

Where is NCAA?

A Florida State University football player was arrested for shoplifting some \$400 worth of designers clothes, a felony. His case was plea-bargained down to a misdemeanor for which he was sentenced to some hours of community service and restitution, deferred so that he could play in Saturday's game. A store Clerk was implicated, but this no way excuses the individual; he knew he was doing wrong.

If I had any respect for Bobby Bowdon, the coach, it has evaporated. Likewise for the president of the university who knuckled under alumni pressure and backed off from suspending the felon

from the team, and, in fact from the university. Where is NCAA? It will place sanctions on a team for using an ineligible player, why not a criminal?

What an example to set for the youth of America! Mothers don't raise your boys to be cowboys, raise them to be football players and they'll get special treatment.

Another subject: isn't Chesnya about like Kosovo, a breakaway republic with innocent people bring slaughtered by its former governing body? Do you suppose our commander-in-chief will prevail on our allies to join us in bombing Moscow?

Tom Powell

Make BISSD green!

I could be wrong by Chuck Hall

Our school district has progressed a long way since the days that I was in school. This is especially true in the area of our physical plant. The appearance of our school ground is immensely more eye appealing than it used to be.

If you have not driven by the new high school lately, do so. Mr. Schuster has done a fine job of sodding the grounds with new grass.

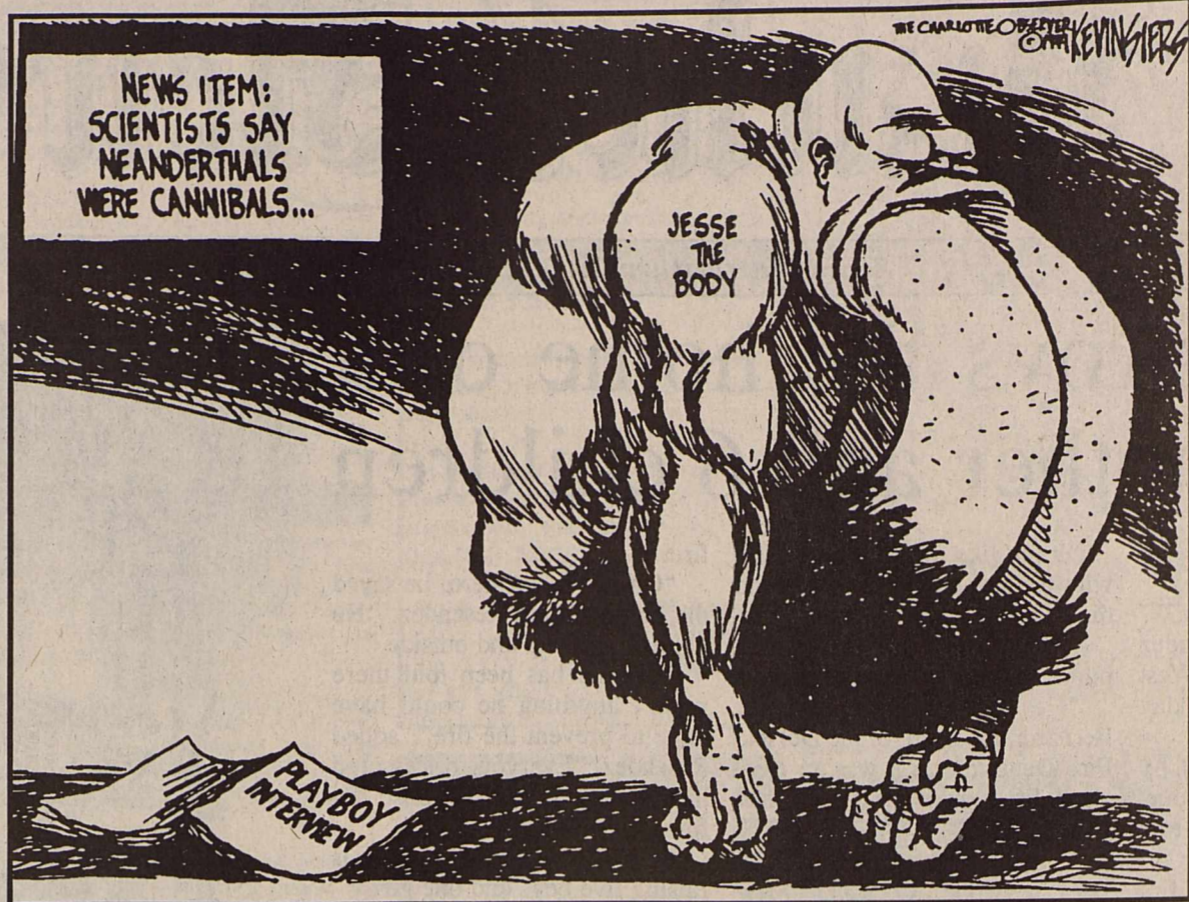
I still remember the time when students had to play on gravel and scamper up one lone mesquite tree for recreation. That poor tree didn't ever have a chance for it's branches to reach toward the heavens. With 4,000 screaming kids

clinging from the boughs, it's a wonder it didn't surrender and die.

Maybe it did. I don't remember what happened to that woody plant whose standing timber is only now a small part of my quickly fading memory.

But straightway to the point of my article. We need more. We would like to sod more of the grounds. We want to plant more trees. We wish our school facility was second to none! It can be with your help. Please make a small donation to the school. Give \$1 or \$100. Whatever you can. Tell the central office it's for a certain project. Ear-mark the money towards helping our students be extra proud of their surroundings.

You'll be glad you did. But I could be wrong.



District Attorney should be replaced

Between Us by Joe Townsend

My candidate for the most heartless, cruel publicity seeker is of course a politician, a District Attorney, Charles Kimbrough of Caldwell County.

During the flood last year, Kathleen McCoy was driving down a rural road when a wall of water washed her suburban off the road. Her son Devon, 7 years old and his friend Heather Cottle 11 years old were swept away to their death.

Now this publicity seeking D.A. has charged Ms. McCoy with manslaughter and threatens to charge her with using the suburban as a deadly weapon to seek to enhance and lengthen a prison

sentence. It's hard to believe that any jury in the State of Texas would sustain these totally ridiculous charges. If this is taken to court, when it is over the people of Caldwell County should replace this D.A. who is nothing but an embarrassment to those who elected him. If this goes to trial, when it is finished there should be a way for Ms. McCoy to sue this D.A. for malfeasance and make him a pauper as long as he lives. It is shameful that this persecuted lady has to spend money on a lawyer just to protect her from a legal vulture.

As long as she lives Ms. McCoy will have a burdened heart over the loss of the two children. For those who live in this area we

know of the dangers of "walls of water" washing cars off the road. In the area where this problem arose it is almost totally unknown. It is not all that rare for a car to be swept from the road by a wall of water. It would not take a very great wall of water to wash a suburban off the road. Certainly there was no criminal intent on the part of Ms. McCoy. If the D.A. doesn't have any crime in Caldwell County that he can use his office to persecute grieving women he should be fired. He has patently shown he has no concept of his responsibility. I would suggest Mr. Kimbrough become acquainted with Jesus Christ. To follow Him he will thus avoid such satanic actions.

November is Diabetes Month

submitted by Congressman Henry Bonilla

Every November this column announces National Diabetes Month. The goal is to increase awareness of this killer, as well as update you on recent developments.

Blindness, heart attack, stroke, kidney failure and amputations can all result from diabetes, which impairs, or even halts, your body's ability to process food sugar into energy. You may already know this because a friend or family member suffers from this terrible disease. Maybe even you have it. In fact, perhaps the scariest thing is that of the 850,000 Texans who have diabetes, half of them may not even know it.

Could you be at risk for diabetes? You are if you are over 45, overweight, do not exercise regularly or have a family history of diabetes. Keep an eye out for these warning signs of diabetes: fatigue, excessive thirst, rapid weight loss, blurred vision, frequent urination and cuts or bruises that are slow to heal. The best defense against it, though, is prevention. Just by exercising, eating right and controlling your weight now, you can help control or prevent diabetes later.

The medical experts tell us that we are close to curing this killer disease. I and several members of the House Appropriations Committee have worked to ensure that these researchers have the funds they need to battle diabetes.

While the researchers make progress in the labs, there is other good news for diabetes sufferers. Recently, the Health Care Financing Administration agreed to provide Medicare coverage of insulin infusion pumps for beneficiaries who have Type I, or juvenile, diabetes. In Type I diabetes, the body can't make any insulin to process blood sugar. The battery-powered insulin pumps are about the size of a beeper. They inject preprogrammed dosages 24 hours a day through a tube to a needle inserted just under the skin. The pump not only provides diabetes patients greater freedom, but also means greater safety and fewer complications from inaccurate dosages.

Let's not forget that it is your tax dollars that help pay for medical research. Hopefully, we agree that these are national priorities that need to be addressed. Diabetes alone costs Texans almost \$3 billion each year in medical costs and lost productivity. More importantly, it is costing the lives of our fellow citizens.

