Brotherton signs with Schreiner

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Sheriff Buddy Burgess (from left) presents a certificate of appreciation to Reserve Deputy Warren Outlaw during a going away party for Outlaw this past week at the Sheriff's Department. Outlaw has 13 years of service with the department. He has served as bailiff, jailer, dispatcher and prisoner hauler during his time and disbursement of medication. at the department. Outlaw is moving to Tomball, a suburb of Brackett News Photo by Tanya Kay McClure plies used during ambulance calls, thus each establish fees for vehicle storage behind the At this time the county did not know where to Houston.

Early voting underway for elections

election and the Brackettville City tween 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Council election began Wednes-Tuesday, April 27.

early voting will be conducted at 5 p.m.

Early voting for the Brackett the Brackett ISD Central Office. ISD School Board of Trustees located at 400 N. Ann Street, be-

day, and will continue through cil election will be conducted at Brackettville City Hall, located on ventional copiers. In the School Board election, W. Spring Street, from 8 a.m. to

Commissioners OK new billing charges for EMS

TANYA KAY McClure STAFF WRITER

The Kinney County Commissioners Court met Monday morning in regular session.

The highlight of this week's meeting was the review and approval of the new billing charges for EMS, as suggested by Alexander Billing & Consulting, Inc.

At the current time the EMS is running under a basic life support (BLS) system, and will be upgraded to an advanced life support (ALS) system in the near future.

With this new system many new services can be rendered to patients, including IV's

Currently, EMS is not charging for all supyear losing money.

Alexander Billing & Consulting Company has proposed a list of new charges that insurall in favor of the new billing charges.

Systems presented a proposal to the court for Early voting for the City Coun- a new digital copy machine that would cost

currently using their new machines and loved puters in the library.

it. The new copier would eliminate the need stationary needs. The commissioners voted all in favor of signing up for the new plan.

This plan would only cost the county \$80 dollars for installation, and with all materials furnished, except for paper, only about a halfcent per copy made. The mahcine turns out about 120 copies per minute.

No action was taken on the hiring of a parttime employee to supervise individuals sentenced to community supervision, as presented by Justice of the Peace John Ford.

The court appointed Ford as the new emergency management coordinator, replacing Warren Outlaw.

Justice of the Peace's Office.

Julie Fuentes. Nutrition Center director, came before the Commissioners Court seekance companies will pay for. The court voted ing an answer from them on whether or not to rent out the Nutrition Center. It was voted all Bob Wilson of Office Communications in favor to not rent out the Nutrition Center to any entity now or in the future.

The court voted all in favor toward authothe county less per copy than any of their con-rizing the county judge to sign a contract be-project. tween Kinney County Public Library and Wilson stated that the school district was Calumet Computers to install wiring and com-

The commissioners approved to authorize for outside, costly printing presses for their the installation of additional phone lines for fax machines in the Tax Assessor Collector's Office, but voted to hold off on the installation of a new line in the County Clerk's Office until the budget for that office could be looked over.

A resolution was passed opposing passage of Senate Bill 143 dealing with inter basin water transfers.

A short briefing was held concerning FEMA and TCDP contracts on road reconstruction and advertisement for bids. No action was taken at this time.

Discussion was held on the matter of the road paving materials donated to the county No action was taken on Ford's request to by the Texas Department of Transportation. store these materials.

The court voted in favor of selling several lots here in Kinney County that had been turned over to the Appraisal District due to non-payment of taxes.

The court voted in favor of hiring several cement finishers, paying no more than \$15 per hour for the completion of the Pinto Creek

The Commissioners Court will be having a special called meeting on Tuesday, April 20, for discussion of other matters.

Fort Clark Springs names four employees of the year

By Tanya Kay McClure STAFF WRITER

Fort Clark Springs Association recently honored matters. four of its employees, dubbing them as employees

These employees were Nancy Frerich, Jan tion to her own," said Heath. Nelson, David Villarreal and Dan Villarreal.

Frerich is an administrative assistant and has almost 16 years of service with Fort Clark Springs.

She is responsible for insuring that all real estate tory listing, which accounts for all lots, whether they are owned by a member or the association.

Frerich is the secretary for the Planning Committee and is election judge appointed by the Board of Directors. She also provides assistance to the general manager. "She has done an outstanding job through the

years in coordinating the Annual Meeting barbecue. When you get right down to it, there's not much Nancy hasn't done for Fort Clark Springs," said Jim Heath, general manager of Fort Clark

Nelson is the manager of member services and has been with Fort Clark Springs for almost 10 years. greens," Heath said.

She answers a multitude of questions, oral and written, from members pertaining to selection of a lot, acquiring a building permit, and CC&R related

"When we lost our building inspector last year, Jan assumed any number of those duties, in addi-

In addition, Nelson is the secretary for the Architectural Committee and fills in for Frerich in her

David Villarreal is the maintenance supervisor records are kept up to date and maintains an inven- at the golf course and has been with Fort Clark for eight and a half years.

Dan Villarreal, who is also a maintenance supervisor at the golf course, has been with the association for six years.

Both of these men are working supervisors and insure the golf course not only looks good, but plays good. Heath said both men can handle any aspect of the golf course operation, from moving and trimming to over-seeding and watering, not to mention maintenance and upkeep of the equipment.

"Because of their efforts we've received continual high compliments from numerous players and visitors on the condition of the course, particularly the



Dan Villarreal (from left), Nancy Frerich, Jan Nelson and David Villarreal were recently named Fort Clark Springs' employees of the year. Brackett News Photo by J.J. Guidry



Fort Clark Shrine Club members Ray Robison, Bruce Clements and Tom Ertle are pictured at Saturday's benefit for Shrine hospitals. "The Fort Clark Shrine club wishes to thank all citizens of Kinney County for their generous contributions during our Shrine crop." hospital benefit drive," Clements said. "Through your gifts, it enables the Hospital for Children and the Galveston Burn Center ers of four of the top 10 songs to continue their operations. Neither the hospital or the burn center receives money from the government, nor would it be accepted Billboard's latest country singles if it was offered. This way the Shrine hospitals can treat children chart. Chesney tops the charts without government restrictions. All treatment to crippled or with "How Forever Feels," folburned children is free." Photo Special to The Brackett News lowed by the Dixie Chicks' "You

Sellout crowd packs dome for festival

By J.J. GUIDRY News Editor

SAN ANTONIO - A sellout crowd of an estimated 40,000 packed the Alamodome Sunday for the Seventh Annual George Strait Country Music Festival.

It was Strait's first performance in his hometown in more than 18 months. Sunday's show was the sixth stop on this year's 18-city tour schedule.

The Country Music Festival featured what Strait calls the 'cream of the crop."

Joining Strait on the tour are Tim McGraw, Dixie Chicks, Kenny Chesney, Jo Dee Messina, Mark Wills and Asleep at the Wheel.

"I go after the best and I'm honored this year because there's no doubt but that they're the best," Strait said. "It's the cream of the

The lineup featured the sing-(and six of the top 20) on



George Strait brought his annual Country Music Festival to the Brackett News Photo by J.J. Guidry Alamodome Sunday.

Were Mine (No. 4), Wills' "Wish You Were Here" (No. 6), and Never the Same" album.

McGraw, whose latest CD, Beside Me" hit No. 1.

