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## County Budget approved by 3-2 vote Commissioners enter into training agreement with SWTJC

Kinney County Commissioners approved an amended budget by a 3-2 vote at last week's regular meeting.

County Judge Herb Senne motioned to approve the budget, Commissioner Nate Terrazas seconded, Commissioner Joe Montalvo also voted in favor. Commissioners Francie Wylie and Pat Melancon voted against the motion.

After the meeting Commissioner Wylie said, "I voted against the budget and the increased tax rate. I know the budget could have been cut further. The budget reflects fiduciary irresponsibility. My goal was to be able to keep last years tax rate."

"I want to thank all the concerned citizens who showed up today to voice their concerns and/or show their support. In order to do my job effectively it is critical to get taxpayer opinion," said Wylie.

The county tax rate of 0.8397 was also approved by a split decision, with commissioners voting the same as they did on the budget.

The adopted budget is \$2,305,274 down \$12,560 from the proposed budget. Most of the decreases came from lowered insurance expense.

As expected the constable's salary was lowered \$9,528 to \$10,260. The funds were placed in the sheriff's department budget. The monies were, part of an inter-local agreement between Fort Clark Springs and Kinney County, for law enforcement on the fort.

In the county wide budget rain fall enhancement was raised \$5,000 to \$15,000. Nutrition Center funding from the general fund was cut \$1,284 to \$8,052. This was due to lowered insurance expense. Funds transferred from the general fund to the Road and Bridge Department were cut \$2,752 to 0-, due to lowered insurance expense. Predator Control was set at \$25,000 up \$10,000 from the proposed budget.

The EMS budget was lowered \$4,693 to \$220,475. The cuts were in various line items including FICA, retirement, unemployment, insurance, revenue from football games, and salaries. The lowered salaries were due to turnovers in the department.

"I voted no to the proposed budget and tax rate today because I do not think that we as a commissioners court did all that we could have done to cut back on our spending."

"Last year we pledged \$226,000 of savings to balance the budget and still had to raise taxes to meet budget expenses. This year we are doing the same thing by pledging approximately \$74,000 from savings and raising taxes again, said Commissioner Melancon.

"This is not good business. We are living beyond our means and we just can't keep going this way. The taxpayers, including myself do not have bottomless pockets and at this rate the county's savings account will be depleted very soon."

"Commissioner Wylie and myself, she did most of the work, came up with some more possible cuts in the budget that would have amounted to approximately \$62,000. The rest of the court was given copies of these possible cuts and was advised that we wanted to discuss each one before adopting the new budget."

"Well we didn't get the support from the rest of the court that I thought we would get and consequently did not get the op-

portunity to state our case. "I guess that is the game of politics," added Melancon.

In other business commissioners approved a contract with Southwest Texas Junior College to expand Workforce Training and Development services in Kinney County.

The proposal was presented, at a July 27th meeting, by Dr. Ismael Sosa, President of SWTJC, Leslie Kramer, Dean of Business and Fiscal Affairs, and Romalia Aranda, Director of Workforce Training and Development.

The initial program will be for training EMS personnel. Public use for other classes was discussed at the presentation.

"If for some reason we had some community people that wanted to take English, History, Government, Math, whatever it is, that unit would be there. As long as there is not an EMS or EMT type class I do not know

why they could not use it; again that would be up to you," said Kramer

"When we built the building, we built in a conference room for community purposes," said County Judge Herb Senne.

By entering into the agreement state money, not available to the county, would become available to support the program.

"We think we bring economy to the scale of your operation," said Kramer.

"We are interested in doing that training for you. The primary reason is because by us being the regional training provider we have access to a lot more monies from the state."

"We are going to assume all the financial risk of the program," Kramer added.

Though the agreement is not finalized, officials talked about using the conference room in the EMS building for the training

site. SWTJC would provide the necessary video conferencing equipment.

"The benefits for our EMS training program will allow us access to a larger pool of potential employees and volunteers. Also tapping into what is going on in the rest of the world is very beneficial to all of us," said Carolyn Rutherford, EMS Director.

Commissioners unanimously approved an inter-local agreement between the county and Fort Clark Springs. Fort Clark Springs Board of Directors approved the agreement at their last regular meeting.

FCS will pay the county \$52,500 a year for 60 working hours a week of law enforcement. Originally, commissioners planned to split the hours between the Sheriffs Department and County Constable. However, after a meeting with Gen-

eral Manager Maggie Kerr, commissioners decided the service would be provided only by the Sheriffs Department. The contract approval was pending review by County Attorney Tully Shahan.

Commissioners approved a change to the personnel policy at the request of the County Auditor Sandy Watkins. County employees and elected officials now have 5 business days to turn in receipts in order to be reimbursed for travel expense. The old policy was 14 days after returning to work.

Commissioners approved Southwestern Bell as the county's long distance carrier. The one year contract is expected to save approximately 10 percent on long distance charges.

**Editors Note: All budgetary figures have been rounded to the nearest dollar.**

## Briefs ... Sector 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. 3-9, 2001. The information is provided by station, and includes sector total

Abilene...27, Brackettville...161, Carrizo Springs...253, Comstock...8, Del Rio...180, Del Rio...180, Eagle Pass...477, Llano...12, Rocksprings...13, San Angelo...11, Uvalde...118, Sector Total...1,260, Other Than Mexicans...67

## Border Safety

Border Patrol Agents from the Eagle Pass Station rescued six illegal immigrants and found a deceased male Sept. 9, following two vehicle incidents on Highway 57. Agents found one man locked in the truck of an abandoned vehicle. Agents shortly thereafter came across a second vehicle that had rolled over. The vehicle had a driver and one passenger in the front seat, three persons in the back seat and two locked in the trunk. One of the people in the back seat was thrown from the vehicle and killed. The surviving passengers from both vehicles were treated for their injuries at area hospitals.

## Base returns to normal hours

Laughlin Air Force Base, Texas - Duty hours and manning here will return to normal Thursday. Flying operations may still be delayed, pending FAA clearance.

"Increased security measures will remain in effect to ensure the safety of our people and equipment," said Col. Rick Rosborg, 47th Flying Training Wing commander. "But we are returning to normal duty hours so we can continue our mission of training the world's best pilots."

Laughlin workers should allow sufficient time to process through the base gates. The Main Gate is open 24 hours a day, and the West Gate is open weekdays from 6-9 a.m. and 2:30 - 5:30 p.m. All other services provided by Laughlin organizations will also resume their regular operating hours Thursday.

Visitors are encouraged to minimize business on base until further notice.

## City passes new curfew ordinance

The Brackettville City Council approved a new juvenile curfew ordinance at last week's regular council meeting.

The new ordinance states it shall be unlawful for any child under the age of seventeen to remain in any public place within the city limits during certain hours. Public places include but are not limited to streets, alleyways, and thoroughfares.

Curfew hours are between 10 pm and 6 am Sunday through Thursday and 12 midnight and 6 am Friday and Saturday.

"The Chief of Police (Arnulfo Alonzo) approached me several weeks ago in reference to the curfew ordinance, City Manager David Luna told the council.

"He (Chief Alonzo) drafted a curfew ordinance and presented it to me and I reviewed it."

Luna explained to the council that the first draft had a clause requiring him, to review the effectiveness of the curfew and report to the council after a 6 month period.

"The chief and I both feel if you are going to do a curfew, you need to do the curfew not check it every six months," Luna said.

"After reviewing the curfew ordinances from the City of Del Rio, City of Uvalde and City of Sabinal, they are basically addressing the same issue so, I put things together that pertain to our community," said Chief Alonzo.

For the first offense a child and parent will receive a written warning. If convicted for a second offense the child will be fined up to \$100 or assessed community service in lieu of the fine. A third conviction will result in the same penalty to the child and the parent or legal guardian shall be fined no less than \$100 and no more than \$500. For a fourth the child may be filed on in juvenile court for

"Delinquent Conduct".

If a minor is found in violation of curfew and a parent can not be found, they will be placed in custody. The closest juvenile facility is in Del Rio. All expenses incurred, including mileage to and from, shall be paid by the parent.

There are several exceptions to the curfew. One exception is if the child is accompanied by their parent or legal guardian.

Another exception would be if the child were involved in interstate travel. A child would be exempt if they were working or

going to or from work.

Other exceptions include emergencies, being on side walks adjoining their residence, attending official school activities, religious activities, or any other city sponsored activities supervised by adults.

Alonzo said, "I have been addressed, or confronted, by some parents seeking some type of assistance from the police department trying to control the juveniles walking the streets late at night."

"I have had several parents

tell me, 'My fifteen year old boy comes home at 3 or 4 o'clock in the morning.'

The new ordinance is actually an amendment to a 1978 curfew ordinance. The original ordinance was somewhat vague and revisions were needed in order to address today's needs.

The 1978 ordinance, which was never enforced, had a 10 pm weekday and 12 midnight weekend curfew for children 6 to 12. Children 13 to 16 had a 10:30 pm weekday and 1:30 am weekend curfew.

## Animal Control ordinance revised

The City of Brackettville approved a revised Animal Control Ordinance at last weeks city council meeting.

The revised ordinance establishes new fees for animal control. The ordinance regulates livestock, cats, dogs, fowl and wild animals. It will apply to all persons, associations and corporations within the city limits.

Permits are required for all animals and fowl. Permits will cost \$4 per animal and can be obtained through the city. The permit fee had been \$3.

Students who are members of Kinney County Youth Development Association (KCYDA) and/or Brackett Independent School District (BISD) Livestock projects are exempt from permit fees.

All livestock (cattle, horses, sheep, goats, mules, burros) and fowl are required to be kept in a fenced pen.

Individual pens are required to be a minimum of 200 square feet and must be at least 5 feet in height. Each pen may contain no more than 6 animals or 15 fowl. Pens must be at least 50 feet from any permanent residence.

Students who are members of KCYDA and/or BISD Livestock

projects are further restricted. They are allowed only one cow, five sheep or six goats within one pen.

The ordinance states, "Animals running at large shall mean off the premises of the owner and not under the control of the owner, member of the owners immediate family or person(s) responsible for animals, fowl or reptiles either by leash, cord, chain or other device." Any animals running at large may be captured by animal control.

The owner will be responsible for paying to the city all incurred impoundment fees and fines.

An impoundment fee of \$10 per animal will be charged in addition to \$4 per day for maintenance and upkeep. The impoundment fee had been \$6 with \$3 per day for maintenance and upkeep. The owner will also be charged \$10 for labor and transportation to the animal control shelter. This fee had been \$6.

The owner will provide a current vaccination certificate at the time the animal is released or they will pay a \$65 deposit. The vaccination deposit had been \$50.

This deposit is refundable as long as the owner can provide

proof of vaccination within 5 business days.



Martin Alonzo killed another rattlesnake as well as a coach-whip snake at the Circle H Ranch on September 14. The rattlers head was 3 inches wide, he was over five and half feet long, 2 and half inches wide and about 10 pounds. August 30, Alonzo killed another rattler 4 inches across with 13 rattlers and a button.

## President authorized to use Military Force

By Henry Bonilla  
U.S. Congressman, 23rd Dist.

Washington D.C.- The U.S. House of Representatives today passed legislation authorizing President George W. Bush to use whatever military force he deems necessary.

"The forces of evil signed a death warrant on Tuesday. They have unleashed the wrath of the American people," said Mr. Bonilla. "The struggle ahead

may be a long one. Ultimately, we will triumph. We will preserve freedom for future generations. We will guarantee hope remains for all mankind."

Joint Resolution 62 authorizes the use of United States Armed Forces against "those responsible for the recent attacks launched against the United States. The joint resolution authorizes President George W. Bush to use all necessary and appropriate force

against those nations, organizations or persons he determines planned, authorized, committed or aided in the terrorist attacks that occurred on September 11, 2001." The resolution goes on to authorize force against those who "harbored such organizations or persons, in order to prevent any future acts of international terrorism against the United States."

