

THE JUNCTION EAGLE

The Land of Living Water

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2010 All District Softball Team Selections

Co-Offensive Player of the Year, All West Texas New Comer and Academic All-District: Chelsi Davis, freshman;

Defensive Player of the Year and All West Texas Infield: Morgan Wellmann, senior;

1st Team and All West Texas Infield: Sheyanne Smith, senior;

1st Team: Desirae Newbury, junior; Kalea Simon, freshman; and April Gipson, junior.

2nd Team: Shelby Lawler, junior and Mary Whitworth, sophomore--She is also Academic All-District.

Academic All-District: Hanna Braneff, freshman; Olivia Kneese, freshman; Gabby Lawhon, freshman; Tayler Wright, freshman; Kate McLain (Fluty), freshman; and Paige Townsend, freshman



Morgan Wellmann



Chelsi Davis



Sheyanne Smith



Desirae Newbury



April Gipson



Kalea Simon



Shelby Lawler



Mary Whitworth



Paige Townsend

Athletic Physicals
July 17
8 a.m.-noon
High School Gym

- Junction ISD students only.
- Physicals will be free on this day only.
- All incoming 7th, 9th and 11th grade athletes will need a physical or anyone new to Junction ISD.



Hanna Braneff



Olivia Kneese



Gabby Lawhon



Tayler Wright



Kate McLain (Fluty)

JISD board ranks order of cafeteria contractors

Hires still more personnel in two called meetings

Sarah Harrison
The Junction Eagle

The JISD Board of Trustees met in special session on June 30 with President Cody Plumley presiding. Five members were in attendance with Allen Castleberry and Bob Chapman absent.

The motion was made and seconded to accept the budget as presented. This motion passed unanimously.

The next order of business was to approve hiring/accept resignations of personnel. Kevin Croft was the sole resignation presented. Interviews of potential new staff members were conducted by a committee consisting of three classroom teachers, counselor, the campus secretary and the middle school and high school principals.

The motion was made and seconded to approve the committee's recommendation of Dana Davis as the new elementary principal. This motion was unanimously approved.

Then the motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved to accept the following new teachers: Renee Braswell for ESL/GT; Summer Ragsdale to fill Davis' position for 4th grade reading and science/coach of middle school tennis; Paige Kimbrough for the high school technology position vacated by Janice Stockton; and Shawn Sullivan Edwards to fill Croft's position

in high school English/Theatre Arts.

Using a rubric, the board ranked in order the possible contractors for the cafeteria project as follows: Huser Construction 1st; Kasper Construction 2nd; and Wilson Construction 3rd. This order was unanimously approved.

Next the board voted unanimously to authorize the superintendent to negotiate the contract with the contractor for the cafeteria project. Dr. Schulze is to negotiate with Huser first; if there are any problems there, she can move to Kasper. If there are problems there, she can move to Wilson.

The board then went into a Team Building/Goal Setting Board Workshop. Following this workshop, the members went into a closed meeting for the purpose of completing the Superintendent Evaluation Rating Form for 2009-2010.

On July 6, another special meeting was held, with Bob Chapman and Sharon Sissel unable to attend. During this meeting, the motions were made to hire Guadalupe Sanchez as a kindergarten teacher and accept the resignation of Amanda Haley from that same position. The motions carried unanimously.

After the board members were invited to stay for a 2 p.m. meeting with Huser to listen to discussion concerning the Cafeteria Project contract, the meeting was adjourned.



The joy in the face of Stacy Hill, the daughter of Tamra Hill and Clem Hill, tells us that even though there is no big bang, there is nothing like having your own sparkler.

Kimble Hospital plans for groundbreaking ceremony

by John Hughson

Anticipation has been building in the community as residents look forward to visible construction work to begin on the new hospital and plans for a groundbreaking ceremony to be unveiled. "The Kimble County Hospital District Board (KCHD) is thrilled to announce that the project

architects, Rees Associates, and the contractor, UEB Builders, informed the Board at its last meeting that we'll be seeing the first signs of construction in mid July," reported Charles Loeffler, president of the KCHD Board.

