Sept. 8 at 5 p.m. deadline to file as write-in candidate for **November general elections**

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Briefs ...

Heath resigns post

James Heath resigned from his position as general manager of Fort Clark Springs on Saturday, Aug. 19, according to a statement released Tuesday morning by Elizabeth Gibbs, president of the Fort Clark Springs Association board of directors. He had served in that position since February 1998, added Gibbs. Heath told The Brackett News that he did resign and that he had no further comment. "I think (the announcement) speaks for itself," he said. Museum opens Saturday

The Heritage Museum will be open Saturday, Aug. 26 from 1 to 4 p.m.

Shahan earns degree

Jenifer Tuesday Shahan of Brackettville was among 55 students who received degrees July 29 at commencement ceremonies for graduates of the Baylor University Law School. She is the daughter of Tully and Darlene Shahan.

CCD signup Saturday

St. Mary Magdalene's Catholic Church will begin CCD registration Saturday, Aug. 26 and continue through Sunday, Sept. 3 after each weekend Mass. This year, classes are scheduled for children in pre-school through 12th grade.

Classes for First Communion students will begin Wednesday, Aug. 30 at 7 p.m. in the parish hall. All other classes will begin Wednesday, Sept. 6. "We look forward to a wonderful time of prayer and religious education in this jubilee year!" said Candace O'Neill, coordinator of Religious Education. Interested persons may call 563-277 for more informa-

Sept. 16-17 celebration

will be celebrated Sept 16-17 on that the 1998-99 attendance rate the Carver School grounds. A parade is scheduled Sept. 17 beginning at 10 a.m.

After the parade, a talent show, booths, a cake and prize walk, and a dance. Sept. 17, services are Sept. 8 at 5 p.m. for persons who planned beginning at 11 a.m. at want to declare themselves as be found in sections 172.024 and the Seminole Indian Scouts Cem- write-in candidates for the Novem- 172.025 of the Texas Election etery, then lunch at the Carver ber general election for state and Code and are also listed on the School grounds. For more information, interested persons may call Augusta Pines at 563-9979, Beverly Wright at 563-9181 or Clarence Ward at 563-9394.

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■ The missing link?

Snakes are common as dirt and almost as varied. But humans? We are all the same. Opinion/Page 2

Arthritis of the knee

One of the most frustrating problems many older patients face is the loss of mobility. This is especially so in rural Texas, where folks are fiercely independent, and take great pride in providing for themselves.

- First of two articles by Dr. Gloria Box

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■ Making A Difference Well, the air conditioning is now running at the gym. You can come see a volleyball game and enjoy it in an air conditioned gym. It is won-

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Brackett High School earns state's highest rating - Exemplary!

School accreditation ratings were received this week by Brackett Independent School District Superintendent Taylor Stephenson.

The highest rating given in Texas is Exemplary, given to Brackett High School.

Jones Elementary received a rating of Recognized which is the second highest rating. Brackett Middle School re-

ceived a rating of Academically Acceptable. Brackett Alternative School

was rated Academically Acceptable, which is the highest rating given to alternative schools.

Brackett Independent School District was rated Recognized, the same as Jones Elementary School. "These are the best accredita-

tion ratings ever received in Brackettville.

"We're particularly thrilled at the Exemplary rating received at Brackett High School. Congratulations, BISD teachers and students for a job well done!" said Stephenson.

The 2000 accountability ratings were released to Texas school districts Aug. 17 by Jim Nelson, commissioner of education with the Texas Education Agency in

In his report, Nelson explains the base indicator standards for each rating.

An Exemplary Rating (the rating given to Brackett High) include that at least 90 percent of students who took a state required test passed each subject area reading, writing and mathematics; The Seminole Indian Scout that the school's 1998-99 dropout was at least 94 percent.

"These are the best accreditation ratings ever received in Brackettville. Congratulations, teachers and students

- Taylor Stephenson

for a job well done!"

A Recognized Rating (such as Jones Elementary) mean that at least 80 percent of the students who took the state mandated test passed each subject area; that the school's 1998-99 dropout rate is 3.5 percent or less and that the attendance rate was at least 94

An Academically Acceptable Rating (Brackett Middle School and the Alternative School) mean that at least 50 percent of the students who took the state required test passed each subject area (reading, writing and math); that the 1998-99 dropout rate was 6.0 percent or less; and the 1998-99 attendance rate was at least 94 per-

"We are delighted with the scores," said Stephenson. "These ratings are an indication thatthe district is doing great."

This is the first time in the Brackett School District's history that the high school has received an exemplary rating since 1993 when the state mandated the test (formally known as the TAAS -Texas Assessment of Academic Skills), Stephenson added.

The Brackett School District Association's 128th anniversary rate was 1.0 percent or less and Jones Elementary have received Recognized ratings two years in a row.

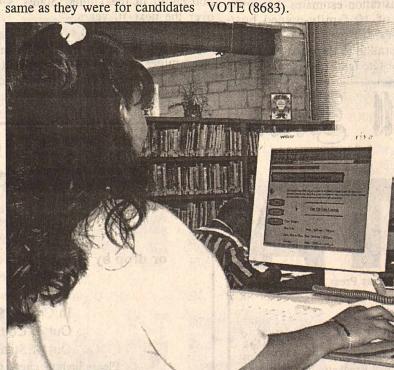
Sept. 8 is deadline to file as write-in barbecue, food and beverage candidate for November elections

director of elections in Austin. eral election for the same office. Candidates running as a write-in candidate may begin campaigning dates will be posted on voting any time after they have filed a booths on Election Day. Interested campaign treasurer with the persons may obtain more informacounty clerk. Candidates for tion by contacting the county clerk county or precinct office must file or county judge at the Kinney with the county judge. The filing County Courthouse or calling the

The filing deadline is Friday, who filed in the primary elections.

Those filing requirements can county offices. Candidates running back of the declaration form. A as a write-in candidate have a candidate who ran in a primary choice to file either by fee or peti- election and lost is ineligible to be tion, according to Ann McGeehan, a write-in candidate for the gen-

The names of write-in candi-



If you're interested in borrowing a particular book or video from the Kinney County Library, you don't have to visit the facility on Spring Street. You can log on to www.brackettville.lib.tx.us and find out if what you want is available. There's a card catatog listed on the website and you locate a book or a magazine by typing in the author's name or the title of the book. The site will tell you whether the book is available, said Aracely Vasquez, assistant librarian. Speaking of books, the library welcomes hardbacks and paperbacks and magazines, too . You can either donate paperbacks or trade them for other paperbacks, or you can buy paperbacks for 25 cents each.

4H honors Albert Payne County employee's efforts lauded

Submitted by Beth Ballew 4-H Senior Club reporter

Kinney County employee Albert Payne was presented the Friend of 4-H award at a recent

The award is given annually to an individual or business that goes above and beyond the call of duty for the 4-H program. Beth Ballew read a biography on Albert Payne, this year's winner, and the award and plaque were presented by Mrs. Nadalee Allen and Mr. Elledge at the annual achievement banquet Thursday, Aug. 10 in the Civic Center.

Current president Elizabeth Threadgill, welcomed everyone for the evening. Susannah Davis gave the invocation after which all those present enjoyed a wonderful potluck meal. Dietrich Davis led the 4-H motto and pledge. At this time, a special guest, Kinney County Judge Herb Senne installed the officers and club manager.