"Everywhere," is triple platinum and already has produced four Strait's "Meanwhile" (No. 7), the No. 1 hits, tops the country singles first single from his new "Always sales chart with "Please Remember Me," while Messina's "Stand

INSIDE

■ Joe Townsend

It's high time the American people wake up and do something. The constant bombardment of Serbia is a shame and disgrace. Opinion/Page 2

Mendez gives speech

Art Mendez was last week's speaker for the Rotary Club. He is a counselor for Baptist Children's Home Ministries. Lifestyles/Page 4

■ Netters win title

Seven netters qualified for regionals and the Tigerettes won the conference title Monday at the District 30-2A tennis tournament. Sports/Page 5

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Let the Balkans solve their own problems

It's high time the American people wake up and do something. The constant bombardment of Serbia is a shame and disgrace.

This debacle created by Clinton in his search for headlines is drawing sympathy from too many people.

It is certainly true that the plight of the Albanian people in Kosovo is deplorable. Under the constant bombardment of propaganda by common sense. It's easy to forget gress or the people of the U.S. that Kosovo is a province of Yuand separation from the states.

those to the Civil War in the U.S. Compare the atrocities of the burning of Atlanta.

are totally unsubstantiated. I He has already lost one of mean, NATO is a defensive pact. America's bombers (a \$42 milion must do whatever is necessary to No place in its charter or history plane). can be found justification for the present action.

The idea of a bully organizamachinations the present Satanic actions would not be. With his clone in Great Britian he cleverly engineered the entire agenda.

enough to not go to the U.N. knowing he would be rebuffed.

of great potential to destroy the vilians out of jobs.

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Between Us

Joe Townsend

the Washington machine, people U.S. He has no regard for the let their compassion override their Constitution nor the will of con-

He makes photo-op appeargoslavia. It's easy to forget that ances on military bases to brag on hostilities boiled up when rebels troops then sends them glibly off in Kosovo began attacks on Serbs to war. He sends military troops demanding complete autonomy as "peace keepers" into Macedonia where there was no Serbian aggression came alive threat, and when three G.I.'s are tect the peace in Kosovo (a state to protect the republic. Compare captured he blows and glows with smaller than Connecticut) how hot air threats.

through Georgia. Compare the than 400 aircraft to bomb. He has deaths at Andersonville and the sent armadas of ships to partici- and friends? pate in the bombings. He has sub-The attacks against the Serbs marines to launch cruise missiles.

He has fired cruise missiles (\$1 million each) until he's running low on them. He fired nine cruise tion bombing to destruction any missiles to destroy an empty buildautonomous nation is reprehen- ing in downtown Belgrade. He has sible. Were it not for Slick Willy's and continues to destroy bridges (one reported with a train on it).

He has badly disrupted the economy and welfare of Bulgaria and Rumania, blocking the Even now he is almost con- Danube river and barring movestantly on the phone to keep other ment of barges carrying much of nations in line. He was slick the trade and traffic of these countries. He is systematically destroying the economy of Yugoslavia. He He thumbs his nose at nations is putting thousands of innocent ci-

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With missiles going astray he is destroying home and civilian lives. All this to try to enforce a "peace" dictated by him irrespective of Yugoslavia.

America is certainly aware of his arrogance on intransigencies. He does gall me when I see him close or curtail operations of veterans hospitals and medical benefits rightly due veterans for lack of funds, and yet his wild escapade in Europe has cost already more than \$1 billion and still counting. One night's bombings would keep several veterans hospitals at full commitment.

As of today he now is back pedaling and sending ground troops into war.

If he needs 20,000 men to promany troops will be sent to fight a In a country smaller than the war there? How many body bags union forces in Sherman's march state of Missouri he has sent more covering the bodies of U.S. men will cause untold grief to families

I grow weary of the unthinking logic that says we shouldn't have By PETE P. GALLEGO started but now that we have we finish the job. It is not noteworthy less of cost.

When a fireman enters a burn-smile about. ing building and the fire endanback off. When a gambler sees he has a losing hand, he is smart to fold and take his loss.

devastating or useless.



Unsung Hero

Joe

rownsend

Brackettville is about to lose a very important part of her community. It's always great to see one of our own better himself and especially one of our young men striving to get an education.

Beginning as a high school student this young man became a very creditable sports reporter. He soon branched out into other areas. When he finished his high school he continued his newspaper career as he attended college classes.

When he became editor of The

He has the opportunity to be to me. editor of the campus newspaper at the local daily newspaper.

J.J. is an Unsung Hero.

J.J., you take with you our best and bless you in every way.

Correction

In Thomas "Tom" Powell's letter to the editor in the April 1 edition of The Brackett News, the word "defy" was incorrectly used instead of "deify," changing the meaning of the letter.

The Brackett News regrets making this error.

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Legislature must stop the affects of oil crisis

STATE REPRESENTATIVE, DISTRICT 74

Texas drivers tend to like big to continue a losing battle regard- cars and small gas prices. These days, Texas drivers have a lot to

gers his life, it is no disgrace to lowest price in 12 years and have been hovering there for months.

Motorists are planning summer road trips and leisurely Sunday For the sake of humanity, the drives. People can afford to take United States, and everyone in- the scenic route and splurge on volved, the intelligent thing for Bill high octane fuel. Unfortunately, to Feb. 1 and would expire Aug. Clinton to do is to fold and let the this consumer bliss has a down Balkans solve their own problems. side. The glut of oil on the world With Clinton's bent to bomb- market is not just affecting Texas in favor of this bill. ing, he'll likely find other targets drivers. The oil surplus is hurting but they most likely won't be as small oil producers and school districts across the state.

> not able to sell oil for more than value of underground oil in deterthe cost of pumping it from the mining the value of property. Propbarrels of oil a day, but account ues. for 80 percent of the total oil produced in this state.

of the cornerstones of the Texas economy and is central to small West Texas towns such as Iraan and Fort Stockton. Any change in the price of oil sends ripples throughout Texas and tidal waves through

small oil-dependent towns.

secutive months, wells that produce less than 15 barrels of oil a state's severance tax.

The bill would be retroactive 31. Given the important role oil plays in West Texas, I am voting any school district in the state. Fort

The legislature is also working on plans to help school districts that have been affected by low oil Currently, small oil wells are prices. School districts include the

> The price of West Texas interporary crisis. mediate crude is currently hovercantly less in property taxes.

published a report estimating that through our state.

Texas school districts could stand Though we cannot raise the to lose \$157 million in property price of oil, we can affect the cost taxes for education - 300 school of production. The House will vote districts could be directly affected, this week on HB 290, an emer- many of them in South and West gency bill that would exempt small Texas. These estimates may be a wells from the state's 4.6 percent worst-case scenario, though we Gas prices have dipped to the severance tax. When the price of won't know the actual losses until oil dips below \$15 for three con- appraisers finish their evaluations in late July.

Without state help, District 74 day would be exempted from the school districts could be in serious financial trouble. Iraan-Sheffield of Pecos County could stand to lose over \$8 million in school funding, the largest loss of Stockton is on course to lose nearly \$3.5 million and Terrell County may fall \$558,000 short.

> Schools are already on tight budgets, most cannot afford the losses being predicted.

