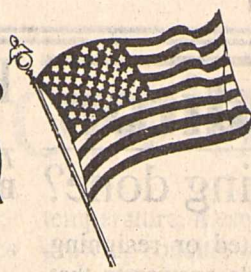


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Body found at Arenosa Bridge

By Amy Davis
Staff Writer

On Thursday, September 21, at 7:15 p.m. Trooper Tom Wylie found the body of Adam Michael Spriggs of Schertz, Texas, at Arenosa Bridge, about 9 miles east of Brackettville on Highway 90.

Antonio A. Garcia, 19, of San Antonio was charged with capital murder after turning himself in on Friday morning.

Spriggs, just two days away from his 18th birthday, was driving a 1990 Mazda Miata when he

was apparently car jacked and murdered by Garcia in Guadalupe County. Spriggs and Garcia were acquaintances.

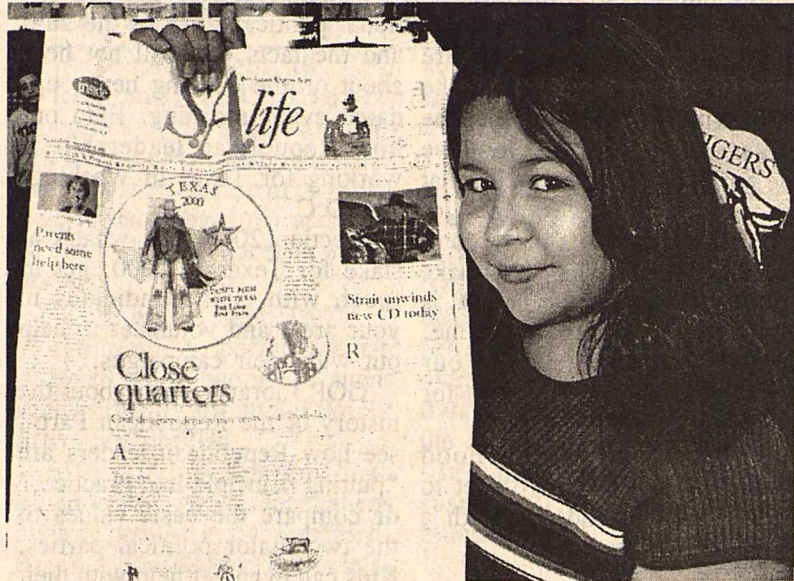
At 6:05 p.m. on Thursday, the Kinney County Sheriffs Department received a call from Detective Mark Schupps of the Schertz Police Department reporting that a dead body had been dumped under a bridge in Kinney County. The Sheriffs Department, DPS Troopers, Border Patrol and Texas Rangers began searching for the body from Uvalde to Brackettville immediately. Schupps

was informed about the incident by a female from Schertz who was with the man who dumped the body.

The body, which had multiple puncture wounds, was picked up by the Del Rio Funeral Home and taken to the Bexar County Medical Examiner in San Antonio. An autopsy determined that homicide was the cause of death.

Garcia has admitted to killing Spriggs and is being held in the Guadalupe County Jail without bond.

Jaso wins honorable mention



Sixth grader Cynthia Jaso, shows off the edition of the San Antonio Express-News that announced that she was a winner in their Texas coin design contest. The theme of Jaso's quarter design was "Cowboy, Texas."

By Amy Davis
Staff Writer

Jones Elementary, won Honorable Mention in a contest for creating a look for the new Texas quarter. The competition was open to read-

ers of the San Antonio Express-News. More than 250 people entered the contest. Jaso's design was featured in an article about the winners of the contest.

The design, titled "Cowboy, Texas" was of a smiling cowboy and his horse out on the ranch. Jaso said that a former art teacher taught her how to draw a cowboy a few years ago and that influenced her decision to draw one for the contest.

"Winning honorable mention made me happy and excited!" said Jaso.

Jaso has collected all of the new state quarters since their distribution and plans to continue as they come out. Cynthia Jaso is the daughter of Elizabeth and Joe Henry Jaso.

Since early 1999, the U.S. Mint has been producing a new state quarter every 10 weeks in the order the states joined the union. The Texas quarter will be out in mid-2004.

Plateau Water Planning Group holds public hearing

Local citizens voice concerns over county population growth projections

By Wes Robinson
Staff Writer

Del Rio - Last Monday night the Plateau Water Planning Group, Region J (PWPG) held its first public hearing to receive comments on the first draft of the regional water plan.

The six counties composing region J are Bandera, Edwards, Kerr, Kinney, Real and Val Verde. The region represents 3.5 percent of the total area of the state of Texas.

Kinney County with a population of 4,615 represents 3.8 percent of the total population of the region.

Jerry Simpton, Vice Chairman, presided at the meeting with over 40 concerned citizens in attendance.

Kinney county residents in at-

tendance were primarily concerned with the lack of growth shown in the plan for the county.

The plan projects the population of Kinney county to increase from 4,615 to 4,937 over the next 20 years. However, from 2020 to 2050 no growth is indicated.

John Ashworth, from LBG-Guyton Associates, explained that Senate Bill 1 required the PWPG to use state numbers unless they could provide evidence to the contrary.

Ashworth also mentioned that Kinney county's population had been raised by 1,100 over the state's number and the growth figures projected used information from the state demographers office.

County Agent Robert Elledge told Ashworth that his office had compiled a document showing that

the growth projections were incorrect. Elledge stated that the document would be made available to the PWPG for their use.

Bret Trant, chairman of the West Nueces Las Moras Soil and Water Conservation District Board, commented that the water plan did not address conservation or retention. Trant felt that these were important issues that should be addressed in the plan and offered the district's assistance.

Senate Bill 1 was the comprehensive piece of state legislature that laid out the frame work for a state wide water plan.

16 regional water planning groups were formed in order to implement the planning. Each group was required to develop a water plan to address the needs in their region over the next 50 years. The plans, which must be



Sunday evening brought with it much needed rain in Kinney County. The average rainfall throughout the county was one to one and a half inches. In isolated areas of Kinney County up to 2 and a half inches fell. Winds that reached approximately 50 m.p.h. caused trees to fall and debris to fly, resulting in damage to areas of Brackettville.

U.S. Border Patrol Agents seize \$11 million in cocaine

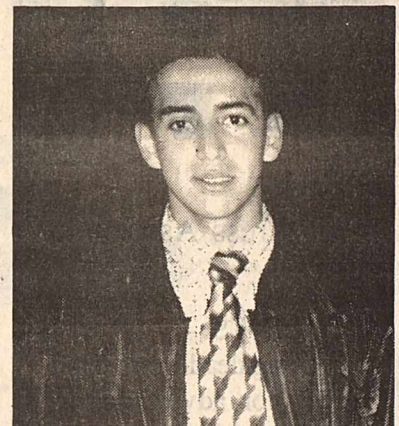
Border Patrol Agents from the Eagle Pass Station seized 360 pounds of cocaine on Wednesday, September 27, approximately one-quarter mile upriver from the Eagle Pass Port of Entry.

Agents working along Highway 57 attempted to perform an immigration stop on the occupant of a 1999 Ford pickup approximately 4 miles north of Eagle Pass. The

driver of the vehicle made a U-turn and began driving south toward Eagle Pass. Agents followed the vehicle that eventually drove down a boat ramp located along the Rio Grande river. The driver fled to Mexico, where he was apprehended by Mexican authorities. Agents found the cocaine in the truck.

