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Judge Hall passes away

Alvin Hall, former Kinney County Justice of the peace, passed away early Wednesday morning in Uvalde.

Hall was born June 3rd, 1919 in Long Dale, Oklahoma.

He grew up in southeastern Colorado near Springfield. He attended school at Big Rock School, a one room school house, through the tenth grade.

In 1945, Hall married Gladys Chenoweth in Lamar, Colorado. In 1950, he moved his family to Duncanville, Texas.

He was offered a job as foreman of the Anacacho Ranch in 1951 and moved to Kinney

County that September. Five years later he moved to Brackettville.

Hall was elected as county and district clerk November 6, 1956. He served in that office until 1974.

Hall served as Kinney County Justice of the Peace from January 1, 1987 until his resignation May 11, 1998. He retired due to medical reasons.

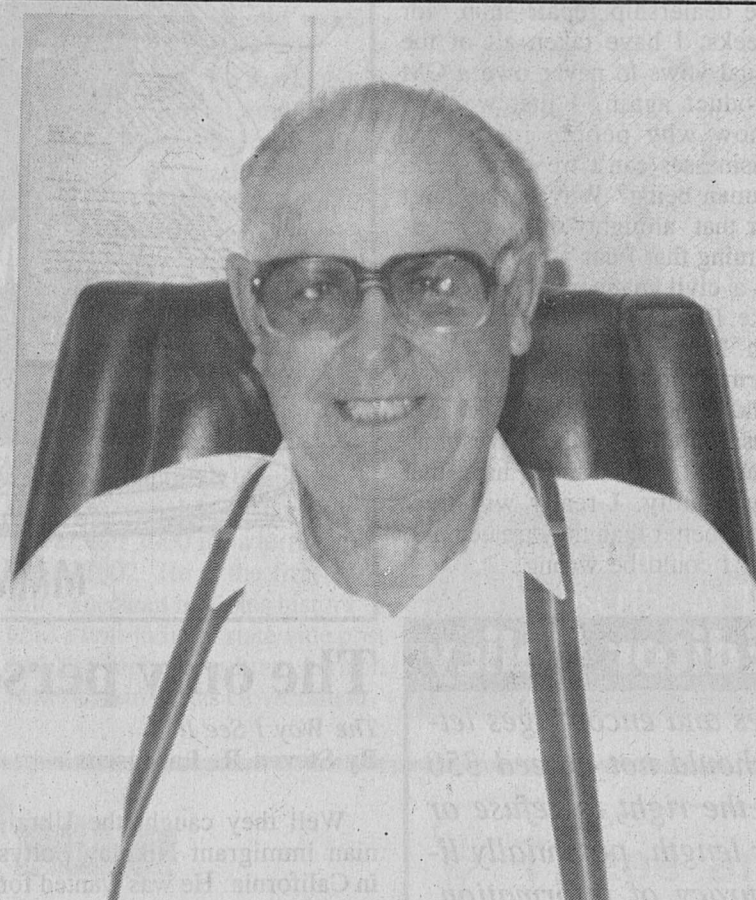
The Halls raised two sons in Brackettville Alvin Hall, Jr. and Charles Hall. Both graduated from Brackett High.

During his years in Kinney County Hall was a productive

member of the community. He served on the housing authority board for several years. He served as a volunteer ambulance driver and as a member of the volunteer fire department. He was also a Lions Club member and rancher.

Having been in poor health for the past several years, Hall was residing in a Uvalde nursing home at the time of his death.

Services have tentatively been set for this Saturday at 10 a.m. at the Brackettville Church of Christ. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Del Rio Funeral Home.



Alvin Hall Local rotary members meet exchange student

Brackettville Rotary Club By Frances McMaster

The Thursday noon meeting of Brackettville Rotary Club served as an opportunity for the Club to meet exchange student Matthias Katzfuss from Bavaria, Germany sponsored by Rotary. Matthias is enrolled as a senior at Brackettville High School.

He has already met the group of exchange students in this part of the United States since they gathered together at the HEB camp in the Hill Country for a weekend meeting.

Bill Haenn, president of the local Rotary Club took Matthias to the encampment, and reported that the young people were friendly and eagerly met and got to know one another.

Their sense of humor was marvelous, and they shared many laughs.

In today's world the young people blend together with none of the stereotype images associated with their particular part of the world. No, Matthias didn't wear lederhosen nor did any other traditional forms of dress appear. Matthias explained that they might be worn by some of the old people.

The question often asked of Matthias is, "Do you plan to play basketball?" Despite the fact that he towers above the rest of the students in his class, being well over 6 feet tall, he says, "No,"

and adds that he likes tennis. Bill Haenn commented that the favorite sports of Europeans are generally tennis and soccer.

"What about golf?" Rotarians asked. "That's for older people," Matthias said.

He plays an electric guitar in a band in Germany. Two other members of the band are exchange students also, and the band will have to reform when they all get back home. Matthias will be a member of the high school band here.

Members of the Rotary Club eagerly asked Matthias questions about his life in Germany. His parents are both doctors. He takes 13 subjects in school, but these are offered on different days instead of in a daily routine. School is out earlier in the day than here. No - he isn't loaded down with homework.

The first of many differences have been discovered, and these make life interesting. One thing is already apparent, however, the young people who are destined to be in charge of this rapidly changing world some day soon are inspiring. It's good to know they are eager to get together, have fun together and get along.

Rotarians left feeling assured that playing host to such a young man is a wonderful thing to do. Some went home and got their golf clubs out and headed for the course.

Commissioners appoint Water Conservation Board

County commissioners appointed the temporary Kinney County Ground Water Conservation District Board of Directors at a special meeting last Tuesday morning.

As required by house bill 3243, which became law September 1st, county commissioners received recommendations from the City of Brackettville, Fort Clark Springs M.U.D. and the West Nueces-Las Moras Soil & Water Conservation District for six of the seven positions.

"The most important duty of the temporary board is to call and hold an election to confirm the establishment of the district and to elect initial directors. That is the most important duty," said Commissioner Francie Wylie.

Local businessman and rancher Zach Davis, who sat on the drafting committee for the bill, wanted to know why there was a rush to have the confirmation election.

"60 days ago Tully Shahan was saying by the fall of 2002 this election is coming up. Then all of a sudden we turn it around and it has got to be this November," said Davis.

"This is what the law is, we are going by what the statute says, that is what we are following," responded Shahan.

"Do you recall saying the fall of 2002," Davis asked.

"You ask Bret Trant, he came to me and said, Tully we need to read this statute because it's wrong. In the SCS meetings we have been interpreting it wrong," Shahan said.

"What are you saying is wrong? It says that this November you have too," asked Davis.

"No, it doesn't say the confirmation election has to be held this November," answered Shahan.

"You've got till 2003," said Davis.

"You really do," responded Shahan.

"It just appears to me that we're trying to rush something through here. I'm a little confused. I know some people have sure been working the phones, promoting individuals they want on this. I think you are aware of what I am talking about," stated Davis.

"I have had a call," responded Shahan.

"Did you make any calls," asked Davis?

Stated he was sure many people were making calls.

"This is major concern in Kinney County and it should be," said Shahan.

"It is but its really turning into a slam dunk," said Davis.

"Our duty here today is to nominate and elect a temporary board. Its not to setup the election that's going to be the job of the board. Our responsibility today is to appoint a board to do this. Anything that happens after that is the board, not this

commissioners court," said Melancon.

Commissioner Nate Terrazas voiced concerns about having only received the recommendations last Friday. Terrazas wanted to wait until the next meeting in order to check more closely into the requirements for each position.

"I just got this list Friday. We are probably going to have to think about this some more.

"I would like to table this until the 10th. We don't have all the information," said Terrazas.

When asked by County Judge Herb Senne to explain further Terrazas asked if Joe York, Jr. was eligible to serve as the director for precinct four.

York was recommended by the Soil & Water Conservation District as a rural director for that precinct.

"Only a district court would determine the interpretation of residency. If Mr. York would come in and say 'I intend to move back to the ranch' he said (secretary of state's office) it is most likely he would be able to prevail," said Tully Shahan, County Attorney.

