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Trustees accepts bid to remodel PCI building See story below

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Shortage of personnel prompts public hearing

Judge Seargeant applies for EMS variance with Department of Health

The lack of EMS personnel to operate the of two certified person on the unit when reambulance service in Kinney County will be the topic of discussion at a public hearing on Monday at 10 a.m. at the Courthouse.

Kinney County Judge Tommy Seargeant has applied to the Texas Department of Health for a personnel variance which would let the ambulance service operate while not being in effective June 30. compliance with the law.

hicles without meeting the required staffing ment the personnel needs.

sponding to an emergency call.

Seargeant said that the loss of two members of the organization has brought a chronic manpower shortage to a critical point.

Kinney County EMS currently has two fulltime and two part-time employees. One of the department's full-time employees has resigned

The county judge said that with limited If the variance is granted, Kinney County budgets and minimal collections, the organi-EMS could operate licensed emergency ve- zation must depend on volunteers to supple-

EMS officials will be contacting ex-members in an effort to regain their participation in the service.

The organization will also be recruiting volunteers to participate in a training program which will certify them for ambulance duty.

Without additional members, there is a possibility that the ambulance service may not be able to provide coverage during certain periods of the day, Seargeant said. Should this occur, an ambulance would have to be disdelay of thirty minutes or more.



County Commissioners Joe "Boy" Williams and Joe Montalvo patched out of Del Rio or Uvalde causing a ride in Saturday's Juneteenth parade. Williams served as the grand Brackett News Photo by Amanda Ward

DeLeon, Meyer named to all-state baseball team

By J.J. Guidry Sports Editor

Brackett's Ramon DeLeon and Michael Meyer were named to the Texas High School Baseball .532 batting average. He scored Coaches Association's all-state 35 runs, had 26 RBIs, 11 doubles, improved player that we had," team.

DeLeon, a senior, and Meyer, a junior, helped the Tigers to a 20-5 season record.

"I think it's wonderful," Brackett coach Gary Grubbs said job.' of the all-state selections. "Ramon and Michael are both well deserving of that honor.'

This marks the third year ors as an infielder.

DeLeon led the Tigers with a and stole 13 bases. two triples and stole 19 bases.

"Ramon was a very consistent a great job." player for us for four years," Grubbs said. "He did a real good named to the all-state team are

Meyer, Brackett's leadoff batter, boasted a .711 on-base per-

The outfielder hit .463, scored DeLeon was named to the all-state 35 runs, had nine RBIs, 10 team. This year, he earned hon-doubles and one home run. He also drew a team-high 35 walks

> "Michael was, by far, the most Grubbs said. "He came on and took over our leadoff spot and did

Other District 30-2A players infielders Ruben Campos of Charlotte and Chris Martinez of Comfort, and outfielder Nick Mendez of Natalia



RAMON DeLEON



MICHAEL MEYER

Kinney County to celebrate heritage

July 5 has been designated Kinney County Heritage Day. The Kinney County Historical Commission will be celebrating the day by sponsoring a "Heritage Fest" on July 5 from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Filippone Building.

Elsie Sauer and Charles Wilson will be honored for their contributions to the citizens of the county. There will also be demonstrations of various pioneer skills and the Heritage Museum will be open. Admission is free.



VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA, INC. CHAPTER 551, DEL RIO, TX

Del Rio's chapter of the Vietnam Veterans of America had one of the many floats in Saturday's Brackett News Photo by Amanda Ward two new teachers. Juneteenth parade.

School Board approves bid to remodel old PCI building

By J.J. Guidry News Editor

The Brackett School Board of Trustees approved a bid to remodel the district's alternative school at a special meeting on Monday night.

PCI office building on Ann Street.

The trustees awarded the bid to Mike Bizzell Con-

struction for \$46,100.17. "It's a very, very extensive remodeling project," Superintendent Taylor Stephenson said. "It's for

fixtures, safety glass, and things like that." The remodeling project will begin on Monday

Also on Monday night, the school board hired

and is expected to be completed by Aug. 1.

Tammie Hewitt was hired as an early childhood elementary teacher. She taught two years at Holiman Elementary in San Angelo. Jason Hewitt filled a middle school special edu-

cation position. This will be his first year to teach. "They both come very highly recommended," The alternative school will be located in the old Stephenson said. "We're just thrilled to have them

> at our school district." The trustees also accepted a resignation from Diana Fielding, who was a special eduction, special needs teacher at the elementary.

"We have just began to look through our applilighting, ceilings, carpet, chain-link fence, bathroom cations and see who we have that might be interested," Stephenson said about the latest vacancy.

Today is the deadline for applications for the food

services coordinator's position.

"We will begin interviewing the applicants early

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Lions have busy year During the past year, the Brackettville Lions Club has once again been very active in community activities. Lifestyles/Page 4

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Petrosky attends leadership seminar

Brackett High School's Amanda Petrosky learned about "America's Incentive System" earlier this month during an allexpense paid trip to the West Texas Leadership Seminar.

The seminar is affiliated with the Hugh O'Brian Youth Foundation and was held June 5-8.

Approximately 280 sophomores, each representing a different high school throughout Central and South Texas, traveled to San Antonio for the weekend in an educational environment that taught, through discussions and demonstrations, a variety of subjects. Included were those relating to profit, economics, business, self-improvement, motivation, and leadership skills.

During the seminar, these fuleave the seminar with a better the school and community. understanding and appreciation of the American economic system sophomore years, Petrosky has and the democratic process. In served as her class president, was addition, personal improvement a member of the school's volleyskills are developed and motiva- ball team, and participated as a sible citizens.



AMANDA PETROSKY

tional techniques discussed.

Petrosky qualified to represent ture leaders heard from today's her school and class with her esdistinguished leaders in business, say and past accomplishments, government, education, and the which demonstrate her leadership professions, allowing them to qualities and her involvement with

In both her freshman and

varsity cheerleader.

Petrosky was recognized as an outstanding student with the National Mathematics Award her freshman year and National Science Award her sophomore year.

Petrosky was a runner-up in America's National Teen-Ager Essay Competition, was a regional qualifier in UIL extemporaneous speaking, and maintained her honor roll standing with a 4.71 grade point average.

The foundation was established 36 years ago by movie and stage actor Hugh O'Brian in the belief that America's greatest resource is its youth.

The West Texas Leadership seminar is one of five seminars held in Texas. There are a total of 92 seminars held in the U.S., Canada and Mexico.

Each seminar provides a setting of education and motivation for sophomores who have exhibited leadership qualities. The emphasis is on motivating the participants to make a positive contribution to their community and to be aware, active and respon-



City of Brackettville employees Eddie Garza (from left), Oscar Martinez and Randy Castilla repare a busted water line on N. Ann Street Friday afternoon. Brackett News Photo by J.J. Guidry

Letters to the Editor

Kinney County deserves a quality medical service

a.m. at the Courthouse to discuss/ ample. approve/disapprove a variance for Medical Service (EMS).