The U.S. House of Representatives Congressional Record

reported the following statement from Rep. Bonilla. "We have witnessed evil this week. The twin tragedies in New York and Washington, the massacre of innocents, must never happen again. Today, with this legislation, we are sending the world a message. We are stating that America does not recoil in the face of evil, on the contrary, America rises up," said Mr. Bonilla.

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## Wake Up Maggie May . . .

But I could be wrong  
By Chuck Hall

If you don't understand the title, then you're not my age. It relates to a song by Rod Stewart.

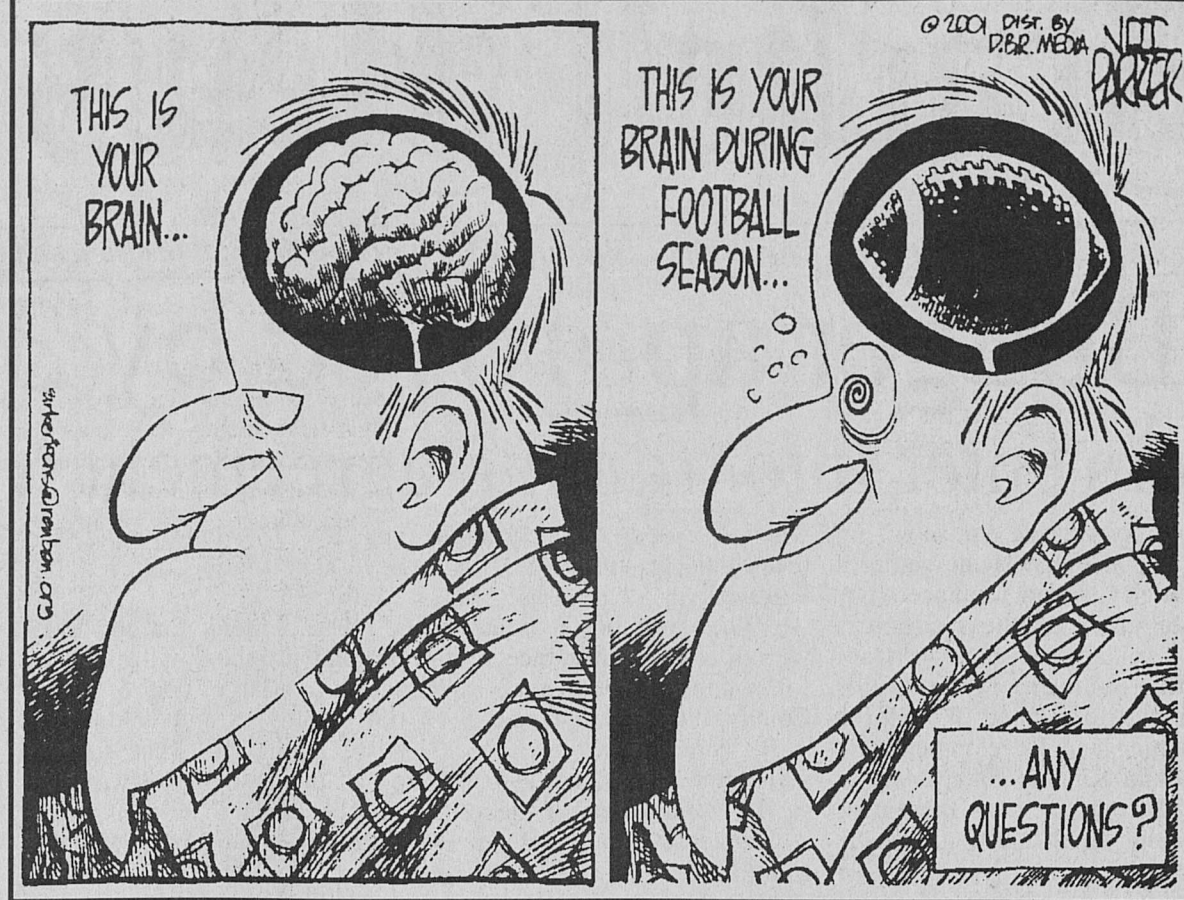
I love September. This is my favorite month of the whole year. Fall is arriving. Leaves will soon depart to rejoin mother earth in the rejuvenation of the soil. There is a certain smell in the air of a morning. The evenings seem to be cooler this month. What's not to like? If you can't say you like this month, then maybe there's something wrong with you.

The arrival of autumn marks the beginning of hunting seasons. I like to go afield with friends and family to enjoy the feeling I get this time of the year. I am not mad at deer any more, but I do enjoy watching a good dog work retrieving a downed

bird, or pointing to one that might become disabled. I will not explain my delight in shooting at the world's emblem for peace. It's something I enjoy. Let's just let it go at that.

Some of my favorite people in this world were born during the month of September. I even like the sound of the word. September. Say it aloud a few times and see if you don't agree with me.

In a few short months I'll probably be complaining about how cold the winter is this year. When it freezes, I'm sure I'll be the first to squeal like a pig under a gate. But until then, I'm relaxing and savoring these moments. Until frost and the hoary time of the year gets here once again, and I forget how much I disliked the 100+ weather this summer, you'll only see me smiling. But I could be wrong.



## Rep. Bonilla Votes To Aid Victims' Families, Promotes Patriotic Initiatives

By Henry Bonilla  
U.S. Congressman, 23rd Dist.

Washington - Representative Henry Bonilla voted today to assist the families of victims of Tuesday's tragic events. The package of legislation includes measures that will help families of fallen public safety officers and initiatives to promote patriotism in the wake of the terrorism waged on our nation.

"This has been a devastating week in our nation's history," said Mr. Bonilla. "I want each of you to know that Congress will not stand idly by. We are doing everything within our power to extend assistance, hope and reassurance in these terrible times."

The Victims' Tax Relief Package will enact the following:

- ? Extend an estate tax reduction to individuals who were killed as a result of Tuesday's terrorist attack

- ? Extend Federal income tax exemption relief to individuals who died as a result of Tuesday's terrorist attack or who die from injuries suffered as a result of the attack.

- ? Clarify that the \$25,000 per passenger payment made by United Airlines will be exempt from Federal income taxes. Any similar payments made by American Airlines would receive similar treatment.

- ? Ensure that FEMA assistance payments are exempt from Federal income tax.

"The legislation we passed today is just one of many steps we will take. And while it may be a small step in the grand scheme of things, we hope it will make a big difference in the weeks to come," said Mr. Bonilla.

In addition to the financial initiatives passed by Congress, Mr. Bonilla supported a resolution that encourages Americans to demonstrate their unity for the nation by flying the American flag at homes, businesses, schools and places of worship for the next thirty days.

"Faceless terrorists may have committed their acts of violence Tuesday, but they will not destroy our nation. We will remain strong. I hope that my constituents and Americans in every state will fly a flag, at least if possible, to honor the victims and express their love of country," said Rep. Bonilla.

The entire legislative package was overwhelmingly approved by the House of Representatives this afternoon.

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## Stand In Faith United States Will Prevail

The Way I See It  
By Steven R. LaMascus

As I write this I am sitting with my laptop computer watching Fox News' coverage of the terrorists' attack on my nation. The carnage and destruction are, obviously, indescribable by mere words. Also indescribable, but absolutely foreseeable, are the selfless acts of heroism of those involved, the rescuers, the survivors, the families and loved ones of the victims, and the general population of the United States, who once again rise to adversity and tragedy like the mythic Knight in Shining Armor. This is, simply, the way we react to all types of disaster - heroically, selflessly, patriotically.

As I watch the rerun of the tape showing the attack I am forced to look inward at my own reaction. In the last twenty-odd years as a law enforcement officer I have been personally involved in numerous lesser disasters. This one is more difficult for me to grasp; because, its magnitude is beyond our ability to grasp, and since I am no longer an officer, there is nothing I personally can do to directly effect the situation. I now understand the helplessness felt by those who must just stand and wait. That is really the hardest part, the waiting. If you are part of the rescue effort you feel tremendous exhaustion, frustration at the mind-numbing slowness of the results, and the elation and satisfaction at each success, but you have no time to dwell on your personal angst. As an observer all you can feel is anger and frustration, fear and horror - heart-rending uncertainty and total, all-consuming helplessness at not being able to do anything.

As I said in church Wednesday night, in the first fifteen minutes after I saw the heinous acts perpetrated on our nation, if I had the wherewithal, Afghanistan would have been a seething, glowing lake of radioactive lava, and Osama Bin Laden and everyone ever involved with him would have been sent

to hell with all due dispatch. Then, as anger was replaced by other emotions and I observed the response of our Christian nation, I realized that once again God would triumph. Once again God will use evil for good. God did not cause this terror, but He will take it and make it work for our good and His. My anger is still present, but it is now overshadowed by regret and sorrow. I feel deep sorrow for those who survived and for the friends and loved ones of the victims. I also, astonishingly, feel sorrow for the perpetrators. They were performing an act that they truly believed would bring them closer to their god. How astounding it is to realize that anyone could actually think that such a devilish act would please any god, much less a kind and loving God. I feel tremendous sorrow that such zeal was wasted on a false god. How much good could those people do if that righteous energy had been used in loving service of the real God?

I have in the last two days heard the words prayer and God more on the television than I have in the last ten years. We have once again turned to our true source of power and comfort in the face of terror and death. God is always there for us, I'm just sorry that it takes this type of conflagration to bring us closer to him. I suspect that this is why a loving God allowed this inconceivable act of insanity to transpire.

This horror has also done something else. It has demonstrated to those people who want no borders, or open borders, that this is an insane idea. We must control our borders. We must stop illegal immigration, and stringently control legal immigration. We live in a dangerous world and liberal, New Age pipe dreams, which promote a united world and an age of peace promote more terrorist acts like this.

We have finally and violently learned a costly lesson that Israel learned a long time ago: to combat terrorists you must hunt them down and kill them. We

must strike and strike first and hardest at terrorism wherever we find it. The presidential ban against assassination must be lifted. It is much better to kill the head of an organization and his operatives in precise, surgical strikes than it is to shoot a few cruise missiles in the general direction of the Middle East or send a couple of F-16s to drop a few bombs in a token response. We have no options. Identify the perpetrators, find out where they are, and kill them! That is justice.

I recently wrote that our nation had lost its innocence. I was wrong. That happened on September 11, 2001. But the loss of innocence doesn't mean that we must lose our faith. In times of trial we gain faith. That is what makes us strong. The British had it during the Battle of Britain in WWII. We had it after Pearl Harbor. We lost it during Viet Nam, but found it again, to a minor degree, during Desert Storm.

Now, in the face of the lowest, most despicable, cowardly act in modern history we have found it again. Faith that we will prevail, faith that we will find the cowards responsible and bring them to justice, and faith in a loving, all-powerful God, who, no matter how it appears, really does have it all under control.

We have also revived our patriotism and jingoistic pride in our country. In the midst of overpowering sadness there is immeasurable pride in the people of the United States and how they have, as they always have, risen to the challenge. I thank God for this nation and I pray that it will long be blessed.

Psalm 27:1-3 - "The Lord is my light and my salvation - whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life - of whom shall I be afraid? When evil men advance against me to devour my flesh, when my enemies and my foes attack me, they will stumble and fall. Though an army besiege me, my heart will not fear; though war break out against me, even then will I be confident." NIV

## A 10 Year Glance at Higher Education

Direct From Austin  
By Henry Cuellar

A few weeks ago I talked about higher education and how the state is improving access to higher education for the Texans with a range of innovative financial aid programs. This week, I'd like to talk a little bit about how higher education in Texas has changed in the past 10 years. Some of the answers may surprise you.

As a seven term former legislator, I served as Chair on the Appropriations Subcommittee on Education and as Vice-Chairman of the House Higher Education Committee.

Texas education is a priority for Austin. Governor Rick Perry and legislators of both parties work hard to ensure that

our state offers its young people a first-rate education.

Education is improving in Texas. Specifically, we can do more to improve access for minorities to higher education. Still, the past decade has seen unprecedented growth of Texas higher education, particularly in minority participation in higher education.

