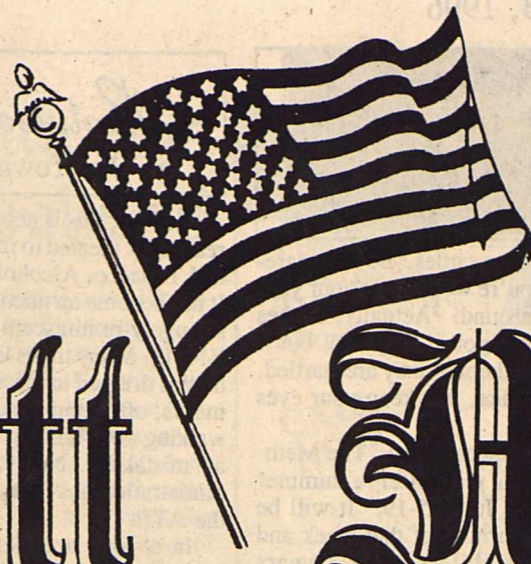


The Kinney County Committee of Juvenile Behavior meets on the first and third Tuesdays of the month at the county courthouse. The public is welcomed to attend. Joe Goebel is the chairman.

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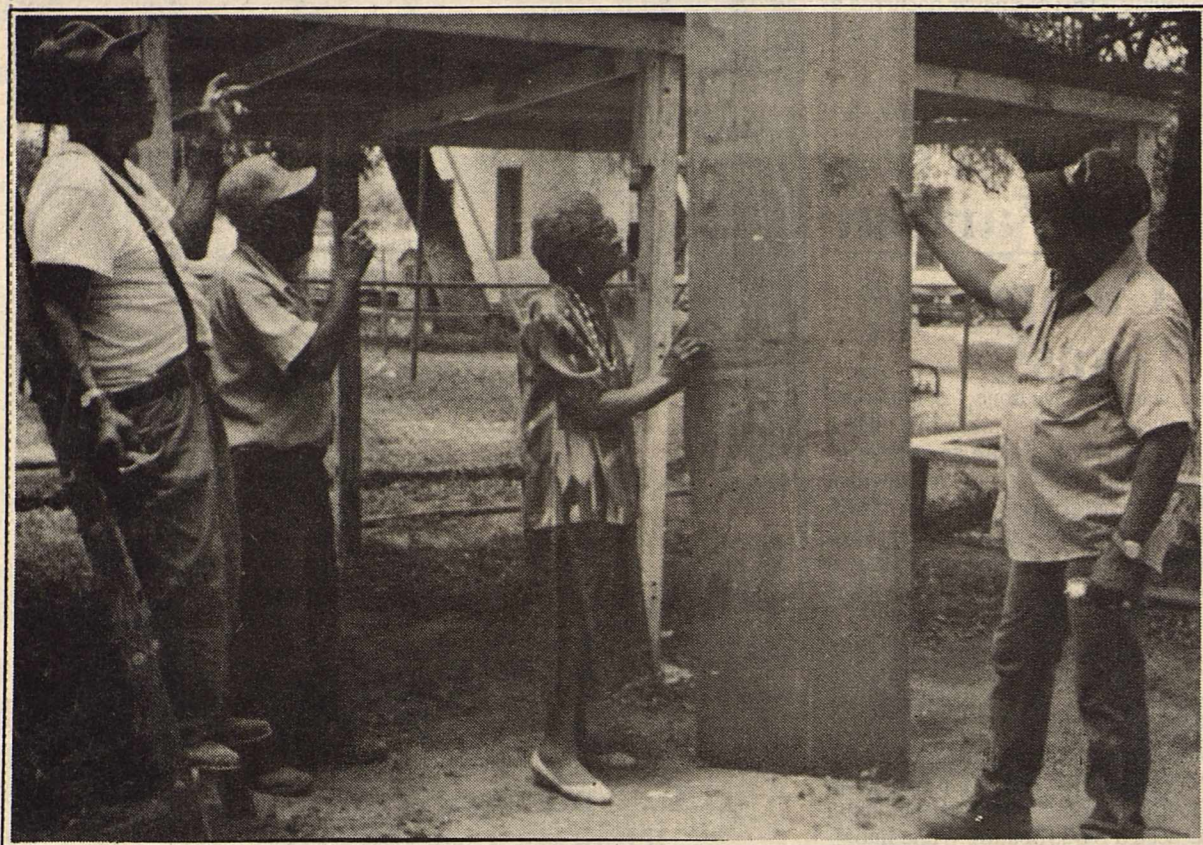
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"If a man had half as much insight, as he has hindsight, he would have twice as much foresight."

Juneteenth celebration this weekend



Art W. Dimery (from left), Frank Guajardo Sr., Charles Wilson and William Warrior make final preparations for this weekend's Juneteenth celebration. Photo by J.J. Guidry

Seminole Indian Scout Association commemorates Emancipation Day

By: J.J. Guidry
News Editor

The Seminole Indian Scout Association will commemorate Emancipation Day at this weekend's annual Juneteenth celebration at the Carver School grounds.

The two-day event will feature a parade, music, a disco dance, booths and exhibits.

Charles Wilson will serve as the grand marshal for the parade, which will begin at 9:30 Saturday morning, beginning at the PCI Communication office on Ann Street and ending at the Carver School parking lot. Parade awards will be presented at 11 a.m.

A barbecue lunch will be served at 11:30. Donations of \$3 will be accepted.

Parade coordinator Sterling "Smiley" Goodloe said the Vision Quest Buffalo Soldiers would highlight the parade.

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The Vision Quest Buffalo Soldiers of Uvalde will highlight Saturday's Juneteenth parade. Photo by Wes Robinson

City purchases Rudman property

By: J.J. Guidry
News Editor

City officials approved to purchase the Rudman property for \$35,000 Tuesday at the council's monthly meeting.

The property, which is located on the western city limits, is the current location for the Citizens' Collection Site, the local waste dump.

All five council members - Ralph Gonzalez, Charles Bushart, Tencha Pena, Felix Gonzalez and Mary Flores - voted to make the purchase.

"I think it was a good business decision," City Manager David Luna said. "It's good for the public because what we have right now is working for us."

"It's good for the city because now we can look into the future. If we wouldn't have done that and somebody else had purchased that property, they could have put us off of it."

The council also extended the city's contract with Garbage Gobbler, who handles the community's waste.

Garbage Gobbler raised its rental rate of the trash compactor from \$350 a month to \$375. The hauling fee of \$550 is the same to transport the waste to San Antonio. The city averages four to five hauls per month.

"I think the beauty of it is that we're generating solid waste and it's being taken out of this county," Luna said.

"If it was dumped somewhere in Kinney County, it wouldn't be as good of a deal."

Luna said the city will use the newly purchased land for other things in addition to using it as a location for the Citizens' Collection Site.

The Rudman property is approximately 1.8 acres. The front stretch of land is 230 feet long, the back side is 260 feet, the east side is 300 feet and the west side is 350 feet.

Included on the land is a building which will be used for office space and storage. The office space will house the utility supervisor and the waterworks superintendent.

"We're kind of cramped for space here at City Hall," Luna said. "We have one office here for the waterworks superintendent so we're going to move him over there."

The council passed an ordinance prohibiting swine in the city limits. Prior to the ordinance, swine could be kept inside the city limits for school projects.

"For the past several years, we have had complaints on swine being raised in the city limits so we're going to build some pens on the Rudman property for swine," Luna said. "They're going to have to be leased during the time that we house them."

Other changes were also made to the ordinance. "Before we had a city policeman who was an animal control officer," Luna said.

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District Deputy Grand Master Joe York Jr., left, presents the Golden Trowel Award to A.B. "Bruce" Clements at a Las Moras Masonic Lodge open meeting. Photo by Wes Robinson

License Examiner moves to Filippone

The Kinney County Commissioners unanimously voted to move the office of the Department of Public Safety License Examiner to the Filippone Building, located on El Paso Street.

Alma Perez, the DPS License Examiner for Kinney County, requested the move for more office space.

Perez is in Brackettville on the first, third and fifth Thursdays of the month. Her next visit is on Thursday, June 20.

During Monday's regular monthly meeting, the commissioners discussed the damage to the Pinto Creek Bridge, but no action was taken.

Reports were given for the Drug Task Force, the Kinney County Aging Services program, the Road Department and for the EMS.

The commissioners voted to pay training hours for a DPS secretary, and to hire John Castro and Quintan Clark as lifeguards.

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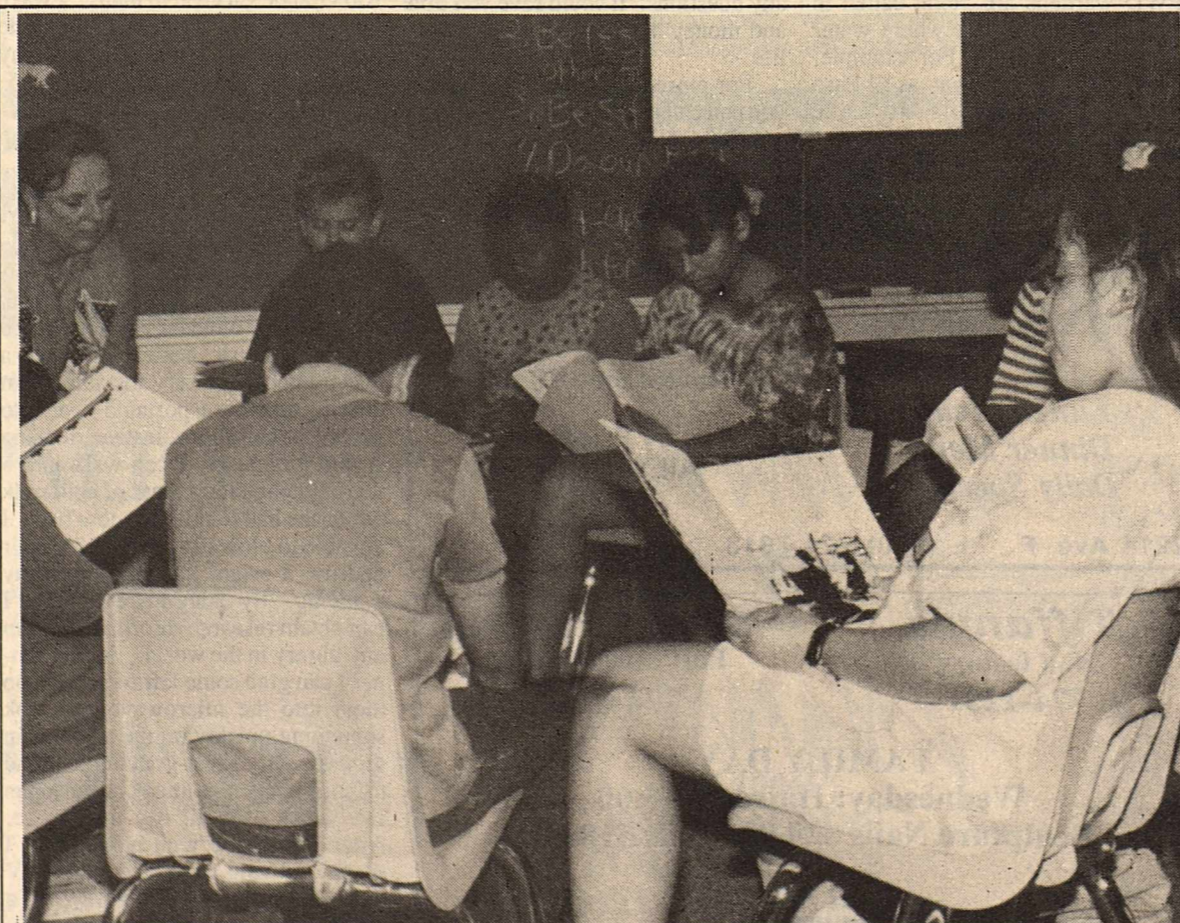
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School bells are ringing again in Brackett