"It is possible he could serve in precinct four; but we live in a small community and everybody knows where he lives," added Shahan.

"I am sure they (Soil & Water Conservation District Board) have read the regulations as closely as we have. I would assume that the district feels like Mr. York is eligible to serve in precinct four," said Senne.

Joe York, Jr. was appointed to position one. Position one is an at large agricultural director who is a resident of the district.

Wes Robinson was nominated by Judge Senne and seconded by Nate Terrazas. York was nominated by Pat Melancon and seconded by Francie Wylie. Joe Montalvo, Wylie and Melancon voted for York while Senne and Terrazas voted for Robinson.

Commissioners appointed the city's recommendation, Henry Fuentes, for position two. This position is for an at large director who is a resident of Brackettville. There were no other nominations for this position.

Mona Miller was appointed to position three. Miller was recommended by the Fort Clark Springs M.U.D. Board. No other nominations were made for this position.

Tom Dorrell was appointed by acclamation to position four. This position is for a director who resides in a rural area of precinct one.

Cecil Smith was appointed as a rural director for precinct two. Smith was nominated by Montalvo and seconded by Wylie. Ray Melton was nominated by Senne and seconded by Melancon. Wylie, Montalvo, and Senne voted for Smith;

Melancon voted for Melton; Terrazas abstained.

Darlene Shahan was appointed to position six as the rural director of precinct three. Shahan was nominated by Montalvo and seconded by Melancon. There were no other nominations for the position. Terrazas abstained from voting.

Stan Conoly was appointed by acclamation as the rural director of precinct four. Conoly was nominated by Melancon and seconded by Wylie.

The Kinney County Ground Water Conservation District Board of Directors will hold their first meeting this Friday at 6:30 p.m. in the District Courtroom upstairs at the courthouse.



Martine Alonzo of Brackettville killed this rattlesnake about 11:25 am August 30, 2001 at the Circle H Ranch. The rattler was over 5 feet 6 inches long, measured 4 inches across at the widest part and had 13 rattlers and a button.

New bar opens for business



Norma and Tino Gomez with friends at the Amigoz' ribbon cutting ceremony. Amigoz' grand opening was last Saturday.

Briefs ...

Groundwater District

The Kinney County Groundwater Conservation District will hold its first meeting, Friday September 7, 6:30 p.m. in the District Courtroom at the Kinney County Courthouse. This is a public meeting.

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 Aug. 20-26, 2001. The information is provided by station, and includes a sector total.

Abilene...36, Brackettville...252, Carrizo Springs...239, Comstock...6, Del Rio...201, Eagle Pass...596, Llano...26, Rocksprings...8, San Angelo...36, Uvalde...41, Sector Total...1,441, Other Than Mexicans...125

Southwest Texas Genealogical Society meeting

By Carolyn Hilderbran

The Southwest Texas Genealogical Society will meet Saturday, September 8, 2001 at 10:00 a.m. at the Lost Maples Restaurant in Utopia, Texas. Guest speaker will be Theresa Gold and her subject will be "Courting Practices in Frontier Texas". Registration fee is \$2.00 for the program, lunch is \$8.00. The public is invited.

Theresa Gold, a native San Antonian, is a well known historian and genealogist, specializing in German heritage in Texas. Mrs. Gold is a docent at the Institute of Texas Cultures and also serves on their Speakers Bureau. After serving as Genealogy Editor for the German-Texan Heritage Society for fifteen years, Mrs. Gold has since acted as an advisor to them. She is a member of a number of organizations and societies including the Texas Historical Foundation, San Antonio Conservation Society, Castro Colonies Heritage Society, Texas Catholic Historical Society, and United Daughters of the Confederacy.

The Southwest Texas Genealogical Society's members are interested in researching their ancestry. Emphasis is placed on the histories of Edwards, Real, Kinney, Uvalde, Medina, Zavala, Frio, and Dimmit Counties. Members receive a quarterly, Branches and Acorns, which contains articles, historical data, records, and family histories contributed by members. Anyone interested in this fascinating pursuit, is invited to join.

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The way I see it!

If you give up the right to own guns you have not made yourself safer, you have made yourself a target! If the armed criminals don't get you, the armed government will!
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Making a difference

Our Kinney County Public Library announces its fall program that includes for adults.
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Empowering Families

A very wise man said long ago, 'Gladness of heart is the very life of man, cheerfulness prolongs his days (Sirach 30:22) and a joyful heart is the health of the body (Proverbs 17:22).'
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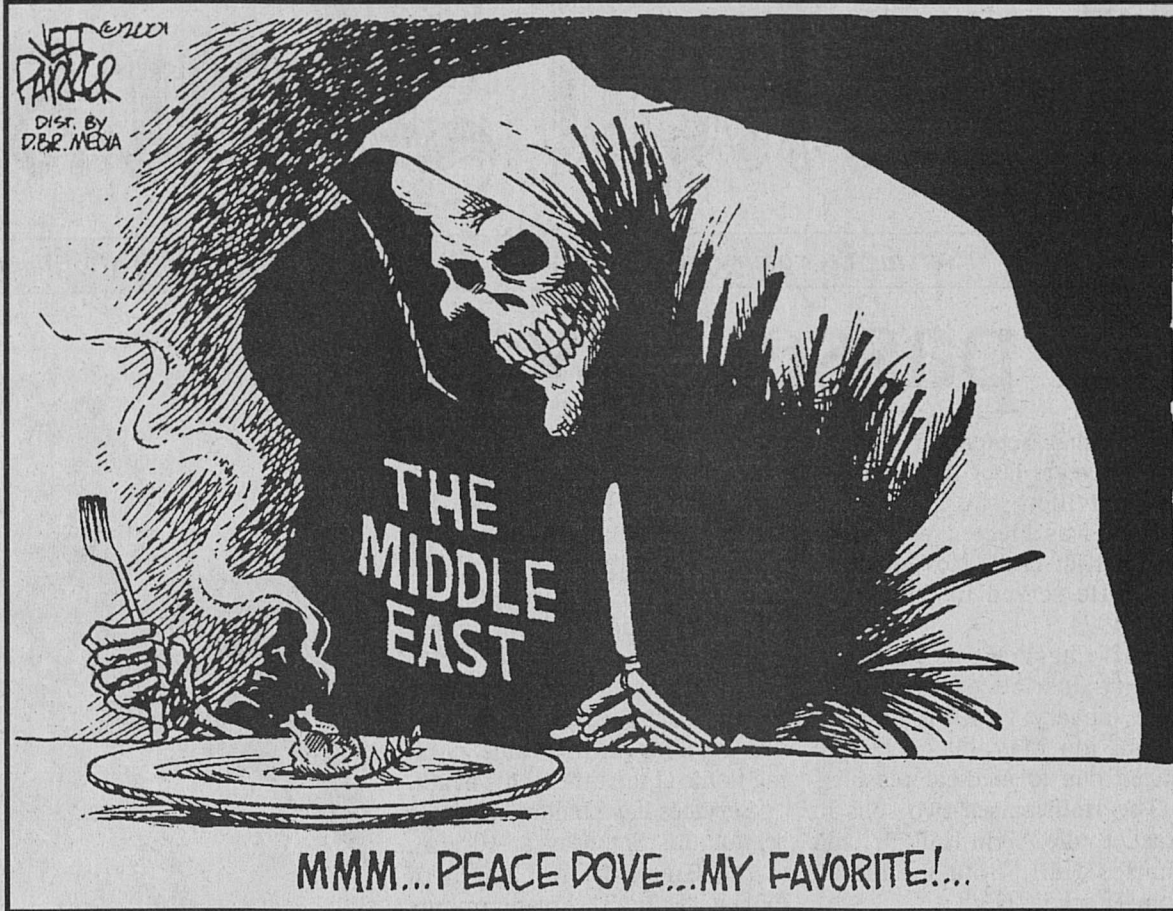
I'm just rambling

I could be wrong
By Chuck Hall

I want to apologize to the neighborhood. No, I'd better make that apology to the whole town. I realize that the grass in my lawn is 3 feet tall. I appreciate the fact that a petition wasn't circulated to ask me to move. But on a positive note, just think about all of the oxygen my grass has generated.