Beth Ballew introduced the guest speaker for this year, Pennington of Raymondville. He gave an inspiring speech about the rewards of 4-H in his life and how he plans to pursue his goals at bronze awards for Summer Texas A&M University.

ognized for their hard work in Susannah Davis, Tillman Davis, their projects. Dietrich Davis Jared Hobbs and Whitney and Mason McWilliams recog- Hobbs; silver awards for Bailee nized members in the rabbit and Allen and Zack Davis; and the sheep projects. Next Beth gold award for Michelle Ballew and Tillman Davis Melancon. Record book awards awarded the meat goat projects, went to Summer and Bailee and Jared and Whitney Hobbs Allen and Sarah Gammill.



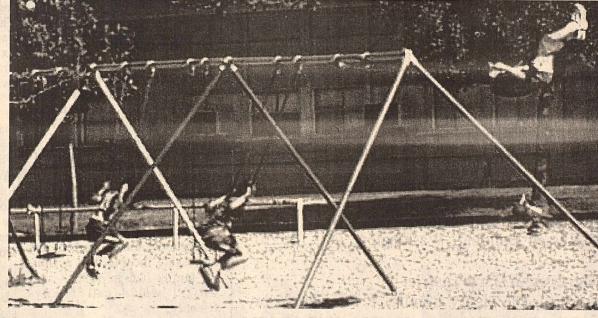
County extension agent Robert Elledge presents the Friends of 4-H to Albert Payne for "going above and beyond the call of duty.

announced the Angora Goat, Horse, Beef and Swine projects. Finally, Elizabeth Threadgill and Robert Davis presented the remaining project awards.

Some 4-H members had accumulated enough points to move to the Bronze, Silver or Gold award level this year. Elizabeth Threadgill and Duequesa Hunt announced Allen, Boyd Brotherton, All 4-H members were rec- Dietrich Davis, Robert Davis,

Robert Elledge presented the Helping Hand award to Colter Barajas and Natasha Smith. Duequesa Hunt and Bailee Allen recognized the adult leaders who volunteer their time and talents to the 4-H program. Other special awards presented throughout the evening were club manager awards to Nadalee Allen and Lisa Conoly, and a County Agent award to Robert Elledge. Michelle Melancon was honored as senior 4-H member of the year and Cassandra Gomez as junior 4-H member of the year.

Jared Hobbs gave closing remarks and announcements at the end of the program, and the 4-H members were rewarded for all their hard work with a dance that lasted until midnight.



Three students at Jones Elementary School take time off from their studies to play on the swings during recess. School started last Monday, Aug. 14 with 363 students registered at the school. The students are as serious about studying as they are about playing. Their school has received a Recogfee or petition requirements are the director of elections at 1-800-252- nized Rating from the Texas Education Agency. A Recognized rating means that at least 80 percent of the students who took the state mandated TAAS (Texas Assessment of Academic Skills) test passed each subject area - reading, writing and mathematics.

It's Your Money

Taxpayers are reminded that public hearings begin next week involving the Brackettville Independent School District and the City of Brackettville's proposed budget for 2000-2001. Hearings will follow in early September to discuss the county and school district's proposed tax rate.

Here's a recap: Brackett ISD budget hearing, Monday, Aug. 28

A public hearing is planned Monday, Aug. 28 at 6 p.m. in the district board room to discuss the district's 2000-2001 proposed

City budget hearing Thursday, Aug. 31

The City of Brackettville has scheduled a public hearing Thursday, Aug. 31 to discuss the city's 2000-2001 proposed budget. The hearing will begin at 6 p.m. in the city manager's office at city hall, 119 W. Spring St.

County tax rate, Friday, Sept. 1

Kinney County Commissioners' Court plans a public hearing Friday, Sept. 1 at 9 a.m. to discuss the proposed tax rate. Brackett ISD tax rate, Sept. 7

A public hearing on the proposed tax rate for Brackett ISD is planned Thursday, Sept. 7 at 6 p.m. in the district board room. County budget and tax rate, Sept. 11

Kinney County Commissioners' Court has scheduled a public hearing Monday, Sept. 11 at 9 a.m. to discuss the county's proposed 2000-2001 county budget and will later vote on adopting it. At 11 a.m., the panel will decide what the 2000-2001 county tax rate will be.

Cavalry Brigade tackles extra project

Submitted by Woodie Hornburg

What? Again? Yep, the Fort Clark Springs Community Council's "Cavalry Brigade" is taking on an extra cleaning project Saturday, Aug. 26. Same old, same old - same place to meet -Shafter Hall, same time - 9 a.m. same reward - Free lunch/ refreshments and the same type of volunteers who bring constructive attitudes with a willingness to work. Due to Labor Day falling on the scheduled work date, the project has been upped a week. To assist the Recreation Department, Sept. 30 is designated for a commissary cleanup in preparation for a Haunted House in October. Then the Cavalry Brigade will be back on track for its planned project Oct. 7. Fort Clark Springs members are invited to come and enjoy the camaraderies of optimistic volunteers who "walk the walk" in keeping Fort Clark Springs beautiful.

'You can't find the Missing Link 'cause there ain't none' Your

The Way I See It! Steven R. LaMascus

vision the other night, suppos- mans? We are all the same. edly a scientific treatise on "The Dawn of Man."

It was interesting, if unrealistic, and posed at least one interesting question.

However, it also touted, an indisputable fact.

The most interesting aspect of the whole show was when one can! of the featured anthropologists mentioned in passing that he thought it strange that all other animal species on earth have

Apes are everywhere.

Snakes are common as dirt

This anthropologist simply couldn't come to grips with the evolutionary forces that would, or could, cause such an occur-

He didn't doubt that such again, the theory of evolution as forces were to blame for the evolutionary dead end, but he simply couldn't explain it. Well, I

I get so tired and so exasperated with supposedly intelligent truth that I simply want to more than one branch, but scream, "Hey, Einstein! You Homo Sapiens has only the one can't find the answer in evolution. You can't find the Missing lief in the Big Bang Theory and There are several species of Link, 'cause there ain't one! whales. There are kangaroos by Man didn't evolve from some seems to omit several important

by God!"

That previously mentioned real truth.

The answer was within his to his atheistic education, I suppose, to take that one last step and admit that there is only one species of human because God planned it that way.

There is only one species of man because there is only one God, and God created man in His own image.

people ignoring the obvious only one image of God, there can be only one species of man. Simple really.

> Everyone who advocates bethe Theory of Evolution always

theories and not proven facts. There is much more evidence to disprove them than to prove

Second, they seem to miss the obvious fact that something, or rather someone, had to cause the Big Bang.

If the entire universe was once compressed into a point of matter the size of a grapefruit; and if time and space were only created by the explosion of that

Capitol Comments

United States Senator

By Kay Bailey Hutchinson

We did it! Congress has

passed legislation that corrects

two of the worst provisions of

the federal tax code: the mar-

riage tax penalty and the death

Taking the first budget sur-

plus — now estimated to be more

than \$2 trillion - as a starting

point, Congress asked the ques-

tion whether to return this

money to those who earned it,

or to spend it on more govern-

being borne by families is to

compare today's rates with that of an average family (relative to

more than doubled that load.

The most egregious example

lion married couples harder sim-

ply because they are legally wed,

and their combined income

pushes them into a higher tax

Perhaps the best way to illus-

ment programs.

den was 18 percent.

friendly.

bracket.

the score and birds by the flock. hairy ape but was created, as is, point of matter; what catalyst is completely ignored. caused it to go bang?

Simple! God!

These so-called scientists are perfection of God; and when they fail they still refuse to ac- presto, chango, we have life. cept the reality of God and incosmic accident, as the causation tion, we have man. of everything.

Therefore, as there can be writer, expecting him to repro- that or admit that those religious duce the complete works of Wil- nuts may be right. liam Shakespeare, error free no

In other words, it isn't happening. You cannot explain the origin of the universe and the dawn of man in any way except as a preconceived plan by an all-One is that those are both just powerful God. That other old dog, evolution, just won't hunt!