Summer program provides classroom time for students



Jones Elementary teacher Judy Hooker, seated left, listens as one of her fourth grade students reads during summer school class on Wednesday. Photo by J.J. Guidry

By: J.J. Guidry
News Editor

Even though school let out less than two weeks ago, some local students are already back in the classrooms sharpening up their reading and math skills.

The Brackett School District is offering a federally-funded summer school program this year to provide students needing extra classroom time.

"Brackett has had some summer programs in the past but they were not this extensive," Superintendent Taylor Stephenson said. "This is the first program that is geared for remediation that goes through eight grades."

The program allows teachers to work with the students in the areas they need improvement.

"Basically, we're trying to look at each child's future as a student," Stephenson said. "If we can teach reading skills in the grades, the child stands a lot better chance to succeed."

"What we're doing is extending the time. Lots of times, we've all learned things, and some things we couldn't learn because there just wasn't enough time."

"So, basically, our concept is give them more time in reading and math to see if these skills can be taught for some children who had some difficulty during the year."

There are three middle school teachers working with 25 students in the sixth, seventh and eighth grades while eight teachers and one volunteer are working with 85 elementary school children.

"The summer program is based on a camp theme with each class room having an Indian tribe," said Michael Schooler, Jones Elementary School principal. "Each class is studying that tribe extensively, and focusing on reading and math skills inside of that camp theme, based on games, hands on activities, and cultural learning about those Native Americans."

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Rambling Around Kinney County

By THE K.C. RAMBLER



Big celebration in KC this coming weekend. **June Teenth** will be celebrated the 15 & 16 with a parade down Ann Street followed by a BBQ at the Seminole Society Picnic Grounds in Brackettville. There will be guest speakers, singing and booths with historical articles to peruse. The BBQ is the best in the county - don't miss it. Sunday will be spent at the Seminole Cemetery. You are welcome to participate in the ceremonies. Vision Quest will take part. The Brackett News has wonderful pictures available of the men in uniform on horseback. Where else but here in Kinney County can you find all this.

last week. Ten rattles. Be very careful when you're working in your yard or hiking around. Actually, snakes will run from you if they can, but if you surprise them or they are startled, they may strike, just keep your eyes open.

Put on your calendar: The Methodist Church will offer a summer Bible School July 15-19. It will be held each morning of that week and will include children age 3 years through 4th grade. Sounds like lots of fun so be sure to attend. More details will be available as the time approaches.

It's not easy to keep cool these days, is it? There are so many jobs that require spending hours outdoors in this heat. These workers are true heroes. Water is becoming short in the entire county. Do what you can to preserve it. Is your lawn really more important than water for cattle?

Do A Good Deed Today.

For Pete's Sake

It happened during those cruel days of religious wars back in the sixteenth century. During the course of some of the roughest fighting, two Swedes and a Norwegian were captured by the Prussians. After spending two weeks in the local cooler, they were taken out to be hanged. The execution site was at a river bank, and the platform was extended over a fast-moving river.

The first to walk up the fateful steps was Gus Johnson, one of the Swedes. The noose was slipped over his head, he stood erect, the trapdoor was tripped and he fell to his apparent death. However, the noose was too loose, and he fell into the river and managed to escape by swimming away in the fast-moving current.

The second Swede moved up the

steps and had the hangman place the noose over his noble head. The very familiar procedure was followed once again, and lo and behold, the same thing happened! He hit the water with a mighty splash and swam off, disappearing in the current, making his way to freedom.

The Norwegian was next on the program. He reluctantly made his way up the steps, and the hangman prepared to place the noose over his head.

"Joost a minute," the Norwegian said, leaning over to the executor. "Wood you mind tightening up that noose a little? I can't swim!"

If you enjoy these stories and comments, send for a free sample of Post Story Book. Write Pete, Box 712, Kingsport, TN 37662.

Between Us

by Joe Townsend



A.T.F., this is another federal bureaucracy created to monitor and control Tobacco, Alcohol and Firearms. It has become an uncontrolled agency strangely reminiscent of the Russian K.G.B. Many times they have raided homes dressed in black with black ski masks, often doing much damage and walking away finding they have made a "mistake". Now the Clinton administration has found a new use for the ATF.

In no way are the fires that have burned more than 30 churches of Negro congregations connected to Tobacco; Alcohol, or Firearms. This does not bother the slick thinkers of the present administration. At this writing Reno talks a good game for the A.T.F. Clinton will likely go to the south and meet with preachers and people probably in Negro churches. He will bemoan the actions and if he stays true to form will offer mega bucks of tax payers dollars to soothe and pander to the people and race offended. Questions scream to be asked. Why hasn't Clinton been concerned in the past three years when church after church has been torched? Where has been and is the F.B.I? This is part and parcel the responsibility of the F.B.I. not the A.T.F.

Of course we all know more than 100 F.B.I. agents have been tied up

playing cops and robbers with 18 "freemen in Montana. The "freemen" have killed no one and certainly have not burned any houses nor have they torched any churches. If the Federal Bureau of Investigation can even barely measure up to its name, a half dozen agents in the last three years could have solved at least some of the fires. Of course they would have not been able to use armored military vehicles nor black helicopters. They would simply have had to dress as civilians and drive plain automobiles. After totally ignoring the burnings for three years Clinton will now try to convince people he really cares and will send in federal agents (from an agency having no connection with the crimes). He will doubtlessly castigate the arsonists, sympathize with the parishioners, maybe even cry a little as he vows he will ameliorate the problem. Few people will have the intestinal fortitude to openly challenge him and the F.B.I. or the A.T.F.

Every day that passes more is revealed of the shallowness and purely political ambitions of the President. Anyone who talks the talk should walk the walk. This has never occurred to Clinton. All he has ever done is talk the talk.

From Your Local Game Warden Boating Safety Campaign Blankets Texas

By Henry Lutz
Kinney County, Game Warden

AUSTIN — By the close of the Memorial Day Weekend, nearly 23,000 boats and over 89,000 people had been checked by state game wardens as Texas' largest ever boating safety enforcement effort moved into full swing.

In the days leading up to the holiday weekend that traditionally ushers in the boating season in Texas, it's likely the many thousands more who didn't get personal attention from law enforcement officials on the water were made aware of boating safety through the Texas Parks and Wildlife's ambitious "Don't Be A Pain In The Boat" media campaign.

"For the first time ever, we were able to get a lot of people's attention at one time through extensive media coverage and increased boating safety patrols," said Col. Charles Hensley, TPWD's Law Enforcement division director. "Texas statutes specify this agency is charged with boating safety and to have the funding and the mechanism in place to carry out those mandates has been pleasing."

The \$1.2 million price tag for the TPWD initiative is being underwritten by recently implemented increases in boat registration fees. A major component of the campaign will be continued intensive law enforcement boating safety "saturation patrols" on high profile lakes across the state through the Labor Day Weekend in September.

"This is a huge effort among the state's law enforcement agencies and it was gratifying to see a positive cooperative operation like this come together," said Hensley. "We're usually working with DPS (Texas Department of Public Safety) on operations involving disasters or emergencies, and that's been our common thread. But, in this instance, they've come to our aid in a positive campaign for boating safety where everybody is working together in a proactive effort."

To help beef up safety patrols, TPWD wardens are being called in from areas of the state where water safety is not needed. For example, wardens from as far away as El Paso assisted with patrols at Lake Lewisville near Dallas.

"I can't say enough about the jobs

our wardens have done," commented Hensley. "They've taken this operation seriously and with an upbeat attitude and I think that's reflected in the positive response we've seen from the public. The state troopers have been great, too. They're keying in on traffic violations around the lakes and checking for stolen boats."

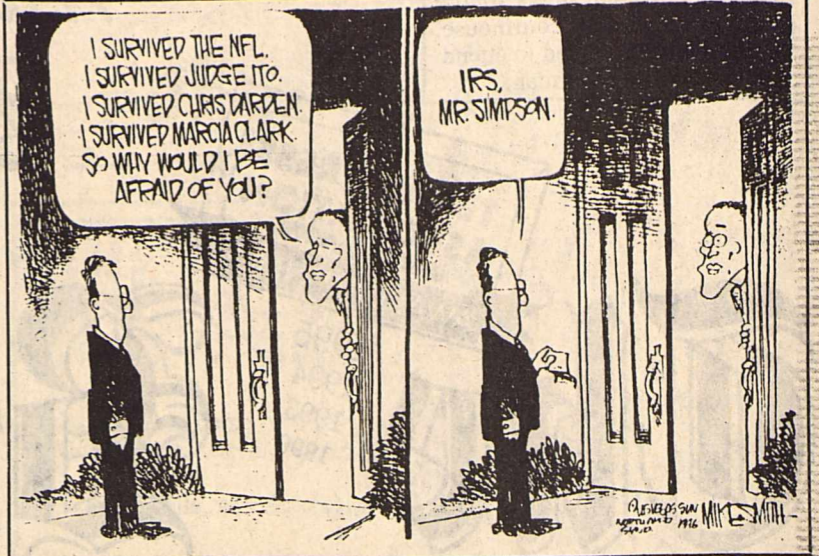
Excessive use of alcohol has been identified as a contributing factor in many boating related accidents, according to TPWD statistics. And, wardens, state troopers and Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission (TABC) agents were keying in on suspected BWI (Boating While Intoxicated) violations over the Memorial Day Weekend. It appears most Texans recognize the dangers involved, too, as only 31 BWI cases were filed during the three-day effort out of over 89,000 people who were contacted.

