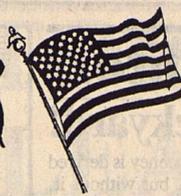


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Briefs ...

Citizens turn out for early voting period in city council elections

Over 60 citizens have voted early for the May 3 city council elections.

City officials reported that 59 citizens have voted early by appearance and five have voted by mail.

"We've had a fair turnout so far," said David Luna, who is serving as the early voting clerk for the city council elections.

Candidates in the upcoming city council election are (in the order in which they will appear on the ballot), Place 1: Marsha Harrell, Gregorio Juarez and J.J. Guidry; and Place 3: Wes Robinson and Ralph Gonzalez.

Early voting by personal appearance is being conducted on weekdays at City Hall from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The early voting period will continue through April 29.

The deadline to apply for a ballot by mail is April 25.

Luna submits contract to attorney for review

Brackettville's city attorney is currently reviewing the city's contract with its gas supplier, City Secretary David Luna reported at last week's meeting.

Luna said he submitted the contract with West Texas Gas Inc., to the attorney for review.

Also during the regular meeting, Luna asked that city council candidates and current council members only come to City Hall to conduct business during the early voting period, which runs through Tuesday.

Carol Sandoval presented the Monthly Activity Report to the council. She reported that 123 work orders were completed by the city crews between March 6 and April 14.

Fire Marshal Faustino "Lingo" Sandoval informed the council that he inspected four buildings last month.

Registration set for Pre-K and kinder

Pre-kindergarten and kindergarten registration will be held May 6-9, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

To register, parents should go by the Jones Elementary School office and bring their child's birth certificate, shot records, and social security card.

Those registering for Pre-kindergarten must also bring proof of income.

County seeks new building for EMS

By J.J. Guidry
News Editor

The Kinney County commissioners court unanimously agreed to submit a grant application to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for the community development fund.

The application is for \$240,995 in grant funds to construct an EMS building, for low water crossing improvements, and for road paving.

Kinney County's EMS service currently houses its ambulances at Fort Clark Springs, paying only the utility fees for the building. The EMS employees work out of an office above the County Jail.

If the grant application is approved, the new EMS building is expected to be located within the Brackettville city limits.

During the 1996-97 fiscal year, 61 percent of the EMS ambulance runs were in the city of Brackettville. Out of the 231 total runs, 142 were in the city, 61 were at Fort Clark Springs (26 percent), and 28 were to rural areas (12 percent).

"With a new building, the daytime EMS attendants will be housed with our units, which will help in our response time," said Beatriz Kuhns of the Kinney County EMS Department. "It will cut down (the response time) tremendously."

Kuhns said having the ambulances housed in the city would also help with the

refueling and upkeep of the vehicles.

"Currently, we're having to get our fuel from the road and bridge department," she said.

"We're having to wash our units either at the car wash or here at the Civic Center. With this new building, we're hoping to get a power faucet there so we can just get it done right then and there, and not have to run around to get everything done."

The EMS Department also runs the county's indigent care program. Kuhns said the program cannot be run at the Fort Clark location because not everyone is a member of the association and cannot gain access to the Fort.

"As we all know, the Fort is not open to

the public," she said. "With this building, it will be open to the public. That will help."

"It will also help with the EMS. We do the billing and the collecting here. We have a private agency that does it, but if anybody doesn't want to deal with the collection agency, they come deal with us."

"The Fort has worked with us well," Kuhns said. "We're real appreciative of what they have done for us, but we want it to be open for everybody and there we can't. We cannot take this office over there because we have to deal with everybody in town and outside of town."

The EMS Department currently employs two full-time attendants, three part-time attendants, and a volunteer driver.



BRACKETT NEWS PHOTO BY J.J. GUIDRY
Kinney County Chamber of Commerce President Larry Sofaly, from right, congratulates Norma and Jack Schram for being selected as the organization's Citizens of the Year.

CELEBRATING 50 YEARS Chamber of Commerce hosts its annual meeting at Alamo Village

Alamo Village was the perfect setting for the members of the Kinney County Chamber of Commerce to celebrate their 50th Anniversary.

In honor of the state recognized Happy Shahan Day on April 12, the Chamber's annual meeting was held in the Cantina at Alamo Village.

Tully Shahan welcomed the attendees and thanked the Chamber for their work in this community and for honoring his father, James T. "Happy" Shahan.

Former President, Rev. Joe Townsend offered the invocation for a delicious barbecue lunch prepared for the membership and their guests.

After lunch, regular business was conducted by Chamber President Larry Sofaly. He summarized activities that were conducted during 1996 and told members what was in store for 1997 and beyond. Treasurer Jill Woodson delivered the financial re-

port for 1996.

Secretary Kathryn C. Letsinger and Vice President Allen Kreiger Jr., brought back a few memories of the 1947 Chamber of Commerce, Alamo Village, and Rio Grande Electric.

Shahan and the late Allen Kreiger Sr., were both on the 1947 Chamber Board of Directors. After sharing several projects the 1947 Board was working on, it was realized that the more things change the more they stay the same!

Sofaly introduced the current directors that serve on the Chamber Board. They are Kreiger, Jill and Archie Woodson, Cash Letsinger, Jewel Robinson, Jack Schram, Kenneth Hale, Joan Boutwell, John Ford, Tom Ertle, and Tino Gomez.

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Fort Clark officials vote not to extend sewer system

By J.J. Guidry
News Editor

The Fort Clark Springs Board of Directors decided not to extend its new sewer system to include undeveloped lots in Unit 27 at its regular meeting Saturday morning.

Hoover Construction bid \$55,801.76 to expand the sewer system into Unit 27 to include 81 lots, 53 of which belong to members of the association.

If members develop the lots, they would have to set up their own septic systems, which officials said would cost at least \$3,000.

Frank Cheaney made a motion to accept the bid and Bob Burkepile seconded the motion.

Cheaney, Burkepile and Mary Mitchell voted for the expansion, while Ben Pingent, Santos Yerena and Betty Gibbs voted against.

President Mona Miller broke the tie, voting against the proposal.