The annoying part of this whole ludicrous debate is that the only side you ever see on television is that of evolution. It is portrayed as pure gospel. There is never any doubt cast on the absolute truth of evolution.

The fact that no one has ever offered a single piece of proof that one species can somehow magically transform itself into another totally different species

The fact that no one can ex-And where did that matter plain how dead stuff became liv-I was watching a show on tele- and almost as varied. But hu- anthropologist was close to the come from to begin with? ing stuff is ignored with equal fervency.

Shades of Frankenstein! Let's By Henry Bonilla grasp; but he was unable, due desperately trying to explain in just mix up the oft-mentioned U.S. Congressman earthly terms the inexplicable primordial goop, juice it with some super lightning and,

Then a few billion years later, stead embrace pure chance, a through the wizardry of evolu-

The steps in between are a bit That is roughly equivalent to fuzzy, in fact they are missing setting a monkey down at a type- altogether, but hey, it's either

Nope, it's evolution or nothing. Folks it isn't that those people believe so strongly in the theory of evolution, it is that they simply refuse to accept the truth of God and the Gospel of Jesus Christ. And I am so very, very sorry for them, because that is the only way they will ever find answers to their questions. "So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.

God blessed them and said to them, 'Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air and over every living creature that moves on the has not taken into consideration

dollars put

OSHA is at it again. They are using your hard earned tax dollars to train their friends and impose more regulations on America's small business owners. The history of America's growth is a strong testament to the importance of small businesses - they are the backbone of our nation's economy and should be allowed to thrive without federal government interfer-

Over the past few years, through this column and in-person, I have discussed the proposal released by the Occupational Safety Hazardous Administration (OSHA) that would force almost 1.6 million companies that employ workers in physical jobs to create an ergonomics program.

OSHA's early estimates of this regulation were approximately \$4 billion, but the Small Business Administration and industry estimates place the cost at as high as \$22 billion. OSHA that the high-dollar outcome of this regulation could result in job losses, hiring freezes and lower employee salaries.

OSHA's regulation has the ability to kill hundreds of small businesses across our country. Both the House and Senate have approved legislation to stop the forfeit is \$1,400 a year — to a successful transition. Such proposed OSHA regulation. However, due to a threatened save for a down payment on a It is a drag on our economy and veto by the president, hearings continue on Capitol Hill in hopes There's no getting around the of determining the necessity of

> And now, as if proposing show that OSHA hired 28 expert witnesses and paid their \$1.8 million salaries with your tax businesses, particularly closely dollars. The agency's use of well

> - including doctors, insurance Farmers, ranchers and small specialists and ergonomists - is and employees, but too often, weeks, up against a small busithese costly measures are not ness owner, who's only knowledge of the regulation is how it The death tax is a tax on the will effect his corner gas station

But almost worse than the ethhard, do well, and give your kids ics of this case is that the pay-Repeal of this macabre provi- a better chance than you had, checks for these expertly trained sion is a second, key component Death and taxes may be inevi- witnesses came out of your

This is a flat-out unfair use of I have been working toward your tax dollars. OSHA was their side of the story. The agency claims that their goal is to "protect workers." If mis-us-

Payment of witnesses, unfair place to start? End the marriage tices add up to just one thing: Bad

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keep stacking up! Death and taxes may be inevitable, but they shouldn't be simultaneous.

house, or childcare or a new car, a drag on job creation. but is instead going to the tax col-

This is a significant achievement, and a victory for American families. The President, however, has said he will veto both

Rather than elevating the institution of marriage, one of the foundation stones of our society, tax law has made walking down the aisle a costly journey.

Congress voted overwhelmingly to deep-six this penalty. The legislation doubles the stanbracket for married couples to trate the scope of the tax burden twice that of single taxpayers.

The estate tax, or death tax as it has been labeled, is just as enough to avert disaster. loathsome in a different way.

its income) four decades ago. In 1955, the total family tax burwho work hard, sacrifice and save for their families' futures. Today, federal payroll taxes and state and local levies have The result? A middle-income the excessive tax bills faced by multaneous. family today has 25 percent less working families.

disposable income than a similar family had in 1955 - not what I would call familybusinesses — our local drug stores, dry cleaners, the ranches and restaurants that are so much of over-taxation is the marriage tax penalty, which hits 21 mil-

But the Small Business Adout of 10 family-owned businesses fail to survive from one generation to the next - and cites The average marriage tax the estate tax as a major obstacle

money that can't be used to help a tax is unwise as well as unfair.

fact that the estate tax is confis- the regulation. I have long believed that mar- catory: These assets already riage should not be a taxable have been taxed - first when the these new standards was not money was earned, and again enough, Congressional reports when it was invested.

The estate tax imposes a major burden on America's small held-family firms, and on fam- paid and well trained witnesses ily farms.

business owners have to hire ac- wrong and damages the fairness dard deduction to \$8,800 and countants, financial planners of this decision. It is unethical expands the 15 percent tax and lawyers to build a safety net and underhanded to put a witthat will protect their families ness, who has been trained for

This is a tax that targets people American dream: the old-fashioned idea that you can work in Congress' efforts to reduce table, but they shouldn't be si- pocket book.

The estate tax is a direct as- the repeal of these unfair taxes wrong to use your hard-earned sault on family farms and small since Texans first elected me to money to pay witnesses to tell the Senate in 1993.

Without a change in the law, the estimated \$2.4 trillion annual ministration estimates that seven household in the United States check the definition again. over the next 10 years.

tax penalty and repeal the death Business.

a part of the fabric of American tax surplus will mean a tax over- ing the tax-dollars of millions of payment equal to more than workers is what they call "pro-\$27,000 for every taxpaying tection" - I think they need to We can well afford to return standards which will hurt busipart of that surplus to Ameri- nesses across America and abuse can families, and we should. The of tax dollars - all of these injus-

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Kinney County Sheriff's Report ...

Monday, Aug. 14 9:42 a.m., Witnesses reported a two vehicle accident on Highway 90 West. EMS, the fire department, Department of Transportation and deputies responded.

Highway 90 West waving for to see whether he would put some help. Deputies went to the scene. Tuesday, Aug. 15

ted approximately 10 miles south a unit to the scene. of Brackett on Highway 131. The missing.

the animals was contacted.

Wednesday, Aug. 16

5:25 a.m., A local woman reported that a tree had fallen and had knocked down some power 9:24 p.m., A man was seen on lines. A city employee was called barricades around the fallen wires so that kids could not go through 11:50 a.m., A German Shep- the area. Central Power and Light herd wearing a red collar was spot- Co. officials said they would send

person who made the report said ported that a local man had taken this was the second day he had a drug overdose and needed asin case someone reported the dog the man who supposedly over- press charges. At 10:30 p.m., the look for the speeding motorists. dosed ran away from the scene. unruly customer was sighted driv-

693 (Macy Road). The owner of woman who called the sheriff's of-driving while intoxicated. fice to leave his house. After the man signed a refusal to be treated deputy left him alone.

3:14 p.m, A local business released the next day. asked deputies for help with a belligerent customer.

5:20 p.m., Firefighters extinguished a grass fire across from Fort Clark Springs.

7:34 p.m., A worker at a local business told deputies that an un-9:45 a.m., A local woman re-ruly customer had assaulted two

10:30 p.m., Danny Billings, 41, of Brackettville, was arrested

Friday, Aug. 18

4:04 p.m., A school bus driver reported that a motorist had sped past the school bus even though the vehicle's lights were flashing while it was parked at Anacacho Ranch and Highway 1572.

other customers and that they were that the driver of a blue Ford pickgoing to press charges. Later, the up and a white car were speeding

12:45 p.m., About 20 goats and The man said he did not want to ing a vehicle on Highway 90. He ported that someone had broken he would leave the furniture but ranch. The owners were con-

to the scene to investigate.

