only recognize them when they make interceptions, but they also play a big role in stopping the run."

"Noe, Tillman, Cody Edwards, Brand Wylie and Kody all did very well Friday night.

Coach (Charlie) Marquardt and Dickson do a great job of preparing these young men to play every week.

"Our defensive line — Eli Woolsey, Joaquin Rivas, Whitney Massingill, Dietrich Davis, Jason Smith and Rolando Ortiz — also played well. They got tremendous penetration allowing our linebackers to flow and make tackles," he added.

Brackett hosts George West

Brackett is entering tomorrow night's Homecoming game with a perfect 6-0 record. George West, on the other hand, is 0-6, but coach David Yeager said his Tigers aren't taking the Longhorns lightly.

"George West is a scary team because they are much better than their record dictates," Yeager said. "Some of their losses have been close and if they get a key block or tackle here or there they win the game. We have been telling our kids all week that they cannot look past them or take this team lightly or they will get upset."

The Longhorns have lost to Bishop (48-0), Riviera (12-6), Goliad (13-6), Taft (38-13), Karnes City (41-7) and Freer (38-0).

"George West has some good running backs and their quarterback is a good athlete who runs the ball well," Yeager said. "Defensively, they fly to the ball very quickly. Speed and quickness are probably some of their strengths."

"We are playing with a lot of confidence right now. The morale is very high and the chemistry is very tight. You have to have some talent to be successful. However, team chemistry and morale are equally important in having a successful year," he added.

Tigerettes take lead in conference race

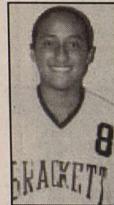
The Brackett Tigerettes moved into first place in the district volleyball standings with wins over Dilley and Natalia this past week.

The Tigerettes are now 2-1 in league play, while Natalia is 1-1 and Dilley is 1-2.

Brackett claimed a 25-21, 25-17, 25-27, 25-21 win over Dilley at home on Tuesday.

Courtney Frerich and Stephanie Bonner led the Tigerettes offense, both finishing with seven kills. Beth Ballew and Ashley Castillo each had six kills. Stacey Castilla, Ashley Smith and Brandy Smith all had two, and Amanda Davis added one.

Bonner also had 14 assists and eight aces, while Davis had 12 assists and one ace.



Castillo

Terrazas served five aces, Ashley Smith finished with two and Emily Petrosky had one.

Frerich tallied five blocks in the contest, Castillo had two, and Ballew, Castilla

and Ashley Smith each pitched in one.

Last Friday, Brackett defeated Natalia 20-25, 26-24, 25-20, 25-21 on the road.

"We played the best we have

"We played the best we have in a while. The girls handled the pressure well."

Rhonda Marquardt

in a while," Tigerettes coach Rhonda Marquardt said. "The girls handled the pressure well."

Bonner and Castillo both had four kills in the match. Ballew, Frerich and Ashley Smith each had two, and Shanae Simmons chipped in one.

Davis had seven assists, Bonner finished with six, and Ballew and Ashley Smith both had one.

Castillo served four aces, Bonner and Valerie Terrazas each had three, Emily Petrosky tallied two and Davis had one.

Castillo led the defense with 17 digs, Terrazas finished with 13, Ashley Smith had 10, Emily Petrosky and Stephanie Bonner both had five, Brandy Smith tallied three, Ballew had two, and Davis, Frerich and Simmons all had one apiece.

Castillo and Frerich also had one block apiece.

The Tigerettes resume play next Tuesday when they host Natalia again.

"I promise it will be an exciting game," Marquardt said.

