

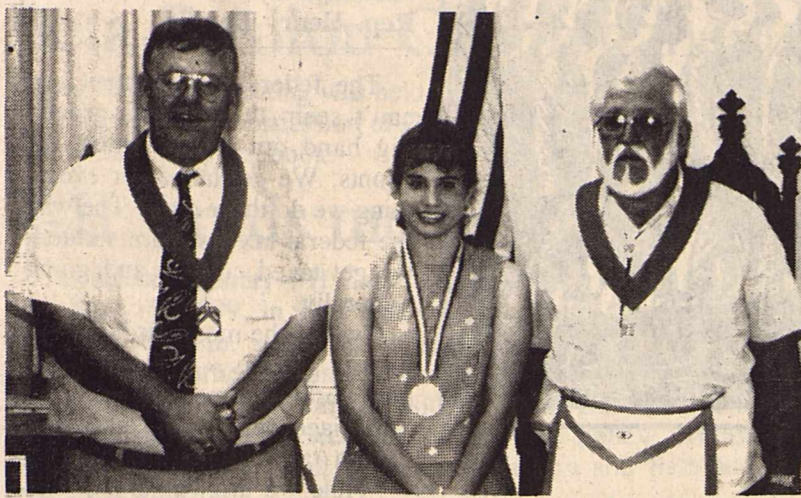
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Happy Father's Day

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Pictured above from left: Worshipful Master Frank Taylor, Lamar Medal recipient Amanda Petrosky and District Deputy Grand Master, Tom Faulkenberry.

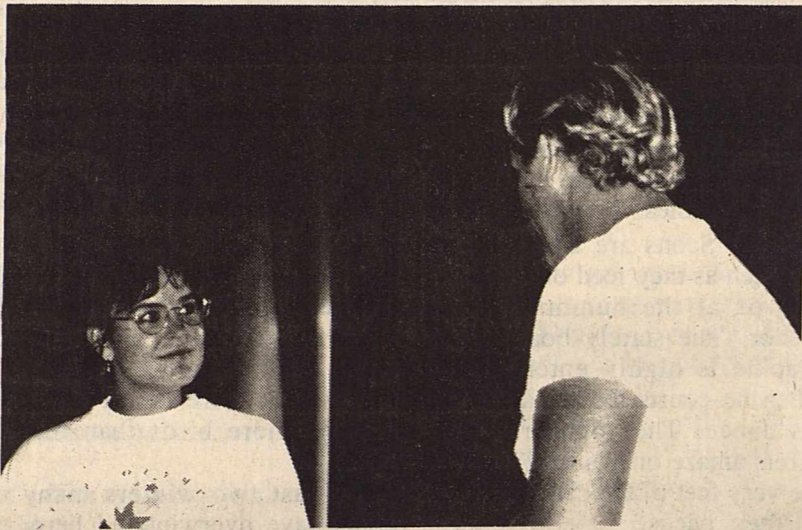
## Las Moras Lodge Presents Lamar Medal

Bruce Clements  
Contributing Writer

At a called meeting of the Las Moras Masonic Lodge presented the Mirabeau B. Lamar medal to Miss Amanda Petrosky. Mirabeau B. Lamar was the second President of the Republic of Texas. He was a Mason and is known as "the father of the Texas Public School system," because his work resulted in the State of Texas setting up a public school system. The Lamar Medal is given for outstanding achievements, whether it be in academic work, citizenship, volunteer work in the community, sports or any other outstanding personal accomplishment.

Miss Petrosky excelled in all categories. To name a few, she was an honor student, listed in who's who among America's High School Students, Outstanding Scholar Athlete, San Antonio Area Female Christian Ath-

lete of the Year, Class President in 9th and 10th grades, Member of the Science Club, Varsity Cheerleader, Co-Captain Varsity Volleyball. These are only a few of the many achievements of Miss Petrosky during her high school years.



In rehearsal for the upcoming "Glory Road" production, Lt. Riley (Mike Groves) proposes to Oralee (Marie Hepline). See story on page 4.

## City Council receives request for use of City Pool grounds

Tanya Kay McClure  
Staff Writer

The Las Moras Hispanic Organization requested the use of the City Pool grounds for July 3rd for their 4th of July festivities. This request came in writing to the City Council.

The proposed plan is to use the pool parking lot for food booths and the tennis courts for various tournaments throughout the day. There is a possibility that fireworks will be shot and allowed to be shot by individuals at this area in the evening hours under the supervision of the Brackettville Volunteer Fire Department. This will solve the city's never ending fireworks

problem that arises every year.

The festivities are still being considered by both the Las Moras Hispanic Organization and the City Council. No action was taken on this matter.

A report was made by the City Chief of Police Ron Ring. He reported that in the month of May, 82 tickets were given out and two persons were arrested. One arrest did lead to a grand jury indictment.

City Manager David Luna reported that the City recently purchased two new air-conditioners for the City Annex and one used refrigerator.

The roof in the building is also leaking and repairs will be con-

## Spofford yet may bury landfills

By John MacCormack  
Express-News Staff Writer

After a decade of fighting off attempts by outsiders to bring a huge waste dump to a remote corner of Kinney County, Tootsie Herndon isn't quite ready to break out the champagne.

But the outspoken wife of Spofford Mayor J.B. Herndon said Tuesday that for the first time in memory, the end of the siege may be approaching.

"I think they're beat," she said. "I feel like we have won the grand champion rodeo."

Spofford, an aging railroad town with good tracks but only 50 residents, sits only 30 miles east of Laughlin AFB in Del Rio. Air Force pilots rely upon a tiny strip south of Spofford to practice touch-and-go landings.

Concerns by the Air Force about vultures and other birds drawn to the area by a garbage dump led the Kinney County Commissioners Court to propose an ordinance this week that would keep landfills out of

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Spofford.

"Its primary intent is to support the Air Force's need not to have a landfill adjacent to their strip south of Spofford," County Judge Herb Senne said, referring to the proposal that he expects to be passed this summer.

"In all probability, it will include a perimeter around the touch-and-go airstrip where landfills cannot build," he said.

If it becomes law, it may prove to be the final nail in the coffin for Adobe Eco-Systems Ltd.'s proposal to build a 400-acre waste dump just south of town.

But even before the county's latest action, the Adobe project had lost most of its vital signs.

According to the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission- which must issue a permit before the dump to be built- Adobe's application has staggered to a halt.

"As of February, the hearing process was abated and the schedule in place was pretty much canceled because Adobe did not have an attorney," TNRCC spokesman Patrick Shaughnessey said. "Right now, it's just kind of in limbo as we wait for Adobe to make the next move."

However, John Moore, an Austin lawyer representing Adobe, said the company is not about to throw in the towel.

"Adobe is committed to the project, has the resources to do it, and we believe we will ultimately be getting the permit," he said.

He said the motion to abate the process at the TNRCC wasn't filed by Adobe, but by the project's opponents.

Rick Lowerre, an Austin lawyer who has represented anti-dump interests in Kinney County since 1989, said the next move may be to file a motion with the TNRCC asking that Adobe be forced to start all over.

"Basically, we want to get it out of the hearing process- since that is going nowhere- back to where they first applied, so the

TNRCC staff can re-evaluate changes that occurred since they applied in 1995," he said.

"I think the people can be cautiously optimistic, but even if this landfill gets knocked down, Adobe still owns the property and there's always a risk they may want to do something with it that is not compatible with community interests," he said.

Adobe backers own about 1,400 acres just south of town.

For Spofford, the dump was begun in the late 1980s when Texcor Industries, based in Nashville, Tenn., wanted to build a low-level radioactive waste dump on the same site.

That proposal galvanized communities and environmental activists on both sides of the Rio Grande, and led to bus caravans to Austin when the TNRCC ruled on the issue in July 1993.

Both Mexicans and Americans spoke against the project.

When the commission denied Texcor a license, wild shrieks and tears came from the 250 people who attended, but their joy was short-lived.

Some of the same Texcor investors then backed a proposal by Adobe to build a municipal waste dump on the site. However, locals ultimately united to oppose that project, as well.

## High School completed by July 14th

Tanya Kay McClure  
Staff Writer

High School construction completion date set for July 14th. The construction of the new High School was discussed during the School Board meeting held this past Monday night.

According to Taylor Stephenson, Superintendent of Brackett Independent School District, the construction crew is moving right along and pushing to be completed by the target date of July 14th.

Some concern was expressed by the school Board members on the color of the building not being the same tone as the rest of the school buildings. The color has more of a yellow tint to it than the other buildings on campus.

The Board is considering whether to pave or concrete the parking lot in front of the new High School. Greco Construc-

tion, the construction company building the new facility submitted a price proposal to the Board on the asphalt paving (hot mix) at \$13,000. The Board did not vote to approve this price. The Board decided that they would like to find out how much more it would cost to concrete the parking lot.

Extra parking for the High School will be located by the Tennis Court and in front of the new High School building.

The plaque for the new building was received and looked over by the Board for any changes that may need to be made.

A request was made by Mike Schuster, Spofford resident and Robert Elledge, Kihney County Extension Agent for use of the FFA Arena for a 4-H/FFA Horse Riding Club.

A small Horse Riding Club, consisting of 21 kids ranging in age from 9 to 13 years, has been

formed and they are needing a place to train.

According to Schuster, the club has been training at the Spofford Roping Arena, but due to the distance in travel many kids are unable to attend.

Both Schuster and Elledge feel that more kids would participate in the program if it was a local function.

"Involving kids getting on their horses and riding out to the FFA Arena and not putting it all on their parents," said Elledge.

Students in the Horse Riding Club must also be enrolled in the 4-H or FFA program.

This club would meet once a week and would mainly be in operation during the summer months.

The School Board expressed some concern on the matter of insurance and stated that they needed to talk to their lawyer before any decision could be made on the matter.

## Wing Commander Dan Goodrich honored

Frances McMasters  
Contributing Writer

The Brackettville Rotary Club was honored to have Wing Commander Dan Goodrich of the Forty Seventh Flying Training Wing at Laughlin Air Force Base in Del Rio as guest speaker at its luncheon meeting June tenth. The Colonel's wife, Sherrie, accompanied him.

In introducing the Wing Commander, retired Colonel Frank Cheaney noted that Colonel Goodrich served much of his career in aerial refueling, but that one of his most interesting assignments was three years as Executive Assistant to the Supreme NATO Commander in Mons, Belgium, Headquarter for the Allied Command.

This is the Colonel's second tour of duty at Laughlin. He was stationed here in May of 1978 to April of 1981 as an instructor pilot. He met his wife, Sherrie, during that tour of duty, and he mentioned that they had celebrated their twentieth anniversary the previous day.

The Commander presented an overview of the Laughlin facility and activity as well as future plans. However, he began by showing pictures of the base during the recent flood, mentioned their damages, and described their role in dealing with the event.

At 1:00 a.m. the night of the storm, the Crisis Action Team, made up of all the colonels and their squadron commanders, met to determine what action was needed to alleviate problems at the base, and how they could help Del Rio.

The airfield was underwater. "It looked like a lake," Colonel Goodrich said. It suffered \$750,000 in damages, most of which was due to leaks in roofs. One hundred ninety aircraft had to be examined. Around 16 aircraft had water in their intake. A quarter of the fence surrounding the base was washed out, and the problem of water contamination had to be handled.