One day, I hope this column can report a cure for diabetes. Until then, best defenses against diabetes are awareness and education. For more information regarding diabetes, please call the American Diabetes Association at 1-800-DIABETES.

Unsung Hero

by Joe Townsend

Another shining star among our high school students is Tara Eckenrod. She is outstanding in several areas over her school years. For four years she has been an integral part of the volley ball team. For three years she has been outstanding on the tennis team where she was named Honorable Mention for district in girls doubles. She was a member of the All Scholar Athletic team.

She is a member of both the Science and History Clubs serving as secretary treasurer of the History Club. She was treasurer of her junior class. She has received Most Outstanding student award the last two years. She has been selected as Most Beautiful for the last two years. As a junior she was selected a Most Popular and Funniest. Much of this shows the high esteem with which she is held by her fellow students. They also show her intellectual achievements. She is truly a lovely person. By her achievements she pays tribute to her parents. She is well liked and should do well through her college life. Truly Tara Eckenrod is an Unsung Hero.

What would Jesus do?

The way I see it by Steven R. LaMasacus

In a still unsolved tragedy Payne Stewart, one of the top golfers in the world, was killed in a plane crash last week. Stewart was a well-liked man of apparently high moral standards. His untimely death at the height of his career was a shock to his family and to his fellow professional golfers. There was a huge outpouring of grief, tremendous support for his family, and one of the large tournaments was suspended for a ceremony dedicated to Stewart. It was one of the most touching scenes I have witnessed in a very long time. The part that still stands out in stark relief in my memory is the shadowy figure of a piper, dressed in Highland kilts, playing a lament on the bagpipes as early morning mists and fog swirled around him. It was as though God himself was mourning the loss of the man. Anyone who could watch that and not be emotionally moved is more hardened than I am.

Then the players and, I assume, others, were given arm-bands to

wear in honor of Stewart. I think they were given out by his wife, but I am not sure of that fact. The important thing, though, is what was on the arm-bands. They simply stated "WWJD." For those of you who have been living in a monastery or in a closet, that means "What Would Jesus Do?" Of all the pomp and pageantry and ceremony that went on that misty October morning, those four simple letters said more about the man than all the speeches that could ever be given. They told us that he was a good man. They said that he was a believer in Christ. They said that he lived his life as a man should. They said he was a good father. They said he was a good husband. They said he was a good friend. They said he was kind. They also said he was in a better place.

WWJD, what do you think would happen if the world lived by those four simple letters? What if, every time, before you took any action, you stopped to consider how Jesus would have handled the same situation? What if you were having a disagreement with your

wife, or your business partner, or just an acquaintance, and before you uttered a single cross or angry word you paused and considered what Jesus would do? Would He tell the guy trying to gouge you for painting your house what a sorry, no good, lousy, stinking, cheat he was? Would He cuss and rant at the mechanic that overcharged you for work on your truck that you didn't authorize? Would He flip a vulgar salute to the driver that cut you off at that stop light? Would He keep the merchandise that the merchant forgot to charge you for? Would He try to get even with someone who had done something to you that you feel is wrong?

The loss of Payne Stewart is a human tragedy. But God can take a human tragedy and form it into a heavenly triumph. There is always a higher purpose to a great tragedy. We may not see it, and we may deny it, but it is a fact nonetheless. Millions saw the Christian arm-bands on the sleeves of all those highly visible professionals. And God does in deed work in mysterious ways. WWJD!

Touching All The Bases

submitted by Senator Kay Bailey Hutchinson

During the past year I have visited our troops in the Balkans and toured every military installation in Texas. These visits provided marvelous snapshots of our armed forces today and the many challenges they face. At each stop I met with our soldiers, sailors, airmen and their leaders.

The message was loud and clear. Health care for them and their families was at the top of their list of concerns. The military health-care benefit is no longer much of a benefit.

About 3.4 million American veterans depend on the Veterans Administration (VA) for medical care. This year the Senate has set aside \$20 billion in funding for the VA, an increase of \$1 billion over the President's budget request.

There's more we can do for

those still serving, too.

After listening to their concerns, I introduced an amendment to next year's military spending bill that will upgrade the military health-care system and ensure that America's military personnel get the care they need.

I am pleased to find that the final bill approved by Congress last month addresses all the issues. It will go a long way toward fixing the problem and improving benefits under the TRICARE program. The changes include:

- Reducing claims processing time and providing incentive for electronic processing;
- Improving TRICARE management and eliminating red tape;
- Authorizing reimbursement at higher rates where required to attract and retain qualified doctors;
- Allowing reimbursements from third-party payers to military hospitals, based on reasonable

charges, to allow the military to recoup their costs.

A little context for the concerns these changes address: those who have served and are now retired were promised quality health care. At the same time, the military has downsized by over one-third and the military health care system has downsized with it. While hospitals and clinics have closed, the number of personnel and veterans that rely on the system has remained fairly constant. In addition, our armed forces today have more married service members with families than ever before.

There is no single solution or quick fix to this problem, but we must begin now to ensure we honor our commitments. This is a critical issue to recruiting and retaining qualified people in the military—which is, in turn, critical to the security of our country.

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Fire leaves local family homeless

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Catholic Church, the Lion's Club have contributed.

Others have donated clothes and food.

Taylor Stephenson and Jones Elementary School are also collecting items on their behalf.

Resendez has received numerous calls asking her what she needs most. "I don't know, the help I've received so far has been so wonderful. The greatest need at this time is to find the funds to rent a place and take care of all of the deposits required, to take care of my family," she explained.

Resendez acknowledges the most important fact is she has her family, safe and sound.

"Ken Carpenter, my neighbor, is the one who started helping my family to recover within minutes. I have great neighbors," Resendez added.

Briefs ...

Beta Epsilon Omicron October meeting

Beta Epsilon Omicron members were welcomed to the home of Cathy Conrey for the October Meeting. The Conrey home was festive in the holiday theme and a wonderful array of salads and desserts had been prepared.

Participation in Ft. Clark Days and the Arts and Crafts Show were discussed. Revival of the annual Tea Honoring Brackett seniors met with approval and members are looking forward to renewing this tradition.

Beta Reader Conrey read a meaningful article from the August Torch magazine. Cookbooks were ordered by several members. Sondra Meil was welcomed as guest. Winter members welcomed

were Helen Peck and Jan Peck. Other members attending were Pam Melancon, Marla Madrid, Hazel Ivey, Dee Curry, Judy Hooker and Elizabeth Goebel. Cathy Conrey presented Elizabeth Goebel with the door prize.

The October Cultural event was the monthly meeting of the Historical Society at the Palisades Building where the program presented by Alamo historian Richard Curilla and a special song by Jacquelyn Conoly were enjoyed by Barbara Miller, Helen Peck, Hazel Ivey, Jan Peck and Betty Mathison. We were delighted to see former BEO member Dorothy Frank at this program.

Fall Festival at Jones Elementary

Dottie Cruz
Staff Writer

For this years' Fall Festival, the sun was warm as high winds blew confetti from busted Cascarones, across the Jones Elementary parking lot.

Cascarones, also known as confetti eggs, were being sold by the first grade to raise funds for their class field trip, later this year.

"I am glad to see the family participation and community support Jones Elementary has," said Paula Rankin, Jones Elementary Principal. This is the first year Rankin has participated in the festival.

Rankin said the purpose of the festival was to support individual classes' school field trips. Each grade raises money for field trips that are both educational and fun.

Along with the Cascarones the first grade was selling, other booths included three types of "walks". There was a Beanie baby walk, a Plant walk and the traditional Cake walk.

Pre-Kindergarten had the most physical booth with a "Basketball Toss", prizes included candy and other goodies.

Ann Couch, PTO President was present with other PTO members, encouraging parents to join. "We're trying to drum up business", Couch said.

It was probably a good day for it. During the second hour there was well over a 100 people in attendance. Moms, Dads, and children having a good time.

In reponse to the question of why the upper grades were not participating, Rankin stated, "The Seniors had planned a Haunted House but had to cancel because of College Day (career day)."

"They (the Jr. and High school classes) were invited, but weren't interested. We would have liked to have them." Rankin concluded. The next Jones Elementary

Project, will be a special show for Veteran's Day. The event is so big it will be held at the Kinney County Civic Center on November 11th and for more information or to RSVP, please call 563-2492, extension 200.



