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BRIEFS

Old Quarry is set to open season

The Old Quarry Society for the Performing Arts will open its season with performances of "The Cemetery Club," on Friday and Saturday at Post Theater.

This delightful comedy concerning the lives of three Jewish widows is back by popular request. "The Cemetery Club" was first presented in 1999, and again finds Jewel Robinson, Barbara Hunter and Rosie Mattingly in the starring roles, as Ida, Lucille and Doris.

Two new-comers to the Old Quarry stage are also in the cast. Jack Schram plays Sam and Leigh Volesko plays Mildred. The play is directed by Lynn McNew.

For ticket information, call 563-2296, 563-3070 or 563-9229.

Hunters Roundup dubbed a success

The Kinney County Wildlife Damage Management Association held its Third Annual Hunters Roundup on Saturday at the Civic Center.

With barbeque pits in full steam and music for all to enjoy, the crowd grew and grew to over 450. Everyone enjoyed the talent of emcee John Paul Schuster and the singing of local sensation Jacquelyn Conoly.

The Kinney County Wildlife Damage Management Association sponsored the event in conjunction with the Agriculture Committee and Kinney County Chamber of Commerce.

Water district to host workshop

The Kinney County Groundwater Conservation District is holding a workshop for anyone applying for an existing or historic groundwater use permit.

The workshop will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 8, in the Fritter Room at the Kinney County Library. The goal of the workshop is to help applicants complete their existing use or historic use permit application.

Band boosters set to host barbecue

The Brackett Band Boosters will host a fundraiser barbecue on Sunday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

The cost is \$5 per plate. Plates will be available to go in the back parking lot.

Spaghetti supper set for Nov. 11

A spaghetti supper fundraiser for the Fort Clark Springs Festival will be held on Tuesday at 6 p.m. at Shafter Hall. The cost is \$6 per plate.

County rejects rollback petition

Citizens continue efforts for election to reduce tax rate

County officials found that a petition for a rollback election was not valid.

The Commissioners' Court adopted a resolution last Thursday during a special meeting denying the petition because it did not meet the standards of a valid petition as outlined by Article 277.002 of the Texas Election Code.

County Judge Herb Senne and Commissioners Pat Melancon and Francie Wylie all voted for the resolution. Commissioners Joe Montalvo and Nat Terazas were absent from the meeting.

"The Commissioners' Court cannot order a rollback election because you don't have a valid petition," County Attorney Tully Shahan told the court. "The main purpose of having a petition that fully identifies each signer of a petition is that you must validate that person's validity to vote."

The Texas Election Code says that valid petitions must include the signer's printed name, date of birth, voter registration number, residence address, signature and date of signing.

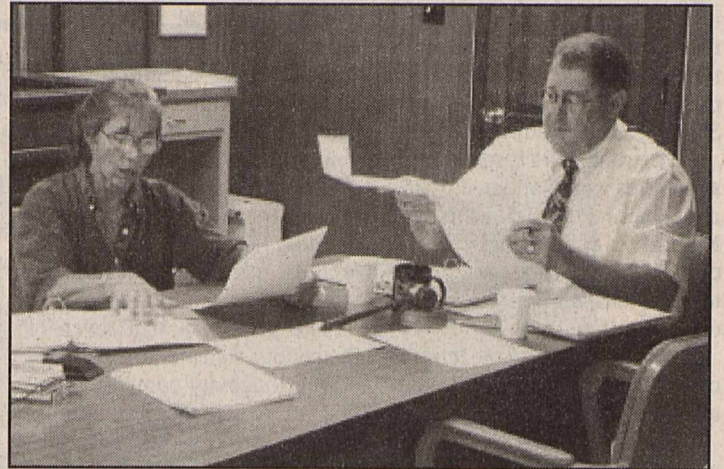
"The petition we were presented only has a printed name and a signed name," Shahan said. "When talking to the Secretary of State's Office, we explained to them what is on the petition, and they said it's not valid."

J.J. Guidry, editor of *The Brackett News* and a former city councilman, presented the petition, signed by 362 citizens, during the Oct. 14 Commissioners Court meeting in opposition to the 12 percent increase of the road and bridge tax rate.

"Several dedicated citizens put in a lot of time and effort obtaining the signatures on the petition," Guidry said. "It was disheartening to have the petition rejected, but we're going to

continue our fight for a rollback election. We object to the fiscal irresponsibility, and we're hoping the citizens will send a resounding message that taxes shouldn't increase when services are already being cut."

Shahan defended the county's stance with the 2002 case of *Withers v. the Commissioners' Court of Bandera County*. "It verifies with a court proceeding that 277 applies," Shahan said.



Looking for validity
Commissioner Francie Wylie (left) and County Judge Herb Senne discuss the petition for a rollback election during a special meeting last week.

He said the petition in that case "included all this other information, but not birthdays. The court said that this section does apply to require the validity of the petition signatures, but they held, because of all the other information that was on the petition, there was enough information there to take this petition and go validate everyone's ability to vote in Bandera County."

County officials plan to restore courthouse

By BILL HAENN
Contributing Writer

Francie Wylie has a dream to restore the Kinney County Courthouse. The Precinct 1 county commissioner shared that vision with the Brackettville Rotary Club last week.

In 1997, then Gov. George W. Bush issued an unprecedented call for the development of a statewide program designed to preserve the unique collection of county courthouses in Texas. His courthouse initiative built on the rich architectural and historical heritage of these buildings, many of which serve as outstanding state and national examples of craftsmanship and design.

In 1998, the National Trust for Historic Preservation joined in the preservation effort by naming the Texas courthouses to their national list of 11 most endangered historic places. The listing brought even more attention to the plight of the state's county courthouse collection.

In response to these and other calls for action, the Texas legislature established the Texas Historic Courthouse Preservation Program, which the governor signed into law in 1999. Funded with an initial appropriation of \$50 million in 1999, an additional \$50 million in 2001 and \$45 million in 2003, it provides for a unique funding partnership between the state and counties that will result in the preserva-

tion and continued utilization of these landmark structures.

The Texas Historical Commission, which has administered courthouse preservation programs since the 1970s through grants, historical designations and mandated architectural reviews, administers the program.

Wylie has taken the initiative to begin the nomination process so the local courthouse may be included in this program. Her first step was to secure Recorded Texas Historic Landmark status for the courthouse.

Wylie made application to the Texas Historical Commission and the courthouse has been recognized as a Recorded Texas Historic Landmark. The historic marker for the courthouse is now being cast at the foundry.

The marker inscription provides a concise history of Kinney County from its formation to the construction of the present courthouse in 1911 and highlights the distinctive architectural character of this venerable public building. This is the text of the marker inscription:

"Human habitation of Kinney County began thousands of years ago. Spanish expeditions through the area began in 1535 and continued throughout the 17th century. An attempt at establishing a Franciscan mission in 1775 failed, as did settlement by Dr. John Charles Beales in 1834.

"Despite the hardships found in the area, Kinney County was



The Kinney County Courthouse nearing completion in the spring of 1911.

carved out of Bexar County in 1850, two years before the U.S. Army opened Fort Clark as a frontier outpost. That same year, in 1852, local inhabitants established the Brackett settlement, named for Oscar B. Brackett who set up a stage stop and freight office to service the stage line from San Antonio to El Paso, and opened a dry goods store.

"Named for early settler and adventurer Henry Lawrence Kinney, Kinney County officials did not formally organize for 21 years, first meeting in Brackett's home in 1873. Brackettville, as the town had come to be called, was chosen as the county seat. Subsequent meetings were held in the Kartes and Co. Building until 1879, when the county's

first courthouse was built. The county used the 1879 building, which later housed a post office and Masonic lodge, until 1911. That year, the county first occupied this courthouse, designed by L.L. Thurmond and Co. of Dallas. Falls City Construction Co. of Louisville, Ky., served as general contractor.

"The Kinney County Courthouse exhibits beaux arts classicism, as seen in its octagonal corner towers and central bell tower, where classical detailing seen the columned entryways are repeated. Buff brick is accented with D'Hanis red brick banding and corner quoins. The Seth Thomas clock in the bell tower completes the building, which, after some alterations,

still demonstrates the massing, style and design selected by the early county commissioners."

Wylie is now applying through the Texas Historical Commission to the Department of the Interior to have the courthouse placed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Wylie appealed to the Rotary Club and the community to join in the effort to restore the courthouse.

What is urgently needed to further establish the historic integrity of the building are more period photographs, and any historic documents connected to the construction of the courthouse such as blueprints, dedication program and the like. All citizens are encouraged to help.

INSIDE

4-H shooters

The Kinney County 4-H Shooting Sports Program will begin Nov. 11 at the range. Several competitions are scheduled this year. Community/Page 4

Netters fall short

The Tigerettes' volleyball season came to an abrupt end Tuesday night. Brackett fell to Blanco in the first round of the state playoffs. Sports/Page 5

Runners win gold

Brackett had five runners finish in the Top 10 Saturday as the Tigerettes claimed top honors at the District 30-2A cross country meet. Sports/Page 5

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Local woodcarver awarded for his passion

Fort Clark club open for those interested in carving

Trent Brown recently returned home from the Texas Woodcarvers Guild's annual Fall extravaganza with his hands full.