Colonel Goodrich mentioned that he had been Vice Commander in Grand Forks, North

Dakota two years ago when a severe flood hit. The base provided shelter for 5,000 people for approximately two months. Some of the same people stationed at Grand Forks then had been transferred to Laughlin, and their experience proved valuable in Del Rio. Military personnel supplied medical support and aided in establishing hygiene, particularly in the first week or so before the state emergency organizations arrived. Goodrich said he was very proud of how the men and women of the Wing pitched in to help.

A large number of sorties were lost because the barrier which keeps planes from running off the end of the roadway was down. Within a week, however they were flying again.

"We train the world's best pilots," Colonel Goodrich declared. Five squadrons are located at Laughlin, one for administrative details, two T 37 squadrons, (number 84 and 85). The eighty sixth is made up of T1s and T38s. The 250 planes



Colonel Dan Goodrich, Commander of the Forty Seventh Flying Training Wing at Laughlin Air Base and retired Colonel Frank Cheaney, from left to right.

on the base consist of 110 T37s, 80 T38s and 60 T1s. Ten of the latter are on loan to the Navy program at Pensacola. Laughlin is the largest ramp in the United States.

The student load at Laughlin has doubled in the last couple of years from 250 to 450. This means doubling the sorties flown, the housing needed, and other related things as well as in-

creased numbers of instructors and maintenance people. Support activity is often farmed out.

From October 1998 to October 1999, 95,000 sorties are programmed. This is a huge number. From May 1998 to May 1999, 88,000 hours were flown. These numbers are controlled by the number of daylight hours available for flying.

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# 911 calls in need of upgrade

Submitted by Rep. Pete P. Gallego

The clock starts ticking the moment a trauma accident occurs. The harsh medical truth is that the more time it takes to get medical help, the less chance the patient has of surviving the accident. Though Emergency Medical Services (EMS) teams race against the clock, it is sometimes impossible for an ambulance to reach an injured person in time, particularly in the sparsely populated areas of South and West Texas. It has been estimated that an astonishing 85% of trauma deaths in rural counties could be prevented with more rapid medical attention.

To address this grave problem, I have authored an amendment to HB 2085 which would allow operators who receive 9-1-1 calls to give the callers simple, but potentially lifesaving medical directions. The procedures described over the phone would be the same techniques taught in a basic class in first aid.

For example, the Emergency Medical Service (EMS) dispatcher could guide the caller through the steps to clear a blocked airway, stop severe bleeding, or stabilize a seizure. Each of these procedures can be explained over the phone, in simple terms, so that even a distressed caller could follow the instructions.

These first aid techniques can greatly improve the chances of survival for some injuries. In the case of a blocked airway, brain damage can occur after only four minutes without oxygen. Unfortunately, no medical team can get to a patient in four minutes. But the person at the other end of the line could be walked through the Heimlich maneuver or CPR in less than four minutes.

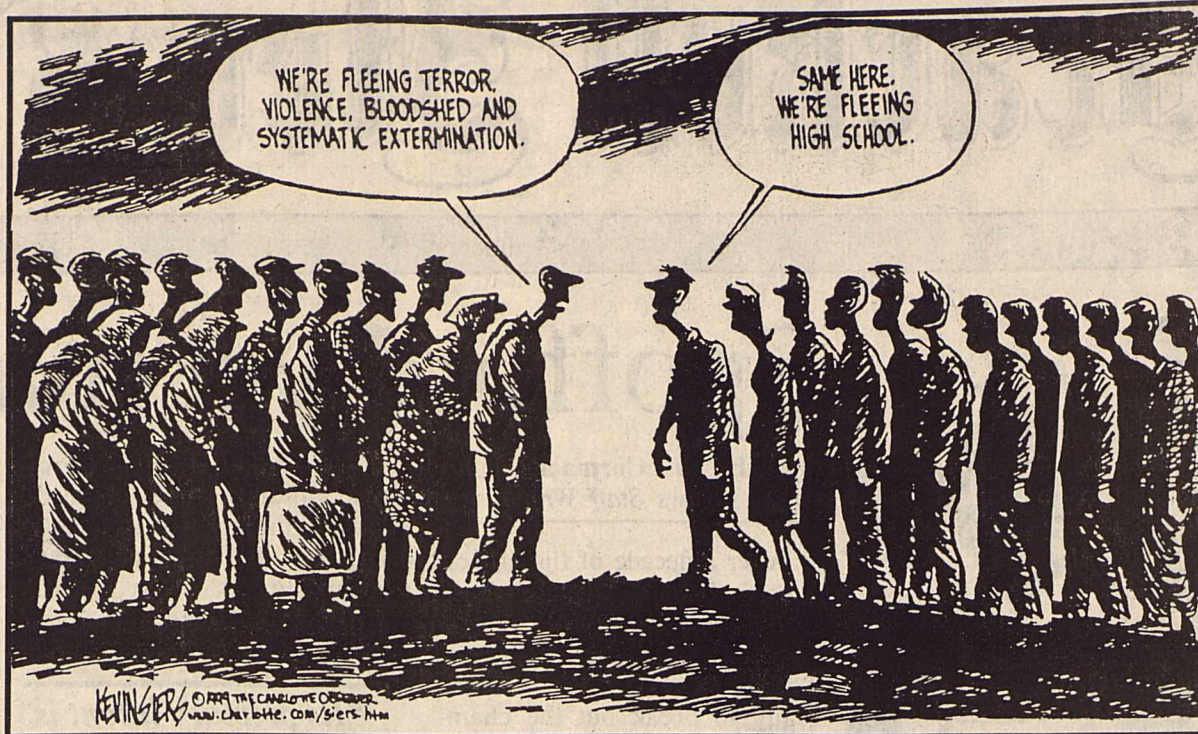
A patient bleeding profusely

can die of shock caused by decreased blood circulation. When blood does not circulate normally, cells begin to die because they don't get the oxygen and nutrients they need. By coaching a caller through the procedure to stop or limit blood loss, they can maintain enough blood pressure to keep a patient alive until medics arrive on the scene.

Currently, most Emergency Medical Service (EMS) dispatchers in the U.S. are not trained to provide medical information. They are only allowed to inform callers that the ambulance has been dispatched and that help is on the way. Many are strictly forbidden from giving out medical advice because their employers fear potential lawsuits.

HB 2085 would allow the Texas Department of Health to develop voluntary courses for EMS operators which would teach them to recognize the kinds of injuries that require immediate attention and link the type of injury with the correct medical procedure. Only after successful completion of this course, and proper continuing education, would an operator be qualified to give medical guidance over the phone. The bill also shields EMS operators, cities and counties from lawsuits except in cases of gross negligence. Without this protection, operators would continue to find it too risky to offer critical help.

Though we cannot post an emergency medical team at every corner, we can teach every 9-1-1 caller to perform basic emergency care. Members of both the House and Senate have voted to adopt this solution to this serious medical problem, so the bill awaits only the governor's approval. Should HB 2085 be enacted, it will be an important piece of the continuing effort to upgrade medical care in rural South and West Texas.



# Taxed for better, taxed for worse

Submitted by Rep. Henry Bonilla

The federal government just can't seem to keep its greedy, big hand out of our bank accounts. We get taxed for everything we do these days. The way the federal tax laws are written, we get taxed coming and going - literally.

Two of the most burdensome, unfair taxes that punish hardworking Americans are the "marriage penalty tax" and the "death tax."

While we are vulnerable and experiencing two of the most emotional times of our lives, the IRS is picking our pockets.

When you're walking down the aisle, on what's supposed to be the happiest day of your life, the last thing you should be thinking about is the IRS.

After all, when you stand at the altar and say, "I do", you're not agreeing to higher taxes. But that's what you get.

The marriage penalty tax punishes married couples who both work. The federal government requires married couples to file joint income tax returns.

It then turns around and taxes that couple at a higher rate than if they were not married but just living together. Talk about an anti-family tax, especially in a day and age where both spouses often need to work just to stay afloat.

The federal government doesn't just tax people starting a new life together. It isn't biased that way. We get hit on the other end too, when we die. In its ruthless fashion, the federal government takes part of our legacy by forcing our loved ones to pay taxes on what we leave behind.

So, in addition to mourning the loss of a loved one, the family left behind gets smacked with a high tax burden on what was left to him.

The death tax hits farmers, ranchers and small business owners particularly hard. It makes inheriting farms and ranches, which may have been passed down through the family for generations, more of a burden than a legacy. Often, families have to sell off part, or all, of their land just to pay the taxes.

From beginning to end the IRS makes sure it gets a piece of the action. We can't even die without having our loved ones looted by the federal government. Americans should not be forced to pay more in taxes just because they're married.

Likewise farmers and ranchers should have the peace of mind-in knowing that the land they worked so hard on over the years will be left to their loved ones and not the federal government.

This Congress is working hard to make sure Americans don't have to visit tax the man the same week they bury their loved ones. In addition, it is a priority to ensure that married couples are not crippled with additional taxes simply because they are married.

We are on the road to easing these burdensome tax restrictions on all Americans.

# Blessed to hear the birds

Between Us Joe Townsend

Did you ever live where you never heard a bird sing? I spent several years living on the plains and a bird singing was a rarity.

I have a garden. I irrigate with a sprinkling system. I have a chair where I like to sit and watch the tomatoes, peppers and beans grow. The real joy is to see the birds and hear them sing. When the sprinklers are going the birds delight in flying through the spray or sitting on the tomato cages in the watering.

We are extremely fortunate to live where we have such a multiplicity of birds. After several kinds of sparrows the largest number of birds I see are Mocking birds. I have a Mocking bird that is almost a pet.

He perches atop an electric light pole and sings incessantly, sometimes all through the night. As I sit and enjoy watching the birds I see such a wide variety of our feathered friends. My favorite I guess is the painted

bunting. In addition of an array of various colors the song of this bunting is a lilting thrill to hear. The cardinal wrapped in his beautiful red sometimes sings unceasingly.

I love to watch the shining yellow of the gold finch and the dull crimson of the purple finch. The vermilion fly catcher attracts attention with its brilliant red. Its nice to watch the king bird as he flits in the air catching flying insects. The scarlet tanager is beautiful sitting on a fence post or in flight.

The orioles, hooded, Baltimore or Scotts are all beautiful to watch as they feed on mulberries or at the humming bird feeder. The stately boat tailed grackle is highly entertaining when he courts the female with his dance. The cow birds and egrets amaze one as they feed at the very feet of the cattle or land on their backs.

Its fun to watch the buzzard soar, sometimes low to the ground and often so high they are distant dots in the sky. Its

interesting to watch the mocking birds and scissortails torment a buzzard or hawk in flight until suddenly the big bird lands and the tormenters beat a rapid retreat. Its good to see the flocks of redwing blackbirds and the yellow headed blackbirds as they go through in the spring and fall.

The cedar wax wings astound us as a large number gather together and fly with great speed in turns and circles. The occasional loggerhead shrike and blue grosbeak attract attention because of their rarity. When we add to these the various towhees, woodpeckers, vireos, hawks, phoebes, gnat catchers, titmouse, swallows, turkeys, doves, quail and owls its difficult to think there is any place to enjoy more birds than this area.

The last two winters many robins have overwintered here. This is a new phenomenon. Certainly we here are extremely blessed as we see and hear this plethora of birds.

# Many thanks for the gift

But I could be wrong Chuch Hall

About a week after my daughter got married, someone came by our house and dropped off a gift for her. Left it on the sidewalk where she would be sure to find it. She did and she was most appreciative. It was a very nice present with a lovely card attached. I am always grateful when a person does nice things for me or for one of my children. I also encourage my kids to respond by offering the

proper thanks in a timely manner.