In addition, during Memorial Day Weekend, saturation patrols filed 1,631 water safety cases and 648 other cases, assisted 511 boaters and reported 40 boating accidents, none of which resulted in a fatality.

When using your boat on any public water, be sure you at least have the following equipment on board: 1 marine type Coast Guard approved fire extinguisher, fully charged, 1 wearable PFD or life jacket for every person on board the boat. (Remember that all children under 13 years old must wear a life jacket that fits them, while the boat is underway.) One sound producing device, i.e. horn or whistle, and your Certificate of Number (boat registration card). If you are going to be operating your boat at night, be sure all of the lights are in working order and carry spare bulbs and fuses. Be sure your registration numbers and state decal are current and properly displayed.

This is by no means all of the regulations that apply to legally operating your boat or personal watercraft. Additional regulations and equipment may apply to your boat depending on the size, type, and use of the motorboat. Be sure you check with your local game warden or a Texas Parks and Wildlife Dept. office if you have any questions. It could save you time and money and just might save your life.

For more information on boating, you can call our Austin office toll free at 1-800-792-1112 or me at 563-2507. Boat Safely!



Amy Bader Wins Trip To Washington, D.C. Sponsored By Rio Grande Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Seventeen year old Amy Bader of Brackettville was selected as the winner in the Government-in-Action Youth Tour sponsored by Texas Electric Cooperatives and Rio Grande Electric Cooperative. Amy wrote an essay entitled "What My Electric Cooperative Means To Me." Runner-up in the contest was Brandy Meeks also of Brackettville.

During the June 6-18 tour, 80 young people from Texas will join 1,100 other teenagers from across the nation who will visit with their legislative leaders and tour sites of historical significance. Included on the agenda will be visits to the Smithsonian Institution, Arlington National Cemetery, the FBI Building, the national Archives and Mount Vernon. The students will meet with Congressmen from their states. The group will attend a stage play at Ford's Theater and place a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Approximately 1,100 Youth Tour participants from 37 states will meet in Washington D.C. for the National Rural Electric Youth Tour.

Amy is the daughter of Kathy and

Jimmy Bader of Brackettville and lives on the family ranch with her parents and sister Jamie. Amy will be a Senior at Brackett High School where she plays softball and volleyball. She also participates in FFA and showed reserved champion goats this year at the Kinney County Livestock Show. Amy also showed in the San Antonio Stock Show.

Amy is undecided on what college she will attend and what she will major in, but says it will probably be something to do with science as that is her favorite subject.

Amy is very excited about the trip and thinks it will be great to be going to Washington, D.C. as she has never been there!!! Amy's grandfather James F. Bader of Brackettville was the first employee of RGEC and later served as a Director for the Cooperative and as Vice-President of RGEC for many years.

The blind essays (no names) were judged by the RGEC Board of Directors and the winning and runner-up essays were selected.

Printed below is the winning essay.

What My Electric Cooperative Means To Me

By Amy Bader

When my electric alarm wakes me at 6 o'clock in the morning, I have Rio Grande Electric to thank. I wake up in the same bedroom, in the same house, on the same ranch as my Great-grandmother lived in 1915. Until 1948 our house had no electricity, prior to that the energy came from carbide gas.

When I was younger, I loved to sit and listen to my great-grandmother's stories of her teenage life with no electricity and how it differed from mine. She could not hit snooze every morning, be kept warm with an electric heater, or enter a warm kitchen. Every morning I am able to turn on a portable heater to warm my bathroom, instead of using a cold outhouse. I can walk into a warm kitchen for a glass of cold milk while she had to milk the cow first. I am able to blow dry and curl my hair and use a bright light to put on my make-up. By using my computer, I can obtain research information from any library in the world. For my dinner I can grab some leftovers and pop them into the microwave, or cook something quickly on the stove or in the oven. My great-grandmother had to cook an entire meal on an open fire which took all day to prepare. After I am done with homework, I sit in the living room and watch TV or listen to CD's. Her family had a battery powered radio which only played fifteen minutes a day for the

news. She had no relaxing time as there were always chores to be done such as collecting wood and going to town to get ice. It is so easy for me to go to the store and buy fresh vegetables or simply adjust the thermostat. I can go to my computer and E-mail or fax a letter anywhere in the world in less than a minute. When it is time for me to go to bed, I have a heater or a ceiling fan for my comfort instead of a pile of blankets.

Back in great-grandma's era they depended entirely on wind power for their water supply. Today we have electric pumps that provide us with a constant water supply. Shearing was accomplished manually which was a tedious, backbreaking process. Today, electricity allows for swifter shearing with electric shears. All our sheds, workshops, and barns are lit by electricity and able to be heated if necessary. Electric tools can now be used whereas hand tools were used in great-grandma's time.

I can go on and on comparing my life with electricity and great-grandma's life without electricity. Even though ranching still requires a lot of difficult outside labor, I realize how much easier and pleasant my life is because of electricity. I am glad my great-grandma, who lived to be ninety-five, also got to enjoy the contributions electricity made to our lives.

Big Mama Sez!

We cannot all be brilliant, but anyone can be dependable.

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The Vision Quest Buffalo Soldiers of Uvalde will participate in Saturday's Juneteenth parade. Photo by Wes Robinson

Juneteenth celebration is planned for this weekend

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Goodloe's sister, Augusta Pines, is the assistant parade coordinator.

"It should be an exciting weekend," Goodloe said. "We're hoping for one of the best parades ever in Brackettville for our organization."

The celebration continues on Sunday, with an 11 a.m. church service at the Carver School grounds and a Father's Day tribute.

A pot luck lunch is planned. Everyone is asked to bring a covered dish.

Wednesday, June 19, will be another fun-filled day of games, booths, singing and exhibits.

Another barbecue lunch will be served, with donations of \$3 being accepted.

In 1863, President Abraham Lincoln issued his Emancipation Proclamation, declaring freedom for all slaves, but it was not until June 19, 1865, that slaves in Texas heard the news - thus Juneteenth became a holiday for Texas African-Americans.

"Not only is this a big holiday here in Brackettville, but all over this area because that is when the Seminoles were free," Goodloe said. "Some of them fled to Mexico and some fled to Florida."

The Juneteenth celebration has become an annual event in Brackettville for the Seminole Indian Scout Association.

"We would like for everyone to come out and celebrate with us," Goodloe said. "The celebration is not just for the Seminoles, it's for everyone."

City Council passes animal ordinance

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The ordinance read that any violation would be reported to the Chief of Police. I have certified two animal control officers so we changed the ordinance to read that any violations would be reported to animal control officers."

The city's animal control officers are Randy Castilla and Eddie Garza. "We also changed the reading of 'any violations will appear before municipal court' to 'any violations will appear before a court' because the Justice of the Peace has concurrent jurisdiction," he said. "In essence, all it would take would be for an animal control officer to file a complaint with the Justice of the Peace."

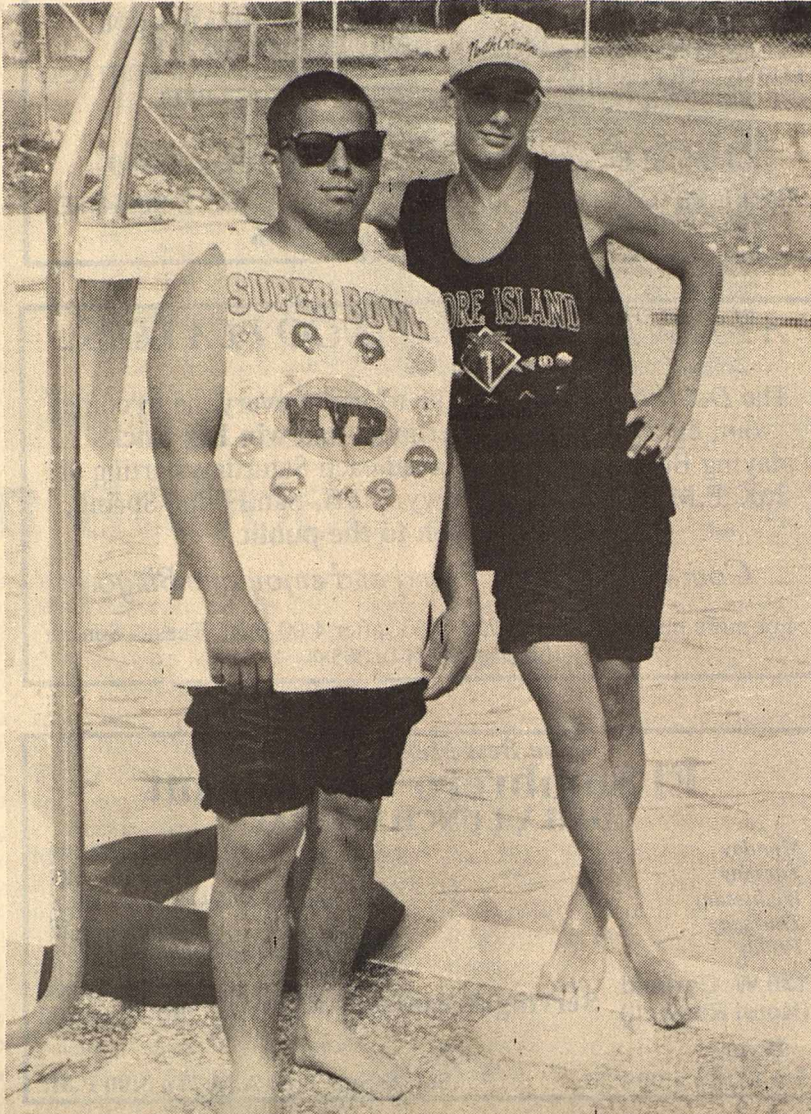
Under the new ordinance, fees to pick up an animal were raised from \$5 to \$6, the city's impoundment fee was raised from \$2.50 to \$3, and the fee for the transportation of an animal to the shelter was raised from \$5 to \$6.

Building permit fees were raised from \$5 to \$10 per \$1,000. The fees for demolition permits were raised from \$25 to \$30. All of the rest of the permit fees stayed the same.

The council appointed a new zoning board, which consists of Chairman Allen Kreiger Jr., Zulema Wilson, Katherine Letsinger, Hector Jimenez and Carlotta De La Rosa. Alternates on the board are Henry Lozano and Charles Wilson.



Charlotte Sweet won "Station Number 3," a painting by Bud Breen, during the Little League raffle on Saturday. Photo by J.J. Guidry



John Castro, left, and Quintan Clark are the lifeguards at the City Pool this summer. The pool is open Wednesday through Sunday from 11 in the morning until 7 in the evening. Photo by J.J. Guidry

School offers summer recreational program

By: J.J. Guidry
News Editor

The Brackett School District is offering a summer recreational activity program for the community's children.

