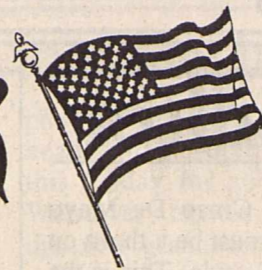


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Happy 100th Birthday
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Laughlin funds one step closer

WASHINGTON - U.S. Congressman Henry Bonilla (R-TX-23) announced that House and Senate conference members today approved \$3.25 million dollars worth of needed construction projects at Laughlin AFB.

The construction projects include upgrading and expanding the simulator bay for new flight simulators.

The money will also be used to provide space for simulator contractor logistics support (SCLS), modify electrical and fire protection systems in existing hangers, and provide a temporary facility to house Joint Primary Aircraft Training System (JPATS) contractor personnel and equipment.

"This is great news for the people of Del Rio and for those serving at Laughlin," Bonilla said. "Today we are one step closer to making this money a reality."

"Laughlin is the best undergraduate pilot training base in the Air Force," Bonilla continued. "We must do all we can to provide our pilots, ground crews and other support personnel with the tools they need and an atmosphere that provides the best training possible."

The conference report will be sent back to each chamber of Congress, where it will be voted on in its final form before being sent to the President to be signed into law.

Border Patrol Weekly Statistics

DEL RIO, TEXAS - The following is a report of the apprehensions by Border Patrol agents assigned to the Del Rio Sector for the period July 19-25, 1999. The information is provided by station, and includes a sector total. Abilene - 28, Brackettville - 324, Carrizo Springs - 380, Comstock - 42, Del Rio - 393, Eagle Pass - 1,034, Llano - 25, Rocksprings - 32, San Angelo - 56, Uvalde - 82.

ACT September test date set

The ACT Assessment college entrance and placement exam will be administered September 25, 1999. The registration postmark deadline is August 20. Late registration postmark deadline is September 3rd (an additional fee is required for late registration).

ACT Assessment scores are accepted by virtually all colleges and universities in the nation, including all the Ivy League colleges. The cost is \$22 (\$25 in Florida.)

For more information including registration forms and test locations; contact your high school or register online at ACT's website -- www.act.org.

4-H Officers attend training class

Newly elected 4-H officers for the 1999-2000 year attended officer training on Wednesday, July 21, in the Kinney County Courthouse. County Agent Robert Elledge conducted the training and was assisted by Mrs. Nadalee Allen, Club Manager. Officers were required to know the 4-H motto, pledge, and prayer. Participants were instructed in parliamentary procedure and how to conduct a meeting properly. Officers attending were Duquesa Hunt, Zachry Davis, Susannah Davis, Lee Davis, Beth Ballew, and Michelle Melancon. Following the training the group had lunch at Pizza Hut in Del Rio.



The 2nd Annual Tigerette Volleyball Camp was held July 19-23. Camp participants learned dumping, setting, spiking, and digging drills and how to have fun playing volleyball. Participants included (1st row L to R) Martha Wardlaw, Celina Terrazas, Kristin Meyer, Emily Petrosky, Chelsea Cowan, (2nd Row) Whitney Hobbs, Juliann Ashabranner, Jackie Duncan, Jacquelyn Conoly, Ashley Castillo, Dana Bonner, (3rd Row) Allison LaMascus, Ashley Culverhouse, Stacy Terrazas, Stacey Castilla, Yesenia Rodriguez, Stephanie Coronado, (4th Row) Divina Pena, Amanda Davis, Beth Ballew, Stephanie Bonner, Ashley Antone, Celeste Hill, Lacey Dodson. (Not Pictured) Jessica Crane, Courtney Frerich). Camp coaches included Dusty Brotherton, Julie Bruce, Jennifer Harris, Bonnie Brotherton, Hilda Aguirre, Lindsey Brotherton and Katy Hagler.

Rotary scholarship awarded to Arreola

Ella Chambers
Contributing Writer

The Recipient of the Brackettville Rotary Scholarship Award for 1999-00, Alexandra Arreola was introduced by Taylor Stephenson at the weekly meeting.

She opened her address with a brief autobiography. She was born in Del Rio and lived in Brackett until she was five, her father who works for Coca Cola started to work in San Antonio. The family then moved to Castroville which was when Alex changed her name from

Alexandra to Alex (The name she decided was much easier to write in school when she was in the fifth grade and so she adopted it much to her satisfaction). She went to school in Castroville until the seventh grade and she experienced overpopulation and was not content because of discrimination of her race as well as her desire to excel academically.

A family decision was made to move back to Brackettville with her mother while her father continued to work in San Antonio and commute from San Antonio to Brackettville every other

Evans approaches century mark

Sterling C. Evans was born in Frio County, Texas, on August 5, 1899. He spent his early childhood on a farm in that county. He attended a one teacher elementary school at Melon, Texas, and graduated from the high school in Uvalde. He graduated from Texas A&M College in 1921.

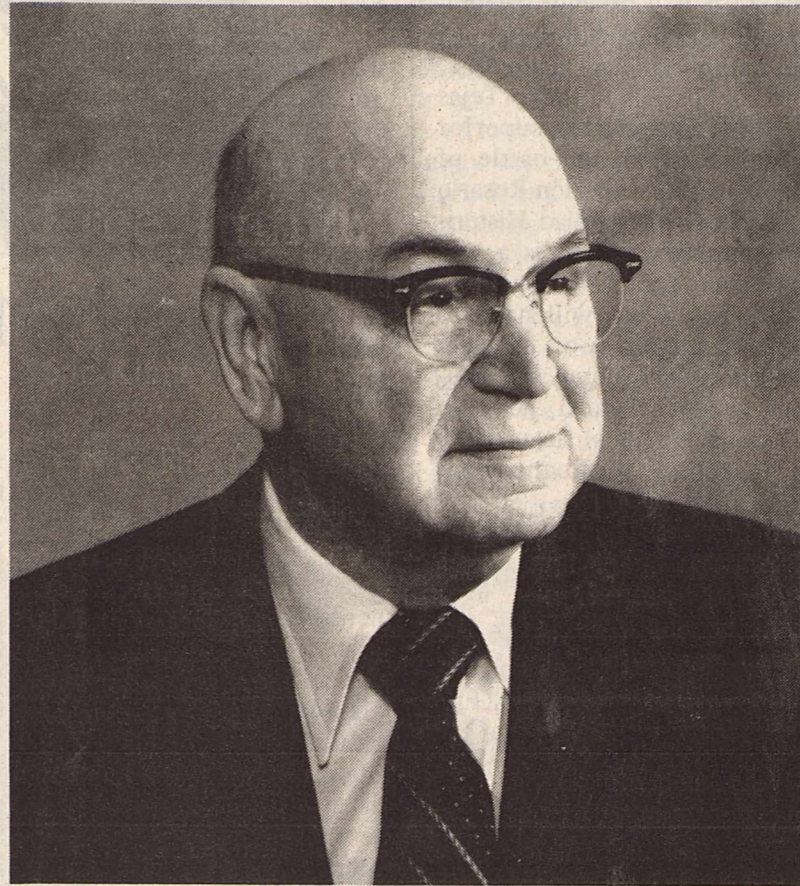
Evans is a lifelong resident of Texas and for several years the "most senior" Aggie, (Class of '21) and has been actively serving Texas agriculture for more than seventy-five years.

In 1934, Mr. Evans was chosen to be the first President of the Bank for Cooperatives. (Formed by an Act of Congress in 1933 for farm credit.)

In December of 1940 he became President of the Federal Land Bank and his major role in farm and ranch finance in Texas really boomed. During the twenty years until he retired in 1960, the FLB of Texas became the model for farm and ranch long-term financing throughout our Nation. This financing has touched all agriculture.

Former Texas Governor, Dolph Briscoe, Jr., said when asked what he thought of the presentation of the Fred Earwood Memorial Award (of which he is a recipient) to honor Sterling Evans, his quick response was, "Yes, - Here is a man who has done a lot for all of us in agriculture. If it were not for Sterling Evans, Janey and I would not be in the ranching business today."

Evans first farm was near College Station, while there he served as District Agriculture Agent. He then moved to Houston and began his long service with the Farm Credit Administration Banks in the Texas Dis-



trict, beginning with the Houston Bank for Cooperatives, then the Federal Land Bank.

Mr. Evans resigned from the Federal Land Bank of Houston in February 1959 and moved to the Nine Bar Ranch at Cypress, Texas. In December 1973, the Evanses left Texas and moved to Louisiana. Some years later they left Louisiana and moved back to Texas to the U-Bar Ranch in Median County near San Antonio.

Three years after Mrs. Evans' death in 1981, Mr. Evans sold the ranch and moved into Castroville where he lived and maintained his office for ten years.