"I just don't feel that it is financially prudent," Pingent said before the vote.

The board agreed to spend \$1,000 to stock Las Moras Creek with fish.

A \$500 sewer and water fee for new developers was approved by the directors.

The board approved the appointments of Mike Holley to the architectural committee and Alan McCord to the golf committee.

An agreement was approved with Grover Neuman to operate the Duck Inn. Neuman will pay \$50 a month for the building, which will cover insurance and property taxes for the year.

Two amendments recommended by the architectural committee were approved.

One amendment establishes a daily fee not to exceed \$200 for starting the construction

of a building without a permit. Previously when this occurred, the amount of the permit was doubled. The other amendment allows the newer satellite dishes to be installed.

The board approved a new edition of the association's rules and regulations, which included some new golf club rules.

The directors agreed to make the May 17 Border Patrol Bash an open-to-the-public event.

The board approved a resolution which added the association's maintenance manager as a nonvoting member to the golf committee.

Gibbs presented the financial statement. The association has a year-to-date net profit of \$75,089 and is \$48,921 under budget.

The directors approved the transfer of funds to pay bills and approved the minutes from last month's meeting.

Officials anticipate arrival of new truck

The Brackettville Volunteer Fire Department is expecting its new brush truck within the next 45 days, Fire Chief Joe "Boy" Williams told the Brackettville City Council last week.

Williams said a committee made up of department members will travel to San Antonio to inspect the vehicle before it is delivered from the dealer to the firm that will equip the truck.

Williams reported that the fire department responded to one fire in March.

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Officials seize 300 pounds of marijuana

Local law enforcement officials arrested a 27-year-old Del Rio man for narcotics violations around 10 p.m. Thursday after a search of his vehicle yielded nine bundles of marijuana weighing 300 pounds.

Emanuel De Jesus Guerra was heading east on Highway 90 towards the Cline checkpoint when he turned his vehicle around.

Border Patrol Agents suspected that the vehicle was probably attempting to avoid an immigration inspection and proceeded to follow the subject to obtain a vehicle registration.

The vehicle, tracked going 86 miles per hour in a 65 zone, continued west, passing vehicles with eastbound traffic approaching.

Department of Public Safety Trooper Richard

Slubar clocked the vehicle speeding and joined in the chase.

Kinney County Deputy Sheriff Vito La Gioia picked up on the radio that the vehicle avoided stopping at the checkpoint. Slubar radioed for assistance and La Gioia responded.

The vehicle was stopped about five miles west of Brackettville only after the DPS successfully laid down spikes in the road to deflate the tires of the vehicle.

The driver of the vehicle surrendered to Slubar and La Gioia without incident.

A subsequent search of the vehicle yielded 300 pounds of marijuana worth an estimated \$240,000. The marijuana, the subject and the pickup truck were turned over to the DPS for further investigation and prosecution.

Commissioners discuss funds for fire department

The Kinney County commissioners discussed a resolution pledging \$3,000 from the county's 1997-98 budget to the Brackettville Volunteer Fire Department at their regular meeting last week, but took no action.

In previous years, the county had contributed \$3,000 annually to the volunteer organization. The expense was cut from the current budget.

"We cannot commit to next year's budget at this time," Commissioner Freddie Frerich said. "We can't pass the resolution, but I think it's our intentions, and it always has been, to reinstate the \$3,000 that we have been paying (to the Fire Department) that was left off our budget this year."

"We intend to do it, we just can't make a resolution regarding next year's budget; it's illegal ac-

cording to our attorney (Tully Shahan)."

The court discussed a request from the Las Moras Hispanic Society to use the Civic Center at a reduced rate on May 3.

The commissioners voted 3-1 to have the organization pay the regular rates. Commissioners Frerich, Joe Montalvo and Paul O'Rourke voted for the action, and Joe "Boy" Williams opposed.



BRACKETT NEWS PHOTO BY J.J. GUIDRY
Brackett News Publisher Jewel Robinson presents Andrew Murr a copy of the "90 Miles on Highway 90" tourist book. Murr, a reporter with Newsweek, was in Brackettville and Del Rio working on a story about missing Air Force Capt. Craig Button.

INSIDE

Joe Townsend

The most dangerous actions for the American people is the hypocritical suits by the several states against the tobacco industry. Opinion/Page 2

Tigerettes fall short

Blanco rallied for seven runs in the bottom of the sixth inning, as the Panthers edged the Brackett Tigerettes 12-10 Thursday. Sports/Page 5

Taylor Stephenson

TAAS testing will begin next Tuesday. Our teachers have worked very hard to get the kids ready for the test. School/Page 6

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Letters to the Editor

No Way! Not in my backyard!

We retired in 1984, sold our home and went looking for a place to live and enjoy our free time. We wanted a good semi warm climate, near an air base since we are military retirees.

We drove all over these beautiful 48. We checked out Florida, Arizona, Utah, New Mexico, Colorado, Arkansas, and Missouri.

In 1987 we found Fort Clark Springs.

It met all of our requirements and we fell in love with it.

We're not the only ones. There are people here from almost every State and Mexico.

Some are part time, some have invested a lot of money in part time living, but full time ownership.

All of the Fort Clark residents support the town of Brackettville and the County of Kinney. I don't

know how much money is derived from Fort Clark, but without it, I'm sure it would leave a big hole!

Dumping waste of any kind, anywhere near Fort Clark is not an asset!

The traffic to such a place would be unthinkable, and of course, there would be a bumper crop of plastic bags. We already have plenty of beer cans all over our roadsides.

There is a market for people picking up trash but I don't know of anyone paying for these jobs in our area.

These people who want to develop a trash dump will make a lot of money from cities and countries that have picked up trash somewhere else and will pay high dollars to dump it here!

I say No Way! Not in our backyard!

Ethel M. Schoolfield.

Crown Jewel of Fort Clark?

At the Fort Clark Springs annual meeting (in March) Bill Haenn said that the Restaurant had broke-even that in fact it had made a small profit.

If this is the truth, the restaurant lost \$21,426 in the other 5 months of the F.Y.T.D. which equals to \$4,285 lost per month.