There is only one small problem. The bearer of the gift did not sign any name to the card. Now what do I do? How do I tell my daughter to show the proper respect? How does she acknowledge the generosity of an unknown? And why do I get the gut feeling that this is a person of the male gender of our species? How do I just know that this was a man? Perhaps it's because that's the way men are. Only men overlook seemingly

unimportant details. I should know. I do it more than most. I get reminded about it on a quite regular basis.

Whoever you are, after reading this, your wife is going to be most unhappy with you too. In fact, I'd wager even money that right now there are several wives questioning their spouses about whether or not they put their names to gift cards. That's the way women are. They suspect the worse in us. And also believe that we do it on purpose. We don't. But I could be wrong.

# Logic, is often indispensable

The way I see it Steven R. LaMascus

Logic is something that would appear indispensable in everyday life. It seems so simple and is yet so often lacking in our decisions. When my daughter does something wrong and gets in trouble for it I ask her if she knew she would be punished for what she did. Usually she will answer yes. I never fail to be surprised. I find it difficult to understand how anyone can logically arrive at the conclusion that they should carry out a course of action which they are sure will result in punishment. It is, as Mr. Spock would say, illogical. The obvious fact that I have done the same does not mitigate the illogic.

That is just as true about other things. We quite often cannot take a set of absolute, concrete facts and arrive at a logical conclusion. We allow our emotions to taint our decisions, we have pre-existing prejudices that influence our conclusions, and sometimes we just don't get it. We can take a set of easily understandable circumstances and arrive at a variety of conclusions. That is why there are Republicans and Democrats, Lib-

erals and Conservatives. If logic really were easy we would all arrive at the same conclusions from the same data. But sometimes the total lack of regard for facts that is displayed by the rank and file causes me to despair.

When we have a murder we scream for gun control as if the gun acted of its own volition. When juvenile crime rates go through the roof we scream that the schools are to blame. When we have a natural disaster we rant and rave that the National Weather Service is at fault because they didn't give us sufficient warning. When we get killed in a car wreck we blame the manufacturer because he didn't make the car safe enough. If we die of lung cancer we blame the tobacco grower because we smoked two packs of cigarettes a day.

I'm sorry, but none of the above are logical. Guns do not kill people, other people do! Parents, not schools, are responsible for the actions of their children! The NWS does not cause tornadoes! Carmakers do not make us drive like idiots, put on makeup, or talk on cell phones in heavy traffic! And nobody forced us to take up a bad habit like smoking or chewing

tobacco. It is totally insane to blame an inanimate object for the shortcomings of humans.

We need to re-establish contact with reality in this country. Instead of gun control we need criminal control. Instead of suing tobacco companies we need to gather up our courage and simply not smoke or chew. Instead of suing the carmakers we need to drive like reasonable people. Instead of yelling our heads off at the school system we need to evaluate our own shortcomings as parents. And if we do not do these things we need to be logical and accept the blame for our own faults, because in the end the fault lies with you and me.


We have stood back and allowed this to happen by not being vocal enough. We have allowed a few unreasoning, illogical, overactive, over-publicized know-nothings to override our sense of reality and force their own skewed priorities on the whole country. It is our fault for letting them get away with it. And if we don't take action to correct the problem the demise of the United States will be just as much our fault. It's your decision, but I sure wouldn't wait too long to make it.


# Unsung Hero

Brackettville is overly blessed by the residency of a fine lady who is a product of the area. She is from a line of truly outstanding people. It is not the heritage that makes her outstanding but rather she herself.

She is married to an exceptionally fine man and is a truly fine mother. She is quite unassuming but in her quiet way is one of the sweetest people. She is warm hearted and a friend to all who will be her friend.

Surely Leisha Wardlaw Ashley is an Unsung Hero.

**Big Mama Sez!**   
Children are not properties to own and rule over, but gifts to cherish and care for!

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**Briefs ...**

**Duplicate Bridge Club meets**

The Fort Clark Duplicate Bridge Club met on June 8th. The winners were, 1st - Tina Baugess and Rosetta Pingnot, 2nd - Mary Edgar and Sara Richhart, 3rd - Ann Legg and Evelyn Whiteley.

**Beta Epsilon Chapter meets**

June 10th, the meeting was held at the Adult Center. Final plans were made for the concession of Glory Road. Discussion was made concerning the year book.

**4-H holds monthly meeting**

The Kinney County 4-H Club held its monthly meeting on Monday, May 17, 1999, in the Courthouse. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. with Vice-President Zack Davis presiding.

Election of officers was held for the upcoming year. The new officers are Duquesa Hunt, President; Zack Davis, Vice-President; Susannah Davis, Secretary; Laura Lee Ballew, Treasurer; Lee Davis, Reporter; and Michelle Melancon and Beth Ballew, Council Delegates.

Allison LaMascus gave a project report on photography. Bailee Allen told about the District 4-H Fashion Show and Jacquelyn Conoly gave a summary of the District 4-H Round-Up.

Some announcements were: July 1st, Deadline for this year's point system; July 21st, Officers Training Workshop; August 21st, Mega-Meeting for club president and council delegates in Hondo. The annual 4-H Achievement Night Banquet is scheduled for sometime in August but the exact date has not been set.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:58. Afterwards refreshments were provided by Boyd Brotherton, Jared Hobbs, Mason McWilliams, and Allison LaMascus.

**Border Patrol Sector totals**

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

Abilene - 13, Brackettville - 349, Carrizo Springs - 304, Comstock - 37, Del Rio - 397, Eagle Pass - 1099, Llano - 55, Rocksprings - 36, San Angelo - 65, and Uvalde - 90. The Sector total is 2,445.

**Lions Club meeting to be held**

The Lions Club will meet Thursday, June 17th, above the Las Moras Restaurant. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting starts at 7 p.m.

Jennifer Ashabranner will be presented a \$650 scholarship from the Lions Club.

Installation of the new slate of officers and induction of two new members is also on the agenda.

**Rotary honors Goodrich**

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Students start their training in a single engine turbo prop plane. The attrition rate for pilots is 7% to 10%. About a week before the pilots leave Laughlin, students choose whether they want to go into the heavy track, which is T1s, into fighters, T38s, or into helicopters, T44s at Corpus Christi.

An Associate Reserve Program has been started. Reserve pilots have been coming in as instructor pilots. This has worked out well.

Two years ago Laughlin was selected as a Regional Inspection Center, where aging engines are rebuilt.

Formerly, each base was responsible for its own work.

Laughlin now receives engines from Vance Field in Oklahoma, Shepherd and Randolph Fields in Texas. This has meant an increase in manpower requirements. In fact, it has increased another 20% in recent months.

Anticipating and requesting funding is one important aspect of the Colonel's responsibilities. Re-vamping and building new structures has been necessary to accommodate Laughlin's growth and more is planned for the future.

Rotary members appreciated this informative visit from Wing Commander Goodrich. Also attending this meeting was First Lieutenant Angela O'Connell, Public Affairs Officer at Laughlin.

**Just a few good men**

The Kinney County Chamber of Commerce would like to express its thanks and appreciation to Boy Scout Troup #257 for manning the highway rest stop at Fritter Park on Memorial Day, May 31. Troup #257 consists of Scoutmaster David Dalton, Assistant

Scoutmaster Joe Goebel, Scouts: Douglas Sanchez, Jose Pinda, Jeff Tipps, Albert Lattimer, David Lattimer, Terrel Freeman, George Martinez, Carl Dalton, and Albert Martinez.

These young men are a credit to their community and scouting.

**Prehistoric programs at Amistad NRA**

Learn how ancient people lived in the Del Rio area by attending a series of free archeology programs. These programs are part of the 1999 Texas Archeology Society field school.

The programs will be held from Saturday, June 12 through Friday, June 18 at San Pedro Campground just off Hwy 90W and Spur 454.

Afternoon programs begin at 3:30 p.m., evening programs begin at 8:00 p.m.; bring a lawn chair. There will be no programs Wednesday, June 16.

Thursday, June 17: "Modern Plants and their Prehistoric Uses" Friday, June 18: "Computers

and Archeology." See the latest in hardware and software used at Amistad to document research. Tour of Archeology Lab and Study Site. This program is an excellent opportunity to watch archeology in action both in the lab and field.

Evening program: Thursday, June 17: "Prehistory, Geology, and San Pedro Creek." See how Tropical Storm Charley uncovered hidden evidence of prehistoric floods.

For park information, call Amistad National Recreation Area at 830-775-7491, near the lake tune to AM 1540, or visit the park Internet site at [www.nps.gov/amis/](http://www.nps.gov/amis/).

**Obituary**

**SSGT. Roy Joseph Steward**

Ret. SSGT. Roy Joseph Steward was born March 25th, 1935. He departed this world in his home on June 13th, 1999. He's preceded in death by his son, James S. Steward and both fathers, Ignacius Steward and Lawrence Guidry.

He leaves to mourn his passing and cherish his memories his beloved wife Cerilla Steward of Brackettville, Tx., His mother Eula Guidry of San Francisco, Ca. one daughter, Lolita Fielder of Brackettville, Tx., Four sons, Michael and wife Lisa Steward of Fairfield, Ca., John Steward of San Francisco, Ca., Willie B. Fielder, III and wife Jospha, Bobby and wife Susan of Weatherford, Tx., and nine grand

children, Jalour and Tashana Steward of Arizona, Cyrina Steward of Fairfield, Ca., Courtney, Elizabeth, Ashley, Willie B. IV, Andrew, and Christopher Fielder of Weatherford, Tx., and Corrie Franks of Beaumont, Tx., and a host of relatives and friends.

Services will be held Thursday, June 17th, 1999 at 4 p.m. at St. John Baptist Church in Brackettville. The body will stay in state at the Church until, Friday, June 18th, 1999 at 10 a.m. where then it will go to Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery in San Antonio, Tx., for burial at 1 p.m.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Don's Funeral Chapel of Del Rio, Tx.

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**Kinney County Sheriff's Report**

**Monday, June 7th**

3:17 p.m. A report came in about a cow on Hwy 1908 that was dehydrated. The owners of the cow were notified of the situation.

7:28 p.m. A local man reported that a black semi truck was heading toward Brackettville going about 80 or 90 miles per hour. DPS Trooper Ashley was notified of the situation.

**Tuesday, June 8th**

11:45 a.m. A report was made on a car that was on fire in the Burger and Shake parking lot. The vehicle was not damaged and there were some electrical wires that were burned.

3:00 p.m. A local man reported that his home had been broken into possibly with a screwdriver used to unlock the back door. An estimated value of goods stolen was \$283.00

**Wednesday, June 9th**

7:19 a.m. A local woman stated that there was a vehicle from Mexico broken down on the side of the road and that she would provide assistance to the family.

**Thursday, June 10th**

12:50 a.m. A local woman reported loud music coming from her neighbors house. She had gone over and asked them to lower the music, but they did not. Chief of Police Ron Ring was notified of the situation and took care of the problem.

9:10 p.m. A report was received from Uvalde and Real County that four local citizens from Brackettville had been in a car accident and that their families needed to be notified of the situation.

**Friday, June 11th**

11:35 a.m. A local woman called in to report a possible break in at the R-Cinco Ranch. Windows on the building had wire mesh on them. One of the windows had the mesh removed.