Then most recently Mr. Evans sold his office, then his home, and a ranch in Medina

County. All his interests are now located together in Kinney County.

In November, 1979, the library of Texas A&M University was named in honor of one of its major benefactors, Sterling C. Evans. Evans' life has been characterized by a succession of rich and rewarding accomplishments.

According to his friend and biographer, William N. Stokes, Jr., Evans showed "an abiding love and devotion to the institution of his youth, Texas A&M College, which during his service on its Board of Directors became Texas A&M University, and which moved from positions of stalemated growth and the threatening posture of becoming Texas' best-known

second-rate college, to an institution of eminence, respect, and strength."

Texas A&M is an avid part of Mr. Evans life. He has continued to make the University and the Board aware of the Library's needs. "Sterling Evans probably does not view his efforts for the University Library as significant, but if it had not been for him, the library would not be where it is today," said Irene Hoadley, Director of Texas A&M University Library.

In 1979 at the dedication of the Sterling C. Evans Library at Texas A&M University, responding to the plaudits of friends, officials, and associates: "I want this to be not just a good library, but a great library. This is going to require money. Oh, I hear about people giving books, and of course we need books but let's not get sidetracked on the notion that gift books will do the job. We have competent administrators, and they need more, much more than gift books. They are going to need money. With this and only this can we become the great library which this institution deserves, and indeed, which it must have. Let us all work for the accomplishment of these great and necessary goals."

Sterling C. Evans will be turning 100 years old on August 5th. The Kinney County Chamber of Commerce is holding a Birthday party for Mr. Evans on Saturday, July 31st, 1999 at the Service Club at Fort Clark Springs.

The party is from 2-4, refreshments will be served and there will be Mariachi music.

Everyone is invited to help celebrate Mr. Evans' 100th Birthday.

Chris Petrosky H.O.B.Y. recipient

Tanya Kay McClure
Staff Writer

Chris Petrosky, a Sophomore at Brackett High School was this year's H.O.B.Y. delegate.

H.O.B.Y. the Hugh O'Brian Youth Conference was located this year in San Antonio and lasted three days.

Every school in the United States and some foreign countries send one sophomore to a H.O.B.Y. Conference in their area.

Out of these students ten are chosen from each conference. Then they are narrowed down to one boy and one girl that represent each state at the H.O.B.Y. National Conference.

Chris has been involved in the USAA National Mathematics Competition, he was Who's Who among America's High School Students and won the USAA National Science Award. He received the All-American Scholar Award his Sophomore year as well.

Chris plays football, tennis, track and golf. He is involved in many extracurricular activities such as the One-Act play, UIL Oral Reading and is a founding member of the Fellowship of

Christian Athletes.

He is also involved in Habitat for Humanity, the Lutheran Iglesia Mission Team and the Church Youth Group activities.

"Students interested in competing for a place at the H.O.B.Y. Conference must write an essay that demonstrates their interest in the community and awareness of those qualities that make a future leader evities send one sophomore to a H.O.B.Y. Conference in their area."

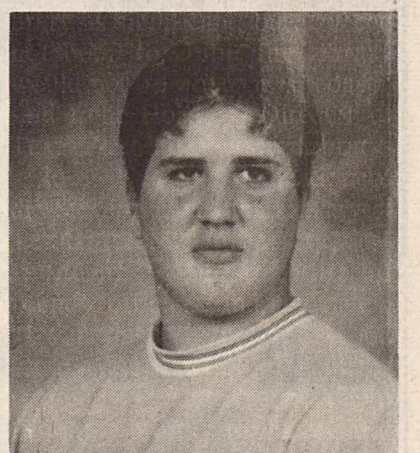
Prominent leaders in the community read these essays and help assess the qualities that are demonstrated in the essays.

These individuals are not just looking for the (A) students, but rather those that show leadership qualities.

Past representatives have been, Brian Hooker Townsend, James Burks, Amanda Petrosky and Katy Hagler.

During the conference each student must listen to motivational speakers and participate in group projects. The students are taught how to be leaders in school and in their community.

H.O.B.Y. participants are in great demand by colleges. Many colleges ask if you were a H.O.B.Y. representative.



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Letters to the Editor

In respond to Joe Townsend's unsung hero article about the City's Fourth of July Celebration, I could tell that he spent little time researching on how it came about.

In a meeting of the Las Moras Hispanic Club it was mentioned we had a Cindo De Mayo Parade and a June Teen Parade, but there has never been an official 4th of July Celebration. The Club members voted to take on the task of planning a Parade and ceremony honoring our County Veterans. With the approval of Local Officials the Club members proceeded to ask local businesses and organizations for their participation. Their support was overwhelming. The celebration turned out beautiful. Hopefully it can be a yearly event.

I would like to commend all the civic minded people that saw a need and filled it. The members of the Hispanic Club deserve such honor.

As for the Cinco De Mayo Celebration it must be a thorn on Joe Townsend's side. This is the second time he has written about it in his articles. He makes it sound as if the Cinco De Mayo Celebration is repulsive and unpatriotic.

The Cinco De Mayo is a Texan Celebration. It has been celebrated by Tejanos since the 1860's. It is a prideful celebration for one of Texas own.

General Ignacio Zaragoza, born in Mission Rosario, Texas in 1829, Defeated a superior French force in the battle of Puebla in 1862. Mission Rosario is located at the Goliad Historical State Park. There is a section of the Park honoring him.

Joe Townsend will have to live with that thorn on his side. The Cinco De Mayo will continue to be celebrated, not only in Texas but in other states of the union where Mexicans from Texas have settled.

VIVA EL CINCO DE MAYO
God Bless the USA.
Ruben C. Martinez

I was very upset to hear the Fort Restaurant will very likely close in the near future because residents won't patronize it. They complained when the food wasn't good, then they complained because prices were too high and constantly it was losing money.

When I moved here with my husband it and the swimming pool were our favorite features and didn't mind if some of my dues supported them, I didn't object to times where they also supported the golf course. I enjoyed the pool for my health and enjoyed eating out because I learned to cook when I was six years old on a wood stove.

We did our best to encourage people to eat there, formed

birthday and anniversary parties to bring in more customers. Friday night we celebrated a belated birthday with five other guests. We had a variety of food and it was all good. I didn't recognize any people from the Fort, saw only one couple with five children. I assume they were from the motel.

I have a list of 19 messages from God, published in a newspaper, someone is putting them on billboards all over the U.S. I have one on my front door. I would like to see some on our Fort Message center. If any one wants a copy I will be glad to furnish them with one.

I am a praying & healing minister, given to me by God and a minister of our church.
Rosalie Boyesen



Kennedy name no great aura

Between Us
Joe Townsend

Let me begin with saying the Kennedy name holds no great aura as far as I am concerned. When honest historians detail America past the Kennedys will be a blot on the reality of the greatness of America.

Beginning with Joe and his relationship with FDR which made him wealthy in illegal whiskey manipulation there is a rope of distaste. There is not to be found a single action by John as president that is commendable. The Bay of Pigs is an example of his chicanery.

It is a reflection on the character of America and any individual who can ever think of Ted Kennedy with anything but resolution after Chappaquiddick. If ever you want to see a man who got away with murder it is Ted Kennedy.

Having said this I hasten to add, it would take a definitive search of the land to find a better example of what American youth should be than John F. Kennedy Junior. He was the very epitome of what America stands for. It was a tragic loss to the land that such an exemplar young man would so abruptly be taken from the world.

The death of this fine man revealed the total lack of ethics and principle of some of the news media. For lack of better coverage I watched on CNN constantly. Try as best they could the Kennedy family could not protect its privacy. Lacking facts the "experts" of CNN spent much time trying to lay the blame on the pilot.

Incensed because cameras and news hounds could not attend a private memorial service they tried every imaginable gimmick to get pictures. Though Bill

Clinton was invited to this solemn occasion he had to take it as a photo-op and wave high and often to those standing below. How crass and arrogant can a person be?

We learn more day by day. Too many of the press take the constitution to disregard the rights of people. The Press generally refuses to accept the privacy of the individual. The Kennedy family acted with utmost decorum, class, and good taste. CNN at least failed to recognize any of these traits.

The highest tribute is due John F. Kennedy Jr. his outstanding wife, and his illustrious sister in law. America has sustained a tremendous loss and the press generally revealed its insensitivity to the importance of privacy of the individual. And the press stands in open mouth awe wondering why the people look at them with disdain.

Try to avoid the use of profanity

The Way I See It
Steven R. LaMascuso

How many people do you know (men primarily, I would suspect) who can't seem to complete a sentence without using a curse word? Most of us know at least one person who is incapable of speaking without resorting to four-letter words. How do you feel about that? Do you think that person is highly intelligent and a pleasure to speak to? Or do you think that, maybe, he/she is a boorish lout with the IQ of a corn cob? Yeah, that's what I thought you thought. You see, no matter what the actuality may be, that is the way most people feel about those among us who are truly profane and vulgar.