I do not see how this restaurant can lose \$4,285 each month for 5 months and break even in February, the shortest month of the year.

Mr. Haenn, you are the man-

ager and should be responsible for these losses. We the members want to know where our money is going.

Our Board of Directors do nothing. This is another example of our elected officials thinking there are more important issues than the best interest of the community.

Mr. Haenn, you call the restaurant, the crown jewel of Fort Clark. Why are you trying to hide the facts?

Roger Perez



Big brother, don't tell us what to do

Between Us

By Joe Townsend



The most dangerous actions for the American people is the hypocritical and preposterous suits by the several states against the tobacco industry. For several years the American people have been conditioned to the deadly harm of tobacco. No one can deny there are in some people harmful, yes, and deadly results from cigarette smoking. The inane climate of the danger of second hand smoke which lead to prevention of smoking in stadiums is totally ridiculous. The "big lie" technique works. I grew up in a home where second hand smoke was a constant way of life. Of the five siblings who grew up in that second hand smoke, one is 83, one is 81, one is 78 and one is 76. None have had any problems with second hand smoke. Two have smoked cigarettes since their 20's and no problems.

We are seeing our freedoms taken away rapidly. No one put a gun to the head to force anyone to smoke a cigarette. Every smoker started smoking because he wanted to. Every smoker continues to smoke by his own choice. Now due to politics and money grubbing lawyers there is a tendency to prevent anyone from smoking. The idea of "save the children" is just flag waving. How

can we say this is hypocrisy?

That's simple. Alcohol with its concomitant ramifications is by any measurement far more dangerous than tobacco. Where are the suits against the alcoholic industry. Hypocrisy, Al Gore has profited from growing tobacco all his life and yet he stands before the Democratic National Convention and with crocodile tears streaming down his face tries to exact sympathy because his sister died from suspected tobacco caused problems.

Hypocrisy, the states suing the tobacco industry have collected countless millions of dollars on taxing tobacco products. The federal government subsidizes the growing of tobacco. Where is the integrity in actions by the Attorney General of Texas? Why did he file suit in Texarkana when his office is in Austin? Why does he not use his own staff in the suit rather than having a discredited attorney of shady reputation judged by his peers? If he has such a good cause why does he siphon

off millions to an ambulance chasing lawyer instead of keeping it for the State of Texas.

I have not smoked a package of cigarettes in my life. I hold no particular brief for tobacco countries. I do however, have the ability to delineate between right and wrong and have a sense of ethics. Should the tobacco companies settle the suits for the 300 billion dollars being bandied about, this would endanger the American people even more. If this is done, who's to say these same money grubbers will not then sue the alcoholic industry, then the beef industry, then the vitamin industry, then the medical profession and on and on. It's high time the American people stand up and say to unscrupulous politicians and lawyers, "Enough is too much. We'll make our own choices, we don't need any big brother to take care of us and tell us what we must do."

As long as we break no laws, just get off our backs and out of our hair.

EPA should check its math before charging us billions

By Henry Bonilla
U.S. Congressman 23rd District

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recently admitted that it overestimated the health benefits of its new and stricter proposed air pollution standards. The EPA had claimed that proposed stricter ozone (what we call smog) and particulate matter (what we call soot) regulations would save 20,000 lives, but now they say they had a "data glitch" and this estimate is wrong. This is just one more example of the shaky ground supporting the EPA's proposed clean air standards.

Why does the EPA want new air pollution rules? That's the \$60,000 question. The EPA is relying on taxpayer funded research to back its plan, but they won't release the findings. So, we're supposed to take their word for it? It's our money and we have the right to see the facts.

Many communities across the

country who meet the current clean air rules will not meet the new standards. Just when more American cities have cleaned up their act, the EPA wants to send as many as 75 percent of our nations counties to the federal doghouse. In Texas alone, 34 counties, urban and rural, would fall out of compliance under the new standards. This means that new highway construction funds could be lost, car pooling could be mandated and small businesses could face expensive, burdensome new regulations. Even lawnmowers, barbecues and fireplaces would be toughly regulated under the EPA's plan!

The real trouble is that there is a serious lack of science to back up the EPA's proposals. Even the EPA admits it. Everyone wants clean air, but the EPA shouldn't use this as an excuse to justify its continued expansion into our daily lives.

Despite public protests and

doubt expressed by its own scientific advisory committee, the EPA wants to strap America with its new \$6 billion regulations. But they are silent on the tough questions. What about the scientific studies that show that the current regulations are protecting the public health? What about the lack of scientific data supporting stricter regulations? No one knows these answers yet, and until they do, the EPA should not be allowed to push ahead.

The American people have every right to demand that continued investments in reducing air pollution will produce real benefits for the environment and public health. So far, the EPA is giving them every cause to be skeptical.

The American people are reasonable.

If the EPA has a convincing case, they ought to be able to show it with honest facts and real benefits. We're still waiting.



Capitol Comment

U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison

CAFE standards hard to swallow

Along with yellow roses, Bob Wills' music, Aggie and Teasip jokes and chili, pickup trucks are a defining icon of Texas culture. These hard working vehicles take us from farm to market, transport us to work and haul our stock in trade.

But, like the Puritan whose great fear is that somewhere, someone is enjoying himself, the federal government fears that we are enjoying our pickup trucks and sport utility vehicles just a little too much. Watch out. The federal government's corporate average fuel economy (CAFE) standards are about to rev up and spoil the fun. This means another bureaucratic assault on our economic well being.

Enacted by Congress during the height of the energy crisis in 1976, the CAFE standards were intended to ensure that automakers increased the fuel efficiency of their cars and trucks. They set "average" standards for each manufacturer's fleet of new cars sold. This was supposed to reduce fuel consumption and help stabilize the volatile energy market.

Trouble is, although fleet fuel efficiency has risen 70 percent since 1973, CAFE has failed to reduce aggregate fuel consumption. Americans are driving more not less. Moreover, the law of unintended consequences has kicked in with a vengeance:

*In order to meet the increased fuel efficiency standards, manufacturers are building smaller, lighter vehicles. According to a study conducted by Harvard and the Brookings Institute, CAFE standards have required an average 500 pound downsizing of new vehicles, which translates into more than 2,000 additional traffic deaths per year.