Using numbers provided by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, between 1990 and 2000, the number Texans receiving degrees from Texas public universities rose by a respectable 14%.

During the same period, the number of African-Americans receiving degrees from Texas public universities increased by 55% and the number of Hispanics receiving degrees increased

by 86%.

It's an impressive testimony towards public and private efforts to get minority Texans more involved with higher education.

Community colleges and technical schools are playing a strong role in preparing young Americans for a global job market. Texas community colleges have been on the leading edge of that trend.

Between 1990 and 2000, degrees awarded by our community colleges and technical schools increased by 43%. Again, growth by minorities exceeded the statewide average: 85% for African-Americans and 88% for Hispanics. Higher degrees like masters, doctorate, and law and medical degrees are the pinnacle of the educa-

tional process.

From 1990 until 2000, the total number of Texans reaching this level increased 21.5%. The African American increase was 73% while the Hispanic total was 116%.

African Americans and Hispanics are still under represented in higher education. But the fact that their participation increase by fifty percent, one-hundred percent, or more in just a decade is a tremendous achievement and suggests our efforts are working.

Education should be a state's number one priority and the crusade to provide a top-quality education is never finished. I hope each of us will commit ourselves to ensuring that the next decade brings equally tremendous results.

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## Rep. Bonilla Condemns Cowardly Terrorist Act

By Henry Bonilla  
U.S. Congressman, 23rd Dist.

**- House of Representatives Approves Joint Resolution -**  
Washington, D.C. - Representative Henry Bonilla (R-TX) joined colleagues today in condemning the horrible acts of terrorism committed against the United States yesterday, September 11, 2001.

"Those who have declared war on the American people must now face the full might and power of the United States," said Mr. Bonilla. "I ask each and every one of you to join me in prayer for those whose fate remains in God's hands."

## Bonilla Supports Antiterrorism Emergency Spending Bill

By Henry Bonilla  
U.S. Congressman, 23rd Dist.

**- House of Representatives Allocates \$40 Billion -**  
Washington D.C. - U.S. Representative Henry Bonilla (R-Texas) voted today for a bill allocating \$40 billion to recovery efforts following Tuesday's tragic events.

"Without a second thought. Without a doubt. Without a question in our minds. This is how the Congress acted today. This is how the Congress came together and began repairing our nation and recovering from these treacherous acts," said Mr. Bonilla. "Let this be a sign to those who inflicted damage on our great nation. We are united. We stand together. We will do whatever it takes to move forward and rebuild."

The House of Representatives unanimously approved the \$40 billion Antiterrorism Emergency Spending Bill. The funding will assist recovery efforts, provide resources for investigation and will help enhance national security.

Details of the bill follow: \$10 billion will be immediately allocated to the Emergency Response Fund. The funding will be divided among the fol-

lowing efforts:

- Federal, State and Local preparedness for response to the attacks
- Support to counter, investigate and prosecute terrorism
- Increased transportation security
- Repairing public facilities and transportation systems damaged by explosions
- National security support

The remaining \$30 billion will be available to the Emergency Response Fund when a detailed allocation plan has been submitted to the Congress. Of the total \$40 billion provided, no less than \$20 billion shall be for disaster recovery activities in response to the terrorist acts on September 11, 2001 in New York, Pennsylvania and Virginia.

"This funding sends a message. It tells those responsible for these horrible acts that the United States is serious about tracking them down and bringing them to justice," said Mr. Bonilla. "Approving this bill allows the federal government to use every tool in its arsenal. We will recover from this tragedy and we will locate and prosecute the cowards who committed this crime."

must now face the full might and power of the United States. The Federal Response Plan has been activated. Twenty-eight federal agencies are coordinating as we speak to prevent future attacks.

"I will continue my work to provide our military and intelligence agencies with the resources they require so America remains free, safe and secure."

"I ask each and every one of you to join me in prayer for those whose fate remains in God's hands."

2001, attacks against the United States, as well as their sponsors." It goes on to "extend its deepest condolences to the victims of these heinous and cowardly attacks, as well as to their families, friends, and loved ones."

The resolution was overwhelmingly approved this evening by the House of Representatives.

In a statement submitted to the Congressional Record, Mr. Bonilla expressed his support of President Bush and re-enforced his unending commitment. "President Bush has the full support of this Congress. In the long days and months ahead, we must unite to follow through on his pledge to track down those responsible for these cowardly acts against the American people. I will continue my work to provide our military and intelligence agencies with the resources they require so America remains free, safe and secure," said Mr. Bonilla.

"America will rebuild. America will unite. America will prevail," said Mr. Bonilla.

## Post Theater gets new curtains

By Lynn McNew  
Contributing Writer

Through the joint efforts of the Historical Society and the Old Quarry Society, new stage curtains were recently installed in Post Theater on Fort Clark Springs.

Last year a grant was obtained by Frank Cheaney of the Historical Society to be used for improvements on the historical structures on the Fort.

Mr. Cheaney approached the Old Quarry Society with the idea of purchasing stage curtains and a long-awaited dream began to be fulfilled.

The Old Quarry Society is dedicated to bringing entertainment to the community.

Old Quarry also works towards make improvements to the Old Quarry Amphitheater and Post Theater.

Finally, the curtains have been installed and will be a wonderful asset for future performances in Post Theater.



Ben Goodchild, of Superior Decorating, installing new curtains at Post Theater

## Bonilla responds to attacks

By Henry Bonilla  
U.S. Congressman, 23rd Dist.

Washington, D.C. -Statement from Congressman Bonilla:

"Let me begin by saying, President Bush will have the full support of Congress. We will do everything in our power to follow through on his pledge to track down those responsible for these cowardice acts against the American people," said Henry Bonilla.

"Those who have declared war on the American people

must now face the full might and power of the United States. The Federal Response Plan has been activated. Twenty-eight federal agencies are coordinating as we speak to prevent future attacks.

"I will continue my work to provide our military and intelligence agencies with the resources they require so America remains free, safe and secure."

"I ask each and every one of you to join me in prayer for those whose fate remains in God's hands."

## Kinney County Sheriff's Report .....

**Monday, September 10**  
2:20 p.m., A man turned in a lost radio to the Sheriff's Office.

2:37 p.m., A 911 call was received. A truck had lost half of the load on Hwy 90. An employee from the Texas Department of Transportation was notified.

**Tuesday, September 11**  
4:01 p.m., An employee from Fort Clark Springs filed a complaint on an individual for reckless driving in front of a school bus.

6:46 p.m., Deputy Karl Chism responded to a family disturbance.

7:00 p.m., Seth Aaron Kaplan, 36, from Brackettville, was arrested for Public Intoxication by Deputy Chism. Kaplan was released the next day for time served.

8:27 p.m., A woman reported individuals smoking marijuana. Deputy Chism was advised.

**Wednesday, September 12**  
No time shown on report. A 911 call was received. A possible intoxicated driver was reported. DPS Trooper Tom Wylie was notified.

**Friday, September 14**  
7:27 a.m., The Val Verde

Sheriff's Office reported an accident on Hwy 90 ten miles west of town. Trooper Wylie responded.

12:15 p.m., A woman reported an 18-wheeler ran a red light and was headed east. Deputy Manuel Pena responded.

9:28 p.m., Deputy Chism responded to a stranded motorist on Hwy 131 south of Hwy 90.

**Saturday, September 15**  
8:45 a.m., Sheriff Buddy Burgess responded to some stolen property on Hwy 674 nine miles out.

12:35 p.m., A woman reported she wanted to return personal property to the owner. Deputy Pena responded.

**Sunday, September 16**  
5:21 p.m., A woman reported a dead dog at her neighbor's yard. A city employee was advised.

6:15 p.m., A man reported a gold or beige pick-up was being chased by a border patrol. A border patrol responded.

8:37 p.m., An employee from Fort Clark reported a vehicle accident on Hwy 90.

**Monday, September 17**  
8:00 a.m., A lady reported a break-in and requested assistance.

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Mountain Laurel Garden Club held it's first meeting Preceptor Theta Sigma meets

By Patsy Callnan  
Contributing Writer

On Thursday, September 13, The Mountain Laurel Garden Club held its first meeting of the year. President Ruby Cheaney called the meeting to order.

The meeting was begun with the flag salute and a prayer for our country and its leaders.

This month's speaker's Liz Frerich and Louisa Stone, teachers at Jones Elementary, told the group about the new and innovative program that they will be introducing to their fifth and sixth grade students this school year. The two teachers attended

a workshop during the last school term and felt that this program would be beneficial for the fifth and sixth grade students of Brackett Independent School District.

They applied for a financial grant and received it.

Some of the objectives of the Master Gardener Program are to improve skills in language arts, math and the natural sciences, by the bringing together of these two disciplines into one exciting learning experience.

Another objective is to bring the family and the local community in as mentors and learning resources.

The students of the high school and middle school will also be helpers in the program.

Each student will be encouraged to develop a gardening project of his or her choice, at home or with a mentor from the community.

There will be classroom projects and tasks to improve the environment of the school and community.

The garden club members were very enthusiastic about the potential of this undertaking and a list of volunteers was developed and given to the teachers.

The garden club would like to have individual members be-

come mentors to any student that would be interested and help that student to develop a project that could be displayed at the annual spring garden show.

After the program, plans were made and discussed for the October meeting which will be a Pat McKelvy's house.

It will be a salad and dessert luncheon at 11 a.m. and the program will be by John McNamara, who will be doing a demonstration of making pottery on the wheel.

Hostesses for the September meeting were: Luella Gilliland, Donna Gracie and JoAnn Werner.

The Preceptor Theta Sigma Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met in the home of B.J. Eckenrod on Monday, Sept. 17, 2001. The meeting was called to order by President Arlys Simpson, with thirteen members present. After receiving Vice-President Lou Green's request to be placed on inactive member status, the chapter elected Lynn McNew as Vice-President.

In other business, the chapter discussed plans for Halloween and Thanksgiving parties. Pat McKelvy reported that Uvalde will be holding a "ghost tour" and there will be a play at the Opera House close to Halloween time. When more details are available, the group decided, they will make plans to attend.

A Thanksgiving dinner party will be held at Zettie's in Del Rio on Friday, November 16. Patsy Callnan is handling arrangements for this.

Pat McKelvy shared a very

moving piece she had written in remembrance of the recent tragedy in our nation. B. J. Eckenrod offered a prayer of praise and thanksgiving for our nation, our leaders, our military, all the people who's lives were lost, and the people working so hard in rescue and recovery attempts. The chapter joined together in the singing of "God Bless America."

Following the business meeting, the Order of the Rose was conferred on Doraline Kellar, Shirley Hadsell, Hawkins Huey, and Pat McKelvy in an impressive ceremony led by President Arlys Simpson. Members Jan Chism, Alicia Raymer, Luella Gilliland, Bobbi Waddill, B. J. Eckenrod, Clara McCord, Patsy Callnan, and Lynn McNew participated in the ceremony.

The next scheduled meeting will be held Monday, Oct. 1, at 5:30 p.m. at the home of Luella Gilliland.

Shared stories and Anecdotes

By Charolette Corey  
Contributing Writer

President Billie Jean Davis of Uvalde, TX, convened the Sept. 13th, 2001 meeting of the Caddell-Smith Chapter of The Daughters of the Republic of Texas at the Holiday Inn, Uvalde, TX.

In attendance were twenty-seven local members and guest speaker Tookie Walthal, DRT Past President General. Speaker Tookie Wal-thal shared stories and anecdotes from the rare books, "Fifty Years of Achievement, History of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas", published by Banks Uphaw and Co., Dallas, TX,

1942 and "A Facsimile Reproduction in One Volume of 'History of Texas from Its First Settlement in 1685 to Its Annexation to the United States in 1846' by H. Yoakum, Esq., published by Redfield 1855 and facsimile published by Steck-Vaughn Co. Austin, TX. If anyone has access to these books please let the DRT chapter know. The next meeting will be November 8th at the Holiday Inn, Uvalde, TX.