I don't know why it is today that so many men seem to think that it is necessary to use sentences filled to overflowing with profane expletives. It has become so common that most of us just accept it as another annoying fad and go about our business. Cursing is now so common in public places that sometimes we don't even notice it. Women, children, and anyone else within earshot are treated to a string of colorful vulgarities guaranteed to increase the vocabulary of any ten-year-old and insult the sensibilities of the more refined among us. If you are one of those who use profanity continuously here is what the rest of the citizenry

thinks.

The first impression is that the speaker is uneducated, uncouth, and probably stupid. If he must resort to excessive profanity to express himself, especially in public places, he can't be very bright. He is probably not smart enough to have a decent job so he probably just drifts from job to job doing minimum wage day labor until he is fired for incompetence. He is thought of as unclean. People want to avoid him because he is also, most likely, a violent bully with a bad temper. They don't want to talk to him or ask his opinion because they don't need the opinion of a man whose IQ is matched by his boot size. Besides which, who wants to talk to someone who obviously doesn't know enough words to carry on an intelligent conversation?

He is also probably a drunk. He goes home to his rundown trailer house and sits in front of the TV in his dirty underwear and drinks cheap beer until he passes out. He claims he is not a "(bleep) alcoholic" because he has never attended a "(bleep) meeting." It doesn't matter if you are the most intelligent person on earth, have one doctorate in quantum physics and another in literary history, and are worth more than Bill Gates. It doesn't matter what your core beliefs are. It doesn't matter if you give millions to charity, and single-handedly support a small underprivileged third world

country. If you are a profane, vulgar person the above is what others think about you. How does it feel?

You may delude yourself into believing you don't care, but that is simply rationalization. You and I both know that deep down in your soul you really do care what others think.

Most of us utter an occasional curse word in the throes of anger or pain.

While I try to avoid profanity I catch myself occasionally saying something I shouldn't. I'm human (surprise, surprise) and every once in a while I get angry or excited and let my mouth override my good sense. But when I do I try to apologize and hope that the persons offended forgive me and realize that I really do know enough words to speak intelligently.

Just remember this: Profanity is not cute, funny, colorful, masculine, or anything else, except vulgar. If you continuously use profanity to express yourself you are vulgar. If you cannot express yourself in other ways you are precisely what you appear to be. If you like being thought of that way, go ahead. But don't be surprised when someone confronts you someday and advises you that if you want to use that kind of language you can do it somewhere else and asks you to leave. And remember this - they will be right and you will, as usual, be wrong!

GAO Reports on border communities

Submitted by
Henry Bonilla

WASHINGTON, D.C. — U.S. Congressman Henry Bonilla (R-TX), co-Chairman of the House Border Caucus, released a General Accounting Office (GAO, the official accounting and investigatory arm of Congress) report requested over a year ago by the caucus. The purpose of the report, which is the first in a series, is to analyze the unique problems and opportunities along the U.S.-Mexico Border. The report is entitled: "U.S.-MEXICO BORDER, Issues and Challenges Confronting the United States and Mexico."

"The Border Caucus requested this GAO report so we would have some overarching, definitive data about the border, compiled by Congress' own investigators," Bonilla said. "We understand that our border communities face different challenges than anywhere else in the country. Having our own investigators thoroughly examine and research those differences will help us make decisions in Congress that most positively impact border areas."

"The findings in this report provide us with a wealth of information that is invaluable to helping us do our job in Congress," Bonilla said. "It will be a great resource as we continue to work to provide border communities with the tools they need to meet their unique challenges."

The report summarizes the aggravation of long-standing problems that stand at the front of international relations with Mexico. It examines the following issues and their impact on the border region: cross-border transportation, drug enforcement, environmental infrastructure and public health, economic development and illegal immigration.

"U.S. border communities face the difficult task of living under U.S. federal, state and local regulations, while being strongly influenced by rules and regulations from the government of Mexico," Bonilla said. "Living in the U.S., but so close to Mexico, is a challenge because of our very different governmental structures. Our two countries approach problems in different ways and at different levels."

This report is the first in a series the GAO will compile. In this report the GAO provides an overall view at the difficulties and challenges border communities face. Future reports will detail transportation, infrastructure, health and environmental challenges.

This GAO report's alpha-numeric designation is: GAO/NSIAD-99-190, for reporters interested in obtaining their own copy.

Unsung Hero

Joe Townsend

Several years ago a fine lady with her husband "retired" to Ft. Clark. He said he would do nothing but play bridge and golf.

For a man who had been active for so long this was soon to run its course. He accepted the ministry of the Episcopal Church and was back in the serving of things.

He was sided and supported by his charming wife. The years ran out and he went home to the Lord leaving behind his wife and daughter.

His wife, a very charming person, has bravely and forcefully held faith above. She is one of the very friendly and warm-hearted people who are a rarity. She has kept in touch with life and is truly a blessing to all who know her.

Surely Betty Koons is an Unsung Hero.

I might have stretched the truth

But I Could Be Wrong
Chuck Hall

Somebody questioned the validity of one of my stories the other day. Can you believe it? Said I might have stretched the truth. Thought that I took unusual liberties with precise details.

Suggested that I needed to take a memory refresher course. Implied that I had outright lied! The nerve of some people. I'll tell my story my way, thank you very much. I tell it the way I remember it, not necessarily even

close to the way it really happened. More often than not, the fable is a mile and a half from the real facts of the case. Yes, I have, in my life, told whole truths, half-truths, not-even-close-to-truths, and every degree in between.

I have heard Blackie Haby say on numerous occasions, "I might tell you the truth 3 or 4 different ways, but I wouldn't lie to you." David Weid once told me a tale about his niece, who, replying to accusations of lying, said, "I didn't really lie. I just told the story the way it should


have happened!" That's me. I merely tell my stories the way they should have happened.

I have a tendency to "pretty" them up somewhat. Fabrication (I like that word) is OK if it makes the story more memorable. I try to enjoy yarns that other folks tell. So just sit back, nonjudgmental, and try to enjoy mine.

And if one happens to involve an incident concerning you, and you were there, and I don't tell it the way you remember it, then maybe it's not me, but you, that could be wrong!

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Swallow your pride occasionally...it's non-fattening.

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Kinney County Sheriff's Report

Sunday, July 18
1:20 p.m. A local ranch owner reported a two tone brown pickup truck had gone through his fence. The sheriff was notified of the situation.

Monday, July 19
7:38 p.m. A woman from Uvalde reported that a van making a U turn at the Alternative School almost hit her vehicle as she was turning. Deputy Karl Chism found the van and gave the girl driving a ticket.

Tuesday, July 20
Jose Luis Aguirre, of Brackettville, was arrested for DWI and minor in possession of alcohol and no liability insurance by DPS Trooper Richard Slubar.

1:50 a.m. A woman from a local ranch called in and stated that someone was walking around her house. Deputy Chism and Border Patrol were dispatched to the scene.

Wednesday, July 21
7:34 a.m. An employee at Burger and Shake called and stated that there was a car accident at Burger and Shake. DPS Trooper Tony Ashley was advised of the situation.

7:11 a.m. A local man reported that there were some

Ranch Estate planning seminar

Estate taxes are a major problem for ranch owners -- and their heirs. Dr. Wayne Hayenga, an Attorney with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, will hold a Ranch Estate Planning Seminar on August 8 and 9, 1999, in conjunction with the Annual Beef Cattle Short Course. The Seminar will start at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 8, and conclude at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, August 9, 1999. It will be in Room 457 of the Blocker Building on the Texas A&M University Campus.

Topics covered will include the basic tools of estate planning: Wills, Living Trusts, and Powers of Attorney. But most of the time will be spent on income and estate tax saving plans for ranching families. Irrevocable trusts, generation skipping trusts, bypass trusts, property ownership, community/separate property, special use valuation for ranches, partnerships and corporations will be discussed in the context of the gift and estate tax rules.

Dr. Hayenga is an excellent communicator. He delivers a top notch educational program emphasizing key points with an entertaining style illustrating estate and income tax law provisions with practical examples that make learning a pleasure. His teaching makes full use of his broad background and practical experience as a farmer, banker, and lawyer.

Registration fee is \$75.00 per person. It includes seminar materials, snacks on Sunday evening and lunch on Monday, as well as refreshment breaks. For more information, call Sharon Wehring or Dr. Wayne Hayenga at (409) 845-2226, Fax: (409) 847-9374 or email: w-hayenga@tamu.edu.

bikes on Farm Road 674 about four miles out on the side of the road.