*The standards for imports are less rigorous than for domestically produced vehicles, giving domestic manufacturers an incentive to increase the percentage of foreign parts they use in some models so they are classified as a foreign manufactured product. This costs American jobs, and gives foreign manufacturers a competitive advantage. It hurts our own industry.

Now the Department of Transportation has initiated a rulemaking process that could tighten CAFE standards for light duty trucks by as much as 40 percent over the next few years. If such a rule is imposed, the standards would be increased to levels achievable only on the smallest trucks on the road today. Texans can kiss their "Rocks" and "Rams" goodbye.

Enough is enough. I am co-sponsoring legislation that would freeze the CAFE standards at current levels unless and until they are changed by Congress. Before we tighten the standards, forcing manufacturers to make their vehicles flimsier, I would want to see what impact this would have on their ability to carry goods and what the impact on safety would be.

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Chamber of Commerce hosts meeting

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New members were recognized and given their membership plaques. They included Letty's Restaurant, Tiger Tek Solutions, Rio Grande Property Management, Alamo Saddlery, La Rueda, Brackett Real Estate, Free-Form Enterprises, and Shorty's Cafe.

The highlight of the meeting involved recognition of outstanding members of the Chamber. Special mementos were bestowed on Jack and Norma Schram, and Jewel and Wesley Robinson for their hard work on the "90 Miles on Highway 90" book.

Besides offering much needed tourist and newcomer information,

this book allowed the Chamber to purchase a marquee for the Civic Center and a public address system.

The successes of the project would never have been realized if not for Jack Schram and Wesley Robinson. They are truly Outstanding Citizens of this community!

Door prizes donated by guests Perry Pecan Farms of Quemado, new member Billy Jo Casale, and Continental Inns of Uvalde were drawn.

All attendees were given an Alamo Village keepsake and 50th Anniversary Chamber of Commerce buttons.

Sheriff's Report

Sunday, April 20

7:55 p.m., Tony Martinez, 30, of Austin, was arrested for driving with a suspended license by Trooper Juan Lozano. He was released on Tuesday after posting a \$500 bond.

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The Gift Box has new location

The Giftbox opened their doors at their new location at 302 Spring Street on Sunday.

Chamber Director Jill Woodson cut the ribbon, along with owners Sondra and J.E. Meil at the open house party.

A fresh flower arrangement was given away during the afternoon. Loverna Clark was the lucky winner.

Sondra Meil has operated The Giftbox store at 201 Spring Street for four years. The Meils purchased the lots last fall and decided to expand the store.

The store carries a line of gifts, candles, and cards. Fresh and artificial flowers and a world wide wire service.



Sondra and J.E. Meil, owners of The Gift Box with Chamber Director Jill Woodson, Jack and Norma Schram, Larry Sofaly, Marla Madrid, Heather, Charlotte and Bob Corey at the ribbon cutting ceremony of The Gift Box's new location.

Fees may be charged at Amistad

By Frances McMaster
Contributing Writer

Fees will be charged for using some of the facilities at Lake Amistad this summer.

National Park Service Ranger Dennis Anderson, who serves at the lake, discussed the fees when he was the Rotary Club guest speaker on April 17.

Some of the National Parks have charged fees for years, but this will be a first for Amistad. Anderson described the many expenses and tasks involved in keeping the park in good shape and available for the public's use.

Anderson has been a Federal Law Enforcement Ranger for over 12 years and has seen many changes since he started working for the Park Service.

Seventy years ago, congress established the National Park Service and charged it with preserving and protecting certain areas of natural beauty for generations. Later, some historical sites and monuments were added.

As a Park Ranger, Anderson's job description is, therefore, to preserve and protect. He soon learned there are also many "collateral duties" having to do with operation of the park.

The activity at Lake Amistad is water related. Most visitors come to fish, boat ride, water ski, scuba dive and swim.

These activities are recreational, but all are dangerous to some extent. You can be injured if you go fishing and fall off your boat, and you can drown if you have forgotten to wear a life jacket.

Anderson said one of his primary duties is to be a safety officer. He and other officers do boat safety inspections and check for alcohol and drug use. He also teaches courses in boating safety.

Emergency medical situations arise in and around

the lake. Fortunately, Del Rio has an excellent hospital and ambulance service. However, injuries often occur far from the boat ramps and roads and in inaccessible areas.

His task is to reach the victims, wrap them up, and get them stabilized in order to take them to the boat ramps where the ambulance can reach them.

He is also trained to fight vehicular and structural fires.

These are examples of collateral duties. Public Speaking is another one.

The most frequently asked question is about the water level of Lake Amistad. Despite recent rains, the level is still low. It can rise rapidly, however, when rains occur around Big Bend, Ozona, and Comstock.

The lake was created when one of a series of dams was built for flood protection and for an irrigation reservoir.

Right now, Anderson is often asked to explain the newly instituted user fees. There will be no entry charge for just visiting the park, but May 1 is a target date for boating and camping grounds fees.

Forty dollars a year will provide a sticker for a boat. An infrequent visitor may choose to purchase a \$4 a day permit.

The upkeep of the National Parks is financed by federal tax money.

However, in 1992 Congress decided that those who use the parks should pay more.

A movement was begun to make the parks more self sufficient. Eighty percent of collected money stays with that park to be used for hard improvements such as roads and parking lots.

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But, I could be wrong!

By: Chuck Hall

Milestones

Long ago, travelers used to have milestones to mark their progress along their journey. Today we have symbolic milestones to mark our progress along our journey throughout life. We reach several mile posts in communication. When we first learn to talk. If one learns a second, or third language, that certainly is a milestone. Learning to read opens doors of imagination for us all. We also encounter milestone markers in the area of transportation. We first learn to walk, thereby giving us mobility. Later, we learn to ride a bike, swim, and drive a car. Some reach other milestones. They master the art of

flying an airplane, scuba diving, sky diving, or other forms of moving about in our world. But perhaps the most important markers on our travels are milestones of thought. We reach a very important one when we realize that our opinion is just opinion. No matter how strongly we feel about something, doesn't necessarily make it right. Our opinion is usually an unsolicited, unwanted intrusion upon others. I have often realized too late how much better off I would have been had I kept my opinion to myself. My opinion is simply the way I feel about issues. It's not a milestone for others to read and live their lives by. But I could be wrong.