No programs should be cut, no ground. These small or "mar- erty taxes, which fund education, teachers let go, and no property ginal" wells produce less than 15 are calculated based on these val- taxes raised. It is imperative that we help schools through this tem-

In the complex structure of our The oil industry remains one ing at \$12 per barrel, a 40 per- economy, any change in the price cent drop from last year's price of of oil affects the overall health of \$20 per barrel. As a result, school Texas. We depend on the jobs and districts will be collecting signifi- the tax revenues generated by this industry. The Texas legislature In February, the comptroller must stop the trouble rippling

Politicians concerned with power, prestige

Did you ever wonder who the first politician was? I think maybe it was Cain. After he had murdered Abel and God asked him where Abel was he said, "Am I my brother's keeper?" That was obviously a statement structured Brackett News it was a good day to carry a suggestion of denial for him and the News. He has done while not actually giving an anan outstanding job. Now he moves. swer. Sure sounds like a politician

Delta State University in Missis- in public, elected jobs as a profes- sons he can hold his head up high sippi. This university of some sion. They are there for their own and look his friends and neighbors 6,000 students gives him an op- benefit and not the benefit of their in the eye. portunity to further spread his constituents. They are in it for the wings. He also will be writing for power, the money, and the prestige. Politicians are not, at least He'll be leaving this week to almost never, truly interested in the work full time for the local news- good of the people. The public paper while the regular staff takes servant that is in service because he feels it is his duty to serve, and We'll sorely miss J.J. Guidry, a because he thinks his talents are fine man, a good friend and an such that he can better the public excellent newspaper man. Surely good is not a politician. He is a statesman!

He is a man, or woman, who wishes, our prayers, and full con- can be trusted to make decisions ally painful. cern and support. May God lead that are based on a desire to do what is good for the country or the community. He makes his decisions based on logic and reason and compassion. He doesn't care if certain small, powerful segments of society disagree with his decisions. He has only a desire to make things better for the whole.

> He also knows that a leader must lead by example. He tries with all his might to live up to the expectations of his voters and to be honest and fair above everything else. He is a man that listens



The Way I See It

Steven R. LaMascus

Politicians are people who are information and for the purest rea-

He is honest. He is truthful. He doesn't make up information to private concerns that donate to prove a point or further an agenda. He doesn't need to because he has heart and not his wallet. He may hate to make those tough decisions that everyone must make, but he select the topics of discussion and knows that to deserve the trust do his job, even when it is person-

statesman. He declined to become money at the people than the other the king of the United States. He was president because he was funds. Let's put all that money into needed. He didn't want the job. He was not seeking power and wealth and the adoration of millions. He was serving his country. It was his duty to serve as president just as it was his duty to lead require them to be what we want the Continental Army in the them to be. American Revolution. All he really wanted was to stay home and tend to his own business.

I do not think a person should ways right - no one is. But he office. I think every elected offiknows that if he makes all his de- cial should be pressed into service

That way we would be fairly certain that the people in office wouldn't have a hidden agenda that was contrary to the interests of the country.

I think all elected offices should have term limits. The worst thing I can think of in public service is a career politician. The more entrenched they get the more selfserving they usually become. They no longer make decisions based on what is good for the voters, but on whether or not it will help them get re-elected next election. They listen to special interest groups and their election campaigns.

I think that campaigning should no agenda other than the good of be outlawed. The only campaign the majority. He always votes his allowed should be a meeting of the candidates for discussion of the relevant topics. The voters should every one of the politicians should placed in him by the voters he must be wearing a polygraph during the

Many elections today are sim-George Washington was a ply bought by throwing more guy. Let's have no private election a public election fund and have it given to the candidates in precisely equal amounts. Let's be fair and honest. Let's hold our leaders to the highest moral standards. Let's

On the way to work this morning I was discussing politics with a friend. I made mention of the fact that politics was actually the to advice. He knows he is not al- be allowed to voluntarily run for combination of two four-letter words. He said, "Yeah, poli-tics always makes me think of multiple cisions based on the best available by the people who know them. blood-suckers." Think about it!

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District wins property tax appeal

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This is a very important elec-

tion. Our schools are important to

fice (by the flag pole).

The big news this week is we won the property tax appeal. It's worth about \$116,000 to the local schools.

This was money that would not be given to the local district because the state had determined that our appraisals did not comply with state law. The law is that the property must be appraised to 95 percent of the actual value.

With property selling at higher prices - especially at Fort Clark - it is difficult to keep up. So, we perience and was quiet to a point. appealed.

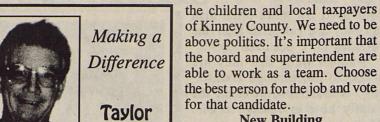
Dixie Brown led the research raised his voice and stated his pofor the appeal. Joyce Fuentes sition. When he talked the board worked with Dixie to provide the tax information that we needed to appeal. I was there to cheer or say there's hope or there is no hope.

We appealed and the property great sense of humor. tax division ruled in our favor. A tip of the hat to Dixie and Joyce district received from Steve and for a job well done.

School Board

We'll miss Steve LaMascus and Jim McDaniel from our School Board election. The polls School Board.

Steve is very straight forward in what he thinks. He has a great sense of humor and is dedicated 563-2491 and press 1. You will agonize over decisions, and al- central office who can help you. ways tried to vote for what was best for the kids.



Stephenson

New Building

COMMUNITY

The new school building is going great! Most of the sheet rock is up, and the painting has begun.

On the outside, they are put-Jim McDaniel has lots of exting up metal lathe and the plastering has begun. Sidewalks When he had heard enough, he around the sides and back of the building are complete.

We're very excited at the beauty and quality of the build-Jim would get tickled when I ing. Visitors from other towns would forget to turn on the tape can't believe the size and beauty forget that one, take that one, recorder or when I would trip over of the new building. It is very well an extension cord. He also had a built.

Around Campus

Our girls golf team qualified for regionals. Manuel Madrid qualified in golf.

Have you taken a look at the Early voting has begun for the beautiful baseball and softball fields in Brackettville?

Richard Terrazas, Manuel Madrid and Mando Sanchez have done a great job this year. We have the best fields I have seen in to doing the right thing. He would be able to talk to someone in the many years. Thanks for the good

> Come support our fine students when you can. Have a great week.



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Oscar "Mac" McClure Debra Cortes Oscar "Mac" McClure, age

87, passed away Monday, April 12, 1999 at a local nursing home. He was born May 29, 1911 in El Campo, Texas.

McClure is survived by his three sons: Alvin S. McClure, John R. McClure and George McClure. A memorial service will be

scheduled in Brackettville at a later date. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of the Del

Rio Funeral Home, doing busi-

ness as Brackettville Funeral

Home, 114 North St.

FHA steps up to state

CONTRIBUTING WRITER

listened.

Representatives from The Courage of the Texas Tigers, the local chapter of Future Homemakers of America (FHA), will be attending the 1999 state leadership convention along with 4,000 members and advisors from Texas. The meeting will be at the Bayfront Plaza Convention Center in Corpus Christi on

Attending from Brackettville will be Donald Page, president; Kakine Breen, vice president; Albert Lattimer, Debora Cortes,

April 22-24.

will be unable to attend include Kyle Ingram, Melony Terrazas, Cynthia Cruz, Theresa Ryan, and Josh Mulvaine.

"Shadows in the Light" is the presentation that won the group sixth place honors in the regional competition. The chapter won the first runner-up Community Service Award for Region V.

The group is currently selling raffle tickets to raise money for the trip's expenses. The raffle includes: first prize, an original Bud Breen painting; second prize, a 5-foot tall bunny shaped scare crow; and third prize, a socket and bit set donated by Ace Hardware in Uvalde. The drawing will be held on April 16.

Sheriff's Report

Friday, April 2

Jr., age 44, was arrested by Deputy Ring for driving with a The case is still under investigasuspended licenses. The man was tion. later released on bond.