1:10 p.m. Del Rio DPS called and stated that they had a chase from Quemado toward Del Rio and at 277 South they hit a telephone pole or light pole. He advised that the chopper had hit the wires but landed safe.

9:40 p.m. A local woman reported a man sleeping on the side of the road near the Sycamore Bridge. Deputy Bobby Guidry spoke with the individual who stated that he would move in the morning.

Thursday, July 22
Benito Sanchez, Jr., of Del Rio was arrested for driving with license invalid and failure to appear by Deputy Johnny Fritter.

11:12 a.m. A local man reported that a nine or ten year old boy may have been driving a motor home toward Del Rio. Del Rio DPS was notified.

Friday, July 23
11:55 a.m. A woman called in to state that a truck was smok-

ing. The Fire Department was notified.

1:25 p.m. A local man reported that his neighbors down the street had taken some tin from his yard. The suspects residence was checked and all was ok. The man was informed that a witness was needed.

4:20 p.m. Emergency Road Side Service called and stated that someone was out of gas about five miles out of Brackettville on Hwy. 90. Deputy Guidry responded to the scene and stated that the individual had taken gas from his boat and put in into the truck.

Saturday, July 24
1:15 p.m. A local woman reported that an air-conditioner had been stolen from her rent house on El Paso Street. She last reports seeing the unit the night before. The case is still under investigation.

Rogelio Rico, of Austin, was arrested by Deputy Chism for theft by check and failure to appear.

Teachers begin to move in sometime next week

Making a Difference
Taylor Stephenson

We're waxing floors this week for the new building. Teachers will begin the great move sometime next week. As I write, I'm unsure of the date that teachers may move. It looks like Thursday and Friday, August 5th&6th. Don Sims will make this determination next week. Teachers can check in with Sims or with Stoney Burks or Paula Renken for additional information.

We're proud of United Medical Clinic, and it's director, Rosemary Slubar. Doctor Luz and doctors from the Del Rio area gave physicals to all of our athletes at Brackett ISD this past week. These folks gave of their time to help local students. We're so lucky to have UMC and its fine staff to serve Brackettville. Thanks for a job well done!

Grandson #2 arrived Tuesday, July 27 in the early afternoon. Daughter, Traci, called and was on her way to the hos-

pital. It's her first baby. We're headed to northern California this Friday for about a week. We're very excited to check out this new grandbaby.

Most of our time is spent on budget and on the new building. The budget is shaping up, but there are lots of hurdles to jump before we complete it.

The state gave schools a big increase in funds. As usual, the increase falls just short of having enough new money to pay for mandated raises. We'll give them anyway, but the situation should not occur in this state or in any other.

Texas is so large and has so many districts that the homework is not done on the effects of changes in the school formulas. As for the past 25 years of making budgets, we'll do the best that we can with this problem. Dixie Brown and Marla Madrid are working hard to help balance the budget.

Each day, there are many decisions to be made regarding the new building. Drainage, paint, concrete, sidewalks, fences,

telephones, bells, security systems, furniture, and you name it are daily efforts. We're just about through. The parking and sidewalks should be laid this Friday. We'll still have many little tasks to get done, but it will be substantially completed. Probably next Monday and Tuesday, we'll wax the halls. We'll have teachers move in on Thursday and Friday. It's a great building and a tremendous addition to our school system.

I drove to the site of the new prison this past week. I was amazed at the site work that is going on there. It seems to be relatively quite in our community. Most don't know that work had begun. It has, trust me! I'm excited about the prospect of additional employment for our Brackettville citizens. I think that the school system will grow, Fort Clark will prosper, and the City and County will grow as a result of this prison.

That about it. I'm headed home to check on the progress of that new grandbaby. Have a great week!

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Correction

In the article "School begins August 16th," Lousia Stone is listed as a graduate of Sul Ross State University. This is incorrect, she is a graduate of the University of Texas. She grew up in Del Rio instead of Memphis, Tenn. We apologize to Mrs. Stone for any inconvenience this may have caused.

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Briefs ...

Junior Golf Tournament to be held

On August 8th, Fort Clark Springs will be hosting the Southwest Junior Golf Tournament for Junior Golfers at Fort Clark.

FT Clark Springs Golf News

The Ladies League played "Odd or Even" on Tuesday, July 27, 1999. Winning 1st place was Rosemary Johnson.

Lou Green reports paring the course twice in recent weeks. She also had double eagles on #7 and #17.

Hepatitis A Vaccination Required

Children in 32 border counties of Texas must be vaccinated against hepatitis A illness to attend public or private schools or child-care facilities this school year.

The 32 counties are Brewster, Brooks, Cameron, Crockett, Culberson, Dimmit, Duval, Edwards, El Paso, Frio, Hidalgo, Hudspeth, Jeff Davis, Jim Hogg, Kinney, La Salle, Maverick, McMullen, Pecos, Presidio, Real, Reeves, Starr, Sutton, Terrell, Uvalde, Val Verde, Webb, Willacy, Zapata and Zavala.

Under Texas Department of Health (TDH) rules approved by the Texas Board of Health, 2-year-olds in the 32 counties must have one dose of the two-dose hepatitis A vaccination series.

Though the rules only apply

to school enrollment, Texas Department of Health recommends that all of the estimated 228,000 children ages 2 through 6 in the 32 counties be vaccinated against hepatitis A.

Hepatitis A is a viral disease spread by the fecal-oral route through close personal contact or by consuming contaminated food or water.

"This vaccine will keep kids from getting sick when they don't have to and keep them from spreading hepatitis A to their parents and other adults who are likely to suffer more severe symptoms," said Robert Crider, director of TDH's immunization division.

Texas State Technical College begins new student registration Aug. 2

WACO - Texas State Technical College will register new students for the Fall Quarter weekdays from Aug. 2 to Aug. 31.

Individuals just getting started can use extended registration hours, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 2 or regular hours, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays through Aug. 30.

TSTC will offer extended hours again from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Aug. 31. Fall Quarter classes begin Sept. 1.

TSTC offers a full range of financial aid options, from the Federal Pell Grant to guaranteed student loans.

Because the financial aid application process can take several weeks to complete, those in need of financial assistance should contact the TSTC Financial Aid Office immediately at (254) 876-4814.

Texas State Technical College

in Waco offers more than 30 instructional programs in critical and emerging fields. Students can study for one year certificates and two year Associate of Applied Science degrees in programs that cover automotive, aviation, biomedical equipment, chemical technology, digital media design, environmental health, computers, lasers, semiconductors, telecommunications, industrial maintenance, manufacturing engineering, drafting, welding and more.

Texas State Technical College in Waco is part of the only state-supported technical college system in Texas. Other campuses are located in Harlingen, Marshall and Sweetwater.

With more than 40 instructional programs in critical and emerging technologies, TSTC is preparing a workforce to meet the demands of industries and businesses. For more information, visit TSTC's Web site at www.tstc.edu, call toll free 1-800-792-8784 or call direct (254) 867-3371.

Red Cross offers scholarships

Red Cross instructors teach those around them how to stay safe and healthy. Under a national American Red Cross grant, money for scholarships for those wishing to learn these skills has become available.

Any individual living in Bandera, Dimmit, Edwards, Kinney, McMullen, Medina, Real, Uvalde, Val Verde, and Wilson counties who wish to become an American Red Cross

volunteer Health & Safety Services instructor is eligible to apply for scholarships. The scholarship includes free tuition in Red Cross sponsored courses, plus travel and lodging. There are scholarships available for 30 instructor candidates.

Successful applicants must volunteer to teach at least three Red Cross-sponsored courses per year in their area. Instructors receive technical and practical support from the San Antonio Area Chapter. Applicants must meet all standard prerequisites for instructor training development. Those interested in taking advantage of this opportunity are encouraged to call the San Antonio Area Red Cross at (800) 775-6803 ext. 254 to request an application.

Obituary

Jack Robbins

Gerald and Hazel Ivey have returned from Portales, New Mexico where they attended the funeral services of her brother, Jack Robbins.

Jack was born in Sweetwater, Texas and moved with his family to Portales in 1940. He served with the U.S. Army from 1942 until he was wounded near Florence, Italy. After several months recovery at Bushnell Army Hospital in Utah, he returned to Portales and resumed his farming interests.

He is survived by his wife, children and grandchildren, his twin Jim, brother, E.B., and sister, Hazel Ivey.

Military honors were presented at the burial service by the Cannon Air Force Base Honor Guard

Rotary awards scholarship to Arreola

Continued from front page already visited the campus and received her identification, class schedule, parking permit, paid her tuition, and will have twelve hours this semester.

In addition to the basic classes, she is taking an art class entitled "Survey of Modern Art." The orientation leader told the future students that under a new program five members can form a new club. One person already has her own fan club with only five members.