I also am grateful to the gentleman who offered to bail it into hay for me on the "halves". If you'll make that a 60/40 split, you've got a deal. The truth of the matter is simply that I have been very busy of late. I can't seem to get all of the things done that I need to. There aren't as many hours in the day as there used to be. I ought to have a clone. And please don't start

into a lecture on that one. Everybody has strong feelings one way or the other about human cloning. I only said it as a joke, OK? My suburban broke down while I was in SA. It has been in the dealership repair shop for weeks. I have taken all of the usual vows to never own a GM product again. I just want to know why people in the car businesses can't treat me like a human being? Why is the quest for that almighty dollar so consuming that I can't be dealt with in a civil manner? If it sounds like I'm bitter, it's because I am. I hope their cars quit. I want them to have to deal with their kind. I hope one day I'm in a position to make their lives miserable. I only want to have that opportunity. I really will treat them better than they treated me. But I could be wrong.



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and two fishes.
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The Way I See It
By Steven R. LaMascus

Well they caught the Ukrainian immigrant Nikolay Soltys in California. He was wanted for stabbing five of his family to death. He kidnapped his son and then murdered him later; a brutal, inhuman act it was. And, you see, brutal as it was, not a single gun was involved. Amazing isn't it. I thought only guns were responsible for such brutality, but this guy used a knife. Well, I guess the only thing to do now is start a bunch of organizations to ban knives. Let's see - how about Mothers Against Knife Violence, or Knife Control Inc.? Maybe we can unfairly demonize some civil rights organization that disagrees with us. Is there a National Knife Association? This will be a lot easier than banning guns. Yeah, knife ownership isn't even protected by the constitution.

There was also a series, or group, of murders in Iowa. A 23-year-old man is suspected of killing a mother and five children ranging from 5 to 12 years of age. The police haven't, as I write this, released the cause of death, but nothing has been mentioned about guns or gunshot wounds, and that is usually mentioned up front. This is being described as "gruesome" and "incredibly brutal." So, unless I miss the boat, guns are again not guilty of a truly heinous criminal act. If the guy used an ax or a hammer then we are going to have to go after those

tools also. We just can't have anything in the hands of the populace that is so evil that it could be used for this type of horrid act. We'll teach those carpenters to leave deadly tools lying around where they can be found by children and homicidal maniacs - we'll sue them! I do not intend to minimize the true horror and brutality of the two crimes mentioned. I cannot comprehend the type of warped and evil mind that would conceive of such satanic acts. But I do want the blame placed squarely where it belongs, on the head of the person who did it, not on the tool he used. Guns, knives, axes, hammers, chainsaws, or whatever, are all just tools to be used in a safe and sane manner. Only an evil person can cause them to perform evil acts.

On that same line, have you seen the latest statistics from that bastion of lawfulness, England? Since they have outlawed all legal possession of handguns, and made owning any other firearm prohibitively difficult, their crime rate has changed by over 25 percent. Isn't that proof that banning legal, law-abiding citizens from owning handguns prevents crime? Oh, did I forget to mention that the change wasn't a decrease in crime, but a 25 percent increase. The fastest growing part of the population is the armed criminal. Crime is so rampant that the current figures state that one in four English citizens have been the objects of such a crime. In a country where only the police

and the criminals are armed, the citizens are suffering the casualties.

Yeah, but Tough Tony Blair isn't taking this lying down. No siree! He is going to have another gun buy-back program to get all those illegal guns out of the hands of the criminals who have declined to turn them in previously. Way to go Tony! That'll show 'em! I'm sure those armed robbers will quake in their boots and run to turn in those illegal firearms.

Tony says it's our fault, by the way. All those evil illegal guns are coming from America. All he has to do to solve his problem and stop crime in England is disarm America. Funny isn't it, how every time there is a more restrictive law passed that takes away more of the freedom of the citizenry, it doesn't work, and it's always our fault?

If you want to be safe in your home, buy a gun and learn to use it properly! The police can't protect you and most of us can't afford to hire armed bodyguards like our good friend and liberal hypocrite Rosie O'Donnell. The only person who can protect you is you. If you give up the right to own guns you have not made yourself safer, you have made yourself a target! If the armed criminals don't get you, the armed government will!

Psalms 58:1-2 - *Do you rulers indeed speak justly? Do you judge uprightly among men? No, in your heart you devise injustice, and your hands mete out violence on the earth.*

Mad About The Cold War

Capitol Comment
By Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison

The world at the dawn of the 21st century is very different from the world that witnessed the Cold War. The threats to America's national security are completely different now, and in many ways more treacherous.

Those who oppose the creation of an American missile defense seem to harbor a peculiar nostalgia for the Cold War. Rather than acknowledging that enormous changes have occurred in the world, they assert that the familiar doctrines that guided us through the long struggle with the Soviet Union are perfectly appropriate to deal with the leaders of rogue states such as Saddam Hussein.

Like the leaders of France in the 1930s who built the Maginot Line to defend their country against the German military machine of 20 years earlier, those who oppose missile defense would have us look backward. But the Iron Curtain is gone. The most urgent threat we face today is not thousands of Soviet ballistic missiles, but a number of missiles, armed with weapons of mass destruction, in the hands of several rogue states.

The leaders of these states, Saddam Hussein first among them, have shown a willingness to take large gambles that in some cases have cost their

people dearly. These leaders may well believe that they can use blackmail to prevent us from coming to the assistance of our friends and allies in vital regions of interest if they can hold even a small number of our cities hostage to attack. The regimes in nations like Iraq and North Korea are unable to feed their own people, yet they devote massive sums to the pursuit of weapons of mass destruction and long-range missiles - demonstrating the importance these leaders attach to possession of such weapons.

One of the reasons ballistic missiles are so attractive to rogue states is that the United States lacks effective defenses against this threat. Saddam Hussein and Kim Jong-il are not investing in large, modern navies to confront us on the high seas because we enjoy an overwhelming advantage. They are investing in missiles because the United States and our allies are vulnerable in this area.

There are compelling reasons for us to move quickly to build a missile defense system: * Missile defense helps deter countries from launching a missile attack because such an attack would be defeated and, in many cases, cause the missile to fall back on its launch site. * Missile defense would prevent rogue states from trying to use the threat of a missile attack

to blackmail the United States and to dissuade our allies from coming to the aid of nations in vital regions of the world.

* Missile defense deters countries from spending precious resources on long-range missiles by undermining their military utility.

* And finally, missile defense gives the President an alternative to the grim prospect of ordering a retaliatory strike that might kill many innocent civilians in responding to the reckless act of a dictator.

Clinging to Cold War leftovers such as the MAD and the ABM Treaty also prevents us from moving toward a better relationship with Russia. The adversarial relationship codified in the ABM Treaty is no longer appropriate now that Russia is not our enemy. We need a new strategic framework for our relationship, one based on openness, mutual confidence and real opportunities for cooperation. President Bush has started intensive consultations with Russia to move beyond MAD and the ABM Treaty to forge a more appropriate framework for our relations in the 21st century.

The policies that allowed the United States and the West to prevail in the Cold War certainly deserve recognition, but we cannot allow our military thinking to remain mired in the logic of an earlier time.

Bonilla ranked as 'Top ten most powerful lawmaker in congress'

Washington, D.C. - U.S. Representative Henry Bonilla (R-TX) has been ranked as one of the "top ten most powerful lawmakers" in Congress.

"What a great honor! I've worked hard over the last nine years to move forward in Congress."

"It's an uphill journey, but I'm proud of the steps I've taken."

"Every inch I gain means greater benefits and greater returns for the people of the 23rd district," said Mr. Bonilla.

The "power list" was compiled by the website "yourcongress.com." The list was based on the importance of the member's committee assignments and elected leadership positions in Congress.

Other members listed in the top ten include: Speaker Dennis Hastert, Majority Whip Tom DeLay, Majority Leader Dick Armey, Minority Leader Richard Gephardt, Appropriations Committee Chairman Bill Young and Energy and Commerce Chairman Billy Tauzin.

On the website, power is defined as "the ability to get things done and influence other people's ability to get things done."