The cocaine, valued at \$11,520,000 was turned over to the Multi-Agency Drug Task Force in Eagle Pass.

Sandoval signed to minor league



Tommy Sandoval signed a two-year contract with the El Paso Diablos Minor League Baseball Team. Tommy is the son of Gregario and Gloria Sandoval and a 2000 graduate of Brackett High School.

Air Amistad 2000 highlights

LAUGHLIN AIR FORCE BASE, Texas - Air Amistad 2000 is right around the corner. Scheduled to take place Oct. 8 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Laughlin's air show is expected to attract at least 40,000 people with the arrival of the Thunderbirds, the Air Force's premier aerial demonstration team.

The U.S. Army parachute demonstration team, the Golden Knights, will kick off the air show with a parachute jump onto Laughlin's flight line while carrying the U.S. flag. Other demonstrations, flybys and equipment displays promise to excite viewers as well.

Not only will the Air Force, Army and Navy's most technologically advanced aircraft be present, guests also will be able to look into the past as members of the Confederate Air Force display World War II-era aircraft. Scheduled aircraft highlights

include an F-80 dogfight with a MiG 15, complete with explosive effects to commemorate the Korean War's 50th anniversary, a World War II P-51 fighter aerobatics demonstration, a U-2 reconnaissance static display and a B-1 bomber flyby.

There will be plenty of food and drinks available at concession stands. Guests are reminded to dress for a warm day, bring cameras and film, drink plenty of fluids and use sunscreen. Bring your folding chairs, but leave all weapons, pets and glass containers at home!

This year's air show will be one you won't want to miss! The day will be filled with exciting aerial demonstrations and ground entertainment. During the event, spectators will receive the chance to meet servicemembers who proudly serve and protect this nation. Air Amistad 2000 is a great



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chance for the Del Rio and Laughlin communities to come together and make this year's air

show the best ever.

For complete information and a list of events taking place, check

out the official website at www.laughlin.af.mil/airamistad/airshow.htm.

Briefs ...

Del Rio Sector Weekly Statistics

Del Rio, Texas - The following is a report of the apprehensions by Border Patrol agents assigned to the Del Rio Sector for the period Sept. 11-17, 2000. The information is provided by station, and includes a sector total. Abilene 20, Brackettville 201, Carrizo Springs 419, Comstock 27, Del Rio 251, Eagle Pass 1,081, Llano 0, Rocksprings 22, San Angelo 19, Uvalde 71, Sector Total 2,111, Other Than Mexicans 88*. (*Included in Sector/Station totals).

CPR/FIRST AID

The American Red Cross will be offering first aid with adult, child and infant CPR, all in one. Learn how to help anyone of any age in a medical emergency. Meets child care licensing requirements. Pass written quizzes and skill checks to receive CPR and first aid cards. Course is scheduled for Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, Sept. 26th, 27th & 28th beginning at 6:30 pm in the Eagle Room. This course will also be taught on Saturday, September 30th, beginning at 8:30 am. Call the ARC office at 775-8626 to sign up.

Tara Parker will be the instructor and the cost of the course is \$30.00.

American Red Cross Wine Tasting

The Del Rio Branch of the American Red Cross will be hosting its second annual wine tasting September 29th, from 7-9 pm at the Pecan Street Station. Wines from across Texas will be poured by servers such as Willie Hyslop, Mike O'Neal, Alan Alexander, Tod Townsend, Bill White, and Manny Carrillo.

Come join your American Red Cross for an evening of entertainment. Event chairperson Phyllis Brown assures everyone an evening of fun with a silent auction of items donated by local artists, as well as the wine tasting, at the charming Pecan Street Station, graciously donated by Mr. and Mrs. Jay Johnson.

Tickets are available at \$15.00 per person and may be purchased by calling the ARC office at 775-8626 or Phyllis Brown at 775-1632.

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The Way I See It!

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Prevent alcoholism

"Why does my dad drink so much?" Dawn asked. "He drinks all day and sometimes he gets angry and yells at everybody. I know it is not good for him to keep drinking because people can die when they are drinking."

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Tigers maul panthers

It was a battle of the Big Cats in the Jungle last Friday Night. After a hard fought battle, the Tigers prevailed beating the Nueces Canyon Panthers 47-13.

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Letters to the Editor

Is too little or too much being done?

Fort Clark has a lot to offer to everyone. For years my wife has told me that when you find a lot of people that have little or nothing to do, you will find a lot of complaining. Well, here if you run out of complaining about nothing being done, then you can start complaining that too much is being done.

As to why the difference be-

tween terminated or resigning, there is a simple answer to that. It is common practice in management positions, to allow the manager to option for resigning, both sides benefit, the manager does not have to list terminated on future employment applications and the organization is not faced with the increased unemployment tax rates.

Roland Boysen

Please fix the warning siren

Dear Kinney County Emergency Managers,

The emergency warning siren on Fort Clark Springs is broken! It has been broken! It repeatedly gets stuck in the ON position for thirty minutes or more at a time.

The siren's function as an early warning of severe weather is lost or inored under these conditions. Please fix the siren, please.

Respectfully,
Bill Haenn

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Big Mama Sez!



The man who says it can't be done is interrupted by the man who is doing it.

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Fat and selfish: Americans are spoiled rotten

The way I see it!

By Steve LaMascus

This country is so self-absorbed and gluttonous that I truly believe reality is beyond its grasp. For example:

Al Gore gives a speech in which he makes up a story about his grandmother paying three times as much for the same medication that his dog takes, in an effort to curry favor with the elderly, and nobody understands that the guy is a congenial liar. He makes up the facts to fit his spiel of the moment.

Now he is pandering to the unwitting populace by saying he will release our strategic oil reserves to lower consumer oil prices. Great idea! Except that it would cripple us in the event of a real disaster or a real war. That's what the word strategic means! That reserve is there for national emergencies, not to make it easier for us to go on vacation.

Gore and the liberal element have learned a frightening truth about the American people and are using it as a weapon to defeat realism. They have found that as long as the proletariat have full bellies, plenty of toys, and money in their pockets, they don't care about the actual underlying health of the country. President John Kennedy would roll over in his grave. "Ask not what your country can do for you; ask what you can do for your country." has been replaced with "Gimme, gimme, gimme, gimme," and "Don't ask me to make any sacrifices! Gimme what I want or I'll riot!" Here's another one for you.

The headline reads, "House

Ethics Panel Takes No Action on Lawmaker." Well, surprise, surprise!

Democratic Florida Representative Corrine Brown went the distance, trying to keep Foutanga Sissoko, a West African businessman, out of jail for trying to bribe a customs official to let him export helicopters. The House Ethics Committee spent a year investigating why she had spent so much time living in Sissoko's \$600,000 condo in Miami, and why her daughter had received a \$50,000 Lexus as a gift from Sissoko's chief financial officer. They found, after a year of time and thousands if not millions of dollars of expense, that she had "poor judgement." No! Really? I guess there really is professional courtesy among thieves.

By the way, she is expected to be reelected. She is running against a retired Navy officer with no history of "poor judgement." She says, "I am pleased that I can continue to serve the people of Florida with this matter behind me." Yeah, I'll bet she is! Graft is really good in Florida.

Are we so morally bankrupt, and so greedy, and so selfish that we can't see that this kind of behavior and this acceptance of dishonesty and disloyalty is destroying the country?