What is a variance? A variance is a request to opgency Medical Technicians our loved ones. (EMTs) due to personnel short-

compensated EMTs, two volun- ity medical service. teer EMTs and two volunteer driv-

I understand that as of June 30 there will be one compensated EMT to cover the day shift due to

There is an EMT available to too late. join the EMS so there will not be various discussions, I have yet to attitude ambulance attendants understand the reason or the ex- ready to put in extra hours and EMT for day time coverage.

citizens of this community will not a day, seven days a week. have the proper medical care with

I wanted to take this means to

ettville to Uvalde and Del Rio.

of Brackettville to provide them

and how to go about acquiring it.

We did so, and that is all we did,

any way in the installation or ad-

The deal would be between South-

exchange customers.

or will do.

Kinney County will be holding only one attendant on call for a a public hearing on June 30 at 10 trauma or cardiac call, for ex-

Yes, this county has mutual aid the Kinney County Emergency from Val Verde EMS and Uvalde EMS, and even Airlife from San Antonio, but the facts remain that it will take those agencies a minierate the EMS without meeting the mum of 20 to 30 minutes to arminimum staffing requirements of rive to our county to give medical two certified Emergency Care aid. And, in my opinion, when Attendants or two certified Emer- seconds count that is too long for

I keep hearing that this community does not have to have an The Kinney County EMS staff EMS service, but I think that the is presently staffed with three citizens need and deserve a qual-

It should be up to the voters whether or not to do away with The compensated EMTs put in the service, not an individual's over 50-plus on-call hours a week decision. Or, maybe the individual and the volunteers vary on call needs to be reminded who he rep-

I challenge everyone in our community who has ever used the fact that the other EMTs have your Emergency Medical Service jobs and are unable to leave for and your loved ones to come to an emergency run from 8 a.m. to the public hearing on June 30 and voice your opinions before it is

Remember, you have dedia day time shortage. But, after cated, hard working and can-do cuses for the delay in hiring this educate others from our community to join the department to give I am very concerned that the you quality medical care 24 hours

We were involved in the instal-

WHERE KIDS LEARN ABOUT SEX ... The old days EPOPOOL | LOCKER FRANK GIFFORD MARY ALPERT ... KELLY FLINK ...

Younger generations help to keep Seminole tradition alive

One vital segment of Brackettville and her history is too often overlooked. The Seminole Indian heritage is a rich part of the life of the community.

I was sharply reminded of this during the Juneteenth celebration. The nice parade and the entire has taken up the responsibility and activities to remind us of the outfestival was most refreshing.

Anyone who does not know the and learn about them.

celebration or a funeral, I miss some of the "old timers" who have gone on to be with God. They are

However, a younger generation

Between Us By Joe Townsend

is keeping the tradition alive.

It seemed to me the celebration community. history of this group should listen this year was the very best yet.

The big load is, as always, car-Every time they gather for a ried by a few, but more are becoming a part of the activities. It is heartening to see more of them becoming involved. The heritage young men of this group. so depleted in numbers it is a little is so strong it draws folks from

It is great to see these various tage.

standing service rendered to this

The Seminole Cemetery is a real tribute to their concern. The four Congressional Medal of Honor winners buried there remind us of the heroic deeds of

Brackettville needs to be attuned to this group and their heri-

Association of Retired Americans

Benjamin Franklin's idea of a government-pro-Joe Townsend's column in last sponse system in this region, and vided service to deliver communication to and from about the effort to explore ex- sion and improvement of that sysevery citizen was radically democratic for its time for postal executives to ensure they get their share tended local calling from Brack- tem, which has saved many lives and befitting for the revolutionary republic that had of the booty! in the area since it was put in just formed out of 13 British colonies.

an initiative of the Middle Rio volvement, and are willing to take charge to deliver mail to every address at a uniform also be deciding how large a bonus they would re- seas voters in Texas get Grande Development Council. whatever credit or blame anyone price. Today, however, old Ben's institutional deceive. No matter how upstanding your ethics, it class mail is secondary to running a discount house important services we receive. for the largest advertising mailers.

There is a prevailing attitude at the Postal Seror the envelope that holds your mortgage payment

are a nuisance. ume discount! What are you thinking?!"

Unfortunately, there is a bill (H.R. 22) now before Congress that would only exacerbate this trend. make it law!

to be raised each year according to an index based loosely on inflation, plus or minus an "X" factor. That "X" factor says the increase can be adjusted up or down to reflect the efficiency of a category of

Your innefficient birthday card to your granddaughter could see stamp prices rise automatically every year, even beyond the rate of inflation!

The bill's supporters claim it only establishes a cap on rate increases, but the same bill would allow excess revenue at the end of the year to be divided among postal employees in the form of a salary bonus. It even does away with the federal pay cap

In a very real way, this means the people decid-The Postal Service is still a vital agency with a ing how much to raise stamp prices each year, would scendants have lost touch with their role in a de- would be tough for anyone not to hit the limit each mocracy and seem to feel their monopoly on first year. This is not the way to handle one of the most rights as any other

We should not forget, as the Postal Service would mation they need to help their citi- vice that your birthday card to your granddaughter apparently like us to, that first class mail is a monopoly. They push for many changes in their regulations by arguing they need to be run like a busi-"No bar code! No nine-digit zip code! No vol- ness. But it is illegal to send a letter any other way in this country. As long as a monopoly remains, we need strict oversight.

> There is a body, the Postal Rate Commission The Postal Reform Act would take this attitude and (PRC), charged with oversight of the Postal Service. The PRC should be given the final say on The act proposes to allow first class stamp prices mail rates. The Postal Service itself has that power now, which is outrageous for such a huge monopoly.

H.R. 22 gives the power to an elite group of postal executives who would decide your stamp prices as they decide the size of their bonus.

Your congressional representative needs to hear from you that these ideas are unacceptable. Please call or write today, while the stamp is still 32 cents! Old Ben would be proud!

Whose postal service is it anyway?

By Earl Heath

We were simply asked by the City wants to give us. We are not, and will not be, with information about the poten- involved in the extended local calling arrangement, beyond provid-

tial service, what it would cost, ing local leaders with the inforzens evaluate the options available We would not be involved in to them. I hope this clarifies the situa-

ministration of the extended local tion and will correct any misconcall system, and would get no ceptions that may have been cremoney from it from any source. ated by Mr. Townsend's column. **Paul Edwards**

western Bell and its Brackettville Deputy Director of Operations MRGDC

Letters to the Editor Policy

City officials took initiative

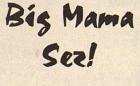
with extended local calling

clear up some misinformation in lation of the 911 emergency re-

Thursday's issue of the News continue to coordinate the exten-

This is not and never has been place. We are proud of that in-

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Agriculture is still a priority

By Henry Bonilla

U.S. Congressman, 23rd District

When most Americans think of agriculture, they probably think of crops and livestock. But they ensuring adequate crop production taxpayer? should also think about the 'superhero' band-aid they put on their farmers and ranchers. children's arm or the film they use to take pictures.