"Bottom line, passing legislation or securing money for projects means effectiveness, which translates into votes."

"Think about your own office: there are people that are natural leaders and others who are followers. Congress is the same way."

"As a member of Congress, my job encompasses many different roles."

"Committee work, legislative agenda and party responsibilities keep me busy every day of the week," said Mr. Bonilla.

"Although my days are pretty full, I never lose sight of the end goal."

"I know that the work I do here is somehow affecting every one of my constituents."

"I'm keeping my eye on the ball and trying to hit as many home-runs as possible."

Mr. Bonilla was the first freshman Republican in more than 25 years to win a seat on the high profile Appropriations Committee.

Earlier this year he was named chairman of the Agriculture Appropriations Subcommittee. The highly significant Agriculture Subcommittee is responsible for the programs that keep America the world's leader in agriculture. As chairman of the Agriculture Appropriations Subcommittee, Mr. Bonilla oversees all of the nation's agriculture funding.

Mr. Bonilla also serves on the Foreign Operations and Defense Appropriations Subcommittees.

"The Agriculture Appropriations Subcommittee is about much more than just crops and livestock."

"I am constantly amazed at the wide scope of programs and issues the subcommittee affects," said Mr. Bonilla.

"Most people are not aware that this subcommittee oversees issues that touch our lives on a daily basis."

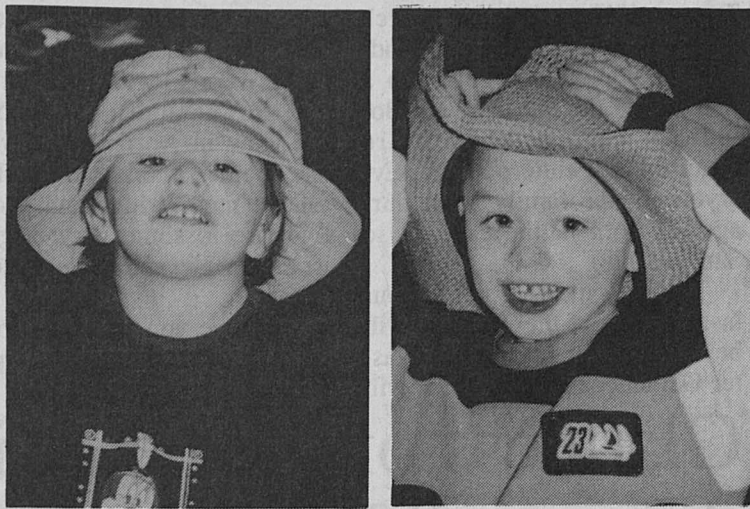
"The type of lunch your children eat at school, the clothing you wear on your back, and the quality of food on your plate are all affected by decisions on this subcommittee."

In addition to his legislative positions, Mr. Bonilla is a member of the House Republican leadership team.

This role enables Mr. Bonilla to help move the party's legislative agenda through the Congress.

Mr. Bonilla also serves as co-chair of the National Republican Congressional Committee and served as co-chair of the Republican National Convention in Philadelphia, co-chairman of the Republican National Committee's (RNC) Victory 2000 effort, and was tapped as an adviser to Governor Bush's presidential campaign.

**Look who is turning 3 on September 10th!
Happy Birthday Kristopher & Kathryn!**



*We love you,
Mommy, Daddy, Nana, Pa, Auntie, Oma, Opa,
Ti Ti, Ta Ta, Richard, Bimba & Bambo.*

Flood insurance can prevent expensive losses

People who own buildings in flood plains or in areas with poor drainage are taking a big financial risk if they pass up flood insurance.

Flood insurance is important because most property insurance policies don't cover flood damage. Standard Texas homeowners, renters, dwelling and condominium policies all exclude flood losses. So do most commercial property policies. Owners of commercial buildings should check with their agents to determine whether their policies cover floods.

The NFIP says that one of every three claims comes from outside high-risk flood areas. An overflowing ditch or rainfall that overwhelms the drainage around your house can send rising waters into your living room.

It's important to think ahead and buy flood insurance before you need it. With few exceptions, a flood policy takes effect 30 days after you buy it.

A flood policy covers both the insured building and its contents. The policy also pays up to \$500 for moving insured contents to a safe location and up to \$750 for expenses such as pumps and sandbags to protect a building.

Even though flood insurance is a federal program, you can buy flood insurance from the same local agent who writes your home or auto policy.

Some people mistakenly assume they don't need flood insurance because they can get federal

grants to rebuild after a flood. However, nearly all federal aid for such disasters comes in the form of Small Business Administration (SBA) loans, which must be repaid with interest. In addition, most federal disaster assistance is available only if the president declares your community to be a major disaster area.

Flood insurance is cheap compared with paying out of your own pocket or taking out an SBA loan.

The price of flood insurance depends on where you live and the amount of coverage needed. The average annual premium in 2000 was \$353. That's a bargain compared with payments averaging \$3,732 per year for a \$50,000 SBA loan. If you live in an area with low to moderate risk of flooding, you might be able to buy an NFIP "preferred risk policy" for as little as \$106 per year.

Be sure to buy enough coverage. You can insure your home for as much as \$250,000 and your personal property for as much as \$100,000. Commercial buildings can be insured for as much as \$500,000, with another \$500,000 for contents.

If your home is insured for at least 80 percent of its value, you will have replacement cost coverage on the structure. This means the policy will pay for repairs with no deduction for depreciation. Contents coverage, however, is on an actual cash value—that is, depreciated-basis.

Williams announces propane gas project for low emissions vehicles

Austin, TX -Texas Railroad Commission Chairman Michael Williams today announced the Texas Alternative Fuels Council has unanimously agreed to fund a project that allows the state's propane gas industry to fuel more of the state's growing fleet of low-emissions vehicles.

The project, submitted by the Propane Promotion Consortium (Pro-Con), will develop a factory propane version of General Motors' popular Chevrolet Express and GMC Savana full-size vans.

Pro-Con's project team includes General Motors; Clean Fueling Technologies of Georgetown, Texas; Prairie View A&M University; and Quantum Technologies of Cerritos, California. Beginning with this fall's Model Year 2002 vehicles, the partnership will engineer, certify, market and service the first propane-powered, low-emissions full-size vans in the U.S.

The project's objectives are to: Create alternative fuel vehicles that are functional, affordable and low-polluting; Obtain ILEV or

higher emissions certification; Develop a high quality service network by linking car dealerships and propane experts; Sell 1,000 units in 2002; and Establish a business model that allows major automakers to make additional alternative-fuel vehicle models available in the future.

The vans will be marketed in Texas, with special emphasis on areas of the state that need help in improving air quality. Fleets in Dallas-Fort Worth, Houston, and Central Texas already have expressed interest in acquiring the vehicles.

Former Governor George W. Bush appointed Michael Williams to the Railroad Commission in December 1998. In September 1999, he was chosen by his colleagues to chair this Commission. Williams was elected statewide in November 2000 for a term expiring in 2002. He is the first African-American in Texas history to hold a non-judicial statewide post and the highest-ranking African American in Texas Government.



Part of the ceremony at Amigöz grand opening was a martial arts demonstration given by Charmaine Dunn, Harvey L. Battle, Roslyn R. Battle and Natosha Blevins.

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Kinney County Sheriff's Report

Monday, August 27
10:55 a.m., A man reported two calves loose on FM 2804.

4:20 p.m., Check point reported three cows about 3 miles west of checkpoint. Ranch hand was notified.

4:37 p.m., A woman reported a disoriented man at a local grocery store. Chief of Police Arnulfo Alonzo responded.

Tuesday, August 28
No time shown on report. A couple reported two vehicles on their property that ABC Wrecker was responsible for. Chief Alonzo responded to the report.

3:30 p.m., A man reported his cell phone stolen at a restaurant.

6:03 p.m., Chief Alonzo responded to a family problem.

Wednesday, August 29
2:11 p.m., A man found a wallet that belonged to a man in San Antonio.

3:51 p.m., Sheriff Buddy Burgess responded to an alarm that was set off and reported from Alert Alarm, east on Hwy 90 thirteen miles from town.

