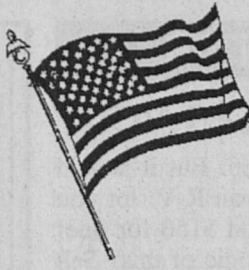


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Miller, Saylor get another day in court

Judge to hold hearing Dec. 19 to discuss second Fort Clark Springs trial

By J.J. GUIDRY
Editor

District Judge Tom Lee is considering a motion for a new trial concerning who has legal claim to serve on the Fort Clark Springs Board of Directors.

Lee will hold a hearing on Dec. 19 at 1:30 p.m. to consider the motion filed by Chad Ellis, an attorney representing board members Mona Miller and Tom Saylor.

Lee ruled last month the recall election initiated by the Preservation Society to remove the Fort Clark directors had "no legal effect," leaving the association's original board in control of the fort.

Lee said the Preservation Society had to satisfy a section of the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act that says a special meeting may be called by "1/10 of the members entitled to vote."

In his decision, the judge

said: "I do not know how many Fort Clark Springs Association members signed a petition for a special meeting ... In all other regards, I believe the Preservation Society did the best they could to conduct the removal process fairly and under the rules provided. I therefore find that the removal procedure is of no legal effect."

Members of the Preservation Society argue the petition they initiated this past summer meets

the requirements of the law to call a special meeting, but said Lee would not introduce it into evidence.

Ellis attached a copy of the petition, which he says is signed by 434 in good standing, to his motion for a new trial.

"In the interest of fairness and justice, the court should consider the signed petition as evidence," Ellis said in his motion.

Quinton Etzel, a Del Rio attorney representing the associa-

tion, requested that the motion be denied.

"No error is alleged in defendants' motion for new trial, nor is there any newly discovered evidence. There is no reason to set aside the court's judgement," Etzel wrote in his response.

After the Preservation Society initiated the petition last summer, a special membership meeting was held on Aug. 10 to recall the directors. The majority of the members voting chose

to remove Frank Cheaney, Jack Simpson, Glen White, Bob Williamson and Carol Miller, and to keep Saylor and Mona Miller.

Saylor and Mona Miller later appointed five new directors to the board — Nolan Brandt, John Dixon, Al Jenkins, Rozetta Pingenot and Santos Yerena.

The fort operated without a board for over a month after the initial lawsuit was filed by the association.



Preparing for the performance
Jewel Robinson (from left), Cord Sellers and Ida Holley are among the local actors featured in the production of "Divine Stella Devine." See story, Page 4.

Rehearing on water district's rules today

By J.J. GUIDRY
Editor

The Kinney County Groundwater Conservation District will hold a rehearing today at 5 p.m. to possibly repeal or amend its rules.

Motions for the rehearing on the rules from Native Valley Alliance and Grass Valley Water — groups trying to market water from the county — were approved by the district's directors last month.

The district received over 20 motions for rehearing, but only two were placed on the agenda for last month's special meeting.

Prior to the start of the rehearing, the board will consider the other motions. The agenda for today's hearing says the motions were "improperly and/or untimely filed."

The additional motions were made by Charles Spain, John Jones, Mary Beidler Kerr, Charles Foust, Jennifer McDaniel, Robert McDaniel, James

McDaniel, Tony Frerich, Hayden Haby, Doris Haby, Dennette Coates, Hugh Coates, Bobby McDaniel, Marcalee McDaniel, Donald McDaniel, Bobby R. McDaniel, Nancy McDaniel, Nicole Vestel Baumann, Justin Burk and Robert Condry, Willie Jo Dooley, W.B. Smith, Richard Smith, Eric W. Robinson, Jewel Robinson and David Seargeant.

The district's rules have been met with much opposition from local landowners.

"The rules penalize people who have been out there using water historically," said Lynn Sherman of the Native Valley Alliance. "They are unworkable. We feel they need to be changed."

The district has scheduled a special meeting today, along with a public hearing to adopt a schedule for permit fees, transport fees and other administrative fees.

The special meeting agenda includes an executive session to

discuss personnel and the recent lawsuit filed against the district by John Boerschig, an attorney from Katy who owns property in Kinney County.

The directors will also hear reports on Grass Valley Water's presentation to the Edwards Aquifer Authority, the Texas Alliance of Groundwater Districts meeting in Austin on Nov. 14-15, and the draft of the district's groundwater management plan.

The board will discuss appointing an investment officer, future board meeting agendas and ethics, travel, investments, professional services and management information policies of the district.

Affidavits concerning conflicts of interest will be distributed and the board is expected to approve a financial report on the district that had previously been distributed to the directors.

The agenda also includes a "new business" item and a public forum.

Curry, Petrosky among nation's best

Brackett Independent School District's Dee Curry and Mary Petrosky are among a select group of the nation's teachers being honored by their toughest critics — their former students — in the seventh edition of Who's Who Among America's Teachers 2002.

All of the approximately 114,000 teachers being honored were selected by their former students who themselves are currently listed in Who's Who Among American High School Students or The National

Dean's List.

"There is no greater honor teachers can receive than to be recognized by former students for their excellence and dedication," said Parke Davis, publisher of Who's Who Among America's Teachers. "In this publication, we clearly have the best teachers in America selected by the best students."

Curry is in her 13th year at Brackett High School, where she teaches English.

"Mrs. Curry is a great asset," BHS Principal John Paul Schu-

ster said. "She is very professional. The kids respond to her and she gets a lot out of them. She holds a high standard for all of her students. She makes sure they succeed at a level where success is good for them."

Petrosky is in her 12th year with the local school district. She teaches middle school math.

"Mrs. Petrosky does a great job of motivating the kids through the use of group activities and manipulatives," Brackett Middle School Principal George "Stoney" Burks said.

"She gets them very interested and brings them along real well in understanding the math concepts."

The students currently listed in Who's Who Among American High School Students or The National Dean's List were requested to nominate the one teacher from their entire academic career who "made a difference in their lives" by helping shape their values, inspiring interest in a particular subject or challenging them to strive for excellence.



Dee Curry



Mary Petrosky

County begins search for a new constable

By J.J. GUIDRY
Editor

The Kinney County Commissioners Court is looking for a new constable.

The position has been vacant since Cordelia Mendeke resigned on Nov. 7.