Michael Sean Connalley was arrested by DPS Trooper Ashley

for speeding at 93 miles per hour in a 65 mile per hour zone. He was also charged with DWI and possession of drugs and drug paraphernalia. He was bonded out.

**Saturday, June 12th**

6:05 p.m. A local person reported that a suspicious person was walking on Hwy 90 east of Brackett. The person claimed that the individual looked like the serial killer wanted in this area. DPS Trooper Tom Wylie checked out the individual who was from Honduras.

Jesus Martines of Brackettville was arrested for not having a drivers license by DPS Trooper Wylie. He was later released after time served.

3:41 p.m. An employee of Pico called in to report that a man who was coming from Uvalde stated that another car approached him and caused his vehicle to run off the road and go through a fence. Deputy Karl Chism was notified of the situation.

**Sunday, June 13th**

8:20 p.m. A local man reported that someone had vandalized his van. Deputy Karl Chism was notified of the situation.

8:48 p.m. A Border Patrol officer reported that a vehicle had ran off the road one mile east of Brackettville on Hwy. 90. There were no injuries, but the vehicle did run through the fence.

**Monday, June 14th**

8:15 a.m. Elementary Principal for Brackett ISD reported that someone had broken a window out of one of the vehicles that were parked in the school parking lot. Chief of Police Ron Ring was notified of the situation. Both the passenger side window and the rear window had been shattered. It appeared that the damage was caused by a small object, possibly a BB gun.

5:56 a.m. A truck driver reported that there was a vehicle that had pulled into Fritter Park and had been driving all over the road.

Chief of Police Ron Ring was notified of the situation.

9:13 a.m. A local woman called in to report that she had bees in back of her house in the washroom. They were yellow jackets. She had called City Hall and they had advised her that they did not

mess with bees.

5:04 a.m. A local man called in to report that he needed assistance at his residence. His two sons were fighting. Chief of Police Ron Ring was notified of the situation and responded to the scene. All was ok.

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## Juneteenth celebration

Juneteenth Celebration, June 19-20, 1999. Emancipation Day will be celebrated by the Seminole Indians Scout Association. Everyone is welcome to join and help celebrate the Juneteenth at Carver School starting at 9 a.m.

9:30 a.m. gathering for the parade at Alternative school building on Ann Street north of Super S Store.

The Parade will start at 10 a.m. and will end at Carver School parking lot.

For more information or any questions on the parade please contact Ms. Beverly Wright at (830) 563-2951.

At 11 a.m. Parade awards

will be given out. A Bar-B-Que lunch will start at 12 noon. Donations of \$4.00 and up will be accepted.

There will be booths, exhibits, music, a Disco Dance and talent show.

To put an exhibit or booths on the grounds for two days will be \$20.00 in advance and you may contact Beverly for more information.

On June 20th, at 11 a.m. there will be a pot luck dinner. Bring your covered dish for lunch and celebrate and gather with the father and others to celebrate Fathers Day and have fun.

## Outstanding local students recognized

Rebecca Sitzes, daughter of Edward and Patricia Sitzes of Brackettville is a sophomore at Wayland Baptist University in Plainview, Texas.

Sitzes achieved Dean's List recognition for the spring of 1999 semester at Wayland. The student maintained at least a 3.5 grade point average while taking a full load of course work at the university level.

Amber Nicole Davis and Patrick Michael Melancon, were named on the Texas A&M University "Distinguished Student," list for the 1999 spring semester.

Fidel Hernandez graduated from Texas A&M University.

These students are ones who earned a 3.25 to 3.75 GPA while taking at least 15 hours.

## Environmental impact policy

LAUGHLIN AIR FORCE BASE, TEXAS- Laughlin Air Force Base officials are making available to the public a draft environmental assessment and finding of NO Significant Impact, in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act.

Laughlin proposes to construct an operations complex, consisting of a new 550 square-meter air traffic control tower and a 1,700 square-meter base operations building.

They will be built at the location of the existing base operations building (Bldg 306). This proposal will replace existing substandard facilities and will improve the safety and efficiency of airfield operations conducted by the 47th Flying Training Wing.

A copy of the draft Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact is available at the Laughlin base library and the Val Verde County Library, 300 Spring Street, Del Rio, Texas, for public review and comment.

Environmental impacts associated with the proposed action and alternatives were considered in the environmental assessment.

Laughlin officials have determined the potential environmental impacts will not significantly impact the quality of the environment.

The public is invited to comment on this proposal. Comments should be submitted in writing on or before June 29 to: 47 CES/CEV

Attn: Mr. James E. Tayon, P.E.

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For more information, please contact Mr. Tayon, (830) 298-5694, or e-mail him at: james.tayon@laughlin.af.mil

## How about the rain this past Sunday

Making a difference  
Taylor Stephenson

How about the rain this past Sunday night? My rain gauge measured 3.25 inches. It started about 9:30 p.m. at night and lasted for a couple of hours. Nice booming thunderstorms could be heard above Brackettville. This morning all looked shiny and green. Nature received new life giving moisture as the Heavens opened up on Brackettville.

The Lions Club Scholarship was for \$650 and not \$250 as announced at graduation. The mistake was unintentional, and the school district appreciates the efforts of the Lions Club. We'll try to get it correct next year.

The school district has two vacancies as of this date - elementary principal and high school math. We're interviewing and trying to find good educators to fill both vacancies.

We have been given a date of

July 14 for the final clean up of the new Brackett High School addition. There will be lots of moving taking place after that date. The contractor is working hard to meet this deadline.

After the building is complete, high school teachers will move out of the new building. Then teachers in grades 5 and 6 will move into the building that currently houses the high school. When school starts in August, it will all be done. You'll be proud of the new facility.

School board members honored retiring members Steve LaMascus & Jim McDaniel at the regular June board meeting. Each was presented a plaque in honor of their service to the community. These men worked hard to make things better.

We have better schools because of their service. Michael Schooler was honored with a cake wishing him well as he prepares to move to Colorado at the

end of June. The Board has appreciated Michael's hard work for Jones Elementary School.

How about those Spurs? Basketball is big in San Antonio these days. The players are top quality as well as being great players. It can happen in professional sports. San Antonio proved it. Let's sweep NY!

This past weekend, I was able to play golf a couple of times, not many holes, but it was nice to be out there. I also enjoyed the Fort Clark Springs swimming pool (I'm not a great swimmer, but it's super to be there also).

I ended the evening watching Purple Martins and Swallows make sweeping circles in the sky and relaxing in a hot tub outside under the Oaks. Life is great in Brackettville, USA. That's just a sample of what's here.

This summer, I hope that you are enjoying the beauty of Kinney County, Texas. Have a great week.

## Glory Road coming soon

What a treat is in store for those who love history and drama! The "Old Quarry Amphitheater" will echo again with "Glory Road" under the direction of Harrell Floyd sponsored by "The Old Quarry Society."

It all started in 1986 when Maria Curcio realized her dream in turning an abandoned quarry into a beautiful outdoor theater. Only two members of the original cast have been continuous performers, Harrell Floyd and Jewel

Robinson. Harrell will portray Mr. Brackett and Jewel will resume her role as Mrs. Fritter. Betty Inman was also a member of the premiere performance and since then members of her family have continued their support. Tom and Lynn McNew and this year their granddaughter, Tammy McNew.

Local talent will breathe life into four presentations scheduled at 8:30 p.m. on June 25th and

26th, also on July 2nd and 4th. Price of the tickets are \$5.00 and may be purchased at the Ft. Clark Adult Center or at the gate.

Behind the scenes technicians are Bill Herman on lights, Clyde Hepline and Leslie Floyd on sound. Brochures are designed and produced by Brandi Floyd.

Make plans for an enjoyable evening of entertainment under the stars and view local history of yesteryear.

## \$4.3 million grant to help reduce losses in future floods in Del Rio

WASHINGTON - U.S. Congressman Henry Bonilla (R-TX-23) today announced that the city of Del Rio will receive a \$4.3 million grant to help reduce losses in future floods. The money has been provided through the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP).

The city of Del Rio will use the money to buy property that is susceptible to flooding along the San Felipe Creek. Under the HMGP, 165 - 170 properties will be purchased, the structures cleared and the land permanently left open.

"This money will help protect many Del Rio families from the horrible loss of life and property

we saw in last year's flood," Bonilla said. "While it will not stop future floods, it will certainly go a long way in keeping families safe and reducing the threat of devastating losses when floods do occur."


The purchase of the properties along the San Felipe Creek is expected to cost the city \$6.2 million. This FEMA grant provides 75 percent of the funding. The rest of the money will come from non-federal sources.

The HMGP provides funding for approved projects that reduce loss of life and property due to natural disasters. The money is made available to areas that the President has declared a federal disaster area. Del Rio was designated a federal

disaster area by President Clinton in August 1998.

Bonilla worked closely with Governor Bush last year to secure federal aid for Del Rio flood victims. In addition, Bonilla has continued to work hard to make sure Del Rio flood victims are not left fending for themselves.

Last October, Bonilla delivered to flood victims a \$10,000 check and a truck load of Cheerios and other snacks donated by General Mills, Inc. National talk show host Sally Jessy Raphael helped put a national spotlight on the needs of flood victims when she filmed a segment of her talk show in Del Rio and joined Bonilla in distributing the Cheerios.




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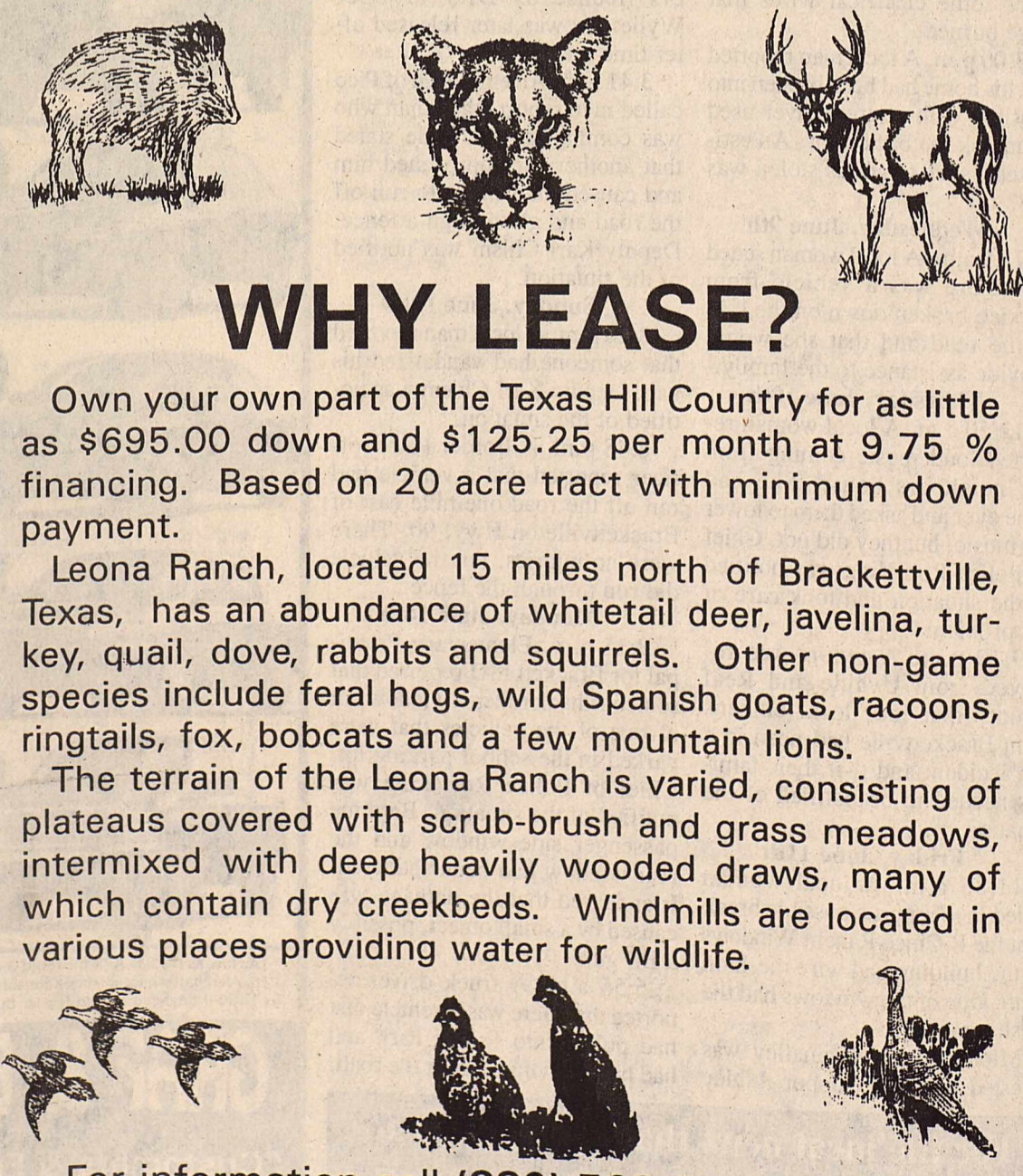
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# Fishing license; Who needs them?