8:50 a.m. Heriberto Zapata Gonzalez was arrested by DPS trol Agent contacted the depart-Trooper Slubar for driving with- ment requesting a unit at the out a license. He was later re- county line. Border Patrol had leased on bond.

Saturday, April 3

Rodriguez, age 20, from Mexico tion. was arrested for public intoxication by Officer Chism. Sunday, April 4

of Brackettville, age 26, was ar-Slubar.

Tuesday, April 6

by the sheriffs office to report that someone had taken his cell phone called in to complain of a black from his house. The phone was rottweiler lose on El Paso street. valued at \$325. The case is still A city employee was notified of under investigation.

2:46 a.m. Smith Security reported an intoxicated driver who in to report vandalism on Allen drove over the Ft. Clark Springs cones. Deputy Carl Chism was Chism was notified of the situainformed of the situation.

Wednesday, April 7

7:12 a.m. A man from San Antonio called in to report that his morial Hospital Emergency Room girlfriend, a local woman, had taken his car without permission. He did not want to file on her, but wanted to know if she was tions received in a motor vehicle going to return his car. DPS accident in Brackettville. Upon in-Trooper Richard Slubar stated that he talked to the woman and that man and a youth had been in the she stated that her boyfriend had given her permission to use the rolled the vehicle on Windus car to come and see her family.

Thursday, April 8

Guidry reported that he found a liability insurance. black and red Hufffy bicycle layiffs department.

Friday, April 9

medicine from his truck while he 5:00 a.m. Gilbert Espenoza, was parked at Krazy Chicken. No one was seen around the truck.

Saturday, April 10

2:23 a.m. A local Border Pastopped vehicle, and one of the subjects had warrants. Deputy Angel Tellez Miguel Chism was notified of the situa-

11:22 a.m. A local woman called in to report that someone had thrown a wallet across her 4:30 p.m. Richard Anty Flores fence. She reported that she did not know who the wallet belonged rested for theft by DPS Officer to. City Police Ron Ring was notified of the situation. After recovery of the wallet I.D. was found 1:30 p.m. A local man came inside and the owner notified.

8:41 p.m. A local woman the situation.

8:39 p.m. A local man called Road, at Fort Clark. Deputy

Sunday, April 11

10:45 a.m. The Val Verde Mecontacted the Sheriffs office reporting that a local man had been brought in by relatives for laceravestigation, it was found that the youth's fathers pickup truck and street. The youth was brought in by City Police Ring and sited for 9:20 p.m. Deputy Bobby driving without a license and no

8:44 p.m. Deputy Bobby ing on the ground near the bike Guidry called in to report a dorack at Jones Elementary. He mestic problem on Gove and brought the bicycle into the Sher- Edwards street. Deputy Chism was dispatched to the scene and talked with the husband and wife 3:00 p.m. A local man came who both stated that there was no into the office to report that some- trouble. They were having a loud one had stolen some prescription argument, but were not fighting.

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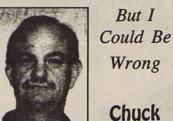
I'm just a cub

One of my good friends is a guy from Del Rio named Monty Barnes. I remember all of the times we spent together while our kids were involved in the sport of rodeo.

His girls were tough, yet friendly competitors. They, like Monty and his Mrs., were fun to be around. They left their well be a grizzly." mark on my life. I miss 'em.

Monty probably won't read this paper, but if he does, he'll call and remind me of things I've forgotten. Things that I have to try harder at the things I do. wanted to forget. I have selective memory.

ing to be a bear, you might as be wrong.



Hall

I like that. I use it often. I've used it to inspire my kids to give 100 percent. But mostly I recall it to remind myself that I need

I'm not a grizzly. Not at any-And I remember one of his thing. Not yet. But I am trying. favorite sayings: "If you're go- And I will get better. But I could

Taylor awarded Carr Academic Scholarship

SAN ANGELO - Aaron Taylor, a senior at Brackett High School, has been awarded a Carr Academic Scholarship at Angelo State University (ASU) for 1999-2000.

Carr Academic Scholarships are being awarded for 1999-2000, ranging in value from \$1,500 to \$6,000, to qualified undergraduates. During the current year, over 900 students from throughout Kinney County is considered a stand him or her anymore." Texas and the nation, as well as numerous foreign countries, are satellite county. BCHM is a attending ASU on Carr Academic Scholarships.

As a general rule, entering freshmen must rank in the top 15 percent of their high school class and present either combined math and verbal score of 1140 on the SAT or a composite score of 25 on the ACT. Supported by a growing multi-million dollar trust the goals of the STAR program child. Some of the ways the Inter Agency Group in Del Rio, setting, crisis intervention, trainestablished by the late Robert G. and Nona K. Carr of San Angelo, are to stabilize families and to counselors work with the chil- which provides a wide source of ing for parents and youth, folthe undergraduate scholarships may be renewed annually by the prevent runaways and help children is by going into the home help. university for students who maintain the reuired academic record. dren who are involved in mis- and working with the whole fam-

Mendez guest speaker at Rotary Club meeting

PATSY CALLNAN CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Art Mendez was Thursdays's At-Risk Youth.") BCHM has broiled in the problem. been involved in activities for

open an office in Del Rio and is to get involved before the in their office. problems mentioned have been

committed but more often than not they are called in after the

Another thing that they are speaker for the Brackettville Ro- trying to do, through counseltary Club. He is a Counselor/Co- ing, is teach everyone in the ordinator for Baptist Children's family how to resolve crisis. Home Ministries based in San Many times the situation comes Antonio. Joining Mendez were about because the child or the Judith Renteria, Casa Manger parent has a crisis situation at for the Star Program and school or at work and they bring Chistina, Ortiz, Coordinator for this situation home and the STAR Program ("Services to whole family becomes em-

One of the big problems with I don't give enough effort. youth in Texas for over 50 years. troubled youth is the failure of There is a school in Tyler, parents to become involved in Texas for mentally disabled the child's problem. Often the people who's parents have parent's attitude is to drop the grown too old to care for them child off at the STAR office and or they have died and there is drive away. When the counseno family member to give them lor tries to get them to come in they have to go to H-E-B for groattitude of "Fix this kid, I can't mental health agencies.

FOOTSTEPS ECHO

The Fort Clark Diames and Letters of

Major General Francis Henry French

Courtesy of his decendant

offenses have occurred.

Judith Penteria (from left), Art Mendez and Christina Ortiz spoke at last week's Rotary Club meeting. Photo by Frances McMaster

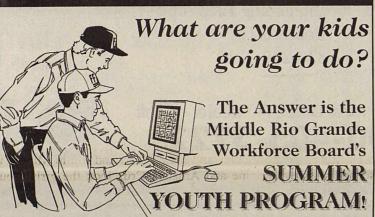
has been very cooperative and agency that could provide for has provided private rooms food, water, or shelter. Youth, the care they need. There is also and work with them to get to the where the counseling can take between the ages of 7-17, who a home and counseling program root of the problem, they give place. The preferred place for are experiencing family conflict, for pregnant and unwed teenag- excuses that they are too busy, counseling is in the home. Star who are runaways or, who have gets referrals from the schools, been truant are eligible. Chil-BCHM has now been able to ceries, etc. They often have the probation officers and from dren, ages 7-9 who commit any

The Star workers try very refer to get help. If the problem who committed misdemeanor counseling and guidance pro- hard to get family participation goes beyond the scope of and/or state jail felony offenses, gram that works closely with in working with the children but BCHM, they are referred to an are eligible. The services that are troubled youth and the families if they can't accomplish this they agency that can provide for their provided are free short-term from which they come. Some of will continue to try to help the needs. BCHM is a member of the counseling in the home or office

In Brackettville the school family would be referred to the vides their funding.

delinquent offense and non-ad-Families can come in and self judicated youth, ages 10-17, low-up services and emergency During the recent flood, fam- residential placement. The demeanor offenses. Their goal ily, holding counseling sessions ily problems stemmed from Texas Department of Protective flood related incidents, so the and Regulatory Services pro-

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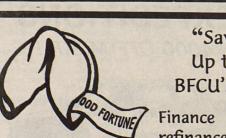
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At Fort Clark, on January 1, 1883, Lt. French began diaries, which he faithfully maintained for the next 30 years.