The high school gym is open weekday mornings from 8 to 11:30, and in the evenings on Monday through Thursday from 3 to 7:30.

"Lots of times people say there is not enough things for kids to do but here is an opportunity to get involved in something constructive," Superintendent Taylor Stephenson said. "This gives the kids a chance to come in and run off some energy."

"We have good people in charge," he said. "Coach (Gregg) Nowlin and Coach (Roy) Rokovich are alternating in that program. The kids are well supervised."

Rokovich, Brackett's Athletic Director, said about 60 kids turned out every day at the gym last week.

"They're having a lot of fun," Rokovich said. "I think it's a real good thing that the school allows the gym to be open in the summer because it's better that the kids are there playing and having a good time instead of being off doing other things."

"It gives them the opportunity to have a place to play. They get to socialize with each other. It gives them an avenue to go out and play in a fun environment with some supervision."

Kids of all ages fill the gym during the day, and Rokovich said there is something for all of them to enjoy.

"A lot of the kids come in and play basketball," he said. "The little ones come in the morning and play dodge ball. They participate in a bunch of different activities."

Having the gym open also allows the school's athletes access to the weight room and an opportunity to stay in shape over the summer.

"It's an advantage," Rokovich said. "Obviously, I like to see them get stronger during the summer with weight training. They get to come in and work on their own."

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Expansion of South Texas-Coahuila Chapter of the Central North American Trade Corridor escalates

International Chairperson Mervin Ozirny of Melville, Saskatchewan, Canada will lead the contingent of members from the South Texas/Coahuila chapter to the next meeting of the chapter scheduled for Thursday, June 13 in Villa Union, Coahuila. Interested business, community and governmental officials from the entire state of Coahuila, particularly the Cinco Manantiales region, will be in attendance to hear about the purpose, goals and objectives of the Central North American Trade Corridor.

The meeting will be hosted by Maricela Perez, Presidente Municipal of Villa Union, who will be assisted by Ing. Horacio Valencia Teran of la ciudad de Nava, the first Mexico member of the CNATC. Other individuals scheduled to speak are Ann Bracher-Vaughan, South Texas/Coahuila chapter President and the newest member of the CNATC International Board of Directors, Diputado Jose Luis Zertuche de Valle, representado de H. Congreso del estado de Coahuila, M. V.Z. Sergio Solis Hernandez, Presidente Municipal de Nava, and Mitchell Birchfield, Treasurer of the South Texas/Coahuila chapter representing South West Texas Junior College. The meeting is scheduled for 11:00 a.m. at the Centro Municipal office in Villa Union, Coahuila which is located approximately 65 miles south of Piedras Negras on Highway 57.

The meeting will focus on identifying the common goals for increasing trade and commerce among the trilateral nations and developing additional working relationships for the benefit of the entire corridor. The meeting will further the efforts that have been made to create dialogue and promote trade among members of the CNATC. "The first Mexico meeting in Nava drew nearly 200 individuals who were afforded the opportunity to make new business contacts and learn about additional possible opportunities, noted Ann Vaughan.

"This second meeting will afford continuing opportunities for dialogue. It will present an occasion for businesses to "get in" at a ground level, while prime opportunities exist," she added. Mervin Ozirny stated, "this significant tie-in with our partners to the South offers us the link in South Texas and Mexico which has been needed in our organization since its inception. We are both impressed and humbled at the reception we have received from the South Texas/Coahuila participants and we look forward to a most beneficial meeting and future for the entire corridor."

M. V. Z. Sergio Solis Hernandez echoed Ozirny's message by stating that "we need to work jointly so the organization will grow and with it, we ourselves will grow in order to eliminate the communication barrier." Diputado Jose Luis Zertuche endorsed the participation by saying "in union with our Governor, Dr. Rogelio Montemayor Seguy, we will support any initiative to facilitate the relationship of this organization to further promote north-south relationships."

Of particular interest at the meeting will be the announcement by Mitchell Birchfield of a unique English short course which will be offered by Southwest Texas Junior College later in the summer. The course will be targeted for the business person from Mexico interested in learning how to communicate in English and the culture of South Texas in a mini course scheduled to last for one week. Persons will reside on campus and interact during evening hours with the community at special events which are being planned. A similar course will then be taught in Mexico for persons from the U.S. and Canada. Full details will be explained at the meeting in Villa Union.

Persons interested in the concept of the corridor of the association itself are invited to attend. Additional information may be obtained by calling Vaughan at 210-278-4151.

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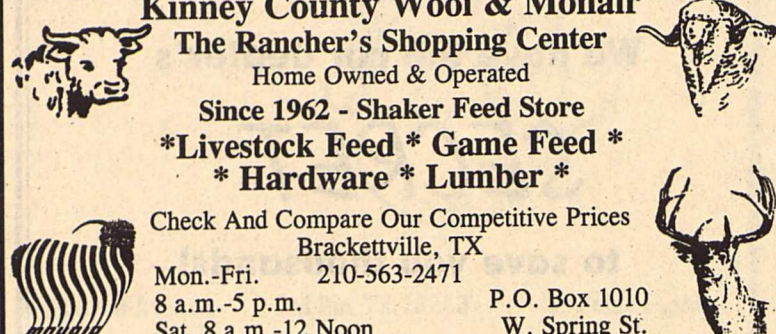
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Natasha's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19)
Make sure you follow up on those promises you've been making willy-nilly to anyone you meet. While you'll be harried trying to fulfill all these commitments, you ultimately end the week feeling good about yourself.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)
Though financial prospects will improve this week, either you or your mate will have a tendency to spend too much money on a needed household item. Before making that purchase, think about waiting for a sale.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)
You have periodic spells of laziness this week. However, in general, this is a time of accomplishment for you, despite your malaise. If you're persistent in your efforts, you'll make a great deal of progress in your career.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22)
There's nothing stopping you now from going after what it is you want, whether personally or professionally. Later in the week, place the accent on initiative and the enjoyment of leisure interests. An old friend wants to hear your voice.

LEO (July 23 to August 22)
For some reason, prideful Lion that you are, you go overboard in the company of friends this week. Happily, though, it's a fine week for romance and leisure times in general. Avoid a tendency to boast about your achievements.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22)
Early in the week, you can't concentrate and let things slide. Later, though, you're busy playing catch-up so that you can enjoy the weekend. Shopping and family life are highlighted late in the week.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22)
It's time to get started on that home decorating project you've been putting off. There are no more excuses: you have the money and you have the time. Get to it!

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21)
You're in a festive mood and spend some time this week planning a "theme" party. A close friend is helpful with this and has excellent ideas. However, try not to ignore the needs of family members.


SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21)
You're in an affable, agreeable mood early in the week which makes it easier for you to compromise when making deals. Couples reach important understandings if they can have some time alone. This weekend, creativity is highlighted.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19)
All of a sudden, something which was rather trivial takes center stage now. While taken by surprise, you recover quickly and take this in stride. You impress others favorably in your career dealings.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18)
You're dreaming of exotic locales and foreign locations. Go ahead and indulge. Get out those travel brochures and go over them with that special someone. This is the week to plan that ideal vacation.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20)
Securing loans and finances in general are favored now. Money you'd lost on a frivolous matter is recouped. Extra drive combines with self-discipline to bring you gains in your career. However, watch making impulsive moves.

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Making A Difference
By TAYLOR STEPHENSON, BISD Curriculum Director

A Salute To Our County's Leaders

Trying to stay calm in the eye of a storm is a trait to be admired. Some folks have the ability to do it. Some don't! Storms include weather related factors as well as any crisis that might exist. Most of the time, a storm is created by folks that have diametrically opposing views about a situation. Our view is based on a paradigm that basically is the eyes through which we view the matter. This week, I want to think about ways to stay calm -- and to be a positive force for problem solving.

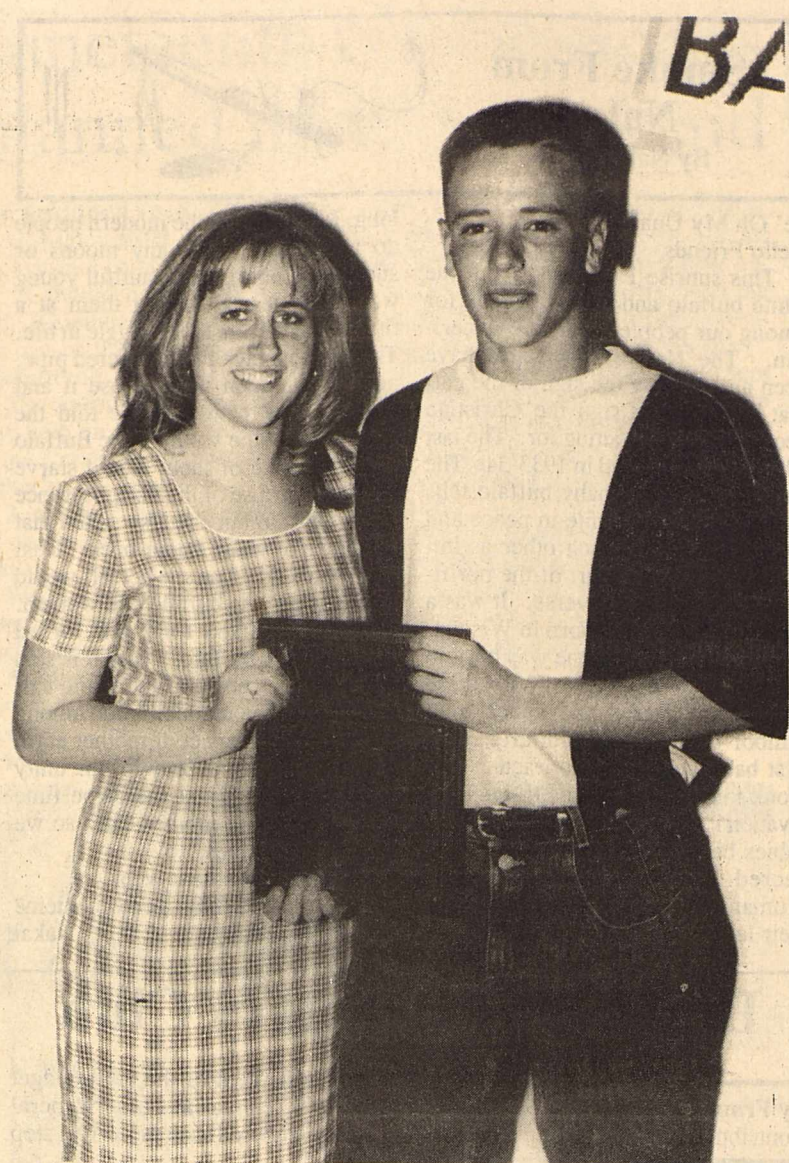
In my many years of experience working with the public with school employees and with boards, I can say that there are times that getting excited is the only way to get things changed. I can also truthfully say that this is not the case much of the time. It's those folks who can stay calm in the face of a crisis who are the folks that can help the most when the storm clouds gather. After the storm, we must unboard the windows and get back to business as usual.