*A little on the Wildlife side*  
Henry Lutz

I want to continue this week with some more information about fishing. First of all, I was reminded this week that you are eligible to purchase the Special Resident Fishing License for \$6 if you are a qualified veteran (regardless of age). This is the same license to purchase if you turned 65 years of age on or after Sept. 1, 1995.

To qualify as a Disable Veteran and receive the reduced price license, you must have a service connected disability, as defined by the Veterans Administration. The disability must be the loss of use of a foot or leg or

a disability rating of 60 percent or more. The disabled veteran must be receiving compensation pay from the United States for the disability. Proof of disability issued by the Veterans Administration must be shown when applying for a license, and must state the rate of the disability.

I received a couple of questions this past week about fishing licenses and the age requirements. If you are 16 years old and under, you are not required to have a fishing license. If you turned 65 on Sept. 1, 1995 or later, you are required to purchase, and have in your possession, a \$6 Special Resident Fishing License to fish in the public

waters of this state. If you turned 65 prior to the above date, no license is required. In all instances, you are required to carry identification for proof of age.

If you are not required to buy a fishing license because of age, but are going to the coast and plan to keep an oversize red drum, you still must purchase the \$6 Special Resident License to obtain the red drum tag. Everyone 17 years old and older must have a fishing license to fish in the public waters of this state, unless you turned 65 prior to Sept. 1, 1995. When fishing in coastal waters, a salt water stamp is required if you are required to purchase a fishing li-

cence. These requirements become more confusing all the time. Please call me if you have any questions.

How many times have you gone fishing with a friend and at day's end, after both of you have caught your limit, given your limit of fish to your buddy for him to take home and he goes home in his own truck one way and you go another in your vehicle? Or maybe he limited out and you just caught one and gave it to him to take home. Whether you gave him your whole limit or just one fish, the fact is that the fish you gave him puts him over his daily bag limit of fish, which could be a problem for him if he gets checked

after the two of you part company.

The remedy for this is to write out (handwritten on any piece of paper is ok) a Wildlife Resource Document. This piece of paper must go along with him and the fish so if he is checked the extra fish can be accounted for. This piece of paper must have on it the name, signature, address, and fishing license number of the person who caught the fish.

The name of the person to whom the fish were given, the number and species of fish given, the date and location the fish were caught such as the name of the lake, river, etc. must also be on the document. There have been several times

when I have checked a person with one or more undersized fish and their excuse for having it is that someone gave it to them.

Since they do not have this document from the person who supposedly gave the fish to them, guess who gets in trouble?

For more information on this or any fishing regulations, or so you know where to locate this information again, it is located on page 36 of this year's Outdoor Annual or Hunting and Fishing Guide, available wherever licenses are sold. This booklet contains bag and length limits and other useful information and is handy to keep in the glove box of your vehicle or boat or in the tackle box.

# Missed another opportunity to make money

*Gunsmoke and Campfires*  
Steven R. LaMascus

I guess I have missed another opportunity to make money. Oh well, that's the story of my life. I buy high and sell cheap. I'm never in the right place at the right time. I bought Taco Cabana at \$8.00 a share and it immediately went to \$4.00. If any of you are shareholders, I'm sorry. This time it's even worse. I have been doing something for free all my life that I have just found out people pay money for. I have been calling predators with a fair degree of regularity and

success since sometime in the early sixties. I have no idea how many coyotes, bobcats, foxes, and raccoons I have called in and shot over the years, but it is an impressive tally. In one year on one 6500-acre ranch my brother and I called in and shot 18 bobcats and countless foxes.

I was in a gunshop the other day when one of the salesmen said he had to hurry and leave early. He was, he said, going to go calling for coyotes. Immediately my ears perked up and I asked where. He seemed reluctant to tell me but I pressed on. Eventually he told me which

ranch and added that he gets a lot of money for killing predators on sheep and goat ranches! Imagine that - getting paid to hunt! But enough of my missed opportunities. Calling predators is not difficult. With today's electronic gadgets the first time caller can have just as much success as a thirty year veteran. He just has to follow a few basic rules.

First is camouflage. If you cannot hide you will not be successful. You do not need to spend a fortune on ghillie suits and wear Vietnam surplus face paint, but a few simple precau-

tions are mandatory. Camouflage clothing is obviously best. That is after all what it was made for. However, if you don't have any camo any clothing that is of dull, neutral colors will suffice. Browns, greens, black, dark gray, or anything that will blend into the background will give you an advantage. Next is to watch the wind. Predators have noses second to none. Except maybe bobcats - they seem to pay little attention to odors. Coyotes on the other hand have a sense of smell that is all but beyond belief. Always call into the wind, even if you are calling

bobcats. There is no use giving up any advantage.

Then, try to match your call to your prey. If you are calling foxes, which average about 8 or 10 pounds, you wouldn't want to use a call that sounds like a bull moose in agony. Use high-pitched calls that resemble what a fox normally eats. Likewise coyotes eat larger prey and will come more readily to larger prey animals. A good rule is, though, when in doubt opt for smaller, higher pitched calls. If you are a purest a mouth call gives, at least for me, a greater sense of satisfaction and in some

places I have even better success with them than with electronics. But they do take a great deal of practice to use correctly.

Try to get a little elevation. I always try to find a place that is a little higher than the surrounding terrain. This gives me the advantage of being able to look down into the cover.

And don't stop after five minutes. Stay on your stand at least 25 minutes. If you are after bobcats stay at least 35 minutes and 45 is better.

Find a place where you can be comfortable and don't move. Every move you make reduces

# Enjoy outdoor activities, protect against tick-borne diseases

Camping, hiking, backpacking, enjoying picnics and time outdoors - these are some of the best features of warm weather months. Ticks, along with the disease they may bring, are among the worst. A bite from an infected tick can cause illnesses.

"In Texas, the Lone Star tick is the one likely to carry disease," said Julie Rawlings of the Infectious Disease Epidemiology and Surveillance Division at Texas Department of Health (TDH). While many tick species prefer attaching to an animal and staying there, this variety, common throughout the south and central United States, readily feeds on human blood.

The most frequently diagnosed tick-borne problem in the country, Lyme disease is a bacterial infection that can cause skin, joint, heart and nervous system problems.

The disease initially causes flu-like symptoms such as fatigue, headache, fever, stiff neck and joint pain.

Sometimes these symptoms come with skin lesions or rashes, usually around the site of the bite.

Treatment is with antibiotics. Untreated, however, the disease may severely damage joints, and heart and the nervous system.

In Texas, 580 reports from 1990 to 1998 met the current case definition of Lyme disease, with most of these in the north central part of the state. "Fortunately, only about 1 to 2 percent of ticks carry the Lyme disease bacterium," Rawlings said.

Rocky Mountain spotted fever can be deadly if not treated quickly. Symptoms resemble flu with headaches, muscle aches and high fever along with a rash. Symptoms of ehrlichiosis, which was first recognized about 12 years ago, also are flu-like. This disease can occasionally be fatal. "The best prevention for any of these diseases is to avoid ticks," Rawlings said. She advises keeping fleas and ticks off your pets - they also can get Lyme disease - and discouraging unwanted animals such as rats, mice and stray dogs and cats from coming into the home environment.

To protect yourself from ticks:

If you are in an area with ticks, check your body carefully for them every few hours. Ticks

are small and easy to miss. They attach to any part of the body from head to toe.

Wear light-colored clothes so ticks can be easily seen. Protect as much of your skin as possible from ticks can be easily seen. Wear a hat, long-sleeved shirt and long pants tucked into boots or socks.

Use insect repellent containing DEET or permethrin (be sure to follow package directions).

If you do find a tick on your skin, remove it right away.

"There are a lot of wives' tales about removing ticks," Rawlings said. "Some say use petroleum jelly or touch the tick with a hot match. But those procedures are not the best." To remove an attached tick, use tweezers to grasp the tick at the skin surface. If tweezers are not available, use a tissue to protect your fingers from possible exposure to the tick's body fluids. With a steady motion, gently pull the tick straight out. Do not crush the tick's body. Live ticks

may be submitted for identification and testing to the TDH Laboratory. "The ticks should be placed in a small container such as an old pill bottle with the cap tightly on," Rawlings said. "They should never be placed

loose in an envelope." Call the TDH Laboratory at 512-458-7615 for information on proper ways to submit live ticks.

A vaccine to protect against Lyme disease is available for people from ages 15 to 70. Con-

tact your health care provider for more information about the vaccine. "If people have any flu-like symptoms, with or without a rash, after contact with a tick, they should get medical attention," Rawlings said.