Why?

are products of American agricul- only does it face the effects of America.

Agriculture does not only pro-America's top employer.

From start to finish, from growing food and fiber to selling agriculture.

With Texans ranking second in sales of U.S. agriculture products, as the budget cutting bulls-eye, we Texans are well aware of the im- should look to where the money portance of agriculture to our state and to our country.

tory, agriculture has served as an staff used government credit cards economic foundation.

In Texas alone, the entire agricultural system pumps over \$45 billion into the economy. This and securing fair markets for our

remember that the agriculture inworld markets, it also is at the mercy of Mother Nature.

vide us with food and clothes. It agriculture, we risk giving conalso provides jobs. Agriculture is trol of our food supply to foreign in production since 1960. producers. That's a risk we can't

Tough fiscal times require all it at the supermarket, more than of us to tighten our belts, but it 21 million Americans work in also calls for getting our priorities in line.

Instead of setting agriculture up is being wasted.

to fund their own fun and games?

Or better yet, why not eliminate the Department of Energy where the former secretary and contribution is the result of our her staff traveled around the globe investment in agriculture research, and sent the bill to the American

the taxpayers. Instead of being Agriculture has taken its fair forced to foot the bill for these share of budget hits recently. Let's little political empires, American taxpayers deserve to see their dol-Because these and many more dustry is a unique animal. Not lars support what works for or before the 30th day before elec-

Agriculture is a great Ameri-If we don't continue to support farmer feeds over 129 people.

> productivity is at an all-time high, producers are being asked to do more with less.

Thanks to the American farmer, people all around the globe enjoy top-quality food and clothing at reasonable prices.

This Congress should work to How about downsizing the ensure that our farmers and ranchto keep doing the great job they're

A look back at the legislative session

By Antonio O. Garza Jr. Contributing Writer

It's the end of the 75th legislative session, and the beginning of the end, I hope, of the sort of election irregularities that disturb the integrity of the ballot box.

As chief elections officer, I have been concerned about the participation of Texans in the political process. As I've said before, I want to encourage voter participation by providing every available option for ballot access, but we must make sure the voting process in Texas is secure and accu-

Over the course of the 1996 election year, I heard from citizens across our state about problems they saw at the ballot box and it became clear to me that certain issues needed to be addressed. That's why I pushed for several election law reform proposals designed, among other things, to combat election fraud in our mail ballot process and help clean up our voter registration

I'm encouraged that those victories will pave the way for additional election law reform in the future and more confidence in the political process overall.

For instance, you may remember allegations that some voters were "double-registered" in different counties. Now, thanks to a Senate bill (SB 500) that provides for the inclusion of a driver's license number on a voter's registration, I hope to see a significant reduction in the number of multiple voter registrations on our county registration rolls.

The new law requires that the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) enter a voter applicant's driver's license number or personal identification number on any completed voter registration application submitted at DPS that is missing these items.

Thanks to this new law, it's now clear that our military and overthe same full voting class of voters.

The new law also allows a voter registrar to cancel a voter's registration if the same driver's license number or personal identification number has been used to register to vote in another county.

I also heard from folks about the apparently high incidence of mail fraud occurring during the early voting period, targeted particularly at the elderly, the disabled, and others physically unable to go to the polls.

House Bill 1257 should discourage "friendly strangers" from visiting a mail ballot voter's home on the day he or she receives the ballot in the mail and "helping" the voter mark the ballot.

The new law delays the release of mail ballot application information, expands the penalties for mail fraud from a Class B to a Class A misdemeanor, and narrows the scope of where a mail ballot can be sent.

We also fought hard against efforts to disenfranchise our military and overseas voters. House Bill 331 clarified that those vot-These agencies do very little for ing by Federal Postcard Application (FPCA) may receive a full ballot to vote in federal, state and local elections if:

■ They submit the FPCA on tion day; or

■ They submit the FPCA after can success story. Today, one the 30th day but before the sixth day before election day and they That is almost a threefold increase are a registered voter at the address contained on the application.

Thanks to this new law, it's While American agriculture now clear that our military and overseas voters in Texas get the same full voting rights as any other class of voters.

The aim of this session was to send a clear message that electoral fraud would no longer be tolerated in Texas, and I think we've

Throughout this nation's his- Department of Commerce where ers have the resources they need not be perfect, but they are a posi-The new election reforms may tive step in the right direction. Texans deserve it.

Vacation was fun, but it's time for work Alas moras masonic lodge

One week in Kentucky was a great time, but it is time to get back to work!

The rain that seems to be abundant throughout the country also permeated the Kentucky Blue-

This week, I want to share some vacation stuff with you from the Great American Brass Band from Danville. The newspaper in Festival of 1997.

ington, the home of the Univer- val. sity of Kentucky.

tival for two big reasons:

graduate school at Lexington. We Saints Go Marching In." get to see Mike about two times a Kinney County for Christmas.

The head of the Fine Arts Division at Centre College is Dr. George Foreman. Dr. Foreman in Stanton, Texas, and also in Clayton, N.M. He's a fine musician. Better yet, a great organizer with grand ideas. He is the founder of the Great American Brass Band Festival.

On Saturday morning, we watched the Great American Parade. There was lots of rain fallseem to bother the bands or the cheered band after band. crowd.

There was a Band Wagon made the school song in Clayton, N.M.

Making a Difference By TAYLOR STEPHENSON, BISD Superintender What a thrill! I was nervous,

especially for the parade which featured the Advocate Brass Band Danville is named the Advocate. The site was Danville, Ky. It The proprietor has been a prime is about 40 miles south of Lex- backer of the Brass Band Festi- a community church service

Closing out the parade came My wife and I were at the fes- the Olympia Brass Band from New Orleans. They played slow Our son, Michael, attends marching tunes, like "When the

The parade watchers got in line year. He gets to come see us in behind the Olympians and marched along with some 300 colored umbrellas. Was fun and inspirational to watch!

Saturday night, The Great was a trombone student of mine American Picnic was held. There were 23,000 people representing all 50 states, Canada and Mexico. Families packed picnic baskets. decorated their tables and sat and listened to some of the best brass music ever played in the USA.

We heard "Overture 1812," "Stars and Stripes Forever," "Trumpeters Lullaby," and "Buing during the parade, but it didn't glers Holiday" as we listened and

Dr. Foreman introduced me to One of the bands played Sousa the crowd as his high school band Marches while riding bikes from director and asked me to come and the 1890s with the large wheels direct a number. He had chosen in front. It was amazing to see "Our Director," which happened folks pedal, steer and play Sousa. to include a march trio that was 5,000. It was a good one.