So, what's all this storm stuff? How does this relate to living in Kinney County USA? Life is made up of conflict and resolution of conflict. There's lots more, but we have

to learn to deal with these situations. In studying leadership styles, I have great faith in those folks who can deal with a crisis and end up with stronger support than before the crisis occurred.

Our lives will have storms and crisis. There are times to hold on and weather the storm. There are times when we must be proactive and must move to change. In the coming months, the storm clouds will gather and will subside. To those who lead and to those who follow, I urge you to listen, to try to understand the other person's point of view and to realize that after the storm is over, we must find ways of being together and of working as one.

Not much of a message, but one that probably needs to be said. This week, I salute the leaders of our city, county, state and nation. I also salute those leaders at Fort Clark Springs and of Brackett ISD. There are many unpaid, public servants who work each day to make life better for the citizens of Brackettville and Kinney County. When you see them, give them a big thank you and a tip of the hat! They deserve it. Have a good week.



Amber Davis, left, and Jared Shahan were selected as Brackett's scholar athletes this year. Photo by J.J. Guidry

Project Graduation dubbed a success

The Sixth Annual all-night, drug- and alcohol-free graduation party has been classified overwhelmingly successful by the seniors of 1996, their guests and their chaperones who attended the celebration following graduating ceremonies on May 31.

Project Graduation is an annual event sponsored by the drug-free school initiative and the Texas Department of Transportation in the hope that seniors in the participating schools will have a safe, fun celebration of their graduation.

Twenty-two of the graduation seniors chose to participate in the all-night party this year by completing their registration no later than May 8, and 11 of those seniors chose to bring a guest.

After the commencement exercises, all of the students boarded the bus in front of the high school at 10:47 p.m. and arrived at La Fonda Ranch around 11:30.

The first order of business was supper. All seniors, guests and chaperones enjoyed pizza and Subway sandwiches.

There were three different sets of prizes this year: individual prizes, hourly prizes and eight grand prizes awarded at the end of the party.

Individual prize winners were: Samsung digital compact CD, Juan Hernandez; Craig CD boombox, Monica Rodriguez; Samsung CD

boombox, Ray Talamantez; Aiwa CD boombox, Isabel Aguirre; Magnavox CD boombox, Jared Shahan; RCA CD boombox with detachable speakers, Denise Frerich; Craig Microshelf system, Valerie Jimenez; Koss CD boombox with cassette and detachable speakers, Brian Hooker; AT&T microchip recording phone, Jackie Smith; AT&T phone with answering machine, Terry Esparza; Sony cordless phone, Katy Hall, Nacho Aguirre and Casey Tipps; Uniden cordless, John Castro; Samsung microwave, Brandy Meeks; Sanyo microwave, Deborah Villarreal; GPX boombox, Ruben Terrazas; RCA CD player, Debra Frerich; Sharp CD boombox with remote, Tanya McClure; Cannon camera, Eric Rivera; Fugi camera, Max Mendoza.

Hourly prize winners were: GE compact clock radio, Amber Davis; GE AM/FM clock radio, Jared Shahan; grip light, Brian Hooker; Corvette vac, John Castro; Waiting to Exhale CD and shirt, Ray Talamantez; Primal Fear CD and shirt, Nacho Aguirre; Hootie and the Blowfish and Twister CD and shirt, Deborah Villarreal; TLC CD and shirt, Valerie Jimenez; Braveheart CD and shirt, Isabel Aguirre; Sport-a-vision portable TV, Casey Tipps; watergun, Jackie Smith; Emerson UTC clock radio, Monica Rodriguez; GE microcassette recorder, Brandy

Meeks; Panasonic recorder, Tanya McClure; sports pak by GPX, Debra Frerich; CDD wallet, Ruben Terrazas; CD carry case, Max Mendoza; Kinyo VHS rewriter, Juan Hernandez; space saver clock radio telephone, Katy Hall; Panasonic clock radio, Denise Frerich; videos, Eric Rivera and Terry Esparza.

Grand prizes were awarded to: Magnavox 19" color TV, Denise Frerich; RCA VCR, Isabel Aguirre; six-piece luggage set, Raymond Talamantez; RCA CD player, Terry Esparza; Smith Corona Typewriter, Amber Davis; bicycle, Eric Rivera; two Alamo Village season passes, Valerie Jimenez; \$100, Debra Frerich; \$90, Nacho Aguirre.

A medley of relay games commenced in the hangar area following at approximately 12:30 a.m. and lasted several hours. Cash prizes were awarded to the winning team of Brian Hooker, Katy Hall, Jared Shahan and Amber Davis.

Cash prizes were also awarded to Sue Martinez, winner of the limbo contest, and to Max Mendoza and Nacho Aguirre, winners of the YMCA contest.

Chaperones who chose to share this fun evening with the Class of '96 included: Susan Harrison, Gregg Nowlin and Don and Joy Ralston, all who are six-time chaperones; Julie Bruce, Cindy Brandt, Roy Rokovich, Mary Petrosky, J.J. Guidry, Jamie Ballew, David Burton, Jack Frerich and Art Finkenbinder. Butch Lopez served as the DJ.

The senior class would like to pub-

licly acknowledge the generous contributions by the following organizations and individuals who cared enough to make Project Graduation a success. Project Graduation is entirely dependent on donations and could not have happened without Texas Department of Transportation, The Brackett News, Tiger Booster Club, Blackie and Mary Lee Haby, Ladies Auxiliary Post 8360, Brackett ISD PTO, Steve and Mary Beth Mills, Howard Chevrolet, Church of Christ of Brackettville, First Baptist Church of Brackettville, Border Credit Union, Taylor and Phyllis Stephenson, Elsa O'Rourke, First State Bank of Brackettville, Lions Club of Brackettville, Brackett Rotary Club, Mary Petrosky, Ricks Furniture, Ronnie and Connie Armbruster, Kinney County Chamber of Commerce, The Giftbox, Roland and Rosalie Boysen, Griffith Ford, Alamo Village, Tony Frerich, Walter and Bart Humphrey, Tully and Darlene Shahan, Tulisha PS, Fort Clark Springs Association, HEB of Del Rio, Mr. Gatti's, Subway Sandwiches, Sonny and Susan Harrison and Sam's Studio of San Antonio.

Because of these generous donors, none of our seniors had to risk injury or death due to alcohol or other drugs on graduation night, and the parents of Brackett's graduation seniors could relax knowing that their young adults were safe and having fun. Because of these donations, Brackett's seniors will go forth into the world knowing that someone cared enough to help them enjoy a special evening.

Brackett offers summer school

Continued from Page 1
The third grade class chose to study the Nootka Tribe from the northwest Pacific Coast.

"It's neat," said third grade teacher Judy Burks. "They're going to be learning about their culture, their environment, their food, their games and their crafts, everything about them. There are a lot of smiling faces."

Schooler said the program is beneficial for all of the students.

"We're targeting students who need the extra reading and math to be successful in the next grade level.

"However, we also opened it up to any student or parent who wanted to come as well, and we had a great turnout in support from our community.

"We also have a lot of variety of levels in the classroom but the teachers are designing activities that focus on all kids needs."

State Fire Code Committee To Hold Five Public Hearings

A state government committee studying the need for statewide fire, building and life safety codes will hold five public hearings throughout the state beginning in mid-June. The State Fire Code Committee hopes to gather information from a broad spectrum of Texas citizens, businesses and interest groups regarding both the potential benefits and disadvantages of adopting statewide codes.

The hearings will be held in North Central Texas, West Texas, the Rio Grande Valley, Southeast Texas and South Central Texas (please see the schedule below).

State Fire Marshal G. Mike Davis, chair of the fire code committee, stated that these hearings represent a key part of the committee's information-gathering work.

"The committee wants to hear from anyone and everyone who is interested in the adoption of statewide codes - whether they are for or against it. We want to be sure our work addresses the special conditions and needs of Texas," said Davis.

"Most states already have statewide fire and building codes. But that is not in itself any reason to believe that this state should have them, too. The committee must perform an intensive analysis to help the public and elected officials evaluate what statewide codes would mean to Texas."

The State Fire Code Committee was created by the Texas Commission on Fire Protection in January 1995. During the 1995 legislative season, the Texas Legislature directed the committee to report its findings to the legislature in 1997. Any move to implement a statewide code, Davis noted, would require legislative action.

"We hope to address a number of issues at these hearings. For example, does Texas really need statewide codes? What are the advantages and disadvantages for businesses that are already in the state? What about businesses that may want to relocate here?" asked Davis.

"The committee does not have any preconceived notions about the kinds of codes it ought to recommend to the legislature," said Davis. "That's what these hearings are for - to find out what Texas citizens, communities and businesses want."

The 16 committee members appointed by the state fire commission

represent a diverse group of fire safety officials, including fire marshals, fire chiefs, fire inspectors and building code officials from large and small communities throughout the state. Several committee members and staff from the State Fire Marshal's Office will attend each public hearing, which will be facilitated by committee member J.L. Tidwell, deputy chief and fire marshal of Fort Worth Fire Department.

Each of the state fire code committee's public hearings will begin at 2:00 p.m. on the following dates:

June 19 North Central Texas (Collin County) Allen High School Auditorium, 601 East Main Street, Allen.

June 20 West Texas (Lubbock County) New Deal High School Cafeteria, 209 South Auburn Avenue, New Deal.

June 26 Rio Grande Valley (Hidalgo County) Weslaco Public Library, 525 South Kansas Street, Weslaco.

June 27 Southeast Texas (Harris County) North Harris County College, Fine Arts Building (Performing Arts Area), 2700 W.W. Thorne Drive, Houston.

July 11 South Central Texas (Bexar County) Live Oak Civic Center, 8101 Pat Booker Road, Live Oak.

For more information on the public hearings, please contact the State Fire Marshal's Office at (512) 918-7100.