Pictured above from left: Pre-K teacher Woodie Francis Trotter and Miranda Letsinger were taking part in the Fall Festival at Jones Elementary

Constitutional amendments

100% of precincts reporting	County results		State results	
Prop 1 - To revise provisions for filling a vacancy in the office of governor or lieutenant governor	Yes	131 76%	Yes	843,440 74%
	No	42 24%	No	295,412 26%
Prop 2 - Relating to making advances under a reverse mortgage and payment of a reverse mortgage	Yes	104 60%	Yes	709,825 64%
	No	69 40%	No	397,518 36%
Prop 3 - Eliminate non-essential provisions of the Texas Constitution	Yes	138 79%	Yes	879,699 77%
	No	37 21%	No	262,699 23%
Prop 4 - Exempt property owned by charitable institutions from ad valorem tax	Yes	87 47%	Yes	585,922 51%
	No	100 53%	No	553,059 49%
Prop 5 - Allowing state employees to receive compensation for serving as member of a governing body	Yes	89 47%	Yes	515,904 45%
	No	99 53%	No	630,319 55%
Prop 6 - Increase maximum size of an urban homestead to 10 acres	Yes	142 77%	Yes	774,229 68%
	No	43 23%	No	371,581 32%
Prop 7 - Authorize garnishment of wages for enforcement of court-ordered spousal maintenance	Yes	134 74%	Yes	791,281 68%
	No	47 26%	No	372,418 32%
Prop 8 - Adjutant general to serve at the pleasure of the Governor	Yes	81 48%	Yes	530,726 48%
	No	89 52%	No	577,785 52%
Prop 9 - Authorizing legislature to create a judicial compensation commission	Yes	71 43%	Yes	449,291 41%
	No	93 57%	No	651,328 59%
Prop 10- Commissioner of health and human services serves at the pleasure of the governor	Yes	96 54%	Yes	541,746 48%
	No	81 46%	No	577,539 52%
Prop 11 - Permit political subdivisions to purchase nonassessable property insurance	Yes	115 66%	Yes	690,489 62%
	No	58 34%	No	418,773 38%
Prop 12 - Exempt from ad valorem taxation leased motor vehicles not used primarily to produce income	Yes	94 52%	Yes	640,595 57%
	No	88 48%	No	488,248 43%
Prop 13 - Issuance of \$400 million in general obligation bonds to finance educational loans	Yes	128 70%	Yes	818,309 71%
	No	56 30%	No	337,472 29%
Prop 14 - State boards, commission, governed by odd number of 3 or more members	Yes	140 81%	Yes	813,631 74%
	No	32 19%	No	292,814 26%
Prop 15 - Permits spouses to agree to convert separate property to community property	Yes	131 71%	Yes	777,629 68%
	No	53 29%	No	372,942 32%
Prop 16 - Certain counties to be divided into specific number of precincts	Yes	126 70%	Yes	706,990 64%
	No	53 30%	No	395,225 36%
Prop 17 - Relating to the investment and distribution from the permanent university fund	Yes	119 67%	Yes	679,260 62%
	No	58 33%	No	422,497 38%

Kinney County Sheriff's Report ...

Tuesday, October 26
11:42 p.m., Fort Clark Security requested a Deputy to take care of a local resident causing problems. Deputy Chism arrived and took care of the problem.

Wednesday, October 27
5:00 a.m., Julian Esquivel Rodriguez, 21, from Fort Worth was arrested by Agent Garcia, for an outstanding warrant in Tarrant County.

7:19 a.m., Border Patrol Agent Allen Stewart, phoned in a report of a one vehicle rollover on FM 131 approximately 3 to 5 miles south. EMS and DPS were dispatched to the accident.

2:55 p.m., A local resident reported a bad water leak and requested a city employee to come and fix it. Dispatcher called several city employees but received no answer. A short time later it was reported that Domingo Villereal was contacted and on his way to the residence.

8:20 p.m., A local resident reported a white truck driving through the school zone doing about 50 miles per hour and driving recklessly. Patrol was sent to the scene, the driver was a local resident.

Thursday, October 28
7:20 p.m., A local woman phoned in a report of two vehicles racing on Beaumont Street. One was a red Camaro, the second was grey car. Chief Ring was advised of the situation. Ring reported the matter was taken care of.

9:21 p.m., A local man reported that his house was being broken into. He threw a rock at the subject, but could not identify them. A witness said that she saw

the alley about 6 p.m. They were setting on the A/C unit at a local meat processing business. She didn't see them doing anything, but thought they looked suspicious. She said one was short and fat, the other was tall and skinny. No items were taken and no tracks were found. Deputy Guidry assured the complainant he would watch his house.

Friday, October 29
1:30 p.m., Juvenile reported that his stepfather was beating him and his mother. He said his mother wanted his stepfather placed in jail. Deputy Guidry and Chief Ring went to investigate. The mother said that her son had been arguing with his stepfather, but nobody had been hit. Officers didn't see any signs of physical violence and administered warnings to all parties. No charges were filed.

2:09 p.m., A local woman called and asked if she could get help with her vehicle, it had stalled out. Chief Ring reported that her husband had arrived and got the vehicle running.

6:30 p.m., William F. Click, 63, resident of Brackettville, was arrested by Deputy Guidry for theft of less than \$1500 but more than \$20. He was released on a \$7500 bond.

Saturday, October 30
4:22 a.m., Del Rio Border Patrol reported a stolen vehicle, abandoned on FM 2523 north of Hamilton Lane. The vehicle had been stolen from a local ranch. Deputy Guidry went to check it out. The owners were notified.

10:15 a.m., Deputy Guidry, Chief Ring and Game Warden

progress at 103 North Beaumont. One subject stated he had a fight with his uncle, but it was over. He did not want to press any charges. His uncle stated he might sign a complaint later.

2:45 p.m., Fort Clark Security requested an investigation of what appeared to be blood in a shower at Bullis Hall. Deputy's Guidry and Robinson were dispatched to the scene. After checking the bathtub they concluded that what appeared to be blood was actually rust. It had run out from behind loose tile. They took one photograph and left the scene.

5:15 p.m., Border Patrol Agent Balchuck reported one of his agents had an accident but there were no injuries. DPS was dispatched to the scene.

7:53 p.m., An unidentified caller reported a man selling cocaine out of a blue speckled pickup. He gave a possible license plate number. DPS was informed and went to locate the vehicle.

11:02 p.m., A local woman reported loud music was disturbing her. Deputy Chism was sent to take care of the problem.

Sunday, October 31
12:12 a.m., A local man called and reported loud music east of his residence. Deputy Chism found the source and asked them to turn the music down. They complied.

6:30 p.m., Fort Clark Security informed the Sheriff's Department that a Fort Clark Resident had been banned from the Fort due to past problems. She was back and at the motel with her mother. Security requested Deputy Chism be informed about the situation.

Lions Club Thrift Store

November 6, Hours 9 - 2
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Full size mattress, box springs and frame

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The terrain of the Leona Ranch is varied, consisting of plateaus covered with scrub-brush and grass meadows, intermixed with deep heavily wooded draws, many of which contain dry creekbeds. Windmills are located in various places providing water for wildlife.

For information call (830) 563-2961 8-5, M-F, or (830) 563-2077 evenings.

Las Moras Hispanic Organization celebrates Halloween at the Civic Center

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items and monetary donations. Martinez said, "We need business sponsors and individuals to help make the drive a success." Anyone interested may contact Ruben Martinez at 563-9103 for more details. "It's a worthy cause and we would appreciate any help."

The music for the dance was provided by DJ Ricky Sanchez of Chentes Sound from Eagle Pass.

The peak of the evening was around 10 p.m. when the winners of this year's Best Costumes were announced. An estimated 125 people were present.

Chentes Sound's DJ and staff judged the competitors. In the over 21 category, first

place winners were Martha Hooten and Ponce Padron. The second place winner was Leo Luna. The third place winner was Virginia Reyes.

In the under 21 category, first place winner was Tito Reyes. The second place winner was Amanda Flores. The third place winner was Ashley Castillo.

A set of ceramic Mr. & Mrs. Santa Claus in rocking chairs, raffled by the Seminole Indian Association was won by Edward DeLeon.

"Tonight this place is going to be safe and quite as a church," said Deputy Bobby Guidry, at the beginning of the evening.

The event concluded with no disturbances.



Pictured above from left: Vanessa Terrazas, Nat Terrazas, Gina Terrazas, Joe Eddie Jaso, Melonie Terrazas and Nadine Terrazas, arrived all dressed-up for the Halloween Festival.

Fort Clark Days

An opportunity to look back into history

Experience the way it was at Fort Clark during Fort Clark Days, Friday and Saturday, November 5 and 6 at the Fort Clark Springs Commissary.

An annual event, Fort Clark Days brings the past and present together. Re-enactors demonstrate what it was like living in the late 1800s and early 1900s. Participants in the living history demonstrations will show how women did laundry, made soap and sewed quilts for warmth in the winter. There will be Indian ritual performances throughout the day, mule tricks, two performances of the melodrama, "High Noon at Gloom Town," by the Old Quarry Society and so much more!

If you're not careful, the resi-

dent sheriff or his deputy might arrest you! Listen carefully and you might hear the footsteps of General Patton or the war cries and shouts of victory of the U.S. Cavalry. Fort Clark Days is for the whole family and a wonderful way to make memories with family and friends.