Mendeke

Mendeke, who served as constable since her successful campaign run in the 2000 general election, is now a court security officer with the U.S. Marshal's Service in Del Rio.

The court will accept applications for the position through Dec. 5 before interviewing the candidates at a Dec. 9 meeting.

"I think we need to go through every hoop that's available to go through so that the people who want to apply for the position are given the opportunity to know that the position is there."
Judge Herb Seene

"I think we need to go through every hoop that's available to go through so that the people who want to apply for the position are given the opportunity to know that the position is there," County Judge Herb Seene said. "We want to conduct interviews to see, the best we can tell, who is the best qualified applicant."



EMS donation
Monty Montgomery (right) of Brackettville donated teddy bears to Kinney County EMS. On hand to receive the donation were Chris Calk (from left), Carolyn Rutherford and Devlin Baker.

Photo by Kathy Wilson

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

What is Fort Clark worth to you?

It's time to shake up the old grey matter again, about what your fort is worth to you.

Some important things have come to my attention — such as, just how much the current administration spent on Unit 38.

Apparently, 42 lots were planned for this unit, only 11 were available at the time of opening, the unit was not finished on schedule and only 10 people showed up to look. The unit cost over \$534,000. Just how many were bought is unknown.

Don't we have the right to know? These are our hard-earned dollars that were spent on this. You get an idea of how little is thought of the ones who have paid into that fund, which I am told would have been better spent on the much-needed repairs to the fort and not dropped down a dry hole, so it seems to this unhappy member.

Do the math. Each lot has to be sold for over \$13,000 just to

be able to recoup. But it is said that if you have an R.V. lot you could trade it and \$150 for one.

What is the logic of this? Sell yours and buy one of these makes more sense to me. You make a profit on an improved lot so you can start over on an unimproved lot.

And last, but not least, which a person more knowledgeable than myself said: Why do we need a general manager? Of what use is one to the fort?

Think about this for a minute. Why can't each department head run their own department without interference and just report to the board? Isn't that why we appointed them in the first place? Wouldn't this save us the cost of an over-paid middle man, which we don't need, and I for one don't want?

So, I say again, just what is Fort Clark worth to you and your pocket book? Just a little something to think about.

Richard Card

FCS memberships are worthless

A reader recently asked, "How much is a Fort Clark Springs membership worth?" From experience I can tell him, "nothing."

When I left the fort almost two years ago, I offered two memberships free gratis to the Historical Society and to Elsa O'Rourke for the Catholic Church. Both offers were declined because the assessments would have to be paid without any expectation that the memberships could be sold.

Several recent letters have noted the sad state of the maintenance of the fort's grounds and swimming pool. Nowhere have I seen any articles in rebuttal. What's the matter board members? Don't you have anything to say? A phone call from

a member this morning reported that the weeds were growing taller and the memberships were growing fewer.

No couple has expended more effort toward the well being of Fort Clark Springs than Larry and Diane Walker. I was privileged to have served on the board briefly with Larry. Diane's recent letter should get someone's attention.

As of Jan. 1, 2003, the fort's inventory will have two more memberships. I have paid assessments on from one to three memberships since 1978, but enough is enough. If anyone is interested in picking them up for the transfer fee, see Nancy Frerich.

Tom Powell
West Point

'The Movement' can't be missed

Hey! Have you felt "The Movement" in Brackettville lately? If you really live here — spirit as well as body — it can't be missed.

"Huh? What?" you ask? Seems that everyone is talking about the good and wonderful things available here (especially the people) that's unlike any place to be found! Yeh! You have noticed!

Take a moment to reflect your recent stop in town. How were you greeted? Anyone growl or make you feel less than special? Not here!!

Instead, you encounter cheery hello's. Our town be-

lieves in brotherly love and shows it with smiles, laughs, words of praise and encouragement to everyone we come in contact with.

From the youngest child of 3-feet tall proudly holding a door open for someone, to the most senior person sharing comfort or words of wisdom, it's there. The "spirit" is contagious.

Join in — don't miss the chance to tell someone "thank you" for the joy they share which makes our town and community a better place for all. To be a part of "The Brackett Family" is a true blessing.

Vada Baldree



God's grace can save you

Man, the liberals in Washington are upset! Yeah, some low-life conservative had the temerity to say that he felt that he was being guided by God. That he thought his election, his service to his country, and his future in politics was planned by God.

Unable to understand, the liberals immediately attacked this man. They can't condone a person who believes in God, searches for guidance from Him, and seeks to serve His purpose in their everyday lives.

That, you see, is a violation of the "constitutional separation of church and state." It's alright if you believe in God; just don't admit it in public, don't talk to Him except in church, and don't do what He says when it might somehow be applied to governance.

These people are really beginning to get on my nerves. They are not satisfied with taking God out of all our schools, thereby fostering violence and disobedience. Now they are going to ban anyone from serving their nation who professes to seek guidance from God before making any important decisions. If you say you are a Christian, they automatically label you a radical. No Christian, they believe, is capable of making informed decisions on important political issues.

My first question is why. What is it about being a Christian that is so dangerous to these people?

The answer is that "evil cannot stand in the face of God." These people, whether they believe it or not, by their very denial of God and his omnipotent right to rule in all areas of our lives, have chosen to serve God's enemy — Satan.

It would stun most non-Christian liberals if you confronted them with the fact that they were serving evil. They are good people, they would say. They



The Way
I See It

Steven R.
LaMascus

have never done anything bad. They have never killed anybody. They're not blatant sinners. Wrong!

Contrary to popular belief, being a good person cannot get you into heaven. I don't care what you have heard. Every one of us, if we depend on our own inherent good, is destined to an eternity in hell. And it really is that simple!

When we compare ourselves to other people and reach the conclusion that we are better than most of them — that we never stole anything, never killed anyone, never blew up an airplane or shot anyone from ambush with one of those evil assault rifles — we are comparing evil with evil.

Instead, we should be comparing ourselves with the perfection of God. In that light, we all fall so short of perfection that it should be obvious what our final destiny should be.

When the Bible says, "the wages of sin is death," sin is singular. That is, all it takes to condemn you to death and hell — one sin! And if you think you have never sinned, you are delusional. But God understood that we all "fall short of the glory of God," and arranged an escape route for us.

That is where the "Grace of God" enters the picture. Grace is how we can be saved. It is simply the gift of God, earned by Jesus when he voluntarily died on the cross. His sacrifice covered all of us. All we have to do is reach out and accept the gift.