All those interested in becoming a member of DRT please contact Registrar Pat McKelvy or any other member of the DRT for more details. Also, any 4th or 7th grader who wishes to participate in this year's essay

contest sponsored by the Daughters of the Republic of Texas, please contact a DRT member so that they may get the

public school teacher the information. This invitation also goes out to those children who are attending private home school.

With closest custody, Guard your heart

Empowering Families  
By Dr. Donald Smith

"I know it was an awful tragedy Joan, but frankly I'm getting tired of seeing it over and over again on TV. It's depressing enough without replaying it so much."

"You're right Barb, it was an awful tragedy. I get depressed too but then I think we need to be reminded of those poor

people who died. It must have been horrible. It just seems like there is so little we can do — except to pray." Almost simultaneously, the door slammed and Tommy's voice echoed through the house. "Mom, I'm home. What's for supper?" As he rounded the kitchen door he greeted his neighbor, "Hi Mrs. Peters. How's it going?"

"What are the kids at school saying about the tragedy in New York Tommy?" Barb asked her son. "They're not talking much about it Mom. We had a moment of silence but that's about all," Tommy replied.

"What do you think Tommy?" Joan asked.

"Its no big deal, Mrs. Peters. I look at it kind of like a video game. I play games like that all the time at the mall. I have some videos games where whole cities get wiped out."

As Tommy bounced out of the room, Barb looked at Joan. The two of them seemed to echo the same question.

"Have we allowed our children to become insensitive to the pain of others?" "I wonder," said Barb. "Is it time for us to take a look at the video games our kids are playing with?"

A very wise man said long ago, "With closest custody, guard your heart, for in it are the sources of life (Proverbs 4:23)." Moses taught his people they were not to harden their hearts to others in need (Deuteronomy 15:7). The writer of Hebrews echoes the Psalmist,

"Harden not your hearts as at the rebellion in the day of testing in the desert (Hebrews 3:8; Psalm 95:8)."

This column is brought to you by the St. Henry deOsso Family Project working in Brackettville to strengthen families, faith and education. God bless America.

PUBLIC NOTICE

BRIEF EXPLANATORY STATEMENTS OF PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS Special Election NOVEMBER 6, 2001

PROPOSITION 1 (HJR 52)

Proposition 1 would amend the constitution to relinquish the state's claim to certain disputed land in Bastrop County. The amendment would confirm legal title to that land, excluding any mineral interests, to the individuals who hold a disputed title to the land. The amendment would prevent a loss of title by people who bought and paid for property that was never transferred by the state because of faulty surveys.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the clearing of land titles by the release of a state claim of its interest to the owners of certain land in Bastrop County."

PROPOSITION 2 (SJR 37)

Proposition 2 would amend the constitution to establish the process for issuing up to \$175 million of state general obligation bonds and notes to provide aid to counties for access road projects to serve border colonies. Generally, a colonia is an economically distressed geographic area with inadequate public services (such as water supplies, sewer services, or paved roads) in a county without adequate resources to provide such services. These projects could include the construction of access roads, the acquisition of materials used in maintaining those roads, and projects related to the construction of those roads, such as road drainage. The Texas Transportation Commission, in consultation with the Governor, would be authorized to determine what constitutes a border colonia for purposes of selecting the counties and projects that would receive assistance.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the issuance of state general obligation bonds and notes to provide financial assistance to counties for roadway projects to serve border colonies."

PROPOSITION 3 (SJR 47)

Proposition 3 would amend the constitution to authorize the legislature to exempt green coffee and raw cocoa held in Harris County from property taxes in order to qualify Harris County as an exchange port for coffee by the New York Board of Trade. The authorization of exemption would not apply to any other county.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation raw cocoa and green coffee that is held in Harris County."

PROPOSITION 4 (HJR 1)

Proposition 4 would amend the constitution by setting the term of the fire fighters' pension commissioner at four years. The constitution currently provides that the duration of all offices not otherwise fixed by the constitution may not exceed two years.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for a four-year term of office for the fire fighters' pension commissioner."

PROPOSITION 5 (SJR 32)

Proposition 5 would amend the constitution to allow a municipality to donate outdated or surplus equipment, supplies, or other materials used in fighting fires to an underdeveloped country. Current state law does not allow anything of value belonging to the state or its political subdivisions to be donated to another nation.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing municipalities to donate outdated or surplus firefighting equipment or supplies to underdeveloped countries."

PROPOSITION 6 (HJR 45)

Proposition 6 would amend the constitution to require the governor to call a special session of the legislature so that the legislature can appoint presidential electors when the governor determines that it is reasonably likely that the outcome of the election for a presidential candidate's electors will not be clearly determined in time for the appropriate electors to meet before the federal deadline to cast their votes. Under current law, when the people vote for a particular candidate for president, in reality they are voting for that candidate's electors who will meet to cast their votes for president. If the electors are not determined by the certification date, no electoral votes may be cast for the state. The proposed amendment ensures that the state's electoral votes will be cast.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment requiring the governor to call a special session for the appointment of presidential electors under certain circumstances."

PROPOSITION 7 (HJR 82)

Proposition 7 would amend the constitution to authorize the Veterans' Land Board to issue and sell up to \$500 million of additional general obligation bonds to finance additional home mortgage loans to veterans. Additionally, the proposed amendment would authorize the Veterans' Land Board to use assets from the land and housing assistance funds to create, operate, and improve veterans' cemeteries.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the Veterans' Land Board to issue up to \$500 million in general obligation bonds payable from the general revenues of the state for veterans' housing assistance and to use assets in certain veterans' land and veterans' housing assistance funds to provide for veterans cemeteries."

PROPOSITION 8 (HJR 97)

Proposition 8 would amend the constitution to allow the legislature to authorize the Texas Public Finance Authority to issue and sell up to \$850 million of general obligation bonds. The proceeds of the sale of the bonds would pay for construction and repair projects or for the purchase of needed equipment by the General Services Commission, the Texas Youth Commission, the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, the

Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation, the Parks and Wildlife Department, the adjunct general's department, the Texas School for the Deaf, the Department of Agriculture, the Department of Public Safety, the State Preservation Board, the Texas Department of Health, the Texas Historical Commission, or the Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the issuance of up to \$850 million in bonds payable from the general revenues of the state for construction and repair projects and for the purchase of needed equipment."

PROPOSITION 9 (HJR 47)

Proposition 9 would amend the constitution to authorize the legislature to provide for filling vacancies in the legislature without an election if only one person is a qualified candidate in the election to fill the vacancy. Under current law, a special election must be held to fill a vacancy in the legislature even if there is only one qualified candidate.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the filling of a vacancy in the legislature without an election if a candidate is running unopposed in an election to fill a vacancy."

PROPOSITION 10 (SJR 6)

Proposition 10 would amend the constitution to authorize the legislature to exempt certain items of personal property from property taxation by political subdivisions of the state if the property is warehoused temporarily in a location in Texas to be assembled, stored, manufactured, processed, fabricated, or repaired and then forwarded to another location inside or outside Texas. The proposed amendment would authorize a political subdivision that imposes ad valorem taxes, at its option, to tax this type of property after a local public hearing on the matter.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to promote equal tax treatment for products produced, acquired, and distributed in the State of Texas by authorizing the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation tangible personal property held at certain locations only temporarily for assembling, manufacturing, processing, or other commercial purposes."

PROPOSITION 11 (HJR 85)

Proposition 11 would amend the constitution to allow a schoolteacher, a retired schoolteacher, or a retired school administrator who serves as a member of a governing body of a school district, city, town, or other local governmental district, including a water district, to receive compensation for serving on such a governing body. Currently, state employees or other individuals who are compensated directly or indirectly from state funds are barred from receiving a salary for such service.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to allow current and retired public school teachers and retired public school administrators to receive compensation for serving on the governing bodies of school districts, cities, towns, or other local governmental districts, including water districts."

PROPOSITION 12 (HJR 75)

Proposition 12 would amend, repeal, or relocate several sections of the current

constitution to improve the clarity, organization, and consistency of the constitution.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to eliminate obsolete, archaic, redundant, and unnecessary provisions and to clarify, update, and harmonize certain provisions of the Texas Constitution."

PROPOSITION 13 (SJR 2)

Proposition 13 would amend the constitution to allow the legislature to authorize a board of trustees of an independent school district to donate real property and improvements formerly used as a school campus in order to preserve that property. The board may make the donation if the board determines that the property has historical significance, that the donation will help to preserve the property, and that the school district no longer needs the property for educational purposes.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to authorize the board of trustees of an independent school district to donate certain surplus district property of historical significance in order to preserve the property."

PROPOSITION 14 (HJR 44)

Proposition 14 would amend the constitution to allow the legislature to authorize a taxing unit, other than a school district, to exempt travel trailers from property taxation as long as the travel trailers are lawfully registered with the state and are not held or used for the production of income.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to authorize taxing units other than school districts to exempt from ad valorem taxation travel trailers that are not held or used for the production of income."

PROPOSITION 15 (SJR 16)

Proposition 15 would amend the constitution to create the Texas Mobility Fund, which would be administered by the Texas Transportation Commission. The Fund would finance the construction, acquisition, and expansion of state highways and would pay a portion of the costs of public toll roads and other public transportation projects. The legislature may reserve specific sources of state revenue for the Fund and may authorize the Commission to guarantee the payment of any obligations or credit agreements with the full faith and credit of the state. The attorney general shall determine the legality of any such obligations or credit agreements.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment creating the Texas Mobility Fund and authorizing grants and loans of money and issuance of obligations for financing the construction, reconstruction, acquisition, operation, and expansion of state highways, turnpikes, toll roads, toll bridges, and other mobility projects."

PROPOSITION 16 (HJR 5)

Proposition 16 would amend the constitution to reduce the waiting period required for a valid home improvement lien on a homestead from 12 days to 5 days. Currently, a lien may not attach to a homestead for a home improvement loan if the homeowner executed a contract for the improvements less than 12 days after applying for the loan. In addition, the proposed amendment would

authorize the conversion and refinancing of a personal property lien secured by a manufactured home to a lien on a homestead.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment prescribing requirements for imposing a lien for work and material used in the construction, repair, or renovation of improvements on residential homestead property and including the conversion and refinancing of a personal property lien secured by a manufactured home to a lien on real property as a debt on homestead property protected from a forced sale."

PROPOSITION 17 (HJR 53)

Proposition 17 would amend the constitution to allow the state to relinquish claim to certain state land and to clear title defects for persons who claim title to those lands. The proposed amendment would apply to land whose owners have disputed title to the land, but for which no patent from the state, giving clear title to the land, was ever issued. Among other requirements, all of the taxes due on the land must have been paid. Under current law, there is no procedure allowing the state to settle title disputes without a constitutional amendment for each piece of land in dispute.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to settle land title disputes between the state and a private party."

PROPOSITION 18 (SJR 49)

Proposition 18 would amend the constitution to authorize the legislature to create a program to consolidate and standardize the collection, deposit, reporting, and payment of criminal and civil court fees. If the legislature creates such a program, any new fees imposed by the legislature may not take effect before January 1 of the following year, unless an earlier effective date is approved by a vote of two-thirds of the members of each house of the legislature.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to promote uniformity in the collection, deposit, reporting, and remitting of civil and criminal fees."

PROPOSITION 19 (HJR 81)

Proposition 19 would amend the constitution to allow the Texas Water Development Board to issue up to \$2 billion of additional general obligation bonds. The Board issues bonds to pay for water supply projects, water quality enhancement projects, flood control projects, state participation in water and wastewater facilities, and projects for economically distressed areas. Current law limits the amount of bonds that the Board can issue.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of additional general obligation bonds by the Texas Water Development Board in an amount not to exceed \$2 billion."