Sorority News...

The Theta Sigma Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met Monday evening, April 21 at the home of Marge Geeze. The hostess served a light meal with an angel food dessert with spring decorations. After the opening ritual a short business meeting was conducted by Vice-President, Pat McKelvy. The group voted to send a donation to the Brackett High School Seniors drug and alcohol free project Graduation on May 23, 1997. Marge Geeze gave an interesting program on Gemstones generally known as the symbol of power and authority. Members learned the sources of the world's most precious gems. Members present were Jean Land, Molly Schroeder, Bobbie Waddill, Luella Gilliland, Pat McKelvy, Alicia Raymer, Gaye Kurz, Betty Inman, Ann Hibler, Doralene Keller, Vicki Bell, Clara McCord and Marge Geeze. Gaye Kurz won the door prize. Founders Day will be celebrated April 30 at the home of Clara McCord. Their husbands invited to enjoy a backyard dinner. The next meeting will be May 3 at the home of Nancy Frerich.

Chaski concert to be held at Fort Clark amphitheater

Kinney County Arts Council, Brackettville, presents CHASKI in concert on Friday, April 25, 1997 at 8:00 p.m. The concert will be held in the amphitheater at Fort Clark Springs. Chaski means "messenger" in the Incan language of Quechua. In the spirit of this Andean traveler, Chaski brings to their audiences music from Latin America and Spain. Coming from Austin, Texas, the group has performed in Costa Rica, Venezuela, California, New Mexico, and Washington, D.C., as well as throughout Texas. The group includes three members: Adrienne Inglis, who plays the flute; Shana Norton, harpist; and Dan Dickey, guitarist. All three play a variety of Andean folk instruments. Chaski will perform a concert for the students of Brackett ISD on Friday afternoon. These performances are presented in part through a grant from the Texas



Chaski to perform music from Latin America and Spain at the Amphitheater on Fort Clark Springs. The group consists of Adrienne Inglis, Shana Norton, and Dan Dickey. Commission on the Arts. The evening concert will be held in the amphitheater at Fort Clark Springs at 8:00 p.m. on Friday, April 25. Tickets are \$5.00 and may be purchased at the door. The Kinney County Chamber of Commerce will host a barbecue dinner at the Swim Park at Fort Clark Springs prior to the evening concert.

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Pete's Sake

The first grader had tears in his eyes when he told his teacher that only one pair of galoshes was left in the cloakroom and they weren't his. The teacher searched under desks and in corners and could find no other galoshes. Exhausted, she asked the little boy if he was sure the pair left wasn't his. "No teacher," the child wailed, "they are not mine. Mine are GONE!" "How can you be so sure these galoshes aren't yours?" the teacher asked. "Well," the little fellow sobbed, "mine had SNOW on them!" The company president summoned the sales manager for a momentous conference. "George," he said, "when you

came to work for us, you started at the bottom. Two years later you were made traffic manager. Your progress was equally striking in production, and you were the youngest plant superintendent in the history of our firm. As head of the sales department, your record has been just as distinguished. "Now I must consider the company's future. So effective immediately, I am resigning to open the way for a younger man. I am happy to inform you that you are to succeed me as president." The sales manager blushed and gulped. "Gee," he exclaimed, "thanks, Dad!" ■ Editors note: If you enjoy these stories and comments, send for a free sample of Post Story Book. Write Pete, Box 712, Kingsport, TN 37662.

Smoke From Nakai

By Nakai Breen



This sunrise we will talk about the comet. A lot of people blame comets for everything that goes wrong here on Mother Earth. The ancient ones believed the comet brought good tidings to the universe, good harmony, unity, and most of all a growth of understanding, healing of all bad vibes and reconciliations among the people. This comet is taking us into another era. A transition into the millennium. It is not the end of the universe but the start of a new life here on Mother Earth. It is like a new bride that will discard the old for the new, the bad for the good, the sour for the sweet. Hold hands and pray together. All the churches are the

chambers of God and the spirit of Jesus Christ abide in its light. It is the same God and his son that everyone looks up to for guidance. Remember our creator said I will never destroy my children but they will destroy themselves but with love everything can be mended and repaired. Every race is Our Creator's masterpiece. How can we love him and not his work. Of course when we do wrong it stands to reason that we shall be punished. It was said by the ancient ones the winter calendar reads that the tail of the comet drops nitrogen and it falls to Mother Earth and it produces life and plants that are more healthy and verdant. So until next time, listen to the songs of others. Nakai

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Petrosky participates in America's National Teen Scholarship Program

Brackettville's Amanda Petrosky competed in the South Texas Division of America's National Teen-ager Scholarship Program held at Southwest Texas State University earlier this month.

Petrosky, a sophomore at Brackett High School, competed in the junior division, along with 39 other young ladies in the junior division and 59 girls in the senior division.

The contestants were judged on their grade point average, leadership in their school and church, community service, and a personal interview with five Texas college admissions officers.

Petrosky also competed in the essay competition titled "What's Right About America?"

The junior and senior Divisions were combined for this part of the competition.

Petrosky was the only junior



AMANDA PETROSKY

800 people. She was also placed in the top 15 for the overall competition.

Petrosky was also able to visit with the admissions officer from Texas Lutheran University where she hopes to attend college pursuing a degree in journalism/speech and communications.

Petrosky said she had a wonderful time, adding that she would like to thank all of her sponsors who helped her be able to compete in this event:

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who reached the finals and she came home with a second runner-up trophy for her essay that she had to present before a crowd of

Blanco rallies past Brackett, 12-10

HONDO - Blanco overcame a seven-run deficit, rallying for seven runs in the bottom of the sixth inning, as the Panthers edged the Brackett Tigerettes 12-10 Thursday in a bi-district softball contest.