Friday, April 1, 1887 although we were not started any earlier than usual. Our first glimpse of Rio Grande City was the Court House, a new building since I was here in '85, quite a large building for this country and set on a hill. Reached the vicinity of the town about 8 o'clock and company. Capt. Vance rode ahead to the post to make arrangements reliable soon to become a mother. for our arrival. Our march took Met Payne in Capt. Vance's and us through the main street of the town which has grown a great deal since October '85. After entering but are to start soon for Brown. the post met Capt Vance and Returned to quarters to read let-Whitall of the 16th Inf'y., Post ters, a rare treat after so many Quartermaster, who pointed out days without them. Took a bath company. Met Whitall for a few lunch. Before this had a detail moments when I passed through from the company to unload my way to Clark. Took the company more and begin to feel better. over to the barracks and then saw After lunch went over to a comsome men of "G" Co. which is pany barber and had beard shaved here waiting for our transporta- off and hair cut. A few gray hairs tion. Johnston, Harris and in the beard make me feel old. McIntyre came across the parade Went in to see Mrs. Payne a few to meet me. The latter is our sub., moments and found her looking a member of the last class. He is better than I have ever known here a rather quiet young man, but I to be before. Completed letter think there is a great deal to him home that was commenced and regard him as a great acqui- Wednesday and made out pay acsition to the regiment, so far su- counts so as to send them off toperior to men like Fowler and morrow. Saw Capt. Bradford and Cunningham. Went over to the three boys today. They look Johnston's where met Mollie who the same as at Brown. Mrs. cooked for me at Brown in '85. Bradford and the girls remain at She is running the mess. Johnston Brown to visit Mrs. Liscum and is busy packing up to go to San will then go North on a visit where ated water, pure water which is Antonio where he has been or- the Captain and the boys will join exactly what I must use. This will dered on account of his bad health. them as soon as he can get a leave add greatly to the healthfulness of John. It was about 11 o'clock He looks thin and ill. Maj. Wilcox after reaching Clark. Took din- the post. The apparatus is under when I went to bed, the latest hour came in and after welcoming me ner at the mess which consists of charge of the Surgeon who distant I have been up for some time. kindly invited me to share his Maj. Wilcox, Capt. Bradford, tributes the ice. Think he will be Hope that we can get settled soon

soon came along just as I was gong time to become acquainted with into Maj. Wilcox's quarters. We him. Several called and sat in front have not met since '79. He has of our quarters. Then went up to grown stouter and a little taller and pay my respects to Mrs. Payne is in other respects the same who is to leave tomorrow. Turned "Buck Thurston" as of old. He in early feeling tired and sleepy. introduced me to Elliott of the 8th Thus ends the march from Clark, Today is Father's birthday; Cav'y a class mate of McIntyre's 297 miles by my itinerary, every may he have a very happy one and a son of Bishop Elliott whom bit of which I have marched. First many more happy returns of the I met at Brown. Went up to the impressions of the new post are ficers. The mail today brought me day. There was no trouble about office where was most happy to getting the men up this morning find several letters from home and from Lula, one from Hewitt, some O.B.'s, bundles of papers from home and some more. Carried Capt. Vance's mail over to him, stopping to chat and shake hands with Mrs. Buck nee Kate Bernard, and to meet her cousin Miss McKee. When last saw Mrs. Buck then halted to rest and reform the she was in short clothes; now she have some money saved up by that is married and if indications are time. Among the letters today was was glad to see him again. He and wife did not go down with Liscum the quarters to be occupied by the and then went to Johnson's for a McIntosh in October '85 on the property. Put on a white shirt once quarters last night but woke up at

coolest set in the garrison. It was evening met Buck in front of his very considerate in him. Thurston quarters, but did not have much quite agreeable. It is prettier than Clark, has an ice machine, living is cheaper. But we miss the pleasant society of the other place. The mail is received here and departs 6 times a week. It takes two days for a letter to come from San Antonio. Hope to be left here until next Fall and then want to be promoted and go to Clark. Hope to one from Taylor who is not at all encouraging about Spencer's retirement. But maybe the latter's friends will be able to secure this anyway. Mother writes that Capt. White has promised to work hard for it when he goes back to Washuntil next Fall perhaps.

Saturday, April 2, 1887 Had a good sleep in the new daylight this morning being in the habit of rising early in camp. After breakfast went into Payne's where sat some time chatting. Read a letter there which Mrs. Guard received from Miss Coleman. She has not yet acknowledged the basket I sent from Laredo. After bidding the Paynes good bye as they left for Brown today went up with Harris to see the ice machine. It is a very comfor the post. Besides making ice the office and then resumed letter an arrangement has been made in home writing on it until dinner. connection with it by which the After dinner went over to the Lipost is supplied with distilled aer- brary but could not get in. Com-



a bundle of papers from home, a letter from Mother and one from Miss Coleman. Also got another copy of the encyclopedia which was received two or three days ago. As Capt. Bradford and his boys are staying in the house Maj. Wilcox and I have decided not to fix our quarters until after "G" Co. leaves. He told me this evening that he wants me to be adjutant but he cannot in justice relieve Buck without some cause. It is reported that his company is to go away from here soon when I am to get the place. Dont care enough for it to desire it if it will interfere with Guard's appointment as quartermaster. Spoke to ington, but he will not go there Capt. Vance this evening and asked him to say this to Maj. Wilcox when the matter came up. Spent quite a while at Capt. Vance's this evening and then sat with the Guards on their porch. It was cool this evening, indeed the weather has been very comfortable so far, but it will be hotter

Sunday, April 3, 1887

Attended inspection this morning and found the men in good shape in their new quarters. Commenced letter home but left it to go to the office and to Capt. Vance's. The mail brought a letplete affair and an excellent thing ter from Lula. Read the papers in pleted letter home, a long one, and then wrote a long one to Lula and quarters. Was only too happy to Johnston, Thurston, Harris, able to sell enough outside to make as I am very tired of this living do this as they are large and the McIntyre, Elliott & self. In the cost a nominal one to the of-

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Brotherton signs with Schreiner



Lindsey Brotherton (seated) signs a letter of intent with Schreiner as her parents (standing, from left), Dusty and Bonnie, and Brackett Athletic Director David Yeager look on.

By J.J. GUIDRY SPORTS EDITOR

Brackett senior Lindsey Brotherton has committed to playing volleyball at Schreiner College in Kerrville next fall.

Brotherton started at setter on the Tigerettes last two playoff

legiate level is something I've alwent down to Schreiner and played Lindsey is the central player. with the volleyball players, and I really liked it."

all-state selection by the Texas ity as an athlete and her intelli-Sports Writers Association and was named to the Texas Girls Coaches Association's academic all-state team this year. The is a key to us being able to main-Comstock transfer is a three-time tain the advanced style of play," all-district selection.