That's about it. The visit to Kentucky had been a fun one. While there, we got our own autographed copy of Coach Rick Patino's latest book. That was a big moment, but we were just as excited to see the lights of Brackettville and Fort Clark on our resit down without embarrassing turn.

Back at work at BISD. We'll Sunday morning, we attended begin soon to remodel the PCI building for the Alternative where the National Capital Band School. Our staff is close to comfrom Washington, D.C., played. plete. We're working hard on policy revisions, budgets, federal The Olympia band was there playing and there was a community programs, and updates to our choir. The service was an intercomputer technology. denominational gathering of about

Have a good week!

meets the 2nd Tuesday, at 7:00 p.m. School of Instruction meets the 1st, and 3rd Tuesday, at 7:00 p.m. Visiting Brothers are Welcome

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Sheriff's Report

Monday, June 16

11:30 p.m., Keith Allen McWilliams, 32, of Brackettville received a complaint concerning was arrested by Deputy Sheriff Juan F. Garcia-Lopez, who was Karl Chism on a third degree wanted on a felony warrant from felony charge for driving while in- INS. La Gioia, assisted by Border toxicated, for driving while license Patrol Agents Jose Trevino and suspended, and for unlawfully car- Jackie Heath, arrested Garciarying a weapon. McWilliams is Lopez without incident. He was currently being held on \$6,000 turned over to Border Patrol offibond.

Tuesday, June 17

to a disturbance.

Thursday, June 19

28, of Brackettville was arrested by Deputy Chism for failure to appear on a third degree felony charge of possession of marijuana. Tyer is being held in the Kinney County Jail and will be transported to Webb County this week, officials said.

Friday, June 20

9:00 p.m., A man at Mario's Bar was reportedly "bothering people and would not leave." Deputy Sheriff Vito La Gioia was dispatched to the scene.

Saturday, June 21

3:18 p.m., A disturbance was reported near Second Street. dispatched to the scene and said everything was OK.

Thursday, June 26

Rotary Club meets at the Las

Moras Inn on Fort Clark Springs.

Monday, June 30 11:00 a.m., There will be a

public hearing at the Kinney

County Courthouse regarding the

lack of EMS personnel to operate

the ambulance service in Kinney

Tuesday, July 1 7:00 p.m., The Fort Clark

Duplicate Bridge Club meets at the

Adult Center on Fort Clark

Wednesday, July 2

Thursday, July 3

Rotary Club meets at the Las

Moras Inn on Fort Clark Springs.

ras Inn on Fort Clark Springs.

Sunday, July 6

12:00 p.m., The Brackettville

6:30 p.m., The Brackettville Lions Club meets at the Las Mo-

7:00 p.m., The Brackett Band

County.

Springs.

12:00 p.m., The Brackettville

Sunday, June 22

1:00 a.m., Deputy La Gioia

3:00 a.m., Deputy La Gioia was on routine patrol when he 12:26 p.m., Chief Deputy found the door open at the City of Johnny Fritter was dispatched to Brackettville's office building on the senior apartments in reference Highway 90. La Gioia reported that everything appeared to be undisturbed. The building was se-11:30 a.m., Robert Hugh Tyer, cured and the incident was reported to David Martinez.

6:50 p.m., Three inmates at the Kinney County Jail were playing basketball when a fight broke out. The inmates were put in lock down for three days.

Monday, June 23

3:37 p.m., Jerry Lee Garza, 26, of Fort Worth was arrested by DPS Trooper Ashley on a Class B misdemeanor charge of driving while license suspended. Garza was released the same day after posting \$1,000 bail bond.

5:40 p.m., A Brackettville man reported that another man would not let him drive his truck. The second man said the first owed him Deputy Sheriff Adrian Pena was money. Both parties were told to talk to the justice of the peace or the county attorney.

Calendar

Columbus meet at Parish Hall.

Monday, July 7

Art Club meets at the Art Studio

Trustees meets in regular session.

Springs Old Quarry Society meets

at the Adult Center on Fort Clark

Tuesday, July 8

Masonic Lodge No. 444 meets at

Adult Center on Fort Clark

Thursday, July 10

Lodge Hall on Ann Street.

Booster Club meets at the Band Duplicate Bridge Club meets at the

7:00 p.m., The Las Moras

7:00 p.m., The Fort Clark

on Fort Clark Springs.

1:00 p.m., The Fort Springs

5:30 p.m., The Brackett Independent School District Board of

6:15 p.m., The Fort Clark

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Martinez: Lions Club has busy year

The following is a part of the in need. annual report given by Lion the members of the Brackettville been a part of the Lions' tradi-Lions Club:

Once again, a year has passed and it's time to review the club's activities for the last year.

During the past year, we have community activities.

The Lions Thrift Shop has had a wonderful year, being well received by the community. It is open on the first and third Saturday of the month.

The Thrift Shop serves a dual purpose, it enables people to buy items at bargain prices and the income that it provides is returned to the community in donations and services.

In August, we had our annual at the school cafeteria. Over 100 teachers and employees of the Brackett school system attended.

I would like to thank June ria staff for their help.

these dedicated people for the fine job they do helping the

In September, Irene Keddy, screening Brackett students.

The Brackettville Lions Club Needy. was able to provide seven pairs

On October, we sponsored our annual Kinney County Health Fair at the Civic Center.

There were 461 adults and 46 once again been very active in Brackett first graders in attendance; 368 people received flu Mobile Eye Screening Unit.

All those who attended the formation.

In November, we had our annual pecan sales and, as it was well received by the community, we were soon sold out.

Also in November, we had teachers appreciation luncheon our first benefit golf tourna-

Money raised from the tournament was used to help the Boy Scouts and the Cub Scouts, and Kaminski and the school cafete- enabled the club to make a donation to the Kinney County Li-This is our way of thanking brary and the Seminole Indian Scout Association.

Many thanks to the Fort Clark young people of the commu- Springs Golf Club and its staff for their assistance.

In December, we helped the school nurse, started eye with the community's annual Christmas Baskets for the

of glasses to students that were civic and fraternal organiza- viding ice for this project.

tions, churches, businesses and needy.

We were able to deliver boxes of food, treats and toys to over 100 families. Over 300 adults and children from the community were helped.

In February, we made a donation to Amanda Petrosky, a shots and 135 people had their student at Brackett High School, eves screened in the new Lions so that she could attend a scholarship seminar.

fair received valuable health in- Stride for Sight Walkathon and pancake breakfast. It was a delightful day with a large group of walkers and still more with a good appetite for pancakes and sausage.

Money collected from the walkathon and breakfast will benefit research efforts sponsored by the Lions Sight Research Foundation in San Anto-

Also, this spring we made a donation to the Kinney County Aging Services.

In April, we again started selling snow cones at Little League games.

nated back to Little League at the munity projects. start of each year's season.