4:30 p.m., Jesse Estrada, 37, from Brackettville, was arrested for family violence and aggravated assault by Chief Alonzo. Estrada is still being held.

Thursday, August 30
2:00 p.m., Jose Andres Sepulveda, 23, from Mexico, was arrested by a United States Border Patrol for Criminal Trespass. Sepulveda is still being held.

2:00 p.m., Juan Miguel Gonzalez, 23, from Mexico, was arrested for Criminal Trespass by a border patrol. Gonzalez is still being held.

2:00 Salvador Gonzalez, 42, from Mexico, was arrested for Criminal Trespass by a border

patrol. Gonzalez is still being held.

Friday, August 31
10:15 p.m., DPS Trooper Tony Ashley reported a stranded vehicle fifteen miles east on Hwy 90.

10:54 p.m., Chief Alonzo and Constable Cordelia Mendeke reported the alarm from Jones Elementary was on.

Saturday, September 1
12:10 a.m., Chief Alonzo responded to people arguing.

11:16 p.m., A local store employee reported a fight outside the store. Deputy Karl Chism and Constable Mendeke responded to the scene.

Sunday, September 2
6:02 a.m., A wreck was reported on Hwy 90 past the city limits. Trooper Slubar, EMS, Fire Department and Del Rio's Police Station was advised.

9:30 p.m., Mark Adrian Garcia, 24, from Brackettville, was arrested for DWI 1st offense by Trooper Ashley. Garcia was released the same day on a P.R. Bond.

11:50 p.m., Fort Clark Security reported four kids on four-wheelers cutting people in other vehicles off. Deputy Manuel Pena responded.

12:30 p.m., A woman reported a trespasser on her property. Deputy Pena was advised.

8:07 p.m., Constable Mendeke responded to a family problem.

Monday, September 3
1:30 p.m., Deputy Fritter responded to a break-in.

Tuesday, September 4
1:00 a.m., Jorge Luis Acevedo, 30, from Mission, TX, was arrested for DPS warrants by Trooper Ashley. Acevedo is still being held.

First family history seminar a success

Brenda Kellow, certified genealogist and genealogist instructor, spoke to a full house in Alamo Hall, San Antonio, as the very first family history seminar sponsored by the Daughters of the Republic of Texas Library began Friday, August 24.

The theme for this first seminar was "Dig'n Up Bones,

Texas Style."

Ms. Kellow, a member of the James Butler Bonham Chapter, DRT, delivered four lectures, each covering a specific topic related to researching ancestors in Texas.

Her first lecture "Family History Research A-Z," offered something for everyone from the novice to the experienced

family history researcher. The second lecture, "Researching the Republic of Texas, 1836-1846," provided suggestions of possible repositories in which to find clues about Texas ancestors.

Ms. Kellow then spoke on "Researching the Lone Star State," giving research clues to those investigating ancestors in Texas after the Republic years.

She wrapped up with a talk about "Rivers, Roads, Rails and Cattle Trails," in which she discussed the ways migration patterns influenced the ethnicity and settlement of Texas.

Ms. Kellow compiled extensive handouts for each session, which the library staff assembled into a seminar booklet.

Seminar attendees took advantage of the breaks in schedule to network research projects and visit, as well as to seek Ms. Kellow's personal advice on chipping away at individual brick walls.

All seminar profits benefit the Herpich Conservation and Restoration Fund of the DRT Library, established in 1997 for the conservation and restoration of documents, maps and artwork owned by the library.

The library committee and staff look forward to making this family history seminar an annual event.

Members of Uvalde's Caddel-Smith Chapter, DRT, attending this very interesting seminar were: Nadine Lasiter, Kitty Harrison, Pris Montgomery, Louise Stone, Cat Lester, Beverly Ferrell, Franci Plunkett, Pat McKelvy, and Janie Frere.

Mountain Laurel Garden Club will have monthly meetings

Submitted by Patsy Callnan

Mountain Laurel Garden Club will begin its 2001-2002 meetings on Thursday, September 13 at the Adult Center, FCS at 9:30 in the morning.

Mountain Laurel Club is a Kinney County organization and everyone is invited to attend the very interesting meetings.

In September, Liz Frerich and Luisa Stone will be telling club members about the 4H Junior Master Gardener Program that will be taught at the Jones Elementary School, BISD this year.

In October, John McNamara will be doing a hand thrown pottery demonstration for the club. There will also be a salad luncheon at Pat McKelvy's lawn, which is located next door to John's home and studio on FCS.

November will be a special treat when Sondra Meils, owner of the Gift Box, will bring ideas for Thanksgiving and Christmas decorating and gift giving. She will also show us how to create our own holiday floral arrangements.

December is our annual Christmas party, which consists of a Chinese Gift exchange and lots of goodies to eat. So bring a gift and be prepared to laugh at the antics that occur at the exchange of gifts.

January will bring in the new year and our speaker, Susan Anderson, from the Uvalde Library. She will give us news of the progress of the new regional library, which will be built in Uvalde and how it will help gardeners in Southwest Texas.

February will bring a surprise Valentine treat that you won't want to miss.

In March Barbara Simmons

will be our speaker and we will have lunch at her restaurant.

April is the month of the Texas wildflower show, which decorates our hillsides and landscapes. We will be going on a fieldtrip to the San Antonio Botanical Gardens, which are beautiful that time of year. Everyone in the family is encouraged to join in the caravan to San Antonio.

The May meeting will be our last meeting of the year and will be a follow up on the 4H Master Gardener Program. This will

also be a salad and dessert luncheon. The club has not chosen the new projects for this year but we would like your input on worthy projects for the Garden Club. We also will have our annual flower and table decorating show in April of this year. The theme of this year's show will be movie titles and should give rise to some very original arrangements and table decorations.

We hope you will plan to attend any or all of this year's programs.

Gladness of the heart is the very life of the man

Empowering Families
By Dr. Donald E. Smith

"Dad, I wish you and Joey would settle down a little when you play together. I'm trying to teach Joey to be considerate of adults and learn to be more of a little gentleman instead of a rambunctious five-year-old."

"Annie, Joey and I have a lot of fun together. It really does me a lot of good to be able to laugh and play like that. It's been a long time since I was so young. It's nice to leave the adult world and enter the world of a child for a little while. Besides what can it hurt?"

"But Dad Its kind of embarrassing to have you acting like a child. I don't think that's a good influence on Joey. Besides I worry about your health. Playing so hard may not be good for you."

"Look, Annie, Joey's only five. You can't expect him to act like an adult at that age. He needs time to just be the little boy that he is. You can see and

hear the joy he has when he has an adult like me to play with. Its good for him and its good for me to act like a kid a little bit. Someday I'll be gone and these times will be some of his most cherished memories. Annie, you'd be surprised how much he is learning about life and about adults from our play together. We even played school yesterday and he taught me the abc's. He can learn a lot by being my teacher. As for my health, I love you for your concern. Believe me I'll live much longer if I can laugh and play with my grandchildren. Annie, take time to remember your own childhood. A very wise man said long ago, 'Gladness of heart is the very life of man, cheerfulness prolongs his days (Sirach 30:22) and a joyful heart is the health of the body (Proverbs 17:22).'

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More public hunting opportunity available this fall

Austin, Texas - If you want to hunt this fall, particularly for deer or dove, but have a limited budget or are new to the state, Texas Parks and Wildlife offers hunting opportunities through its public hunting program.

In Texas, where most of the land is privately owned, and access for hunting is a limited commodity, finding and affording a place to hunt can be difficult for the average hunter. TPW provides reasonably priced public hunting access to 1.2 million acres of land that is owned, managed or leased by the department.

Hunters have several options available from TPW, including application for high-end guided package hunts on private land through the Big Time Texas Hunts program and entry into special drawings for self-guided hunts on state parks, wildlife management areas and some private ranches. In addition, hunters can pursue a variety of game throughout the season on more than one million acres of public land and 90,000 acres of leased private land - primarily for dove hunting and small game - for the price of a \$40 Annual Public Hunting Permit.

The annual hunting permit is available Aug. 15 wherever hunting licenses are sold. Permit holders receive through the mail a map booklet detailing available public hunting lands along with supplemental information on 137 public dove hunting areas.