The Fort Clark Springs resident entered seven pieces he has done in various carving styles: a stylized mother and child, a realistic duck, two ornamental flowers, a stylized human and two caricatures.

Five of Brown's pieces earned first-place blue ribbons, while two took second place in the competition that featured over 400 woodcarvings. Some of his winning pieces will be featured in an upcoming issue of the National Woodcarvers Magazine *Chip N Chats*.

Brown began carving in 1998. He and his wife, Katie, were staying in Prescott, Ariz., when they saw an article in the local newspaper inviting the public to visit a meeting of woodcarvers.

They decided to attend the meeting, and when they arrived, one of the carvers handed Trent a knife and a "rough out" of a

dog. He has been carving ever since.

In the past five years, Trent has carved everything from caricature figures and realism to birds and flowers.

In 2002, he entered his first competition, along with over 500 other carvers. He took first place in two different stylized divisions and took first place overall in the stylized category.

"His creations never fail to bring a smile or expressions of awe," his wife Katie said.

In their travels, the Browns began to seek out local carver's clubs and attended carver's workshops wherever they went.

Katie soon began wood burning and chip carving. They took classes at various workshops and learned new techniques from other carvers.

What began as a hobby became an obsession. The couple joined the National Woodcarvers, the Texas Woodcarvers Guild, the Colorado Carvers Club and the Pikes Peak Whittlers of Colorado Springs.

In the fall of 2001, Trent

started a local woodcarvers club at Fort Clark Springs and linked it to the Texas Woodcarvers Guild.

The local club now has about 10 regular members with others coming and going with the season.

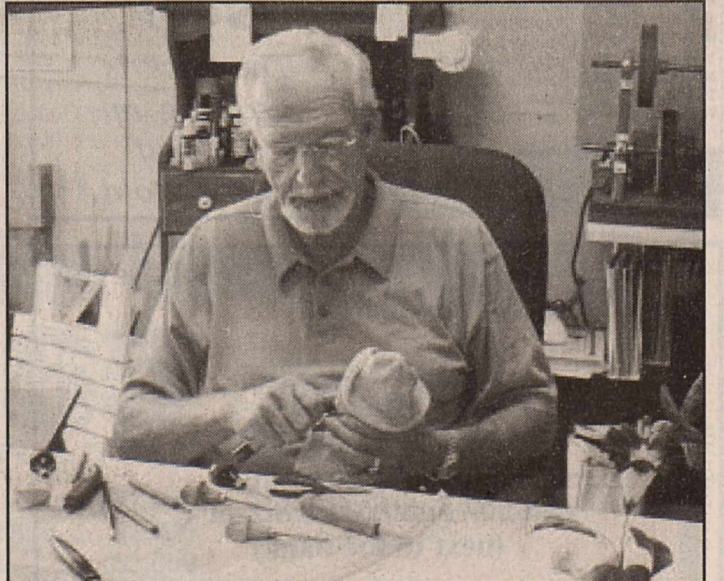
"Most of the members started like Trent did when someone just put a knife in their hands and said carve a boot or a dog," Katie said.

Some, like Katie, started out woodburning and then gradually began carving, integrating the two art forms.

"There are as many women who come to carve as there are men, and each finds that their interest lies in a different aspect of carving," she said.

Even as there are many aspects of carving, there are also lots of mediums to choose from, such as the more commonly used basswood and butternut to tupelo, jeluton, cottonwood bark and other exotic woods.

The club was invited to set up a booth in the living history area of the Fort Clark Springs



Carving it out
Local woodcarver Trent Brown works on a new piece at his residence on Fort Clark Springs.

Days Festival for the past two helps to have a sense of humor."

"Trent is always happy to help a new carver get started," Katie said. "Everyone has a great time."

For more information about the Fort Clark Springs Woodcarvers Club, call the Browns at 563-3455.

EDITORIAL

Demand fiscal responsibility

The Kinney County Commissioners' Court recently found that a petition signed by 362 citizens requesting a rollback election was not valid according to the standards set forth in Article 277.002 of the Texas Election Code.

"The main purpose of having a petition that fully identifies each signer of a petition is that you must validate that person's validity to vote," Tully Shahan, county attorney said.

The ironic part is most of the signatures were validated. Commissioners Pat Melancon, Joe Montalvo and Francie Wylie used the voter registration rolls to send letters to all the signers of the petition.

In their letters, the county officials warned of the consequences of a rollback election.

They pointed out that the general fund is used to operate 90 percent of the county's budget and that it was not subject to a rollback. This is true, but what they didn't tell you is that it isn't eligible for a rollback because it is already at the maximum amount allowable by law.

In the letter from Melancon, he points out that the county generates "revenue from housing federal prisoners in our jail," but the commissioners cut the Sheriff's Office budget by 18 percent. That led to the elimination of two jobs, thereby weakening security at the local jail.

Montalvo's letter said a rollback "could adversely affect the operation and maintenance of some 66 miles of county roads" and that "further reductions will likely result in further loss of

personnel." What we propose is that, instead of raising taxes 12 percent, the commissioners reduce their own salaries and start to reduce the burden of the taxpayers.

Did you know that Montalvo will receive total compensation of \$11,654 for his "civic duty" during this fiscal year? He attends a monthly meeting and earns almost as much as an equipment operator who sweats in the hot sun every day for an annual salary of \$14,058.08.

Montalvo also said "the commissioners gave no raises to anyone this fiscal year other than a nominal monetary allocation for longevity or tenure."

Did you know that seven of the county's elected officials received longevity compensation? Did you realize that the commissioners not only receive a substantial salary, but they also get retirement and health insurance benefits? We're curious if these commissioners ran for office to better our community or to better their financial status.

Speaking of salaries, the county attorney's total compensation this year is \$48,117.23 — that's a 94 percent increase from a salary of \$23,372.49 five years ago. The county judge's total compensation is \$47,887.12 — an 83 percent increase from a salary of \$26,185.76 five short years ago.

Has your salary almost doubled in the last five years?

The citizens of Kinney County spoke through a petition last week. They will speak again. Please join in signing the new petition!

County officials fail to represent constituency



Between Us
Wes Robinson

Last Thursday, the Commissioners' Court passed a resolution invalidating the rollback petition signed by 362 citizens. The resolution, signed by Herb Senne, Francie Wylie and Pat Melancon, states the petition did not meet the requirements of Article 277.002 of the Texas Election Code.

In my opinion, the court used a technicality of law to tell you, their constituency, your opinion doesn't count. It's very reminiscent of the way the court cordially thanked a room full of people who asked them not to cut funding for the trapping program, and then cut it anyway.

The real kicker is three commissioners, Melancon, Wylie and Joe Montalvo, used the petition and the voter registration roll to send letters to the voters of their respective precincts who signed the petition. It seems to me, in the process of doing that, those commissioners validated your signatures and your ability to vote in Kinney County, but like the judge says, they're just "following the law."

There are a few things not mentioned in the letters that I would like to bring to your attention. The reason the tax rate of \$.80, which goes in the general fund, isn't subject to a rollback is because it is already at the maximum amount allowable by law. The only way the county could generate additional tax revenue was to raise the road and bridge tax. How long do you think it will take for them to reach the maximum rate of \$.30 on the road and bridge tax?

Wylie's and Montalvo's letters, in essence, state the commissioners feel it is important to communicate with you about the effects of a rollback and its effect on county operations and services. Where was the communication when the commissioners were cutting services to balance the budget? Is it communication when the people tell you what they want and you ignore what they say? Why are we paying more and getting less?

It is also mentioned that the general fund has subsidized the road and bridge fund. What they didn't tell you is Section

542.402 of the Texas Transportation Code states that a county shall use fines collected for violation of highway law to construct and maintain roads. If you run all of the fine revenue collected through the general fund, then it should be subsidizing the road and bridge fund.

Melancon claims taxes don't always go up. You know what, he's right — the rate on your tax bill doesn't always go up, but that doesn't mean the county doesn't receive more tax revenue. The county's increase is not based off of what they charged you last year. It is based off of the effective rate — that rate is what it would take to produce the same amount of revenue as the previous year. Since the tax base, the amount of taxable value in the county, should increase every year, your rate should go down.

It is a fact that, regardless of the rates charged to you, the county's tax revenue increased 13.99 percent in 2000 and 11.86 percent in 2001. Even when the county adopted the effective rate in 2002, they received a 1.23 percent increase in tax revenue.

Why didn't you mention that, Mr. Melancon?

The words "the county doors are always open" also appear in a couple of the letters. Sounds real good, doesn't it? Unfortunately, it isn't very factual.

"County doors" are open from 8 a.m. to noon and 1 to 5 p.m. weekdays, unless it happens to be one of the 14½ paid holidays enjoyed by county officials and employees. Yes, that's almost three weeks you're paying for but not getting those all important county services.

Now we're getting around to what is apparently important to our county officials — salaries, longevity compensation, retirement, health insurance, holidays and their personal pet projects.

Note that providing services is not listed. How many of you work at jobs where you expect some kind of raise almost every year? How many of you have health insurance? How many of you have retirement plans or three weeks of paid holidays in addition to vacation time?

It seems obvious the reason that the Commissioners' Court pushed so hard to balance the budget was to use any excess for the courthouse restoration project. A rollback would shoot that in the foot, wouldn't it?