With the win, the Panthers advance to the area playoffs. The Tigerettes end their season with a 10-11 overall record. Brackett racked up eight hits in the contest, but committed five errors.

Stephanie Terrazas paced the Tigerettes' offensive attack, turning in a 2-for-3 performance. She scored two runs and drove in two more.

Lindy LaMascus was 2 for 5 at the plate. She crossed home plate twice.

Blanco trailed 10-5 in the contest before scoring seven runs on seven hits and one error in the bottom of the sixth.

Brackett had put together a five-run inning in the top of the fourth for a commanding 10-3 advantage.

Jessica Payne and Amy Bader both drew walks and LaMascus singled to load the bases.

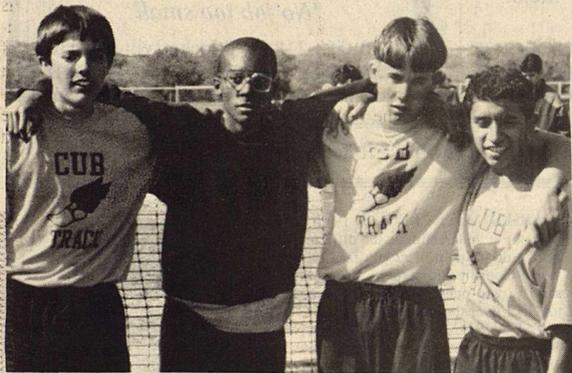
Courtney Harrison and Patty Lopez both walked, forcing in Payne and Bader. LaMascus then scored on a squeeze bunt by Terrazas.

Harrison scored after being forced in by LaToya Wright, who walked. Lopez then crossed home plate on a passed ball.

The Tigerettes took a 5-1 lead in the top of the third. Lopez reached on an error and scored on Terrazas' single. Terrazas and JoLee Jones, who walked, both scored on errors.

Brackett went up 2-0 in the top of the second as Terrazas walked, stole second, went to third on a passed ball, and scored on an error.

The Tigerettes jumped out to a one-run lead in the first as LaMascus singled and scored Harrison's single up the middle.



BRACKETT NEWS PHOTO BY J.J. GUIDRY

Brackett's middle school mile relay team of Sam Hunt, Damion Toms, Jarrett Harrison and Tony Rubio took the gold at district. The Cubs finished second overall and the Cubettes were third.

Comfort upsets Brackett, 14-5

COMFORT - The Bobcats racked up 10 hits and took advantage of eight Brackett errors as Comfort picked up a 14-5 win over the Tigers Tuesday night.

The loss drops the Tigers to 19-3 overall. Natalia is leading the district race with a 7-0 record, Brackett is 5-2, and Comfort is 4-3.

The Tigers picked up nine hits at the plate. Moses Hernandez and Ramon DeLeon were both 2-for-4. Hernandez also had a home run.

The Tigers will host Natalia at 7 p.m. on Friday, May 2.

Briefs ...

Booster Club hosts annual awards night

The Brackett Athletic Booster Club will host its annual awards night on Thursday, May 1, at the high school auditorium at 7 p.m. Brackett Superintendent Taylor Stephenson will be the guest speaker at this year's event.

The boosters will host a barbecue and swim party on Saturday, May 3, at Fort Clark.

The junior high athletic awards will be presented on Thursday, May 8, at the swim park.

The Booster Club will meet on Wednesday to finalize the plans for this year's activities.

Golfers compete at regional tournament

SAN MARCOS - The Brackett golf team competed at the regional meet Monday and Tuesday, but complete results were not available at press-time.

The Tigers won the right to advance to regionals after taking first place honors at district. Chad Neuman won first place individually.

Jennifer Ashabanner advanced to regionals after finishing second at district.

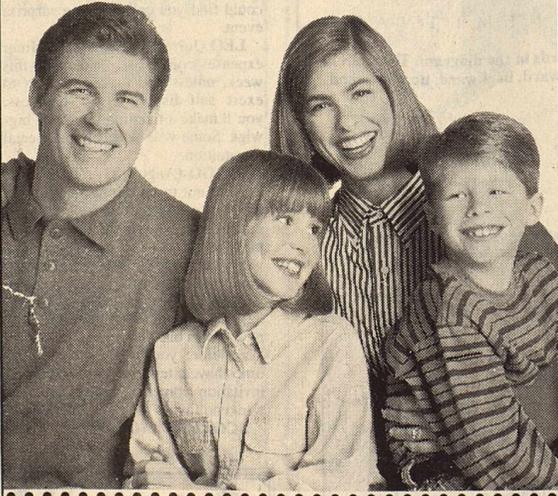
Dyer takes top honors

Fern Dyer took top honors during the Ladies Golf League weekly play last Tuesday.

Dyer finished with a low net score of 67, edging out Pat Nelson who had a 68.

Dyer and Betty Lee had the low gross scores with 88s.

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Do not forget the positives about Captain Button

Making a Difference
By Taylor Stephenson

One of the saddest events in many years involves United States Captain Craig Button. When I listen to Ben and Rozetta Pingenot talk of the virtues of this young, vibrant life, it makes me wish I could do more to help. I am told that Craig loved his country, that he loved life and wanted to be a pilot more than anything in the world. When I listen to the Pingenots talk about Craig, I realize that this is a young man that I wish that I had known. He was

respectful, thoughtful, and successful. I hope to learn from Button's life. I will not soon forget the positives about Captain Button.

The Chaski concert this Friday night at 8, in the Amphitheater, at Fort Clark Springs.

The Chamber of Commerce has a barbecue planned before the concert. Chaski will perform for the school Friday afternoon at 2:30.

Do you realize that graduation is Friday, Monday 23? There's little more than four weeks of school left in 1996-1997. Senior invitations will be going out soon.

The Prom is planned for May 10. Athletic Awards will be given in the Auditorium the evening of May 1. The Tiger Band under the baton of Hector Jimenez will present a concert May 15. Hope you'll come and enjoy the fine kids at BISD.

TAAS testing will begin next Tuesday. We'll be testing students in grades 3 - 8 in math and reading. Our teachers have worked very hard to get the kids ready for the test. The TAAS tests higher level thinking skills. We have a curriculum that includes 13 or so TAAS instructional targets.