In May, the Lions scholar-Supplying eye glasses to individuals have combined their ship for \$600 was awarded to President Ruben C. Martinez to needy young people has always efforts and provided for the Amanda Meek, a graduating senior from Brackett High

School. Also in June, a donation was made to project graduation and a donation was given to help

open the pool in Brackettville. Although our club is named the Brackettville Lions Club, we only have a few members from Brackettville.

I am asking the people of In March, we had our annual Brackettville and Kinney County to be our guest at a dinner and meeting. We are in need of younger members with new. ideas, leadership qualities and a desire to serve our community.

With new members, we will insure that our community will; continue to be served.

After two one-year terms as: president it is time to step down. Lou Sofaly, an outstanding longtime Lion will take over as president on July 1.

I wish him all the luck in the world and he can count on my support in all his endeavors.

I will continue my support of Lionism and the Brackettville Money from snow cone Lions Club and be as active as sales, and a little extra, is do-possible in the club and its com-

In closing, I would like to I would like to thank Fort thank the club members and all Clark Springs Association and non-member volunteers that This is the 10th year that the board of directors for pro- made it an easier and enjoyable

But I could be wrong!

By: Chuck Hall

Retirement, always a hot topic

subject of retirement comes up. chalk and gradebook?

A lot of the career teachers

More than once I have been

Every time I'm around a asked when I plan to retire. group of people my age, the When am I going to hang up the

share a similar thought. They nounce it in the newspaper. can hardly wait for retirement Let's put it in writing, once and the opening ritual. for all, so there's no misunderstanding later!

I DO NOT PLAN TO RE- approved by the group. TIRE. Not ever!

Sorry to disappoint a lot of more enjoyable to do.

I hope this comes out folks, but the simple truth of the matter is, I'm not unhappy at my job. In fact, I actually like my

I have many fond memories of the young men and women whose lives I've touched. Maybe those moments haven't all been positive, but they have been rewarding in one way or another.

I've enjoyed working with the youths at BISD. It's been fun. But I could be wrong.

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PROPOSITION NO. 1

ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 4 pro-

poses a constitutional amendment

which would increase the school

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exemption from \$5,000 to \$15,000.

The amendment would also autho-

rize the Legislature to limit all or

part of the exemption to politi-

cal subdivisions that are the prin-

cipal providers of elementary and

secondary education within their

In addition, the amendment

would authorize the Legislature to

allow the transfer of all or part of

the age 65-and-over tax freeze to

another homestead. Specifically, the

Legislature would be authorized to

provide that the current limitation

against increasing school property

taxes on the residence homesteads

of persons age 65 or older, or their

surviving spouse who is eligible to

receive the exemption, may be

transferred if the person establishes

The amendment would also allow

the \$10,000 additional amount for

the standard exemption to be used

to lower the tax rate of persons cur-

a different residence homestead.

boundaries.

Sorority News

Laureate Chapter hosts monthly meeting

The Laureate Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met last Monday at the

The new president, Nakai I guess I might as well an- Breen, called the meeting to order and led the group in reciting

secretary, Lily Schwandner, and Schwandner.

The 1996-97 yardstick was prepared by Oleta Townsend and group.

Breen won the door prize. Walela Gum presented the cul-Adult Center on Fort Clark tural program on brides since this is the traditional bride month. She had each member tell something of their personal marriage.

The closing ritual and mizpah were recited in unison. Then, punch, cake and coffee were The minutes were read by the served by co-hostesses, Gum and

Those present were Townsend, Riley, Breen, Gum, Schwandner, you, but I can't think of anything Orlean Riley, and approved by the Hawkins Huey and Mildred Borden.

Pete's Sake Briefs

"Where's my pencil?" the Ralston brings home self-important young executive

"It's behind your ear, sir," the

little mister big-wig. "I'm a busy

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rently receiving the 65-and-over tax

freeze. Specifically, for a homestead

affected by this limitation in 1996 or

in an earlier tax year, the Legisla-

ture must provide for a reduction in

the school property tax limitation in

the 1997 tax year and subsequent

tax years in an amount equal to

\$10,000 multiplied by the 1997

The proposed amendment will

"The constitutional amendment

providing school property tax re-

lief by increasing the residence

homestead exemption by \$10,000 and providing for the

transfer of the tax limitation to

another qualified homestead for

persons over 65 and a reduction

in taxes subject to the limitation."

Este es el informe explanatorio sobre

la enmienda propuesta a la constitución

que aparecerá en la boleta el dia 9 de

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appear on the ballot as follows:

school property tax rate.

demanded of his secretary.

efficient young woman replied. 'Well, come, come!" snapped

man. Which ear?"

Kingsport, TN 37662.

numerous awards BELTON, Texas - Fort Clark

> Springs' Shawn L. Ralston won numerous awards at the annual faculty/student banquet for Texas A&M University Health Science

> Center College of Medicine graduates at the Bell County Expo

Ralston, who was recognized as an honor graduate, was the recipient of the Lange Medical Publications Award for outstanding academic performance, consisting of a certificate and free medical

She also received the Anthony Van Leeuwenhock Award for Excellence in Microbiology, the Award of Merit for the Top Student in Pathology, and the Outstanding Student in Pediatrics Award.

Ralston was presented the Outstanding Internal Medicine Student Award, and the "Unsungi Hero" Award was given to Ralston's husband, Trevor Daniel,

Ash receives degree

BROWNWOOD, Texas Brackettville native Jason Ash received the Bachelor of Arts degree May 17 during Howard Payne University's commencement exer-

Ash was a December graduate with a major in religious educa-

Shahan named to President's List

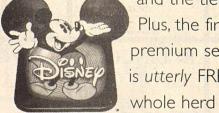
ABILENE - Jared Shahan of Brackettville was listed on Hardin-Simmons University's President's List for the spring semester.

Shahan is a 1996 graduate of Brackett High School.

The President's List requires taking at least 12 semester hours: and completing all courses with a perfect 4.0 grade point average.

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There will be a Public Hearing at 10:00 AM, Monday June 30,

1997, at the Kinney County Courthouse in Brackettville regarding

Operation Game Thief assists game wardens

By Frances McMaster Contributing Writer

The Brackettville Rotary Club or apprehend violators of the laws caller. concerning hunting restrictions at last Thursday's meeting.

Cheaney, Rotary program chair- to \$1,000 per case. man for June.