Did they ask you if you wanted to spend county funds restoring the courthouse? I don't recall any meetings asking for the public's input. Did the insurance money received for the courthouse ever get spent on repairing the roof? It leaks ever time it rains. Go upstairs and take a look, you'll find a big wet spot on the carpet.

Why did the county spend almost \$4,700 with Expanded Horizons last year? Was all that to clean the Civic Center? Did the commissioners cut that amount in the current budget? Why aren't we using offenders who have to provide so many hours of community service to clean the Civic Center?

Melancon stated in his letter, "Don't believe rumors, lies or hearsay; find out the facts for yourself." He goes on to offer you his assistance in finding those facts.

The nice thing about writing an opinion column or a political letter is you don't have to get confused by all the facts. You only have to interpret the ones you deem are important and present your opinion or spin.

This column contains some facts and so do those letters, but neither contain all the facts. Find your own facts, form your own opinions and create your own spin.

When elected officials choose to represent their interests instead of yours, you usually can't do anything about it until the next election. Fortunately, the "law" provides you recourse in this situation. I encourage you to exercise that right and quit signing blank checks!



Teen Spirit
Shanae Simmons

Viruses attack from all angles

Viruses — these creepy things come in all shapes and sizes. They can attack anything from your immune system to the many electrical devices in your home.

In my unlucky case, a virus attacked my sacred computer. Many have asked where my column has been the last couple of weeks and to that, the prior introduction should help you find your answer.

Not only was my social life missing a great hunk that was always in constant use, I was shocked to find that through its absence, my computer was not a total loss in my heart. Most of the time, I did not really think about its well-being, but rather what homework needed to be done for the evening. This was a first for me, seeing how I have turned procrastination into an art over the years.

In laymen's terms, I was no longer able to surf the web at my free will. Yes, life was definitely missing something without my dear companion.

Interestingly enough, though missing a great tool that was always in constant use, I was shocked to find that through its absence, my computer was not a total loss in my heart. Most of the time, I did not really think about its well-being, but rather what homework needed to be done for the evening. This was a first for me, seeing how I have turned procrastination into an art over the years.

I am quite glad to finally have it back though. I missed its shiny exterior and the click of its keys beneath my fingers.

I have always enjoyed watching the computer as each and every single letter I write appears instantaneously upon my screen.

It is a thrill that older generations would never be able to describe from their youth, but is now experienced everywhere by my own. It is actually quite scary when you think about the amount of hours people, especially teens, spend on computers.

It makes you wonder whether our brains are turning into great gray puddles of smush or whether the position of our hands, as our fingers click the keyboard's keys, is having an affect on our wrists and fingers. Carpal tunnel comes to mind.

I guess it's no better than watching the television, but it really makes one wonder what America's health will be like in 20 years, or at least the condition of our overall intelligence.

Before you know it, we will all be pod people, doing every simple task through machinery, slowly becoming dependent on everything electrical.

What am I saying, aren't we already? Scary when you think about it. Well, I know I will be great. At least until there is another virus that is.

Thanks

The Kinney County Wildlife Damage Management Association would like to thank our fearless cooks, Tom Ertle, Manny Pena, Mark Bland, Alvin McClure, Paul Resendez, Jimmy Ballew, Ronnie Hobbs and Alan McWilliams. The food seems to get better every year. Also, many thanks to local ranchers for rounding up some great wild game for the B-B-Q dinner. Thank you to Charlie Causey, David Mann, C.W. and Edwina Gaebler. We would also like to thank the many people who set up booths and the 4-Hers that brought home baked goods to sell as a part of their Community Service. Without the support of this Community, local and area businesses, we could not have accomplished this successful Hunters Roundup, thank you all for the help.

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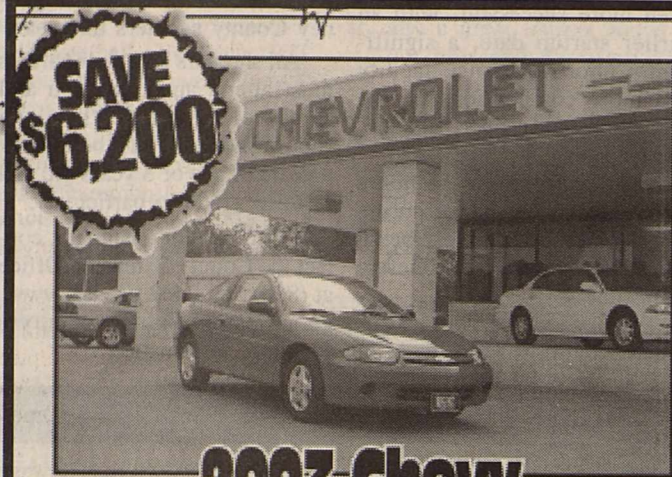
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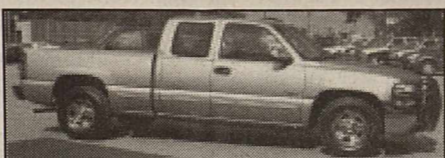
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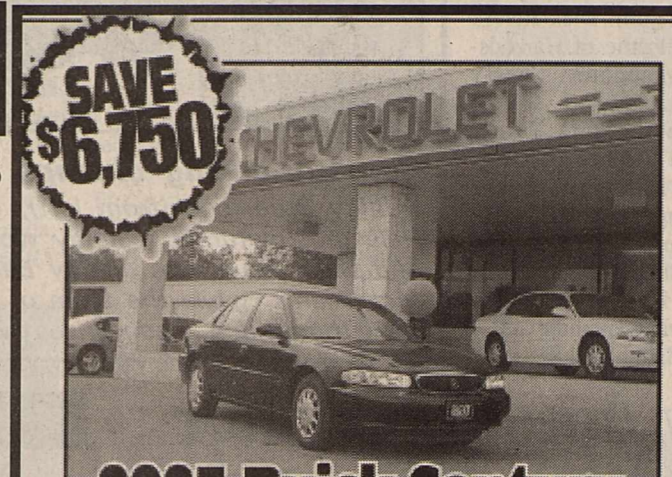


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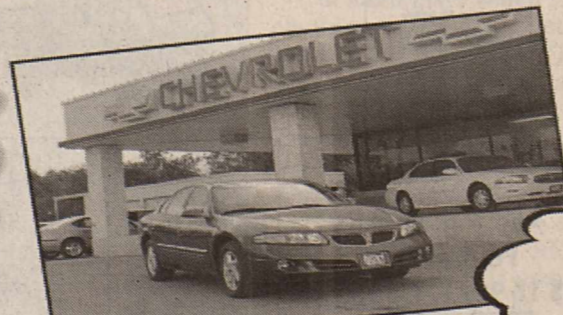
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OBITUARY

Richard Reivitt

Richard "Dick" Reivitt passed away Oct. 27, 2003, in Denver, Colo., from respiratory failure.

Reivitt served in the Navy during World War II. He was a lifetime member of Veterans of Foreign Wars and a member of the Masonic Lodge.

Reivitt and his wife, Norma, moved to Fort Clark Springs in 1992.

Reivitt is survived by his wife: Norma; son: Dick Reivitt Jr. and wife Jamie of Harrodsburg, Ky.; daughter: Sherry Reivitt of Lakewood, Colo.; step-daughters: Debra Turner and husband Stephen of Overland Park, Kan., and Diane Bennington and husband Curt of Arvada, Colo.; sister: Mae Davis and husband Lonzo of Clearwater, Fla.; seven grandsons; one granddaughter and 1 great-granddaughter.



Predator-calling champs

Dudley Braesicke (from left), Cody Edwards, Miles Braesicke and Chad Hale (not pictured) recently won a local predator-calling contest. The second-place team was Jimmy Ballew, Tony Frerich, Ronnie Hobbs and Alan McWilliams, while the team of Ryan Benton, Jared Hobbs and John Wylie took third place. Cash prizes were awarded to the top three teams.

Photo Special to The Brackett News

How does food color affect your taste buds?

There are some things in life that are a set color item. Think about it — ketchup is red, carrots are orange, potatoes are white or orange, and chili is red.

Any of the above items in another color make me cautious. I remember the time my mother accidentally put green food coloring into a 2-gallon pot of chili. I never fully believed, even after finally eating the last bite, that was really chili.

Saying all this, try this chili recipe, which by the way, is very good. And help me decide, is this really chili?

White Chili (for microwave)

- 2 large onions
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 3 cloves minced garlic
- 1 4-ounce can green chilies, chopped
- 2 19-ounce cans cannellini (white kidney) beans, drained
- 1 13 1/2-ounce can chicken broth
- 4 cups cut-up cooked chicken (preferably breast)
- 2 teaspoons ground cumin
- 1 1/2 teaspoon oregano
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon cayenne pepper
- 3 cups grated monterey jack cheese



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salsa
sour cream.
In a 5-quart measure, combine onions, oil and garlic. Cover and microwave at high (100 percent) until tender, five to seven minutes, and then stir.

Add the remaining ingredients, except cheese, salsa and sour cream. Mix well and cover. Microwave on high until boiling, eight to 10 minutes. Stir.

Microwave again at medium (50 percent) for 45 to 55 minutes, stirring several times while cooking. Serve topped with cheese, salsa and sour cream. It serves eight.