"I just can't say enough about Lindsey's potential and her future," Schreiner volleyball coach Bob Howard said. "I have a lot of confidence in her abilities."

Howard said Brotherton is expected to be a key player in the future for Schreiner.

"Next year's team will be primarily juniors and seniors," he "Playing volleyball at the col- said. "This year's freshmen class will be the team a few years from ways wanted to do," she said. "I now. Of the group coming in,

"For us, we try to run about 40 percent of the offense through the Brotherton was a second team middle hitters, and Lindsey's abilgence to make decisions will allow that to happen.

"Her development as a setter Howard added.

Brackett has seven qualify for regional tennis tournament UVALDE - Seven Brackett netters quali- ner will finish second in boys' singles and ad- Jourdanton, 6-4, 2-6, 6-1.

fied for regional competition and the Tigerettes vance to regionals. won the conference title Monday as the District 30-2A tennis tournament concluded.

Michelle Bizzell, Sussanah Davis, Schiller 1-6, 6-4, 6-4 for the girls' doubles title. Hill, Duquesa Hunt, Leslie Meyer, Chris

Levi Duncan is set to meet Bischoff of

Regionals are April 28-29 in San Marcos.

Bizzell finished second in girls' singles af-Petrosky and Brittany Shewbart will represent ter defeating Morales of Jourdanton 6-4, 6-2 of Jourdanton 6-1, 6-3 before losing to Garcia in a playback match on Monday.

Amanda Ward also competed in girls' Comfort in a playback match today. The win-singles. The freshman lost to Yanes of He lost to Bischoff of Comfort 6-1, 6-2.

The Tigers finished as the district runnersup. Comfort won the league title. Hill and Davis and Hunt topped Meyer and Shewbart Petrosky took the boys' doubles title. Colby Crosby and Tony Rubio also competed in boys' doubles. They defeated Kalisek and Williams and Villareal of Dilley 6-7, 6-2, 7-5.

Lee Davis also competed in boys' singles.

Representing Brackett at regional golf will be, top row, from left: Laura Lee Ballew, Savannah Massingill and Tiffany Eckenrod. Bottom row: Jennifer Ashabranner, Manuel Madrid and Debora Cortes. Ashabranner finished as a silver medalist in district.

Briefs

Johnson, Waller finish on top at Spring Fling Rosemary Johnson and Beth Waller took top honors in the first

flight at the annual Fort Clark Ladies Invitational Spring Fling. The two-person scramble at Fort Clark Springs attracted 48 golfers

Lou Green and Cindy Shaw took second in the first fight, while Cindy and Marilyn Grothues of Devine were third.

In the second flight, Fern Dyer and Mary Stephenson tied Shirley Stephenson and Jane Young for first place. Third place was won by

Kelly Dennis and Sherri White. Mary Conley and Ruth Vinton on Bandera tied Marge Moderick and Kay Roberts for top honors in the third flight. Lynn Ebert and

Ann Malin finished in third place. Arlys Simpson and Jo Workman won the fourth flight, Betty Mathison and Ruth Spencer took second place, and Mary Jane Raser

and Carolyn McClellan of Bandera took third. Eighth graders claim conference tennis title

The Brackett eighth graders won the District 30-2A tennis title last week and the seventh grade team finished as the runners-up.

In the eighth grade division, Boyd Brotherton and Doug Sanchez took first in boys' doubles and Jesse Davis and Philip Munoz were second, Ashley Antoine and Amanda Cruz took the girls' doubles title and Sheena Meyer and Brittany Meyer were second, and Valerie Gunter finished third in girls' singles.

In seventh grade action, Dietrich Davis and Matt Jackson claimed the boys' doubles title, Sarah Meyer and Ashley Smith took first in girls' doubles, and Tony Jamail was third in boys' singles.

Quartet tops Ladies Golf League play with 98 Fern Dyer, Margot Kendrick, Pat McKelvy and Pat Nelson com-

bined for a score of 98 to take top honors in a game of 93 during Ladies Golf League action Tuesday at Fort Clark Springs.

<u>OUTDOORS</u>

Sporting clays takes the nation by storm Off-season shotgunning is prac- ing.

ticed in many forms. I am an in-(according to my wife) far too much time on a skeet field.

However, the 10,000 or so rounds I fire every year at clay targets also shows up in my percentage on game birds.

When the first day of the season rolls around I am fine tuned and ready to go while a shooter that has not picked up his shotgun since the end of last season will probably get off to a slow start. Besides which, I don't sit around all summer long moping and griping about it being so long to hunting season. Well, at least not as

much. a newer game on the scene - the houses, electrical connections sporting clays. This is a game that and other devices that make them is much closer to actual field con- work properly. ditions and can be changed to make the shooting easy or as dif- enjoyable ranges I have shot on shot a 50 straight and he only did It can be set up anywhere there is ficult as anyone could want.

There are no hard-and-fast get throwers. rules. The birds are always different. There are even targets trees, where the targets would be storm. It has gone from an inforavailable that are supposed to represent rabbits and other ground shot was taken. Another was set nized competition in just a few game. It is fun and it is challeng- up to throw a target that had to be short years.

While a 100 straight at skeet veterate skeet shooter and spend or trap is as common as dirt, a 100 straight in sporting clays is practically unheard of. In fact, I have never heard of anyone firing such a score.

One time last year I ran 300 straight targets in registered NSSA skeet competitions. My best ever sporting clays score is 44 out of

that does not require a lot of spelong as it will fire at least two that was rising but appeared to be be rather stagnant with the same rounds without having to reload. a straightaway.

Neither is there a need for a high-dollar electric trap machine Besides skeet and trap there is or a pair of skeet machines and

> One of the simplest and most was set up using five portable tar- it once!

falling and going away when the mal game to a nationwide orga-



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shot between two trees in a nar-Sporting clays is also a game row lane maybe 30 feet wide - a very challenging crossing shot. cialized equipment. Any shotgun Still another was set below the you use for hunting is just fine, as brow of a bluff. It threw a target

get a hundred times by not allowing for the rise and shooting under the bird. It was a simple course. Ten targets were shot from each station for a total of fifty. Only one shooter has ever

In the last 10 years sporting One trap was set to throw over clays has taken the nation by

There are now specialized guns with changeable choke tubes and long, ported barrels intended to allow the clays shooter to excel. But like everything else, the man behind the gun is more important than the gun itself.

The last I heard, one of the leading shooters was still shooting a field grade Remington Model 870 pump. At most of the bigger shoots, I hear, the other shooters made disparaging remarks about his pore-boy gun, until he cleaned their clocks.

While skeet and trap seem to shooters and the same number of I'll bet I have missed that tar- shooters year after year, sporting clays is growing by leaps and bounds. It is not as structured and belabored by rules and traditions as its two older brothers.

> It appeals to the pure hunter as well as to the pure target shooter. a safe place to shoot and for a fraction of the cost of a trap or skeet field. If, like me, you are a hunter and can't wait for next season, get out and shoot some clays. But be prepared for the bad news. It can be addictive.

Birds, birdwatchers flock to Texas for Birding Classic

AUSTIN - On April 17-25, the Great Texas Birding Classic will focus national attention on the Texas Gulf coast, the "funnel of the flyways" used by millions of birds as a vital refueling and resting stop on their way to summer homes back across central and eastern North America.