The first order of business for the hospital board is to select site work and utilities subcontractors through a



Onlookers at Junction City Park were treated to a spectacular fireworks display on Sunday to celebrate the birth of our great nation.

bid process. A special board meeting is planned for Thursday, July 15, at 6:00 p.m. in the Kimble Hospital Dining Room to open the bids. After subcontractors are hired, work can begin on grading the property in preparation for construction. The meeting is open to the public.

While preparing to issue the request for bids, Tom Keilty, Principal, UEB Builders,

commented, "We were pleased to learn that several local companies have pre-qualified and are capable of completing the scope of work in a quality manner, and they plan to bid on the project."

To celebrate the commencement of work on the new Kimble Hospital, a formal groundbreaking ceremony

See Hospital on Page 6

Obituaries

Sammy Lee Weems

Sammy Lee Weems, 59, of Junction, passed away Saturday, July 3, 2010, at his residence following a lengthy battle with Huntington's disease.

Sammy was born in Brownwood on May 25, 1951, to Carlton Hubbard and Helen Jeanette Weems. He grew up and attended school in Johnson City, Texas. Upon graduation he joined the US Marine Corps. While in the service, Sammy was married to Trudy Vierling on April 8, 1972.

Following his discharge from active duty, Sammy and Trudy lived in Johnson City until January 1975 when they moved to Junction. He worked for Kimble Electric until he bought the Sears Catalog Store in 1979. In 1982 he sold the store to become a full-time rancher, which he loved doing, along with looking for arrowheads and spending time with his grandchildren.

Funeral services were at 10 a.m. Tuesday, July 6, at Graham Funeral Home with Rev. Jim Barker officiating. Burial followed in the Junction Cemetery with arrangements under the direction of Graham Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Buzz Hull, Tony Godeaux, Kevin Wall, Tommy Wierich, Donnie Liesman and Bobby Blackwell. Honorary pall-



bearers were Gene Godeaux, Ed Stewart, Danny Stovall, Billy Broyles, Mick Cassaday, Jackie Jones and Jimmy Chenault.

Mr. Weems was preceded in death by his parents; a grandson, Caleb Taylor, and a recently deceased brother, Eddy Weems.

Survivors include his wife, Trudy Weems of Junction; a daughter, Peggy Taylor of Junction; two sisters, Mary Weems of Chesapeake, Virginia and Cheryl Waller of San Marcos; and two grandchildren, Cade Taylor and Collin Taylor.

The family requests that memorials be made to Vista Care Hospice, 1001 Water Street, Kerrville, TX 78028 or the Huntington's Disease Society of America, 505 Eighth Avenue, Suite 902, New York, NY 10018.

Bill McNutt

William H. (Bill) McNutt, 95, passed away Saturday, July 3, 2010, at his residence in Mt. Home, Texas.

He was born July 19, 1914, to Vachel and Amy McNutt in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Bill graduated high school from New Mexico Military Institute and also is a graduate of Texas A&M University. He was a lifetime rancher in Kimble County and a very proud Life Endowment Member of the NRA foundation. Bill was also a member of the National and Texas Cattlemen's Association.

Mr. McNutt was preceded in death by his wife, Beth; parents; sister, Amy McNeel, and daughter, Anne Haynes.

He is survived by four daughters, Sarah Norton and husband, Don, Margaret (Peggy) Martin and husband, Sammy, Sherry McNutt

and Dawn Keller; very special friends, Tony and Nina Boone; ten grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

Services were held at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, July 7, at the First Presbyterian Church in Junction. A private burial followed at the family ranch with arrangements under the direction of Graham Funeral Home. Pallbearers were Martin Keller, Tony Boone, David Boland, Sammy Martin, Bob Walber, Drew Martin, Kasey Keller and Shannon Carrington. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials be made to one of the following, or to a charity of their choice: NRA Whittington Center, PO Box 700, Raton, NM 87740; Vista Care Hospice, 1001 Water Street, Kerrville, TX 78028; or to the Kimble Hospital Building Fund.

Alma Angeline Overstreet

Alma Angeline (Mur) Overstreet, 94, of Buchanan Dam, Texas, died June 29, 2010. She was born to Emmett and Viola (Peacock) Watson on January 24, 1916, in Council Creek, Texas.

She married Benjamin Franklin Overstreet on December 24, 1936, in Llano.