Stove top: Saute onions and garlic in oil in 5-quart pot until tender. Add remaining ingredients, minus cheese, salsa and sour cream, and simmer approximately one to two hours. If more broth is desired, dissolve 1 bullion cube in each 8-ounce cup of water.

KINNEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S REPORT

Monday, Oct. 27

6:30 a.m., Maria Elena Abasta, 55, of San Antonio was arrested by DPS Trooper Tony Ashley for driving while license invalid. She was released later the same day after posting a \$1,200 bail bond.

Tuesday, Oct. 28

4:32 p.m., A man reported that someone had broken into his residence west of Brackettville the previous day and stole some can goods, a camera and binoculars. The man believed the intruders were illegal aliens and also reported the incident to Border Patrol agents, who were investigating the incident.

12:19 p.m., A Fort Clark Springs man said he was driving down Gove Street when someone in a brown pick-up truck threw a cup out of the window of the vehicle. The man said that he picked up the cup, drove around the corner and saw the vehicle at a residence on E. Spring Street. The man reported that he told the individuals "here is your cup" and threw it into the yard. He said the individuals kicked it back into the street and then made an obscene gesture toward him.

Wednesday, Oct. 29

5:55 p.m., A Fort Clark man requested assistance in regards to a property dispute with his

estranged wife. Deputy Ron Ring was dispatched to the residence. The man said he had personally taken some explicit photographs of his wife when they were on better terms. He said that she has since asked for them back, but he did not want to return what he claimed was his property. Ring advised the complainant to speak with Judge John Ford about the matter.

7:32 p.m., A woman reported that lights were flashing on one of the dump trucks at the County Barn.

8:18 p.m., A woman reported arguing and fighting at the intersection of Brown and Fulton Street. Deputy Ring was dispatched to the scene. He found a man who he said "was bleeding profusely from a wound in his forehead" after being hit with a beer bottle. EMS transported the man to Val Verde Regional Medical Center in Del Rio. Ring later spoke to the second man, who said he did hit the victim with a beer bottle and then with his fist. He said he hit the man because he was at the individual's residence the day before and the man showed a gun to his wife and bragged about how he was going to shoot someone. He said the next night the man came to his house and threatened to shoot him and his

4-H shooters begin program on Nov. 11

The 2003-04 Kinney County 4-H Shooting Sports Program will begin Nov. 11 at the range.

The 2002-03 year saw several competitive shooters travel to various matches, bringing home lots of medals, plaques and ribbons. Other shooters learned firearms safety and improved their marksmanship skills.

"This year promises to be even more successful, with an earlier startup date, a significantly improved range facility and more competitions on the calendar," said Robert Elledge, county agent.

Significant improvements were made to the range during the summer, the biggest being the construction of a concrete firing line.

The donation of 24 yards of concrete by Amistad Ready Mix,

coupled with a \$1,000 donation from the Rosewood Foundation in honor of Harry White, enabled the construction of the concrete slab.

Previously, shooters had to lay in the dirt to shoot, while their equipment suffered unnecessary deterioration due to the dirt and rocks.

Several competitions are scheduled and available to Kinney County shooters this year.

All shooters and their parents must attend an orientation and safety class before they can shoot. Shooters must be at least 9 years of age or 8 years old and in third grade to participate.

For details or to sign up, contact the County Extension Office at (830) 563-2442 or visit www.geocities.com/kinneycountys for more information.

Friday, Oct. 31

11:02 p.m., A United Central Alarm employee reported an alarm sounding at Burger & Shake on Highway 90. Deputy Cody Shannon was dispatched to the scene. He found that the building was secure.

Saturday, Nov. 1

3:36 a.m., A woman reported a stranded vehicle on Highway 90, about 4 miles east of Brackettville. A wrecker was dispatched to the scene.

3:57 a.m., A Border Patrol agent reported a possible intoxicated motorist on Highway 90, west of Brackettville near the Pinto Creek. The individual had run the off-duty agent off the road.

9:58 a.m., A man reported that a hunter had knocked down a sign near Taco Express. Texas Department of Transportation officials were notified.

1:55 p.m., A woman reported a blue 18-wheeler driving recklessly. DPS Trooper Tony Ashley was notified of the situation.

10:18 p.m., A woman reported that her uncle had threatened her mother's life at her mother's residence on Edwards Street. Deputy Shannon was dispatched to the residence. The woman said she was fine, and that her daughter was intoxicated.

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Tigers looking for a perfect ending

Brackett eyes first undefeated regular season since 1972

By J.J. GUIDRY
Sports Editor

Brackett had a lot to be happy about after its 42-6 victory over Three Rivers Friday. But the real celebration happened later that night.

It wasn't until after the stadium lights were turned off and the field house was empty that the Tigers learned they won the school's first district football title since 1977.

Brackett's win over Three Rivers combined with Dilley's 14-9 upset over Freer gave the Tigers at least a share of the league title. Brackett can win the championship outright tomorrow with a win in Freer, but even with a loss they will enter the playoffs as

the conference's first-place team.

"The kids and the staff were very excited to learn that Dilley had beaten Freer," Tigers coach David Yeager said. "Freer is a very tough place to play and it would have been exciting to go down there and try to win it outright at their place, but now we don't have to worry about that. Winning the district championship is really a great feeling and a tribute to our kids and the assistant coaches. They have done a great job all year."

While the playoff picture is already painted for the Tigers, they're hoping to complete the school's first perfect 10-0 regular season since 1972.

"Our kids are not satisfied, they want 10-0 and to continue winning in

the playoffs," Yeager said. "We had three goals going into the season: to make the playoffs, win district and win in the playoffs."

"We understand that we will face some adversity along the way, but our kids are mentally tough and I think will be persistent in reaching their goal."

Two weeks ago, Freer was tied for first place in the district, but then lost two close games to Natalia and Dilley. Both games were decided in the closing minutes of regulation.

The Buckaroos, tied with Dilley for third place, are now fighting just to advance to the post-season.

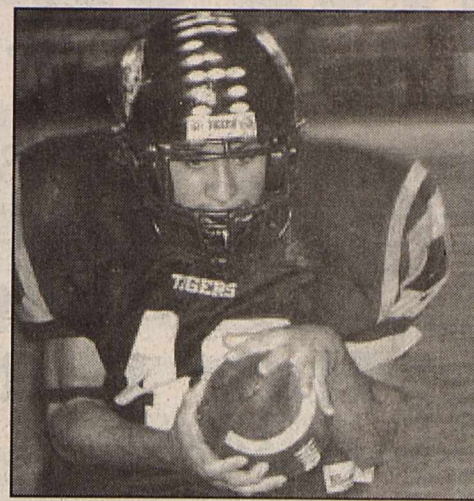
"Freer has lost two really tough games that could have went either

way," Yeager said. "Their backs are against the wall. They must beat us and hope Dilley loses to George West in order to get in. We were in the same predicament last year that they are in now. So they will have their best game ready for us on Friday night."

Freer's offense is led by quarterback J.D. Escobar. The sophomore was 9-of-19 passing for 127 yards against Dilley last week.

"Escobar is an excellent athlete who throws the ball very well," Yeager said. "I do expect them to air it out quite a bit because they throw the ball very well. Their tight end, Marcus Pineda, is a big target."

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Hands on Photo by Danielle Moore
Noe Talamantes and the Tigers have a chance for a perfect season.

BHS runners win district championship

By J.J. GUIDRY
Sports Editor

DILLEY — Brackett had five runners finish in the Top 10 Saturday as the Tigerettes claimed top honors at the District 30-2A cross country meet.

Brackett will now compete in the Region IV meet Saturday morning at 10:50 at UTSA in San Antonio.

"All of the girls did real well," Brackett coach Dusty Brotherton said. "One of our goals was to win the district meet, so we were pleased to come out on top."

"Everyone has worked real hard this year, and we're going to have to continue to work hard and improve to be successful at regionals," he added.

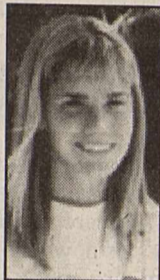
Junior Juliann Ashabranner paced the Tigerettes, finishing first with a time of 12:57. Ashley Smith and Ashley Castillo finished second and third with times of 13:13 and 14:12, respectively.

Rachel Swinson and Jessi Crane also finished in the Top 10. Swinson took fifth after being clocked at 14:39, while Crane was 10th with a time of 14:57.