There will be food booths, arts and crafts booths, games for children and activities for adults. It all begins Friday evening with a dance from 8 - 11 p.m. On Saturday, activities begin at 8:30 a.m. and continue until 5 p.m. with a street dance following from 8 p.m. to 12 a.m. Please call Dianna Walker or Amy Davis at 830-563-2495 for more information.

McMaster was a true gentleman

Making a Difference by Taylor Stephenson

This Friday, November 5, marks the end of the second six weeks! Report cards will go out in the middle of next week. With only one six weeks left in the semester, it's time to encourage the students to work until the last day of the semester. Efforts made in the last six weeks to improve grades and to learn will have an impact. Remember that the grade that is placed on the student transcript is the semester average. So, keep working and keep trying to improve!

The Fall Festival was fun. Jones Elementary students and faculty put on a good show and gave the kids and their parents something fun to do. There were lots of parent volunteers, teachers and students involved. The weather was much better than had been predicted for Saturday afternoon.

Trick or Treating in Brackettville was held Saturday night (October 30). I'm sure some preferred the traditional October 31 date, but there were some good things about changing to the Saturday celebration. The time had not changed; so most of the visits to homes by young people took place during the daylight. Also, the best time to trick or treat is after the Fall Festival. Sugar stimulates active behavior. Monday was a much better day for learning than it would have been if we had followed the traditional celebration on Sunday night.

The District Cross Country meets were held in Dilley this past Saturday. The BHS girls team won first place in district. The boys won 3rd place. We're proud of our dedicated runners and of their coach, Mrs. Julie Bruce. Check the winners in another news story in this paper.

There were a few too many thrills at this past Friday night's ball game against Natalia. The ball

just wouldn't stay in our hands. We won despite six turnovers. In other words, we found a way to win even when the odds seemed to be stacked against us. That says a lot for the Tigers! This week, we play Dilley there. Come and support the Tigers.

The job being done to landscape the new high school is being done well. Students and their teachers working together have sodded the ground with a special variety of St. Augustine grass that was recommended by Texas A&M experts. John Paul Schuster assisted by Dave Wilkins and the landscape classes deserve recognition for this project. Drive by and take a look at what can be done when the students pitch in to improve the school and community. It's fun to watch young people guided by adults making a

difference.

Robert Davis deserves a pat on the back for surviving the hardest tackle of the season. He helps manage the high school football team. When the play came close to the sidelines, Robert tried to get away. There was no place to go, and he ended up under the bleachers. Robert got a fat lip from the action. We're thankful that he was not hurt more seriously.

One of the returning Winter Texans told me that Brackettville was prettier than he had ever seen it. He was happy to arrive back at his Winter home. These folks who live in other states half of the year add to our churches and community. We are happy that you have arrived back for the Winter visit at Fort Clark Springs.

BHS graduates do well after leaving our school. I note that J.

Wayne Ballew received the Kyle Kepple 1995 Endowed Scholarship for Petroleum Engineering at Texas A&M University. Brackettville is proud of this fine young man. We wish continued success.

Eric McMaster was truly a gentleman. He had a wit and a brilliant mind. Eric was well read and knew more about our world than several of us grouped together know. I'll miss Eric who went to his reward faster than any of us wanted him to. Our community was better because of this fine man. I know that he loved his family. We send our condolences along with the knowledge that Eric will be remembered as a good and gentle man.

It's less than a month away from Thanksgiving. Weather continues to be gorgeous in Kinney County. Have a great week.

Outdoors

The Ethics of Quail hunting

Gunsmoke and Campfires by Steven R. LaMascus

Well fellow miscreants, quail season is now officially open. My life is now complete. The two worthless mutts I feed all year long will now fulfill the role for which I furnish them room and board for the other nine months.

Quail are animals of a structured life. They are punctual and predictable. If you find them at one spot at a specific time one day, you will probably find them there again the next day, or the next week. Also, in this dry and harsh environment, they are much more dependent on human largess than in other, more hospitable climates. Quite often you will find them near game feeders or domestic livestock water sources. They learn to stay near these areas which supply them with the staples of life. This can make them easy

targets for unscrupulous brigands. A few years ago a friend of mine had some hunters on a ranch he was operating. He told them they could hunt the quail, but not to hunt them around the feeders. He also told these "hunters" that he had to leave for a while to take care of business.

When he returned, much sooner than he had expected, he found the so-called hunters had gone to every single feeder and shot every single quail they could find. They had the back of the pickup almost half-full of quail. They decimated the entire population on several thousand acres in just a few hours. It took years for the quail to return to healthy levels. My friend simply ran these criminals off the place. I would have taken them to the nearest Game Warden, probably after I had tried to remove their arms from their bodies. Such waste and

criminality is unforgivable.

Quail are a gentleman quarry. They are well-mannered little folks that deserve to be hunted in a civilized and restrained way. If you don't have a dog, at least have the courtesy and decency to hunt them on foot, shoot them on the wing, and take only the legal limit, or less.

Quail are good cooked almost anyway you can fix them. I like them fried, baked, grilled and sautéed. I tend to prefer them chicken fried, but you can find your own favorite method.

Just remember that quail are not like doves. They are not migratory. They are here summer and winter and the way they are treated by you will determine the health and numbers of the population. So, please, be a sportsman and take only your fair share and leave some for seed. Never shoot a covey into oblivion.

Applications for Game Wardens available soon

A little on the Wildlife side by Henry Lutz

AUSTIN — Texas Parks and Wildlife (TPW) is taking applications for a game warden cadet class scheduled to start in July of 2000. Applications will be available starting Oct. 26 and will be accepted through Dec. 2.

The 47th Game Warden Academy is scheduled to begin its seven month training on July 3, 2000. More than 400 people applied for 25 positions in the previous cadet class that will graduate Jan. 17, 2000.

Applicants must be at least 21 years old on or before July 3, 2000 and have a bachelors degree from an accredited college or university with major course work in criminal justice, natural resources, environmental science, fish or wildlife management, parks and recreation or a closely related field. The degree requirement must be met before the starting date of the cadet class.

To be accepted applicants must meet the minimum eligibility requirements and successfully complete a written examination, regional interview, final interview and physical agility test in Austin, as well as extensive background investigation.

After graduation, the new game wardens will be assigned to vacant stations throughout Texas to protect the state's natural resources. Game wardens also enforce the Water Safety Act and perform standard peace officer duties.

Applications may be obtained after Oct. 26, 1999, from TPW regional law enforcement offices or by contacting TPW, personnel office, 4200 Smith School Road, Austin, TX 78744, (800) 792-1112. The vacancy announcement can be viewed and applications can be down loaded from the TPW Web site www.tpwd.state.tx.us. Packets may also be picked up at the Game Warden Training Academy, 100 W. 50th Street, Austin,

TX 78751 or by calling (512) 454-5619.

For more information, contact the department at the numbers listed above or your local Game Warden.

Here is a quick reminder of the upcoming Hunting Season dates: Deer and Turkey: North of US 90 in Kinney County. Nov. 6-Jan. 2; Muzzle loader: North of US 90 only, for antlerless and spikes only, runs Jan. 8-16, 2000. South of US 90 — Nov. 13-Jan. 16 with a late season, for antlerless and spikes only, running Jan. 17-Jan. 30.

Quail season: Statewide: October 30, 1999 through February 27, 2000.

Archery season: Ended October 31, 1999

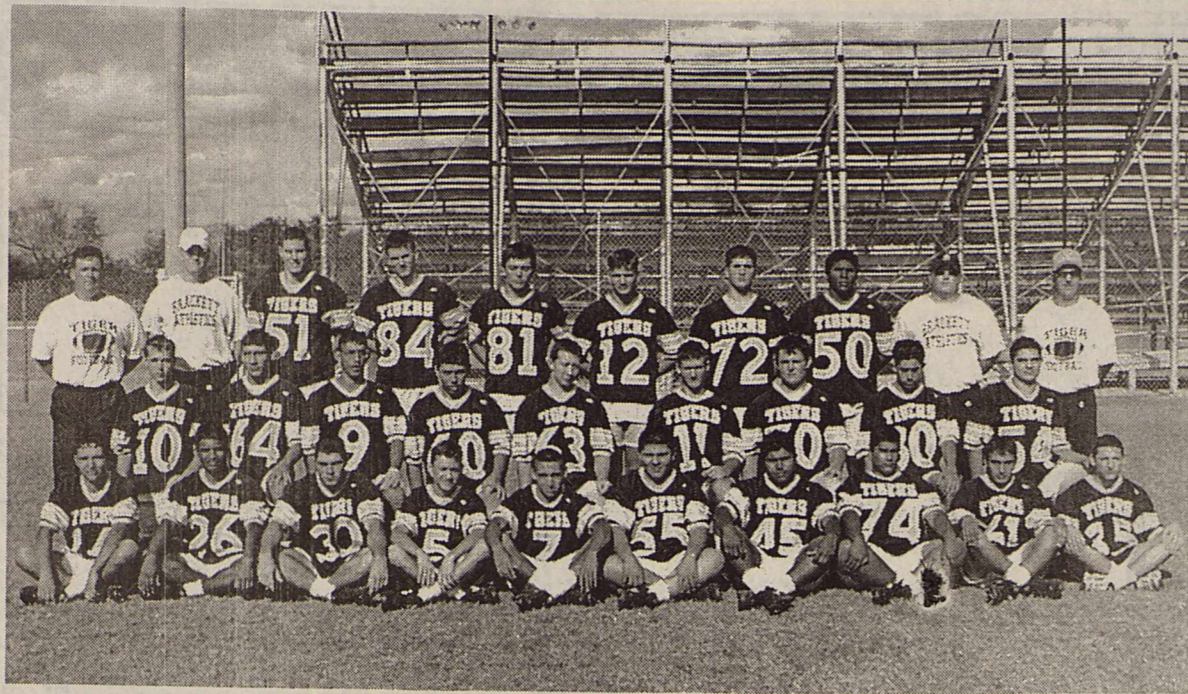
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Tigers mute the Mustangs 27-18