Our acceptance of Jesus and our Lord and Saviour is how we gain grace. At that point, we are supposed to give God control of our lives. That doesn't mean we have to go into a convent or a monastery, but simply that we do everything in a way that pleases God. Fair business practices, honest dealing and integrity in our personal lives is our way of serving.

That is what that conservative politico was saying. He wasn't trying to overthrow the government and replace it with a theocracy. He was simply doing what he believed was the proper way to serve the God to whom he owed his life and allegiance. And he was dead, solid right!

I'm terribly sorry that those atheists will never understand. They are so rabidly frightened of "religion" that they cannot see God. They wander through life trying to do the impossible.

If they believe in a heaven and a hell, they think they will get there just by being "a good person." The tragedy is that, by the time they are proven wrong, it will be too late. Proof is not coming. You have to accept God and ultimately Jesus by faith, not proof.

There is sufficient evidence out there to prove in court that God is real and that Jesus was exactly who he said he was. But there is never going to be concrete proof. He isn't going to come into your living room and do a few miracles to convince you. He has already given you all the proof you need. The rest is up to you.

If you want to hear more, just call me, I'm in the book. Or better yet, go to church. They talk about Him there every time they meet.

John 12:46, "I have come as a light into the world, that whoever believes in Me should not abide in darkness." NKJV



Teen
Spirit
Shanae
Simmons

There are more important things in life than money

Money, isn't it great? Just hearing it makes me wish I had it. Sadly, though, it can bring out the worst in people.

All those people who have no money try to get it, and those who already have plenty try to get more. But I can sometimes see why people can become attracted to money. I wouldn't mind having a little extra cash every now and then. I could get some cool CDs or maybe this telescope that I have been wanting for awhile.

You can get a lot of stuff with money, but I guess *stuff* isn't everything, and sometimes the most important things cannot be bought with the green stuff. Sure you could attract people into becoming your supposed friends, but you would never know if they liked you for you, or for your wad of dough.

Maybe those who are poor are kind of lucky in a way. The poor know how it is to be without physical items, that many think they need for survival. They can gain friendship through the size of their heart, instead of the size of their wallet. Then again, the less fortunate struggle, because they sometimes don't have enough money to feed their families, or put a roof over their heads.

Sometimes I wish I had more money though. My own money, which I gained through my own sweat and not through the kindness of my grandparents, or the tooth fairy. Then again, I don't want to have to actually do the work for it.

I do enjoy the feeling of working hard, and gaining a nice little profit for my perspiration, but it takes me awhile to get up the strength to do the actual "working" part of it. I would rather play, it is definitely more fun. Maybe if I found a job that was fun, I would enjoy working.

The other day, I was talking to some of my friends. We were discussing our future careers — you had the professional runner, the Russian supermodel, the mystical poet chick, and then it came around to me. Hmm ... what could Shanae be?

Finally, a friend of mine replied, "Actually, Shanae, I have always seen you as becoming one of those children TV show entertainers, like the guy off of Blues Clues."

What was really weird about this specific comment was that I was actually thinking about doing something in that line of business. I think having my own children's show would be really great. I would love it.

I like being the mascot, and forming friendships with my younger, but just as cool, peers and I would love to help mold their young minds, and teach them the ways of life with a catchy song and dance. Also, like last week's column told, I love being a kid, so this would be an excellent way for me to stay in tune with my inner-child during adulthood.

It would be really nice, and I bet the pay isn't all bad, but I don't know. Most likely I will never hit it big on a hip TV show and most likely I will find myself working with average people, at an average job, with average duties.

All I really know is that whatever my future occupation may be, I hope I enjoy it and learn that other things, like happiness, are greater than purchasing inanimate objects, even though cool CDs and telescopes make me feel kind of happy.

Have something to say? Write a letter to the editor today!

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Making A Difference

Taylor Stephenson

Winter on the way

The first cold front of the season blew in this past weekend. With low temperatures in the high 30s, it gave us warning that winter is on its way.

Thanksgiving is only a week away, and Christmas will be here in another month.

We expect to have great weather between the storms. Some of the trees have begun to turn to fall colors. It's a beautiful time of the year.

Athletic Facilities

The replacement of the gym floor is almost complete. Within the next two weeks, the floor will be laid, varnished and dried. Then, the practices can resume.

Our new weight room is almost complete. All students in the secondary schools who are in P.E. or athletic classes will use the facility. Weights and fitness are a major part of the education of students. We're excited about the addition of the weight room.

Our facility improvements have been paid for by the use of fund balances. These revenues are earmarked for construction projects that don't require recurring expenditures.

Many districts must ask voter approval for bonds and additional taxes. We're fortunate to have a district that has been managed well fiscally.

Third Grandson

My wife and I have been at College Station most of the week. Our third grandson, William, is to be born early this week. We're very excited.

William has a brother, Taylor, that is 4. We'll spend the time trying to keep Taylor busy. Have a great week!



But I Could Be Wrong

Chuck Hall

Why don't we have a maximum wage?

Jerry Guidry once told me that we had a minimum wage law, but what we needed in this country was a maximum wage law. At first I thought he was nuts, but the more I thought about it, I agreed with him.

The President of the United States, having the single most important job in America, should make about \$10 million for the service he renders to our nation. Nobody, and I mean nobody, should be allowed to make any more than that. Not singers, actors, athletes, nobody.

And another thing. I keep hearing that some company's business is doing poorly, they're going broke, and have to lay employees off. Where do they always make their cuts? At the bottom, that's where.

Why not the top? Instead of letting 1,000 workers go, drop the top dog. He's the one making bad decisions. He should be held accountable for the company's failure. He's the one that's been getting all of the cream off of the top. He has a nice nest egg. He's taken advantage of insider trading for so long he has forgotten that it's actually illegal. Let him go.

But no, instead they lay off a thousand working class folks. People that don't have savings. That never had a surplus of cash to invest in prime real estate in the Bahamas. Men and women that will have to go out and look for another job.

My grandfather was a working man. He was also a fine cook. He had many specialties. He loved cooking with wine. Sometimes he even put it in the food. But I could be wrong.



Putting on a show
Tiger Band members Cody Robinette (from left), Josh O'Neill, Jeff Tipps and Rachel Lethco perform during halftime at a Brackett High football game.