Estos son los informes explicatorios sobre las enmiendas propuestas a la constitución que aparecerán en la boleta el 6 de noviembre de 2001. Si usted no ha recibido una copia de los informes en español, podrá obtener una gratis por llamas al 1/800/252/8683 or por escribir al Secretario de Estado, P.O. Box 12060, Austin, TX 78711.

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### Junior High students help New York City students and teachers

The students and faculty of Brackett Jr. High have chosen to help students and teachers at three New York City schools by collecting and donating school supplies and money.

Mrs. Meeks shared information that 1,000 students in a K-8 school and two elementary schools were displaced by the tragedy in New York.

Riva Korashan, at the United Federation of Teachers, Teacher Center in New York made a request to Joellen Killion, Director of Special Projects at the National Staff Development Council in Arvada, Colorado to help the students and teachers that left everything behind when they were evacuated to safety on Tuesday. The students and teachers have been relocated and are in need of the basics they require for everyday classroom

activities.

The need for book bags, pencils, paper, classroom books, paper, teacher supplies, classroom supplies is a very real need. Students and faculty at Brackett Junior High have begun a collection of these types of items as well as monetary donations.

If anyone in the community would like to participate in contributing to this effort, please contact the junior high principal's office at 563-2491 extension 500. You may bring your donations by the junior high school office and sign a card made by the Brackett students.

As Joellen Killion stated in her e-mail, "Maybe, in this small way, we can feel as if our horror, anger and grief have a positive outlet."

### Brackett Tigers win 35-0

The Brackett Tigers played host to the Fighting Angoras of Rocksprings last Friday night and walked away with a 35-0 victory. The scoring began early for the Tigers. Raymond Gomez capped an 8 play drive by scoring on a seven yard run. The touchdown was set up by a 30 yard pass from quarterback Jared Hobbs to tight end Levi Duncan. The P.A.T. was unsuccessful, leaving the score at 6-0. On the next defensive series, cornerback Jaime Puente recovered an Angora fumble, and the Tigers quickly turned that turnover into points. Senior fullback David Campos rambled in from 35 yards to make the score 12-0. The second half began just like the first half. The Brackett offense drove the ball down the field in eight plays and Raymond Gomez scrambled 25 yards to the end zone. The touchdown was set up by a long run by Campos. The P.A.T. was successful when quarterback Hobbs went untouched around the right end to extend the Tiger lead to 20-0. The mighty Tiger defense forced the Angoras to punt on their next possession, and the ball went into the end zone for a touchback. The Tiger offense

took over on the 20 yard line. Once again, fullback Campos was called upon to carry the ball and he did not disappoint any of the Tiger fans. The fullback went the distance, 80 yards, on a spectacular run for another Tiger touchdown. The offensive line blew open a hole and teammates made key downfield blocks and Campos did the rest by out running the entire Angora defense. The P.A.T. was good when Hobbs connected with Gomez. The Tigers were not through. The final score came from half-back Raymond Gomez when he went around the right end from eight yards out. That touchdown was set up by a 55 yard sprint by Senior tailback Lee Davis. Sophomore kicker Glen Morgan booted the conversion through to complete the scoring 35-0.

Senior Fullback David Campos carried the ball 12 times for 231 yards, and Senior halfback Raymond Gomez carried the ball 14 times for 145 yards. The Tigers played outstanding team defense.

Next up for the Tigers will be the Nueces Canyon Panthers, the game will take place in Camp Wood at 7:30 on Friday night.

### A glance at Brackettville

Making A Difference  
By Taylor Stephenson

Brackett played a good, sound football game Friday night before a crowd of loyal fans. We won 35-0. The Tigers showed an offensive surge led by David Campos 200+ yards.

Jacquelyn Conoly sang beautifully the national anthem and closed the night with God Bless America. It was a sign of unity to have both teams and their coaches on the field as they paid respect to their country and those who had lost their lives.

The evening was beautiful and the crowd was supportive of efforts made by the Tigers. Earlier, the fast improving volleyball team had won matches in Brackettville against D'Hanis.

At the game, several of us learned that the flag goes to the top of the pole before returning to half-mast. Our veterans were quick to point this out. I appreciate their taking the time to correct us. We should have researched the protocol before trying something new. Now that we know, I hope we never have to put the flag at half-mast again.

The band looked sharp in its new uniforms. Their sound is better than last year, and the marching is more precise. Cheerleaders had done a nice job in the pep rally and continued at the game. The programs were particularly nice with the patriotic theme.

This is the last week of the first six weeks. The ending date is actually Sept. 26, which is the middle of next week. Parents should be monitoring student grades carefully. The encouragement that you give can make a difference in your child's learning and grades. Junior High staff hosted a meet the

teacher night Monday, Sept. 17. I appreciate the efforts of the staff to communicate with parents.

The stock market has been very volatile in its first trading day after the terrorists' attacks. Even though the Federal Reserve cut interest rates in a surprise move Monday morning, the market had its share of the troubles. It will take a while to correct the problems.

Terrorists set out to destroy our nation economically and would love to see nothing better than for the market to go belly up. I think there are some great bargains in the market for the discerning buyer. So, don't lose hope.

Sunday was a big day in our community. It was a time when Christians gathered in local churches to hear messages of unity and of prayer for the victims of terrorists and for our nation. Nationally, the attendance was higher than at any time since Christmas. Let's do even better this week! I attended a prayer service at the First Baptist Church this past Friday. It was inspirational and was well attended. This week, Carol Salladay has noted that a blood drive will be held at First Baptist. She has spearheaded this campaign for years. Good going! I predict a record turnout this year.

Brackettville is beautiful and green as we approach the first day of fall. Temperatures have been very moderate. Wild deer and turkey abound in our area. Hunters are enjoying their annual treks to Kinney County, Texas. Winter Texans are beginning to return to Fort Clark Springs. If you want to live the good life, come and visit us in Brackettville. Have a great week!

## JV Football Volleyball Champs

The JV football team traveled to Charlotte to play the Trojans last Thursday. The game began with the Trojans driving the length of the field and scoring to take the lead 8-0. The Tigers responded by mounting a drive of their own, going 58 yards in 5 plays with fullback Mark Kesteloot scoring from 23 yards out. The P.A.T. was successful when quarterback Kody Yeager connected with tight end Oscar Sierra to tie the score at 8. On the next defensive series, Kody Yeager intercepted an errant Trojan pass and set the Tigers up on the Trojan 45 yard line. Again, Mark Kesteloot plunged over for the touchdown. Yeager ran in the conversion to put the Tigers up 16-8. Tony Rosetti blocked a Trojan punt and Ryan Garcia recovered the ball in the end zone for yet another Tiger touchdown. A Yeager pass to Tillman Davis pushed the tiger lead to 24-8. During 2nd half Eliot Stone raced 40 yards for a score, increasing the lead to 30-8. Then, Yeager connected with Star Smith from seven yards out for a touchdown. Yeager and Smith connected one more time for the final score of the evening, this time from 24 yards out, giving the Tigers a 42 to 8 victory.

The Brackett "White" team had back-to-back championships by winning both the Eagle Pass Freshman tournament last weekend and the Leakey Junior Varsity tournament this past weekend. The team defeated teams from Utopia, Junction and Center Point to achieve the

honor. Outstanding players were Celina Terrazas, Kristin Meyer, Julisa Luna, and Stephanie Bonner. Outstanding servers for the Tigerettes were Valerie Terrazas and Juliann Ashabranner. The team travels to D'Hanis on Thursday to play a match against their JV.



Volleyball "White Team" Front Row, Left to right: Valerie Terrazas, Kristin Meyer, Celina Terrazas and Whitney Hobbs, Middle, left to right: Divina Pena, Julisa Luna, Vanessa Williams and Juliann Ashabranner; Back, left to right: Coach Brotherton, Stephanie Bonner, Shanae Simmons and Courtney Frerich

### Heroics gives Cubs Victory over Rocksprings Goats

The Cubs invaded the goats territory last Thursday with a 14-6 win. After a scoreless first quarter, the second quarter unleashed one score for each team. Rocksprings drove down the field with a successful fake punt attempt that put it at the end zone for a touchdown. The Cubs stopped the two point conver-

sion attempt by Rocksprings which made the score 6-0. With 15 seconds remaining before the half, Tres Rueda ran fifty yards for a touchdown. At the half, the score was at a deadlock 6-6. The Cubs offense was very efficient in the second half, but was plagued by turnovers. The Cubs break came with 3:52

left in the fourth quarter, when Ramiro Pina recovered a fumble on the Rocksprings 10 yard line. The Cubs finished Rocksprings off with a 5 yard touchdown run by Ramiro Pina and a two point conversion by Tres Rueda. The Cubs will battle Nueces Canyon this Thursday at Tiger Stadium. Go Cubs!!

### Varsity Volleyball Champs Defeat D'Hanis (7-5)

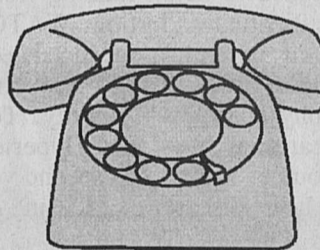
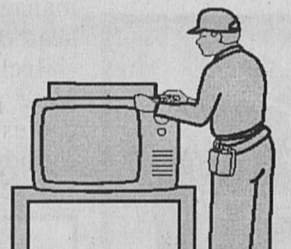
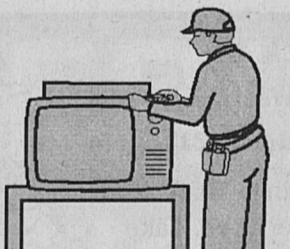
The Brackett High School Varsity Volleyball team won against D'Hanis.

Leading scorers were: Duquesa Hunt with 13 points and Mayra Aguirre with 7 points. Aces: Mayra Aguirre, Duquesa Hunt, Christina Flores, and April Martinez all with 1 point. Kills: Christina Flores with 3 points, Duquesa Hunt, Susannah Davis, and Erica Meyer all with 2 points. Assists: Susannah Davis with 5 points. Digs: Mayra Aguirre with 2 points and Vanessa Castillo with 1 point. The team record is 7-5. The next game is with Comstock on Friday (9-21-01) here at 4:30 p.m. Varsity only.

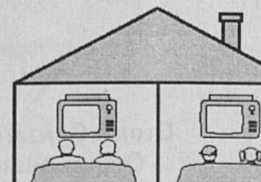
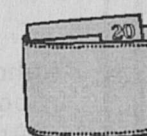
### Brackett ISD Activity Calendar

- Thursday, September 20**  
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- Friday, September 21**  
4:30 PM V Vlybl Comstock (H), 7:30 PM V FB Nueces Canyon
- Saturday, September 22**  
Cross Country @ UTSA (San Antonio), JH Vlybl @ Eagle Pass, Tourn.
- Monday, September 24**  
JH Vlybl @ Comstock/Sacred Heart
- Tuesday, September 25**  
5:00 PM 9/JV/V Vlybl Dilley, Dist (H)!
- Wednesday, September 26**  
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# Something to be Proud Of... America the good neighbor

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My name is Old Glory.  
I fly atop the world's tallest buildings.  
I stand watch in America's halls of justice.  
I fly majestically over institutions of learning.  
I stand guard with power in the world.  
Look up and see me.  
I stand for peace, honor, truth and justice.  
I stand for freedom.  
I am confident.  
I am arrogant.  
I am proud.  
When I am flown with my fellow banners, my head is a little higher, my colors a little truer.  
I bow to no one!  
I am recognized all over the world.  
I am worshipped - I am saluted.  
I am loved - I am revered.  
I am respected - and I am feared. I have fought in every battle of every war for more than 200 years.  
I was flown at Valley Forge, Gettysburg, Shiloh and Appomattox. I was there at San Juan Hill, the trenches of France, in the Argonne Forest, Anzio, Rome and the beaches of Normandy, Guam, Okinawa, Korea and KheSan, Saigon, Vietnam know me, I was

there.  
I led my troops, I was dirty, battleworn and tired, but my soldiers cheered me And I was proud.  
I have been burned, torn and trampled on the streets of countries I have helped set free.  
It does not hurt, for I am invincible.  
I have been soiled upon, burned, torn and trampled on the streets of my country.  
And when it's by those whom I've served in battle - it hurts.  
But I shall overcome - for I am strong.  
I have slipped the bonds of Earth and stood watch over the uncharted frontiers of space from my vantage point on the moon.  
I have borne silent witness to all of America's finest hours.  
But my finest hours are yet to come. When I am torn into strips and used as bandages for my wounded comrades on the battlefield.  
When I am flown at half-mast to honor my soldier,  
Or when I lie in the trembling arms of a grieving parent at the grave of their fallen son or daughter, I am proud.  
MY NAME IS OLD GLORY LONG MAY I WAVE. DEAR GOD IN HEAVEN LONG MAY I WAVE. God bless all of the victims and their families.