Although she is eager to begin something new, she still is going to miss that closeness, security and serenity of Brackettville.

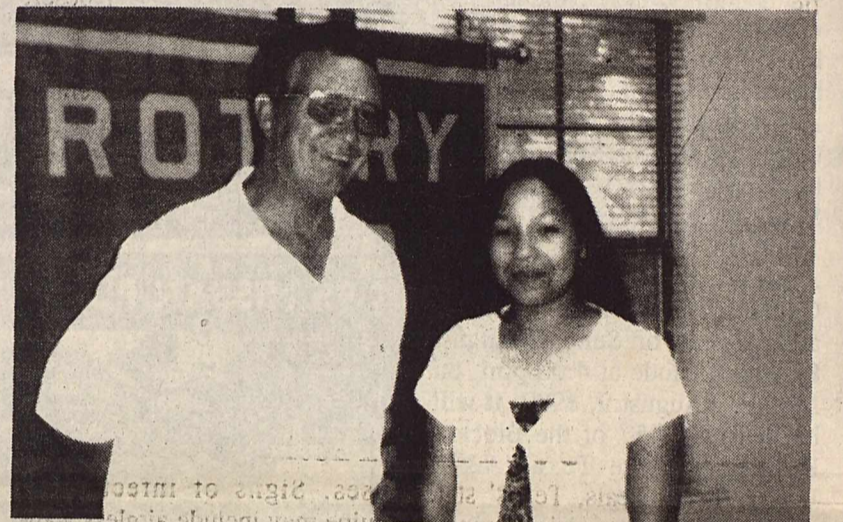
UTSA has an enrollment of 19,000 students and only 500

hundred of them living on campus and is presently going through an expansion program to include a day care center and a new gym which will be covered by a dome of natural light.

Stephenson provided the Rotarians with an update on the new Brackett High School building with descriptions of color schemes and anticipation of completion this week.

He also briefly explained the increase in test scores over the past three-four years which indicate the students are doing better than four or five years ago.

The meeting closed with praises from both Alex and Stephenson for the school system, its teachers and its students.



Pictured above is Alex Arreola and Taylor Stephenson.

Public Notice

On August 9, 1999 at 1:00 p.m., the Commissioners Court of Kinney County, Texas will hold a public hearing in the Kinney County Courthouse, 501 Ann Street in Brackettville, Texas, 78832, to consider an ordinance prohibiting the disposal of municipal solid waste in two areas of the County as shown on the attached maps and described in the proposed ordinance.

The Kinney County Commissioners Court has conducted a Takings Impact Assessment concerning the proposed action. In summary, the Takings Impact Assessment resulted in the following determinations: (1) that the proposed action is a "covered action" as defined in the Private Real Property Rights Preservation Act because it consists of the adoption of an ordinance; (2) that no existing private property rights will be affected because no person who presently has the right to dispose of solid waste in specific areas will be affected by the ordinance; (3) that the proposed action is exempt from the Private Real Property Rights Preservation Act; and (4) that the proposed action will not reduce the market value of any property owner's property by more than 25%.

The proposed ordinance is attached. A copy of the proposed ordinance and the Takings Impact Assessment are available for public inspection during the normal office hours at the Office of the County Judge in the Kinney County Courthouse, 501 Ann Street, Brackettville, Texas. At the conclusion of the public hearing, the Commissioners Court may take action on the proposed ordinance.

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE DISPOSAL OF MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE IN CERTAIN AREAS OF KINNEY COUNTY AND PROVIDING CIVIL AND CRIMINAL PENALTIES

Be it ordered and adopted by the Commissioners Court of Kinney County, Texas;

SECTION I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

WHEREAS, the Kinney County Commissioners Court has both the responsibility and the authority to protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Kinney County, Texas; and

WHEREAS, Section 364.012 of the Texas Health and Safety Code allows the Kinney County Commissioners Court to designate areas of the County in which solid waste disposal are allowed and not allowed; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Solid Waste Disposal Act, Chapter 361, TEXAS HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE, specifically defines the terms "municipal solid waste", and "disposal" of solid waste in Section 361.003 of the Act; and

WHEREAS, the regular collection and management of municipal solid waste materials attracts birds to a municipal solid waste disposal facility such as a landfill; and

WHEREAS, the normal and legal management of municipal solid wastes at individual homes, farms and ranches does not create a significant risk of attraction of birds; and

WHEREAS, Kinney County is home to and in the migration corridor for a number of types of birds, many of which are large or otherwise create risks of accidents with aircraft; and

WHEREAS, there is a high population of vultures in Kinney County, particularly during the winter; and

WHEREAS, the location of municipal landfills has the potential to change the migration patterns of birds; and

WHEREAS, flight paths for aircraft from two air fields of United States Air Force are in Kinney County, those air fields being Laughlin Air Force Base air field in Val Verde County and the Laughlin auxiliary air field near Spofford, in Kinney County Texas; and

WHEREAS, both air fields are used by the Air Force for training new pilots using aircraft that are at risk of serious damage from bird strikes; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Air Force has previously had to pay millions of dollars to move one of Laughlin's air fields to the Spofford site because of the problems with bird strikes at the prior location; and

WHEREAS, even without the location of facilities for the disposal of municipal solid wastes near the Spofford auxiliary air field, the Air Force has had to restrict its training activities and the flying of aircraft for training purposes due to the presence of birds; and

WHEREAS, the Air Force is planning to change its aircraft for training to one that is much more expensive but is still very susceptible to accidents resulting from collisions with birds; and

WHEREAS, since 1990, there have been at least 20,800 bird strikes involving U.S. Air Force aircraft worldwide in which 33 military personnel were killed; the cost of those bird strikes was \$470.76 million; and

Whereas, since 1985, there have been 750 bird strikes at Laughlin Air Force Base and its Spofford air field; and

WHEREAS, the economic impact region of Laughlin Air Force Base (AFB) is a 50 mile radius from the base, which includes Kinney County; during fiscal year 1993, total off-base spending within the 50 mile radius of the base was \$54.15 million, with the total economic impact of the base during fiscal year 1993 \$89.26 million; and

WHEREAS, during fiscal year 1993, Laughlin AFB created approximately 459 jobs within the economic impact region, including within Kinney County; and

WHEREAS, currently, Laughlin AFB employs 1,256 persons; and

WHEREAS, Kinney County has 3,289 residents; and

WHEREAS, the welfare and economy of Kinney County is dependent on the presence of Laughlin Air Force Base; and

WHEREAS, if bird strikes caused the closing or limitation of use of any air strip of Laughlin Air Force Base, the base closure committee would be more likely to consider closing Laughlin Air Force Base; and

WHEREAS, the United States government is scrutinizing existing air force bases for closure; according to the U.S. Air Force, if the Spofford air strip had to be closed, it would make it difficult for Laughlin Air Force Base to meet its current and future mission requirements, which would, in turn, decrease the base's military value and make it more susceptible to closure under the base closure criteria; and

WHEREAS, the closure of Laughlin Air Force Base would be a very significant loss to the welfare and economy of Kinney County; and

WHEREAS, the risk of airplane crashes from bird strikes threatens the safety of residents of Kinney County; and

WHEREAS, the areas designated for no municipal waste disposal are appropriate to reduce, although not eliminate, the risks of bird strikes with air force planes because they keep the disposal of municipal solid waste far enough away from the air fields that the risk of attracting birds into the flight paths or near the air fields is significantly reduced; and

WHEREAS, areas outside the designated areas for no municipal waste disposal would not create significant risks of bird strikes if municipal solid waste disposal facilities were located there; and

WHEREAS, areas outside the designated areas for no municipal waste disposal may have other problems such as being recharge areas for the Edwards Aquifer, however, the Commissioners Court is not evaluating areas in Kinney County except for risks of bird strikes; and

WHEREAS, it is important for the development of Kinney County that the future siting of municipal solid waste disposal facilities be consistent with existing land uses to protect the public health, safety and welfare;

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that municipal solid waste disposal as defined in the Texas Solid Waste Act, is only permitted in Kinney County, Texas, if done in a location outside the designated area that is a 10 mile radius around the center of the Spofford landing strip and a 10 mile radius around the east end of the Laughlin Air Force Base landing strip as shown on Map A to this ordinance, and provided that the disposal complies with all other applicable requirements of local, state or federal laws or

regulations pertaining to such disposal; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that municipal solid waste disposal, as defined in the Texas Solid Waste Act, is not allowed in the designated area that is a 10 mile radius around the center of the Spofford landing strip and a 10 mile radius around the east end of the Laughlin Air Force Base landing strip as shown in Map A in Kinney County, except that any permit or other authorization that is effective as of the date of the ordinance shall not be subject to the ordinance; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that municipal solid waste management, including disposal, by individual landowners or home owners, is not subject to this ordinance due to the insignificance of the risks associated with such management; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Commissioners Court of Kinney County reserves the right to designate at a later date other areas of the County as suitable and not suitable for municipal and other solid waste disposal based on the need to protect the health, safety and welfare of the County, and the lands and residents of the County, including the need to protect the limited surface and ground waters in the County.