Are we so stupid, and so blind to reality that we don't realize when politicians are lying to us for their own selfish reasons?

Are we so selfish and self-centered that we will allow the destruction of a nation to take place so we can have cheaper gasoline and cheaper medicines and fancier toys.

Hutchison speaks out against marketing violence to children

By Lisette McSoud Mondello
Contributing Writer

WASHINGTON, D.C., Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison made the following statement Friday regarding the Federal Trade Commission's report, made public earlier this week, on the sale of violent entertainment products to children:

"On September 11, the Federal Trade Commission issued a report entitled Marketing Violent Entertainment to children. It is a stinging indictment of the entertainment industry's marketing efforts on behalf of its films, video games and music.

"The report, which focused solely on violence (but not other potentially offensive content), was designed to answer two questions: Do the music, video game and film industries promote admittedly violent products in places where children are the likely target, and, are these advertisements intended to attract children and teenagers?"

"The answer to both of these questions, according to the report, was a resounding 'yes'."

"I'm sure this came as no surprise to the millions of parents who are deeply troubled by the amount of violence to which their children are exposed. My office has received thousands of letters from Texas parents who are profoundly disturbed at what is being peddled to their off-

spring. One parent wrote recently, 'Companies have no right to sell tainted food or adulterated medicine. Why should a huge industry be able to sell movies that poison my son's and daughter's minds?'"

"My answer to that is: They shouldn't."

"For a long time, many of us in Congress have been urging that the entertainment industry police itself when it comes to violent content in its products geared toward children. We pushed protections such as V-chips for television programming, and ratings systems for movies and video games. We were repeatedly assured that the entertainment industry was acting responsibly to keep explicit material away from children."

"The Federal Trade Commission report raises grave doubts that those repeated assurances were made in good faith. The report makes it transparently clear that many in the film industry, video game producers and the recording industry have been actively seeking out youngsters and selling their products to an underage audience with graphic depictions of violence."

"The ratings systems in place for films, games and music contain loopholes large enough to drive a school bus through. The 'parental advisory' on recorded music consists of nothing more than a tiny warning label with-

out any specifics as to why the product might be considered offensive. Some record companies refuse to abide by even this modest restriction."

These ratings systems are only as good as their weakest point. Frequently, that is the point of sale. The Federal Trade Commission report makes it clear that children have little trouble purchasing violent products that are supposedly intended for a mature audience."

"The entertainment industry's failure to obey even the mildest self-imposed marketing restrictions indicates that it may be time for tighter laws. Retailers who fail to enforce age restrictions should be penalized; so should film, music and video game studios who market violent material to children."

"We are not trying to censor speech or infringe on the First Amendment. No one is advocating blanket restrictions on what appears on movie screens and in other media. But we are trying to give parents a fighting chance to protect their children. They have that right."

"But it is merely common sense that, if the entertainment industry refuses to police itself when it come to selling violent material to kids, legislation may be the next logical step. Empty promises will no longer suffice. We will be watching."

Texas consumers benefit from lawsuit reforms

Submitted by
Bill Summers

Pick up just about any Texas newspaper and you can already read about personal injury lawyers complaining that the latest potential lawsuit gravy train won't net them millions in legal fees. This time the culprit is Firestone, the product is tires, and the complaint is that personal injury lawyers may not be making the millions of dollars they're used to.

Desperate to hide their greed, Texas personal injury lawyers are attempting to cast consumers as victims of the legal reform enacted five years ago and are

using the Firestone tire situation to lead the most recent charge to eliminate Texas' successful legal reforms. Their attacks are meant to scare injured consumers into thinking that they will not be able to seek just compensation from Firestone. They couldn't be more wrong.

Consumers in fact, have more protections now than ever before, and our rights are strengthened, not threatened, by legal reform.

Fear mongering by the group Court Watch is a smoke screen to obscure the true reason for their indignation, which is that personal injury lawyers won't have the opportunity to seek ri-

dulous punitive damages that add bundles to their own wallets. Consumers won with legal reform, and the proof is in the pudding. Thanks to legal reform, Texas consumers enjoy real benefits, including:

- a more efficient court system to hear their legitimate cases;
- insurance savings; and
- greater job opportunities

In 1995, the Legislature passed a package of legal reforms to help provide relief from a system that attacked our economy and benefited only personal injury lawyers.

Texas was known throughout the country as a haven for lawyers looking to get rich quick.

Republican Party of Texas launches website

The Republican Party of Texas has announced the launch of the new RPT website, www.texasgop.org. The new website is an expansion and improvement of the Republican Party's original website, which was named one of the best Republican websites in the nation by Campaigns & Elections magazine.

The new Republican Party of Texas website includes:

Battleground 2000: The battle for control of the Texas legislature is being fought in several key districts around the state. Battleground 2000 will let those who subscribe to the free e-mail notification system stay on top of developments in key races around the state.

Republican Spin Cycle: The most popular section of the old site returns with political commentary on the latest happenings in the world of Texas politics. Free e-mail notification gives subscribers all the news that's fit to spin!

National Briefs: The top national political story of the day, and the facts you will not hear about on the evening news, updated every morning. Find out how Republican leadership is working for Texas in Washington, D.C.

Election 2000: See what's at stake for Texas in 2000, get in touch with GOP candidates in your area, and volunteer to help out with their campaigns.

GOP Library: Read about the history of the Republican Party, see how Republican leaders are "putting principle into practice," or compare the basic values of the two major political parties. Kids can even get help with their homework and read important documents like the U.S. Constitution and the Gettysburg Address.

Get Involved: Volunteer to help the Republican Party of Texas, the Texas Victory 2000 Committee, and your local county party all in one place!

For more information about the new RPT website log on to www.texasgop.org or call Robert Black at RPT HQ at (512) 477-9821.

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The state's liability system hurt small and large business; the casualties of this system were consumers and businesses alike.

The reforms helped to create more than 195,700 jobs in Texas, which brought \$7.1 billion in additional personal income (\$862 per household) and \$4.2 billion in enhanced consumer spending per year (\$517 per household), the study found.

Bill Summers is president of Citizens Against Lawsuit Abuse in Weslaco. Citizens Against Lawsuit Abuse is a nonprofit community coalition whose mission is to raise awareness of the cost and consequences of lawsuit abuse.

Spray Mesquite when it's most susceptible

By Robert Elledge
Kinney County Agent

Mesquite is one of the toughest, most invasive species in the world, and its ability to survive is one of the big reasons it's such a problem. But you can improve the effectiveness of your control efforts by choosing to spray the brush when it's most susceptible, then doing the application correctly.

Anything less and you're hoping for improbably good luck.

Recently, Dr. Darrell Ueckert, a range research scientist at the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station in San Angelo, outlined for ranchers five critical factors for successful control of mesquite with aerial sprays.

Soil temperature 12 to 18 inches deep should be at least 75 F and preferably, more than 80 F. Do not spray when soil temperatures are cooler than 75 F.

Soil Temperature is critical because it influences the translocation of carbohydrates and absorbed herbicides in the plant.

Realize that heavy clay soils, wet soil and heavy shaded soils will warm up more slowly than others. Also, rainfall during the spray season will cause soil temperatures to drop.

Carbohydrate translocation.