10:38 p.m., Someone reported that an 18-wheeler rolled over on form, the woman, EMS and the for driving while intoxicated, first Highway 277 North, 25 miles offense. He posted bond and was from Del Rio. Val Verde County officials were notified.

Saturday, Aug. 19

10 a.m., A local rancher reported trouble with the previous owner of the ranch and other unwanted visitors on his property. The former owner had broken a lock to get onto the property and 6:35 p.m., A trucker reported had loaded a trailer with some furniture. The current owner said he wanted to file trespassing charges seen the dog in the same location sistance. But when help arrived, victims said they did not want to on the highway. Deputies went to against the intruders and that he and they were contacted. would not allow them to take the

owner. Deputies escorted the former owner and the other unwanted guests off the property.

10:42 a.m., A local resident called the sheriff's office because she was concerned that a local women might need medical attention. EMS was notified.

1:30 p.m. A motorist reported that she had picked up a young' hitchhiker on Highway 334 and had driven him to a ranch about 12 miles from Brackettville. The motorist was concerned about the boy's safety. Later deputies found out who the boy's parents were

7:10 p.m., Someone reported 10:50 p.m., A local resident re-furniture. The former owner said that a gate was left open at a local

one cow were seen near Highway go with EMS but wanted the was pulled over and arrested for into his residence. A deputy went that he would sue the current tacted. Texas Parks & Wildlife rates dove hunting prospects 'good'

A Little on the Wildlife side By Henry Lutz

cording to wildlife officials. In a possession limits are 10 white- produced annually. In addition, state that boasts a dove population winged, mourning and white- several million more migrant equates to plenty of wing shoot- cluding no more than five mourn- north make their way across Texas ing action.

Mourning dove seasons are:

17 and Dec. 26-Jan. 7

aggregate. The white-winged dove areas without adequate feed." AUSTIN - Conditions are ripe season is Sept. 2, 3, 9 and 10 in ing doves and two white-tipped each fall. Last season, 393,000 —Central Zone: Sept. 1-Oct. ing success to be as good or bet- took 4.5 million birds. ter than last year," said Jay —South Zone: Sept. 22-Nov. Roberson, Texas Parks and Wildgo up this year," Roberson added,

5 in the special white-winged dove received reports of good numbers weather we get between now and of birds except in the west central the season opener."

plained.

of more than 40 million birds, that tipped doves in the aggregate, in-doves from bordering states to the price of a \$40 Annual Public Hunting Permit, hunters can access continue to expand across the which expire Aug. 31, before dove hunting on 48,000 acres of doves per day. Shooting hours are Texas dove hunters spent a com- TPW public dove leases. Funds said Roberson, who noted breed- hunters must answer Harvest In--North Zone: Sept. 1-Oct. 30 noon to sunset. "We expect hunt-bined 1.2 million days afield and generated by the sale of permits ing now as far north as Lubbock formation Program questions" are used to purchase these hunt- and Wichita Falls. Dove hunters while buying their license. HIP "I believe those numbers will ing rights. The 130 leases are scat- can avoid taking any chances by certification will be printed on the tered through all three dove zones; purchasing the Super Combo li- license at the time of purchase af-5 and Dec. 26-Jan. 9 (closes Jan. life dove program leader. "We've "but it really depends on the some cover more than 1,000 acres cense package, which for \$49 in- ter a brief series of questions have and the largest contains nearly cludes resident hunting and fish- been answered. Lifetime license 4,000 acres. Annual Public Hunting licenses plus all seven special holders must also be HIP-certified

tions are expanding throughout able this year for the first time. Need a place to hunt? For the much of the Central and South

hour before sunrise to sunset. The drought may have hurt production to push locally produced doves wherever hunting licenses are package would cost \$91. Persons daily bag limit is 15 dove in the and doves tend not to persist in south, and more rain means the sold. White-winged dove hunters 65 years of age or older may purdove may disperse over a greater are reminded that a \$7 white- chase the resident Senior Super Texas boasts a fall dove popuarea, making it tougher on hunt-winged dove stamp is required to Combo license for \$25 which offor better than usual hunting in the the Special White-winged Dove lation of more than 40 million ers hoping to concentrate their ef- hunt whitewings anywhere in fers the same privileges as the upcoming Texas dove season, ac- Area of South Texas. Bag and birds, more than half of which are forts around stock tanks, he ex- Texas and that whitewing popula- Super Combo license and is avail-

Hunters are also reminded to Zones. "Whitewing populations renew their hunting licenses, state, especially in urban areas," heading out on opening day. Dove

Shooting hours are one-half part of the state where a prolonged Cold fronts in late August tend ing permits may be purchased stamps. Purchased separately, the in order to hunt migratory birds. Border Patrol agents seize nearly 2,000 pounds of marijuana

value of the seized contraband was hicle.

U.S. Border Patrol agents in to stop a pickup truck on Vega chased three men who escaped pounds of marijuana was found in through the brush, all but one of ered two bundles of marijuana in the Del Rio sector seized nearly Verde Road. The driver sped across the river to Mexico. A the vehicle. 2,000 pounds of marijuana in re- away, later crashing at the inter- black bag, containing 41 pounds cent weeks. Since July 26, agents section of Leonel Martinez Bou- of marijuana was found nearby. here have seized a total of levard and Avenue T. The driver 1,997.45 pounds of marijuana in was arrested after 220.15 pounds to stop a vehicle five miles west sacks contained a total of 283.2 nine separate incidents. The total of marijuana was found in the ve- of Eagle Pass, the driver sped pounds of marijuana.

• Aug. 9 - An agent attempted near the Del Rio Port of Entry was apprehended and 177.2 group of five people, walking were arrested after agents discov-

away. He later jumped out of the

• Aug. 3 - Agents patrolling 20 miles west of Eagle Pass found

• Aug. 3 - Agents patrolling car and fled on foot. The driver near Comstock approached a agents near Comstock. Four men

found him in possession of four 502 pounds of marijuana. • Aug. 3 - When agents tried eight feed sacks abandoned. The bundles of marijuana, totalling 231 pounds.

• Aug. 1 - As agents patrolling elling in tandem, were stopped by Pass, they observed five people

the group scattered. The man was one vehicle and eight bundles in taken into custody after agents the other. Agents seized a total of

• July 28 - As agents approached an area known for drug • July 31 - Two vehicles, trav- smuggling activity near Eagle carrying bundles on their backs. **Continued on Page 8**



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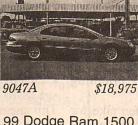
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Rotary District **Governor visits**

Submitted by Frances McMaster

The Governor of District, John Holcomb and his aide, Eamon Grant, visited the Brackettville Rotary Club Aug. 17 and reviewed the plans for the coming year with emphasis on the various categories of service which structure the club. The local club completed plans for a fundraiser to benefit Rotary's Scholarship Fund. A barbecue dinner will be given at Shahan Park on Aug. 27. Michael Hall, Patty Lopez and Jacquelyn Conoly will provide entertainment. Tables and chairs will be set under trees in the shade, but if you would prefer, you may take your food home. Food will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Plates are priced at \$5 for adult and \$2.50 for children 10 years old and under. This is a good chance to meet and hear baritone Michael Hall, Brackettville High School principal. Patty and Jacquelyn are well-known and experienced local performers who are lending their talents to make this benefit a smashing success. Rotary hopes you will come and help the Scholarship Fund, fill your tummy with great food and enjoy the entertainment.

Why does this woman hate me?