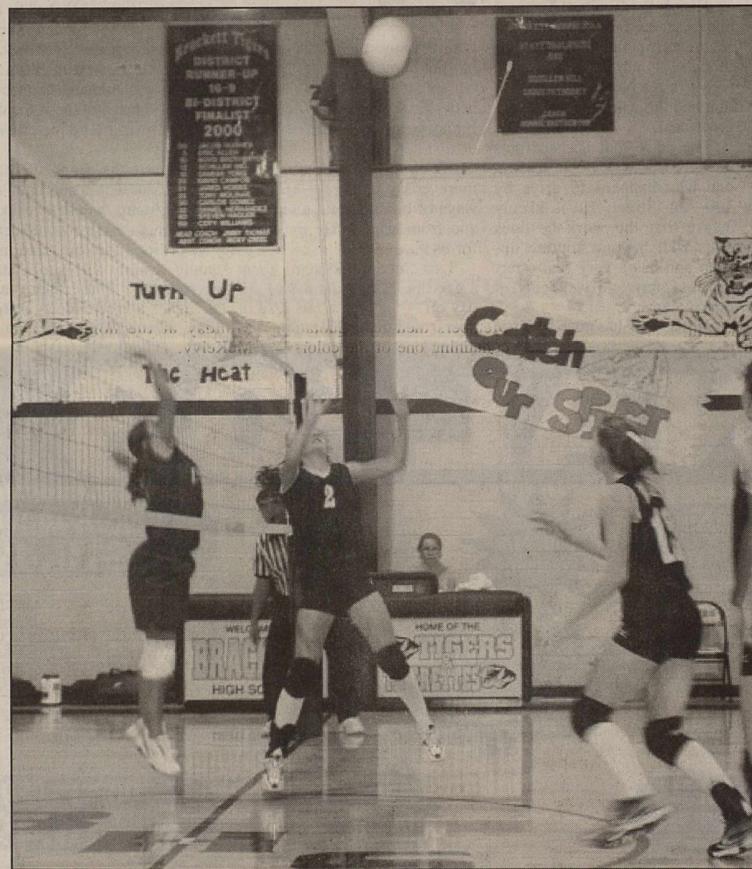


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Bump, set, spike

Brackett's Beth Ballew (2) sets the ball to teammate Courtney Frerich (12) during the Tigerettes victory over the Lady Wolves on Tuesday. The Tigerettes have moved into first place with back-to-back wins over Natalia and Dilley.

Runners finish second

By J.J. GUDRY
Sports Editor

DEL RIO — Juliann Ashabranner and Ashley Smith helped the Brackett Tigerettes to a second-place finish Saturday at the Del Rio cross country meet.

Ashabranner and Smith finished first and second in the varsity girls' division with times of 11:52 and 12:12, respectively.

Ashley Castillo turned in a time of 12:50, which was good for seventh place. Jessi Crane finished 16th after being clocked at 13:52, Brandy Smith was 19th with a time of 13:59 and Stephanie Bonner was 20th with a 14:15.

In the junior varsity girls' division, Tanya Molinar took fifth with a time of 14:42 and Divina Pena was sixth with a 15:30.

Justin Calk came in 17th in the junior varsity boys' division with a 20:43.

In the junior high girls' division, Harmony Pettett was third with a 14:00, Natalia Aguirre finished sixth with a 15:45 and Bianca Terrazas was eighth with a 16:20.

Travis Bonner finished 13th in the junior high boys' division with a time of 12:58, while K.J. Bonner was 18th with a 15:07.

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J.V., freshmen netters sweep Dilley

Brackett's junior varsity and freshmen volleyball teams swept district rival Dilley on Tuesday.

The J.V. Tigerettes picked up a 25-8, 25-7 victory over the Lady Wolves.

Kara Yeager finished the match with six kills and three assists, while Jessi Crane tallied nine assists. Juliann Ashabranner had 15 service points, including five aces.

"Timmeka Simmons, Kristin Meyer and Whitney Hobbs continue to do a great job passing the ball," Brackett coach Bonnie Brotherton said.

The ninth-grade Tigerettes won their match against Dilley 25-16, 25-21.

Laura Meyer was Brackett's top scorer with 12 points and Nadine Terrazas had five aces. Lisa Morgan pitched in three kills and Danika Schmidt had a pair of blocks.

"Allyson Del Bosque did a great job on the back row passing the ball," Brotherton said.

The junior varsity and freshmen teams will close their season next Tuesday when they host Natalia.

Junior Varsity Football

Ivan Pinales broke loose for a 26-yard touchdown run, which was enough to give the Tigers a 6-0 victory over Natalia last Thursday.

With the win, Brackett improves to 4-2 on the season.

Pinales finished the contest with 134 yards rushing on 16 carries. He also had an 8-yard reception.

Tigers quarterback Robert Davis was 2-of-3 passing for 48 yards and rushed for 24 yards on five totes.

Miles Breasicke had a 40-yard reception, while Ramiro Pina had 17 yards on two rushes.

The Tigers' defense held Natalia to only 40 offensive yards.

Eighth Grade Volleyball

The Cubettes won consolation honors at the Del Rio tournament on Saturday.

Brackett lost the first game to Eagle Pass Junior High, then won against Eagle Pass Memorial 26-24, 25-11.

The Cubettes were led by Daphne Hunt, who scored 14 straight points, including seven aces, in the second game.

The girls played Eagle Pass

Memorial again on Monday and won 25-23, 19-25, 15-12.

Playing well were Bailee Allen, Bianca Stewart, Capri Creech, Julie Castillo, and Ashley Stephenson.

Bailee Allen served 92 percent and had two kills, one ace, one block and one assist. Bianca Stewart had four assists, one kill and one ace.