These targets include skills that are much more difficult than guessing an answer. TAAS requires the thinking that goes into finding an answer. TAAS is important to the Texas State Legislature, to the Governor, to the State Commissioner of Education and to the State Board. It's also important to us. Good luck students and faculty.

Some things to drive around and look for:

Our new parking lot across from the main campus. This is a parking area for our students. We hope to have parking for visitors

and staff in the main parking lot. A major concern of the students was to get them some more parking.

We have drilled a water well at the football field. Will use the water from the well for watering the fields. We can pay for the well with one year of watering.

The PCI building will be the site of BISD's Alternative School (next year). We have moved things around and have tried to clean up the lot. Soon, we will probably fence the property and will begin to develop the main building for student use.

Officer Adrian Pena is a BHS graduate who has returned home to help our town, county and schools with law enforcement. Officer Pena finished high school (in about 1993). Pena has already begun to be visible on the school campus. He is a problem solver. I am very thankful to the County and to the City for this move.

Our Sheriff deserves credit for his leadership. This will make a positive difference in life in our town.

Your support is always appreciated at BISD. Have a good week!

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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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FIND AT LEAST 6 DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PANELS.
Differences: 1. Light is missing. 2. Glasses are missing. 3. Cap is reversed. 4. Plant is missing. 5. Color is different. 6. Curt is added.

Your Horoscope by Natasha

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) It's best not to underestimate the difficulty of a domestic project you face this week. Consult with experts if necessary. Loved ones share quality time together over the weekend.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Minor aggravations may arise this week in connection with a friendship. Later in the week, there's a lovely accent on happy romance and fun outings. The weekend looking promising for singles to meet with romantic introductions.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You may have to pay extra attention to details on the job this week. And also remember to be tactful. Social outings are particularly favored over the weekend, as are group activities.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) For a while, it may look like a business project is falling apart this week. However, things come together happily by week's end. The weekend could find you celebrating a surprise event.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Minor expenses could easily mount up this week, unless you make an effort to exert self-discipline. In business, you'll make a fine impression on big-wigs. Some will be receiving special recognition.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Try not to let things slide on the job this week. An adviser may not understand your point of view, so make an effort to be more clear. The weekend brings good news about travel and relationship developments.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Keep plans down to earth and practical in business this week. Don't leap before you look, as you sometimes have a tendency to do. A travel invitation comes your way but the weekend favors romantic interests.

SCORPIO (October 23 to



November 21) There's some danger that you may overspend if out shopping anytime this week. Home-based activities are favored over outside social interests. The weekend favors having guests over.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Some rumors you hear this week are ill-founded and not based on fact. Loved ones will be wrapped up in each other and are likely to forgo outside entertainment.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Though partners may face minor difficulties in communicating early in the week, by week's end, you're very much on the same wave length. Enjoy a special togetherness over the weekend.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) You're a perfectionist and you won't be satisfied until things are just right. After some trial and error, you'll be pleased with the final results of a project.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) An aggravation early in the week about a job matter could arise. Overall, it's a lovely week for pleasure interests and heart concerns. The weekend is especially romantic.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

April 24 Mirza Erika Clarke	April 28 John Story
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First Baptist Church
Rev. Gil Ash, Pastor
"The Pastor's Pen"

Protect your investment by giving it away? That doesn't seem to be very sound advice, does it? In I Timothy 6:20, what was written as "Timothy, guard what has been entrusted to you," was translated by the biblical scholar, James Moffatt, "Keep the securities of the faith intact." If Paul were writing today, he might see the analogy to a man's financial capital, as did Jesus in talking of the talents. How does one keep his securities intact? The answer, of

course, is by investing them and by using them. Foolish the man who puts his money in a mattress. The only way to have it, is to invest it where it will be wisely used to keep its present worth.

The same applies to the securities of the faith: forgiveness, mercy, trust in God. To keep these we must use them: to have them we must invest them daily in life. An interesting thought isn't it? We keep and protect them by forever giving them away.



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Friday night - Believe that ye

receive-Mark 11:24.
Saturday night - We believe therefore speak-2Cor. 4:13.
Sunday night - Must believe that he is -Hebrews 11:6.
Praise the Lord.
Preaching every night at 7 p.m. from April 24 thru the 30th. Everyone's welcome. Come feast with us in the Lord, the table is set. God is good.

First United Methodist Church



Rev. Sheree Harris, Pastor

Do you like gospel music, preachers on horseback, and dinner on the ground? If the answer is yes, we invite you to our Old Time Camp Meeting, this Sunday, April 27, at 11:00 a.m. at the First Methodist Church.

We will begin with a "hymn sing," including some of your old favorites like "Bringing in the Sheaves" and "The Church in the Wildwood." The old circuit riding preacher will arrive via horse and deliver a rousing sermon. As always, there will be a childrens sermon too.

After we worship, we'll bring out the food (oh, deliver us from temptation!) It's pot luck, so bring your favorite dish. If you want to eat picnic - style, bring a blanket, or you may dine at the tables and

chairs that will be set up. Both the worship and the dinner will take place outside behind the sanctuary. Chairs will be set up but everything will be informal. We encourage you to dress casual (or in old timey clothes if you have them!)

This camp meeting is our way of celebrating our heritage. The Methodist Church was built by circuit-riding preachers and enthusiastic laity who gathered wherever they happen to be - in cornfields or factories - to praise God and fellowship with one another. If you ever wanted to know what a Methodist is but were afraid to ask, here's your chance to find out!

Come and join us for the faith, fellowship and fun!