I Could Be Wrong **By Chuck Hall**

I don't hate anyone. I really don't. I've seen what hatred does to a person and I don't want to be part of it. We need more love and kindness in our world, not

But there is a person on this planet that I am developing a types of shows are increasing in strong dislike for. Martha "let me fix up your house and ruin to hate her. your life" Stewart. I hope you ing about. This woman has cost several years ago. I don't even

me a lot of money.

She comes on her TV show, with tools and gadgets that even major home improvement stores don't carry, and implants torture creating schemes into the minds of wives everywhere.

What scares me most is that there are others out there like Martha and her program. These popularity. I think I could learn

I have things in my home that don't even know whom I'm talk- I had not imagined I would have

know what some of them are for. And I need some help here. I need some feedback. Do people really have lawn chairs that are only for decoration purposes? Does anyone, besides Martha Stewart, actually have ornamental furniture that no one ever sits in? Ever?

I really want to take a poll here. Men and women. Please stop when you see me and give me your answer. I want to know. I need to know. But I could be

Lawn looking poorly? Here's how you can control Brown Patch and other problems

Submitted by Robert Elledge **Kinney County Extension Agent**

Brown Patch Disease, caused by a fungus (Rhizoctonia solani), occurs in the late spring or early fall. The disease is characterized by circular patterns of dead grass blades in the turf. These range from the stolons because of the deterioration in the attachment area.

Stolons often remain green. New leaves may emerge in the center of the circular patch in 2 to 3 weeks, giving the diseased area a doughnut shaped appearnace. The entire spot eventually may become green during a long growing season.

St. Augustine grass is damaged more by brown patch than Bermuda grass or Zoysia grass. Disease development occurs most rapidly in temperature between 75 and 85 degrees Fahrenheit when free moisture is present. Fungus activity stops when the air temperature reaches 90 degrees. This explains seasonal development.

Some lawns are affected almost every year, while others are damaged only occasionally. Fungicide application, which effectively prevents brown patch development, should be made when brown patch is expected.

On lawns where brown patch occurs occasionally, apply fungicide when the disease first ap-

It is a wise child who learns from her mistakes

Empowering Families

"Mom, can we talk?"

The voice on the phone Come over, I'll be here."

Barbara sat down at the table. Looking into her mother's face, her eyes filled with tears. "Mom, it's all wrong. It just isn't working. All Dave thinks about is himself. I thought if I moved in with him he would change and every-

her daughter. She put Barbara's head on her shoulder and held her child. "Sweetheart," Gracie be- to make." gan, "welcome home. We will work this out together. Dad will made now. "

and dirty. How will anyone ever will please her soul, discretion will trust me? I feel like my life is so messed up.'

"Barb," Gracie interrupted. "You made a bad choice. You

to live with Dave. You made the Gracie moved a chair beside second good decision when you called me and asked for help. I'll put the teapot on and we can talk like she had when Barb was a about the other decisions you have

It is a wise child who learns from her mistakes and who returns pick up your things at Dave's. to the house of her father and who There are some decisions to be follows the wisdom of her mother. When she receives her words, wis-"But Mom, I feel so ashamed dom enters her heart, knowledge watch over her and understanding will guard her future. (Proverbs 2:1,2,10,11).

This column is brought to you cannot undo what you have done. by the St. Henry deOsso Family Who and what you become from Project working in Brackettville to now on is up to you. You already strengthen families, faith and edu-

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isn't. Mom, I want to come when you decided it was wrong

By Dr. Donald Smith

sounded desperate. Gracie knew that her daughter was in need of love and a good ear. "Sure, honey.

thing would be all right, but it

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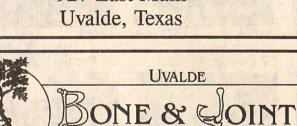
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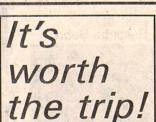
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Looking for something a little mall to puzzle over the list of gifts more personal? Visit wine.com to that Binky and Bobo have fondly see about ordering personalized imagined folks are dying to buy bottles of wine. How about a 12for them. Now you can find, or- bottle case of personalized der and send great gifts right from Chardonnay for \$159? You can your desk. Just log on to Mall.com also order personalized bubbly with Riedel lead crystal champagne flutes for \$60.50.

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Arthritis of the knee: causes, symptoms and treatment

Part I in a series

Submitted by Dr. Gloria G. Box

problems many older patients face is the loss of mobility.

Texas, where folks are fiercely in- hinge). dependent, and take great pride in providing for themselves.

Arthritis in the knee joint, injuries to the ligaments or cartilage in the knee, or just normal wear and tear can lead to debilitating

Sometimes an arthritic or injured knee can lock up, give way, or simply lose stability.

This in turn can lead to the inability to do even simple activities like walking or climbing

Things that we often take for granted - such as going to mail a letter at the post office, or going to the grocery store for a loaf of bread - can turn into difficult if the bones of the knee joint tonot impossible tasks.

wrong time, a fall can lead to a muscles, in turn, serve to power fractured hip or broken wrist.

The knee joint is the largest leg. joint in the body. Every time you take a step, you use your knee. After millions of steps over a lifetime of use, the knee joint can begin to wear out. Injury to the knee early in life, especially a bad

the knee.

One of the most frustrating and is formed where the thighbone, shinbone and kneecap meet. thritis. In a healthy knee, the joint moves This is especially so in rural freely, (just like a well-oiled

The reason a healthy knee glides so freely is due to a thick layer of smooth, slick cartilage that covers the joint surfaces: namely, the ends of the shinbone, thighbone, and underside of the knee cap.

to move easily, this cartilage also face of the cartillage. serves as the knee's shock ab-

All remaining surfaces of the cartillage with bone grinding knee are covered with another tissue called the synovial membrane. cating fluid that virtually eliminates friction in a healthy knee.

Ligaments are tissues that hold slow and intermittent, and can take gether, while tendons attach the If the knee gives way at the muscles to the bones. The the movements of the knee and

> Causes of knee pain and loss of mobility

When any part of the knee is injury that did not heal properly, away. Initially, the knee may just become severe, and occasionally,

mary causes of knee pain is ar- edges...

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of arthritis, the most common are knee becomes thickened and inosteoarthritis, rheumatoid arthritis, and traumatic arthritis. Above the age of 50, osteoar-

thritis is the most common cause of knee pain. Osteoarthritis is a slowly pro-

gressive condition that often begins by a roughening and fissur-In addition to enabling the knee ing of the normally smooth sur- the knee. This can ultimately progress to

against bone. When joint stiffness and insta-This membrane releases a lubribility occur, impairment and disability result. The disease development in osteoarthritis can be

> Symptoms of arthritis Symptoms of osteoarthritis can include pain in the area of the knee joint when you walk, (or put weight on it) or a tendency for the joint to stiffen up when it is rested

in one position. In more severe cases, knee pain damaged, joint movement suffers. may occur even at night or during Over a period of time, the cartirest (non-weight bearing). Evenlage can begin to crack or wear tually, stiffness of the joint can

can accelerate arthritic changes in feel a little stiff. As time a grinding sensations can be felt. progresses, the bones of the joint The knee pain can be associated How the healthy knee works can begin rubbing together and with mild swelling of the joint and The knee joint acts like a hinge, pain is the result. One of the pri- with firm protusions around the

Koban (WP) Truban (WP)

Though there are many types dition where the membrane in the flamed. Too much fluid is produced in

Rheumatoid arthritis is a con-

the knee joint and it overfills the joint space. This chronic inflammation can damage the cartillage, causing pain and stiffness. Traumatic arthritis is caused,

as the name implies, by trauma to It usually follows a serious knee injury such as a bad fall or blow to the knee resulting in a fracture, complete destruction of the

or tears of the knee's ligaments. These injuries may damage the knee cartillage over time, causing knee pain and limiting knee func-

In Part II of this article, I'll discuss the various treatment options available and the pros and cons of several years to become disabling.