Photo by Javier Cervantez

KINNEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S REPORT

Tuesday, Nov. 12
10:58 p.m., A man reported seeing smoke coming from the Kinney County Library. Deputy Larry Robinson, EMS and the Fire Department were dispatched to the scene. No smoke was detected.

Wednesday, Nov. 13
7:24 a.m., Deputy Manuel Pena reported a vehicle accident on Highway 1572, across from Anacacho Ranch. The Highway Department was notified of an exotic animal that had been hit. No injuries were reported.

Saturday, Nov. 16
8:30 a.m., A man reported road damage at the end of Highway 2804. Deputy Bobby Guidry was notified of the situation. A local construction company had been installing cable and said they would fix the road.

11:30 a.m., A Del Rio woman stated that she needed to locate keys to her inherited property on E. Louise Street. Deputy Guidry was notified of the situation.

4 p.m., A woman reported

that she was being threatened at her residence at 409 Chandler. Deputies Guidry and Robinson were dispatched to the residence.

4:15 p.m., A Del Rio DPS requested assistance for a motorist stranded 5 miles east of Brackettville. Deputy Guidry was dispatched to the scene.

5:15 p.m., The Del Rio Police Department requested assistance in searching for a stolen vehicle. Deputies Robinson and Karl Chism and DPS Trooper Tully Welch were advised to be on the lookout for the vehicle.

8:06 p.m., A Spofford woman requested a deputy in order to press charges against her neighbor, who had assaulted her husband. Deputy Chism and EMS were dispatched to the scene.

Sunday, Nov. 17

9 p.m., A Val Verde Sheriff's Office employee reported numerous boxes in the east-bound lane on Highway 90, about 12 miles west of Brackettville. Trooper Welch was notified of the situation.

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BHS students guests at Rotary Club meeting

By FRANCES McMASTER
Contributing Writer

The Brackettville Rotary Club met last Thursday to hear from a couple of outstanding young students from Brackett High School.

The first to speak was Juliann Ashabanner, who recently finished 36 in the Class AA UIL State Cross Country Meet at Old Settlers Park in Round Rock. She was accompanied by her coach, Jenifer Harris, who spoke about the program in general and about the cross country competition.

Harris noted that Juliann's time was 13:11, an improvement from last year, and that Ashabanner, as well as several others, will be returning next year. She is hoping some boys will become interested in running.

Juliann brought a plaque she was awarded and some medals won in other races to show to the group.

She trains by running every day, all year long. She runs early in the morning and late in the afternoon during the worst heat of the summer.

Brackett Superintendent Taylor Stephenson said Juliann is a good student and well liked, besides being an outstanding athlete. He also described the excitement of watching these races, and how parents and other interested people eagerly wait at the finish line to cheer the runners.

The second student to speak was Rotary's exchange student, Maarten Vos from the Netherlands. He presented a slide program with scenes from his country.

The first slide showed a map of the Netherlands and he pointed out where he lived.

The Netherlands is actually below sea level. This is accomplished by holding back the seawater with dykes. Maarten remarked that people who arrive by plane are mystified when

they land because the sea seems to have disappeared. Almost 60 percent of the land used to be underwater.

Soccer is the most popular sport, and the best soccer players become members of a national team. Its color is orange. Maarten said when the team is playing, the color orange appears everywhere — some people even paint their houses orange.

Bicycling is very important there because gasoline costs \$2.50 a liter. The country is not large and spread out like Texas, and the bicycle is an important means of transportation. Because it is a small country, there are farms rather than ranches. One slide pictured fields of brilliantly colored tulips. This is a major crop that is exported all over the world.

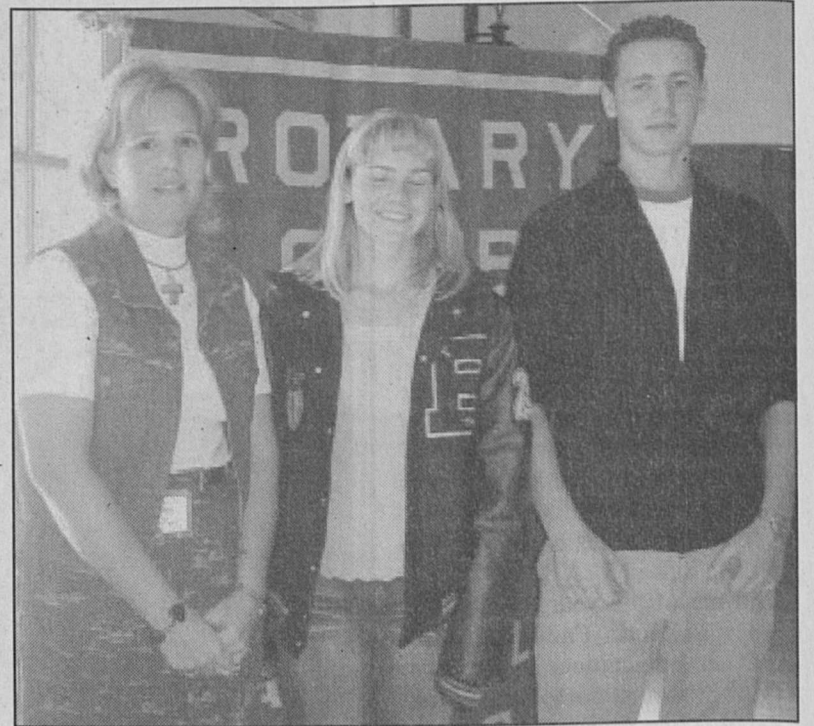
Americans associate wooden clogs (klampen) with the Netherlands, however, these belong to the past and are made now only for tourists. One slide pic-

tured people dressed in costumes worn long ago that featured klampen and women dressed in full skirts worn over six petticoats.

Slides were also shown of windmills and ice skating subjects associated with the Netherlands. Maarten was taught to skate as a child, which is traditional in this country with many canals that ice over in winter.

Among other slides shown were the cities of Amsterdam and Rotterdam, tall ships, the Palace, and well-known and important people such as the queen, Anne Frank, and artists Van Gogh and Rembrandt.

Members feel reassured that the future is in good hands after hearing from fine young people such as Juliann Ashabanner and Maarten Vos. They have the intelligence and the self-discipline required to succeed, not only in school, but also in life. We know they will do well in any goal they set for themselves in the future.