Mrs. Overstreet is survived by her son, Doug Overstreet

and wife, Wanda; four grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; one son-in-law; one brother; two sisters, and one sister-in-law.

Services were held at 9 a.m., Friday, July 2, at Buchanan Dam Church of Christ under the direction of Putnam Funeral Home. Interment followed at Bluffton Cemetery.

Ernest Dean Massey

Ernest Dean Massey, 64, of Cisco, Texas, and formerly of Lohn, passed away on Saturday, June 26, 2010, in Abilene.

He was born May 22, 1946, in Brady to Ernest Edward Massey and Hattie Louise (Currie) Massey. He married Brenda Joyce Haines on September 2, 1967, in Fife.

Funeral services were held

on June 29, 2010, at Leatherwood Memorial Chapels in Brady with Reverend Butch Airheart and Reverend Baylis Pope officiating. Interment followed at Fife Cemetery in Fife.

Ernest is survived by his wife, two sons, one daughter, one brother, nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

The families of the Jetton and Stevenson Ranches would like to thank the members of the Junction, Divide and Mountain Home Fire Departments for their decisive response to the wildfire believed to have been caused by lightning on our ranches on June 26. It was a long rocky haul to this fire and these gentlemen fought it for two days. Thanks to their efforts, less than 300 acres burned on the three ranches. We are forever grateful.

Sam and Robin Jetton
Dennis and Jayne Heap
Andy and Lacey Murr
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Mel and Linda Corbo



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Kimble County Golf News



by Ruth James

Always anxious to try new activities, the Library has this year introduced the rudimentary shots of golf: how to chip and how to putt, taught by two of the best golfers in town, Laurie Barker and Andy McPhail.

The youngsters really enjoyed putting down the aisles of the Library and chipping on the Library lawn. The sessions in June were for kindergarten through 5th grade, and as many as 50 were on hand for the new program. It was a real success; the children loved it and loved the instructors.

So in July middle and high school students will have an opportunity to learn a little golf. All you would-be golfers sign up at the Library, and it'll be good to go from there.

So many times I have heard the remark, "I don't wish those people on the coast, a hurricane, but if they are going to have one, let it hit close enough for us to get a little rain out of it." Alex did just that. The rains have been so good but have

curtailed golfing activities.

The Thursday Scramble was called because of rain, and the David Simons Memorial Golf Tournament also had to be postponed. The David Simons tournament is held on the banks of the North Llano River where friends and neighbors come for the 4th of July weekend, camp on the river, have all sorts of activities including a golf tournament. Such a good way to pay tribute to David whose life was cut so short and such a good way to raise money for a scholarship program. There will still be a tournament, just later than the 4th.

A golfer ran into an old buddy at the driving range the other day. They talked about their games, their swings, and all manner of things. Eventually, one of them said, "How's the family?" The other replied, "Oh pretty good, I got a new set of clubs for the wife the other day." "Hey, good trade," replied the former buddy.

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713-851-8250 cell

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Eagle Pride Football Camp
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Incoming 3rd-6th grade boys

You can pick up registration forms from Coach Spivey at the high school gym or call 446-8607 for questions about camp information.

Please return completed registration forms to Coach Spivey by July 12, so T-shirt orders can be placed.

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7-7-60



Tom Johnston, while not one of the top three in the diving contests at the Adjunct Swim meet Sunday, shows good form on his dive. Tom did a front header, plain back dive and two options.

7-7-60



Look Who's Here

Jean Katherine is the name of the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Lackey. She was born at 6:14 p.m. June 29 in Kimble Hospital and weighed 8 pounds, 13 ounces. Welcoming her is a sister, Mary Anne, 2. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Lee Craven and Mrs. H. D. Lackey, Sr. Maternal great grandmothers are Mrs. H. G. Hubert and Mrs. N. S. Craven.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Tillson are the proud parents of a baby girl born at 2:27 a.m. June 30 at Kimble Hospital. Named Ann Bernadette, she weighed 6 pounds, 6 1/2 ounces. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Stan'ey Pincombe of Grand Forks, N. Dak. Paternal Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Tillson of Corpus Christi.