(Editor's Note: This article was written by orthopaedic surgeon Gloria G. Box, M.D., who owns and operates Uvalde Bone & Joint Clinic, (830) 278-2292)

For local news you can use, read The Brackett News

Stephenson: The gym is now air conditioned! Tigers primed for

Making a Difference by Taylor Stephenson

Well, the air conditioning is now running at the gym. You can come see a volleyball game and enjoy it in an air conditioned gym. It is wonderful.

Some school patrons talked about how hot it used to be (in the good old days?) All were impressed to have a gym that is air conditioned.

We're not running on full speed yet because CPL needs to provide a better power supply.

They are working on this, and it will be installed in the next couple of weeks.

Come out and see our fine volleyball teams play and enjoy the 3:45 p.m. air conditioning.

First game Sept. 8. cheerleaders are cheering; and the regular season football game will be held on Friday, Sept. 8. We'll have a scrimmage or two before that time. This will be a fun team to watch this year.

Brackett ISD Activity Calendar

Thursday, August 24 5 p.m., G-9, JV Volleyball, D'Hanis (T) TBA Varsity Football, Crystal City (Scrim.) (A) 5:30 & 7 p.m. Friday, August 25 G JV Volleyball Hondo Tournament (T) TBA. Saturday, August 26 G JV, V Volleyball Hondo Tournament (T) TBA Monday, August 28 5:45-6 p.m. Juan Avila Jr. Bench Dedication 6-6:30 p.m. Public hearing on budget 6:30 p.m. Board meeting on budget 7&8 Volleyball Del Rio (White) (H) 5/6 p.m. Tuesday, August 29 5 p.m., G JN, V Volleyball,

Set an example: Use crosswalks- Encourage students to do the same!

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"The air conditioning is now running at the gym. You can come see a volleyball game and enjoy it in an air conditioned gym," according to Taylor Stephenson, BISD superintendent.

We're working on the traffic jam in the main parking lot that occurs each day at about 3:25 to will be Monday, Aug. 28 at 6 p.m.

The band is marching; the dren in front of the elementary school, and 5th and 6th grade par-

The most logical solution will tax rates in the state. be to change some of the dismissal times. We'll have some news later on this week.

Hearing set Monday

Our budget and tax hearing The school proposes a 3 cent in-It's caused by 4th grade par- crease that will pay lots of divients trying to pick up their chil- dends in the form of matching state classrooms. Good job. funds for the next three years.

The budget is a conservative teams are practicing. Our first ents trying to do the same in the one and maintains Brackett ISD parking lot near the school library. as having one of the lowest school

Meet the Teacher

The Meet the Teacher Night at group to watch. Jones Elementary was a success-

ful event. The children and faculty were lead by Judy Burks in 'We Are the World; We are the Children." This was followed by parent visits to their children's

School chorus

Michael Hall reports a couple of dozen singers signed in for the school chorus. Some came to the meeting; others signed in the next week. This will be an exciting

Have a great week!

Jimmy Davis' article published in Texas Coach Magazine



Coach Thomas has been to the football playoffs three years and coached on several different levels. He knows what it takes to play on Friday nights and to have a winning team. "We should coach kids with a positive demeanor and try to eliminate the negative," he says.

Coach Jimmy Thomas, defensive coordinator at Brackett High School, recently received the honor of having his article, entitled, "Coaching Defensive Football," published in the Texas Coach Magazine. The publication is circulated all across the state of Texas and is read by over 10,000

The article appeared in the August 2000 issue and highlighted the efforts that coaches should make while working with kids.

As a coach, Jimmy Thomas has been to the football playoffs three years and coached on several different levels. He knows what it takes to play on Friday nights and to have a winning team.

Throughout his article Coach gave tips on how to work and win with a football team.

When asked what point was most important, he replied, "We should coach kids with a positive demeanor and try to eliminate the negative."

playoffs, district title

First scrimmage game today in Crystal City

> Submitted by Kaylia Thomas

The Brackett Tigers are eyeing a chance to do something that many to be a contender for the end. district title.

coach David Yeager.

The Tigers were hit hard by sive end. graduation, returning only three

as anybody in the district and we think we can win a lot of games this year," said Yeager.

District 30-AA will be challenging with the addition of Poth, Three Rivers and Pettus to the district.

The Tigers return Jesse hasn't been done since before Hidalgo on offense who rushed 1950. They are looking to make for over 1,400 yards last season, the playoffs for the third year in along with Carlos Gomez at a row. Brackett is picked by guard and Sam Hunt at tight

On defense, returning are "We think we have a great Hidalgo, who moved to lineopportunity to have a success- backer alongside Chris Palomo ful year," replied third year ad J.J. Rivas at tackle. Miguel Hernandez has moved to defen-

The Tigers are in Crystal City offensive starters and four de- today for the first scrimmage fensive starters to this year's that starts at 5 p.m. Please come team. "Our kids work as hard and support the Tigers!



Out of my way! - The Brackett Tigers aim to make the district playoffs for the third year in a row. (Photo by Kaylia Thomas)

Brackett Varsity Football Schedule

Aug. 24 - Crystal City (Scrimmage) - Away - 5:30 and 7 p.m.

Aug. 31 - Junction (Scrimmage) - Home - 5:30 and 7 p.m Sept. 8 - Sabinal - Home - 7:30 p.m.

Sept. 15 - Rocksprings - Away - 8 p.m. Sept. 22 - Nueces Canyon - Home - 7:30 p.m.

Sept. 29 - Leakey - Away - 7:30 p.m.

Oct. 6 - LaPryor - Away - 7:30 p.m. Oct. 13 - * Three Rivers - Home - 7:30 p.m.

Oct. 20 - * Pettus-Homecoming - Home - 7:30 p.m.

Oct. 27 - * Poth - Away - 7:30 p.m. Nov. 3 - * Natalia - Parents' Night - Home - 7:30 p.m.

Nov. 10 - * Dilley - Away - 7:30 p.m.

* Denotes District 30AA Football Games

SWTJC adds 19 new instructors, offers nearly 800 courses this year

By Willie Edwards Public Information Officer

UVALDE - Beginning his second full year at the helm, Southwest Texas Junior College president Ismael Sosa is excited and optimistic about the beginning of a

new semester. tinue to be, finding creative ways to meet the needs of the large and isolated area of Southwest Texas that we serve," Sosa said.

"By adding new faculty and increasing our course offerings to I believe we are heading in the ulty meeting Tuesday at the right direction."

President Sosa says the Uvalde. SWTNET program which offers distance learning capabilities to 22 high schools in the college's 11county service area is a major means the college is using to serve Eagle Pass and Uvalde. outlying areas.

ment by high school students con- Uvalde," Rivera said. tinues to be a significant part of our enrollment and the SWTNET instructors and the new ideas they

In memoriam

AVILA.

Jr, a member of the class of 1970, the first Brackett student who

lost his life in Vietnam. This bench, in front of the administration building, is dedicated to Avila's memory. Avila's family will be

among those attending the ceremony. The public is invited.

program has expanded our ability will bring to SWTJC." to offer classes throughout our service area," Sosa said.

Other areas Sosa sees the col-

"Dean of Business Leslie Kramer, Romelia Aranda and "Our challenge is, and will con- Dick Whipple are doing a great job forging partnerships with area business and industry to provide programs that train participants to seven faculty positions in biology, meet specific needs in Southwest Texas," Sosa said.