Guests at last week's Brackettville Rotary Club meeting were Jenifer Harris (from left), Tigerettes cross country coach, Juliann Ashabanner, Brackett sophomore state qualifier in cross country, and Maarten Vos, Rotary youth exchange student from the Netherlands.

The parents and the teachers who have and continue to influence them are to be credited for their good work.

Old Quarry presents play next weekend

"Show biz," under the guidance of the Old Quarry Society and director Lynn McNew, is alive and well at Fort Clark and the Brackettville area.

The Old Quarry Society will open its season with "Divine Stella Devine" at Fort Clark's Post Theatre on Saturday, Nov. 30, at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 1, at 2:30 p.m.

Jewel Robinson is Stella Devine and she's backed-up with a star-studded cast of 19. Reports are glowing with promises of an entertaining and humorous performances.

Tickets are \$5. They are available at the Adult Center or from any cast member.

The Christmas play, "The Silent Bells," will be performed on Dec. 21. It is free of charge as the Old Quarry's Christmas gift to the community. What a bargain!

Season tickets to the Old Quarry Society's 2002-2003 season, which are \$30 each, includes five plays: "Divine Stella



Play rehearsal
Ida Holley (left) and Wesley Wilson prepare for the Old Quarry Society's production of "Divine Stella Devine."

Photo by J.J. Gaidry

Devine." "The Silent Bells," dinner theater on Jan. 31 and Feb. 1, a melodrama on March 8, and the Variety Show on

March 29. Individual tickets are \$5 for all plays. Individual tickets for the dinner theater will be \$20.

A tasty sugar-free cheesecake

I've received requests for sugar-free deserts from people who need, or desire, to restrict sugar in their diets.

In response, I'll offer ideas and recipes regularly using artificial sweeteners. Personally, I've found that using Splenda produces a baked good with best results, but you may use one of your choice that's recommended for baking.

The cheesecake we'll talk about this week is one of eight I have that passed my diabetic husband's "taste test."

Key Lime Cheesecake

Here's what we need: 1 9-inch cheesecake crumb crust (recipe below); 1 envelope of unflavored gelatin (2 1/2 teaspoons); 3/4 cup of key lime juice; 2 large eggs, lightly beaten; 1 cup of Splenda granular; 8 ounces of tub-style light cream cheese; 8 ounces of non-fat cream cheese — room temperature; egg whites from 2 large eggs, 3/4 cup of Splenda granular; and a 1/2 cup of light whipped cream.

Prepare the crust and set aside to cool. In a medium sauce pan, dissolve the gelatin in the



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key lime juice for three minutes. Add 1 cup of Splenda and the two beaten eggs. Place on stove, then turn to medium heat; stirring immediately and cook for 10 minutes or until thickened. Remove from heat and let cool slightly.

In a large bowl, place cream cheeses and beat on medium speed with electric mixer until smooth. Add lime mixture slowly, using low speed, until smooth. Refrigerate mixture until thoroughly cooled, stirring every 10 minutes.

In a clean bowl (not plastic), beat egg whites until soft peaks form. Slowly add 3/4 cup of Splenda until incorporated. Fold egg whites into chilled lime-cheese mix. Pour onto prepared crust. Refrigerate until set, about

two hours. Spread whipped topping over cake. It serves 12.

Cheesecake Crumb Crust

Ingredients: 3/4 cup of graham cracker crumbs (about 12 squares), 2 tablespoons of Splenda granular, 1 tablespoon of margarine or butter, melted.

Preheat oven to 350 degrees and spray 8- or 9-inch spring form pan, as specified needed in recipe, with non-stick spray.

If starting with whole graham crackers, make them into fine crumbs with blender, food processor or crushing with rolling pin.

Place the crumbs in small bowl and add Splenda, then melted butter or margarine. Blend well. Pour the mixture into prepared pan. Place a length of plastic wrap or wax paper over mixture. Using rounded measuring cup or spoon, press down on crumbs to cover bottom of pan only. Bake five minutes. Be sure the crust is completely cool when using for unbaked cheesecake.

Note: Crumbs are not required for sides on cheesecake, thus eliminating some fat and eggs with less crust.

Petrosky takes the stage in production

SEGUIN — Brackettville native Chris Petrosky will appear in the Texas Lutheran University Theatre Department production of David Mamet's "The Water Engine."

The show will be performed at 7:30 p.m. tonight through Saturday. There will also be a special matinee performance at 3 p.m. on Sunday. All shows will be in Jackson Auditorium on the TLU campus.

Petrosky, a 2001 graduate of Brackett High School, is a sophomore at TLU.

The play tells the story of Charles Lang, a poor factory worker who has invented an engine that runs solely on water. But when he approaches a lawyer to patent it, Lang must fight to defend himself and his family from the dark corporate forces that want to destroy his invention — and his life.

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Natalia earns regional berth

Dilley, Freer fall short in bi-district

Natalia was the only District 30-AA team to win its bi-district playoff game last weekend.

The Mustangs advance to the Division I regional semifinals after picking up a 17-14 win over Nixon Smiley Saturday at San Antonio Harlandale Memorial Stadium.

Natalia (5-6) next will face Odem (11-0) Saturday at 6 p.m. in Robstown. Odem won its post-season opener 41-6 over Karnes City.

In the other Division I semifinal, Comfort (10-1) will meet Hitchcock (9-1) Friday night at 8 at Matador Stadium in Seguin. Comfort won its bi-district game 76-28 over Lexington and Hitchcock defeated Vanderbilt Industrial 45-26.

Freer (4-7), the 30-AA champion, fell to Poth (9-2) 39-14 Friday, while Dilley (6-5) dropped a 14-3 decision to Stockdale (8-3) in Division II bi-district contests.

In area games, Poth meets Skidmore-Tynan (8-3) in Beeville and Stockdale plays Refugio (7-4) at Victoria Memorial Stadium. Both games are Friday at 7:30 p.m.

Skidmore-Tynan won its playoff opener over Santa Rosa 27-7 and Refugio defeated La Villa 24-16.

Freer quarterback David Cavazos completed 10 of 23



Bi-district champions

The Natalia Mustangs, shown during their game against the Brackett Tigers, is advancing to regionals after winning their bi-district playoff game over Nixon Smiley 17-14.