Jacob Hughes
Sports Writer

BRACKETT- The Brackett Tigers were looking to make history Friday night. Brackett has not consecutively made the playoffs since the early 1990's. The Tigers were obligated to beat Natalia in order to clinch a play-off spot. Brackett, despite some turnovers, pulled through and claimed a little piece of Brackett High School history by beating the Natalia Mustangs 27-18.

The Tigers offense cashed in big during Friday's battle. The team's duo of Jesse Hidalgo and Brandon Moore pulled it off again

by racking up over 300 yards between them.

Individually, Hidalgo ran for 238 yards off of 22 carries. Jesse averaged a little over a first down per carry (10.8/carry). He also was the first to score for the Tigers on a 64 yard run.

Brandon Moore would prove to be a work horse indeed. Moore rushed for 125 yards on 25 carries, averaging 5 yards per carry. Brandon would also score on scampers of 3, 2, and 9 yards to propel the Tigers in to their third district win.

"Offensively we did a good job despite the fumbles. The team had their backs to a wall and showed great character by pulling through and beating Natalia." Coach

Yeager

Defensively the Tigers buckled down and stopped 4 drives out of 6 that were given to the Natalia Mustangs off of Tiger fumbles. The Tigers held the Mustangs to only 7 first downs compared to the Tigers 17 first downs. From the offensive aspect the Mustangs rushed for 98 and passed for 53. The Tigers recovered Natalia's only fumble and intercepted the ball 3 times (Davis-1, Hughes-2).

The Tigers now face off against the Dilley Wolves to try and repeat history one more time by beating the Wolves consecutively. The winner of Brackett-Dilley will face the loser of Stockdale-Poth; the loser of Brackett and Dilley will play Blanco.

Tigerettes win district Cross Country

by Julie Bruce
Contributing Writer

Last Saturday, the Tigercette Cross Country Team won the District 30-2A Cross Country Meet with a score of 46 points. They beat Jourdan 49 points, Comfort 50 points and Dilley 70 points. This is the third title in a row for the team. Duquesa Hunt led the Tigercettes with a fourth place finish. Melinda Villarreal 6th place, Leslie Meyer 9th, Nicole Mata 12th, Brittany Shewbart 15th, Vanessa Casitillo 16th and Queta Garza 20th.

For the boys, who placed 3rd as a team Thomas Crow placed 4th, Jaime Montalvo 9th and James Burks 10th. Other runners were Joey Escamilla and Rudy Ramirez.

Both teams qualified for the Regional Meet Saturday at University of San Antonio.

The JV girls had the following place, Candance Ingram 1st, Julie Juarez 2nd and Celena Cano 3rd. Eliot Stone placed 3rd in the JV boys division.

Remember, stalactites hang down from the roof of a cave and stalagmites rise up from the floor of a cave.

Natalia topples Tigerettes

Jacob Hughes
Sports Writer

The Tigerettes fell to the Natalia Mustangs Friday afternoon in two matches. I have to correct myself on the girl's play-off record. They did not make it to the state playoffs in 1997 under Coach Vasquez. This is only

the third time that the girls have not made the playoffs in this decade.

Natalia clinched the playoff spot by beating the Tigerettes in games of 15-5, 15-5.

Duquesa Hunt was the teams leading scorer with 3, Laura Lee Ballew, Jamie Bader, and Erica Garcia all had 2.

Hunt and Ballew led the team in aces as well with 2 apiece. Garcia had 2 kills, while Michelle Melancon had 2 assists.

Queta Garza, and Ballew had 2 digs. Seniors, Latoya Wright and Jamie Bader both had 1. Michelle Bizzell led the team in blocked shots with 1. The girls finished the season at 9-14.

Somethings never change

by Amanda Cruz
Contributing Writer

Although football has changed drastically since Brackett's championship season of '51, the immense impact a coach has on a young man's life has not.

Coaches obviously play the major role in Tiger football. "We also have a great coaching staff. Coach Brock, Coach Thomas, and Coach Voyles do a great job with these young men. They coach them as (if they were) their own sons." said Head Coach David Yeager. The coaches not only teach the rules and regulations of football; they also infuse discipline, truth, and self-control.

Coty Williams said the most inspirational choice of words by Coach Yeager were, "If it is to be, it's up to me".

Yeager has coached for 13 years and been associated with organized football since he was in junior high. He encourages his players to be themselves and play as themselves, which he learned from his dad.

Yeager gives recognition to his father for teaching him discipline and work ethics. Yeager repeatedly said he believed the Tigers were a strong and unselfish team. "We may not have the best eleven, but our eleven play the best," said Yeager.

Players agree, practices are both intense and enjoyable. Conditioning and running plays the biggest part in their practices. Discipline keeps the Tigers under the coaches control and tames the rebel side of players. Coaches hope the discipline students obtain from these experiences will better them as modern day workers.

"Coach Yeager says, 'The more you sweat in training, the less you bleed in battle', said Brandon 'Troll' Moore.

The supportive attitude from the community and student body doesn't go unnoticed or unappreciated by the Tigers.

"You could rob Brackettville blind on a Friday night, during football season," Moore said.

Moore, Zach Davis, Steven Hagler, and Williams, team captains, all agreed that the student body goes out of their way to see the Tigers play. They follow the Tigers wherever they go with support and confidence in them. The spectators in the stands pour out on the field after every game to show their pride of their home town team. A great deal of affection and encouragement is displayed for every Tiger, from family members, friends, and complete strangers.

Reasons for playing football

vary from player to player. Everyone has their own feelings.

"We're like a family on the field. We win together, we lose together, that's what makes the game so great," said Williams.

"Playing football with the guys I've grown up with is something I'll remember for the rest of my life. We may not be the most physically gifted, but we've stuck together through it all," said Davis.

"The reason I play football, is that I get to play with my teammates for one goal and the feeling that you win together and lose together as a team," said Hagler.

In the fifties, post game activities included hanging out and talk-

ing about hits and cruising to pass the time. It has been almost 50 years and it hasn't changed. The Tigers today agree that some may go their separate ways, some may go cruising, and some go visit their girlfriends but in the end, sitting in the field house and talking about the game is most popular.

One thing that has changed is padding. In contrast, to the fifty's leather helmet, the Tigers now wear plastic head gear to better protect from injury.

"We've got a lot more, the basic pads are still the same but they're made a lot stronger, and have padding underneath to make them more comfortable," said Moore.

Cubs pound Panthers

Jacob Hughes
Sports Writer

Congratulations to the fighting Cubs for a big win over Nueces Canyon. The boys won 24 to 14. Nathan Luna ran in for 6 behind great blocks by Chestin

Clarke. Nathan also ran the conversion that was good for two points. Next score came from Matt Jackson on the option. Matt scored the conversion as well. Nathan scored last for the team, Matt Jackson ran the 2-point conversion in.

Junior High Tigerettes win District Cross Country

by Julie Bruce
Contributing Writer

The Junior High girls won the District Cross Country Meet.

They were paced by Julianne Ashabranner who won the meet. Ashley Smith was 5th, Sarah Meyer 8th, Sabrina Silver 9th and Emily Petrosky 16th.

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Fuentes resigns as Chief Appraiser

By Tanya Kay McClure

"It really didn't take too long to make this decision, it's a very stressful job," said Fuentes. Fuentes stated she made

the decision to resign after the board meeting on May 27th. "This resignation was the result of the statement directed to me by Secretary, Gloria Garcia," said Fuentes. According to Fuentes,

Garcia stated that, the Board could hire anyone off the street as long as they have a high school diploma or the equivalent to do the Chief Appraiser's job.

M.U.D. Approves sale of water to Detention Center

Fort Clark Springs Municipal Utility District, Board of Directors approved to supply water to the new Detention facility, last Monday.