The Birding Classic, the longest competitive birdwatching event in the U.S., raises money for avian habitat projects along the Texas coast. This is critical habitat for birds who continue on up the Central, Mississippi and Atlantic flyways. These include dustry, generating more than sors with individual teams of com- April 17. many neotropical migratory songbirds, among the nation's most colorful and best loved bird species, which migrate huge distances America (the neotropics) and North America.

Dozens of the biggest names in birding from across the U.S. come to Texas for the Classic each year. Alongside them come thousands of non-competing birders, and it's not hard to see why. Texas has 613 bird species recorded, more than any other state.

For those who don't care to compete but want to savor the spring migration experience in of local birding events timed to Texas, more than a dozen Texas coastal communities will stage birding festivals and events during the week of the Birding Classic. These are published in a



A Little on the Wildlife Side Henry Lutz

spring migration calendar due out in March from Texas Parks and Wildlife (TPW), the organizing sponsor of the Birding Classic.

Birding has become a huge in-\$155 million in Texas retail sales petitors. per year and more than \$5 billion nationwide.

between South and Central bers and the habitat that sustains support of 22 corporations, 15 21, and concludes on the lower them are steadily declining, and the contest aims to make these try fees. facts known while raising money to conserve bird habitat.

The Great Texas Birding Classic is a joint venture of huge proportions. Coordinated by TPW, and jointly sponsored by Texas Chevrolet Suburban, among oth-Partners in Flight, 14 coastal com- ers. munities and numerous major corporations and businesses, the nine- for 1999 on attracting more youth day Classic coincides with a host teams and on bringing non-com-

Classic is a great opportunity for side the Birding Classic. Texas to show off its tremendous

said Dr. Gary Graham, TPW wildlife director.

"Birding means tourism dollars wildlife habitat near them. And, Classic allows us to raise \$50,000 vation efforts. It's a great deal for prize. everyone involved," he added.

The Birding Classic also funnels corporate dollars to bird conservation by linking private spon-

communities and tournament en-

Central and South West Company/ Central Power and Light, Alcoa,

There is a continued emphasis petitive members of the bird-lovtake advantage of peak migration. ing public to the dozens of com-"The Great Texas Birding munity events taking place along-

wildlife diversity, as well as the both professional and amateur, as web-site at www.tpwd.state.tx.us.

state's awesome bird watching," well as seven youth teams, came from all over the nation to go binocular-to-binocular.

A total of 352 species were for coastal communities, part of spotted during the three days of the reason these communities are competition along the upper, cenincreasingly working to preserve tral and lower Texas coast that stretches 624 miles from Orange in addition to all this, the Birding to Brownsville. The winning team, sponsored by WildBird Magazine, each year to support bird conser- tallied 298 species to claim the top

> The 1999 Great Texas Birding Classic begins with an opening ceremony in Lake Jackson, southwest of Houston, on Saturday,

Tournament competition begins Last year's event raised more Sunday, April 18, on the upper than \$100,000 for avian habitat Texas coast, moves to the central At the same time, bird num- conservation in Texas through the Texas coast on Wednesday, April Texas coast on Saturday, April 24.

The community of Rockport-Last year's sponsors included Fulton will host a celebrity birding Compaq Computer Corporation, event and celebrity-sponsor dinner on April 22. Birding Classic winners will be announced at an Phillips Petroleum Company, and awards banquet in South Padre Island on April 25.

Teams have the option of competing in only one geographical zone or all three zones. Teams must have a corporate sponsor and compete all three days to be eligible for Conservation Grand Prizes totaling \$50,000.

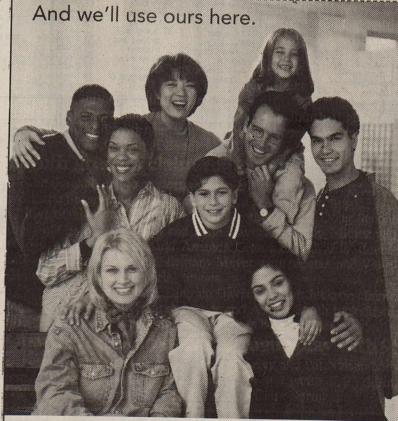
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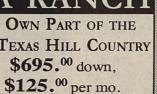
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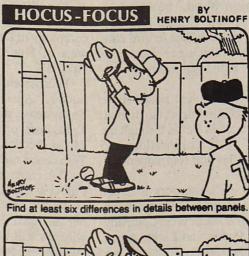
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Your Horoscope by Natasha

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Concentrate on ways to improve overall security. Do the necessary research about investment matters. Make important joint moves.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Advisers turn you on to worthwhile opportunities. Educational and distant concerns prosper. Make plans to visit far-away friends.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) It's full speed ahead regarding career ventures. Talks with bosses may bring raises or important assignments. Money gain is likely.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Plan a party for some of your friends. Present your viewpoint at club meetings. You'll make important new con-

tacts over the weekend. LEO (July 23 to August 22) You're busy getting things done behind the scenes. Complete unfinished business. Private talks bring you the cor-

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Take charge of your life now. Go after what you want. Creative interests and romance give you much to be thankful for. LIBRA (September 23 to October

22) It's a very favorable time for shopping. Good will brings you the cooperation of co-workers. You can safely mix business and pleasure. SCORPIO (October 23 November 21) Avoid hasty decisions

and solicit the advice of close ties.

Your powers of persuasion are strong.

Talks with others are fruitful. SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Avoid impatience with loved ones. Talk things over with others and you'll gain their full cooperation. Check your investments.



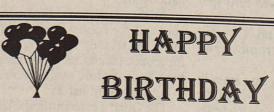
CAPRICORN (December 22 to Janiary 19) You'll attract romance and good times this week. Talks with agents about creative work go well. Children's affairs prosper.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Inaugurate new work projects. It's a favorable time for business discussions and meetings with higher-ups. Aim for the top! PISCES (February 19 to March

20) Cooperate fully with close ties and good times are assured. Singles meet with romantic introductions. Good will comes from others.

YOU BORN THIS WEEK are a natural moneymaker with an affinity for large enterprises. Though you have business acumen, you are also inclined to the professions. Law, medicine, the ministry and government work are possible vocations for you. Become a specialist in your field and avoid a tendency to make illadvised changes. Businesses allied to the arts may appeal to you, as well as writing and acting. Inventive, you can make an original contribution to your

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Readings from Pslams

"Fret not thyself because of evildoers, neither be thou envious against the workers of iniquity.

"For they shall soon be cut down like the grass, and wither like the green herb.

"Trust in the Lord, and do good; so shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed.

"The wicked borroweth, and payeth not again; but the righteous showeth mercy, and giveth.

"For such as are blessed by him 53). shall inherit the earth; and they who are cursed by him shall be consider the times you, yourself,

ordered by the Lord, and he at the time and hurt someone. delighteth in his way.

be utterly cast down; for the Lord is no respecter of persons. The ences with others, the truth will of the virgin birth of Jesus Christ upholdeth him with his hand." Psalms 37:1-3, 21-24.

Keep a humble heart, walk in the love of God to defeat Satan The Word of God to defeat Satan

Fear of being "found out" can trigger a haughty spirit.

Most people with a haughty attitude are putting on a show, building a wall between themselves and places they might be if it weren't for the grace of God (Mark 7:21-

Insecurity and fear of just being themselves allows false pride to rear its ugly head.