SECTION 2. CIVIL REMEDIES AND PENALTIES

(a) Any violation of this ordinance is subject to a civil penalty of \$10,000.00 for each violation. This penalty is to be forfeited to Kinney County Texas. Each day that a violation con-

tinues is a separate ground for recovery.

(b) The Commissioners Court of Kinney County, Texas may bring a legal action to enforce violations of this ordinance and seek judgment for any civil penalties.

SECTION 3. CRIMINAL PENALTY

(a) Disposal of solid waste in violation of this ordinance constitutes a Class C misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.00.

(b) Each day that a violation continues constitutes a separate offense under this ordinance.

SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY

If any portion of this ordinance is deemed to be in violation of the statutes or the constitution of this state or the United States by a court of competent jurisdiction, said portion shall be severed, and the remaining portion shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE

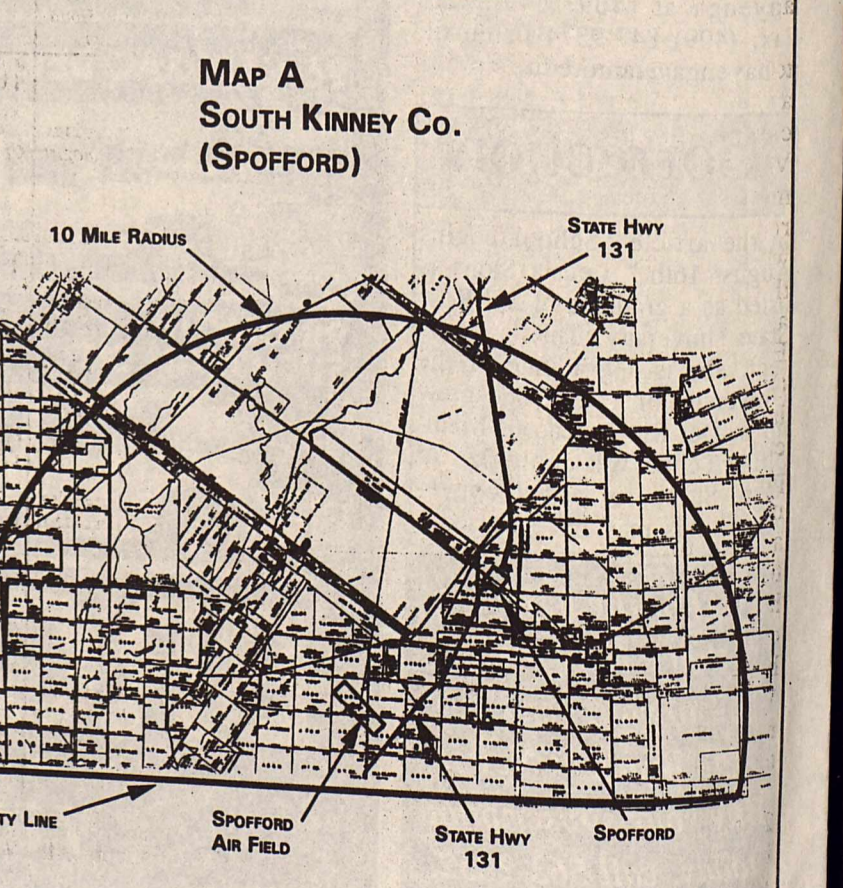
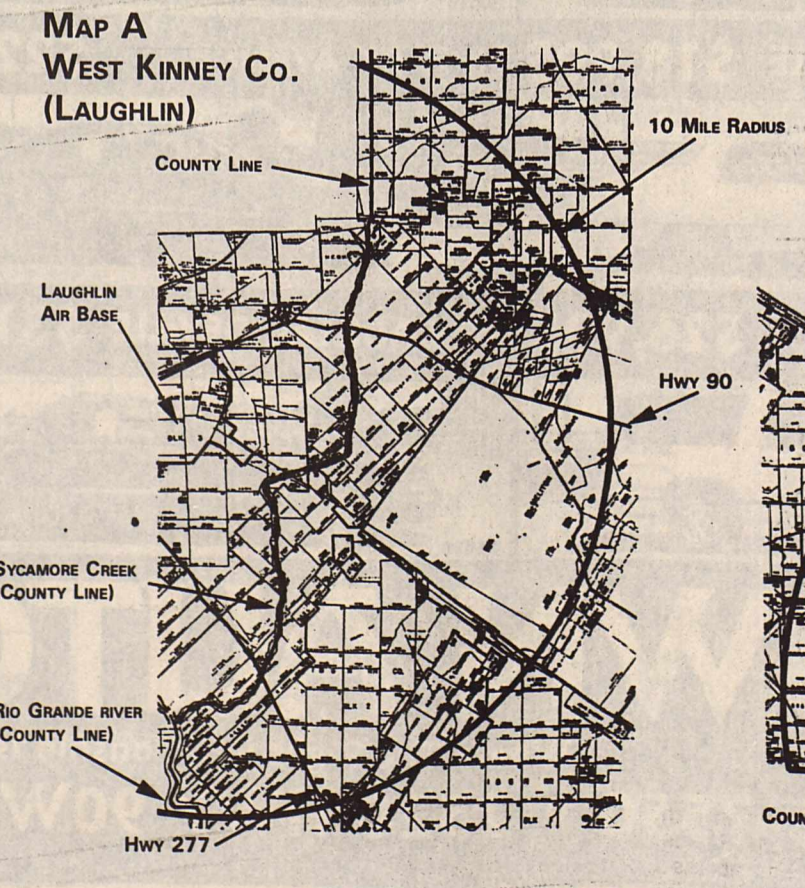
This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage.

Adopted this ___ day of ___, 1999, by a vote of ___ ayes and ___ nays.

Herb Senne, County Judge

Dora Elia Sandoval, County Clerk

/Ordinance



Dove season is almost upon us

Guns, smoke and Campfires
Steven R. LaMascus

Well fellow miscreants, dove season is almost upon us. Are you ready? I have been shooting NSSA skeet all summer (though not particularly well) and thought I was ready for hunting season. However, a trip to the skeet range with one of my hunting guns proved just how wrong I was. The disciplines are totally different in ap-

plication. Skeet is a game of timing, while dove hunting is, mostly, a game of reflexes.

American skeet is shot from a ready position with the gun at the shoulder. You know exactly where the target is coming from, exactly where it is going, and you control exactly when it will appear. An average skeet shooter will miss about five or six (surely less than ten) targets out of every hundred. This is unheard of when hunting doves.

A mourning dove is the aerobatic master of the avian world. He and his kin are the Flying Wallendas of feathers. A thoroughly motivated mourning dove can perform aerial gyrations that would make the Blue Angels or the Thunderbirds blush with envy. I have lost count (if I ever kept count) of the number of times I touched off a shot at a dove and watched as he suddenly changed altitude, attitude, and direction of travel in a mi-

crosecond, leaving me standing bird less in awe and admiration. You simply cannot practice for that kind of aerial skill.

While practice for the airborne antics of doves may not be possible, it is infinitely possible to get your shooting eye in tune. That is what skeet, trap, five stand and sporting clays does for you. It keeps that old shotgun feeling natural in your hands and keeps your concentration sharp. Besides, it's fun!

Harsher poaching penalties highlight new legislation

A Little on the Wildlife Side
Henry Lutz

AUSTIN - Poachers be warned. Texas leadership is sending a strong message to those who might think the grass is greener on the other side of the fence, particularly where big game poaching is involved.

Recently enacted legislation provides for felony charges and a mandatory jail sentence, even for first-time poachers who violate certain statutes.

The new law, created through HB 2526 in the 76th Legislature, takes effect Sept. 1 and establishes severe penalties for poaching activities, including hunting or fishing without landowner consent, hunting from a motor vehicle, hunting with a light and hunting at night.

The law also carries stiff consequences for using or possessing a fish-shocking device and for failure to retrieve and keep big game carcasses in an edible condition. In addition to the stiffer criminal penalties, the law also provides for mandatory loss of hunting and fishing li-

censes for a period of one to five years.

According to law enforcement officials with Texas Parks and Wildlife (TPW), HB 2526 is one of several pieces of new legislation aimed at curbing abusive and illegal poaching activities involving the state's wildlife resources.

"These game laws have some sharper teeth now and hopefully the enhanced penalties will be an effective deterrent," said TPW law enforcement director Jim Robertson.