"We feel extremely comfortable that everything is still a go. The financing has been approved and the site is being cleared. Soil testing has also

been conducted and the results are still not in on those tests," said Bob Prince, Marketing Director, with Civi Genics.

Adobe Eco Systems threaten law suit Ordinance restricting solid waste disposal passes

The Kinney County Commissioners voted unanimously in favor of the passage of the ordinance prohibiting the disposal of municipal solid waste, within a ten mile radius of

Laughlin Air Force Base's landing strip near Spofford. This decision came during a special public hearing that was held this past Monday in the Kinney County Court-

house. "These people hit the town lying and they are still lying to us," said Commissioner Freddie Frerich.

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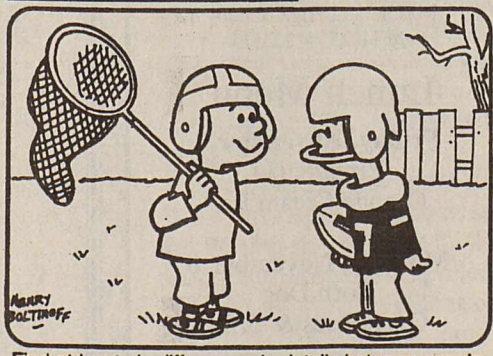
Your Horoscope by Natasha

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TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) The past could push its way into the present, and the results might leave you feeling a little haunted. Look beyond the surface for the message that can truly alter the path that you are pursuing.
GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Let your feelings be known even if it involves making a bit of a fool of yourself. Know that ridicule only comes because others wish they had enough nerve to follow in your footsteps.
CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Your domestic front pulls you in so that you have the opportunity to sit on the front porch and watch the world go by. It is in your best interest to jump back in an appropriate spot.
LEO (July 23 to August 22) You might find that someone you thought was an equal opponent has been moved up to a higher weight class. Avoid entering the ring when there is this unfair advantage.
VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Set your possessive tendencies aside unless you want to engage in a debate that tries to define the lines between what is and isn't yours. There is no need to take your ball and go home in the middle of the game.
LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) The current that is rushing under your surface fills you with a new sense of vitality. Taking on the world might be a little strong, but pick a path and go to town.
SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Be wary of getting stuck between a rock and a hard place. Some things are not as mal-



leable as they first appear.
SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) The crazier the circumstances that cross your path the better. They initially might catch you off guard, but your backup system kicks into gear just in time to achieve success.
CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) You may feel as if you have entered into a steeplechase race as obstacles continue to pop up in your path. Make your strides long and plan your steps accordingly.
AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) The fact that you are dependable does not mean that you are always predictable. Play with the energy you contain within, and apply it in ways that might surprise people.
PISCES (February 19 to March 20) There is a beauty in something that someone else has discarded without thinking twice. You have the ability to give it new definition and to breathe it back to life.
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| Nov. 7.....Veronica Gonzalez | Nov. 10.....James Bullock |
| Nov. 7.....Linda Hidalgo | Nov. 10.....Sara Terrazas |
| Nov. 7.....Ernestine Luna | Nov. 10.....Carlos Tomez |
- Nov. 10...Debbie Ward

If you don't make your children appreciate church your selling them short

Frontier Baptist Church
by Rev. Joe Townsend

As a boy the big day of our week was Sunday. My father was superintendent of a cotton seed oil refinery. We had no car so dad had to be up early to eat and walk to the plant two miles away. It was a six day operation so the only time we had much time with him was Sunday because it was always dark when he came in. We always took our baths Saturday night. For many years it was one at a time in a number two wash tub in the kitchen. Each one, when finished got on our knees by mom's chair and said our prayers. Then it was quick to bed because tomorrow was church day. Very early Sun-

day morning we were up and dressed for church. Each had his "Sunday" clothes that were worn no other time. When we were all ready we streamed out the door, five children and mom and dad. It was a mile and a half walk and we had to be there for Sunday School.

After Sunday School everyone met in the auditorium and soon worship began. I always sat with my friends from my Sunday School class and we usually read papers given us in Sunday School. As soon as they were old enough my two sisters joined mother in singing in the choir. This left dad to sit by himself. There was never a word of complaint from dad because his family was in church

with him.

After the service was over the Townsend family gathered and made our way home. Our Sunday dinner was ready and waiting. Some had to be warmed in the oven but soon we sat down to the highlight meal of the week, Sunday dinner. We had changed from our Sunday clothes so we were relaxed and comfortable. We were all stuffed from a big meal usually topped off with fruit cobbler made from peaches mother had canned. Dad settled down with his pipe and the Sunday paper in his favorite rocker, this was long before recliners.

Mother often sat at the piano and we kids would gather around and sing. We always sang hymns.

Dad continued reading until mother struck up "When Jesus Came Into My Heart." He would put his paper and pipe aside and join the circle. After a while we'd all tire of singing and drift to various activities. The tenor of the day was built around the worship of the morning. Soon we'd all begin to get ready for church. We were to be there for Epworth League for all the kids and then evening worship. The evening service was slightly less formal but none the less a worshipful experience. Then it was the trek back home and straight to bed because the next day was school day.

My whole life was enriched by Sunday. The most important thing

my parents did for me and my life to come was when they led me into church.

Any parent who does not make his children to love and appreciate Sunday and "church" is selling his children short. It is not an expression of love in the truest sense to neglect the most important contribution a parent can make to his children. The real

tragedy is that parents don't care about themselves and hence care not about the off spring. Sunday will be a highlight day at Frontier Baptist Church. At the morning service the Lord's Supper will be served. Following morning worship will be a Fellowship Dinner. Everyone is invited to be blessed by attending all the activities. Come and see.

Saints in your life and mine

St. Mary Magdalene Church
by Lynn McNew

As you are reading this, two important days have passed. November 1st. is the day we know as "All Saints Day" and November 2nd is called, "All Souls Day" in the Catholic Church. Our Hispanic brethren know November 2nd as "The Day of the Dead" and it is a day on which they build altars and honor those who have gone before us. Somehow, these two days often become separated from each other.

I think of "Saint" as being reserved for such spiritual figures as Peter, Matthew, Mark, Luke, John and my patron, Anne, the Mother of Mary. Their exemplary lives seemingly have nothing to do with people like me. Yet in Biblical times, "saint" was simply another name for "believers." Ordinarily people just like me.

As I think about it, I have known some saints in my lifetime. Some of these people have gone before me. My father had his

Psalms: 134

Servants of the Lord

St. Johns Missionary Church
by Rev. William Adams

Behold, bless ye the Lord, all ye servants of the Lord, who by night stand in the house of the Lord.

Lift up your hands in the sanctuary, and bless the Lord.

The Lord, who made heaven and earth, bless thee out of Zion. Psalms: 134.

share of faults and struggles and yet, I can remember, as a child, he was always ready to sing a song with me, play a game or just give me a hug. My mother-in-law could aggravate me to the "nth" degree and yet if there was anything I needed she was right there to help me out. She died the way she lived-helping other people. We had a priest friend who stepped up and helped us when we really needed help. This was a man in a very poor church and yet he didn't hesitate when someone else needed support, whether financial or otherwise.

You are the chief navigator of your life

Gateway Ministries
by Pastor Charolette Corey

If you want to follow Jesus, don't act like the devil.

Each one of us have choices to make every day. You can choose to forgive, you can choose to love, you can choose to be happy.

In this, you are the chief navigator of your life. This responsibility should not fall to anyone else. If you allow others to dictate these things, you are placing them above the power of God in your life.

Only God has the power of God and he is a jealous God. He will not tolerate any other gods before Him; thus, it becomes sacrilege for you to allow anyone else to take His place in your life.

When you take responsibility for your own choices, you take the shackles off of other people whom you have bound to your-

self. These people are the "hard to love" people who have hurt you or disappointed you in some way. It then allows God to handle the situation instead of your trying to take His place and fix the situation.

It allows God to do the work in the other's heart and since you are (or should) praying for that person to be blessed, then when God does the work in them in His season, His time, and His way, He receives all the glory, all the credit.

Life is full of disappointments but one doesn't have to let them rule ones life. It is far more fulfilling to keep your eyes on Jesus, his loving smile, his open arms, and the light that he shines on your pathway. Your step will be lighter and your days become brighter when you trust in the Lord in all your ways. This includes those

things that don't seem to make sense. God sees the whole picture and knows what is best for your future as well as those your life touches. Forgiveness was Jesus' big gift to us when he was dying on the cross and he said, "Father, forgive them for they know not what they do." It was not the nails that kept him on the cross, it was his love for you. He endured the cross because he knew that only the power of His shed blood could cleanse you from all sin in your life. He did it for you.

The word says, "No greater love hath a man than to lay down his life for another." This love is for you. Choose to act like Jesus, not like the devil. Jesus has already beat the devil with a big ugly stick (the cross). He's given you the victory. Take it. Stand in faith, rest in hope, walk in love.