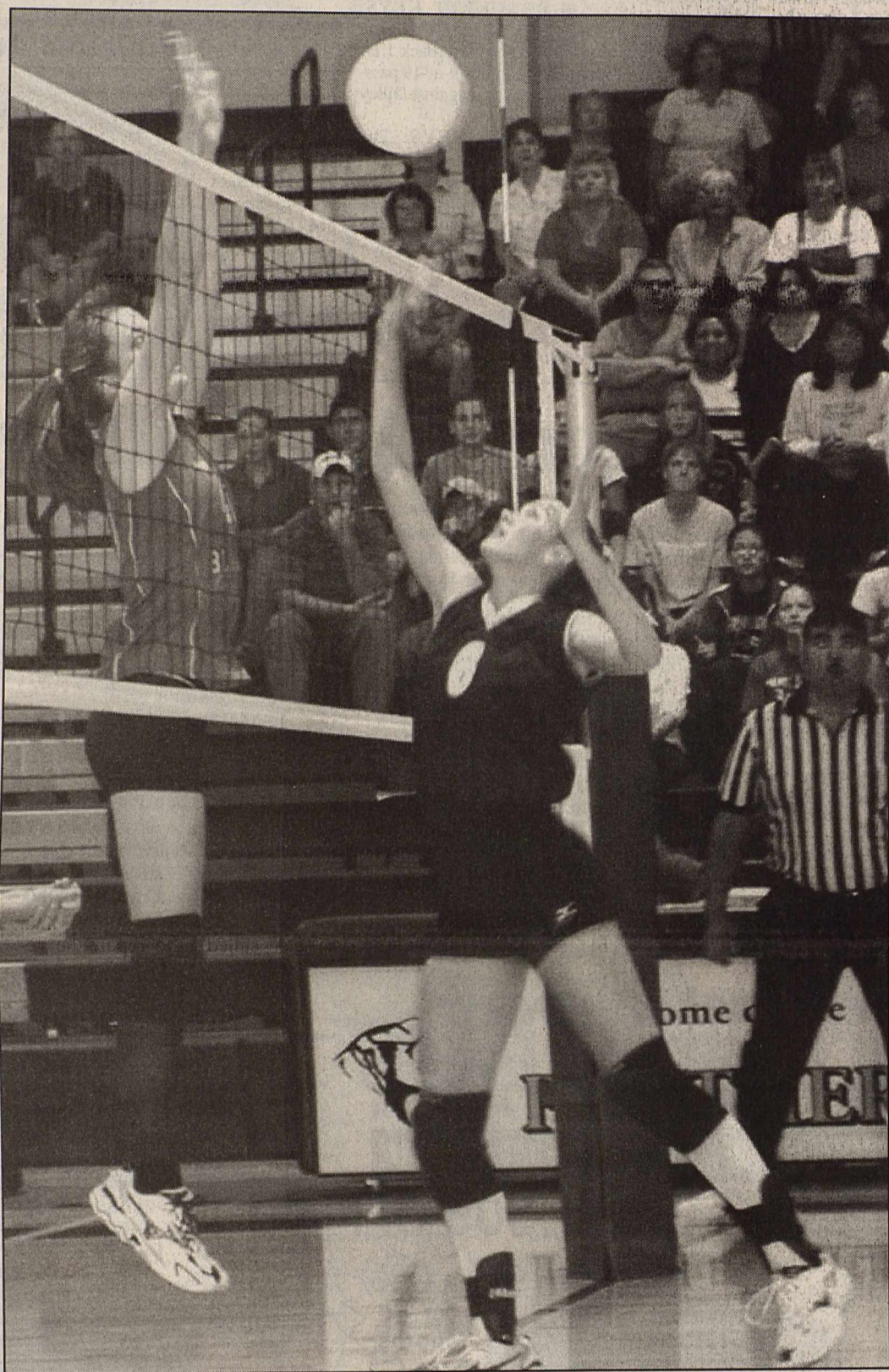
Stephanie Bonner came in 11th after turning in a time of 14:59 and Brandy Smith was 15th with a time of 15:21.

In the junior varsity girls' division, Tanya Molinar and Divina Pena took first and second place, respectively. Molinar was clocked at 15:53, while Pena turned in a time of 17:07.

Justin Calk finished 13th in the varsity boys' division with a 21:17.



Ashabranner



Over the net
Brackett junior Stephanie Bonner (6) scores a point against Blanco Tuesday night during the Tigerettes bi-district game in Castroville.

Photo by Danielle Moore

Volleyball team comes up short in playoff opener

Blanco tops Brackett in three

By J.J. GUIDRY
Sports Editor

CASTROVILLE — The Tigerettes' volleyball season came to an abrupt end Tuesday night. After claiming a share of the district title last week, Brackett came up short in the post-season.

Blanco posted a 25-14, 25-21, 25-17 victory over Brackett in a first-round playoff game at Medina Valley High School.

"These ladies learned a lot this season," said Rhonda Marquardt, completing her first season as the Tigerettes head coach. "They have come a long way since the first day. I thought that they put their whole heart into the game tonight."

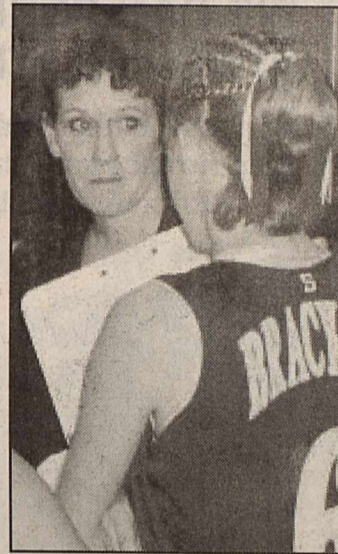
Ashley Smith paced the Tigerettes' offense with five kills. Ashley Castillo and Shanae Simmons both finished with four kills. Courtney Frerich had three, Stephanie Bonner tallied two and Beth Ballew and Amanda Davis each had one.

Davis finished with nine assists, while Bonner had six and Brandy Smith added two.

Brackett served 86 percent in the match. Castillo, Ashley Smith and Brandy Smith all had one ace.

Emily Petrosky led the defense with three digs. Valerie Terrazas finished with two and Bonner had one. Simmons had three blocks in the contest, while Castillo and Frerich had one apiece.

Brackett, Dilley and Natalia all finished tied for the district title. Last Friday, the Tigerettes lost a 25-19, 25-20, 25-18 deci-



Rhonda Marquardt led the Tigerettes to a share of the district title in her first season as Brackett's head volleyball coach.

sion to Natalia in a game to help determine seeding for the playoffs.

Castillo and Simmons both finished with three kills, while Bonner, Castillo, Frerich and Ashley Smith all had two. Bonner and Davis also had four assists, and Timmeke Simmons and Kara Yeager each had one.

Castillo led the defense with 11 digs. Terrazas finished with seven, Petrosky had six, Bonner and Ashley Smith both had four, Davis pitched in three and Frerich added one. Castillo also had three blocks, and Shanae Simmons had one.

Davis and Terrazas both served two aces against Natalia, and Petrosky and Brandy Smith had one apiece.

Strength and conditioning program adds to success of Brackett's athletes

By J.J. GUIDRY
Sports Editor

The Brackett Tigers were leading Natalia by only one point before rallying for two touchdowns in the final minutes of the district opener for both teams on Oct. 11.

The week before, the Tigers fell behind 19-0 to Sonora before responding with 20 unanswered points en route to a one-point win.

"Brackett plays with a lot of confidence," Natalia football coach Michael Fox said. "They got behind in the Sonora game, but it didn't phase them a bit. They just kept pushing until they were right back in it, and they ended up winning it."

"Brackett's coaching staff does a great job in the off-season getting those kids prepared to play on Friday nights."

With a 9-0 record and hopes of the team's first district championship since 1977, head football coach David Yeager credits a lot of the team's success to the school's strength and conditioning program.

"There is no doubt that our strength and conditioning program is one of the main reasons we are having success in all of our sports, football especially," said Yeager, who also serves as

Brackett's athletic director.

"Our athletes feel that, when they step on the field of competition, they have the edge on their opponent because of what they have done in our weight room. Our program builds mental toughness, as well as physical strength," he added.

The success of the strength and condition program has spread to all of Brackett's athletic programs, including volleyball. The Tigerettes won a share of the district title last week.

"Aside from not making me have to think about what I should do in the weight room — which is what I love the most about it — I feel that our girls are much stronger than most of our opponents," Brackett volleyball coach Rhonda Marquardt said. "I know we have the best looking bodies on the court."

Brackett averaged 33 athletes for daily strength and conditioning workouts over the summer, and 23 athletes made 70 percent or more of the workouts.

"I thought our summer training was a huge success for us this year," said Andy Dickson, Brackett's strength and conditioning coach. "Athletes made it a priority to get up to the field house during the workout sessions if they were in town."

"At many times, coaches and athletes worked out together. I feel this builds a closer relationship between player and coach."

The summer program is designed to train an athlete for the upcoming rigors of an entire season. A typical summer workout lasts for two hours, compared to in-season training that may last for 20 minutes.

"Off-season has changed so much," said Brandy Smith, a sophomore on the Tigerettes volleyball team. "In the seventh grade, all our running was done in the gym. We would hardly ever lift, and when we did, we didn't know how."

"These past two years have improved so much, and I've gotten so much out of it. We now know how to actually lift right, unlike the years before. And the running has helped us too because it has improved our quickness in every sport we play."

Athletes that trained consistently over the summer went up on average 46 pounds in their three lifts of power clean, squat and bench press, Dickson said.

Senior Glenn Morgan set three school lifting records in the summer with a power clean of 295 pounds, a squat of 485 and a bench press of 335. He's shined during the football season as well, rushing for 1,200

yards and 18 touchdowns through the first nine games.

"The summer program has helped us immensely," Morgan said. "We all feel so much stronger and faster when we step on the field."

Dickson is in his third year at Brackett High School. He previously worked as an assistant strength and conditioning coach at Sam Houston State University.