Crime Stoppers. It is called Op- this program. eration Game Thief (OGT).

lic to report violators.

to cover areas so large that with- number. out help from the public their services would be very ineffective. which the population is centralized leaving vast open spaces.

lic become extremely important to

other agencies as well, Lutz said. Operation Game Thief is funded by private donations from corporations, foundations, and individual donations. It was started in 1981 and has received approximately 20,000 calls since that

The program has paid out ercise. around \$120,000 in rewards, and

would not have been made if the public had not been involved, Lutz

Anyone who calls to report a heard Game Warden Henry Lutz violation will remain anonymous. describe some ways used to curb A number is assigned to each

The caller will be asked if they want a reward which can be paid Lutz was introduced by Frank at a later date. Rewards can be up

Almost \$1 million in fine The first approach Lutz de- money has been assessed as a rescribed was a program similar to sult of the calls received through

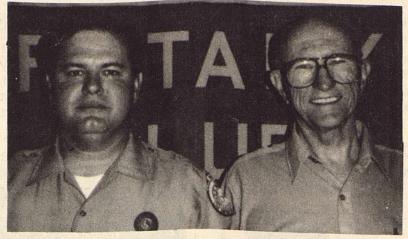
Lutz has always invited people The program is set up on a state to call him, even when he has to wide basis, and Lutz said the same be called at home. If anyone obprogram is used in other states. A serves a crime, they should report 24-hour hot line is answered by a it to someone in authority or dispatcher in Austin for the pubmerely call 911. The important thing is that the call be made. It was fired. Game wardens are called upon will be forwarded to the proper

Another program Lutz described is the dumb deer. A This is particularly true of counstuffed deer is set up on the side ties such as Kinney county in of the highway or on someone's property with their permission.

The stuffed deer, called The eyes and ears of the pub- "Buck," is used in areas where road hunting has been a particular problem. Several agents are involved when this is arranged. It works very effectively where the road can be closed off at either end making it easy to apprehend the perpetrator.

Lutz showed a video taken in East Texas of the dumb deer ex-

Game wardens were shown 6,800 cases have been made from carrying the stuffed deer into popeople calling in and reporting sition. Once the deer was settled, he was stationed near McAllen owner. A vehicle is only seized if hunting violations. Most of these its antlers were attached, and ev-



Kinney County Game Warden Henry Lutz, left, is welcomed to the Rotary Club by Frank Cheaney. Photo by Eric McMaster

eryone moved out of sight.

In no time at all, a pickup truck drove down the road and a shot

Buck appeared to be an easy target; he was standing fairly close to the road. When he neither fell nor ran, two more shots were quickly fired.

Game wardens then rushed out to apprehend the violator. He had a license and was on his way to hunt in an authorized area, but decided to cut through on a county road. When he saw Buck, he impulsively gave in to temptation.

The dumb deer operation is carefully orchestrated. It is set up with safety in mind, and it also stands up in court. The purpose is to save the resources of the property owner. This is also an effective preventative program as dollars, however. the word gets around.

and took part in this kind of stuffed there are extenuating situations.

deer exercise.

The deer was set up off a fourlane highway where road hunting occurred regularly. The same cars would turn around and cruise back by, waiting to see game.

When the deer was set in place, it quickly became a target. Lutz saw one car with three people in it come back to fire across the four lanes of this busy highway.

The fine ranges from \$25 to \$500 per charge. The amount is left up to the justice of peace. If the perpetrator is unable to pay the entire amount, a payment plan is set up \$50 a month.

Restitutions is also paid the state for the loss of the wildlife. The dollar value last year was a minimum of \$525 for a spiked buck. It can run into thousands of

Weapons are usually taken for Lutz told of an occasion when evidence then returned to the

the lack of EMS personnel to operate the ambulance service in Kinney County. Judge Tommy Seargeant has applied to the Texas Department of Health for a Personnel Variance which would let the ambulance service operate while not being in compliance with the law. If granted, Kinney County EMS could operate licensed emergency vehicles WITHOUT MEETING THE REQUIRED STAFFING OF TWO CERTIFIED PERSONS ON THE UNIT when responding to an emergency call. Judge Seargeant relates that the loss of two additional members of the organization has brought a chronic manpower shortage to a critical point. The judge has been working with the Texas Department of Health in an effort to alleviate the short term problem of manpower and to increase the community participation in EMS. Kinney County EMS currently has two full time and two part time paid employees. One of these will be leaving on June 30. Both the judge and the Department of Health agree that with limited budgets and minimal collec-

tions, the organization must depend on volunteers to supplement the personnel needs. Over the next several days, ex-members of the organization will be contacted in an effort to regain their participation in the service. Kinney County EMS will also be recruiting volunteers to participate in a training program which will certify them for ambulance duty. Without additional members, there is a possibility that the ambulance service may not be able to provide coverage during certain periods of the day. Should this occur, an ambulance would have to be dispatched out of Del Rio or Uvalde causing a delay of thirty minutes or more. The public is urged to attend this meeting and voice input into any decision which will affect the future operation of the EMS System in Kinney County. For more information on the hearing or information about joining Kinney County EMS, contact Kinney County EMS at Judge's Of-

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Does one size fit all?

By June Kaminski Contributing Writer

Dietary guidelines are great, such as the food pyramid that guides you through each day with a total of all the foods you should have to face the same painful upconsume in a day.

Then there is reality!

While children need fewer total calories than adults, they need proportionately more calories for their weight.

Problem 1: How do you get all these calories into a child's smaller tummy?

The ADA and the USDA contend that applying the adult recommendation of no more than 30 percent of calories from fat to children will significantly lower their blood cholesterol levels or risk of heart disease in adulthood.

Did you know that the 30 percent benchmark is based on research trials involving middle aged men at high risk for heart disease?

More research has shown that evidence exists that fat-restrictive diets can put children at risk for nutrient deficiencies and growth failure. They also consume less energy and fewer key nutrients such as calcium, iron and protein.

The dietary message to reduce fat in the child's diet may also contribute to eating disorders, especially in adolescents. Many of these young people are already preoccupied with their diets and weights.

Children in sixth grade, and even as young as fourth grade, should not be worried about diet-

Mainly, all children have really three ages - chronological, physiological and social. All three of these factors influence the nutrients your children need, as well as the food they prefer.

How much energy does your child expend?

We may assume that children are out playing, but that is not always true.

Children today are becoming less active. They spend their time in front of the TV or computer, or maybe they are told to stay indoors until their parents come home from work.

With adults, the focus is limiting calories, but with children it is just the opposite. Instead of dietary restrictions, we should allow a wide choice of foods to make sure they get enough nutrients so they can learn how to manage their choices.

It is believed we are starting out

on the wrong foot by focusing on what not to eat instead of what we should be adding to our diets.

Possibly, if we as caregivers, encourage proper diets while our children are young, they may not hill battles to change bad habits as the adults of today.

The members of the Kinney County Little League would like to extend their thanks to Jewel Robinson for the donation of a Bud Breen painting, which was raffled off to help pay for players' insurance.