"Outlaws are going to have to ask themselves if the risk to poach a deer is worth going to jail for two years and paying a \$10,000 fine."

Under the new TPW State Jail Felony classification, individuals convicted of taking a desert bighorn sheep, white-tailed deer, pronghorn antelope or mule deer without the consent of the landowner are subject to incarceration for 180 days to two years and a possible fine of \$1,500 to \$10,000. A second conviction carries a fine of up to \$10,000 and incarceration for

two years to 10 years. Stiffer penalties will also apply if a poacher is convicted of wasting a big game animal carcass, as is often the case with poachers known as "head hunters" who take only the trophy racks.

On first offense for wasting a big game carcass the violator is subject to confinement in jail for up to one year and a fine of \$500 to \$4,000. Upon a second conviction for wasting a big game carcass, the violation becomes a TPW State Jail Felony.

While taking big game without landowner consent was the focus of the new law, other illegal hunting and fishing activities were also addressed.

A second conviction for hunting from a motor vehicle, hunting at night, hunting with a light or wanton waste of wildlife resources carries a TPW State Jail Felony charge.

The legislation also created provisions in the law allowing for the confiscation and forfeiture of equipment used in the commission of these violations, including weapons and other personal property (e.g. knives,

spotlights, etc.) aircraft and vessels.

Other enacted legislation having an impact on hunters, anglers, boaters and outdoor resources include:

-Alcohol Limits for BWI - SB 114 provides that a person boating is intoxicated if he or she has an alcohol concentration of .08 or more.

-License and Permit Denial - SB 1302 allows TPW to refuse to issue a license, tag or permit to persons who have been finally convicted of a violation and has failed to fully pay court-ordered civil restitution.

-Inspection of vessels/motors for issuance of HIN/serial number - HB 3462 gives TPW the authority to require an inspection of a vessel/motor that does not have, or has an altered, destroyed, or removed HIN/serial number by a game warden prior to the issuance of a number.

The inspection/application process for a HIN/serial number, which carries a \$25 fee, will verify ownership and validity of reason for not having a HIN/serial number.

Angora Goat Sale Encouraging

Encouraging signs for the mohair industry were seen in the strong demand for fine, high yielding, uniform fleeced bucks and does at the Twelfth Joint Haby-Lockhart, Ross-Speck Angora Goat Production Sale at the Hill Country Youth Exhibit Center at Kerville on July 24th.

The interest in a beautiful set of yearling does and stud buck prospects was probably fueled by the 4-H and FFA members with or starting Angora goat projects.

There was also keen competition among registered (stud) breeders for the top animals. Probably most important there were commercial producers, the main stay of the industry, buying high quality range bucks.

Recognized at the beginning of the sale and in the catalog were James and Ruth Wittenburg, their daughters, Jimmie Ruth Evans and Marylee Wittenburg, and their son Charlie Joe.

This family has served long and well the ranching business. They bred both registered and commercial Angora goat and Rambouillet sheep.

Mark Tilman, auctioneer from Junction, dropped the gavel on 24 lots of yearling

does and 48 lots of yearling bucks. The 24 does averaged \$414 and the 48 bucks averaged \$557.

Highest price paid for a buck was the \$3000 Edward Earwood of Sonora paid for a Speck buck. Earwood also bought the high selling doe from Speck for \$1600. Jimmy Holman of Sonora purchased the second high selling buck for \$1350. Holman also bought the two Haby, Lockhart, Ross, Speck pure South Africans bucks for \$1100 and \$1050.

The second high selling doe went to Chance Armke of Sonora for \$1125 and Colby Mitchell of Sanderson paid \$800 for the third high selling doe. Volume buyers include Edward Earwood-four head for \$5450, L.C. Hengst, Jr. and Pamela Hengst-nine head for \$3550. Jimmy Holman-three head for \$3500, and Chance Armke-three head of \$2375. The partnership sincerely appreciates the buyers faith in the mohair industry and their confidence in the HLRS Angoras. We thank, auctioneer, Mark Tillman, ring men, Mac Gilliat and Eddie Holland, the clerks, and everyone that attended the sale and helped make it a success.

Have horses vaccinated: State Veterinarian advises

Dr. Terry Beals, Texas' state veterinarian, is advising owners to have equine vaccinated against encephalomyelitis, or "sleeping sickness," a mosquito-transmitted disease that can cause serious illness or death among affected horses, donkeys, mules or ponies. Eastern Equine Encephalomyelitis (EEE) has been diagnosed in several horses and emus in East and Southeast Texas and Louisiana. The disease should not be confused with Equine Infectious Anemia (EIA), an equine virus for which there is no vaccine or cure.

"A vaccine is readily available to protect equine against both the Eastern and Western forms of encephalomyelitis. The vaccine is administered by private practicing veterinarians and requires two injections, 30 days apart. A booster shot is then needed annually or biannually," said Dr. Beals, who heads the Texas Animal Health Commission, the state's livestock health regulatory agency. He said some veterinarians also employ the encephalomyelitis vaccine in an off-label use to protect ratites (emus, rheas and ostriches) against the disease.


Dr. Beals encouraged owners to have equine vaccinated with a three-way or "trivalent" vaccine that also protects against the Venezuelan form of encephalomyelitis, if the animals travel or reside south of Highway 90, which crosses from Del Rio, east through San Antonio, Houston and Beaumont. "Venezuelan Equine Encephalomyelitis (VEE) has not been diagnosed in the U.S. since the 1970s, but cases in Mexico have been reported occasionally, and equine near the border should have the added protection, unless they're to be shipped internationally," he said. Equine traveling to other countries often are required to have a negative VEE test, and VEE-vaccinated animals may be rejected, due to "false-positive" test results.

EEE has been isolated from 27 different types of mosquitoes in the U.S. The mosquitoes feed on infected birds and then transmit the encephalomyelitis vi-

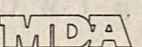
rus. Signs of infection in equine may include aimless wandering, fever, circling, convulsions and paralysis. Because rabies and "sleeping sickness" can mimic each other, the sick animal should be tested to confirm a diagnosis and thereby, protect the health of the owner or caretaker.

"Besides having the animals vaccinated for the encephalomyelitis viruses, owners should destroy mosquito breeding grounds. Drain containers that hold stagnant water, put fresh water in troughs and birdbaths, and wipe down equine with an insect repellent," said Dr. Beals.

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

Ball bearing	Bead	Eyeball	Orb
Balloon	Bubble	Globe	Planet
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BB's	Earth	Moon	

Your Horoscope by Natasha

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You have traveled to exotic and mysterious places in your mind and have brought back souvenirs from every place. Don't be afraid to share them with people.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) These have gone marching off in a direction that you don't quite understand. You don't need to approve, but don't make a fuss just yet.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You have performed the motions; now you'll have the pleasure of knowing why they were right. Sometimes it's necessary to work the problem several times over in order to understand the answer.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Nothing seems to turn out quite as you expected, but you're still able to remain positive. Actually, the chaos around you is quite funny; sit back and laugh.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You are a commanding and powerful presence; luckily, you feel benevolent toward fellow humans. Approach all endeavors with passion and precision.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Everything and everyone seem questionable, but you're not sure to whom the questions should be addressed. Avoid the counsel of strangers.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) This is not the best time to start new projects, although you may be eager to charge ahead. First, make sure that you haven't started something and forgotten about it.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Let your relationships progress to the next step. Identify what you need to improve; there are areas where you should give more and areas where you could give less.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to



December 21) Your inner artist, musician or decorator refuses to be pent up any longer. Creativity flows from your fingertips to any available medium.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Anything is up for negotiation at this time, and you are the best person to spell out the terms. Remember the value of a poker face and a steady tone of voice.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Under a calm facade lurks a natural disaster waiting to happen. Yes, that's a metaphor for you; you may want to warn people to look out for an explosion.

PISCES (February to March 20) Your normally hectic pace is a bit calmer at this time, and you find yourself attacking problems in a much more calculated manner. You find that more focused energy achieves greater results.

YOU BORN THIS WEEK: Multifaceted eclectic and constantly curious, you seem to have a knack for almost everything. You like to have your finger in many pies at once. Your ideal job is one where you can jump from one task to another at your own pace. You excel at computer science or small business management.

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HOCUS-FOCUS BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Bushes are missing. 2. Apron is different. 3. Carriage is missing. 4. Window is smaller. 5. Man's nose is different. 6. Bracecase is larger.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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Death and life are in the power of the tongue When we pray for others God changes them and us

Gateway Ministries Pastor Charolette Corey

Wives, mothers, I know you are probably a little tired by the end of the summer. You've had children at home from school, your husband around a little more than usual, friends and family dropping-in on their vacations, as well as your share of pets and problems.

and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof." (Prov. 10:21. "Every wise woman buildeth her house; but the foolish plucketh it down with her hands." (Prov. 14:1) Don't be the foolish woman. Concerning her husband, "She will do him good and not evil all the days of her life." (Prov. 31:12)

troubles, your disappointments, your expectations, and probably wants to talk to you about setting boundaries that help take the pressure off of you. 1) You don't have to live up to other people's expectations...only God's. He is a lot easier to please because he has empowered you through the Holy Spirit by His Living Word in the name of Jesus to achieve it.