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5 D'Urberville lass	51 Round or mount starter	93 Regain one's health	4 Mononites	42 Beloved	82 Proofreader's mark
9 Go to the mall	52 Word of woe	96 Engenders	3 Seamstress	43 River rising in Great Slave Lake	84 Weight allowance
13 Engrave with acid	54 Winter forecast	97 Meadow munchers	4 Doctors' clients	44 Russian council	86 Sultry
17 Island group north of Tonga	55 Cooking spice	99 DDE's home state	5 Warning signal	45 Droops in the middle	88 Cooling desserts
18 Native American	56 Branching	100 Dry, as wine	6 Element in moral philosophy	47 River feeding the Ohio	90 Repulsive
19 Gypsy	59 American author/critic	101 Political incumbents	7 London fog?	48 Chanteuse	92 Stolen goods
20 Sort's torte	61 Christie or Karenina	104 Muri or McCartney	8 Eden invader	49 Greenland	94 Kind of daisy
22 Pindar, for one	62 It landed on Ararat	106 Captiol VIP	9 Kind of sailing ship: abbr.	49 Greenland settlement	95 Redgrave of the theater
23 River flowing to Hudson Bay	63 Washington crossed it	107 Lotion ingredient	10 Broadway musical	51 Highly seasoned sausages	96 Forehead
25 Valuable dark wood	65 Long river in Georgia	108 Chew the fat	11 Kukla's friend	53 Medium's sessions	98 Put forward an opinion
26 Hucklberry Finn's river	67 — Gay; historic plane	111 Alabama	12 Jal alal	56 Kind of race	100 Swells with fluid
28 U.S.-Mexico border river	69 Contemptible person	114 Missouri	13 Retired from active duty	57 Siamese measure	101 "— girl!"
30 Bat wood	71 Nick of Hollywood	118 River rising in Big Stone Lake	14 Wind instrument	58 Lake, port and canal	102 Observes
31 TV soap star	72 Unobstructed view	120 Being in debt	15 Hag	60 Call forth	103 Struck heavily
32 Guido's highest note	75 River to the Ohio	121 Sicilian volcano: var.	16 Members of the crew	63 June beetle	105 The original "Scarlett"
34 Reticule	77 Mrs. in Madrid	122 Polent or puncture starter	17 Intoxicating plant juice	64 Nine: comb. form	107 Asian mountain system
35 Dangerous curve	80 Cutting tool	123 Attack the fly	21 Corrosives used in soap	66 Like a pub drink	108 "— My Way"
36 Presently	81 Carline cities	124 Rich sources	24 Eyelashes	68 Existing in the intellect	109 Baxter and Bancroft
37 Game bird of the marshes	83 Construction serviceman	125 Blind "— Hamilton Woman" (1941 movie)	27 Broadway hit signs	70 Public warehouses	110 Asks for charity
39 Pet of Nick and Nora	84 Russian despot	127 Sale condition	29 Flatter effusively	72 Actor's portion?	112 Twining stem
41 Recognizes as valid	85 Bonnie of songdom	128 Cake ingredients	33 Town on 17 Across	73 Esau's wife	113 Sicilian tourist town
44 Selects for special duty	87 Wife of Siva	DOWN	36 Military assistant to	74 On — (equivalent to)	115 Makes meadow sounds
46 Work	89 Footlike organ	1 Moslem	37 Goat antelopes	76 Above, in Aachen	116 Small branch
	90 Lakes or		38 Logan or Fitzgerald	78 Electric	119 — (picky, overly fussy one)

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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions—forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

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**Your Horoscope by Natasha**

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) Debate becomes pointless, since you can clearly see both sides of the issue. This is definitely a time when it's best to agree to disagree on certain points.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) Ancient issues need to be properly addressed before you can expect to move further. While you may not relish the task, you'll be glad that you took it on.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) Finding a new passion to pursue will help take your mind off the things you cannot change. A friend lifts your mood with a delightful surprise.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) Leo's Moon offers Moon Children the opportunity to find pleasant results in love, in money or on the job, whichever suits you best. Take a chance this week, and it will pay off.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) Immerse yourself in sensory experiences, and do not look too far below the surface. You'll feel more ready for serious matters after a little mindless relaxation.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) Playing the game of one-upmanship is invariably guaranteed to backfire. Try to be a little less critical in your judgments of others.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) When faced with a dilemma, the best thing you can do is be flexible about the outcome. Some surprising solutions are right around the corner.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) Others would happily agree with ever you say — if you ever stopped talking. Don't get so caught up in your own grand plans that you ignore what's directly in front of you.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to



December 21) Find at least a small way to reward yourself for a job extremely well done. It's a particularly great time to combine the joys of preparing food and entertaining friends.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) The substance of an attractive person matches up to his or her image. Show your appreciation for their generosity accordingly.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) Clean up a big mess, even if you weren't the one who made it. Everyone will work better in a calm and organized environment.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Debate becomes pointless, since you can clearly see both sides of the issue. This is definitely a time when it's best to agree to disagree on certain points.

**YOU BORN THIS WEEK:** While your shrewd nature serves you well in terms of your career, when it comes to personal relationships, you tend to outsmart yourself. Nevertheless, people generally forgive you for these lapses, as you are also charming, witty and insightful.

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**HOCUS-FOCUS** BY HENRY BOLTIKOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Earring is missing. 2. Man's expression is different. 3. Tree is gone. 4. Shadow is cast on bush. 5. Blade handles are different. 6. Leaves are different.

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# Church is a place to learn and grow in your belief

Steven R. LaMascus  
Contributing Writer

How many times have you heard someone say, "I don't need to go to church. All that is, is a bunch of holier-than-thou hypocrites. My church is a mountain top at sunrise," or something similar?

Sounds good doesn't it? It tells you that this person is religious and believes in God, and at the same time is independent and doesn't need to rely on the questionable rites of organized religion. He should be proud, shouldn't he?

No, he shouldn't! All he has done is tell all who will listen how ignorant he really is! Organized Christian churches are not merely places for people to appear and be seen. Neither are they simply places to go worship God. You can be seen at any number of more public places and you can worship God while driving your car down the highway. Church is a place to learn and grow in your belief. It is a place where like-minded Christians meet to gain strength from

each other. The old adage that there is strength in numbers is just as true for Christians as it is for armies. A church is not a building. It is not a structure of wood, or stone, or metal; it is the whole of the body of believers that assembles there. A church is people - Christians! A few are hypocrites; most are sincere faithful followers of Jesus Christ.

It is not easy to live by the edicts of Christ. He set an example that is impossible to live up to. He was and is perfect. We are and always will be imperfect. We stray from the path with astonishing regularity. No matter how devout a Christian you are you will have fits of anger, depression; you will say things that are hurtful if not outright harmful. That is after all human nature.

Church gives us the strength to carry on. In a world where we are surrounded by greed, death, anger, injustice, and just plain mean people, we are expected to live a life-style that is diametrically opposed to those around us. That other life-style

where the only tenet is "look out for number one" is very tempting. Many of us revert to that even after we have been saved. It is like the Old Testament Jews drifting back into idolatry and prostitution time after time. The temptation to sate the physical and carnal desires and not the needs of the Christian soul is tremendously strong. The church gives us the strength and knowledge we need to combat that temptation. It feeds the soul and bolsters the spirit. For those of you who think I'm wrong, let me tell you a story.

I was saved and baptized when I was about twelve. Through high school I attended church regularly; even did some witnessing on the streets and helped teach a bible school in Mexico. In general I was active in the church. I graduated from high school, went to college, and eventually married Kandace.

We were living in Uvalde and attending a little church there. Then the pastor did something I thought was wrong and I quit going. I felt that he had betrayed

my trust. I was discouraged with formalized Christianity and decided, like our friend at the beginning of this story, that I could just as easily find God in a sunrise on a mountain top instead of a building filled with hypocrites.

For the next twenty years I seldom went to church. And I didn't find God in a sunrise. In fact, the longer I stayed away from church the farther I drifted away from God. I became a police officer, then later joined the U. S. Border Patrol. My relatively sheltered life became a quagmire of evil sights and actions. I was confronted daily with violence and the dregs of humanity. Truth became a thing of great rarity. Inhumanity was displayed all around me. I became bitter, cynical, hardened. I trusted no one. I slept with a pistol under my pillow and would rather have gone to the store naked than unarmed. I drank too much, my language was foul, and I had lost my ability to feel empathy for anyone's pain. I withdrew into a shell and cowered there. I am surprised

that Kandace didn't leave me.

When we moved to Brackettville I left the high stress behind me. In a year or so I began to come out of the shell. I began to attend church again, and it was like a great weight had been lifted from my back. I quit drinking (except for the occasional celebratory glass of cognac) and found that I no longer needed the foul language to express my feelings.

I am nearly back now. I still have to watch for the pull of the temptations, but they are fading. I have resumed my regular daily conversations with my Creator.

I have replaced the pistol under the pillow or on the night-stand with a bible. I still carry a gun, that is my job, but I don't require it as a security blanket. I find that quite often I forget and leave it at home. I have again found my center, and that center is the church. The people who gather there to give thanks and worship God give me strength. They share their faith and love and make me understand that these things permeate the congregation. I am again part of a loving, faithful, caring and believing Christian family. I am home! Where are you?

## Heaven was prepared for man

Frontier Baptist Church  
Rev. Joe Townsend

commitment.

The longer one delays making a commitment the duller will become the voice of God to a person to follow Him. The longer one delays accepting Christ the more that one risks being doomed when Jesus comes again. He is coming back. He's coming to claim his own. He may delay his coming another thousand years and yet again He may come tomorrow. The Scripture says he will come as a thief in the night. When He does come back it will be too late to make the decision to follow Christ. To delay making a commitment is a gamble not worth taking. Besides all that, the blessings that come with a trust in Christ and with following Him so far out weigh ignoring Him that it is self penalizing to not do it.

Hell as the eternal abode of Satan and his followers is real. There is more in the Bible about Hell and future punishment than there is about heaven.

Few really expect to spend an eternity in Hell but many gamble with the issue by simply putting off making a decision to commit their souls to Christ as Redeemer. Whatever idea or thought pattern that leads any person to think he or she can find the way to heaven in any other way than by faith in Jesus Christ leads the individual to eternal torment. Heaven was prepared for man and the way was set by the death of Jesus Christ on a cross. Hell was prepared for Satan and will be populated by those who rebelled against or ignored the salvation God offers.

To delay accepting Christ is a dangerous gamble. The longer one delays trusting Jesus, the harder it will be to make that

Sunday will highlight Father's Day at Frontier Baptist Church Sunday at 11:00 AM. Come and see.

## I love you "Daddy", Happy Father's Day

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Father, you are worthy of all honor, glory and praise. I come to you as a little child, who is a child of the King. I have confidence that as your child, you will receive me in your "agape" (unconditional) love.

As I dress myself up in the righteous robe of the blood of Jesus Christ and primp myself before the mirror of your living word, that reveals all my sin and humbles my heart, I rejoice as I prepare to see my "Daddy."

I know you love me and will receive me because you were there when I was born. You even loved me before I was born

and waited in anticipation of my first breath.

As I grew, you looked after me. I know I often didn't show my appreciation and took you for granted, yet, you still loved me and called my name. You wanted to grow closer to me even when I ran from you.

The world was hard on me, but it was through many of my own wrong choices. I pray I learned from each mistake I made, even so, you still love me.

Now that I am older, and wiser (only through your grace and mercy), I have finally discovered the treasure of your wisdom. You have caused me to inherit more than I ever hoped or dreamed. Most of all, I am drenched in your love.

So, you see, I know that when I enter into the throne room where you preside over all heaven and earth, you will receive this child to crawl up in your lap, look into your beautiful eyes, see your unconditional love pouring out into mine, sigh a sigh of peace and rest my head on your shoulder.

No demon in hell can separate

my love from you, nor yours from me. May people always see a silly smile on my face from the knowledge that my Father is forever in control of all things; has prepared all things for me; will faithfully watch over me; and will love me for all eternity.

I love you "Daddy". Happy Father's Day

## The Beatitudes; Happy the gentle

Submitted by  
St Mary Magdalene Church

As Jesus began His teaching throughout all of Galilee, the crowds following Him became larger and larger. When He saw the crowds He went up on the mountainside. After He had sat down, His disciples gathered around Him and He began to teach them.

What followed is what we commonly know as the beatitudes. This week we will talk about the second one.

Happy the gentle: they shall inherit the earth. This must be a joke. If you are gentle, people will walk all over you. If you want to get on, you must be hard. Gentle people get left behind, aggressive people succeed.

Is it not true that deep down inside we all long for gentleness? We can't open up and grow without it.