"Capri Creech, Julie Castillo and Ashley Stephenson played well also," Cubettes coach Tiffany Blore said. "Stephenson passed the ball really well."

Seventh Grade Volleyball

The Cubettes competed in the Del Rio tournament on Saturday. The girls lost to Eagle Pass Memorial, defeated Comstock and then lost to Sacred Heart.

The seventh-graders defeated Eagle Pass Memorial 26-24, 18-25, 16-14 on Monday.

Natalie Aguirre served 95 percent, missing only one serve out of 19. Bianca Martinez served 86 percent. She also had two kills, while Bianca Terrazas had one.

Both junior high teams close their season Monday when they host Del Rio Blue.

Find the latest sports scores in The Brackett News!

DRT leader visits local chapter

Mary Walker, president general of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas, visited the Caddell-Smith Chapter at its regular meeting last Thursday at the Uvalde Country Club.

"Since there are 103 chapters in Texas, it isn't often that she is able to meet with the local chapters," said Pat McKelvy of Fort Clark Springs, president of the local chapter.

McKelvy called the meeting to order. Nettie Ollre, chaplain, led the invocation, followed by pledges to the United States and Texas flags, which were led by Otela Patterson, chairman.

Deloise Reagan reminded members of the objects of DRT, and upcoming Texas Honor Days were discussed.

Pricilla Montgomery, secretary, read the minutes of the last meeting, and the financial report was given by Ernestine Carson,

treasurer. Following the business meeting, the president general gave many interesting insights into the workings of DRT at the state level. Members then enjoyed a buffet luncheon.

The most significant contribution received recently has been a sword believed to have belonged to Mexican Gen. Antonio Lopez de Santa Anna that has been donated to the Alamo and a letter written by him donated to the DRT Library.

Howard Dawe, 80, of Arvada, Colo., discovered the items packed among his parents' belongings after their deaths more than 20 years ago. He does not know how or where his parents obtained them.

"Now that I'm getting along in years, I don't want them to deteriorate further. I thought people should see them — they

represent history," Dawe said. "It's the most exciting thing that's happened to us in a long, long time," said Kathleen Carter chair of DRT's Alamo Committee. "It's wonderful for the state of Texas. What's a museum without artifacts like this?"

According to Bruce Winders, curator for the Alamo, studies will have to be completed to guarantee the authenticity of the items, but he believes them to be genuine and relatively rare.

The sword is more than three feet in length and its steel blade is marked with intricate carvings. Believed to have been a commemorative gift to Santa Anna, it has a plaque that reads "General Antonio Lopez de Santa Anna 1829."

"The date on it — 1829 — refers probably to his victory over the Spanish at Tampico," Winders said. "He became

known as the hero of Tampico. That's what launched his presidential career."

The battle at Tampico was seven years before he led troops on a raid of the Alamo.

Dated Nov. 15, 1834, the letter is handwritten in formal script and is a note of thanks to a family that had played host to him. It is in surprisingly good condition. It will be filed in the DRT Library archives for scholarly research.

"Isn't it wonderful that people can be so generous?" said Elaine Davis, director of the DRT Library. "Maybe it will inspire others."

Dawe's wife, Connie, said she was relieved that the items had been given to the Alamo complex.

"They'll take care of them, and other people will be able to see them," she said.

New recipes proven successful

Wow! What a wonderful week! Cooler weather, welcomed rains and complete success with two new recipes. I believe you'll agree they're good.



Goodies From G.G.

Vada Baldree

Tater Poppers
2 large russet potatoes
1/4 cup vegetable oil or olive oil

1 1/2-ounce package taco seasoning mix
3 tablespoons cornmeal
Preheat oven to 450 degrees. Pierce potatoes with knife or fork, wrap them in a paper towel and microwave for about six minutes at full power or until barely tender. Then cut the potatoes into large cubes.

Combine the potatoes and oil in a large bowl and toss until the potatoes are coated.

Combine the taco seasoning and corn meal in a plastic sealable bag, large enough to hold the potatoes. Place the potatoes in the bag and shake to coat. Place the potatoes on an ungreased baking sheet and bake for eight to ten minutes or until golden brown. Makes four servings.

Triple Fruit Pie
1 1/4 cup each blueberries, raspberries and chopped rhubarb*
1/2 teaspoon almond extract
1/4 cup sugar or substitute
1/4 cup quick-cooking tapioca
1/4 teaspoon ground nut-

meg
1/4 teaspoon salt
1 tablespoon lemon juice
pastry for double-crust, nine-inch pie

Combine the fruits and extract in a large bowl and mix gently. In another bowl, combine the sugar, tapioca, nutmeg and salt. Add to fruit and gently stir. Let stand for 15 minutes. Place bottom crust in a pie plate, trimming even with the edge. Stir lemon juice into fruit mixture and spoon into the crust. Roll out remaining crust and make lattice topping. Seal and flute the edges.