3) Don't talk about divorce (even in a moment of jesting or seriousness). You will end up planting a seed of doubt that will destroy your relationship later. If you've already done it, ask God to redeem your words by covering them with the blood of Jesus and never speak of it again. 4) Your children are your "vineyard". Plant good seed in them by teaching them the Word of God and living by it.

Frontier Baptist Church Joe Townsend

For many years I had a plaque on my office wall that reminded of a simple truth. "Prayer changes things." Anyone who follows Christ has had many experiences to verify this statement. There is an expansion of this idea that is even more real. Prayer changes people. It's hard to fathom the problems Job had. His friends and even his wife turned against him. He had lost everything. Three of his friends finally changed their attitude and went to God. He told them that their sin was so grievous he would not hear them. He told them if they would take substantial offerings to Job and Job would pray for them and God would give heed to Job's prayer.

even for his enemies, the person changes. When Jonah defied God he finally wound up in the belly of a "great fish" and after three days and nights with sea weeds wrapped round his head he prayed. God forgave him and caused the Great fish to vomit him up to continue and do what God told him to do. Anytime a person prays he reveals his humility before God. Prayer reveals the weakness of the individual and a dependence on God. When a person prays he reveals that peculiar relationship between the creator and his creation. When we pray for others God changes them and us. When we pray for ourselves God changes us. Even when we pray for others God changes us. Sunday will be a very special day at Frontier Baptist Church. During the morning worship service the Lord's Supper will be served. Following the service the church will celebrate the 100th Birthday of Sterling Evans. There will be the monthly fellowship luncheon. Everyone is cordially invited to worship and celebrate. Come and See.

Readings from The Beatitudes; Week Eight Book of Psalms

St. Johns Missionary Church William P. Adam, Sr.

Will the Lord cast off forever? And will he be favorable no more? Is his mercy clean gone forever? Doth his promise fail for evermore? Hath God forgotten to be gracious? Hath he in anger shut up his tender mercies? Selah. And I said, This is my infirmity; but I will remember the years of the right hand of the most high. I will remember the works of the Lord; surely I will remember thy wonders of old. I will meditate also of all thy work and talk of thy doings. Thy way, O God, is in the sanctuary - who is as great a God as Our God? Glory! Psalms 77:7-13. Praise God.

Submitted by St. Mary Madalene Church

As Jesus began His teaching throughout all of Galilee, the crowds following Him became larger and larger. When He saw the crowds He went up on the mountainside. After He had sat down, His disciples gathered around Him and He began to teach them. What followed is what we commonly know as the beatitudes. This week we will talk about the eighth one. Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right: theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Some people would say: Happy those who lie, steal, cheat, and who get off scotfree. However, no one can escape the eye of God, or the eye of one's own conscience, for that matter. It seems as if some people have no conscience. Their only commandment is the eleventh

commandment - Thou shalt not get caught. Even though they seem to prosper, are these people happy? How dark the world would be if everyone adopted that attitude. Those who stand up for what is right, are the light of the world and the salt of the earth. But it's not easy to stand up for what is right. It is more likely to bring you insults and injuries than to bring you honors. If you pick up wounds in taking a stand for what is right, those wounds are honorable wounds. Besides, it is a wonderful feeling to know that you are living the kind of life God wants you to live. It is a foretaste of Heaven. Let us pray to our heavenly Father for those qualities Christ wants to see in his followers. You are invited to worship with us at St. Mary Madalene Catholic Church any weekend.



(NAPS)—The new home page from The American Occupational Therapy Association, http://www.aota.org offers free information about health issues. Travelers can use online information to research and plan a vacation using the U S WEST Dex Internet Yellow Pages online at http://uswestdex.com. To learn about Intel's small business networking products, visit the Web site at www.intel.com/network/smallbiz/. The Kraft Interactive Kitchen Web site (www.kraftfoods.com) lets consumers get recipes sent to their personal computers. Legislation currently being processed could regulate access to information in a way that may adversely affect education. To learn more, visit the Web at www.hrrc.org or call 1-800-282-8273.

HEALTH

FOR WOMEN Fountain Of Youth Ideas

(NAPS)—Some people seem to age faster than others, and lifestyle may have a lot to do with it. Here are a few tips to help turn back the clock from nutritionist Edita Kaye, author of Fountain of Youth: The Anti-Aging Weight-Loss Program (Warner Books) and host of the new PBS television series Edita's Fountain of Youth: Take a break. Take a class. Stress releases aging free radicals that damage delicate cells and trigger premature aging.

Smoking If you smoke—quit. End of discussion. Add two extra carrots to your daily diet to off-set the damage smoking has caused, and add at least 1200 mg of calcium a day to rebuild cigarette-damaged bone mass.

The Rule of Five Eat five servings of youth nutrients—antioxidants—a day. Where can you find youth nutrients? In fruits and veggies. What's a serving? About the size of a baseball.

Get off the couch You can do it. Just walk 15 minutes away from your own front door. Now walk back. There! You have just met the daily Fountain of Youth fitness requirement.

Weight Training Thirty minutes just three times a week with some hand weights can help prevent osteoporosis—which kills more women than breast cancer and cancer of the uterus combined.

Supplements Supplements are a great way to make sure your body gets a steady amount of youth nutrients. What do you need? Vitamin C, Vitamin E, beta carotene, and calcium. Every day!

Face Facts Sun, stress and smoking add years to your face, but there is skin care technology available that effectively reduces signs of aging. What's new out there? Try the gentle beta hydroxy formula in Oil of Olay's Age Defying Series.

Think Positive Take the first step—visualize yourself in a younger, thinner body! Experts have identified a positive mindset as a key personality characteristic among people who age successfully.

Skin cancer self-examinations: Put your skin to the test

Exams conjure up fears in all us. Did I study hard enough? Will I pass? Do I know the material inside and out? Will it be graded on a curve? The fact is, exams are an essential component of learning valuable information. And if you think about it, one more exam—a skin cancer self-examination—really won't kill you, right? No, in fact, it could save your life. You know your skin better than anyone else. Whether it's a passing glance in a full-length mirror as you're getting dressed for work or a thorough once-over every night before bedtime, you look at your skin every day. That's why you're the best person to notice any changes or suspicious marks on your skin that could be a sign of skin cancer.

times if you've already had one melanoma. • You have a substantially increased risk of developing melanoma if you have many moles, large moles or atypical (unusual) moles. • Your risk is increased if your parents, children or siblings have had melanoma. • If you are a Caucasian with fair skin, your risk is twice as great as a Caucasian with olive skin. • Redheads and blondes have a two-fold to four-fold increased risk of developing melanoma. • Excessive sun exposure in the first 10 to 15 years of life increases your chances of developing melanoma three-fold. Conducting a skin self-examination is simple and painless. Look over your entire body, including your scalp, soles of your feet, between your toes, and the palms of your hands. You'll need a mirror to check some of these areas. Here's what to look for: • A mole that has changed size, color, shape or texture. • A mole that begins itching, bleeding, crusting or becomes irritated. • New moles. • Changes in your skin. If you spot any of these changes, see your dermatologist immediately. "If neglected, all skin cancers, especially melanoma, can be lethal," warns Dr. Darrell Rigel, MD, President of the American Academy of Derma-

tology. "That's why skin self-examinations are so critical in the detection process." In addition to practicing frequent skin self-exams, the American Academy of Dermatology recommends that everyone follow these sun safety precautions year-round. • Avoid "peak" sunlight hours - between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. - when the sun's rays are the strongest. • Apply a broad-spectrum sunscreen with a Sun Protection Factor (SPF) of at least 15, apply 15 - 30 minutes before going outdoors, and reapply every two hours, especially when playing sports, swimming, gardening or doing any other outdoor activities. Cloudy days are no exception. Sunscreens should not be used to increase the time spent in intense sunlight. • Wear protective, tightly woven clothing, such as a long-sleeved shirt and pants during prolonged periods of sun exposure. And don't forget to wear a wide-brimmed hat and sunglasses when outdoors. • Avoid reflective surfaces, which can reflect up to 85 percent of the sun's damaging rays. • No shadow...seek the shade! If your shadow is shorter than you are, the damaging rays of the sun are at their strongest and you're likely to sunburn. For more information, contact the AAD at 1-888-462-DERM or www.aad.org.

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