Summer Activity Schedule For Gym

Summer Recreation Activity Schedule For Gym

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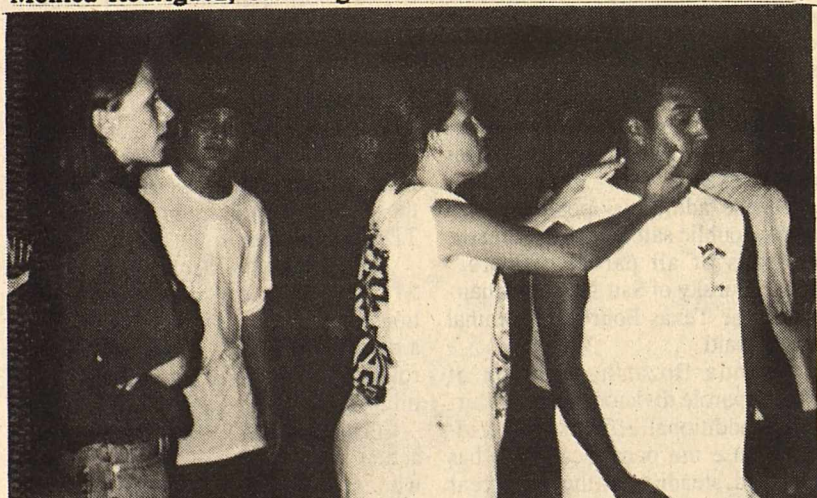
Evening 3 - 7:30 P.M.

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Brackett I.S.D. Summer Food Service Program

Will begin on June 17, with Breakfast served from 9:00 A.M. through 9:45 A.M. Lunches will be served from 12:00 P.M. through 12:45 P.M. The summer food service program provides free meals to all children age 18 and younger, these meals provide essential nutrients for active, growing kids. To participate in the free meals program all kids have to do is show up at the "Cool Cafeteria". You Don't Need Proof Of Income. You Don't Need Proof Of Age. You Don't Need To Register. You Don't Need Meal Tickets. (Adult Lunch - \$2.00) (Adult Breakfast - \$1.25)

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Chili Cheese Dog	Choice Of Dry Cereal
French Fries	Cinnamon Toast
Fruit	Fruit Juice (Choice)
Milk	Milk
TUESDAY, JUNE 18	TUESDAY, JUNE 18
Spaghetti W/Meat Sauce	Pizza Bagel
Seasoned Peas	Choice Of Fruit Juice
Fruit Roll	Milk
Milk	
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19	WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19
Hamburger	Pancakes (2)
Burger Salad	Syrup
French Fries	Fruit Juice
1/2 Apple	Milk
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THURSDAY, JUNE 20	THURSDAY, JUNE 20
School Made Burritos	Crunchy French Toast
Picante	Syrup
Pinto Beans	Applesauce
Spanish Rice.	Milk
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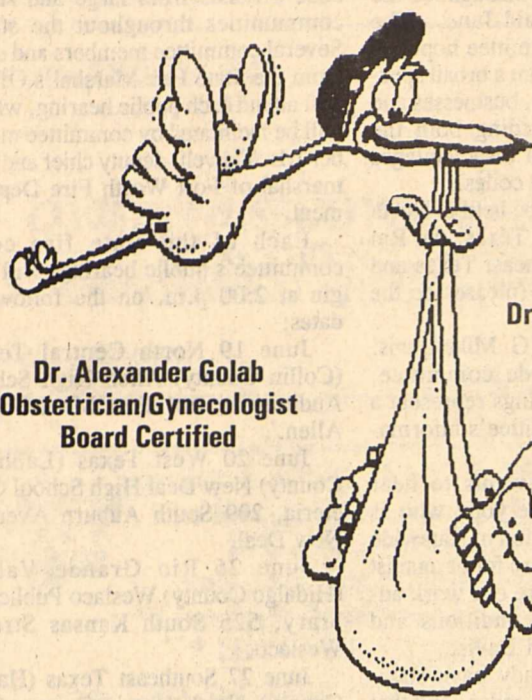
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**Smoke From
Nakai**
By Nakai Breen



Se' Oh My Unali Hello Friends
This sunrise I will talk about the white buffalo and what it stands for among our people the native American. The Native Americans have been anticipating the sign of the calf that is the same sign the Christian people had been waiting for. The last white buffalo existed in 1933-34. The appearance of the baby buffalo tells us that we should unite in peace and harmony, to love each other as humans and it is the start of the purification among the universe. It was a female calf that was born in Wisconsin and now another one was born in the Sioux Reservation. With these births its a sacred and apocalyptic symbol in the Indian culture. The first baby was named miracle. The Sioux Indians out of Pine Ridge Reservation in the Dakotas welcome these babies because it is the sign of their Sacred Pipe "White Buffalo calf Woman. The Sioux Tribe states that their legend has been told and retold

long, long ago that the modern people do not know how many moons or snows ago but that a beautiful young woman appeared among them at a time when there was a struggle in life. The woman gave them a sacred pipe, and taught them how to use it and how to pray with it. She told the people about the value of the Buffalo and that some of them would starve to death because of the disappearance of the buffalo but she also stated that the buffalo would come back. That sign would be when she herself would return as a white buffalo calf woman. When she walked away she turned herself into a buffalo. Now it is said that with the return of the white calf it should be the reconciliation among races and the respect of mother earth. Let us unite and pray for the unity of all nations and at the same time lets start healing mother earth so we can heal ourselves.
Will continue next week.
With good medicine
Nakai

**COUNTY AGENT
NEWS**
by Alan L. McWilliams

Carelessness Can Lead To Mower Accidents
The main factor that is responsible for more than 50,000 people being injured each year involving power mowers is carelessness.
Proper mower servicing, observing standard operating precautions and picking up rocks and other objects from the lawn prior to mowing will eliminate most accidents. The lawn mower should be routinely serviced before each use. A properly operating lawn mower is safer to use and cuts grass better than one in poor condition.
Routine servicing includes checking the blade for nicks or cracks, checking the crankcase oil level in 4-cycle engines, and filling the fuel tank with fresh gasoline. It is a good idea to disconnect the spark plug before checking the blade. Always replace damaged blades. A blade with nicks in it could cause an unbalanced mower which can lead to other problems. Blades should be sharpened each year.
Service the carburetor air cleaner and change the crankcase oil after every 25 hours of operation, or at the manufacturer's recommendation. Cleaning your mower after each use can reduce rust and corrosion as well as reduce the amount of dirt getting into the engine.
Before mowing scout the lawn closely and pick up objects that might be hit with the mower blade. While operating the mower, follow these few precautions:
—Never allow children to play in the immediate area to avoid flying objects
—Avoid mowing up and down slopes - always mow across to prevent your slipping under the mower housing
—Always push the mower instead of pulling it
—Never leave a mower running unattended
—When starting the mower, put your foot on its housing to pull the cord
A little common sense and caution will prevent lawn mower-related accidents.

low. Infected leaves soon fall, weakening the plant. Blackspot can occur at any time during the entire growing season.
Roses may vary in their susceptibility to blackspot, but most need some control measures. To prevent blackspot:
* Keep the leaves dry as possible using drip irrigation or run sprinklers in the morning.
* Remove fallen leaves from around the plant. They are a source of infection.
* Prune out infected or dead canes.
* Several fungicides can be used for blackspot control, including Funginex, Daconil 2787 and lime sulfur. Apply weekly during the growing season. Treating several hours before a rain is effective in preventing further infection of healthy leaves.
Powdery mildew is another common disease of Texas roses. Symptoms are a powdery white covering on the leaf. Patches start as small circular areas that soon cover the entire upper leaf surface. The same fungicides used to control blackspot can be used quite effectively to control powdery mildew.
I cannot stress enough to homeowners the need to not water your lawns at night or very late in the evening. The majority of calls that I receive which deal with fungus showing up in lawns or on ornamental plants, involve homeowners watering at night or late in the evening at dusk. You are promoting fungus growth in your landscape by watering at this time. Watering in the morning (around 10:00) will give lawns adequate moisture and will give leaves a chance to dry out. If you keep blades of grass or plant leaves wet or damp for extended hours at a time, there are a variety of fungus and molds that can develop under these conditions.
Extension program committees will meet next week to take a look at where educational efforts are headed and plan activities. The Executive Committee will meet on Tuesday, June 18, 1996 at 6:30 p.m. at the courthouse and the Livestock and Range Committee will meet at noon on the same day at the Las Moras Inn Restaurant. Both committees will be looking at educational efforts in the county and planning future activities.
Extension programs conducted in Kinney County serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin.

Brackettville Rotary Club

By Frances McMaster
Contributing Writer

David Luna, Brackettville city manager, spoke to the Rotary Club on June 6th giving members an overview of the city government. Mr. Luna pointed out the city must collect taxes in order to finance the running of the city, and any time taxes are concerned, there is controversy. People often resent any raise in taxes and always want to feel they are getting their money's worth.

Mr. Luna described the make-up of the city government to explain how available funds are disbursed. The chief clerk, or comptroller, keeps records of the various expenditures. The public works superintendent is in charge of over-all planning and the utility supervisor sees that the jobs are done. The utility billing clerk updates the records and the cashier handles payments. A dispatcher makes sure there is no dead time and is responsible for shift changes.

We now have a parks and recreation director where there was none before this administration. Mr. Luna feels that having well tended parks for the use of the citizens is an important feature of a well run town or city.

There are two animal control officers. A few years ago an animal shelter was built. It was selected for a training film because it was the only one in the state to meet standards.

Other employees of the city administration include a mechanic, a meter reader, a handy man, a heavy equipment operator and laborers.

Nineteen percent of the total budget goes to these areas and other general services rendered such as paving, stop signs, etc.

Large projects are often financed by grants available to small towns which otherwise could not afford them. In the past the city has often used matching grants. The problem is that the percentage owed by the city on a variety of grants with differing percentages is difficult to keep track of and can result in financial problems. Mr. Luna tries to use only 100 percent grants.

One example of a 100% grant is one awarded by the State for water improvement. It is a community development grant for a key rate analysis. This provides for some one to do inspections for fire protection and inspect the water system. A 100% follow-up grant is for a pneumatic pump to provide more water pressure and better volume distribution.

Rotarians were very interested in Mr. Luna's talk and thank him and June program chairman Kenny Hollick for this presentation.

This week checks will be sent out to the recipients of Rotary scholarships. Four outstanding students were selected: Brandy Meeks, Valerie Jimenez, Jared Shahan and Brian Hooker. When one looks at the resumes of the students who applied for these scholarships (and not just the winners) one can't help but be amazed at all their accomplishments. Each one is not only a good student, but is well rounded, having interests in many different areas. Congratulations to all.