This year, more than 6,000 hunters will be selected to participate in special big game hunts on TPW - managed lands are available. Through an application process, hunters can select from among 15 different hunt categories and choose a preferred hunt date and location from 38 state parks and 29 WMAs. There's even an option for selecting who will be included in the hunt if drawn - up to four hunters can apply together on one application as a group. Youth-only hunt categories are open to hunters between the ages of 8 and 17 at the time

of application. All hunt positions are randomly selected in a computer drawing from all completed entries received by deadline.

Because the special drawing deer hunt categories have become so popular, this year TPW has added two new categories, offering 200 hunters the chance to participate in a management deer hunt on private land. In one category, hunters can apply to hunt for a management buck (usually having forked antlers with eight or fewer points), while the other category offers a chance to take a spike buck and an antlerless deer.

The Big Time Texas Hunts program offers some of the finest premier guided hunts in the state. Proceeds from BTH, which offers \$10 applications for special drawings for premier hunting trips, pay for additional public hunting opportunities and wildlife conservation work in Texas. Last year TPW received 79,439 entries for the 25 positions in special drawing hunt categories:

- Texas Grand Slam, a once-in-a-lifetime package of four separate hunts for desert big-horn sheep, white-tailed deer, pronghorn antelope and mule deer.
- Texas Exotic Safari, hunts for a combination of exotic species on the Mason Mountain Wildlife Management Area.
- Texas Whitetail Bonanza, 20 guided hunts of three to five days on ranches. This year, winners will be allowed to bring a hunting partner along, and both will be able to take a quality buck.
- Texas Big Time Bird Hunt, a whirlwind series of hunts for the winner and three guests, including a two-day quail hunt, two days of prime pheasant hunting in the Panhandle and two days of dove hunting. The winner can also take one hunting partner on a spring turkey hunt.
- Texas Waterfowl Adventure, a series of up to four separate hunts, including geese on the coastal prairie and in the

Panhandle, and ducks in East Texas and along the coastal marshes.

In its fifth year, the program has grown in popularity and generated substantial funding for the state's wildlife conservation programs. "Last year, as a result of the Big Time Texas Hunts program we were able to put \$400,000 into providing additional public hunting opportunity and game conservation and research in Texas," said Herb Kothmann, TPW public hunting program director.

Consequently, two additional deer hunting categories have been added to the Big Time Texas Hunts program this year, including:

- Texas Premium Buck Hunt, which one winner and a hunting partner each getting an opportunity to take a quality buck on a premier hunting ranch.
- Texas Heritage Hunt, offering 10 winners a chance to take a quality buck. Each hunter must also take a youth hunter (age 8 to 16) who will also be allowed to take a buck.

All Big Time Texas Hunts packages include food, lodging and a hunting guide. Applications for the hunts are \$10 each and are available wherever hunting license are sold or by phone with a major credit card

Clean rifles shoot better

By Tom Miranda
Contributing Writer

For best accuracy, a rifle's bore needs to be clean of excessive powder and copper fouling. When you prepare your rifle for off-season storage, clean it thoroughly. You might use a special copper-removal agent and follow that treatment with a rust preventative.

When your rifle comes out of storage in preparation for the season, clean the oil residue out of the bore before sighting in. Next, fire a couple of fouling shots because the first shots from a recently cleaned bore seldom fly true. Because of that, after you finish zeroing, clean the

at (800)-895-4248. Persons 18 and older may apply as many times as they like.

As you begin making plans for the upcoming hunting seasons, there are some deadlines to keep in mind in order to participate in the public hunting program. Application deadline for pronghorn antelope hunts on the Rita Blanca National Grasslands north of Dalhart is Aug. 14. Bowhunters have until Aug. 22 to apply for special drawn public archery hunts. Entries for the general (gun) season deer hunts must be completed by Sept. 12. Deadline to apply for the Big Time Texas Hunts is Nov. 3.

Application booklets will be mailed by the end of July to those who applied for the drawings for hunts by special permit last year. The booklets are available in August at some TPW offices. The map booklet will be included with permits bought at TPW offices and will be mailed within 10 days for permits bought at retail outlets. The information on drawings for hunts by special permit, as well as printable application forms, will also be available on line in August (<http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/>). Call toll free for more information at (800) 792-1112.

bore again. Then shoot one more group to verify the zero (remember the fouling shots).

Unless you hunt in a very damp climate, you might not need to clean again until season's end. However, should the rifle get wet, you must clean it to prevent rust. Then you should foul the bore again to be sure of your first shot at a buck. Good, consistent rifle cleaning habits increase your chances for success.

Well-known television host Tom Miranda paid his dues to gain the credibility he has with his viewers. Tom has done it all, from being a government trapper to traveling the world in pursuit of game and fish.

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College students continue to gain more Kinney County Library announces fall program

Every year as students leave home for college they risk gaining the "Freshman 15"...

New York, N.Y. (August 22, 2001), Nutricise.com — Dieting and losing weight are national obsessions...

But willpower alone is not the solution to combating these common tendencies and fighting the college bulge...

Nutricise Registered Dietitians offer college students the following suggestions for fighting the Freshman 15:

To do a weight-loss makeover you must put things into perspective-you must consider your eating habits in terms of what you have to do and what you can do.

• Eat breakfast. Breakfast gets your metabolism working first thing in the morning...

• Don't skip meals. Many college students make the mistake of skipping meals only to be lured into someone's dorm room at 2 a.m.

• Grab a piece of fruit-like an apple or a banana, and slip it into your backpack.

• Try to make your dinner plate colorful by adding vegetables. The more color you have the more vitamins you're getting.

• Fill your college mug with water when you're studying. Water has been shown to ward off fatigue and it will always help your skin.

• Eat smaller meals. If you find that the longer days you put in to maintain your college life make you hungrier throughout the day, consider eating small meals and snacks over the course of the day instead of three large meals.

• Leave the cafeteria. Instead of lingering in the cafeteria with your friends, get up and go for a walk around campus when you're finished with your meal-you will be burning calories while still socializing with your friends.

• Cut down on alcohol. Just because alcohol is fat free doesn't mean it's calorie free. Alcohol is loaded with calories.

• Don't keep junk food in your dorm room - it will just be a temptation to eat it!

• Look around and be inventive. The healthy options are there but they may be hiding behind the cheese fries and the ice cream machine.

are available everyday, such as a salad bar or a sandwich station.

• Keep moving! It doesn't matter if you walk, jog, take aerobics, weight train, take a gym class, or play intramural sports-staying active will burn calories.

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Making A Difference By Taylor Stephenson

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fer worthwhile activity for all ages.

At school, our library is open on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday nights from 7:00 to 9:00 PM.

The rain Thursday night was not as extensive in Kinney County. I had an inch, and Stan Conoly told me that his gauge showed half an inch.

Our Rotary exchange student from Germany is having fun learning about Texans and our way of doing things. He is enjoying his stay with the Lloyd Lee Davis, Jr. Family, and they are enjoying him.

The Labor Day Holiday comes at a good time of the year. It was a chance to have a family gathering for the end of summer. I hope we will always have a holiday for school children on

Labor Day.

At school, Angie Meeks, BISD GT Coordinator, held a session for parents of Gifted and Talented junior high and senior high students.

The elementary school hosted a well-attended meet the teacher night last week. Teachers explained grading, class expectations and curriculum.

I'm pleased to see a newsletter on a monthly basis for residents of Fort Clark Springs. The Board & Manager are working hard for fiscal integrity.

Our new fiscal year at BISD began September 1. We're happy to close out a very successful year as we begin to implement the educational program for the 2001-02 school year.

Brackett Tigers last and final scrimmage

Contributing writer Ken Wallace

The Brackett Tigers travelled to Junction last week for their second and final scrimmage of the year. The Tigers began the contest on offense and drove the ball the length of the field and scored on a Jared Hobbs pass to Levi Duncan.

once and the Eagles scoring once on a long pass. The two teams then decided to play a live quarter. After a Levi Duncan punt pinned the Eagles on their own ten yard line, Dietrich Davis and J.J. Rivas sacked the quarterback in the end zone for a safety.