Herbicides absorbed through the leaves must be translocated downward into the roots and the below-ground bud zone in order to root-kill mesquite. Absorbed herbicides flow with the carbohydrates. In mesquite, carbohydrates move downward during two periods. The first is 42 to 63 days after bud break. Spray during this period only if the mesquite flowers are yellow in color and if soil temperatures are above 75 F. Low soil temperatures will usually limit spraying during this period. The second period is 72 to 84 days af-

ter bud break when beans are fully elongated and maturing.

Mesquite foliage should be healthy and dark green because such foliage is necessary for adequate herbicide absorption. Avoid spraying if more than 25% of the foliage has been damaged by insects, hail, or disease. Avoid spraying if there are new, light green leaves on the twig tips.

Soil Moisture and growing conditions may seem dry to you but not to a mesquite. Mesquite can be healthy and growing and ready to spray-even if the soil is dry. Rainfall can actually be bad for mesquite control. Rains during a dry period can cause new leaf growth on twig tips indicating upward translocation. Don't spray then.

Too much dry weather can also be bad if it affects mesquite foliage. Don't spray if the foliage is obviously drought-stress-leaves turning yellow, leaf margins and

temperature, mesquite foliage and growing conditions. However, the season for hand-spraying mesquite is longer than the season for broadcast spraying.

For hand-spraying mesquite foliage (leaf spraying) with a mixture of Reclaim herbicide and Remedy herbicide in water, begin in the spring after soil temperatures reach 75 F. Mesquite leaves should have changed from

light pea green to a uniform dark green of mature foliage. The hand-spraying periods last through July for East and South Texas and through September for the rest of mesquite country.

Low-volume basal applications (stem sprays) of Remedy herbicide mixed with diesel fuel can be done any time of the year, though the best results occur during the spring-summer growing season.

Brush Busters Mesquite Leaf Spray Using Surfactant				
Ingredient	Concentration in spray solution	3 gallon Tank	14 gallon Tank	25 gallon Tank
Reclaim	1/2%	2 oz.	9 oz.	16 oz.
Herbicide Remedy	1/2%	2 oz.	9 oz.	16 oz.
Herbicide Surfactant	1/4%	1 oz.	5 oz.	8 oz.
Hi-Light Blue Dye	1/4% - 1/2%	1 - 2 oz.	5 - 9 oz.	8 - 16 oz.

Kinney County Sheriff's Report

Monday, Sept. 18
7:45 p.m., A Ft. Clark resident reported a traffic accident on Pecan Rd., on Ft. Clark. He stated that he was not aware of any injuries, he had heard the accident, however, he had not seen it take place.

Tuesday, Sept. 19
4:40 p.m., A Spofford woman called to report two illegal aliens in Spofford. Brackettville Border Patrol was notified.
6:56 p.m., A Spofford man called to report two illegal aliens on his property, in Spofford. Brackettville Border Patrol was notified.

Wednesday, Sept. 20
7:40 p.m., A Spofford man called to report a loose cow on Hwy. 131 in Spofford. He gave the name of a rancher who he believed owned the cow. The rancher was contacted regarding his cow.
9:24 p.m., Century Alarm Company called to report an alarm

at a local residents home. Deputy Manuel Pena, Jr. was dispatched to the home. Three Border Patrol Units arrived with Deputy Pena at the scene. Deputy Pena found that the suspect or suspects had entered the house through a kitchen window. Everything appeared to be in place, expect for a few things that were knocked over, near the window of entrance. A machete was found near the residence. Border Patrol assisted in searching the area for the suspect(s)r. No one could be found.

Thursday, Sept. 21
9:15 p.m., A local woman called to report two missing six month old Pitbulls. Deputy Pena responded, but was unable to locate the dogs.
10:00 p.m., An anonymous person called to report a retriever type dog near a local home, in case someone was looking for it.

Friday, Sept. 22
5:30 p.m., Gabriel Pasedes Zappata of San Antonio, TX, was arrested by DPS Trooper Tom Wylie, for outstanding DPS warrants. He is awaiting transfer.
7:05 p.m., Deputy Pena was dispatched to a local convenience store for a minor vehicle accident. A Uvalde couple stated that they were leaving the store when a truck backed into their vehicle. The driver of the truck was a local woman.

7:40 p.m., A railroad worker called to report a grass fire on the railroad right of way, west of 693 along the traks. BVFD was notified.

8:50 p.m., An anonymous caller reported a cow loose south of Spofford on Hwy. 131. A message was left on a local ranchers answering machine.
10:40 p.m., A local woman called 911 to report a black Jeep driving into incoming lane and

swerving from side to side. Trooper Ricard Slubar was notified.

4:43 p.m., A local man called to report that the vehicle driving in front of him was "all over the road". Deputy Pena was dispatched, but was unable to locate the vehicle.

Saturday, Sept. 23
12:00 p.m., A man called to report that his hunting cabin on a local ranch had been burglarized. Deputy Pena was dispatched to the scene. He informed Deputy Pena that a window had been broken and a burglar bar had been pried to gain entrance to the cabin. He also stated that various toiletries and supplies were missing. The man also said that one of his feeders was damaged. Photographs of the damages were taken. There are no leads at this time. It is possible that the damage and missing items are the results of undocumented aliens.

12:03 a.m., An unknown motorist called 911 to inform of a vehicle that was driving in the incoming lane. Trooper Slubar was notified of the situation, however, he was unable to locate the vehicle.

1:05 p.m., A local rancher reported that someone had broken into his cabin and damaged some deer feeders. He stated that he would report the details to Deputy Pena.

4:00 p.m., Cesar Resendez of Del Rio, TX, was arrested by DPS Trooper Tom Wylie for outstanding DPS warrants. He was released for time served.
10:00 p.m., Joseph D. Chulpepper of Santa Fe, TX, was arrested by DPS Trooper Tom Wylie, for outstanding DPS warrants. He was released the next day for \$340.00 PR.

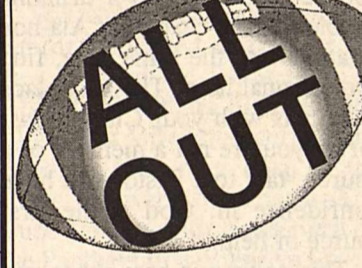
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2:21 a.m., A local person called regarding a fire on Hwy 674

saying the fire had began burning again and requested the BVFD to respond. Beepers were sounded at 2:21 a.m. and again at 2:22, 2:23, 2:31 and no one responded. The fire chief was notified of the situation and stated that the BVFD had just returned from the scene of the fire at midnight, as the reason for no response to the beepers. Dispatch then sounded pagers again at 2:32 am and called the assistant Chief and he stated he would find out why there was no response. A unit then radioed that he was en route the station at 2:34 a.m. BVFD left the scene at 5:30 a.m.








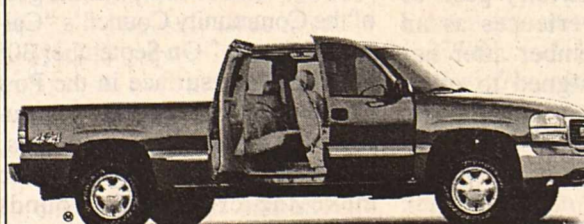





4:05 a.m., Sheriff Burgess notified the Sheriff's office of a stranded motorist on Hwy 90 East. Dispatch notified ABC Wrecker and they said they would go to the scene.