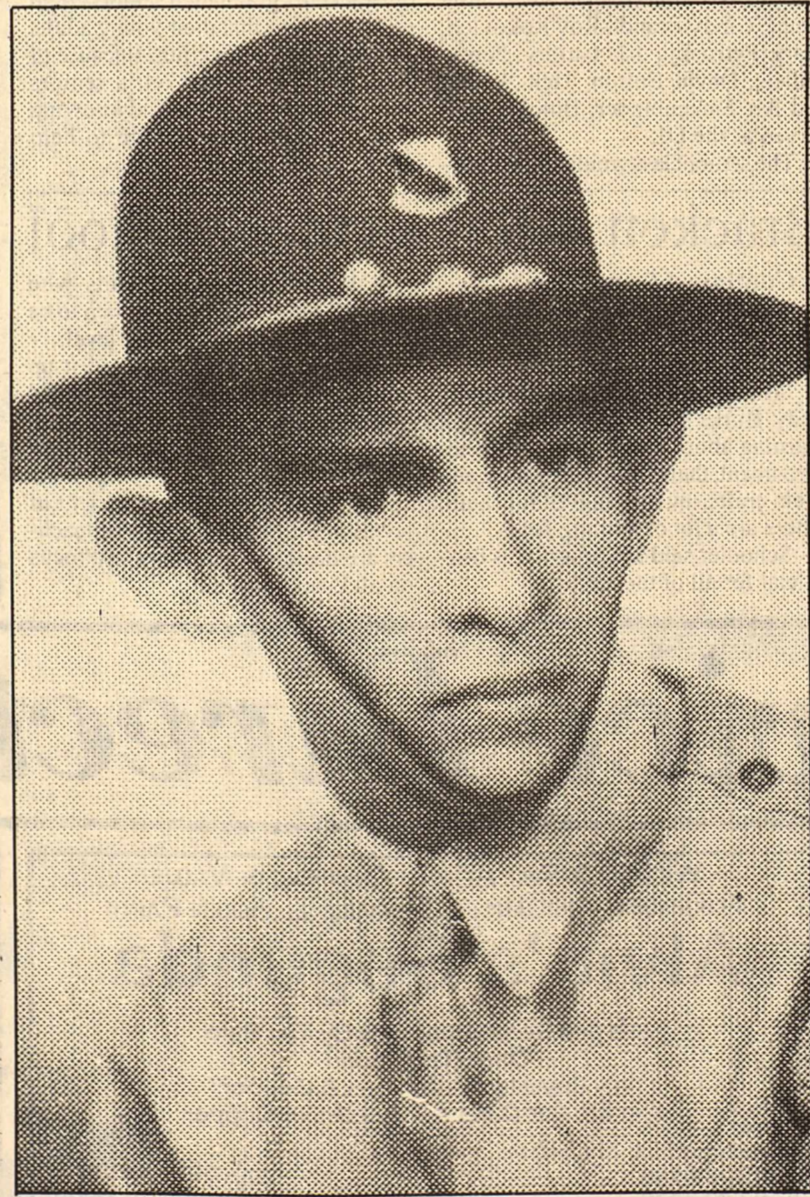
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Valeriano Mata Torres

As a young boy Valeriano watched the 124th Cavalry Regiment 56th Brigade of the Texas National Guard pass through Uvalde. Vale dreamed of the day he would become un caballerista (cavalryman).
Valeriano enlisted in the United

States Army on March 7, 1941. Motivated by childhood memories, he signed up for the Cavalry.
The Brackett News printed an article on May 23, 1996 about "Vale." The picture was not available at that time.

Motives and purposes are in the brain and heart of man.
Consequences are in the world of fact.
—Henry Geaye

**TDCJ To Add 113
Parole Officers**

Austin - The Texas Department of Criminal Justice announced Tuesday that 113 additional parole officers will be on the job by early July, a 10-plus percent increase in the number of parole officers supervising 75,000 released offenders.
The new officers will bring to 1,178 the number of parole officers in TDCJ's 67 district parole offices across Texas
"These additional positions will enhance public safety by lowering the caseloads of all parole officers," Allan Polunsky of San Antonio, chairman of the Texas Board of Criminal Justice, said.
Melinda Bozarth, director of TDCJ's parole division, said that hiring the additional officers was critical because the parole caseload has increased steadily in the past year contrary to earlier projections by the independent Criminal Justice Policy Council.
Bozarth said the new officers will include 11 specializing in sex offender supervision and 34 specializing in

mentally impaired offenders.
She said location assignments for these specialists and the other 68 new officers was determined by caseloads in district parole offices to comply with state law mandating caseloads of no more than 75 parolees per officer.
Wayne Scott, TDCJ executive director, said the new positions will be funded through savings made during the past nine months in all areas of TDCJ operations.
It will cost the department about \$4.5 million a year for the new positions. The average starting salary for a parole officer is \$24,000. The Parole Division operates on a \$129,000 million annual budget.
TDCJ's parole division does the actual work of supervising parolees who are released by decisions of the independent Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles and of mandatory releases whose mandatory release from prison is dictated by state laws on time served.

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The mission of the American Lung Association is the prevention, control and cure of lung disease, the third leading cause of death in Texas. The association fights lung disease and promotes lung health through statewide programs of research, health education, advocacy and community service. Its life-saving programs are made possible by public contributions and community volunteers.

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Del Rio, TX - The 5th Annual U.S. Border Patrol Tournament will be held June 29, at the Leaning Pines Golf Course, Laughlin AFB, TX. The annual event is being sponsored jointly by the U.S. Border Patrol, INS and AFGE Local 2366.
The annual event is open to the public and will feature such super prizes as a 1997 Ford F150 extended cab pickup truck and a seven day Caribbean cruise for two. A Donation Fee of \$20.00 includes a meal and a reception. Additional green fees are rated on a sliding scale based on status of applicants.
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Trust only movement. Life happens at the level of events, not of words. Trust movement.
—Alfred Adler



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

This week has been a great time of celebration in the life of First Baptist Church. We have been celebrating the seventy-fifth anniversary since the conception of the church by Rev. F.M.D. Hill, M.D. That is our beloved J. Lee Ballantyne's father. For this very special celebration Rev. Robert (Bob) Schmeltekopf from Fredericksburg, Texas, has brought inspiring and heart-probing messages. These are messages that cause men and women to look deep inside themselves as God does. We have been blessed and hopefully...changed!

We have also been very privileged to have the concert team of "Heart, Mind & Soul". They have been here before. They will undoubtedly be here again. Their brand of contem-

porary Christian music has an air of excitement about it that brings smiles to the faces of all who hear them. We are thankful to God for making them available to us for this great occasion.

With seventy-five years behind us we can now rest on past accomplishments. Don't you bet on that. We must always look to God for the future, because he is the God of our future. There is no future without Him. With God we can forget about the past and press on to the calling he has for us. If you want to be in a church that has a past and a future, why not come for a visit this Sunday, Father's Day. Let God be a part of your future with us.



St. John's Baptist Church
Pastor Wm. P. Adams, Sr.
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Simon Peter saith unto him, LORD, not my feet only, but also my hands and my head.

Jesus saith to him, He that is washed needeth not except to wash his feet, but is entirely clean; and ye are clean, but not all of you.

For he knew who should betray him; therefore said he, ye are not all clean.

So after he had washed their feet, and had taken his garments, and was seated again, he said unto them, know ye what I have done to you? Ye call me Master and Lord; and ye say will; for so I am.

If I, then your LORD and Master, have washed your feet ye also ought to wash one another's feet. For

I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you. St. John 13:9-15.

Praise The Lord
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Come feast with us in the LORD the table is set.

CHILDREN, obey your parents in the LORD; for this is right. Honor thy father and mother (which is the first commandment with promise), that it may be well with thee, and thou mayest live long on the earth. Ephesians 6:1-3

Happy Father's Day
Praise God



Frontier Baptist Church
Rev. Joe Townsend, Pastor

The best selling book in America year after year after year is the Bible. The Bible is in more homes than any other book. Eighty four percent of Americans profess to a belief of God. The Bible as the Word of God is worthy of total acceptance by all mankind. Even those who denigrate the Bible can offer nothing better. God inspired in His Word what is true and the very best. It has not become good and best because God said it. God said it because it is good and the best. Everything in the Bible is good for every person. Nothing in the Bible is bad or harmful to any person.

The Bible is inerrant and totally true. Without exception every denomination or group that has questioned the veracity or inerrancy of the Bible has begun to decline. Without exception every denomination or group which has accepted the Bible as the inerrant Word of God and based their actions on "thus sayeth the Bible," has grown and prospered. God had raised up a pagan Army to come against Jerusalem and the Jews because they had turned away from Him and obedience to His word. After years in captivity Nehemiah became distressed when he heard of the destruction of Jerusalem and the mal-treatment of his people. He received permission to return to Jerusalem and rehabilitate the city and people. Soon after he arrived he found scrolls of God's Word. After tremendous problems and oppositions the job was complete and the gates closed. The people then gathered at the Water Gate and asked Nehemiah

to read God's Word. He did, and the people praised God and fell on their faces to pray. From that moment the people prospered and everything was turned around.

It follows as the night the day that when people follow the Word of God, God blesses and the very obedience to God's Word brings blessings beyond measure. An uprising in the Catholic Church demanding the Pope change practices taught in the Bible to fit the whims of decadent deviates, shows lack of respect for the Bible. Pressure to side track the Bible has caused serious divisions in the Episcopal church. Attempts to subvert the Bible has led to unbelievable actions and demands have had tremendous repercussions in the Methodist Church. Attempts to denigrate the Bible led to an uprising that threw out such liberal leaders throughout the Southern Baptist Convention and now all statistics show great growth throughout the world reach of Southern Baptists. The Church of Christ and Assemblies of God have continued a steady growth. God will not only refuse to honor but will bring to dishonor those who defy or deny His word. These United States have never known the greatness it can know when beginning with the President and to the last homeless person decide the Bible means what it says because it is God speaking through the printed page.

There will be a message from God's Word honoring Father's Day at Frontier Baptist Church Sunday at 11:00 A.M. Come and See.

First United Methodist Church



Rev. Sheree Harris, Pastor

This Sunday is Father's Day. In light of this occasion, I have something to say to the menfolk. (Ladies, you may read on and simply change the pronouns to the feminine gender).

I was unfortunate. My father was a wonderful man, but he died when I was five years old. I was also very fortunate because God put some wonderful men in my life. After Daddy's death, his friends, my uncles, teachers, and pastors rallied round to help that little girl become who I am today.

I can't begin to thank these men. They made me laugh, picked me up when I fell, and held my feet to the fire when I got lazy. They challenged me to grow and supported the pursuit of my dreams.

They were gentle with their advice, stern with their discipline, and oh so very generous with their love. And I have reaped the rewards! None of them could replace Daddy, but their love and unique gifts augmented his.