Photo by Javier Cervantez

passes for 204 yards Friday at the San Antonio ISD Sports Complex, but it wasn't enough for the Buckaroos as they fell short to the Pirates.

Poth got on the scoreboard quickly when Jason Weed ran 53 yards and then connected on the point after for the 7-0 lead at the 10:14 mark in the opening quarter.

Weed finished the game with

14 carries for 130 yards and one touchdown.

Weed also caught four passes for 117 yards, kicked one 25-yard field goal and connected on four point-after attempts.

Freer cut the lead to one in the opening quarter on Benny Garza's 5-yard touchdown scamper.

But Weed started off the second-quarter scoring with his 25-

yard field goal just four seconds into the period.

Poth quarterback Sherman Posey scored the next two touchdowns on runs of 9 and 2 yards, respectively.

Posey carried the ball 15 times for 67 yards and completed 7 of 11 passes for 148 yards.

As a team, Poth tallied 423 yards of total offense.

Tigerettes fall short to Cotulla

COTULLA — The Brackett Tigerettes dropped their season opener Saturday, falling to the Cotulla Cowgirls 61-21.

"It was a struggle Saturday, but the girls did a lot of good things," Tigerettes coach Ricky Creel said. "We are going to correct the negative and build on the positive. They are working extremely hard in practice, and we are progressing each day."

Stephanie Bonner was Brackett's top scorer with six points, and Ashley Castillo finished with five points. Stacey Castilla scored four points for the Tigerettes, Courtney Frerich and Valerie Terrazas each chipped in two points, and Amanda Davis and Tammy Smith both added one point.

The Tigers and Tigerettes faced Knippa on Tuesday at Southwest Texas Junior College in Uvalde, but results were not available at press-time. The two teams play in Leakey on Friday and the J.V. boys compete in the Del Rio tournament Saturday.



Brackett senior Jesse Davis (with ball) tries to make a pass around teammate Dietrich Davis during basketball workouts this week. The Tigers opened their season Tuesday against Knippa at Southwest Texas Junior College in Uvalde, but results were not available at press-time.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION FOR WATER QUALITY TPDES PERMIT RENEWAL FOR MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER PERMIT NO. 10194-002

APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION. City of Brackettville and Fort Clark Municipal Utility District, P.O. Box 1437, Brackettville, Texas 78832, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for a renewal of TPDES Permit No. 10194-002, which authorizes the discharge of treated domestic wastewater at a daily average flow not to exceed 500,000 gallons per day. This permit authorizes the irrigation of treated effluent on approximately 60 acres of golf course. This application was submitted to the TCEQ on July 16, 2002.

The facility is located approximately 2.3 miles south of the intersection of U.S. Highway 90 and State Highway 13 and 0.75 mile west of State Highway 131 in Kinney County, Texas. The treated effluent is discharged to Las Moras Creek; thence to Rio Grande Below Amistad Reservoir in Segment No. 2304 of the Rio Grande Basin. The unclassified receiving water uses are high aquatic life uses for Las Moras Creek. The designated uses for Segment No. 2304 are high aquatic life uses, public water supply, and contact recreation.

The TCEQ executive director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit. The draft permit, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The executive director has made a preliminary decision that this permit, if issued, meets all statutory and regulatory requirements. The permit application, statement of basis/technical summary and executive director's preliminary decision, and draft permit are available for viewing and copying at the Fort Clark Municipal Utility District Building, 310 Swimpark Lane, Brackettville.

PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC MEETING. You may submit public comments or request a public meeting about this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit written or oral comment or to ask questions about the application. Generally, the TCEQ will hold a public meeting if the executive director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

Written public comments and requests for a public meeting should be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087 within 30 days of the date of newspaper publication of the notice.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING. After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. The response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or who requested to be on a mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting a contested case hearing or reconsideration of the executive director's decision. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in a state district court.

A contested case hearing will only be granted based on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on issues that were raised during the public comment period and not withdrawn. Issues that are not raised in public comments may not be considered during a hearing. The TCEQ may act on this application to renew a permit without providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.


EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ACTION. The executive director may issue final approval of the application unless a timely contested case hearing or a timely request for reconsideration is filed. If a timely hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed, the executive director will not issue final approval of the permit and will forward the application and requests to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

MAILING LIST. In addition to submitting public comments, you may ask to be placed on a mailing list to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk. You may request to be added to: (1) the mailing list for this specific application; (2) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and/or (3) the permanent mailing list for a specific county. Clearly specify which mailing list(s) to which you wish to be added and send your request to the TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address above. Unless you otherwise specify, you will be included only on the mailing list for this specific application.

INFORMATION. If you need more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Office of Public Assistance, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. General information about the TCEQ can be found at our web site at www.tceq.state.tx.us. Further information may also be obtained from City of Brackettville and Fort Clark Municipal Utility District at the address stated above or by calling Mr. Larry Sofaly at (830) 563-2828.

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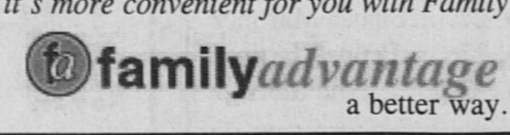
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ROARING TWENTIES

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

Today's Category: **FAMOUS ACTORS**

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Trivia Time by Walter Branch

1. What did Matt Damon win his first Oscar for?
2. What is Peter Carl Fabergé best known for designing?
3. How many knuckles are there in a human hand?
4. Who was the first Communist Party leader of the Soviet Union after the Revolution of 1917?
5. What fruit is a cross between a tangerine, a grapefruit and an orange?
6. What was the name of Charles Darwin's ship, which took him on a five-year voyage of discovery?
7. What color is the ELEVEN on a 7-ELEVEN store sign?
8. What is the first word of the Declaration of Independence?
9. What bill features the Lincoln Memorial on the reverse side?
10. What Chicago suburb shares its name with a Roman statesman and writer?