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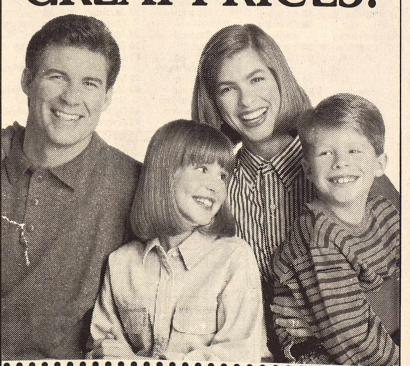
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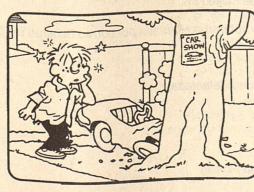
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Your Horoscope by Natasha

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Instead of indulging in sarcasm, bite your tongue this week. Things pretty much go your way, especially on the social scene later in the week. Feel

free to enjoy yourself.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) The business ideas you come up with this week are new and exciting. However, you have an unfortunate tendency to make ill-advised remarks. Guard against that.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A philosophical matter has you and a friend spending many a delicious hour debating early in the week. Both of you make good sense. New opportunities come your way that could improve your income.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) The focus early in the week is on home life. Later, feel free to enjoy happy times with friends. Romance is heavily favored for the weekend.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Two areas of disagreement between spouses concern money and business. A loved one is out of line by getting involved with your affairs. This weekend, the accent is on socializing. VIRGO (August 23 to September

22) Being glib and making flippant remarks puts off people early in the week. You're just trying to be funny, but not everyone appreciates your sense of humor. Home life is favored this weekend.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A silly spat early in the week has you and a loved one on the outs. However, you soon patch things up and make happy plans together. Travel could be on your agenda this weekend.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) You have a minor dis-



agreement with a loved one about money. For the most part, though, it's a great week for getting out and enjoying yourself. Romance is a pluse over the weekend.

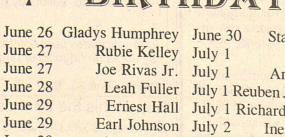
SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) While you're normally handy, it's not a good week to tackle a do-it-yourself project. You're not at your most efficient this week. The weekend is best spent relaxing and catching up on rest.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A controversial issue has you and a family member on the outse Put things in perspective. The situation is not one that affects either of you directly.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) You receive an unexpected social invitation early in the week. Try to clear your schedule so that you can accept it. You are communicating well with others.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You are a bundle of energy this week and manage to finish some long-delayed projects. Tend to yourself instead of thinking about socializing as the weekend approaches. Your time is best spent in meditation, © 1997 King Features Synd., Inc.





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Prontier Baptist Church

Rev. Joe Townsend, Pastor

Numbers do not always mean help defeated the enemy. Elijah, the minority.

During the time when Noah spent years building a tremen- came vicorious. dous ark.

ued to build as God instructed.

Noah, a minority, coupled with God became a majority and was a magnificent winner.

When Joseph was sold as a slave in Egypt, he was certainly a minority. However, he remained faithful to God and his leadership.

Gideon was engaged in war- the grave. fare, but was sensitive to God's nority in the face of the enemy, but with God became a major- becomes a majority. ity with power and routed the

ity when he challenged the Baptist Church. prophets of Baal, but with God's

power. Those who truly love a minority, coupled with God and serve God are decidedly in became a majority and was amazingly victorious.

When David went against was building the ark, he was Goliath, he was a small boy very much a minority. In an era against a giant. He was a minorwhere a boat was unknown, he ity, but with God's help he be-

When Martin Luther nailed He rebuffed the mocking and his theses to the door, he was a scorn of the people and contin- minority, against the Pope, against the vast number of Catholics, and against the heirarchy of the church. He stood firmly on what the Bible said and, with the help of God, he became a victorious major-

When Jesus Christ was crucified, he was a very small mi-Joseph, the minority, plus nority, but because he did what God became the majority, the the Father wanted him to, he was number one man in all of Egypt. victorious over sin, death and

The minorities won because leadership and cut his army to they were right. Being right, 300 men. This was a small mi- they had God in their corner. With God, the minority always

There will be another message from God's word Sunday Elijah was with a small minor- morning at 11:00 at Frontier

Come and see!

Gateway Ministries Pastor Charolette Corey

been going through the "Trials of Job." They feel like God may have forsaken them, but remember Job's Godly respsonse and after Job proved that he was his end reward.

We find Job doing everything he knows how to do in his God, "Why me, Lord?" but it life to glorify God. God is pleased with him and yet, God God is sovereign; God is in comcalls Satan's attention to him. plete control. God allows just enough of His "curse God and die," Job never age at 140 years.

loses his trust and faith in God. great man of God, and yet God hope, walk in love.

So that He could bless Job steadfast and faithful. This does not mean that Job didn't ask does mean God showed Job that

"hedge and protection" to be like it at the time, God wanted removed from around Job so to use the opportunity to bless that he can see if Job truly loves Job, and He did. At the end of Him above all the prosperity He the experience, God multiplied has given him. In spite of Job back to him double what he had losing his seven sons and three lost in animals, gave him seven daughters, his wealth, his more sons and three more health, his friends, who now daughters who were the fairest have become his "religious crit- in the land and who also reics," and he is stuck with a wife ceived an inheritance from their that constantly nags him to father when he died from old

So, don't lose faith, stand on Job was known for being a it instead. Stand in faith, rest in

Many people have recently allowed him to become humbled in the sight of men.

Why?

Even though it didn't look

Vacation Bible School

July 7-11 will see much activity at First Methodist Church of Brackettville. Vacation Bible School will be held 9:00 to 11:15 each morning for children ages 4 years to 4th grade (at end of 1996-97 school year.) There will be singing, Bible stories, crafts, games, and refreshments.

Registration will be 8:30 - 9:00 a.m., Monday July 7.

Church Directory

St. Andrews Episcopal Church: Henderson & Fort Sunday Church Service 10:45 a.m.on Sunday. Rev. Mike Davis 563-2929.

Frontier Baptist Church (A Southern Baptist Church): Sunday Services 11:00

a.m., 6:00 p.m., Joe Townsend, Pastor, 563-2158.

First Baptist Church (A Southern Baptist Church): 307 N. Ann St., Sunday School 9:45 a.m., Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m., and 7:00 p.m., Wednesday Worship 7:00 p.m., Gil Ash, Pastor, 563-2245.

Baptist Hispanic Mission: 307 N. Ann Street, Sunday 9:45 a.m.; Wednesday

5:30 p.m.; Friday, 6:00 p.m., Eugenio Duran, Pastor. Church of Christ: N. Ann St., Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship Service

10:30 a.m., Bible Study Sunday 6:30 p.m., Wednesday 6:30 p.m. St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church: Sun. Masses at 8:00 A.M.(Spanish) and 10:30 A.M.(English); Mon., Thurs. and Fri. Mass at 7:00 AM: Wed. Mass 12:00 noon, followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until (9:00 P.M.) Sat. Sacrament of Reconciliation 5:00 - 6:00p.m. Mass 6:30 PM. Rev. James

St. Blaise Catholic Church: (Spofford) Sun. Mass 5:00 P.M. Rev. James

First United Methodist Church: "Celebrate and Witness" Fellowship

9:30 a.m., Church School Classes 9:45 a.m., Service of Worship 11:00 a.m., Choir Rehearsal Wednesday 5:00 p.m., Sheree Harris, Pastor. St. John's Baptist Church: Crockett at Keene St., Sunday School 10:00 a.m., Worship 11:00 a.m., Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m., Worship

Service Thursday 7:00 p.m., William P. Adams, Sr., Pastor, 563-2582.