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Daughters of the Republic of Texas sponsor essay contest

The Caddell-Smith Chapter, Daughters of the Republic of Texas, is sponsoring an essay contest for 4th and 7th grade students. This year the 4th grade topic is "Runaway Scrape" and the 7th grade topic is "Edward Burleson: Ranger, Soldier, Politician, Forgotten Hero." The local chapter will award 3 places to each grade. When the 1st place winners are seniors in highschool they will be

eligible to apply for the chapter scholarship. The 1st place essays will be forwarded to the state level for competition.

Interested persons are encouraged to contact Pat McKelvy, education chairman for the Brackettville area, for rules and other necessary information. Deadline for the essays to be received is January 31.

I may not go to work tomorrow

But I could be wrong!
By Chuck Hall

I have three fine sons-in-laws. No wait, that should be sons-in-law. Or is it sons-in-laws. Whatever. You know what I mean. There are these three guys that are married to three of my daughters. How's that?

I am very proud of all three of them. But, but one of them makes me very jealous. Almost to the point of envy.

I am not jealous because he's younger or better looking than I am. I can't change what I am.

I am not jealous because he's smarter than I am. He clearly is. His knowledge of mathematics

makes me feel totally inferior. I am not jealous because he makes more money than I do. He makes twice as much as I do. He probably deserves it.

I am not jealous because he can go anywhere in the world and find employment waiting for his talents. His talents are tremendous.

What I am jealous of is the fact that he gets to work out of his own home. He gets to set his own hours. He gets to work when he wants to. That's what I am envious of. He has a monthly quota. When he's done, he's done.

If I stayed home, no one would even notice my absence. That's a scary thought.

But I could be wrong.

Sheriff Burgess speaks at Rotary Club meeting

By Frances McMaster
Contributing Writer

Brackettville Rotary Club held its regular weekly luncheon meeting on September 21 with Sheriff Buddy Burgess as speaker. He was introduced by Tino Guzman, September Rotary program chairman.

Sheriff Burgess was born and grew up around the Dallas area. When he returned from military service as a young man, he went to work for the Highway Patrol, and continued with the Patrol for around 30 years. When Sheriff Hooten resigned, Burgess was appointed to replace him. When the next election was held, Burgess ran for the office, won and has continued to be sheriff since that time. He is presently running unopposed for the office again so he will continue for another term.

He remarked that he wanted to report to us what had been taking place since he spoke to us last, and the first topic he addressed was the subject of the "new jail". It was supposed to be built a year ago. Everything said to be lined up and ready to go, but the county couldn't fulfill its obligation last year. A new group will be meeting with the Commissioners' Court on October 10. A new com-

pany will be brought in and Burgess is hoping plans will go through this year. He believes that another delay will affect this area in a very negative way.

He explained that additional room for prisoners is a necessity in order to accommodate Federal prisoners. The county is paid for housing them. This has been a steady source of revenue because federal prisoners are sent here when room isn't available in Del Rio. Regulations exist regarding the number of prisoners in available space. Other towns are building facilities to make room for them, and if Brackettville doesn't get this done, prisoners will be sent elsewhere.

Burgess said that we need a good tax base generated. He joked that it would be nice if a large Levi Straus factory or a Wal-mart would be built here at Brackettville, but that was unlikely. The young people who grow up here look for jobs, are not able to find them and go elsewhere. A new jail would generate a larger tax base. Income from federal prisoner care and fines from the Justice Court are a major part of this town's revenue. He commented that most in the county, don't even think of

the jail and traffic fines as being a source of revenue, but in Brackettville, these are important because the tax base is small.

The Sheriff said that burglaries in Fort Clark and Brackettville have gone down this year, but that aliens have been causing trouble in the county. Recently a ranch house was robbed in the county, which had barred windows and locked doors; however, the burglars gained entry by actually cutting a huge hole in a wall. The house was a prefab and the outer walls consisted of a rather thin board, insulation and then sheetrock. The criminals took two axes and cut their way into the place. An alarm system was triggered when the burglars entered a closet where the mechanism was located, and a small beep revealed it had been set off, so they evidently left immediately.

The owners had a number of weapons in the house, 6 loaded shotguns and rifles and a loaded 9-millimeter pistol out on the dresser. The law enforcement people who arrived knew about the weapons, and Burgess joked about how it felt to go into that dark hole when they didn't know what awaited them.

He said the same kind of break-ins are happening all over the county. He also said that many ranchers have burglar alarm systems that are excellent. Burgess said no homicides have occurred in the county in the last 8 years, but there are 2 already this year. Even with the many hunters that come here, no aliens had been shot, until an occurrence last May. This has attracted a lot of negative publicity. Burgess is still getting long distance inquiries regarding it.

Fort Clark is a safe place, Burgess believes. Anyone who complains about it should look into the situations that exist in certain places like San Antonio, where it's dangerous to walk down the street in the evening, he said.

Sheriff Burgess is a resident of Brackettville. He has a daughter who teaches in the Brackettville School System, a son who is stationed atflugerville with the Highway Patrol, and his wife teaches in Del Rio.

Rotary members enjoyed hearing Burgess and were complimentary about the good work he and his people are doing in law enforcement.

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A very special thanks to Mel, Guy, Mack, and Rene from Budweiser for the delicious sandwiches and sharing my birthday with me and my customers on Sept. 22nd.

I also want to say that these men are very classy, well dressed, well mannered and come here with smiles on their faces which makes our day and makes us feel great.

A special thanks to Edith McClintock for taking me out for dinner and birthday cake.

Thanks to Neal, Barbara (Barbara's Table) for the delicious rib eye steak dinner given to me for my birthday.

A very special thanks to my lovely son, Roger, Cordy & family from San Antonio for the beautiful gifts and coming here to spend the day with me.

Thanks,
Ellie, Jane, & Ora

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Alcoholism can be prevented

Empowering Families
By Dr. Donald Smith

"Why does my dad drink so much?" Dawn asked. "He drinks all day and sometimes he gets angry and yells at everybody. I know it is not good for him to keep drinking because people can die when they are drinking."

This is a question that I hear frequently in counseling children and young people. Over half of all dysfunctional families are plagued by alcoholism. Over half of all child abuse stems from alcohol abuse. At least two thirds of all family problems could be eradicated if people would learn to control their drinking. Sounds simple doesn't it? Alcoholism is a very complex health problem.

What causes alcoholism? We know that there are two kinds of alcoholics. One, called Type I, results from someone drinking often enough and long enough to become addicted. Both males and females become addicted this way. The second is called Type II Male Limited, and is carried genetically from father to son. It occurs among males in predictable patterns within families.

Alcoholism is totally preventable and is also totally fatal. If no attempt is made to interrupt the progression of alcoholism the individual will sooner or later die of some alcohol related disease if not in an accident. A Type II alcoholic has to stop drinking and never resume it. He cannot drink even socially. Some Type I alcoholics can get treatment and then resume responsible social drinking. However, most folks in Alcoholics Anonymous will tell you that trying to resume controlled drinking is very dangerous.

Prevention is simple. Don't drink at all if you have alcoholism in your family. If you think you have an alcohol problem, find an AA chapter to attend. If your spouse or parent has a drinking problem find a chapter of Ala-non to attend. At the same time, find professional help. The best place to start is with your Church Pastor. If you are not a member of a church, talk to a Pastor you have confidence in. God is the first source of help.