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Nov. 21.....Billy Robinson	Nov. 24.....Mary Nobles
Nov. 21.....Clif Lewis	Nov. 25.....Claude Batchelor
Nov. 21.....Dennis Olson	Nov. 25.....Raul Mata
Nov. 23.....Dottie Stueckroth	Nov. 26.....Anthony Flores
Nov. 23.....Harold Miller	Nov. 26.....Mateo Montalvo
Nov. 24.....Lois Causseaux	Nov. 27.....Bianca Martinez
Nov. 24.....Marie Coburn	Nov. 27.....Felipe Martinez
Nov. 24.....John Frank	Nov. 27.....Lynn McNew

AOROSCOPIES

by Charles Cooper

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) While you're normally assertive, this week you need to work on attaining greater self-confidence. Be sure you're open to a new opportunity midweek. In romance, things are a bit shaky over the weekend.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) The steps you're taking at work have you right on track. Finances are looking up as well. Later in the week, someone close to you is being evasive.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A friend disappoints you early in the week. Don't take it so hard. This person is going through a crisis and is unaware of how others are feeling.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Money matters aren't favored this week. This is particularly true in terms of giving a friend a loan. It's not the right time to mix friendship and finances.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You achieve a breakthrough in communication with a family member. Up to this point, this person hasn't been exactly forthcoming. Clearing the air goes a long way toward assuaging hurt feelings.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) A nagging problem that's been eating you finally goes away. You're happily surprised at how simple the solution was. Over the weekend, a family member needs your advice.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Tread carefully this week where finances are concerned. You may be tempted to do something risky. Avoid this and stay the course.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Someone in authority at work surprises you with puzzling behavior. However, don't try to pry. The situation really has nothing to do with you.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A family member's help proves invaluable this week. Later in the week, someone tries to take advantage of you. Don't be rude, but be firm.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) You look for ways this week to improve yourself. Introspection is fine. However, avoid a tendency to become too self-absorbed.

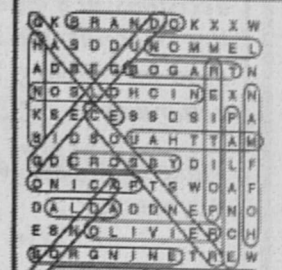
AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) You increase your social circle this week. Some fascinating, new acquaintances are the reason. One person in particular has you dazzled.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Keep your private matters to yourself. While you want to unburden yourself, work isn't the place to do it. Instead, seek out a trusted friend.

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Roaring Twenties Solution:

1. Aida	11. Heston
2. Bogart	12. Hoffman
3. Borgnine	13. Lemmon
4. Brando	14. Matthau
5. Costner	15. Newman
6. Crosby	16. Nicholson
7. Fonda	17. Olivier
8. Gable	18. Pacino
9. Gielgud	19. Palanca
10. Hanks	20. Pottier



Trivia Time Answers (c) 2001 DBR Media, Inc.
 1. Best Original Screenplay; 2. Jewelry; 3. 14; 4. Lenin; 5. Cicero
 6. The Beagle; 7. Green; 8. "When"; 9. \$5; 10. Tangelo;

Remember to give thanks and share bounty

Thanksgiving! Turkey and dressing! Macey's Thanksgiving Day parade! Cranberry sauce and giblet gravy! Football games on TV from dawn to night. Mashed potatoes, green beans and corn on the cob! Fellowship with family and friends. Turkey leftovers for days to come! Contentment with a beautiful day. Tums, maalox or a stomach pump!

What a day!

May I suggest a change to this ritual that we swear never again to do and then repeat foolishly as if we have no memories over 30 days old?

First, if you are going to be foolish again this year, then fast for at least the week remaining to you so that the pounds you gain that day will be only replacements of others discarded.

Secondly, place cotton balls in your nostrils as the smell of the feast is as much the temptation as the sight.

Third, drink 17 glasses of water 20 minutes before meal time (you will either be too full or too busy when it is time to eat).

Lastly, if all else fails, place a placard around your neck that explains, "I am not to blame! Overeating on holidays is in my jeans (or is that genes?)"

This, as well as other holidays, are uniquely celebrated in the United States of America. We have taken the rationale for holidays — remembrance of events that touched hearts — and turned them into events of personal indulgence.

We have been blessed in our country by extraordinary vision



First United Methodist Church

Rev. Ken F. Sellers Jr.

on the part of our founding forebears. They created a republic with three distinct branches of government designed to be checks and balances on one another.

They founded a system of economics based of fair and free trade between individuals and not controlled by governing bodies or the rich.

They founded a nation of freedoms to replace the bond-

age of laws dedicated to enhancing the life of the elite at the expense of the normal citizen.

Over the years, the politicians and the safety we enjoyed have numbed us to the erosion of these founding precepts. Now we are the elitists they strove to leave behind.

Now Thanksgiving is no longer about giving thanks and sharing our bounty with those who have none. Instead, it is a time of self-indulgence and self-absorption, reflecting only on our personal needs for entertainment and escaping from the responsibilities of being a contributing member to the global family, some of whom will die from lack of nourishment, both physical and spiritual, while we sit in our recliner and moan from overeating and footballitis!

Church alliance to host service

With Thanksgiving just around the corner, the Church Alliance of Brackettville is anticipating the beginning of another precious holiday season of remembering the extraordinary gift of life, love and relationships. The alliance invites you to join in an ecumenical celebration of Thanksgiving on Sunday evening at 7 at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church.

Rev. Ken F. Sellers Jr. of First United Methodist Church will bring the message.

"Come and let us offer our thanks to God as a united community of faith," Sellers said.

Don't be overconfident of God's forgiveness

"Julie, I love you. You love me. So why not?" Mark whined.

Julie looked at her boyfriend. She felt anger and betrayal. Her voice remained calm but forceful.

"Look, Mark, I think you love me. I love you. But our love can't change something wrong into something that is right."

"So why is it right for everybody else?" Mark asked, his voice expressing anger and impatience.

Pushing himself against his car door, he took his arm from around her shoulders.

Julie moved away from him, but remained focused: "It's not right for them either. And everybody else is not doing it. Listen to me, Mark. You're asking me to allow you to violate my body for your pleasure. You're asking me to risk disease and pregnancy. You're asking me to risk my relationship with God so you can feel better about yourself."

"Mark, we're still teenagers. There's too much of life ahead to be messing it up at this point." Mark's face showed his anger.

"Julie, God has nothing to do with this," he said. "It's between us. Anyway, God sees our love. He'll forgive you. All you have to do is ask."

"You're right, Mark," Julie



Empowering Families

Dr. Donald Smith

responded. "God does forgive when we ask. Long ago, a very wise man said that God's mercy is equal to his majesty and that we should put ourselves into his hands." (Sirach 2:18)

"Look Julie, there's just so much of this I can take," Mark said. "If you're not willing to prove you love me, then I'm outa here."