Frontier Baptist Church
Rev. Joe Townsend, Pastor

It's understandable why so many people feel they have to help God make them fit for Heaven. Most folks feel they have to "be good." They usually think they are good enough. Some feel they must belong to some church. Some feel they must undergo certain ceremonies and rites. The truth as set forth in the Bible is that none of these have any bearing on ones redemption. Truly every person should be good, much better than any of us are. Surely, every person should belong to some church, be loyal to it and support it. Certainly there are rituals every Christian should observe, baptism and the Lord's Supper. These all are the demands on the redeemed. Observance of all these has no bearing on one's being saved. These can all be observed and yet the person can go to Hell for an

eternity. According to the Bible. The one and-only requisite to being redeemed and going to heaven is a personal faith and commitment to Jesus Christ. The way to understand this one need only to realize that Jesus Christ died in our place as an atonement for our sin. The wages of sin is death. God must demand payment. Jesus committed no sin. Thus he was a fit substitute to die for the sins of another. Jesus then put himself in our place. By substituting for us, he paid the penalty for sin in each of us. Nothing can pay the penalty of sin but death. Jesus paid that price. Accepting His death for our sins by planting our faith in Him is the only prerequisite for entrance into heaven. All other accoutrements are simply window dressing surrounding an established fact.

Gateway Ministries
Pastor Charolette Corey

Around in hope! Be so full of hope that you make no provision for failure. "How do you do this?" You ask, through the power of the Holy Spirit. That is the only way it can be done because our flesh does not want to wait patiently for those things we hope for to come about.

I pray for those who do not have Jesus living in them and therefore the filling of the Holy Spirit, the Comforter, the Guide, the Teacher, who Jesus sends immediately to live inside a believer. Without the aide of this part of the Holy Trinity it is impossible to accomplish what needs to be done. It is the job of the Holy Spirit to give you enough supernatural patience to be filled "with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope." (Romans 15:13), but if you don't grab on to it, lis-

ten to what He tells you, let Him nurture you through the hard times of waiting patiently, you don't let Him accomplish His job in you, and you let the opportunity for success pass you by.

When you react out of your own flesh, your own natural responses to the things thrown at you from the world, you will never, never, fully succeed. It is only by acting out of the supernatural power of the Holy Spirit that you will succeed. God is a jealous God. He wants all the glory, all the credit for accomplishing a good work in you.

Let go and let God. Cease from your own works of "trying to figure things out" (you'll just get stuck deeper in the muck), and enter into the rest provided by the Holy Spirit so that you can stand in faith, rest in hope, walk in love.

Unsung Hero
By Joe Townsend

One by one friends and fellow citizens of our community leave us for a better community.

When Iola Jones (Jonsie) left we were bereft of an outstanding person and dear friend.

Jonsie was among the very first to move into Fort Clark Springs when it was organized. Through these many years she was a distinctive part of the community. Few people have the courageous outlook on life that was hers. Battling cancer for nine years the only comment I ever heard regarding her problem was, "I'm taking it one day at a time."

Knowing the end result of her problem never darkened her view of life. Jonsie was a vibrant personality. She dearly loved to be in movies. She was always anxious to answer any "cattle call" in hopes of being one of the chosen few. She had a deep and abiding faith in God. Jonsie had no enemies but a great host of friends. We'll miss her here but look forward to the time when she welcomes us to the community of the saints with God in heaven. Surely, Iola Jones is an Unsung Hero.

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- DROP by teaspoonfuls onto greased and floured cookie sheets. Press one candied cherry or natural almond into the center of each cookie, if desired.
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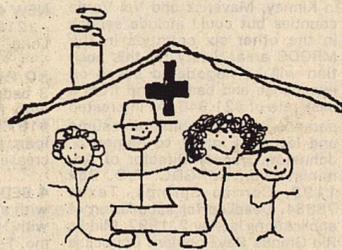
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The Middle Rio Grande Development Council and Sul Ross University, are accepting applications from qualified applicants for the position of Small Business Development Specialist (SBDC) office.

The preferred requirements of this position are as follows: Bachelor's degree in Business Administration with specialization in finance or economics and three years of related professional experience in any combination of the following areas:

consultant to small businesses in management of financial field, experience in a business/economic development organization, manager or proprietor of a successful small business, or banking, with commercial lending experience preferred. Other preferred qualifications include computer literacy in Excel, Lotus 5.0, Quatro Pro and Word Processing, bilingual in Spanish/English, knowledge of SBA, and knowledge of economic conditions in the MRGDC region. Duties will include: recruiting potential small business clients, providing technical assistance to such in expanding operations, managing, operating, budgeting and accounting processes, creating new markets and new business startups, assisting in identifying sources of financing, including packaging loan applications, and organizing and coordinating workshops and seminars on topics of interest to small businesses.

The position will primarily serve clients in Kinney, Maverick and Val Verde counties but could include service in the other six counties in the MRGDC area. Salary for this position will be negotiated based on experience and background from a base rate of \$21,946. All interested persons should submit a resume and letter of intent to Ramon S. Johnston, Deputy Director of Administration, MRGDC, P.O. Box 1199, Carrizo Springs, Texas 78834. Deadline for submission of applications is May 2, 1997. Middle Rio Grande Development Council is an equal opportunity employer and auxiliary aids and services may be made available upon request to individuals with disabilities. For information please contact our VOICE or TDD telephone (210) 876-3533.

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

The Middle Rio Grande Development Council is accepting applications from qualified applicants for the position of Small Business Development Center (SBDC) Director. This position will be housed in Uvalde and will be responsible for development and management of the agency's small business assistance program within a nine county area. Duties for this position shall include, but not be limited to, recruiting potential small business clients, providing technical assistance to small business clients in expanding operations, management, operating budgeting and accounting processes, creating new markets and new business startups, assist in identifying sources of financing, including packaging loan applications, organizing and coordinating workshops and seminars on topics of interest to small businesses, developing and managing budgets and grant expenditures associated with the objectives of the Small Business Development Center, and preparing and delivering oral and written reports to the Board of Directors, division heads and funding sources. Minimum qualifications for this position include: Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration with specialization in management or finance; Master's Degree preferred, and at least five years experience in either business management, finance, or commercial lending. Other preferred qualifications include experience administering a grant funded program and SBDC management experience. Salary for this position will be negotiated based on experience, background and other factors from a base

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Fire Department receives donation

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During last week's regular meeting, City Secretary David Luna presented Williams with two checks for the department, including a \$200 donation from Bill Adams and a \$250 bingo allocation from Fort Clark Springs.

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