## Sympathy From The Netherlands

Leisha, Roy, and all others,  
We all were seized with emotion when the news arrived about the terrorist attack on America yesterday.  
Through you we want to let the American people know that our hearts are with the ones affected by this gruesome act of violence.  
Our grief is with the families that lost their dear ones.

Our anger is with the ones that pursue justice.  
We are strengthened by our beliefs that justice will prevail.  
God bless you all,  
Erik Silke, Family & Friends  
■ *Editor's Note: This letter was faxed to Alamo Saddlery from customers in the Netherlands.*

## Sympathy From Germany

Roy,  
It is with a heavy heart that I write this letter.  
We have been shocked and stunned by the terrible acts we witnessed yesterday and would very much like to extend our deepest sympathies and support to you all at this time.  
To us, these attacks were not only against the United States but an assault on the whole of the Western world and our way of life.  
This happened on American soil but the effects of this have been felt throughout Europe and beyond, and I am confident that, not only, can I offer my own personal message of support, but also

the support and sympathy of all my fellow Europeans.  
The German flags, here in our county, have been placed at half-mast as a mark of respect and Christians, this morning, have taken some flowers to the American Ambassador's residence here in Bonn.  
These cowardly acts on innocent citizens cannot and should not be tolerated and allowed to continue. Be assured our thoughts and our hearts are with you.  
With deepest sympathy,  
Pete  
■ *Editor's Note: This letter was faxed to Alamo Saddlery from customers in Germany.*

As we try to comprehend the enormous impact of the attack on our beloved country it is nice to know that we have at least the support of this one brave Canadian to speak up and give our United States of America the accolades it so richly deserves.  
This, from a Canadian newspaper, is worth sharing.  
Widespread but only partial news coverage was given recently to a remarkable editorial broadcast from Toronto by Gordon Sinclair, a Canadian television commentator. What follows is the full text of his trenchant remarks as printed in the Congressional Record:  
This Canadian thinks it is time to speak up for the Americans as the most generous and possibly the least appreciated people on all the earth.  
Germany, Japan and, to a lesser extent, Britain and Italy were lifted out of the debris of war by the Americans who poured in billions of dollars and forgave other billions in debts. None of these countries is today paying even the interest on its remaining debts to the

United States.  
When France was in danger of collapsing in 1956, it was the Americans who propped it up, and their reward was to be insulted and swindled on the streets of Paris. I was there. I saw it.  
When earthquakes hit distant cities, it is the United States that hurries in to help. This spring, 59 American communities were flattened by tornadoes. Nobody helped.  
The Marshall Plan and the Truman Policy pumped billions of dollars into discouraged countries. Now newspapers in those countries are writing about the decadent, warmongering Americans.  
I'd like to see just one of those countries that is gloating over the erosion of the United States dollar build its own airplane. Does any other country in the world have a plane to equal the Boeing Jumbo Jet, the Lockheed Tri-Star, or the Douglas DC10? If so, why don't they fly them? Why do all the International lines except Russia fly American Planes?  
Why does no other land on earth even consider putting a man

or woman on the moon?  
You talk about Japanese technology, and you get radios.  
You talk about German technology, and you get automobiles.  
You talk about American technology, and you find men on the moon - not once, but several times - and safely home again.  
You talk about scandals, and the Americans put theirs right in the store window for everybody to look at.  
Even their draft-dodgers are not pursued and hounded. They are here on our streets, and most of them, unless they are breaking Canadian laws, are getting American dollars from ma and pa at home to spend here.  
When the railways of France, Germany and India were breaking down through age, it was the Americans who rebuilt them.  
When the Pennsylvania Railroad and the New York Central went broke, nobody loaned them an old caboose. Both are still broke.  
I can name you 5000 times when the Americans raced to the help of other people in trouble. Can you name me even one time

when someone else raced to the Americans trouble? I don't think there was outside help even during the San Francisco earthquake.  
Our neighbors have faced it alone, and I'm one Canadian who is damned tired of hearing them get kicked around. They will come out of this thing with their flag high. And when they do, they are entitled to thumb their nose at the lands that are gloating over their present troubles. I hope Canada is not one of those."  
Stand proud, America!  
This is one of the best editorials that I have ever read regarding the United States. It is nice that one man realizes it.  
I only wish that the rest of the world would realize it. We are always blamed for everything, and never even get a thank you for the things we do.  
I would hope that each of you would send this to as many people as you can and emphasize that they should send it to as many of their friends until this letter is sent to every person on the web. I am just a single American that has read this.

## This is an opportunity

By Sihgli Ama  
There are few among us in the United States that did not witness, through film or in person, the devastation that tore into our country this fall of 2001. Like demon's claws four planes tore gaping holes into buildings, land, and our infrastructure.  
We all know that holes within buildings can be patched. We all know that craters on land can be filled. We all trust that our infrastructure, meaning our financial institutions, markets, city lives,

and business communities shall repair over time.  
And yet, there is one large hole that is gaping within each one of us, and collectively as a nation the size of this crater is indescribable. This void, this emptiness, is the open wound of our hearts, which sears with each new spoken word, or each hour that passes in which one more survivor has not been found.  
Let us all find the strength to call upon God, and his Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, to fill this void through the presence of the Holy

Spirit. Let us set aside our thoughts of revenge and further destruction. Let us join together in prayer and use this space, this gaping hole that has been placed within each of our hearts, to be a harbor of God's love for each one of us, even the perpetrators of this vast offence.  
Let us all use this as an opportunity, a wake up call if you will, of God's need and will, to find more space within our human hearts for his love, his presence, and his direction. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

## With Deepest Sympathy From Mexico

Leisha,  
Our sympathy to you and all the victims of this attack in your country.  
You are our friends and we feel sorry for this tragedy.  
God Bless You,  
Luz Maria P. De Lopez  
Manager  
■ *Editor's Note: This letter was faxed to Alamo Saddlery from customers in Mexico.*

## Health

### Scott and White health plan and TMA team up for your heart health

AUSTIN - Scott & White Health Plan, Texas Medical Association and Texas Medical Association Alliance are teaming up to help prevent heart disease and stroke in Central Texas.  
In conjunction with American Heart Month, Scott & White, TMA, and the TMA Alliance recently arranged for all family physicians, internists, pediatricians, obstetricians - gynecologists and cardiovascular specialists who are members of the Scott & White Health Plan network to receive Project WATCH physician kits. These kits are designed to help doctors in the identification and management of their patients' heart disease and stroke risks.  
Included in the physician kits were patient educational brochures, patient encounter forms, cardiovascular and heart disease

fact sheets, smoking cessation tool kits, and bookmarks for children. The bookmarks stress the importance of physical activity for children in preventing future heart disease.  
TMA and Scott & White are asking the network's physicians to utilize these materials to help track and reduce heart disease and stroke risks not just for Scott & White patients but for all of their patients. Project WATCH is a cardiovascular disease and stroke prevention initiative launched in 1999 by TMA and TMA Alliance, with funding from the TMA Foundation. WATCH refers to the five preventable cardiovascular disease and stroke risk factors: Weight, Activity, Tobacco, Cholesterol, and Hypertension. Currently in its second year, Project WATCH is focusing on childhood inactiv-

ity and obesity.  
"This is a significant problem for Texas and the nation and must be addressed by all who provide care," said TMA President Dr. Jim Rohack, a Temple cardiologist and medical director of the Scott & White Health Plan. Cardiovascular disease can begin as young as age three. A good diet and exercise can prevent or at least delay the onset of cardiovascular disease. The TMA Alliance currently is working with local school districts and TMA is part of a coalition to address quality physical activity in school systems through the legislative process.  
During April, Scott & White Health Plan members and TMA hope that all patients seen in Texas physician offices will be WATCHed for risk factors relat-

ing to cardiovascular disease and stroke. Texas Medical Association is a professional organization of more than 36,000 physician and medical student members. It is located in Austin and has 118 component county medical societies around the state. The Association represents 85 percent of the doctors of medicine licensed and residing in Texas.  
TMA's key objective is to improve the health of all Texans. TMA Alliance is a 9,000-member organization of physicians' spouses engaged in community service and advocacy projects on behalf of medicine and medical patients. TMA Foundation is the philanthropic arm of Texas Medical Association. Its mission is to fund initiatives with the power to help physicians create a healthier future for all Texans.

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TPW Biologists Forecast Hunting Prospects Bow Hunting Pointers

By Henry Lutz  
Contributing Writer

Austin, Texas the timely rainfall coupled with adequate habitat conditions earlier this year should make for above-average hunting across much of Texas this fall, state wildlife biologists are predicting. "Even in an average year, hunting in Texas is better than just about any place in the country," said Dr. Gary Graham, Texas Parks and Wildlife's director of wildlife. Perhaps that's why more than 900,000 hunters take to the field in Texas each fall. Based on recent field census, TPW biologists suggest the following general outlook for the area ecological regions during 2001-2002 hunting seasons in Texas. Just when you think range conditions in South Texas have reached a critical point because of the dry, hot summer months, tropical storms come to the rescue. This year is a prime example. "South Texas did not receive late spring and early summer rains, and until recently we were in the middle of a brown out," says Pleasanton biologist Joe Herrera. "The only saving grace was the wet fall and winter last year that set up spring range conditions and that has carried us over until now." Hunters should not be surprised

if their feeders remain full for a while, according to Herrera. Because of recent new plant growth, deer may not be relying on unnatural food supplies. Herrera notes that habitat conditions in the spring have provided excellent screening and nesting conditions for quail and turkey. These conditions also provided a good forage base for all wildlife species in the form of seed production and insects. Soft mast produced by woody plants may carry us through the summer stress period (now through mid-September). Wildlife biologists have reported good numbers of both turkey poults and quail coveys in South Texas. All things point to a fair to good production year despite earlier drought conditions. Mourning and white-winged doves have also benefited from the good forb and grass seed production year. Doves will be attracted to waterholes if dry conditions persist, Herrera says. White-tailed deer production should be fair to good even with fading cover at this stage of the summer. Wildlife field staff continues to report deer in fairly good body condition despite the drought, Herrera says. Good nutrition from spring forbs and woody plants during the first half of the antler growing season should produce fair to good

antler development for buck deer. "Conditions have improved tremendously and there should be less movement by deer foraging for food." In the Edwards Plateau nearly half of all white-tailed deer harvested in the state each year come from this region and there's no reason to expect that to change this fall. Whitetail antler quality and body condition should be average to above average this fall in the Hill Country, according to Kerrville Biologist Max Traweck. The wet winter and early spring laid the foundation for better-than-average antler quality in the white-tailed buck segment. "Some areas have reported losing a few deer due to the drought, but such reports have been well outpaced by the complaints of too many deer in the backyards and subdivisions, which always crop up during dry summers," he offers. "The recent rainfall will go a long way in improving range conditions throughout the hill country region. This should result in improved body condi-

tion observed in deer for the next several months. Of course, additional moisture will be required to maintain normal body condition through the upcoming winter months. It's too early to call the acorn crop, but a good mast crop, or a lot of new growth on native vegetation, generally results in tough deer hunting during November." Rio Grande turkey production in the Hill Country has been good this summer despite the terribly dry July and first part of August period, according to Traweck, and poults survival remains high going into the fall. There should be a good supply of young birds in the flocks during the upcoming hunting season. "We saw limited production on our survey transects in the better quail areas occurring in the Hill Country, the north central counties, mainly," Traweck notes. "I suspect that we actually had better production than our surveys indicated, given the good range conditions present during the first part of the summer."