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church E.L.C.A Services: 9:00 A.M.Corner of Fort & Henderson in Brackettville. Bible study; Monday morning at the parish hall 10:A.M., also at the corner of Fort & Henderson, Streets

Templo Elim Asambea de Dios: North Street, Sunday 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., Wednesday and Friday, 7:00 p.m., Rev. Abundio Mancha, Reverend Nathan Lafrenz, 563-2047.

Gateway Ministries (Non-Denominational): 301 E. Spring St. (across from post office), Praise & Worship Fellowship Sunday 10:30 a.m., Bible Study

Wed. 6:30 p.m., Ladies Prayer meeting Thurs. 6:30, Robert W. Corey, Pastor, Charolette Corey, Associate Pastor, 563-9331 New Jerusalem Temple Apostolic Church:514 E. Louise St, Sunday School

10:30, Church 11:30, Bible Study: Wed. 7 p.m., Mission: 3rd Thurs. of each month 6 p.m. Pastor Rudy Goodloe (563-9468)

First Baptist Church Rev. Gil Ash, Pastor "The Pastor's Pen"

pect them to pull 17,000. Not community. so! When they pulled together as a team, they pulled 30,000

sum of their individual efforts.

It makes no difference how

A desired goal must be set by the combined parties and a method of reaching that goal be do with that mountain?

The story is told of a horse defined so that it is clear as to pull in Canada. One horse each person's participation. This pulled 9,000 pounds, another is true whether it is a family, a 8,000. Together you would ex- club, a ball team, a church, or a

In 1 Corinthians 12:15-26 Paul's treatise on the body de-The principle is called syner- velops the thought that each gism, meaning that the com- member is important and that all bined efforts of separate entities members have a specific funchas a greater total effect than the tion that leads toward honor of the entire body.

Everything that is accomthis principle is applied, the re- plished is done more easily as sults will always be the same. teamwork takes effect. Molehills Cooperation produces greater can be made of mountains when the "teamwork principle" is ap-

Now, what did you want to

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church

Pastor Nathan Lafrenz

Overcoming Obstacles

marvelous richness of human traverse."

Consider this: Sheila and gouged her eyes. Despite stacles. her lack of sight, she went on to become an internationally now what? known athlete whose accom-

on why bad things happen to and Savior Jesus Christ.

good people, frequently blaming Helen Keller wrote, "The God, or Satan, or ourselves.

Certainly, it is evident that the experience would lose some- power of evil and sin is alive and thing of rewarding joy if there powerful, even present in its efwere not limitations to over- fort to lead us astray. And cercome. The hilltop hour would tainly it is useful to examine our not be half so wonderful if there lives to understand how the conwere no dark valleys to sequences of our actions get us into trouble.

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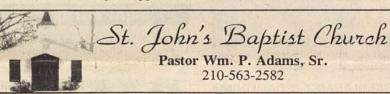
Church with Pastor Adams Sr.

a blessing just for you!

Praise God!

shall receive.

Amen



Praise the Lord!

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Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do, because I go unto my Father.

And whatever ye shall ask in 2734. my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the

If ye shall ask anything in my name, I will do it. If ye love me, keep my commandments.

And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another comforter, that he may abide with you forever; even the spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.

St. John 14:11-17 Praise the Lord!

There will be seven nights preaching on prayer from June 29 to July 5, beginning nightly at 7 p.m. at St. John's Baptist

Unsung Hero By Joe Townsend

It seems a steady stream of folks from our area is flowing from earth to heaven.

Emilia Martinez joined the parade of saints. She had lived a long life of committed service to her immediate family, as well as her extended family.

She was devoted to her responsibilities, which she carried effectively. She was beloved by all who knew her.

Through her final suffering, she remained upbeat and good spirited.

She will be sorely missed, but all who really care can rejoice that her suffering is over and she now enjoys the greatness of living with God, awaiting the time when she will be joined by all who loved her.

Surely, Emilia Martinez is an Unsung Hero.

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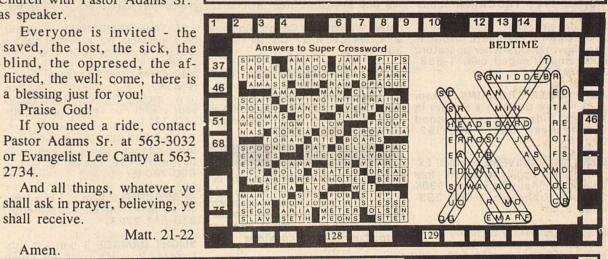
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are to be provided in Dimmit, Edwards, Kinney, La Salle, Maverick, Real, Uvalde, Val Verde, and Zavala counties. Proposal period will be from October 1, 1997 through September 30, 1998. To obtain a complete copy of the request for proposal packet, please contact: Ramon Johnston, Deputy Director, Middle Rio Grande Development Council, P.O. Box 1199, Carrizo Springs, Texas 78834, (210)876-3533. Proposal Packets will be available on or after June 20, 1997. A bidders conference will be held June 24, 1997 at 10:00 a.m. at the MRGDC Central Office - Conference Room at 307 W. Nopal, Carrizo Springs, Texas. All proposals must be clearly marked "Sealed Bid-Do Not Open," Attention: Ramon S. Johnston. The deadline for submission of proposal is July 31, 1997, 5:00 p.m. at the Middle Rio Grande Development Council (Central Office) 307 W. Nopal, Carrizo Springs, Texas 78834. Proposals may not be submitted through the use of facsimile machines. 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 MRGDC reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. Changes in state/or federal legislation may result in a requirement to renegotiate contracts at any time (before or during the contracted period.)

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Information concerning the proposed rate changes, including the proposed customer, demand, and energy charges applicable to each class of service, the estimated effect on revenue by customer class, and a brief description of the applicability and type of service for any new class of service which is proposed by the Utility is available at the general office of the Utility, located at Highway 90 at FM 131, Brackettville, Texas 78832, or will be provided upon request to any customer by mail without charge. Inquires should be made to Mr. Daniel G. Laws, the Utility's President/Chief Executive Officer, at (210) 563-2444.

The Utility has filed a copy of this Notice of Rate Change Request with the Public Utility Commission of Texas. Persons who wish to intervene in or comment upon these proceedings should notify the Commission as soon as possible. A request to intervene or for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility commission of Texas, 1701 N. Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas 78701. Further information may also be obtained by calling the Public Utility Commission's Public Information Office at (512) 936-7140. The deadline for intervening will be July 14, 1997 (45 days after filing the notice with the Commission.)

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