Eagles to score, or even move the ball at all. Tony Rosetti sprinted 70 yards for a touchdown. The defense was led by Lito Escamilla, Mark Kestleoot, and Whitney Massingill.

Brackett ISD Activity Calendar

- Thursday, September 6 5:00 PM JH FB Sabinal (H), 6:30 PM JV FB Sabinal (H), JH Vlybl @ E.P. Jr H Friday, September 7 7:30 PM V FB Sabinal (A) Saturday, September 8 9/JV Vlybl @ Eagle Pass Tourn., TBA, Cross Country @ Medina Valley (Castroville), V Vlybl @ Utopia Tourn., TBA Monday, September 10 6:00 PM Board of Trustees Meeting, JH Vlybl @ Del Rio, Blue Tuesday, September 11 6:00 PM V Vlybl vs. Harper @ Sabinal. 7:00 PM V Vlybl vs Sabinal @ Sabinal HOW TO PREVENT A COLLISION: SEE... Recognize the Hazard, KNOW... Understand the Defense, DO... Act Correctly, in Time.

High School Volleyball won against Leakey

On Tuesday the High School Varsity Volleyball won against Leakey. Leading scorers were Duquesa Hunt with 13 points and Susannah Davis with 8 points.

Team serving percentage was 92%. The team record is 4-2. The Junior Varsity White also won against Leakey. Outstanding players were Stephaine Bonner, Kristen Meyer, Vanessa Williams, and Whitney Hobbs.

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 1. Marbles; 2. Hamlet; 3. Six; 4. Caesar Augustus; 5. The Whole Earth Catalog; 6. Silver; 7. A cup of tea; 8. Brazil; 9. The Bobbery Twins; 10. ...

ROARING TWENTIES

In the grid below, twenty words can be found that fit the category for today. Circle each word that you find and list it in the space provided at the right of the grid. Words can be found in all directions—forward, backward, horizontally, vertically and diagonally. An example is given to get you started. Can you find today's 20 words?

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Trivia Time by Walter Branch

1. What game does the New York Institute for the Investigation of Rolling Spheroids specialize in?
2. What is the longest play written by William Shakespeare?
3. How many seasons did "I Love Lucy" run?
4. What Roman emperor's name is mentioned in the Gospel according to Luke in a passage read every Christmas season?
5. What counterculture mail order catalog made its debut in 1971?
6. What is the only metal that is not soluble in nitrohydrochloric acid?
7. What are the English referring to when they ask for a cuppa char?
8. What did Vicente Yanez discover in 1500 and claim for Portugal?
9. In children's literature, who are twins Bert and Nan and their younger siblings, Freddie and Flossie, better known as?
10. What television show inspired imitations titled "Surfside 6," "Hawaiian Eye" and "Bourbon Street Beat"?

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HOROSCOPES

by Charles Cooper

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A co-worker has an interesting idea. You can contribute much to this. Be sure, though, that you've worked out all the details.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Your best bet is to stay behind the scenes at work this week. You don't want to incur the wrath of a bigwig who's out of sorts. This weekend, you're the peacemaker at home.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) This isn't a time to take financial risks. In particular, avoid gambling or betting. Over the weekend, family issues take precedence.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You have big plans for your career. However, be sure to share these with your mate. Keeping this person in the dark isn't a wise idea.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You set your sights on some domestic projects. However, don't let work fall by the wayside. You can accomplish both by being organized.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Be sure to tackle tasks as they come up. If not, you'll find yourself scrambling to finish at week's end. If necessary, put in some extra hours.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You're tempted to spend money foolishly this week. Think about it. Do you really need that item, or do you simply want it?

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Shoppers find good bargains this week. Beware, though. Not all sales are as good as they seem in terms of value for the money.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) You can't seem to find the right words to get your ideas across this week. Leave this to a more eloquent co-worker. Together, you make a great team.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) You're being inconsistent in romantic matters. As a result, your significant other isn't sure of the relationship. Try to get in touch with your true feelings.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) You're at cross-purposes with a close friend. However, spend more time listening as opposed to talking. By week's end, all is resolved.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) It's a leisurely week for you, which you sorely need. Don't let domestic chores press on your mind. They get done in due time without you worrying.

CELEBRITY BIRTHDAYS: Charlie Sheen, September 3; Damon Wayans, September 4; Bob Newhart, September 5; Jeff Foxworthy, September 6; Peggy Noonan, September 7; Jonathan Taylor Thomas, September 8; Adam Sandler, September 9.

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You are as important as the next person Making chain links of love

Frontier Baptist Church
By Dave Crowe

We as human beings seem to have a natural tendency to view the individual, the solitary man, as being somewhat insignificant. One person alone, without backing or clout, without position or influence, a person without social power often times is thought of as having little or no worth or importance.

Don't you believe it! Nothing could possibly be farther from the truth! The everyday, ordinary, little guy (that's you and I) is the very backbone of this great country.

Yet, come election time, too many of us say, "What difference could one vote make anyway?" Did you know, that millions of Americans who could have voted in the last election, didn't. Those votes may have made a huge difference. No, this isn't a plea to get you to register and vote. Though, it is your God given right and a good idea.

This article is about, how vitally important each and every solitary person is to the rest of society. I love, as I am sure that you do, the movie "It's a Wonderful Life". The central theme of the movie shows us just how our lives interlink and how we influence the lives of other people, just by being there, by being who and what we are. I can hardly wait until December to see it again.

I recently read in Steve Farrar's book, "Pointman", a story about a man by the name of Jonathan Edwards. Jonathan was born in 1703, he was modestly educated but became probably America's most brilliant mind. He was a preacher, a writer and he became one of the first Presidents of Princeton

University. He married the woman of this dreams and God blessed them with eleven children. In the past three hundred years, since the union of this couple, records show this about their male descendants.

Over 300 of them became Preachers and Missionaries.

One hundred and twenty of them became professors and taught at various universities around the country.

One hundred and ten of them became attorneys. Sixty of them became notable authors. Thirty went on to be Judges. Fourteen

served as Presidents of different colleges, three served in the U.S. Congress and one became Vice-President of the United States.

All of this happened because two people fell in love and God blessed them. Jonathan Edwards was just one man, but his life has indirectly affected hundreds of thousands of other people.

The point is, the decisions and choices that we are making today, not only affect us, but everyone around us. Each one of us does make a big, big differ-

ence. What we do tomorrow could influence our future generations.

When we follow God, we please him and he clears the way through the wilderness for us. Ask God to make His plans clear, so that you may move toward His will and His plan for your life will succeed.

You are as important as the next man and God loves us all equally.

Just a little food for thought, until next week, may the good Lord bless and keep you.

St. Mary Magdalene Church
By Lynn McNew

Some times at mass we sing "In Remembrance," a song that begins with Jesus offering the cup and bread to His disciples and asking them to eat and drink in remembrance of Him. But as the rest of the song unfolds, the vision of remembering Christ begins to expand... "In remembrance of me, heal the sick... In remembrance of me, feed the poor... In remembrance of me, open the door and let your brother in."

As I think about these words, I think about how receiving the cup and bread bring Christ's presence to me. However, the song also suggests there is another special way to bring Christ's presence to my life, not just during communion on Sunday, but every day. Go out and do some tangible act of love in remembrance of Him, it suggests. Feed a hungry person, open a door, send a card, cry with a friend, give a gift, say "I'm sorry," visit a shut-in, hug a child... but pause and do them deliberately in the name of

Jesus.

That is what sets them apart and makes them special; that is what transforms them into acts or remembrance. All the small expressions of love done in His memory could be chain links of presence that run through my days, through all our days, binding them with a sense of communion.

While coming out of the Post Office the other day, I saw an elderly woman dropped her keys that had spilled from her full hands and rolled under her car. "Let me get them for you," I said. It's a small thing, Lord, but I do this in memory of you, I thought. And somehow the mere act of kneeling down and groping for the keys became an experience of presence, as full as bread and wine.

Lord, during the month of September help me keep your presence ever with me, by doing some loving act every day, especially in your name and memory.

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

Hispanic Heritage Month

First United Methodist Church
By Rev. Ken F. Sellers, Jr.