Were these people "saints"? I think so. Maybe not in the realm of Mother Theresa or others who spent their lives doing for others, but in my life. They were believers-they served the Lord in the best way they could.

There are also "saints" in my life today. Of course, our spiritual leaders-Pope John Paul, Billy Graham, and our local ministers. Everyday, every year, they serve their people in big and small ways. I also look around at the people I know, my Christian brothers and sisters, who make up my commu-

nity of everyday saints. And I will thank the Lord for you. I also thank each and every one of you for your presence in my life today. I'm going to treat my fellow believers with the respect they deserve-as saints.

"To all the saints in Christ Jesus...Grace be unto you, and peace from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ. Philippians 1:1,2.

You are welcome to worship with us at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church anytime. God Bless You.

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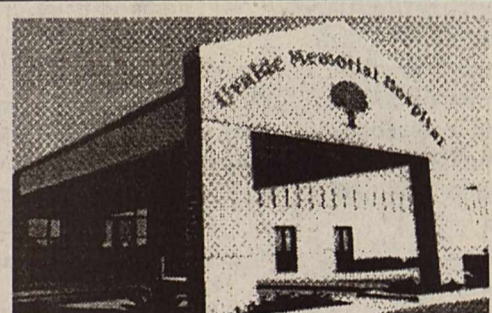
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Pastor: R. D. Holloway

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Terrazas speaks at Rotary luncheon

The Rotary Club's Thursday luncheon meeting was chaired by Vice President Joe Hardin instead of President Patsy Callnan who was unable to attend. Mr. Hardin introduced the speaker, Ms. Sarah Terrazas, Director of the Kinney County Public Library who presented an overview of the library and its operations.

The traditional role of a library has been to provide information and offer recreational reading to the public. In the past ten years, Mrs. Terrazas explained, this role has greatly changed.

The Library is funded by Kinney County. One of her tasks is to meet with the Library Board of Directors, and they work out a budget to present to the Judge and the Commissioner's Court for approval. This budget covers such things as salaries and everything generally required for the operation of the library. The amount runs around \$32,000 to \$35,000.

Kinney County became part of the Alamo Area Library System in 1982, the same year the library was built. The State of Texas funds the Alamo Area System, and provides a fax machine,

copier, computer, satellite system, continuing education workshops and seminars.

It also provides consultation service, resource service, and services for the Spanish speaking population. To keep membership in the Alamo Area System each library has to have a budget not less than the previous year. The director much take not less than 20 hours of continuing education a year and must apply for grants when available. The director must also provide a reading program for children.

Last year, Kinney County Library received a grant for \$19,000 for large print books and reference materials and for the purchase of nonfiction books educational and recreational reading.

This year a grant of \$74,000 was applied for and received. This covered telecommunication equipment. This included computers, use of the internet system for one year and maintenance for 3 years.

The library now has 12 computers, 9 for public use. An internet policy forbids use of the internet by youngsters under 17 without parents consent. The com-

puter can be used by children for homework purposes if a staff person is present to assist. One can use email for no charge for graphics, spread sheets, and use of the copy machine.

There are reference books that can be checked out, large print books, best sellers, three different newspapers available. If a book is not in the library, it can be ordered from San Antonio. A large room is available to the public at no cost for meetings and workshop presentations. A Texana collection includes several books on Kinney County and Fort Clark.

The library holds and estimated 20,000 items in print, 9 computers, over 300 videos, 3 newspapers, 200 books on tape and large print books.

Mrs. Terrazas graduated from Brackettville High School and attended Southwest Texas Jr. College at Uvalde. She has three children, one a sophomore in college and two in Brackettville Independent School System. She is the City Clerk of Spofford and is director of the youth group at the Catholic Church.

Texas Society of CPAS receives publication awards

Texas - October 26, 1999 - The Texas Society of CPAs (TSCPA) recently received several honors for their production of the "Accounting Career Planner" for students. TSCPA was awarded the Award of Excellence in the 1999 APEX Awards for Publication Excellence, received an honorable mention in the American Society of Association Executives "Gold Circle" awards for publications, and the coveted International Association of Business Communicators Silver Quill Award.

The planner, entitled "Accounting: The One Degree with 360° of Possibilities", is a printed guide providing career and college information for students grades 8th - 12th, as well as entry level college students interested in careers in accounting. The Career Planner contains such valuable information as accounting job descriptions and salaries, standard curriculum for both high school and college, suggested preparatory reading and web sites, and a listing of statewide and national accounting organizations and associations. Students will also find a timeline for preparing for col-

lege and becoming an accountant, a listing of Texas colleges and universities offering accounting and business programs, financial aid and scholarship resources, and CPA exam study materials and review courses. The final pages offer valuable tips on creating a resume and preparing for a job interview.

TSCPA has provided this planner to over 40,000 students and educators in Texas and plans to continue to fill requests. For more information on the Career Planner and other available resource

materials, contact Milly Pellizzari at (512) 445-0044 ext. 121 or visit the "Student Lounge" section of TSCPA's website at www.tscpa.org.

The Texas Society of CPAs is a nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting and maintaining high professional and ethical standards among CPAs. Committed to protecting the public interest throughout the state, the 30,000-member association has the largest in-state membership of any CPA organization in the nation.

Horse test now required

Since September 1, Texas law has required that equine, including horses, donkeys, mules and asses have a test for Equine Infectious Anemia (EIA), (also known as "Coggins" or "Swamp Fever") within the last 12 months before the animals undergo any change of ownership, whether through trade, gift, or sale through private treaty or at the market.

The law exempts zebras, nursing foals less than eight months

of age that are changing ownership with their test-negative dams, and equine sold to slaughter.

Persons who sell equine and fail to comply with the law, passed as House Bill 1732 in the 76th Texas Legislature, commit a Class "C" misdemeanor. Texas Animal Health Commission, the state's livestock health regulatory agency, have adopted a regulation that mirrors the legislation.

"Other aspects of the EIA regu-

lations will not change," explained D. Beals, executive director of the Texas Animal Health Commission.

A negative EIA test within the previous 12 months is required for equine transported to events, races, trail rides, assemblies, or their gatherings.

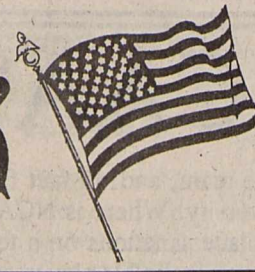
Equine used exclusively for ranch work are exempt from EIA tests, unless they are undergoing change of ownership.

Answers to Super Crossword

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Fire destroys the home of a single mother and 6 children

by Dottie Cruz
Staff Writer

The home of Becky Resendez and her 6 children located on West Crockett caught fire early Sunday morning.

Resendez was awakened by knocking on her bedroom door. Her 13 year old son Charlie told her his bedroom was on fire.

They tried to control the fire with wet blankets and a fire extinguisher to no avail. The fire spread quickly through the house.

Her 14 year old daughter, Tabitha, ran to their neighbor Sheriff Burgess and he called 911.

Tabitha then ran to the fire station and was met by volunteer fireman, Leo Luna, who assured her they were on their way.

"It felt like forever, especially with the fire station right around the corner," said Resendez.

"They were there within a few minutes though", stated Resendez.

"He said (Lt. Fire Inspector Bernardo Delgado, of the Del Rio Fire Department) it was an electrical fire, and most likely, had

"Charlie is our hero, he saved the family." - Becky Resendez

been smoldering for quite some time within the walls," Resendez added.

Tuesday afternoon, City Fire Marshall, Faustino Sandoval confirmed it was an electrical

fire.

"Charlie is our hero, he saved the family," said Resendez. "He got everyone up and outside."

"Charlie has been told there wasn't anything he could have done to prevent the fire", added Resendez. "Everyone has assured him it was just one of those unforeseen problems."

Resendez, a single mother, is raising five boys and one girl.

Within minutes of the fire being put out, neighbor, Ken Carpenter came up to her and gave her some money to start over.

"From that moment on, people have been helping me to recover," said Resendez. The Red Cross, First United Methodist, Church of Christ, St. Mary Magdalene

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Pictured above: Inside the Resendez residence after a fire broke out Sunday morning

Briefs ...

Rifle Giveaway

The Kinney County Wildlife Damage Management Association is sponsoring a rifle give away. Chances can be obtained by giving a donation to the KCWDMA or by bringing in a dead predator to the Kinney County Wool & Mohair during normal business hours.

The categories are, bobcat and mountain lions, coyote and red fox, feral hogs, and an open class. The drawing will be held January 31, 2000.

Tickets for chances are available at the Kinney County Wool & Mohair and other cooperating businesses. Any proceeds remaining will go toward predator control efforts in Kinney County.

You may read the contest rules at the Kinney County Wool & Mohair or call the County Agent for further information.

Hunter's Round-Up

A hunters round-up will be held November 6, at the Kinney County Civic Center from 6 pm to 11 pm.