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Historical Society Hears Ella Chambers

By Frank Cheaney
Contributing Writer

At its monthly meeting in Fort Clark's historic Palisado Building on Saturday morning, September 23, about thirty members of the Fort Clark Historical Society had the unique privilege of hearing a first-person account about the life of an "Army Brat" at Fort Clark during the days of its active service. Ella Chambers, a current resident of the Fort, related many anecdotes about her birth and early life on a ranch near Camp Wood and her recollections as the daughter of a noncommissioned officer at Fort Clark during the late 1930's. She told of the significant things she remembered about Colonel George Patton and General Jonathon Wainwright and about life on a Cavalry post, as well as her experiences as an Army family member after her father was reassigned to other

posts in the United States and, after the end of World War II, to Germany. President Frank Cheaney announced that the speaker at the October 28 meeting of the Society will be retired Texas Ranger Captain Bob Prince, who will be telling the Society members about the history and current functions of that fabled law enforcement organization, the Texas Rangers. Visitors are always welcome to meetings of the Society.

Medina Bluegrass Festival and Gas Engine show

The little community of Medina in the center of Bandera County continues to develop its reputation as a music capital with the Medina Bluegrass Festival, Antique Tractors and Gas Engine Show on Saturday, October 14, 2000.

The event will feature some of the best in Bluegrass and antique tractors and gas engines will be on display.

The gates open at 10:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m. Admission is \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children 12 and under.

For more information, call Peggy Rather at 830-589-7224.

"Calvary Brigade" cleans up grounds

By Woodie Hornburg
Contributing Writer

Providing a service for members and visitors of FCS is the goal of the Community Council's "Calvary Brigade." On September 30th the new floor surface in the Post Theater will be treated to a beautiful manicure by volunteers. Other volunteers will pitch in to make the creek and grounds "squeaky clean."

All Fort Clark Springs members willing to join this crew are urged to meet at 9:00 a.m. in front of the Shafter Hall for project orientation. At noon the workers will be treated to a delicious lunch. These volunteers expect no laurels, but are gratified by contributing toward the maintenance of FCS's historical edifices and attractive scenery for posterity. It's the Calvary Brigade's way to make things better and their personal payments for the privilege of living in FCS.

Tigers Maul Panthers

By Carlos Gomez
Contributing Writer

It was a battle of the Big Cats in the Jungle last Friday Night. After a hard fought battle, the Tigers prevailed beating the Nueces Canyon Panthers 47-13.

Leading the Tiger offense was Senior Jesse Hidalgo with 187 rushing yards, and Junior J.J. Rivas with 109 rushing yards. Leading the offensive line were Juniors Mojo Hernandez and Carlos Gomez.

The Panthers jumped out to a 7-0 leading the 1st quarter scoring on a 3 yard run by Trey Cloudt point after by Tobar was good.

The Tigers answered back in the 2nd quarter with a 1 yard run by J.J. Rivas point after by Sam Hunt was good, an 18-yard touchdown pass from Jared Hobbs to Sam Hunt point after by Hunt was good. An 18 yard run by Hidalgo and a 2 yard scamper by Hobbs scoring the third and fourth touchdowns for the Tigers making the score 27-13 at the half.

The hard-hitting Tiger defense held the Panthers offense scoreless in the second half. The Panthers were held to 86 rushing yards and 83 passing yards. Manuel Madrid, Jared Hobbs, and Jesse Hidalgo snagged three interceptions.

Dyslexia services now available

By Amy Davis
Staff Writer

Brackett ISD has recently made dyslexia services available to students. Paula Renken, Jones Elementary Principal believes that having this service is very important.

"I'm glad it's in place. We are constantly sending more teachers to training so that they will be more educated on the subject," said Renken.

As part of the new plan, BISD has a screening available for children who show characteristics of dyslexia. Teachers must receive permission from the parents before a child can be screened. If it is determined that a child has dyslexia, the student will remain in the classroom, but will be taught in a way more conducive to his or her learning style.

Several teachers have already received training on how to work with students who need dyslexia services. Teachers who have been trained are Jenell Senne, Bo Hagler and Louisa Stone on the

elementary level, Candy Bader and Cathy Lutz on the middle school level, and Kaylia Thomas on the high school level. Trained teachers pass on what they have learned to all other staff members. Renken says that it is important that all staff is educated on dyslexia.

Dyslexia is a learning disability that affects how a child reads, writes and spells. Some of the characteristics of dyslexia are difficulty in reading isolated words, lack of reading fluency, difficulty with learning to spell and a family history of similar problems.

Renken stresses that it is important to identify dyslexia at an early age, preferably before a child is in the third grade. "Early intervention is essential. If we can deal with it early, we can teach a child to compensate so they can become good readers, writers and spellers," said Renken.

Members of the Board of Directors approved the implementation of the plan at their regular meeting on September 7th.

Cubs Blank the Panthers

By Ricky Creel
Contributing Writer

The Cubs shut their opponent out for the second week in a row, they blanked the Panthers 20-0. After the Panthers disrupted the Cubs first offensive series, the Panthers took over deep in the Cubs territory.opponents The Cubs defense made a statement on the Panthers first offensive series. They forced the Panthers to struggle for yards and they made them turn the ball over on downs, that ignited the Cubs offense. The Cubs next offensive possession resulted in a 50 yard touchdown run by Omar Rives and a two point conversion by Tillman Davis. The

Cubs defense continued to swarm the Panthers, which allowed the Cubs to maintain great field position for their offense. Two minutes before the half Cody Eager scampered for a twenty yard touchdown run which put the Cubs ahead 14-0. "We were well prepared for the Panthers offensive plays and we executed on defense", Coach Creel. The second half was much the same, the Cubs defense was aggressive and there offense wore down the clock. The cubs got one more score in the fourth quarter on a Omar Rives forty yard touchdown run. The final score was 20-0 in favor of the Cubs.

Essay contest winners announced

San Antonio - Texans for a Traditional School Year announced the winners of its statewide essay contest today. Paul Terrell of Sherman was chosen first place overall winner. Bridgette Rater of Commerce placed second and Megan Brentzel of Denison third. Statewide essay winners will receive a savings bond for \$1000, \$750 and \$500 respectively, with each district winner receiving a \$100 cash prize.

"In all, we received over 500 entries from around the state," said Tina Bruno, Texans for a Traditional School Year spokeswoman. "The essays illustrated the significant impact of the shorter summer on our students and their families. It was very difficult for the judges to pick a winner."

The essay contest was open to high school juniors and seniors across the state. Prizes were awarded to the first, second and third place winners statewide as well as the first place winner in each Texas Education Regional Service Center. The essay topic was, "Benefits of a longer summer vacation."

"Reading the essays helped me understand how much more goes into being a student today. Work is not a luxury for many, but a necessity to help put food on the table," said Irene Robles one of the contest judges. "Other themes were the lack of time to spend with families and the inability for high

school juniors to take college classes during the summer break due to the bloated school calendar."

Texans for a Traditional School Year is a statewide, grassroots coalition of parents, educators and school administrators concerned about the negative impact the early to mid-August school start date has on our students and teachers. Their mission is to raise awareness about the issue and its direct impact on the education of Texas' youth.

A call for entries was made on August 7, 2000 via a news advisory made available by the Texas Press Association.

Editors note: If you would like a copy of the winning essay in your district, please call Tina Bruno at 210.479.3106.