Bake at 400 degrees for 20 minutes. Then reduce the heat to 350 degrees and bake another 30 minutes or until the crust is golden brown.

*I used frozen rhubarb and mixed assorted berries. It will take about 1 1/2 bags of mixed fruit and a 1/4 bag of rhubarb. If you are using frozen fruit, thaw and drain before using, then measure fruit. All these fruits can be found year round in the freezer section. To serve, top with whipped topping or ice cream.

DAR celebrates Constitution Day

The Uvalde de las Encinas Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution had 24 members and prospective members travel to Fredericksburg recently to celebrate Constitution Day with the nine other chapters in the Hill Country Council.

Attending the celebration from Brackettville were Jan Chism, Modge Hudson, Woodie Hornburg, Pat McKelvy, Woodie Frances Trotter and Louise Stone.

The featured speaker for the celebration was Texas Rep. Carter Casteel, who serves District 73. Casteel grew up in Monahans and graduated from high school there. She received her bachelor of arts degree from the University of Texas, her masters from Southwest Texas University, and her J.P. from St. Mary's School of Law.

Casteel has taught school

in Austin and also in Comal ISD. She has served as an attorney, county judge, and as president of the Comal County Bar Association. She was appointed chairman of the Battleship Texas Board by former Gov. George Bush. She was selected as the freshman representative of the year this past session.

The DAR chapter encourages any woman over 18 years of age, regardless of race, religion or national origin, to seek membership in this historic, educational and patriotic organization. Eligibility is based on direct descent from a man or woman who, with unflinching loyalty, contributed to the cause of American independence.

The next meeting of the chapter will be at The Bistro on Getty Street in Uvalde on Saturday. Registration is at 10:30 a.m.

McNew presents program on sorority's new theme

The Preceptor Theta Sigma chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met last month at the RV Park on Fort Clark Springs.

Lynn McNew was hostess. President Jan Chism welcomed members and conducted a short business meeting.

Arllys Simpson introduced her daughter-in-law, Rosa Simpson, to the group.

A light supper of chicken salad, a vegetable tray, cookies and ice tea was served.

Following supper, McNew presented a short program on this year's theme, "The Colors of Friendship."

Painting a rainbow as she spoke, she reminded members that the sorority's colors of red for courage, yellow for vision, blue for humility, orange for loyalty, green for fellowship, and violet for service form a rainbow of friendship.

McNew then pointed out that the evening's supper contained all the colors of friendship. Members then read quotations containing one of the colors.

Luella Gilliland won the door prize.

The chapter met again on Oct. 6 at the home of Luella Gilliland. Chism welcomed members and conducted a short business meeting.

A light supper of sandwiches, fruit, chips and delicious chocolate brownies was enjoyed by members present.

Gilliland gave an interesting program, following the chapter's decision to include family history in programs this year.

She displayed an amazing drawing of her mother's family tree and spoke about her family.

Gilliland was the youngest child, raised on a family farm outside Norman, Okla. She related many incidents about family holidays, and showed some wonderful pictures of her family.

Clara Eckenroth won the door prize.

The next meeting will be on Monday at the home of Pat McKelvy.

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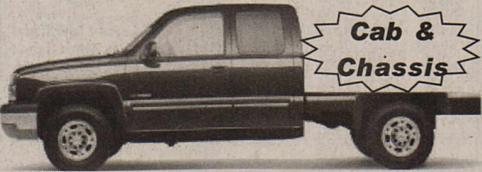
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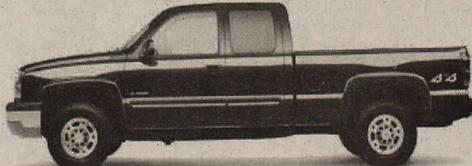
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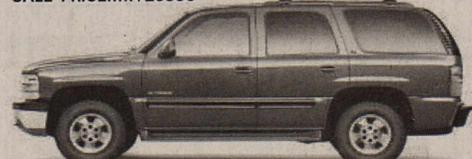
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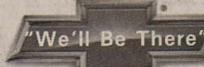
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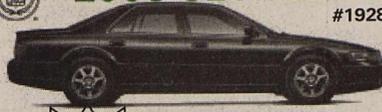
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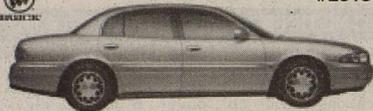
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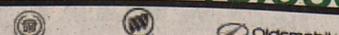
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