He coached five players at Sam Houston State that have gone on to the NFL: Keith Davis of the Dallas Cowboys, Matt Dominguez of the Denver Broncos, Keith Heinrich of the Carolina Panthers, Kevin Pesek of the Washington Redskins, and Greg Studdard of the New York Giants and Atlanta Falcons.

Dickson is a member of the National Strength and Conditioning Program, and was an assistant presenter at the National Strength Conference last January in New Orleans.

"Coach Dickson is probably the most loyal, hard-working person I've ever been around," Yeager said. "He's always very positive and he's a great teacher."

"He leads by example. He's not afraid to get his hands dirty and sweat with the kids. He really likes his job and he truly cares about the kids," he added.

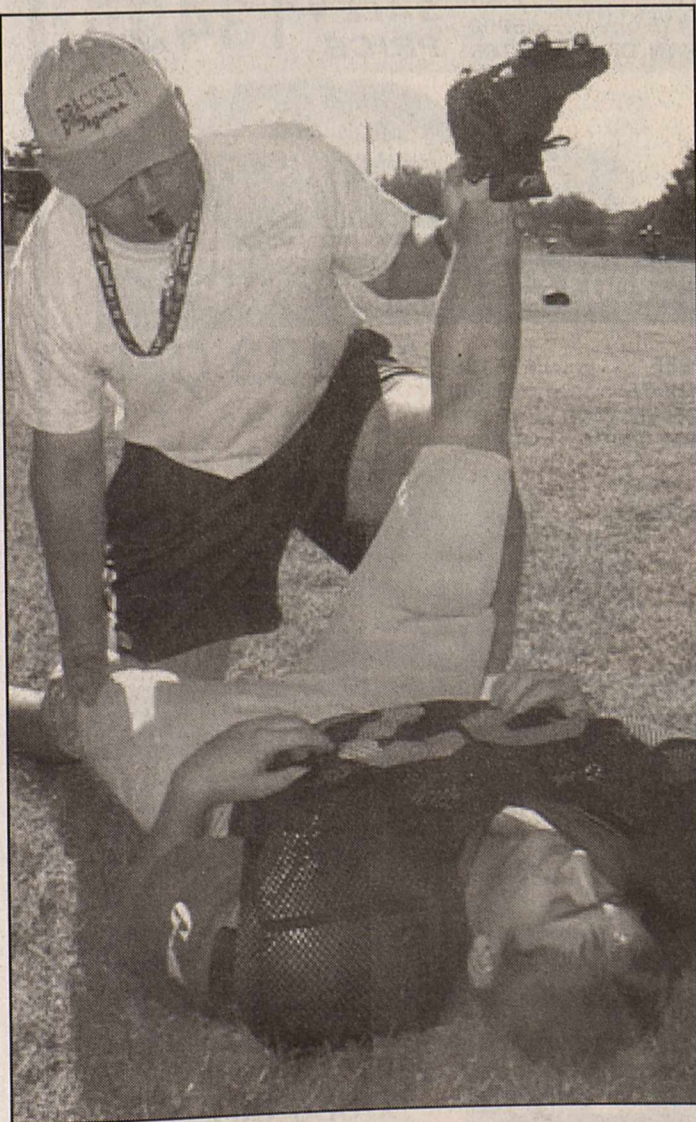


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Loosening up
Tigers coach Andy Dickson stretches Cody Edwards prior to football practice on Tuesday. Dickson is in his third year as Brackett's strength and conditioning coach.

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**Tigers look
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"I feel our secondary and outside linebackers must play very well for us to have a chance. Our defensive line and inside linebackers have to apply some heat and not give him too much time or he will hurt us," he added.

Brackett's power running game is led by seniors Glenn Morgan and Tony Rosetti. Morgan has rushed 1,200 yards and 18 touchdowns on 147 attempts, while Rosetti has 650 yards rushing and five TDs on 100 totes.

Junior running back Noe Talamantes rushed for a career-high 116 yards on eight carries last week. He has 439 yards and five touchdowns on 46 carries this season.

Tigers quarterback Kody Yeager, also a junior, is 19-of-35 passing for 329 yards with eight touchdowns and two interceptions.

Brackett will be facing a tough eight-man front from the Buckaroos' defense.

"They like to bring a lot of different blitzes," Yeager said. "Physically, they got after us pretty good last year and I think it will be a very physical game again this year."

**Brackett
at Freer**

Friday, 7:30 p.m.

Scouting Report

THE LAST MEETING: Jared Hobbs hit Dietrich Davis on a 6-yard touchdown pass with 1:17 left to lift Brackett to a 20-15 come-from-behind win over the district champion Freer Buckaroos.

Hobbs' game-winning touchdown pass to Davis capped a 75-yard, 11-play scoring drive. Brackett took advantage of four Freer penalties during the drive. The Buckaroos finished with 13 penalties for 105 yards, while the Tigers were flagged five times for 25 yards.

Brackett tallied 14 first downs and 184 offensive yards, including 172 rushing yards, while Freer had 10 first downs and 212 yards.

BRACKETT KEYS: The Tigers' defense will have to stop Freer quarterback J.D. Escobar, who was 9-of-19 passing for 127 yards against Dilley last week.

FREER KEYS: The Buckaroos will have to be disciplined on defense to contain the Tigers' wide-open offense, led by senior running backs Glenn Morgan and Tony Rosetti.

THE LINE: The Harris Ratings System has the Tigers listed as a 25-point favorite over the Buckaroos.

Team Rosters

Brackett Tigers				Freer Buckaroos			
No.	Player	Pos.	Cl.	No.	Player	Pos.	Cl.
2	Jaime Puente	RB/S	12	1	LeRoy Garza	TE/LB	12
3	Tony Rosetti	RB/LB	12	2	Benny Garza	QB/DB	12
7	Kody Yeager	QB/S	11	3	Jacob Rangel	RB/LB	12
9	Tillman Davis	SM/CB	11	4	Kevin Evans	SE/LB	11
11	Tres Rueda	TE/LB	10	5	Eli Martinez	SE/DB	11
20	Cody Edwards	RB/CB	11	6	Ramon Leal	RB/LB	11
26	Evaristo Villarreal	SM/CB	11	7	Tress Stewart	QB/FS	11
28	Miles Braesicke	RB/LB	10	8	J.D. Escobar	QB/FS	10
30	Glenn Morgan	FB/LB	12	9	Albert Martinez	TE/LB	10
35	Mark Kesteloot	FB/LB	11	10	Justin Hurt	RB/LB	10
40	Noe Talamantes	RB/S	11	21	Pedro Ochoa	QB/LB	12
44	Dietrich Davis	TE/DE	12	22	Rey Aguilon	SE/LB	12
50	Arnold Pinales	OL/LB	12	32	Hector Narvaiz	SE/DB	11
51	Tony Jamail	OL/DE	12	40	Jerry Diaz	SE/LB	12
52	Gumaro Martinez	OL/LB	10	44	LeRoss Garza	TE/DL	12
54	Whitney Massingill	OL/DE	11	45	Justin Garcia	SE/DB	12
55	David Samaniego	OL/DT	12	50	Gabriel Martinez	OL/DL	12
61	Lito Escamilla	OL/LB	11	52	Ricky Villarreal	OL/DL	12
64	Rolando Ortiz	OL/DE	11	63	Chaney Alanis	OL/DL	12
68	Oscar Sierra	OL/DE	11	67	Sammy Esparza	OL/DL	12
75	Jason Smith	OL/NG	12	70	Eric Perez	OL/DL	11
78	Eli Woolsey	OL/DE	12	71	Michael Torres	OL/DL	12
81	Star Smith	SM/CB	11	74	Robert Uribe	OL/DL	12
				75	Dominic Bazan	OL/DL	12
				76	Manuel Moncada	OL/DL	11
				81	Benjie Townsend	SE/DB	12
				82	Marcos Pineda	TE/DL	12
				83	Orlando Benavides	SE/DB	12



Projected Starters

Brackett		Freer	
OFFENSE	DEFENSE	OFFENSE	DEFENSE
QB Yeager	LE D. Davis	QB Escobar	LE Alanis
FB Morgan	N Massingill	FB Ls Garza	LT Villarreal
TB Talamantes	RE Woolsey	HB B Garza	RT Esparza
HB Rosetti	SLB Pinales	SE Stewart	RE Pineda
SM T. Davis	MLB Morgan	LT Bazan	LLB Ochoa
LT Ortiz	WLB Kesteloot	LG Villarreal	RLB Hurst
LG Massingill	RLB Rosetti	C G Martinez	WLB Garcia
C Martinez	LC T. Davis	RG Uribe	LC Narvaiz
RG Woolsey	RC Edwards	RT Moncada	RC Evans
RT J. Smith	SS Puente	TE Pineda	SS Ly Garza
TE D. Davis	FS Talamantes	WR Narvaiz	FS B Garza

J.V. Tigers sting Yellowjackets

Miles Braesicke, Clyde Adams and Ivan Pinales combined for 234 yards rushing to lead Brackett to a 32-7 win over Sabinal on the road last Thursday in J.V. football action.

Braesicke finished the contest with 93 yards, including a 1-yard touchdown. Adams rushed for 74 yards with a 32-yard TD. Pinales tallied 67 yards and scored on touchdown runs of 24 and 5 yards, respectively.