District winners Educational Service Region 1, no entries, Region 2, Jamie Ahrens, Kingsville, Region 3 Amy Krobot, Bay City, Region 4, Jamie Fussel, Alvin, Region 5, Kevin Morris, Evadale, Region 6, Jennifer Sampson, Region 7, William Caves, Bullard, Region 8 no entries, Region 9, Jennifer Ann Carden, Munday, Region 10 (three-way tie), Megan Brentzel, Denison, Paul Terrell, Sherman, Bridgette Rater, Commerce, Region 11, Kristie Lutkenhaus, Muenster, Region 12, Stephen M. Bahr II, Copperas Cove, Region 13, Devon Smith, Smithville, Region 14, no entries, Region 15, John Carol Pierce, Jr.,

BISD: A place where winners go!

Making a Difference
By Taylor Stephenson

So much good is going on at our schools, I'll suggest a theme for the school year "BRACKETT ISD: A PLACE WHERE WINNERS GO!" The winning that I'm talking about is commitment to excellence in academics. It's knowing that you behave at school because you're among winners. It's doing the right thing and making the right decisions. It's realizing that school in Brackettville is a cut above. It's wanting to be a part of being where winners go. It's having winning teams and organizations that enter the competition to represent their school and who want to be number one in the way we look, act and play! Get 'em Tigers!

Thunder clouds gathered Sunday night, and we received 2 3/4 inches of rain from the storm. The cool front brought beneficial moisture to our county and moderate temperatures. School children were wearing wind breakers Monday. There were trees blown down all over town. The biggest ones that Isaw down were at the guard house station at Fort Clark and at the Ward residence near the new high school. Apparently, no one

Boys and Girls Cross Country

By Melinda Villarreal
Contributing Writer

On September 16, the Brackett Cross Country Tigers and Tigerettes traveled to Pearsall to compete in the Maverick Cross Country meet. Placing in the top ten a senior, Thomas Crow won first place with a time of 16:30. Other Tigers who competed in this meet were Damian Toms, Isaac Gutierrez, Jaime Montalvo, Joseph Luna, Schiller Hill and Chris Petrosky.

Running for the boys Thomas Crow was clocked at 18:27, Saturday as he finished a 5k run, placing 3rd. Damian Toms finishing 95th with a time of 22:28. The other teammates that ran were Carl Dalton, Jaime Montalvo, Chris Petrosky, Joseph Luna, and Shiller Hill.

In the Varsity girls division, Melinda Villarreal ran the two-mile race in 14:35, and took third place. Ashley Smith placed sixth with a time of 14:58, and Duquesa Hunt finished 8th after being clocked at 15:00. Other Tigerettes team members included Nicole Mata, Stephanie Coronado, and Tammy Smith.

In the Junior Varsity Girls, Celeste Hill placed 29th. Also,

was hurt with the big limbs and trees being uprooted around Brackettville. The moisture was wonderful, but we could have done without the wind!

How about that Brackett Tiger Football team? We're 3 wins and no losses going into the fourth week to face Leakey. The team is a pleasure to watch with coaches and players on th same page working as a unit. It's working the way you draw it up on paper. Congratulations on a great three weeks. Keep up the good work. The crowds have been very good. Concession stands run out of everything and every square inch of parking space has been taken. It's a big event.

Volleyball is in the midst of district play. We played Dilley a great first game, but couldn't put them away and lost two games to one. They're a fun team to watch come on out and support the Tigerettes!

The school pep rallies are very good this year. It's fun to see the 650 students led by a fine cheerleading squad lifting the roof off of the gym. The air conditioning has made it a nice place to have a pep rally. Our student body has more spirit this year than I have seen since 1992! Keep it up Ti-

gers! Don't forget that registration for Fall GED classes will be on Monday October 2 & Tuesday, October 3 from 6:00 to 8:00 PM at the Brackett Alternative School. For more information, call Mr. Clements at 563-9537.

Sara Terrazas has designed some fine new programs for pre-school children, school age children and for adults. Beginning in October, the library will host a pre-school story hour for children ages 2 to 4 on the first Wednesday of each month. They will have a study hour for elementary school students beginning next Tuesday from 4:30 to 5:30 PM on Tuesday & Thursday afternoons. For the homebound, the library will deliver books, videos and other library materials for adults with a

disability or who are home bound. Beginning November 7, the library will start a basic computer instructional program for adults from 8:30 to 9:30 AM on Tuesdays & Thursdays. That's really impressive. Keep up the good work. Contact the Kinney County Library for more information.

We have our share of the problems at school, but we try hard to find solutions. Sometimes, we don't solve them the way you would wish us to. There are times when some think we are too tough and other times when they think we are too easy. Above all, we try to be fair in our decisions. In the final analysis, this is the best parameter for judging our success. We try to get better each day. Your support is appreciated. Have a great week!

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Thursday, September 28
5:00 pm JH FB Leakey (H)
6:30 pm JV FB Sabinal (H)

Saturday, September 30
10:00 am G V Vlybl
Comstock (H)
G 9 Vlybl Leakey JV Tourn
(T) TBA

Monday, October 2
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm Registration, Fall GED Classes, Alternative School

Tuesday, October 3
5:00 pm G 9, JV, V Vlybl
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24. Always
26. Ghostly
27. Merge
30. Flew
31. Peter
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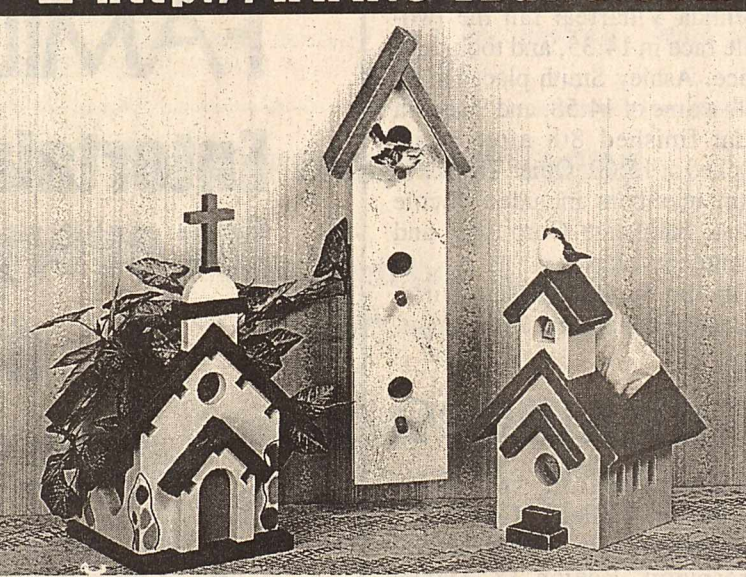
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13. Old Russian autocrat
14. Onus
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23. Joshes
24. Narratives
25. Endows
26. Used to be
28. Cleanser scent
29. Stage play
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| Sept. 30.....Laura Wardlaw | Oct. 4.....Mary Sam York |