Usually this happens to people love of God (James 4:5-17). who are gifted by God in quite a few areas of their lives, but still their feelings.

tunate than themselves and even through it (1 Peter 5:5-11). ban together with others with the

Before you judge these people, have "lorded it over" another per-"The steps of a good man are son. You may not have realized it



Ministries

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Everyone gets tired on occasion and gets mad on other occasions. feel inadequate and protective of By putting the situation and the other persons character in the Other times, it happens when hands of God, it is easy to let go

Remember, but for the grace of same haughty spirit (Luke 1:51- God, you may be walking in that other persons shoes. You might even try doing that in your mind from start to finish by God. sometime and receive more compassion for others.

less case because Jesus is alive! out the fallacious claims. Satan has given everyone an When we let him reign in our

is always victorious Sunday the folks at Frontier Baptist had a special treat when Frank Eckenroth presented the work of the Gideons.

After a special blessing when Georgiana, "G.G.," sang, Frank very ably and effectively told of the work of this great organiza-

In telling of the distribution of the Bible it was patently recogthey actually judge people less for- and let the love of God shine nized the tremendous importance of the Bible around the world.

> word of God, it is the word of God. It stands alone as being inspired

Any attempt by human hands to embellish it by false claims of The human race is not a hope-inspiration otherwise simply cries

"Though he fall, he shall not opportunity to listen to his lies. He hearts, no matter what our differ- price and penalty for sin. It tells God says it. only way to defeat him is to keep set us free and enable us to stand as the son of God. It tells how he gence will readily recognize the from the Bible Sunday at Frontier a humble heart and walk in the in faith, rest in hope, walk in love. died to pay the penalty for sin for truth of the Biblical teaching. The Baptist Church. Come and see.



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anyone who personally trusts him. The Bible does not contain the It tells of heaven the future abode of his children.

ing words of human deviates add?

Being the Word of God the Bible is true. It expounds truth. What the Bible says is true. It does not become true because the Bible It tells what sin is. It tells the says it, it is true and that is why to second class in the end turn to

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Bible is inerrant from start to fin-

It is absolute truth and not open to successful question or denial.

If the Bible says it, that's all. The word of God is eternal. It's truth abides forever. Yesterday, today, tomorrow - truth never changes.

What was true in the Garden of Eden will still be true when Jesus comes again.

The word of God is and always will be victorious. Attempts have been made to change, to deny, to What more can the meander- destroy it, but it comes out victo-

> It is the most printed and best selling book around the world every single year. Even those who would supplant it or denigrate it it as the word of God.

There will be another message

Diabetes, high blood pressure can lead to kidney failure

signs beep rhythmically as the anesthesiologists carefully keeps vigil. The surgeon quickly the 9-year-old boy's body.

Everything is looking good as little Arthur Silvestri receives a healthy kidney donated by his father. Arthur's new kidney is expected to take over the work that his old kidneys could not perform any longer, and he will no longer need to use dialysis, a mechanical means of cleansing toxins from the blood. His surgeon has high hopes that things will continue to go well for Arthur.

"The kidney pinked up just fine and started producing urine. It really went well," said Kris Gugliuzza, M.D., director of the Abdominal Transplant Program at the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston and a member of the Texas Department of Health's (TDH) Kidney Health Care Advisory Committee.

Most people don't give much thought to their kidneys, yet life depends on them. According to the National Kidney Foundation, more than 20 million Americans have some seen a steady increase in the number of proform of kidney disease, and millions are at gram applicants with diabetes as the primary risk. More than 50,000 new patients each year cause of their kidney failure. will require kidney dialysis or organ transplants to live.

Linda Selman is one of those thousands of diabetes, and 24 percent - or 1,055 - had a prevention." waiting for a kidney transplant. While she primary diagnosis of hypertension. waits - and it could be years - Linda's day is

The monitors showing the patient's life marked by her dialysis treatment that does the eases also can render the kidneys incapable work her kidneys would normally do.

The shutdown of Linda's kidneys was cleaning waste from the bloodstream. and efficiently slips the fist-sized organ into caused by diabetes, the most common cause of kidney disease.

Diabetes is a disease in which the pancreas does not produce enough insulin or cannot use the insulin that is produced. Insulin regulates the amount of glucose (sugar) in the blood, and with out it, the body is unable to convert glucose to energy, leaving large amounts of sugar in the blood. Eventually, small blood vessels in the kidneys become damaged. Scarlike material builds up on the capillary walls where filtering takes place, which impairs kidnev function.

Hypertension, or high blood pressure, is the second most common cause of kidney failure. The constriction of blood vessels cuts off blood supply to the kidneys, starving them of oxygen and nutrients. Over time, the kidneys are damaged and eventually become incapable of performing their essential functions.

TDH's Bureau of Kidney Health Care has

of performing their life-sustaining function of

Kidney disease usually progresses silently for years before symptoms are noticed. The problem is that these symptoms are seen usually in the late stages of the disease when kidney function has diminished to less than 25 percent of normal. At 10 percent of normal, dialysis or a kidney transplant is needed for life to continue.

The warning signs of kidney disease are burning or difficulty during urination, more frequent urination, swelling in the feet and hands, bloody urine, puffiness around the eyes, pain in the small of the back just below the ribs that is not aggravated by movement, and high blood pressure.

"End stage kidney disease is one of the most traumatic events that can happen to a person in the course of their life," said Byron Welch, M.D., a kidney disease specialist. "Their family relations, their finances, their job, all their travel, and other factors involved in their quality of life may be traumatically involved. While we have treatments that prolong life, they all involve some compromises in quality In 1998, 54 percent - or 2,369 - of the of life whether it's dialysis or transplantation. program applicants had a primary diagnosis So the best treatment for kidney disease is

Kidney problems range from minor urinary Injuries, congenital defects, and other distract infections to progressive kidney failure.

Christ gives you strength to be confidence, content

Contentment is taking your present situation, whatever obstacle you are facing, whatever limitation you are living with, whatever chronic condition wears you down, whatever has smashed your dreams, whatever factors and circumstances of life tend to push you under and admitting you don't like it but never saying, "I can't cope with it."

may never feel despair. You may feel pressed down, but you may never feel defeated.

Paul says there are unlimited resources, and as soon as you say "I can't cope," you are failing to draw on these resources that Christ strength." has readily, by his loving-kindness, ment, therefore, is being confident lic Church.



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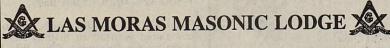
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Texas Department of Transportation-District Office 1817 Bob Bullock Loop Meeting begins at 1:30 p.m. in Eagle Pass Meeting begins at 9:30 a.m. in Laredo

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THE CITY OF Brackettville, in conjunction with Dr. Zack Davis, DVM, will hold the annual Rabies Clinic at City Hall on Saturday, April 17 from 9 a.m. until 12 noon. Rabies vaccine will cost \$9.00 per animal.

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THE MIDDLE RIO Grande Development Council (MRGDC) is requesting proposals from Certified Public Accountants/Firms for Audit Services. The deadline for submission of this RFP is 10 a.m., Friday, May 7, 1999 at the following address: Middle Rio Grande Development Council, 307 W. Nopal - P.O. Box 1199, Carrizo Springs, Texas 78834. Proposal packets may be obtained by contacting Ramon S. Johnson, Deputy Director of Administration, at VOICE or TDD telephone number (830) 876-3533. The Middle Rio Grand Development Council is an equal opportunity employer and auxiliary aids and services may be made available upon request to individuals with disabilities. The Middle Rio Grande Development Council reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals.

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