By Bill Jordan  
Contributing Writer

An arrow's low velocity means it has a high trajectory. That means it flies in a rather high arc over the hunters line of sight to hit a target. Bowhunters seriously consider how much the arrow will drop to hit game at longer ranges. However, they rarely consider how high it will fly while getting there. Arrows are easily deflected and if one strikes a limb or a vine above the line of sight, the result will almost always be a miss. Bowhunters should take this into account while clearing shooting lanes around their stand areas or when camouflaging a stand or a blind. Know your maximum effective range and before the job is done, set up a target about the same height as a deer's chest area in the shooting lanes. Take a few shots from your stand or blind to make sure you have removed all obstructions from the highest part of the arrow's tra-

jectory. Don't assume broadheads, even of the same weight as field points, will fly to the same point of impact. You must re-tune and re-sight in with the broadheads you intend to hunt with. Practice with broadheads before going hunting. Your goal is to get groups as good with your hunting broadheads as you do with target or field points. If you don't, some fine-tuning is in order. Mark each arrow individually. If one particular arrow is always out of group, the problem is with that arrow, broadhead or nock. Make sure the arrow shaft is straight and the fletching correctly attached. Weigh your individual broadheads and eliminate those that weigh five grains more or less than the average of the set. Test broadheads and nocks by spinning the shaft and watching for that telltale wobble. You know that you are "there" when you need to shoot individual arrows at separate aiming points so that you don't slice the fletching off arrows already in the target!

Turkey Hunting and Safety Tips

By Bill Jordan  
Contributing Writer

The set-up or blind location is very important. It should both conceal the hunter and also offer "comfort factors" to the gobbler. It should be in a place where a gobbler is willing to come and have an acceptable travel route to get there. Ideally, it should be in an area where the gobbler is accustomed to being. Turkeys can be called downhill, but they seem to prefer to stay on their same level or walk uphill in mountainous terrain. Hunter concealment is critical. Some carry pruning snips to set up a natural blind while others use commercial blinds. Both work well, and decoys can be a great help. Being ready to shoot also is critical. Be prepared to shoot with a minimum of movement when the gobbler shows up. The "90-degree rule" is for right handers to point their left shoulder toward the area where the bird is expected. For bowhunters, a blind helps cover the necessary movement of drawing the bow.

Hunt defensively. Always sit with your back to a solid object that covers and protects you from the rear. Have a good field of view and be alert for other hunters moving into "your" area. Do not signal with your turkey call, wave your hand or make any sudden movement. Speak loudly and clearly in distinctly human tones. Never wear the gobbler-head colors of red, white and blue. A glimpse of a white T-shirt or a red bandana could make you a target. Pant cuffs that ride up, exposing white socks or shins, and light boot soles can spook a gobbler and also compromise your safety. However, wearing a bit of fluorescent orange while moving is a good idea. Give other hunters a safety break too — be absolutely sure of your target before you pull the trigger. Bill Jordan is the designer of the Realtree and Advantage camouflage patterns, and is president of both companies. Jordan is also host of the "Realtree Outdoors" television show on TNN. He is an avid deer hunter, with numerous Pope & Young records. Jordan is an expert turkey hunter, and has taken the Grand Slam several times - once with a bow.

Turkey hunting safety is very important. While wearing camouflage and calling to mimic a turkey, other hunters may not recognize you.

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5 Part of a loaf	43 Suffix for class and cheer	1 Thin strand	33 Peewee
10 Male animal	44 Eyes	2 Voice	35 Part of a famous range
14 Parts of intestines	45 Simple seat	3 Appear	6 Ohio
15 Allude	46 Word with Red or White	4 Baby items	athletes
16 Sticky stuff	47 Cubic meter	5 Stuffs	7 Rare sighting
17 Plant part	48 City in Italy	6 Ohio	8 Strong fabrics
18 Reverse	50 Brief history	athletes	9 ___ water; keep afloat
19 Actress Moran	51 Unusual	10 Outstanding	44 Raged
20 Ornamental tufts	54 Heavy, prolonged attack	11 Place where 27 Dignified title	46 Celestial body
22 Noble	58 Sandwich cookie	12 Neat as ___	47 Dignified title
24 Vocalized pauses	59 More positive	13 Mannerly man	49 Continues
25 Religious article	61 Beverage	21 Gold or copper	50 Plainer
26 British metric unit	62 Ludicrous	23 In a while	51 Leak
29 Contraction	63 Vocation	25 Rural church	52 Quarter-back
30 Candle	64 Adams	26 ___ lazuli	Tarkenton
34 Bustles	65 Football players	27 "Frankly, my dear, ___"	53 Resist
35 Reading, "rithmic and	66 Unkind expression	28 Incomplete sculpture	54 Venerable historian
36 Read	67 High society	29 Prefix for pod or cycle	55 Helpmate
37 ___ favor; please: Sp.			56 Insincerely smooth
38 Foot problem			57 Uses frugally
			60 Girl's name

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 1. I Saw Her Standing There; 2. Clear and Present Danger; 3. Three; 4. Ex-Lax; 5. Archie Bunker; 6. Martha Stewart; 7. Francis; 8. Singles bars; 9. Ruby; 10. Black

**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, backwards, 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 was the last Beatles' song sung on stage by John Lennon?
2. What Tom Clancy novel sold 1,607,715 copies, making it the fiction best-seller of the 1980s?
3. How many oceans do scientists strictly define as distinct and separate?
4. What laxative went on the market in 1905 as Bo-Bo?
5. What role did Carroll O'Connor take after Mickey Rooney turned it down?
6. Who broke up with her husband, Andy Stewart, while promoting her how-to book, "Weddings"?
7. In what country did former Nazi Gestapo official Klaus Barbie stand trial?
8. What was Ann Landers referring to when she said, "If you want to catch a trout, don't fish in a herring barrel"?
9. What color was the Jolly Green Giant originally when he first appeared on the labels of canned vegetables?
10. What was the most popular car color during the Great Depression?

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

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**HOROSCOPES**

by Charles Cooper

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) While you feel the need to kick up your heels, don't let this distract you from your work. Later in the week, you can relax a bit. This weekend, clear up an old misunderstanding with a friend.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) You make some solid career gains this week. Along with this, you could also see a rise in income. Watch this money carefully so as not to waste it.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) The recognition you're seeking at work isn't forthcoming. Just be patient. Bigwigs come around in time.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) You're not in the mood to deal with a problem with a co-worker. However, if you don't clear this up right away, it will come back to haunt you. Over the weekend, you're busy with domestic chores.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) The code word for you this week is flexible. Something you plan doesn't go the way you'd hoped. However, you can find an alternative method.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) Don't jump from one situation directly into another. As the saying goes, look before you leap! Later in the week, focus on realistic goals.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) A friend accuses you of being hypocritical. Examine your conscience. You'll find that you just might be holding others to a double standard.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) You find yourself in the middle of a family problem this week. Fortunately, you have the ability to understand both views. Do your diplomatic best to resolve this.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) You're at a crossroads regarding a personal decision. If need be, seek out advice from someone older and wiser. This weekend, company comes calling.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) Your communication skills are on the front burner. This is particularly true of the written word. Reports you complete are concise and well done.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) A new romance is on the horizon for some. Others experience renewed ties and commitment. Later in the week, good news arrives about a family member.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) You're on your best behavior this week with friends and co-workers. Use this to your advantage to accomplish what you need to do. The cooperation you receive is astounding.

**CELEBRITY BIRTHDAYS:** Anne Bancroft, September 17; James Gandolfini, September 18; Jim Abbott, September 19; Anne Meara, September 20; Faith Hill, September 21; Andrea Bocelli, September 22; Jason Alexander, September 23.

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# By Faith We Will Prevail

St. Mary Magdalene Church  
By Lynn McNew

As I began to write this article, I knew I wanted to write about the horrific events of the last week, but I have to admit, for once, I really don't know what to say. I have read many beautiful, moving tributes, both in the newspaper and on e-mail, and yet, words can't really seem to express what is in my heart.

So what I am putting before you is a group of random thoughts that have come to mind over the course of the last few days.

Above all, I believe the **United States will prevail!**

Americans don't quit, don't give up. Think about the people who settled this part of our great country—if the settlers traveling in covered wagons had given up, had quit because it wasn't easy, where would we be today?

I was ten days old on Dec. 7, 1941. My mother and I were to go home from the hospital on that Sunday, and she couldn't understand why my dad was late coming to get us. Then she heard the news. I have lived my life with pictures and the recollections of others about that fateful day. On Wednesday, I told one of my ten-year-old students that this was a day she would never forget.

I hope we never forget America's heroes—the people who stopped to help strangers down long flights of stairs to safety and the firefighters, policemen and rescue people who have worked so tirelessly to find survivors; the people on the hi-jacked planes who's heroic actions we may never know.

The immediate reaction of most people was probably the same as mine—this can't possibly be happening. We have a nephew who works in the Pentagon and it was late on Tuesday afternoon before we learned he was safe. Thanks be to God.

My oldest son is a captain in the Army. We also have two nephews in military service, one in the Army and one in the Air Force. Many of our friends have sons, daughters or grandchildren who are serving their country; and, as my son says, this is his job—this is what he was trained to do. I pray God will protect the men and women who have dedicated their lives to protecting us.

The show of patriotism in this country is amazing, but not unexpected. We have learned in the last few days that when things really count, Americans forget their differences and come together as one.

I was deeply moved at the congressmen collectively singing "God Bless America." Everywhere I go, there are American flags flying on buildings, homes and cars. On Saturday, the Wal-Mart store in Del Rio had a sign on the door stating they had completely sold out of American flags.

Lee Greenwood wrote a song called "God Bless the USA." In part it says, "I'm proud to be an American, where at least I know I'm free. And I won't forget the men who died to save this right for me. And I'll gladly stand up next to you and defend her still today. There ain't no doubt I love this land, God Bless The USA."

## United We Stand Divided We Fall

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

In this time of recovery from the terrible act of terrorism on Tuesday the 11th of September, it is more important than ever to look to unifying ideals as a country and as a community. September is National Hispanic Heritage Month. As a community of mixed heritage, we need to put aside the things that divide us and lift up those things that can unite us.

We are neighbors! And neighbors look out for one another. When we hear that over 5,000 people died in the World Trade Center we don't hear any statistics that say so many were Anglo and so many were Hispanic. We know that there were languages of many sorts spoken by the community that worked in those three buildings in New York. We know they weren't all close friends. But on that Tuesday they were family as they helped one another race down the stairwells and dig out of rubble. On that Tuesday, the "holy war" starkly pointed to the fact that we are dependent on one another, and that is a good thing.

In the coming days and weeks and months we must resist the urge to return to "business as usual." Instead we must set ourselves firmly on the road to recovery - recovery from the tragedy itself and from the hurt we have caused one another by building walls of race, color and creed between us. St. Paul would, I think, tell us that we are now, through this tragedy, made new. We have the chance to rise to a new life in Christ that calls us to cross forbidden ground and seek out that which causes fear in all of us - new relationships with those we don't know well or perhaps even fear. Because this community has a strong faith base, I urge all of

us to reach out and make new friends; visit with someone we have seen but avoided, and stop our "busyness" long enough to look at our neighbors with new eyes and new hearts. If tomorrow we are the ones to die, will we have done all we could to heal the wounds we have seen among ourselves or will we regret that we left some act of love undone?

We continue to celebrate Open House Month at First United Methodist Church. We invite the entire community of Brackettville to join with us in services of healing and wholeness each Sunday at 10:45 a.m., as we worship together with love for one another.