He addressed SWTJC faculty nearly 800 classes this semester, and staff during the general fac-Matthews Student Center in

According to Gloria Rivera, dean of instructional services, SWTJC will begin the year with 87 full-time faculty in Del Rio,

"We have added new faculty "Dual and concurrent enroll- in Del Rio, Eagle Pass and

"We are excited about our new

VIETNAM VETERAN

OR CLASS OF 1970

A new nursing program in Eagle Pass, a new health and human services division in Uvalde lege making positive strides in are and increased participation by area workforce training/development high schools in distance learning/ and increased technical programs video conferencing classes all indicate SWTJC is growing to meet the needs of its constituents, Rivera said.

She also noted that SWTJC is still looking to fill an additional English, speech, math, economics, office systems technology and

auto mechanics technology. New faculty added to SWTJC for the fall semester in Uvalde are:

Lana Marlow, speech; John Marlow, communications; Frank Cornacchione, criminal justice; Dr. Gabrielle Forbes, biology; Sharon Wilson, vocational nursing; Claudia Kurek, economics; Anna Carmichael, office systems technology; and Dr. Mark

Underwood, English. In Eagle Pass, new faculty are: Jerry Cowley, biology; Luis Perez, computer information systems; Mariano Aguilar, English; Shiloh Richter-Pivoda, English; Mario Cardenas, history; Amanda Van Cleve, vocational nursing; Kristine Davenport, vocational nursing; and Edward Koslowska,

New on the Del Rio faculty are: Pat Dugan, English; Charles Garabedian, history; and Pat Rhodes-Nicosia, math.

On-site registration will continue Thursday and Friday in

Late registration for fall semester classes will continue at the junior college will be Monday and A ceremony is planned Monday, Aug. 28 at 5:45 p.m. in front of Tuesday, Aug. 28-29. the Brackett ISD administration office to pay tribute to Juan Avila

The first day of classes at Southwest Texas Junior College campuses in Uvalde, Del Rio and Eagle Pass will be Monday, Aug.

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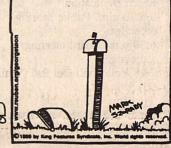
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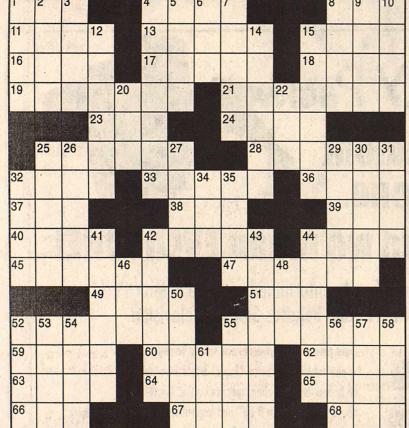












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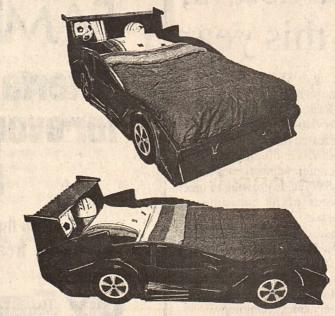
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- creations 59. 1976 Wimbledon winner
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- 3. Shellfish 4. Comes into view 5. All in the Family
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- 8. Microorganism 9. Singer Paul

- 10. Annoying fellow 12. Forge
 - 14. Regatta vessels 15. Rampaged
 - 20. Lobster's coral 22. Tether 25. Spoil, with "to"
 - 26. ___ layer 27. She, to Fifi 29. Towel user
 - 30. Throws in a poker chip 31. One calendar's worth
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 - Derby winner) 50. Attracted 52. Busy as ___ (2 wds.)
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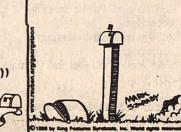


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Aries March 21- April 20

Jealousy could get the best of you this week for no apparent reason. Focus on your accomplishments. Things may turn out better than expected. Schedule an appointment for some pampering.

Taurus April 21-May 21 Anticipate potential problems

in the environment in which you work. A positive mental attitude may help you realize that you are the miracle. A personal relationship between a mother and daughter is not as complicated as you think.

Gemini May 22-June 21 Reward yourself for a job well done. It's been difficult, and your patience may have worn thin. However, the results are golden. You have an uncanny

ability to anticipate the future.

Cancer June 22-July 22 Rely on your sense of humor as a tool to defuse a potentially volatile situation. There are obvious answers to a troubling family question. Actively listening will make you a role model. Treat this mentoring opportunity with great care.

Leo July 23-August 23 The color red brings serenity as you work to motivate a

or greater professional opportunity may be in the works. Virgo August 24-Sept. 22 Expand your circle of possibilities. Thinking about a pending vacation keeps you focused on Pisces Feb. 19-March 20

friend who is slacking off. You

are ecstatic. Everything prom-

ised could be fulfilled. An equal

more partners to start up a business may be as easy as shaking hands. Integrity propels you.

Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 Setting sights on bigger and

better personal items may be financially unfeasible. Tighten your belt and pay off some looming debts. Do not stick your head in the sand. Running only puts off money problems

temporarily. Update your re-

sume. Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22

You have the ability to handle the most minute details. Don't give up. Commitment is something you take seriously. Get on with your life. A relationship is just that-in the past. Look closer to home for romance.

Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 Accept what has happened and get beyond the incident. Don't dwell on failure; others have already forgotten what you keep rehashing. A brush with a famous person makes you star struck. Use that rush to accomplish long-neglected

Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 Reset your goals. Write them down on paper and set target dates. You are happiest this week in dark colors. Go slowly making major decisions. Impulsiveness could get the best of your wallet.

Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 Do not allow your life to continue to be run by disorganization. Step back and take stock. Don't allow others to get the best of you. They want to ruin your reputation. Stay above the fray by finding comfort in an old friend.

important issues. Looking for Is your current job in line with your overall aspirations? If not, look for other opportunities to advance. Attitude is everything. Don't allow yourself to be dragged down by petty office fighting.

For Entertainment Purposes Only

Choose God's love, choose to be happy and to forgive and bless others

Gateway Ministries By Pastor Charolette Corev

know how people make it from of his word. day to day without his love, wisdom, guidance, and strength.

times. He strengthens you by the very rewarding. power of his word. He gives you bear. His mercy covers you like God... "Trust in the Lord with bear. His mercy covers you like God... "Trust in the Lord with Having just lost my the wings of a mother hen over all your heart, lean not unto your husband's, (Bob Corey's), stepher chicks.

you from harm and during these will make your path straight." difficult times, you experience the promises of God that he will in wisdom as well. What would Super Natural strength, grace,

Satan uses the worst of times

drown you with lies and depres- daily. Thank God for his Super sion. Instead, God causes you to

Life is full of opportunities to choose to be happy, to choose which we will never know about When you feel like you're at God's love, to choose to forgive until we reach heaven in which your wit's end, He is there. He and bless others. It is not always God has saved us from falling carries you through the hard easy, but it is a choice that is into Satan's trap or pitfall.

grace to carry the cross you must church sing from the word of ing and His courts with praise. own understanding; in all your mother, Blanch Corey, who The blood of Jesus protects ways acknowledge him, and he helped raise him since his own

never leave you nor forsake we do without the other parts of power and love. the body of Christ?

I do not know. There are so your love and your prayers. to allow things in your life to many precious people who have "snowball." If you aren't filled reached out and enriched our walk in love.

with His word and trust in Him lives and the lives of our loved by faith, the situation can easily ones. I thank God for them

RELIGION/FEATURES

God also uses his angels who Natural strength. I really do not be an overcomer by the power he sends on assignment to watch

There are often occasions

This is all the more reason to Like the children at our enter His gates with thanksgiv-

mother's death when he was 3, God uses people to direct you we are so grateful for God's

> Thank you all for your help, Stand in faith, rest in hope,

A small town's uniqueness

St. Mary Magdalene Church Submitted by Lynn McNew

I recently came across a series of articles written by Arthur Gordon of Savannah, Ga. He shares his thoughts and feelings on life in small towns.