The month of September is National Hispanic Heritage Month. It is my privilege to share with you, through this month's articles, some of the heritage of our Hispanic neighbors. Today I introduce you to Bernardo de Galvez. From an internet site on famous Hispanic-Americans I retrieved the following.

"At the time of the American Revolution, almost all of the modern-day United States west of the Mississippi, was a part of Spain, as was Mexico. Louisiana was in Spanish territory and its governor was a young nobleman named, Bernardo de Galvez.

In the early years of the Revolution, Galvez provided aid to the American cause by allowing tons of supplies to be shipped up the Mississippi to patriot forces in the north. With Spain's official entry into the war in 1779, Galvez raised a

patchwork army of Creoles, Indians, free African Americans and his own Spanish regulars and marched on British-held forts at Baton Rouge and Natchez. A year later, he engaged the British at Mobile, and a year after that at Pensacola, in western Florida. In each case, Galvez was able to force the British from their entrenchments.

These victories diluted British strength in the south when Great Britain needed it most—just as it was bringing the campaign into the southern colonies.

For his heroics, Galvez was memorialized in Texas, where the city of Galveston honors him with its name."

In times of war, there is little time or energy to spend on noticing the color of a person's skin, or the creed to which that person subscribes, or the accent in that person's voice, or even the gender of the person with whom that person is trying to defend country and freedom. It

should be that way with the war against oppression, injustice, immorality and spiritual freedom. As Christians we should rid ourselves of those things which we use to separate us from our Christian brothers and sisters.

September is Open House Month at First United Methodist Church. We invite the entire community of Brackettville to join with us in celebrating our Hispanic and Christian heritage each Sunday at 10:45 am, as we worship together with ideals that are about dignity, equality and love for one another.

Con mucho gusto nosotros invitamos a la comunidad de Brackettville para estar con nosotros el domingo para celebrar hispanico y cristiano herencia. Comenzamos la adoración junta en 10:45 a la mañana que como vecinos con los ideales que son reflejan la dignidad, la igualdad y el amor para otros. Por favor errores del perdón en mis Español.

Giving and receiving honor

Gateway Ministries
Pastor Charolette Corey

Receiving honor is first contingent upon giving honor to God (as we talked about last week). Before we can address next week's topic of "honoring others as you would have them honor you" (Luke 6:31, Matt 7:12) you must understand how to honor yourself.

How do you receive honor? "By humility and the fear of the Lord are riches, and honor and life." (Prov. 22:4) "The fear of the Lord is the instruction of wisdom; and before honor is humility." (Prov. 15:33). "A man's pride shall bring him low; but honor shall uphold the humble in spirit." (Prov. 29:23).

The key to receiving honor is "Humble thyself in the sight of the Lord, and HE shall lift you up" (James 4:10) By receiving honor from God all honor is returned to him through humility. True honor comes from God because you have a heart willing to serve. You must also be willing to "serve" yourself. In this I mean, honor yourself by keeping good care of your body (eat right, exercise, and rest), honor your soul (feed your mind, will, and emotions with the "soul food" of God as you read the bible and use other "training tools" which God has provided by his inspiration to serve you, feed

your soul godly music, and godly programs - whether audio or video), and honor your spirit by continuing to feed it with the presence of God by exercising daily communion with him.

In this way, you give yourself honor, you say to yourself that you are of value, because you are the "temple of God"

"know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you? If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are." (1 Cor. 3:16-17).

As you stand daily before God, dressed in Jesus Christ's "Robe of Righteousness" (not

yours, because yours is as filthy rags - Isaiah 64:6, Phil. 3:9, 1 Cor. 1:30), honoring yourself in a Godly manner, then you can understand how to give that honor to other people. Giving honor to others will be next week's topic.

Stand in faith, rest in hope, walk in love.

Health

Health care legislation on fast track to disaster

Austin - As the Patients Bill of Rights will be heard in the next several days, the Texas Association of Business and Chambers of Commerce (TABCC), the National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB) and Small Business United (SBU) announced a united front of more than 180,000 companies urging Texas' congressional delegation to promote patient protection legislation that provides access to affordable health care.

"So-called patient protections being proposed in Washington, such as S. 283 by Sens. Edward Kennedy and John McCain and its companion legislation, H.R. 526 by Rep. Greg Ganske, open the Pandora's box of junk lawsuits," said TABCC President Bill Hammond, whose group represents more than 140,000 Texas businesses. "It is a bonanza for personal injury lawyers. Patients won't be protected, but ambulance-chasing lawyers will get rich."

Jeff Clark, Executive Director for the NFIB, represents 34,000 small businesses. "Our members have ranked affordable health insurance as their number one concern," Clark said. "We support patients' rights but we adamantly disagree that encouraging lawsuits is the best way to protect patients." David Pinkus, State President of SBU, said his members are also very concerned about affordable health insurance. "My members believe that having insurance coverage is the best

form of 'patient protection' for anyone. An average lawsuit, win or lose, costs \$100,000, and for a small business that is one lawsuit away from being out of business."

With the recent leadership shift in the Senate, the Patients Bill of Rights appears to be on the fast track for consideration, ranking second on its agenda. S. 283 by Sens. Kennedy-McCain is expected to be considered this month.

A study by the Washington, D.C.-based Barents Group accounting firm evaluated the effect of lawsuit-driven health insurance premium increases on workers in Texas. The study shows that S. 283 could cost Texas employers \$764.4 million in increased premiums and mean more than \$1.3 billion in lost wages for workers. In addition, more than 22,139 Texans could lose their health coverage due to employers' inability to pay the higher costs (Source: Congressional Budget Office).

The groups are also concerned with provisions of S. 889 by Sens. Frist and Breaux. While this legislation attempts to make improvements over other proposals, it also contains provisions that would invite unnecessary lawsuits into the health care system.

"No one argues that we need real patient protection," Hammond said. "It is the right thing to do, but it must be done right or it will have severe unintended consequences. It

makes sense that decisions about health care and medical services should be made by health professionals - not lawyers and accountants."

The group is concerned with current legislation such as the Kennedy McCain Patients' Bill of Rights because:

- The bill does not protect employers from junk lawsuits
- The bill exposes employers to lawsuits in state and federal court for the same incident
- A \$5 million cap cannot be considered lawsuit reform
- The bill allows employers to be sued for providing health care
- The bill does not require that the appeals process be exhausted before heading directly to court.

The business groups called on its members and every Texas business to get involved and personally send letters to President Bush and the Texas delegation on the issue. They said they are hopeful alternative solutions can be developed that do not pro-

mote lawsuits.

For instance, the groups said they would favor legislation such as medical savings accounts and association health plans that give consumers greater access to affordable health care.

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Intoxicated boaters could lose license under new law. Austin, Texas - Boating-while-intoxicated (BWI) offenders beware: refusing to submit to an intoxication test - either a blood sample or a breathalyzer - may result in an automatic driver's license suspension of 180 days.

Beginning Sept. 1, 2001, Texas Parks and Wildlife game wardens and other marine safety enforcement officers will be authorized to confiscate the driver's license of persons suspected of BWI who refuse an intoxication test. This applies to operators of watercraft with engines that have a manufacturer's rating of 50 horsepower or more.

"We are determined to keep BWI violators off the water not only to keep other boaters safe but to stop a BWI from turning into a DWI down the road," said Dennis Johnston, TPW director of water safety enforcement. Under the new legislation, BWI offenders who do not submit to

Boaters asked to have fun; be careful
Amistad National Recreation Area Acting Superintendent Todd Brindle asks boaters to use caution when having fun on Lake Amistad. Changing water levels this time of the year expose underwater hazards such as rocks and trees. Brindle said, "Lake levels are slowly going down and we want boaters to have a safe and enjoyable visit to the lake. These lowering levels are great for anglers, but bad for boat propellers. As you motor the lake, use a depth finder and watch ahead for changes in water color that may indicate shallow objects." Brindle recommends boaters follow boundary and navigational buoys carefully and avoid cutting corners when making turns. Boaters should also be aware that National Park Service rangers may not enter the Mexican waters of Lake Amistad for rescue or assistance.

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Notice

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