Contrary to what the world thinks, gentleness is not a form of weakness. It is a form of strength, and is one of the most necessary qualities in life. Think of the gentleness required in the hands of a mother or a surgeon.

Does being gentle mean that we should never stand up for ourselves? On the contrary, it takes a strong, self-confident person to be gentle.

Let us pray to our heavenly Father for those qualities Christ wants to see in His followers.

You are welcome to come worship with us at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church any weekend.

## Readings from Saint Matthew

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At that time Jesus answered and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes. Even so, Father; for so it seemed good in thy sight.

All things are delivered unto me by my Father, and no man knoweth the Son, but the Father;

neither knoweth any man the Father except the Son, and he to whomsoever the Son will reveal him.

Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart, and ye shall find rest unto your souls.

For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light. St. Matthew 11:25-30

## HEALTH

### First Heat Wave calls for safety concerns

According to forecasters, San Antonio and the surrounding areas are facing temperatures in the triple digits as early as next week. And as south Texas residents know, that heat will likely show no sign of departing until late next fall.

There are some simple rules that people can follow to be sure that they and their loved ones stay safe and healthy throughout the long summer months.

"It's important to remember that when the temperature goes above 85 degrees and the humidity goes over 50 percent you should cut back on your outside activities, both work and play." Heat can affect anyone. However it is more likely to affect young children, elderly people, and people with health problems. These weather conditions can be dangerous; and the America Red Cross has these tips:

Slow down - Avoid strenuous activity. If you must do strenuous activity, do it during the coolest part of the day, which is usually in the morning between 4 and 7 a.m.

Stay indoors - If air conditioning is not available, stay on the lowest floor, out of the sunshine. Remember, electric fans do not cool the air, but they do help sweat evaporate, which cools your body. Fans need circulated air to work properly.

Wear lightweight, light-colored clothing - Light colors will reflect away some of the sun's energy.

Drink fluids - Drink plenty of water regularly and often. Your body needs water to keep cool. Avoid beverages with alcohol and caffeine in them. Drink plenty of fluids even if you do not feel thirsty.

Eat small meals and eat more often - Avoid foods that are high in protein, which increase metabolic heat.

Do you know what the warning signs of heat emergency are? Here are some things to watch out for:

Heat cramps - Heat cramps are muscular pains and spasms due to heavy exertion. They usually involve the abdominal muscles or legs. It is generally thought that the loss of water from heavy sweating causes the cramps.

Heat exhaustion - Cool, moist, pale or flushed skin; heavy sweating; nausea or vomiting; dizziness; and exhaustion.

Body temperature will be near normal.

Heat stroke - Hot, red skin; changes in consciousness; rapid, weak pulse; and rapid, shallow breathing. Body temperature can be very high - sometimes as high as 105 degrees. If the person is sweating from heavy work, skin may be wet, otherwise, it will feel dry.

Medical emergencies can be dangerous. If you, or someone you know, has been affected by the heat, here are some ways to handle the problem:

Heat cramps - Get the person to a cooler place and have him or her rest in a comfortable position. Lightly stretch the affected muscle and replenish fluids. Give a half glass of water every 15 minutes. Do not give liquids with alcohol or caffeine in them.

Heat exhaustion - Get the person out of the heat and into a cooler place. Remove or loosen tight clothing and apply cool, wet cloths, such as towels or sheets. If the person is conscious, give cool water to drink.

Make sure the person drinks slowly. Give a half glass of cool water every 15 minutes. Do not give liquids that contain alcohol or caffeine. Let the person rest

in the comfortable position, and watch carefully for changes in his or her condition.

Heat stroke - Heat stroke is a life-threatening condition. Help is needed fast. Call 9-1-1 and move the person to a cooler place. Quickly cool the body. Immerse the person in a cool bath, or wrap wet sheets around the body and fan it. Watch for signals of breathing problems. Keep the person lying down and continue to cool the body any way you can. If the patient refuses water, is vomiting, or there are changes in level of consciousness, do not give anything to eat or drink.

Remember also that heat can affect your pets - just as much as people. Never leave an animal in your car, even with the windows cracked. Most people do not realize how fast the temperature rises in a vehicle. Pets need plenty of shade and clean water to drink on these hot days - animals can get sunburned and dehydrated, too.

For more heat safety information, or information on how to keep your family safe from any disaster, contact the local Red Cross at (210) 224-5151 or toll free at (800) 775-6803, or visit the local Red Cross website at [www.sarecross.org](http://www.sarecross.org).

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Pastor: R. D. Holloway

Answers to Super Crossword

<p>18</p> <p>DOWN</p> <p>1. GAMP</p> <p>2. YESS</p> <p>3. SHOP</p> <p>4. EIGH</p> <p>5. GAWA</p> <p>6. OTOE</p> <p>7. GALE</p> <p>8. MURAL</p> <p>9. OTIST</p> <p>10. CHURCHILL</p> <p>11. EBONY</p> <p>12. MISSISSIPPI</p> <p>13. NIIOGRANDE</p> <p>14. ASH</p> <p>15. ERIC</p> <p>16. ELA</p> <p>17. ETUI</p> <p>18. EISS</p> <p>19. ANON</p> <p>20. SWIDE</p> <p>21. ABTA</p> <p>22. ADMITS</p> <p>23. DISTANCE</p> <p>24. MUSTIE</p> <p>25. LEADS</p> <p>26. BUR</p> <p>27. ALAS</p> <p>28. SLEET</p> <p>29. WACE</p> <p>30. RAMOSE</p> <p>31. ADEE</p> <p>32. ANNA</p> <p>33. MARK</p> <p>34. DELAWARE</p> <p>35. SAVANNAH</p> <p>36. ENOLA</p> <p>37. SWINE</p> <p>38. MOLTIE</p> <p>39. PANORAMA</p> <p>40. KENTUCKY</p> <p>41. ERA</p> <p>42. ROZE</p> <p>43. TIPS</p> <p>44. BEAEE</p> <p>45. TBAR</p> <p>46. RATTI</p> <p>47. SATI</p> <p>48. PES</p> <p>49. ORAY</p> <p>50. THEIRS</p> <p>51. RECOVER</p> <p>52. BREEDS</p> <p>53. COWS</p> <p>54. TEXAS</p> <p>55. BRAVI</p> <p>56. TINS</p> <p>57. PAUL</p> <p>58. BERN</p> <p>59. ALICE</p> <p>60. GAB</p> <p>61. TOM</p> <p>62. GORE</p> <p>63. YEL</p> <p>64. FLOW</p> <p>65. STONE</p> <p>66. STOTIC</p> <p>67. MINNESOTA</p> <p>68. OWING</p> <p>69. AETNA</p> <p>70. IONI</p> <p>71. SWAT</p> <p>72. MINES</p> <p>73. SEEL</p> <p>74. THAT</p> <p>75. ASIS</p> <p>76. EGGS</p>	<p>88</p> <p>82</p> <p>75</p> <p>61</p> <p>68</p> <p>51</p> <p>46</p> <p>37</p> <p style="text-align: center;">UPS AND DOWNS</p> <p>1. UP</p> <p>2. UP</p> <p>3. UP</p> <p>4. UP</p> <p>5. UP</p> <p>6. UP</p> <p>7. UP</p> <p>8. UP</p> <p>9. UP</p> <p>10. UP</p> <p>11. UP</p> <p>12. UP</p> <p>13. UP</p> <p>14. UP</p> <p>15. UP</p> <p>16. UP</p> <p>17. UP</p> <p>18. UP</p> <p>19. UP</p> <p>20. UP</p> <p>21. UP</p> <p>22. UP</p> <p>23. UP</p> <p>24. UP</p> <p>25. UP</p> <p>26. UP</p> <p>27. UP</p> <p>28. UP</p> <p>29. UP</p> <p>30. UP</p> <p>31. UP</p> <p>32. UP</p> <p>33. UP</p> <p>34. UP</p> <p>35. UP</p> <p>36. UP</p> <p>37. UP</p> <p>38. UP</p> <p>39. UP</p> <p>40. UP</p> <p>41. UP</p> <p>42. UP</p> <p>43. UP</p> <p>44. UP</p> <p>45. UP</p> <p>46. UP</p> <p>47. UP</p> <p>48. UP</p> <p>49. UP</p> <p>50. UP</p> <p>51. UP</p> <p>52. UP</p> <p>53. UP</p> <p>54. UP</p> <p>55. UP</p> <p>56. UP</p> <p>57. UP</p> <p>58. UP</p> <p>59. UP</p> <p>60. UP</p> <p>61. UP</p> <p>62. UP</p> <p>63. UP</p> <p>64. UP</p> <p>65. UP</p> <p>66. UP</p> <p>67. UP</p> <p>68. UP</p> <p>69. UP</p> <p>70. UP</p> <p>71. UP</p> <p>72. UP</p> <p>73. UP</p> <p>74. UP</p> <p>75. UP</p> <p>76. UP</p> <p>77. UP</p> <p>78. UP</p> <p>79. UP</p> <p>80. UP</p> <p>81. UP</p> <p>82. UP</p> <p>83. UP</p> <p>84. UP</p> <p>85. UP</p> <p>86. UP</p> <p>87. UP</p> <p>88. UP</p>
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**ANTIQUES**

**BUFFALO HORN CHAIR**, very old. Cowboy collectibles, spurs, saddles, Indian artifacts. Comanche Creek Trading Company, East Side Square, Mason, TX. 1-915-347-0107, Tuesday through Saturday.

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**DRIVER - COMPANY DRIVERS** - Guaranteed home every 2 weeks, average miles - 3,100, top pay and great benefits! Owner operator - 80c per loaded mile with great lease options! Trainees - company-paid training! CalArk, 1-888-4CALARK (1-888-422-5275).

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**RAPID FREIGHT OF Texas** is seeking OTR drivers. Minimum 1 year experience. Class A CDL with HazMat required. Call recruiting at 1-800-299-7274, ext. 21 or ext. 41.

**NEEDED: TRUCK DRIVERS, DFW** area. Full truck loads. Regional also. Flatbed. Home weekend and between. Good pay, benefits. 1-800-527-6772, Ennis Transportation.

**OTR CATTLE DRIVERS** wanted. Brand new Freightliner conv. based in Sealy, TX. 4-state area. 23% of gross and benefits. Keaton Livestock, 1-800-259-9856.

**EDUCATION/TRAINING**

**ABEKA TEXTBOOKS & VIDEO** school on display near you. Contact us at www.abeka.org/nc3 or 1-800-874-2353, ext. 31 for more information.

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**IMMEDIATE OPENING FOR Nanny/ Housekeeper.** Position will last 2 months. Supervise our three children (ages 3,5,8), cook all meals, and clean house. We will provide room and board in separate 1BR/1BA house for nanny. Must be available 7 days a week. Must have references. House located on ranch. Mexican national okay if have necessary legal papers to work. Call 830-563-9000.

**INTERNATIONAL CONSULTING FIRM** and leader in employee evaluations and assessments seeks entrepreneur with boardroom presence to represent it locally. High client payback. Recurring revenue. Bob Bell, Profiles International, 1-800-880-2909.

**ELECTRICIANS NEEDED! NORTH** Dallas, Texas. Climate controlled work environment, excellent pay with benefits. Quality Contractors, phone 1-972-238-5567, fax 1-972-238-9883.

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**!!GET OUT OF Debt Free!!** Credit Counseling Centers of America. Stop collector calls. Lower payments & interest. Free debt consolidation. Non-profit (Member NFCC), 1-877-936-2222, toll free.