Although Savannah isn't exactly what we would think of as a small town, it has the feeling of "small-townness" in the sense of the warmth and friendliness it displays.

It reminds us that this town is America. It is you. It is me. It belongs to us all and together we can behold its goodness. Following is one of Mr. Gordon's articles:

By Arthur Gordon

Whenever I visit up North or travel to cities in the West, people sometimes ask me what life is like in a small town in

must be very different,' they conjecture.

Yes, it is different, I tell them. No one would ever mistake the colonial charm of my hometown of Savannah for the super steel-and-glass structures that tower over New York City.

Likewise, no one would ever mistake the forested mountain slopes of New England for the Everglades of Florida, or the plains of Montana for the blue grass of Kentucky, or the Arizona desert for the lakes of Minnesota. Diversity, that's one of the glories of our country.

We're all Americans, and we all speak the same language and watch the same TV president, but the regional dif-

Last year's tax rate:

Georgia, in the deep South. "It foods, traditions, values, lifestyles. And it's out of this wonderful "differentness" that the color and texture and character of this marvelous country are created.

It's just one more example of the infinite variety and inventiveness of the Creator of all things. No two individuals alike, no two snowflakes alike, no two sets of fingerprints alike. And no two towns alike, either. No matter what, yours is going to be different.

In future weeks we will discover some of these differences. Lord, give us the capacity to be amazed and delighted and enchanted by the diversity around us.

You are welcome to worprograms and elect the same ship with us anytime at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic ferences persist-different Church. God Bless You!

'We, like the Apostles, find Jesus is hard to understand'

First United Methodist Church around the world" (a home-run and his date are "compatible" Jesus' teachings (about being the By Rev. Ken F. Sellers Jr.

of special importance). Women when this can only be true if he bread of life whose flesh must What was the name of that of time shopping for that special cant transformation after the be imbibed). They proclaim, book - "Men are from Mars, article of clothing that will go dating has moved to "commit- "This is a difficult statement, Women are from Venus"? The perfectly with a pair of shoes or ment." age old problem in the relation- a handbag. Men, on the other If most of you (men and sult, some turn away from acship between men and women hand, don't even know what women) are like me, we spend companying him there just outis most certainly, "we don't of- color their socks are most days a lot of time trying to understand side of Capernaum. They could ten understand things the same (and couldn't care less). Women and to be understood. It is im- no longer go along with that way." Of course, generaliza- can talk on the phone for hours portant to all of us that our con- which they could not logically tions always ignore the excep- with a girlfriend. Men are im- cerns about things are under- comprehend. That is also very tions, but I'm going to use them patient to get off the phone as stood by others. We don't want true in today's society. Many anyway. Men can talk together soon as possible. Men are insent to be alone in our opinion, for find it difficult to follow Jesus, about sports almost indefinitely sitive (they don't even notice that that might indicate we are because we are "enlightened" without ever saying anything of they leave the toilet seat up). wrong. It is comforting, a bit, and have made reason and logic any importance (other than to Women are sensitive (they know to know that Jesus struggled the foundation for "truth." sports enthusiasts). But, women what their man is thinking at all with a similar problem. In John could care less about the Yan- times, even if the man denies it). 6:56-69, we find that the follow- odist Church this Sunday at kee second base man who was Many a young man has made ers of Jesus are expressing their 10:45 a.m. as we, like the

can spend an inordinate amount is willing to undergo a signifi- be eaten and whose blood must who can listen to it?" As a re-

Join us at First United Methresponsible for "the shot heard the mistake of thinking that he confusion regarding one of Apostles, find "Jesus is difficult

Parents urged to teach children after St. John's Missionary Baptist Church school rules for propane appliance safety pastor lists new worship service hours

Parents are urged to discuss by using a "scratch and sniff" St. John's Missionary Church propane gas appliance safety brochure available from Texas By Rev. William measures with their children if propane suppliers. the youngsters are home alone The Railroad Commission of

after school. safety rules will help them if (AFRED) can provide consuman adult isn't home," said Texas as additional propane uses and Railroad Commission Chairman rebates by calling toll-free, (800) Michael L. Williams. "We need 64-CLEAR (800-642-5327). to keep kids informed that if they smell gas, they should exit be accessed via the Railroad the home immediately and not Commission of Texas' Internet

pliances." Matthews adds, "Teaching chil- els Research and Education Didren propane appliance safety is vision of the Texas Railroad a good lesson to learn. Children Commission is charged with reshould know to keep all objects searching and educating the pubaway from gas furnaces, space lic about propane and other enheaters and fireplaces and stay vironmentally beneficial fuels away from tanks and valves. that can help reduce air pollu-Propane appliances aren't toys tion in Texas. and should never be turned on without adult supervision."

"Teach children to use their heads and their noses when dealing with propane," Commissioner Tony Garza advises. "They should learn to sniff out trouble by recognizing its distinct odor and should learn to recognize common noises made by propane appliances."

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2000 Property Tax Rates in Ft Clark M.U.D.

This notice concerns 2000 property tax rates for Ft Clark M.U.D. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's operating taxes	\$14,576
Last year's debt taxes	\$124,552
Last year's total taxes	\$139,128
Last year's tax base	\$33,508,671
Last year's total tax rate	0.4152/\$100
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This year's effective tax rate:	CHANGE ON COURT
Last year's adjusted taxes	\$138,021
(after subtracting taxes on lost property)	
/ This year's adjusted tax base	\$32,650,760
(after subtracting value of new property)	14
= This year's effective tax rate	0.4227 /\$100
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This year's rollback tax rate:	
Last year's adjusted operating taxes	\$14,460
(after subtracting taxes on lost property and	
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/ This year's adjusted tax base	\$32,650,760
= This year's effective operating rate	0.0443 /\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	0.0478 /\$100
+ This year's debt rate	0.1562 /\$100
= This year's rollback rate	0.2040 /\$100

Statement of Increase/Decrease

If Ft Clark M.U.D. adopts a 2000 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$0.4227 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 1999 taxes by \$7,594.

Schedule A **Unencumbered Fund Balances**

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund Property Tax Fund

Balance \$575,000

Schedule B 2000 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Principal or Interest to be

Contract Payment Paid from

Description of Debt	to be Paid from Property Taxes	Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
977 Utility	\$52,050	\$0	\$0	\$52,050
ond Issue				
Total requi	red for 2000 debt se	rvice	SHEET SEASTERNING	\$52,050
Amount (i	f any) paid from fun	ds listed in S	Schedule A	\$0
Amount (i	f any) paid from oth	er resources		\$0
Excess col	lections last year		Transport and	\$0
= Total to be	paid from taxes in	2000		\$52,050
- Amount ac	ided in anticipation	hat the unit	will	
collect onl	y 96.00% of its taxe	s in 2000	407	\$2,169
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This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at 412 S. Ann St., Brack-

Name of person preparing this notice: William F. Haenn

Title: Chief Appraiser

Date prepared: August 22, 2000

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Agents seize marijuana

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The suspects fled as agents approached, dropping their bundles. The bundles contained 422.2 pounds of marijuana.

 A narcotics canine was later taken to the area to search any other bundles that might have been left by the suspects. The dog alerted to a bundle of marijuana weighing 60 pounds.

• July 26 - Agents patrolling 18 miles west of Eagle Pass found a feedsack containing 57.6 pounds of marijuana.

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