HOROSCOPES

For The Week Of September 24-30

- Aries**
March 21-April 20
A partner's weakness will make you strong. Find comfort in family traditions. Keeping an eye on an elderly neighbor or relative may be the prudent thing to do.
- Taurus**
April 21-May 21
Avoid worrying about the future. Plans at work will materialize; you just need to let them fall into place. Procrastinating could be your undoing. Take a quick nap.
- Gemini**
May 22-June 21
Try to be flexible, especially when it comes to family matters. Remember, one size does not fit all, particularly when it comes to the needs of young people. Remain focused on self-improvement.
- Cancer**
June 22-July 22
If you do not get enough rest, you may find crabbiness an ongoing part of your personality. Moderation is the key word. You can have too much of a good thing.
- Leo**
July 23-August 23
Look before you leap into a new project. Your potential for success could be derailed if you don't think through major decisions thoroughly. Focus on one priority.
- Virgo**
August 24-September 22
You generate enthusiasm among friends. A family member may need you to listen patiently. Attempt to hold off judgement until the entire situation unfolds. Get more organized.
- Libra**
September 23-October 23
Your cynicism is not welcomed at the end of the month. Educating yourself about what makes others tick may cut you down to size. A snobby attitude will get you nowhere.
- Scorpio**
October 24-November 22
Controlling your curiosity at work is hard to do. Remaining tightlipped about confidential or personal information is difficult. Put yourself in the other person's shoes. Be discreet.
- Sagittarius**
November 23-December 21
Exhibit a spirit of cooperation. Friends may be willing to help you out as long as you remain positive. In a social situation, make a stranger feel welcome. Sacrifices could bring happiness.
- Capricorn**
December 22-January 20
Looking for the good things may bring you personal satisfaction. You feel unstoppable when a new situation comes up at work. This could be your time to shine. A smile is welcomed.
- Aquarius**
January 21-February 18
Strong convictions may help you make a tough decision. You feel fearless, despite hostility from an elder. Try hard to remain rational. Organizational skills need to be finetuned.
- Pisces**
February 19-March 20
Play up your wild side. At work, no idea seems too far-fetched for you. Maintain a positive outlook even when things don't go your way. Handle a situation with tact, and you will be rewarded.

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For local news you can use, read The Brackett News

We dwell in both the physical and spiritual world

Gateway Ministries
By Pastor Charolette Corey

If you have Jesus Christ living in you and you are "in Christ" then Jesus has carried you away, removed you, and translated you into his kingdom, or realm where he reigns and you abide and dwell there (Colossians 1:13).

"He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the Lord, He IS my refuge and my fortress; my God in Him will I trust. Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence. He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust. His truth shall be thy strength and buckler. Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; nor for the arrow that flieth by day nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday. A thousand may fall at your side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee. Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked. Because thou hast made the Lord, which is my refuge, even the most High, thy habitation there shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling. For he shall give his angels charge over thee in all thy ways." Psalms 91: 1-11.

You may say, "How can I dwell in two places at one time? I live here on this earth and yet the Word of God (it does not lie) says I am also living in a place where God HAS translated me?" The answer is because we are talking about two different

spheres or realms of existence. One is physical and one is spiritual. Each realm affects the other. Each realm is "tapped into" by the choices you make. In the past, before you were a Christian, the "power of darkness" had rule and reign over you. Now, you are free from that power and, instead, walk in the power of the blood of Jesus Christ (who is the image of the invisible God). (Col. 1:14-15) "For in him we live and move and have our being...For we are also his offspring." (Acts 17:28) Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings IN heavenly places IN Christ (the Anointed

one and his anointing), (Eph 1:3) "And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus." (Eph. 2:6) That you might be strengthened with might by his spirit in the inner man; that Christ may dwell within your heart by faith, that you being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth and length, and depth, and height and to know the love of Christ which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with the fullness of God." Eph. 3:17-19.

So, if you are dwelling in heavenly places there, don't act like you are in hell here. Stand in faith, rest in hope, walk in love.

Do we have faith and works?

Saint Mary Magdalene
By Lynn McNew

We are rapidly moving toward the time of year when much attention is focused on giving to those less fortunate than we are. I wonder why this is. Why do we concentrate on giving to others only during the Christmas season? Why can't we make giving to the less fortunate a year round project?

St. James asks us (James 2:14-18) what good is it if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? If a brother or sister have nothing to wear and has no food for the day, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, keep warm and eat well," but you do not give them the necessities of the body, what good is it? So also faith of itself, if it does not have works, is dead.

James tells us that the follower of Christ is the one who per-

forms works of charity and justice. How can we apply this to our every day lives? The weather is getting cooler—maybe you can help a child who doesn't have a warm coat. Gasoline is very costly—maybe you can offer a ride to a senior citizen that may not be able to afford to drive a car.

We, as Catholic Christians, have the opportunity to serve our faith community through the Archbishop's Appeal. It is our chance to do something for all our church family. An opportunity to help all the many organizations that are there for those in need.

Lord, I thank you for the faith you have given me. I ask for reminders in my daily life of the good works that I can do.

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

Obituary

Evelyn Harriett Hunter, age 78, died at home on September 22, 2000 after a courageous fight with pancreatic cancer. Evelyn was born on January 26, 1922 in Valdosta, Georgia to Clifford and Laura McDonald. She married Harlan Hunter in Mobile, Alabama and they recently celebrated their 54th anniversary on September 4. The majority of their time together was spent in Mobile, San Antonio, Brackettville, and Plano. They had one daughter, Melissa.

Evelyn was a very talented artist, specializing in landscapes in both oil and watercolor. She was also a notable art instructor, holding many workshops and individual classes. Her religion held a major place in her entire life, currently being a member of the Plano East Church of Christ. Evelyn was also very proud to be a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

She is survived by her husband, Harlan; her daughter and son-in-law, Melissa and Urban Rogers of Plano and her three grandsons who she adored, Jeff, Brad, and Mark Rogers, all students at Abilene Christian University. Also by her sister and brother-in-law, Vivian and Herman Gordon and her brother and sister-in-law, E.W. "Bud" and Joy McDonald, of Mobile, Alabama.

Evelyn's positive attitude and tremendous faith were a source of strength for family and friends. She was a great Christian role model in all walks of life. We will miss her beautiful artwork, her constant encour-

agement and support, and most of all, her great spirit. Through her entire illness, she continued to count her many blessings, never complained, and uplifted those around her until the very end.

Memorial services were held at 3pm Sunday, September 24, 2000 at Sparkman Funeral Home Chapel in Richardson, Texas.

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Since thou wast precious in my sight, thou hast been honorable, and I have loved thee; therefore will I give men for thee, and people thy life.

Fear not; for I am with thee. I will bring thy seed from the east, and gather thee from the west.

I will say to the north, Give up; and to the south, keep not back; bring my sons from far, and my daughters from the ends of the earth,

Even everyone who is called by my name; for I have created him for my glory; I have formed him; yea, I have made him.

Bring forth the blind people that have eyes, and the deaf that have ears,

Let all the nations be gathered together, and let the people be assembled. Who among them can declare this, and show us

former things: Let them bring forth their witnesses, that they may be justified; or let them hear, and say, it is truth.

Ye are my witnesses, saith the Lord, and my servant whom I have chosen, that ye may know and believe me, and understand that I am he; I, even I, am the Lord, and beside me there is no savior.

I have declared, and have saved, and I have shown, when there was no strange god among you; therefore, ye are my witnesses, saith the Lord, that I am God. ISAIAH - 43:2-13

Come worship with us. You are welcome.

THANK YOU

I would like to thank all of you for your kindness shown to me for the loss of my son 'Eddie' - especially in the first hours of this tragic news - Ora - Barbara & Neal - Marvin & Teresa. Thanks to everyone for your kind words, hugs, tears, cards, plants, flowers, money, donations, these things will never be forgotten.

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