**CREDIT CARD DEBT?** Avoid bankruptcy! \*Stop collection calls. \*Cut finance charges. \*Cut payments up to 50%. Debt consolidation. Fast approval! No credit check. National Consolidators. 1-800-270-9894.

**OVER YOUR HEAD** in debt? Do you need more breathing room? Debt consolidation. No qualifying! \*Free consultation 1-800-556-1548. www.anewhorizon.org. Licensed, bonded, nonprofit/national company.

**Contractor's Notice of Texas Highway Maintenance Work**

Sealed proposals for Seal Coat in Kinney, etc. Cos., covered by Project No. 604577001, etc. will be received at the Texas Department of Transportation, 200 East Riverside, Austin, Texas, 78704, until 1:00 P.M., on July 7, 1999, respectively, and then publicly opened and read.

A list reflecting the highways and limits along with applicable specifications relative to the Contract is available for inspection at the office of:

Rosa E. Treviño, P.E.  
 Director of Maintenance  
 1817 Bob Bullock Loop  
 Laredo, Texas 78043

and at the Texas Department of Transportation, Austin, Texas. Bidding proposals are to be requested from the Construction Division, Riverside Annex, 200 East Riverside Drive, Austin, 78704 (512) 416-2496. The estimated cost for this project is \$1,271,828.

Only a Cashier's Check, Money Order or Teller's Check on a State or National Bank, on a State or National Savings and Loan Association or a State or Federally Chartered Credit Union for \$50,000 each are considered acceptable. The Proposal Guaranty must be in the amount stated and may be payable at or through the institution issuing the instruments or may be drawn on a non-bank and payable at or through a bank. The Department will not accept personal checks, certified checks, other types of money orders and bid bonds.

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**REFINANCE FAST! OVER** the phone! Need second chance? Credit problems - Bankruptcy - Foreclosures - OK. Starting under 7% - APR 8.973. Platinum Capital. Nationwide Lender. 1-800-6-699-L E N D . www.platinumcapital.com.

**FOR SALE**

**MARY KAY COSMETICS**, Alana Flurry, 563-9435. Evenings/Weekends. Complimentary facials, products, etc.

**SAWMILL \$3795.** SAWS logs into boards, planks, beams. Large capacity. Best sawmill values anywhere. Free information. Norwood Sawmills, 252 Sonwil Drive #252, Buffalo, NY 14225. 1-800-578-1363.

**FREE Y2K ENERGY** plan. Free catalog of Y2K supplies. Call Generators Plus today, 1-800-597-9652.

**BUILDING SALE ...No salesman.** Go direct and save. Final clearance. 20x26 \$2,600.00. 25x30 \$3,145.00. 30x40 \$4,750.00. 35x50 \$6,100.00. 40x60 \$7,800.00. 48x90 \$12,000.00. Others. Pioneer, 1-800-668-5422.

**POOL CITY'S KAYAK** Pools, demo homesites wanted to display new maintenance free pool. Save thousands w/this unique opportunity! Call to qualify 1-800-338-9919.

**KISS YOUR CABLE** Goodbye. Only \$69. Includes 18" Little Dish System. 40 channels for \$19.99/month. Toll free, 1-888-292-4836. C.O.D. or credit card. FedEx Delivery!

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**FOR SALE MODERN 3/2/2** Home approx. 1800 sq. ft. All electric central A/H built in appliances, w/w carpet, fenced yard. On Fort Clark, \$95,000. 563-9904.

**GARAGE SALE**

**GARAGE SALE 1/2** price, 204 Spring, Fri. & Sat. Storage Bldg. 12x12.

**YARD SALE, UNIT 3, Lot 7, Sat. 19.** 8 til ?

**3 FAMILY GARAGE** Sale, 212 W. Spring. Sat. June 19th, 8:30 a.m. til ? Clothing, some furniture and misc. household items.

**HEALTH SUPPLIES**

**MEDICARE RECIPIENTS** using a nebulizer machine! Stop paying full price for Albuterol, Atrovent etc. solutions. Medicare will pay for them. We bill Medicare for you and ship directly to your door. MED-A-SAVE 1-800-538-9849, ext. 121.

**LEGAL NOTICE**

**AS OF 5-17-99**, I David L. LaBuda will not be responsible for any debts incurred by Jessica Luttrell LaBuda or Katie Rose McVay, David L. LaBuda, P.O. Box 1992, Brackettville, Tx 78832

**MOBILE HOMES**

**5 BEDROOM, 2 bath, A/C**, all kitchen appliances, with 5 acres. Choice land. Well, pump, electricity. Call 1-888-611-7711.

**CITY LOTS PERFECT** for mobile homes. All utilities available, owner financed. For information regarding land and new mobile home, call 1-888-611-7711.

**"SUPER SALE" FACTORY** prices over 100 homes to choose from Low & No down programs available. "FREE" 60" TV or a Swimming Pool" with each purchase. 1-800-756-7711

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY** given this 14th day of June, A.D. 1999, in compliance with Chapter 116.022, Local Government Code, by Kinney County Commissioner's Court, that said Court will accept applications from any banking corporation, association or individual bank in Kinney County for depositing of the public funds of such county, in such bank or banks. Contract will be awarded at the regular meeting of Kinney County Commissioner's Court August 9, 1999 at 9 a.m. Commissioners Court of Kinney County, Texas /s/ Herb Senne County Judge.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**NOTICE OF SALE**, The State of Texas, County of Kinney. By Virtue of an order of sale dated June 9, 1999, and issued pursuant to a judgement decree of the District Court of Kinney County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date, and to me delivered as Sheriff of said County, I have on the 9th day of June, 1999, seized levied upon, and will, on the first Tuesday of July 1999, the same being the 6th day of said month, at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Brackettville, between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on said day proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all the right, title and interest of the defendants in the following suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said Defendants, the same lying and being situated in the county of Kinney and State of Texas, to-wit:

No. 3103, Kinney County Appraisal District vs. Travis Wilson, et al; Tract 1: The North one-half (1/2) of Lots 5, 6, 7 and 8, Block 11, Veltman Addition to the Town of Brackett, Kinney County, Texas; Tract 2: Business personal property consisting of furniture, fixtures, inventory, equipment and machinery used in the operation of Wilson Construction & Associates located on Highway 90 West in the City of Brackettville, Kinney County, Texas; or, upon the written request of said defendants or their attorneys, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgements, interest, penalties, attorney's fees and costs; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, at any time within the time and manner prescribed by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgements rendered in the above numbered and entitled suits, together with interest, penalties, attorney's fees and costs of suit and sale, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs. Dated at Brackettville, Texas, this the 9th day of June, 1999. Leland K. Burgess, Sheriff of Kinney County, Texas.

**EMS PUBLIC HEARING** to be held regarding Kinney County EMS Personnel temporary shortage. There will be a public hearing at 9 a.m. Monday, June 21, 1999, at the Kinney County Courthouse in Brackettville regarding a temporary shortage of EMS personnel. EMS Director, Michelle Rosas, has applied to the Texas Department of Health for a personnel variance. If you would like additional information please contact the EMS office at (830) 563-9090.

**KINNEY COUNTY LAND CO**

830-563-2446  
 Home in Historic District, very cute has an upstairs masterbed and bath, \$80,000.



Fort Clark Springs homes and property for sale.

3 Bedroom and 2 bath manufactured home in Unit 35 on 2 lots, \$57,500.

Home on specialty lot, one of a kind on Fort Clark 2 story. Italian tile, carpet and swimming pool. 4 bedroom, 3 full baths, 1848 sq. ft. in unit 35, priced reduced \$59,500. 2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath in unit 23. 49 ER in unit 7, great for rental property #422, \$22,000. House 20 in Unit 21, Historic home 4000 sq. ft. 3 bedroom, 2 bath rock home on specialty lot. 12 bedroom, 6 baths, 7273 sq. ft. in the historic district. Great deal in Unit 37, lot 50, includes R.V. Unit 14, Lot 55, very clean, \$12,000. Unit 22, Lot 13, \$8,000. Lots for sale in most all units. Fort Clark Memberships with lot option. Kinney County Land Company has nightly rentals available please call in advance summer visitors are here!

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Extra nice 4bd, 2.5 bath palm harbor home, fireplace, 2,000 + sq.ft., spacious rooms, owner wants offer! Well built stone home offering 1,600 + sq. ft., fireplace, large kitchen/living, carport, storage. Manicured lawn with sprinkler system. Choice location! RV lot with hook-ups, morgan bldg + addition with bath, just \$10,000. Stop in and see the good selection of dolls, childrens books & gift items at LET'S PLAY, for the young & young at heart!

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**REAL ESTATE**

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL:** Brackett Independent School District is soliciting proposals for a Group Medical Insurance Plan for the 1999-2000 school year. Interested parties need to request proposal forms. Contact: Marla Madrid, Employee Benefits, Brackett Independent School District, PO Box 586, 400 Ann Street, Brackettville, Tx 78832, (830) 563-2491, Ext. 114. Proposals will be opened and read aloud Tuesday, July 13, 1999, at 11:00 a.m. The Board reserves the right to reject any and all proposals and to waive technicalities.

**REAL ESTATE**

**COLORADO RANCH LAND** bargain - 35 acres. Borders BLM - \$79,900. Beautiful San Juan Mountain views and Mesa Verde. Nice grass, springs and trees. Ideal for horses, small ranch. (Limited time sale price.) Call RSL, 1-970-882-7707.

**SOUTHERN COLORADO RANCH** Sale! 40 acres - \$36,900. Enjoy sensational sunsets over the Rockies and views of Pikes Peak on gently rolling terrain. Long road frontage, telephone and electricity. Ideal for horses. Excellent financing. Call toll-free 1-877-676-6367, Hatchet Ranch.

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Elsa & Paul O'Rourke  
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Unfurnished Modern, 1 bed townhouse. Large living room, high ceilings, washer, dryer hook-ups, covered patio, central air and heat. \$39,000. Will rent, \$400.00 plus utilities.

For Sale and/or Rent: Large 3 bed, 2 baths Rockhouse in Brackettville. Spacious grounds, rock fence, sprinkler system, driveway, \$76,000. Will also rent \$550.00 per mo. + utilities. Definitely no pets - not even a bird!

Facing Las Moras Creek on two sides, 3 bed, 2 1/4 baths, corner lot in Fort Clark. Walk-in closets, storage area, large den.

**ONE WEEK ONLY**

Truckload after truckload of merchandise on the way! Our store is jammed to the rafters! It's a problem for us. But a chance for you to save a ton!

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**YOU'LL SAVE 20% TO 60% ON:**

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Save 10%, 20%, 30%, 40% up to 70% Storewide in every department.

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- 3PC LIVING ROOM SET \$299  
 Sofa, Loveseat, Chair, Southwest Fabric, Oak Trim, 1 Only, Pre-owned. Reg. \$899.95
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- ODD DINING ROOM CHAIRS ALL WOOD \$29  
 Reg. \$1,599
- BIG EXECUTIVE CHERRY FINISHED DESK \$599  
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- SPECIAL SECTION OF END & COCKTAIL TABLES \$49  
 Values up to \$200 - Now
- SPECIAL GROUPS OF LAMPS AND PICTURES 1/2 PRICE
- CARPET REMNANTS ROOM SIZE All Styles, Sizes & Colors, Air Marked 1/2 PRICE

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