A wild game dinner will be served. Raffle prizes will include a guided fishing trip, youth Antelope hunt, varmit hunt, and an exotic and/or white tail hunt.

Jones Elementary

Veteran's Day Performance

All veterans and active duty military personnel are cordially invited to attend a special Veteran's Day performance by Jones Elementary students on November 11, 1999. This program will include music, poetry and history as our students present what they have learned about this important holiday.

The event will be held at the Kinney County Civic Center at 1 PM, and will be concluded with a reception for all veterans, active duty people and their families. Please come and join us so that we may honor you on this special day.

Border Patrol weekly statistics

Del Rio - The following is a report of the apprehensions by Border Patrol agents assigned to the Del Rio Sector for the period Oct. 18-24, 1999. The information is provided by station, and includes a sector total. Abilene-26, Brackettville-243, Carrizo Springs-345, Comstock-13, Del Rio-301, Eagle Pass-739, Llano-32, Rocksprings-2, San Angelo-5, and Uvalde-54. Sector total-1,760 and Other than Mexicans-106.

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Be aware of Diabetes

Every November this column announces National Diabetes Month. The goal is to increase awareness, as well as update you on recent developments. Opinion/Page 2

Game Warden Academy

The 47th Game Warden Academy is scheduled to begin its seventh month training on July 3, 2000. Outdoors/Page 4

1999 Fall Festival

"I am glad to see the family participation and community support Jones Elementary has," said Paula Rankin, Jones Elementary Principal. Community/Page 3

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Halloween Festival hampered by weather

by Dottie Cruz
Staff Writer

The Las Moras Hispanic Organization's Halloween Festival was hampered by weather last Saturday. Due to the high winds and cool temperatures the event was held at the Kinney County Civic Center.

Officers, Alma Gutierrez, President, Martha Martinez, Vice President and Diana Gutierrez, Treasurer, contacted Elia Garcia, who manages the renting of the center, and arranged for the club to get access.

The commissioners were to be notified Monday in hopes they would refund the rental fees, due to the fact the club is a nonprofit organization. The club's main pur-

pose is to raise funds to help support community projects.

The event ended up costing the club much more than anticipated.

Due to only three booth rentals, the majority of income, to cover the costs, came from the Castle Bounce. Where children bought tickets to romp and jump in a type of inflated trampoline.

The club has a membership of 18 with 10 active members. Their main purpose with these fund raisers are to help students with scholarships, contribute to the Summer Library Program, and help support Pee Wee Football.

This year the club will be organizing the delivery of Christmas Baskets for the needy. The Lion's had done this in previous years but decided not to continue.

"The first of October at Fort Clark Springs, we had a fundraiser Golf Tournament, and the money was for that purpose, to raise money for the baskets" said Martinez.

Since the Halloween Festival was for that purpose as well, and because of unforeseen problems, the club is organizing an early drive to collect can goods, related

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Pictured above from left: Melissa Torres, Laura Garcia, Eric Garcia and Valerie Hernandez. They attended the Halloween Festival sponsored by Las Moras Hispanic Organization

Brig. Gen. Christopher James Luna named Distinguished Alumnus of SWT

SAN MARCOS - Brig. Gen. Christopher James Luna is one of seven 1999 Distinguished Alumni recently named by Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos.

A strong and genuine leader, Luna has served both his community and country with honor, reaching the rank of general in the U.S. Air Force, which has never before been attained by a Hispanic American.

After receiving his bachelor of business administration degree from Southwest Texas in 1965, Luna joined the Air Force, serving in both California and Hawaii. He then pursued a career with Boy Scouts of America (BSA), where he served as adult recruiter and trainer and was one of only six bilingual professionals employed

by BSA. Luna rejoined the Air Force as a member of the 149th Tactical Fighter Group, Texas Air National Guard in 1971. In that same year, he became director of Central Texas Youth Services Bureau, where he was instrumental in reducing juvenile delinquency in the Central Texas region.

Luna began his duties with the Air Force National Guard Bureau as assistant chief of the Compliance Review Branch, Office of Equal Opportunity, and now serves as assistant adjutant general for Air-Texas.

In 1980, Luna began his long-standing civilian career with Southwest Research Institute (SWRI) in San Antonio and now implements the Institute's Equal

Employment Opportunity program.

Within both the civilian and military community, Luna is highly decorated. As a Boy Scouts of America leader, he has received, among others, the Silver Beaver Award, District Award of Merit and Scouters Award. His military honors include the Legion of Merit, Air Force Meritorious Service Medal with one cluster, Air Force Commendation Medal, National Defense Service Medal with one star and the Texas Distinguished Service Ribbon, along with many others.

Luna's Brackettville relatives include aunts, Bobbi Luna and Marita Reschmen, as well as their children Ernestine and Helen Luna.

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City on backup pump

by Dottie Cruz
Staff Writer

If you found yourself without electricity, low water pressure or no water Sunday morning at approximately 10 a.m. there was a good reason.

"An electrical shortage, at the tower caused the panel that controls the water to short out and a relay was burnt out," said David Luna, City Manager.

"The backup unit was turned on and we are still running off the backup system," said Luna, late

Monday afternoon.

Martinez Pump and Well Company, who were contacted Sunday, verified that the relay had been destroyed and would need to be replaced. Martinez does not stock the needed part.

"Martinez has ordered the relay out of San Antonio and it will take a few days. The pump will be fixed very soon," said Luna.

If your water pressure is not as strong as usual, it is because of the lack of overhead pressure that is provided by a special pump.

Texans approve garnishment of wages

Voters agree to 13 proposed amendments

Texans approved 13 of 17 proposed changes to the state Constitution in Tuesday's election, including one allowing the garnishment of wages for court ordered spousal maintenance.

The amendment was supported by 68 percent of the voters in the state, and 74 percent in Kinney County.

Texas Law already allowed for the garnishment of wages for delinquent child support.

More than 8 percent of the state's 11.4 million registered voters cast ballots in the election.

Kinney County also had an average of 8 percent of 2,361 voters casting ballots in the election.

Proposition 6, to increase the maximum size of an urban homestead to 10 acres also passed.

It was supported 68 percent statewide, and 77 percent in Kinney County.

Proposition 4, to authorize the legislature to exempt property owned by institutions engaged primarily in public charitable functions from ad valorem taxation, carried as well.

51 percent of Texas voters were in favor, with only 47 per-

cent of Kinney County voters favoring the measure.

Other amendments that voters approved are:

- Proposition 1: To revise provisions in the state constitution, for filling a vacancy in the office of governor or lieutenant governor.

- Proposition 2: Relating to making advances under a reverse mortgage and payment of a reverse mortgage.

- Proposition 3: Eliminates duplicative, executed, obsolete, archaic, and ineffective provisions of the Texas Constitution.

- Proposition 11: Permits political subdivisions to purchase nonassessable property and casualty insurance from an authorized mutual insurance company.

- Proposition 12: Authorizes the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation leased motor vehicles not used by the lessee primarily to produce income.

- Proposition 13: Provides for

the issuance of \$400 million in general obligation bonds to finance educational loans to students.

- Proposition 14: Authorizes the legislature to provide that a state board, commission, or other agency shall be governed by a board composed of an odd number of 3 or more members.

- Proposition 15: Permits spouses to agree to convert separate property to community property.

- Proposition 16: Provides that certain counties shall be divided into a specific number of precincts.

- Proposition 17: Relates to the investment of the permanent university fund and the distribution from the permanent university fund to the available university fund.

See page 3 for more election results coverage

Kinney County EMS update

by Carolyn Rutherford
Contributing Writer

Since the last "Update," there has been a great deal of activity in EMS. Since I arrived here, this whole community impressed me with its support and spirit. The best example of this selfless community spirit is the work being done on the Ft. Clark Station. Two business competitors and Ft. Clark itself are making the improvements we need to set up the office and training temporarily until the new building is completed. Don Hood and Pat Melancon, our local, talented heating and air conditioning "pros" have joined forces with Ft. Clark to install the much needed central heat and air system in the building. Pat Melancon and Don Hood have donated equipment and Ft. Clark has donated the electrical work so your EMS can be housed and respond from the same location!

Only in Brackettville could this be possible -- this level of cooperation and public mindedness. I'm really grateful,

and EMS is as well, for the alliance of two rivals working together for the good of the community. I also must thank Bob Walker, Rudy Luna, and the Maintenance crew at Ft. Clark, for their work on the building. Kudos also go out to Rose Mary Slubar and the Kinney County EMS Volunteer Organization for all the effort and support on this project.

After the completion of the heating and air conditioning project and a little paint here and there, we plan to be moved into the Ft. Clark Fire Station by the middle of November.

Don't forget our office hours are 7am-6pm, Monday through Saturday. After the move to Ft. Clark, Indigent Health Care Program will be available at the County Courthouse on Mondays. If there is an emergency need by Indigent Health Care Program clients, feel free to call our office 830-563-9090 during regular work hours. As always...Remember...For Emergencies, call 911.