Fathering a child is too big a job for any one person. No one can be all that a child needs in a father, which brings me to my point. Children (and their fathers) need your help. I pray that you will look at the children around you. Be aware of who they are. Notice what they need and look for the opportunity to reach out to them. I believe that God will give you the opportunity and what it takes to meet it.

God has had a special way of putting in my life just the right "father" that I need at just the right time. As I said, I can't begin to thank them, but I can begin to tell you about them because you may be that special father for someone else. When you are, I pray that you will respond in love the way my "special fathers" did. When you do, it can make all the difference in the world to that child, and I suspect it will make their father and our Heavenly Father happy as well.

God Bless you and Happy Father's Day.

Obituary



William J. Sciba

MATAGORDA -- William John Sciba, 77, of Matagorda died Monday, May 27, 1996.

He was born July 1, 1918, in El Campo to the late James Charles and Lillie Blumrich Sciba. He was past commander of VFW Post 10359 in Ingram and Post 8360 in Brackettville. He was the former fire chief of the Matagorda Volunteer Fire Department and helped organize the Matagorda Day Celebration in 1973. He moved to the Hill Country in 1979. He was a life member of VFW.

Survivors: wife, Annie Elizabeth Sciba; daughter, Linda Serrill of

Matagorda; sons, Arthur L. Sciba of Huffman, James T. Sciba of Malakoff and Bruce Sciba of Athens; sisters, Marie Sirmom of Elli Jay, Ga.; brothers, Victor Sciba of Hallettsville and Jimmie Sciba of Hillister; eight grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Preceded in death by sister, Hulda Mae Wallace and brother, David Sciba.

Private services will be held at a later date.

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There's Nothing Small About Small Business

By Henry Bonilla
Congressman, 23rd District, Texas

We might call it small business, but it has a big voice. For the millions of hardworking Americans involved in small business as either owners or employees, every week of the year is devoted to small business. This week, however, has been set aside by Congress as "Small Business Week" to honor the 21.5 million small businesses that contribute so immensely to our nation's economy. It's a good chance for us to highlight the many accomplishments this Congress has achieved for small business people not only in Texas but across the country.

There isn't anything small about small business. It's the engine that drives our economy and creates opportunity for millions of our fellow Americans. Whether its a job on Main Street or a job with a computer software company, small businesses provide growth and benefits that only multiply. Our nation's economic success, as well as the economic success of many families across the country, depends on the success of small business.

Just as many families look toward small business to provide jobs and create growth in their communities, small business looks to the federal government to remove the obstacles put in its way. This Congress is working hard to help small businesses crawl out from underneath the heavy hand of government. This Congress knows that removing the barrier to

economic growth allows small businesses to expand and cut costs rather than cut back on employees and pass costs on to consumers.

Through the Small Business Job Protection Act which just passed the House in May, Congress offers small businesses tax relief and tax credits, increases in office equipment exemptions, tax deductions for employer-provided educational assistance and pension reforms.

Other measures Congress has passed include product liability and health care reform. The common-sense product liability reform passed by Congress and signed into law by the president protects small business from frivolous lawsuits. The House has approved the Health Care Coverage Availability and Affordability Act which allows small business people to pool together in order to buy health insurance for their employees. It also increases the tax deduction for the self-employed.

Small businesses aren't so small when it comes to creating jobs. Each year, approximately one million small businesses are created, and when small business is healthy and growing, the U.S. economy is healthy and growing. Clearing the path ahead and allowing more American families the chance to realize the American Dream has been the goal of this Congress. Assuring that Washington works for small business instead of forcing small business to work for Washington makes it easier for each and every American family to make their own dreams come true.

Fundraising Walks Grow In Popularity

(NAPS)—A growing number of people concerned about combatting disease are taking some steps in the right direction and participating in fund-raising walks. A good example of this is the Parkinson's Unity Walk, which in

1996 takes place September 29th. On that day, people in sixteen cities and Canada as well as some European countries will walk to raise funds for research into treatment of this disabling illness.

The walk is sponsored by a number of Parkinson's organizations, and donors who want to put their best feet forward may pick the one to which they want to contribute. You can sign up for the walk with any of these participating groups, including the Parkinson's Disease Foundation.

For more information on Parkinson's disease or the Parkinson's Unity Walk, or for a quarterly newsletter, write: Parkinson's Disease Foundation, Columbia-Presbyterian Medical Center, 710 West 168th Street, New York, NY 10032 or call 1-800-457-6676.

Unsung Hero

by Joe Townsend



There is a lady in our community who was born here and has spent her life here. She and her husband raised two fine children. They maintained a fine home while he worked at Laughlin for many years. They have a lovely home and a most attractive yard.

She is a warm hearted, caring individual. She is beloved and cherished by her extended family and friends. Surely Jean Rudman is an Unsung Hero.

Bridge Anyone?

By Norma Gould

On Tuesday, June 4, the FCS Duplicate Club met with 3 tables playing the Howell Movement.

In one of the closest games in the history of the club, Mary Edgar and Jerry O'Brien won 1st place. Only 1/2 point behind, the following 3 pairs tied for 2nd place.

Joyce Bell and Alice Seargeant, Walt Geeze and Evelyn Whitely, Rozetta Pingenot and Norma Gould.

Church Directory



St. Andrews Episcopal Church: Henderson & Fort Sunday Church Service 10:30 a.m. 563-2071.

Frontier Baptist Church (A Southern Baptist Church): Sunday Services 11:00 a.m., 6:00 p.m., Joe Townsend, Pastor, 563-2158.

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

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St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church: Sun. Masses at 8:00 A.M. (Spanish) and 10:30 A.M. (English); Mon., Thurs. and Fri. Mass at 7:00 AM; Wed. Mass 6:30 P.M., Religion Classes Wed. 4:00 and 7:00 PM; Sat. Rosary 7:30 AM, Sat. Mass 8:00 AM and 6:30 PM. Confession Wed. & Sat. 5:30 PM, Rev. Donald R. Lavelle, C.M.F.

St. Blaise Catholic Church: Sun. Mass 12:30 noon. Adult Catholic Explanation and Convert Classes Thurs. 7:00 PM Rev. Donald R. Lavelle, C.M.F.

First United Methodist Church: "Celebrate and Witness" Fellowship 9:30 a.m., Church School Classes 9:45 a.m., Service of Worship 11:00 a.m., Choir Rehearsal Wednesday 5:00 p.m., Sheree Harris, Pastor.

St. John's Baptist Church: Crockett at Keene St., Sunday School 10:00 a.m., Worship 11:00 a.m., Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m., Worship Service Thursday 7:00 p.m., William P. Adams, Sr., Pastor, 563-9175.

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Right To Carry; NRA Commends Blockbuster For A Wise Decision On The Facts Today, the National Rifle Association of America commended Florida-based Blockbuster Video on its wise decision to remove signs prohibiting patrons with Right-to-Carry permits from entering their stores with their firearms. "Businesses should year for clientele that is certified as law-abiding", said Mrs. Tanya K. Metaksa, Executive Director, NRA Institute for Legislative Action. "Right to carry means self-defense, but it also means training and backgrounds checks." "It's ironic that Blockbuster had this policy to begin with," she noted, "since Blockbuster is based in Florida. Since 1987, Florida has documented that Right to Carry works for honest citizens and law enforcement. We believe James T. Moore, Commissioner of the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, who reported to the governor: "From a law enforcement perspective, the licensing process has not resulted in problems in the community..." Mrs. Metaksa credited NRA members for informing and educating the business community. "NRA members are committed to education. Nowhere is this more evident than in our members' efforts to educate their neighbors - including businesses - about the three bedrock principles of NRA: safety, responsibility and freedom. "The NRA-affiliated Utah Shooting Sports Council (USSC) deserves special mention for their role in this grassroots effort. It's no wonder that USSC's Scott Engen was awarded NRA-ILA Volunteer of the Year Award for 1995". American Gun Review magazine and Women Against Gun Control also played a significant role in the education effort.

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FEMA Warns Against Hurricane Assistance Fraud

WASHINGTON - With the opening of the 1996 hurricane season, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) reported today that in the last month more than a dozen people have been charged with fraud in connection with FEMA disaster aid for last year's hurricane victims. According to FEMA's Office of the Inspector General (OIG), the latest charges were filed within the last two weeks against eight Florida residents from Panama City and Pensacola for falsifying applications to obtain assistance for Hurricane Opal, which struck the state's panhandle area in October 1995. Paul J. Lillis, OIG's assistant inspector general for investigations, said the individuals, ranging in age from 30 to 55, were charged with one count each of theft of government property as a result of claiming false hurricane losses. The felony charge carries a maximum five-year prison term and/or a \$250,000 fine. Lillis said the charges stem from ongoing OIG fraud investigations dealing with disaster assistance authorized by the President. Earlier in May, the investigations led to the arrest of seven people in the U.S. Virgin Islands for fraud involving federal disaster aid for Hurricane Marilyn. "With the start of another hurricane season, we find these recent criminal actions particularly significant because they serve as a reminder that the federal government will arrest and prosecute anyone who attempts to gain illegally from other people's tragic losses," Lillis said. FEMA's OIG is responsible for investigating agency programs and operations, including fraudulent applications for Presidentially-declared disaster assistance. Prosecution of fraud cases is brought by the U.S. Department of Justice. Lillis said that anyone who is aware of criminal activity regarding FEMA disaster assistance can anonymously report the information directly to the OIG by calling the toll-free Hotline at 1-800-323-8603. The Hotline is in operation 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Bonilla Wins Victory For Livestock Producers

By Henry Bonilla Congressman, 23rd District, Texas WASHINGTON - Some relief is on the way for livestock producers across the country with the House's passage of Concurrent Resolution 181, co-sponsored by U.S. Rep. Henry Bonilla (R-Texas-23). The resolution would in effect release \$200 million worth of grain held in the Disaster Reserve by the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC). "South and West Texas livestock producers need this," Bonilla said. "Although it's not going to provide a miracle cure, it should provide some temporary relief for our nation's livestock sector." Bonilla said the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) is holding 45 million bushels of feed grain, which the Secretary of Agriculture may dispose of to alleviate distress caused by a natural disaster under a program authorized by Congress in 1973. The grain represents 15 percent of the projected year-end supply of corn. But the grain can't be released unless the president declares a state of emergency, which he hasn't done, or if Congress passes a concurrent resolution, like Bonilla's, declaring an emergency so the reserves can be released. "The government shouldn't be paying huge storage fees and holding grain from the marketplace when farmers and ranchers are facing such hardships," Bonilla said. "I expect Congress's bi-partisan action will push the White House to use its authority to release the grain reserves - something the president should have done weeks ago," Bonilla said.

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