Honramos los espanol-americanos y los anglos-americanos que murieron la semana pasada y nosotros deseamos la comodidad para sus familias como se afligen. Con mucho gusto nosotros invitav el Latino comunidad de Brackettville para estar con nosotros el domingo para curar y para hacer entero esta comunidad que anamos. Comenzamos la adoracion 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 perdon en mis Espanol.

Frontier Baptist Church  
By Dave Crowe

As I write this to you, my heart is heavy and I know that yours is also.

I have cried a lot and felt the same pain and anger and the very same feelings of helplessness, that you and every other sane person in this world has felt since that terrible morning of September 11th.

We are not alone! I firmly believe that God feels all that we feel. I believe that he is sad and angry. He is not helplessness and neither are we.

We are his children and he is with us always and if we are killed, he will still be with us.

I have been, as you have been, a child of God all my life. As a very small child, I attended church with both sets of grandparents, one Methodist and the other Baptist.

I have believed in and have accepted the promises of God, my entire life, but I was 33 years old before I committed myself totally to his will.

I was baptized on the morning of the 17th day of October 1976. Since that day, I have tried as best I could to obey his commandment and to follow the ex-

## Honor Our Father in Heaven by Honoring Our Leader

Gateway Ministries  
Pastor Charolette Corey

I Peter 2:17 says, "Honor the king", in our case, Honor the President. God has placed George Bush over us as president during this tragic time. God wants us to rally together as a nation in support of him. There have been those who have ridiculed him when he did not immediately return to where they expected him to land after the crisis. He was also ridiculed for showing emotion while speaking of the tragedy and America's planned response. Thank God we have this man of God as our president. If his heart was calloused, God could do nothing with him nor through him.

We support him in his declaration of war against terrorism. We keep him in prayer. We respect him for his tenderheartedness concerning the victims and the losses that America has suffered. We thank God that he is listening to those who are trying to protect him and extend his life so that we may enjoy the leadership of a man being led by God.

He is the Lord's vessel in this historic occasion and woe to them that curse him, or challenge his decisions at this time. May God station his angels round about him, keep him, his family and all those he has placed in authority in safety.

We speak emotional and physical healing to all those who are suffering. Even Jesus wept when he heard of the death of one of his closest friends, Lazarus.

Those Christians who gave their lives in the disasters of September 11, 2001, all went straight to heaven where they now exist in their glorified bodies.

They are receiving all the precious love of their Heavenly Father for all eternity. They are singing his praises along with the angels of God. They are looking on as God spreads the power of his Holy Spirit across this mighty nation. All the host of heaven is waiting in expectation to see the plan of God un-

amples, that Jesus set down for all of humanity.

Nearly two years ago, I answered his call, that I should preach. Without any formal training and armed only with his love and his guidance, I have done the best that I could, he has given me my best.

Besides preaching to you on Sundays, I have officiated at a number of weddings and funerals and have written to you weekly.

I firmly stand behind each and every word, that I wrote. You had no reason to, but I have saved every one of them and I am reviewing them as I write to you today.

I have written to you concerning fear, "allow God to save you from fear." In this article, I wrote

"Fear is our inability to deal with things that are beyond our immediate control."

I also said that "so many, many people are afraid of death and of the unknown. We have nothing to fear, if we have accepted God's grace and his gift of salvation."

Remember what our Lord and savior Jesus said, "Do not fear those who can kill the body but cannot kill the soul."

fold in these later days.

The Rev. Franklyn McAfee, at the funeral of Barbara Olson said it best,

"Christians are those who, in the midst of December, believe in spring". Yet, just like everyone else, Christians must work through their gamut of emotions, from grief and anger, into submission to God, and trust in Him, continuing to have faith in his word.

We understand that we wrestle not with flesh and blood, but with principalities, powers, and rulers in heavenly places and yes, we will use the power of prayer to combat these foes.

We have seen the face of evil in this country and it looks like Satan, but Satan must use physical vessels just like God uses us as his physical vessels to carry out his word in faith. God must, in turn, use physical vessels of men and women to carry out his plan.

Even David wept until he could weep no more when coming home to find his wife, taken, his village pillaged and burned and all the people taken, but he turned to God who told him

"Pursue: for thou shalt surely overtake them, and without fail recover all." Then David and his men not only recovered all that had been taken from them, but enough bootie to share amongst themselves and the priests and also the communities who had helped them in their time of need. (1 Samuel 30: 31)

The Christians taken from us can never be returned to us on this earth, yet we will see them

## Praise Be The Lord

St. John's Missionary Church  
By Pastor William P. Adams Sr.

"Oh, praise the Lord, all ye nations; praise him all ye people. For his merciful kindness is great toward us; and the truth of the Lord endureth forever. Praise ye the Lord."

Psalms 117.

When you understand, that life is a gift from God himself, you will have a much deeper appreciation for it.

I have written articles "In God we trust" and more recently, "You can always trust God". I cannot say it too many times, trust in God and he will protect and provide for you.

I have preached to you about the awesome importance of prayer. The power of prayer is immeasurable.

Praise God and accept his gifts, his blessings and his promises.

I have written to you that, "No matter where you go God is with you."

I have written to you that, "God's angels are watching over us." And they are, you can believe it!

I wrote an article, "what a blessing to be born in the U.S.A." We live in the greatest, strongest, freest nation in the world.

Now, that terrorists have reached out and struck the American home land, every nation and country in the world knows and feels the vulnerability, that we now know existed here. Not ever again with God's help.

again in heaven. The integrity of our country has been challenged, but it has emerged from the ashes undaunted. With God's help, we will pursue, we will overtake, and we will have victory through Christ Jesus who strengthens us.

It is spiritually significant that the first country to relay their heart-felt support of all their

I have written to you that, "you are as important as the next person." If you did not believe me, I hope now, that you can.

"The grace of God is a love freely shown."

"Be faithful and overcome the challenges."

I have written to you that "forgiving is not easy." God's capacity for forgiveness is so much greater than ours.

We as a nation, through the help and power of God, we will be avenged.

"When you follow Jesus, he will lead you."

I wrote articles asking, "when will we have revival of the family." Through this tragedy, we are closer today, than we have been in years, praise God.

In another article, I asked you to please, "accept the gift of life before it's too late." It's not too late, do it now, today.

"Love is a better choice than hate." I believe it more now than ever.

"Sow good seeds to reap a good harvest." "Live a good and fruitful life." "Let us be in reverent awe of God." "He can and will take you home." I could go on and on, but I'm out of space.

strength and resources to our country was God's chosen people, Israel, the same country to which Christ Jesus, Our Lord and Savior, was born. It was a special way for God to tell America, "I am with you". God bless our president, and God bless America. Stand in faith, rest in hope, walk in love.

## Obituaries.....

### Engracia N. Villarreal

Engracia N. Villarreal, age 84, passed away September 12, 2001 in Del Rio.

She was born June 25, 1917 in Brackettville. She is preceded in death by her brother Manuel Nuncio.

She is survived by the following:

Children: Amada Garcia of Brackettville, TX, Gilberto Villarreal and wife Maria of Brackettville, TX, Domingo Villarreal, Jr and wife Rita of Brackettville, TX, Gerardo Villarreal and wife Zenaida of DeLeon, TX, Bertha Sanchez of Houston, TX, Ernesto Villarreal and wife Diana of Brackettville, TX, Oralia Weddell and Husband George of Rankin, TX, and Guadalupe Rodriguez of Brackettville, TX.

Sisters: Victoria Nuncio of Del Rio, TX, Maria Vega of Aus-

tin, TX, Herminia Martinez of Del Rio, TX.

She had 39 grandchildren, 49 great-grandchildren, and 1 great-great grandchild.

Visitation was held Friday, September 14, 2001 from 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Brackettville Funeral Home.

A rosary was recited at 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel.

A mass of Christian Burial was held Saturday, September 15, 2001 at 11:00 a.m. at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church in Brackettville.

Burial followed at the Kinney County Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: George Weddell, Jr, Oscar Sanchez, Michael Villarreal, Gilberto Villarreal, Richard Garcia, David Villarreal III, Alfred Rodriguez, and Gerardo Villarreal, Jr.

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Corner of Ann and Veltman  
Pastor: R. D. Holloway 563-2245  
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**Gas Price Gouging**

As of Noon CST September 14, approximately 1,800 complaints of alleged price gouging had been received by the attorney general's consumer protection division. About 95 percent of the complaints involve gasoline and diesel prices, though there are reports of price hikes at some grocery stores, car rental agencies, and other businesses that provide items of necessity. Confirmed price gouging violators face fines of up to \$10,000 per incident, and can be forced to pay attorney's fees and restitution.

Texasans who suspect incidents of price gouging should contact the consumer protection hotline at 1-800-337-3928 or 1-800-252-8011; complaints can also be registered on the Internet at www.oag.state.tx.us. Investigators follow up on these reported incidents and, in most cases, resolve them with a phone call.

Attorney General Cornyn is also warning against groups and individuals who may solicit donations but have no intention of sending them to the survivors and families of Tuesday's terrorist attack. "Make your donations to a reputable charity or organization that you're familiar with," Cornyn added. "Be especially cautious of those who ask for donations over the telephone, and never give out our credit card or bank account number to someone you do not know."

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801 Bedell Ave.  
Del Rio, Texas

**2001 October 2001**

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8	9 Andrea Morris Audiologist	10 Dr. J. Espinoza Adult Cardiologist	11 Dr. A. Dinesman Ear, Nose & Throat	12 Dr. G. Warner Urologist
15	16 Dr. G. Sherrad Adult Cardiologist Andrea Morris Audiologist Dr. J. Schroeder Pediatric Cardiologist	17 Dr. J. Ramirez Adult Cardiologist	18 Dr. A. Dinesman Ear, Nose & Throat	19 Dr. D. Dean Neuro-Surgeon Dr. G. Warner Urologist
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29	30 Dr. G. Sherrad Adult Cardiologist Andrea Morris Audiologist	31 Dr. J. Ramirez Adult Cardiologist		

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Auction to be held to satisfy lien on Dr. Robert E. Knecht estate of Spring, TX and Antonio Rodriguez of Brackettville, TX. Auction will be Sat. Oct. 6 @ 10:00 a.m. unit # 87, 120, 121, 131 behind Kinney Co. Wool & Mohair, 7:00 Coffin St. Brackettville, TX.  
Items included are: house hold furniture, appliances, tools, TV's, lawn equipment, books, misc. items, office equipment & furniture, business records, antiques, accordion and many more items. All sales will be cash or check.

**Due Notice Of Election**

Notice of election of Director to represent Subdivision #5 of the West Nueces-Las Moras Soil & Water Conservation District #236.  
The West Nueces-Las Moras Soil & Water Conservation District boundaries are the same as Kinney County. Subdivision Five area begins at the intersection of the east Kinney County line and the Union Pacific Railroad; thence west along the Union Pacific Railroad to its intersection with SH 131 at Spofford; thence north along SH 131 to its intersection with US 90; thence west along US 90 to its intersection with Ranch Road 693; thence southwest along Ranch Road 693 to its intersection with US 277; thence south along US 277 to the south Kinney County line; thence east along the south Kinney County line to the east Kinney County line; thence north along the east Kinney County line to the point of beginning.  
To all persons including the designed representatives of family farm corporations who are eligible voters in the above named Conservation District as described under the provisions of V.T.C.A., Agriculture Code, Chapter 201, who have attained the age of 18 years, and reside within a county, all or any part of which is included in the said Soil & Water Conservation District, and who hold title to farm and ranch lands lying within said Conservation District, notice is hereby given that in accordance with the provisions of V.T.C.A., Agriculture Code, Section 201.073, qualified voters of the above named Soil and Water Conservation District will assemble at the Fort Clark Golf Club Restaurant at 12:00 p.m. on the 2nd day of October, 2001, then and there to elect one of the qualified voters owning land within said subdivision to serve as a member of the Board of District Directors of said soil and water conservation district.