"I'm sorry you feel that way, Mark," Julie said. "The wise man once said that we are not to be overconfident of God's forgiveness when we deliberately add sin upon sin. Do not delay to another day your opportunity to convert to the Lord because his wrath comes swiftly." (Sirach 5:5-8)

"You can choose to go your way. But I choose to do what is right in the sight of God."

Editor's note: This column is brought to you by the St. Henry deOsso Family Project, working in Brackettville to strengthen family, faith and education.

Know that the Lord is God

Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands.

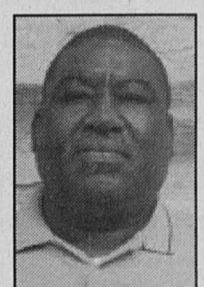
Serve the Lord with gladness; come before his presence with singing.

Know ye that the Lord he is God; it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with Praise; be thankful unto him, and bless his name.

For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations. (Psalm 100)

We will have Thanksgiving



St. John's Missionary Church

Rev. Bill Adams Sr.

service at 9 a.m. on the day of Thanksgiving at St. John's Missionary Baptist Church, located at 116 W. Crockett St.

For more information, you can call the church at 563-3550 or my home at 563-3032. Dios te bendiga.



Distributing commodities

Sylvia Canty (from left), Frank Morgan and Amata Garcia distribute commodities at St. John's Missionary Baptist Church. Commodities are distributed the third Tuesday of every month from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 3 to 5 p.m.

Photo by Kathy Wilson

Use your talents to glorify the Lord

What talents do we have? Do we use them for the glorification of the Lord? An interesting idea, indeed.

Last Sunday's Gospel reading was from Matthew 25:14-30, and was the familiar story about the man who was going on a journey and entrusted his possessions to his servants. To one servant, he gave five talents, to another two talents and to a third one talent. Then he went away.

The servant with five talents "invested" his and made another five. Likewise, the man who received two made another two talents. But, as we all know, the man with one talent buried it in the ground for safekeeping.

When the man returned much later, he was very pleased with the servants to whom he had given five talents and two talents, because they had used their talents wisely. He was very angry with the man to whom he had given one talent, and, in fact, took everything from him and threw him out in the cold.



St. Mary Magdalene Church

Lynn McNew

As Deacon Bob Nelson reminded us during his Sunday sermon, a "talent" in Jesus' day was money. But he reminded us how this can apply to us today.

As Deacon Bob said, there are people who use their talents and those who hide away what God has given them. And it is interesting that those who do not use their talents are the ones who do the most whining and complaining.

I am a busy person. Recently, I was at lunch with some friends and pulled out the day planner I carry in my purse to check a date for someone. This friend looked at my day planner and asked,

"Is there any day in this month that doesn't have something written on it?" Actually, there were a few!

I enjoy doing the things I do and I believe that God gave me the gifts and talents I have, and if I don't use them to the fullest, then they will be taken away from me.

I don't think some people realize the talents that God has given them. Maybe everyone hasn't been given a gift of public speaking, or art or music, or building things, but everyone has something they can do. Maybe the gift of a strong back, maybe the ability to sit quietly with someone who is lonely (a hard one for me!).

Whatever the gift is, it is what makes each of us a special child of God and what He wants us to use for the betterment of our lives and the lives of those around us.

I don't believe that anyone has been given the "gift" of arguing and complaining, and if

people would take a look at what they can do, they wouldn't have time to argue and complain.

Maybe if we would use our time reading with a child at school instead of gossiping about our neighbors, we would feel better inside. I think someone who feels better inside will find there is not so much to argue and complain about.

An interesting thought just came to me, which has probably been obvious to others all along — the servant who didn't use his talent wisely was given the least amount. Could it be that God knows which among us is going to waste the talents they have been given?

Lord, I thank You for the talents You have given me. May I always use them for Your good and be a truly wise and faithful servant.

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

It is a time of humble remembrance

This is a time to be in humble remembrance. It is a time to remember good things and thank God for them. It is a time to remember things that hurt and give them up as a sacrificial offering to God, placing it on his altar and see the blood of Jesus cover it and wash it away.

This is a season of cleansing our souls and finding peace therein. It is a time to "be still, and know that I am God." (Psalms 46:10)

"Stand in awe, and sin not: commune with your own heart upon your bed, and be still. Selah (Selah means to pause and meditate before reading on.) Offer the sacrifices of righteousness, and put your trust in the Lord." (Psalms 4:4-5)

There is the kind of hush in the spirit that prepares you for the times to come. It is the hush

of restoration, and affirmation of who you are in Christ Jesus.

"Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them (the world and those who would try to destroy you): because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world." (1 John 4:4)

It is a time to "be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good." (Romans 12:21)

It is a time to "Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep." (Romans 12:15)

It is a time to "prefer one another in honor and be kindly affectionate to one another in brotherly love." (Romans 12:10) It is a time to "bless those who persecute you." (Romans 12:14)

It is a time for feeding and giving drink to your enemy.



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(Romans 12:20)

It is a time to feel the embrace of the Father's arms as he has called you his child (Romans 8:15) and because Jesus Christ lives in you, the "righteousness of God is unto you and upon you" (Romans 3:22).

It is a time to "Lift up your hands in the sanctuary, and bless the Lord." (Psalms 134:2)

"Lift up the hands which hang down, and the feeble knees;" "Follow peace with all men, and

holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord: Looking diligently lest any man fail of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble you, and thereby (you) be defiled." (Hebrews 12:12-15)

Receive the peace of Jesus Christ. He is saying to you "My peace I give unto you ... Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid." (John 14:27)

Be still and know that he is God. Stand in faith, rest in hope, walk in love.

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Sunday Services 10:45 am Eucharist: 1st, 3rd, 5th Sunday Morning Prayer: 2nd, 4th Sunday

See — people do read small ads!

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Sunday P.M. 1:30
Wednesday P.M. 6:30 Classes
Minister: Ray Melton

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Pastor: R. D. Holloway 563-2245
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Worship Service - 11 a.m.
Adult/Youth/Children Discipleship Training 6 p.m.
Evening Service 7 p.m.
Wednesdays 7 p.m. Bible Study