Robert Davis led the Tigers' defense with two interceptions, one of which he returned 96 yards for a touchdown.

With the win, the Tigers im-

prove to 7-2 on the season. They close their season today with another game against Sabinal. Kickoff is set for 4 p.m.

Junior High Cross County
The Cubettes took first place honors at the district cross country meet Saturday in Dilley.

Daphne Hunt finished first overall with a time of 13:49. Harmony Pettett and Julie Castillo were second and third with times of 14:33 and 14:49, respectively.

Elva Garcia and Natalie Aguirre also finished in the Top 10. Garcia was fifth with a time of 15:18 and Aguirre finished

ROUNDUP

10th with a 16:06.

Bianca Terrazas took 11th with a time of 16:11, Bianca Stewart was 12th with a 16:15, Heather Baggett was 14th with a 16:38 and Jessica Garza finished 17th with a 16:47.

In the boys' division, K.J. Bonner placed 10th overall after turning in a time of 15:41.

Junior High Football
Fermin Villanueva rushed for 186 yards on nine carries and scored three TD runs last Thursday to lead the Cubs to a 28-0 win over Batesville on the road.

Villanueva scored on touchdown runs of 9, 72 and 30 yards, respectively, to lead Brackett, which is now 4-1-1 on the year.

Travis Bonner returned the opening kickoff 70 yards for a touchdown and Scott Thourout rushed six times for 71 yards.

Jared Harris and Chris Seargeant helped secure the shutout for the Cubs after tackling a Batesville runner on the 4-yard line, keeping him out of the end zone.

Brackett will face Batesville again tonight at 5:30 in their last game of the season at Tiger Stadium.

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1 Juice	37 Lose one's footing	69 Intelligence	27 Qualified
6 Broad, thick piece	39 Pack rat	DOWN	28 Part of the circulatory system
10 High school class	41 Valley	1 Smooth-talking	29 Poe subject
14 Star of TV's Alice	42 ___ code	2 Asian or Caucasian	32 Places of welcome relief
15 Nearly midnight	44 Car	3 Fervent	34 300-plus-pounder
16 Word in Texas' nickname	46 Charge	4 White House resident (1853-57)	35 Nautical term
17 Colder	47 'He is ___!'	5 ___ in; joins	36 Augur
18 Opinion	49 Roof support	6 Slippery matter	38 Spouses
19 ___ Major	51 Facial features, for some	7 Boys	40 Less common
20 Sleeping places	54 Vegas activity	8 Lunched	43 Fibbed
22 Maiden	55 Blake of Gunsmoke	9 Like some evening bags	45 Pram pushers
24 Helpful hint	56 Dawns	10 Unscrupulous rent collector	48 Spring
25 Opposite of replenish	60 Only	11 Mount	50 Weakness
26 Judicial pounders	61 Fly	12 First stage	51 Oliver Twist, e.g.
29 Western event	63 Type of 49 Across	13 Noted clergyman	52 Last
30 Pres. Johnson's predecessor	64 Role in Frankenstein	21 Removes forcibly	53 Exodus figure
31 Greek porticoes	65 Award	23 Mocks	54 North ___
33 Fem. titles	66 Run to Gretina Green	25 Gave medicine to	56 Common street name
	67 Girls' nicknames	26 Sound of astonishment	57 Bright light
	68 15th-century ocean		58 Openings
			59 Pintail duck
			62 Broad sash

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: **DANCES**

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Nov 6.....Rayann Bartkowiak	Nov 7.....Mary Jane Meek
Nov 6.....Rose Cervantes	Nov 7.....Shelley Naylor
Nov 6.....Lynn Floyd	Nov 8.....Stacey Ashabranner
Nov 6.....David Luna	Nov 8.....Severo Galvan
Nov 6.....Joel Terrazas	Nov 8.....Eddie Paiz
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Nov 7.....Veronica Gonzales	Nov 10.....James Bullock
Nov 7.....Linda Hidalgo	Nov 10.....Sara Terrazas
Nov 7.....Ernestine Luna	Nov 10.....Carlos Tomez
Nov 7.....Duke Meek	Nov 10.....Debbie Ward
Nov 11.....Dimple Henry	

Roaring Twenties Solution:

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| 1. Ballet | 11. One-step |
| 2. Fox trot | 12. Polka |
| 3. Hora | 13. Quadrille |
| 4. Hula | 14. Reel |
| 5. Jig | 15. Rumba |
| 6. Jitterbug | 16. Samba |
| 7. Limbo | 17. Tango |
| 8. Macarena | 18. Twist |
| 9. Mazurka | 19. Two-step |
| 10. Minuet | 20. Waltz |

QUADRILLES OS

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HOROSCOPES

by Charles Cooper

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Watch your use of credit cards this week. You'll be tempted to charge more than you can afford. At work, an unexpected crisis brings out the best in you.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Your focus this week is on what's going on at home. While distracting, you still accomplish much at work. By week's end, you prefer quiet time over socializing.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You're a bit off-kilter as the week begins. For some reason, your energy level is down. Seek ways to correct this.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You can relax this week. The decisions you made at work last week were correct. Thus, progress is being made swiftly.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You need to focus on the bigger picture. Getting bogged down by minor details won't do this week. Over the weekend, a minor disagreement is possible with a loved one.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) You're enthusiastic about an innovative idea you've come up with. However, co-workers aren't impressed. Feel free to go it alone and present it to higher-ups by yourself.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You're not always gracious when it comes to accepting help from others. This isn't the week to be proud. You need help, so just admit it.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A friend's request takes you by surprise. Feel free to turn this down. This person is completely out of line.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Avoid a tendency to wallow in self-pity this week. No one finds this attractive. In fact, instead of sympathy, you're liable to be met with disdain.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) This isn't the week to go on a shopping expedition with your mate. You just won't be able to agree on what's needed for the household. This weekend, indulge in spontaneous recreational activities.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Bigwigs pile work on you this week. Roll up your sleeves and get to it. Obviously, they trust your judgment.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You're taken by surprise by an unexpected guest. Try to be as gracious as possible. This person has a good reason for just dropping in.

Thank veterans for freedom

The first week in November holds a holiday that not too many people in America celebrate — Veteran's Day.

But I celebrate it every time I climb the three small steps to the pulpit on Sunday mornings. I give a little prayer of thanks to God that I have the liberty to preach freely and testify without fear.

I am a Christian in America, and there is nowhere I know of that Christians have the freedoms they enjoy in America.

I get frequent letters from my fellow pastor and friend in India, Paul, who has to worry about assassination attempts for preaching among Hindu and Muslim villages in his country.

Religious extremists nearly succeeded on more than one occasion, most recently beating him into submission with a metal pipe and leaving him to die.

On another occasion, they

poisoned his children, who by God's mercy recovered.

Paul is the only Christian preacher for many miles around. He often rides 160 miles or more on a dilapidated motorcycle to preach to all of his congregations — that is, when he has gas money and the motorcycle is working.

The sad part is that my friend Paul's story isn't that unique: I read of fellow pastors in China who report they must carefully watch the topics they preach or face imprisonment. Christian ministers in North Korea are suffering not only government oppression, but also the effects of a severe shortage of food.

How different are my Sunday mornings! After a healthy breakfast and the latest news report, I drive my reliable car to the church and preach on whatever topic I like, secure in the knowledge no law enforcement officer



First United Methodist Church

Rev. Roger Baker

will burst through the door unless he wants to be certain of a good seat near the back.

I type up my church membership roster, knowing no secret police will use it to interrogate my congregation. I sing hymns that describe Christ as a King, a leader, a conqueror, and never worry that I will be tried for sedition or treason.

There is a group of young people, mostly under the age of 30, who make this possible. They wear a uniform and willingly put their lives on the line. They give up their arms and legs, their youth and sanity, and

sometimes even their lives. They give us freedom to worship, freedom of speech and freedom to assemble. It's that simple.

Jesus said: "Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends." (John 15:13)

Our community is filled with veterans that were willing to show that greatest love. Our courthouse lawn and our school offices have monuments to those who made the ultimate sacrifice in love. Our community cherishes the many sons and daughters who protect those freedoms today, and we pray for them.

At First Methodist Church, we exercise the rights we have in America to worship God and give thanks for the gift of Jesus Christ. Join us this Sunday at 10:45 a.m. as we celebrate the freedoms of religion, speech and assembly purchased for us by the "greater love" of our veterans.

If you are willing and listen, you will learn

"Billy, have you finished your homework? I hear the TV. Remember, no TV 'til the homework is done," Lori said, raising her voice to be heard.

"Yes, Mom," Billy answered. "Just not the math. The problems are too hard."

"Turn off the TV and come to the kitchen table. We'll do the math together and I'll check the rest of your work," Lori said.

Billy willingly complied, thinking he had a chance to get his mother to do his math problems.

"Look at these problems, Mom. Nobody in my class is able to do them," he said.

Lori looked at the problems and then spoke: "Billy, for someone so smart as you they should not be very hard."

"Mom, it has nothing to do with being smart. They're too hard," Billy exclaimed.

"Well," said Lori, "if it has nothing to do with being smart, then it must have to do with how hard you work."

"But I work hard," Billy protested. "I still don't get 'em right."

"What would happen if all the problems were easy?" Lori asked.

Billy beamed: "I'd get 'em all right and get a good grade."

"I see," Lori said thoughtfully. "With easy problems



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you would get a good grade, but you would have learned nothing. It must be that you are not willing.

"Long ago a very wise man said, if you're willing, you'll learn," she concluded. (Sirach 6:32)

Billy pointed to the problems in his homework: "OK Mom, do these and then I'll know how to do them."

Lori laughed: "If I do your problems, then you would learn nothing."

"Yeah, but I'd get a good grade," Billy exclaimed.

"Ah, so you would," Lori said. "But the grade would be mine. Now listen and I'll ask you some questions to guide you through the first problem and then you do the second one on your own. Let's see if you listen. The wise man also said if you listen, you will learn." (Sirach 6:33)

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.

Mother Teresa has changed the world

My dear brothers and sisters of Brackettville,

Rejoice you people of God for you have a new Blessed! Mother Teresa of Calcutta was beautified this day in St. Peter's Square by Pope John Paul III. This is the final step before she is to be canonized a saint.

What a glorious day it was. I was given the honor of singing in the Vatican choir only a short distance behind the high altar and our dear Holy Father.

As the rays of the sun pierced through the dispersing, early morning clouds and I looked out over the mass of pilgrims gathered for this great celebration, it seemed I was stealing a glimpse of the heavenly wedding feast.

There were people from every race and tongue, every nation and people. Egypt and Mexican flags waving, Philippines, Nigeria, Germany, faces from the East, people shouting in Russian, "We love you Holy Father ... We love you Mother Theresa."

The sea of souls was spotted throughout by white saris with



Postcard Home

Brother Henry Clay Hunt III

blue stripes as the Missionary of Charity sisters came from all over the world to honor their founder and servant.

As I watched, I pondered the life of this woman who has touched so many. A woman small and poor, quiet and humble, little and yet moved mountains.

What was it about her? How did she go about changing the world and men's hearts? What was it that fueled a woman who once said, "I am only a broken stub of a pencil, but God writes love letters with me."

Many saw the fruit of her work, which continues to blossom and bear new fruit, and I write to share with you what inspired her and gave her the strength to do this work.

She built on the pillars of our

Lord and Our Lady. She lived on the Eucharist and Mary taught her the depths of the mysteries of our faith as she prayed the rosary.

She and her sisters prayed two hours in front of the Blessed Sacrament and had Holy Mass before they began their daily work. Then in the afternoon, again before the Blessed Sacrament, they would contemplate the face of Christ in these they had served as they prayed the mysteries of Our Lord in the rosary.

They found joy in service. A simple way, yet more profound than our minds can even fathom ... the faith, the way that Christ gave. Blessed are they...

This is a prayer that Mother prayed for us:

"My prayer for each of you that you be only all for Jesus through Mary. Mary, give me your heart so beautiful, so pure, so immaculate, your heart is so full of love and humility that I may be able to receive Jesus in the Bread of Life and love Him as you love Him and serve Him in the distressing disguise of the

poor.

"Mary, Mother of Jesus, be a Mother to me now. Mary, Mother of Jesus, help me to be pure and humble like you, because I want to be holy and pleasing to the blessed Trinity as you were and are.

"Let us ask Our Lady to give us her heart, so beautiful, so pure, so immaculate to love Jesus, that we may be able to receive Jesus in the bread of life and love him in the distressing disguise of the poor."

This is Mother Teresa's way, and I know it to be true for it is the same path I have come to know. It is where I began and it is what has brought me thus far. It is what will bring me to where I need to go and bring to completion the good work He has begun. His grace is sufficient.

May each of you tether your vessels to the pillars of the Eucharist and Mary. God be with you and Our Lady be your shield.

From Rome,
Br. Henry Clay Hunt III
S.O.L.T.

How many are there? And why so many?

By Rev. Cornelius J. Scanlan
St. Mary Magdalene Church

It happened to me some years ago while on a trip by automobile to the west coast from the Houston area. One morning, after an overnight in Casper, Wyo., and before beginning the next segment of the journey, I entered one of those large grocery stores to pick up some food items for the next leg of the trip.

As I made my way down one line stocked with only one variety of groceries, I heard a woman say to me, "I don't know what to get anymore. There are

so many different ones."

Both of us were in the breakfast and cereal aisle made up of a display, three shelves high and at least as long as those we have seen in the HEB and Wal-Mart stores of Del Rio. We both saw some 40 to 60 different varieties of breakfast cereals.

Then last week, while in San Antonio, the thought occurred to me to list the various automobile models in one particular parking lot. The lot itself is capable of accommodating 70 to 80 automobiles. At the time, it held approximately 45 cars.

Even though I did not cover

the entire parking lot, I noted seven different makes (Chevrolet, Ford, Toyota, etc.) and 21 distinct models.

And, as you know, there are many more individual models among the output of how many automobile manufacturers?

And let's not forget the claim of so many providers of consumer goods: "It's all new" when it actually is not. Not all, not the entire product.

Did these manufacturers really start from scratch?

This reality could easily bring to mind what Jesus of Nazareth said on one occasion,

"For the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light."

The advertising agencies are shrewd enough to be able to tap into the built-in restlessness of our makeup, all to realize a monetary profit. It was a man, some 1,600 years ago, Augustine by name, who observed: "Our hearts are restless, O Lord, until they rest in thee."

Hopefully, eventually, we may be able to make the switch from the "all new" of the advertisers to the "all new" to which our restlessness draws us to.

God's law is the truth

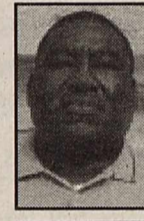
"Thy testimonies are wonderful: therefore doth my soul keep them. The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple.

"I opened my mouth, and panted; for I longed for thy commandments. Look thou upon me, and be merciful unto me, as thou usest to do unto those that love thy name.

"Order my steps in thy word: and let not any iniquity have dominion over me. Deliver me from the oppression of man: so will I keep thy precepts.

"Make thy face to shine upon thy servant; and teach me thy statutes. River of waters run down mine eyes, because they keep not thy law. Righteous art thou, O Lord, and upright are thy judgments.

"Thy testimonies that thou hast commanded are righteous and very faithful. My zeal hath



St. John's Missionary Church

Rev. Bill Adams Sr.

consumed me, because mine enemies have forgotten thy words. Thy Word is very pure: therefore thy servant loveth it.

"I am small and despised; yet do not I forget thy precepts. Thy righteousness is an everlasting righteousness, and thy law is the truth.

"Trouble and anguish have taken hold on me: yet thy commandments are my delights. The righteousness of thy testimonies is everlasting: give me understanding, and I shall live." (Psalm 119:129-144)

Praise God!

All Saint's Sunday celebrates the faithful witnesses of the church

In many of our churches, we celebrated All Saint's Sunday last Sunday.

Some might think that this Sunday was spent worshipping saints in an idolatrous manner. But nothing could be farther from the truth.

All Saint's Sunday celebrates the great cloud of faithful witnesses throughout the generations of the Christian Church.

We celebrate all the baptized who, through their baptism, are called to live out their Christian witness as Christ's saints.

We celebrate not only the contributions of the Apostles and other martyrs, but also innumerable Sunday School teachers, lecturers, altar guild, missionaries, pastors, communion assistants, parents, evangelists, you name it.



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Nathan Lafrenz

Imagine the church as a womb out of which has been born and nurtured faithful, who have contributed so much to the life of the church and have truly been leaven in the world.

Out of the womb of the church we have had saints who have contributed incredibly beautiful artwork, music, poetry and prose.

Come and worship with the saints of St. Andrew's and Our Redeemer churches each Sunday morning at 9 and 11 a.m.

Thank You

The family of Juanita Gomez would like to thank everyone that helped out for the benefit cake walk. We appreciate everyone's help in making it successful.

Thank You,
The Gomez Family

Thank You

The family of Richard (Dick) Reivitt wishes to thank everyone for their prayers, phone calls and cards during our long struggle with Dick's declining health. Thank You for your love and support.

Thank You

We wish to thank the Brackettville Volunteer Fire Department and everyone who helped make our benefit a success.

Rodolfo Castilla family

Thank You Thank You

A Special Thank You to all those who helped make the 10/19 Benefit BBQ for Ben Terrazas Jr. a great success! May you have a very Special Thanksgiving Holiday!

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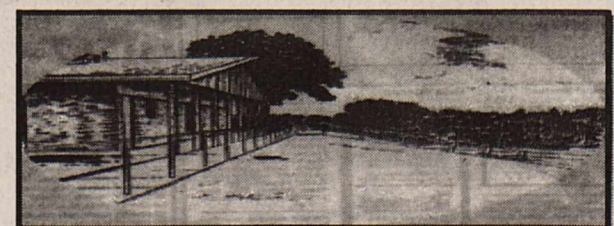
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MSRP\$15830
REBATE\$1500
BROWN DISC.....\$800

13,530*

OR .9% for 60 Months

2003 Frontier King Cab

#2392

MSRP\$16205
REBATE\$2500
BROWN DISC.....\$1169

\$12,536*

OR .9% for 60 Months

2003 Frontier CREW CAB

#2431, 2398

MSRP\$19656
REBATE\$2500
BROWN DISC.....\$1100

16,056*

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