7-9-70

W. E. Hooks, Jr. Commissioned Lieutenant

William E. Hooks, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hooks graduated from Officer Training School, Lackland Air Force Base, on June 30, receiving his commission as 2nd. Lieutenant. He is assigned to the 922 Combat Support Squadron, Kelly Air Force Base as a Personnel Officer in the Air Force Reserve.

Hooks received his B. B. A. degree from Baylor University. He graduated from Baylor Law School receiving his Juris Doctor Degree November 26, 1969 and was admitted to the Texas Bar December 15, 1969.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hooks attended the ceremonies at Lackland.

7-9-70

Look Who's Here!

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Insall Jr. of Austin are parents of a son, Jerry Blake, born at 5:05 p. m. Sunday, July 5, in an Austin hospital. The boy weighed eight pounds, 10 ounces. His mother is the former Wanda Parrott. Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Parrott of Junction and Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Insall of Bertram are grandparents. Mrs. Fannie Wootan of Bertram is a great-grandmother.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Maples Jr. of Lockhart, formerly of Junction, are parents of a daughter, Monica Brooke, born Saturday, July 4, at 8:06 p. m. in St. David's Hospital in Austin. The mother is the former Miss Gloria Kirchner. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Kirchner of Mountain Home. Paternal grandparents are Mrs. Fern Maples of Rocksprings and J. B. Maples of Junction. Maternal great-grandmother is Mrs. Augusta Specht of Seguin. Mrs. Z. A. Gates of Columbia is paternal great-grandmother.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Jordan are parents of a daughter, Sarah Louise, born July 1 at 11:42 p. m. in Fredericksburg Hospital and Clinic. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Gene Stapp and Mrs. Rebecca Jordan. Mrs. F. M. Atkins and W. D. Wilson are great-grandparents.

7-5-90



Robert Allsup III, son of Patricia Osteen, Junction, was inducted into the Eagle Scout Court of Honor June 25, 1990 in Brady, Texas.

7-10-80



Jeannette Jones, Gary Lewis Exchange Vows In Charlotte

Miss Jeannette Jones and Gary Lewis exchanged marriage vows Saturday, June 14th in the United Methodist Church at Charlotte.

The Rev. Paul Terry of Eden officiated at the single ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Burrell E. Jones of Charlotte and the bridegroom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Donald H. Lewis of Junction.

A large urn filled with gladioli, white shasta daisies, dusty pink carnations, butter-scotch daisies, and snowflake mums stood on the altar which was flanked by two descending candleabra holding white tapers and adorned with greenery and matching flowers.

Ivory bows with greenery marked the reserved pews.

Mrs. Monte Geyer of Charlotte was the organist and Mrs. Betty Thompson of Charlotte, aunt of the bride sang "Always and Forever", and "O Perfect Love".

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a gown of ivory organza styled with a Queen Ann neckline, long fitted sleeves and a key hole back. The gown was trimmed in silk Venise lace. The skirt swept into a chapel length train. Her veil of lace and silk illusion fell from a lace cap. For something borrowed, the bride wore a silver diamond necklace belonging to one of her bridesmaids, Shirley Wiley. Something blue was a garter belonging to her aunt, Betty Thompson, and something old, tucked into her bouquet, was an antique handkerchief of her paternal grandmother, Mrs. J. H. Jones. She carried a cascade bouquet of snowflake mums, beige tiger lilies, white miniature carnations and white perfection roses entwined with greenery.

The bride's mother wore a floor length dress in apricot taffeta with an overlay of floral chiffon.

The groom's mother chose a formal gown of ecru knit featuring a round neckline, accented with wheat colored lace.

Miss Jeanine Jones of Charlotte, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Lisa Aaron of Kingsland, cousin of the bride, Phyllis Weatherston, of Bryan, Cynthia Brauchle, Shirley Wiley and Melinda Hindes, all of Charlotte.

Attendants wore A-line gowns of spice brocade satin topped with matching chiffon blouson over dresses with oval necklines and short dolman sleeves. Baby's breath tucked into their hair completed their attire.

They carried bouquets of dusty pink carnations, butter-scotch daisies, rust tiger lilies, and blue corn flowers tied with brown ribbons.

Wayne Lewis of Carta Valley, brother of the groom, served as best man. Grooms-men were Elzy Beam of Junction, Mike Coyne of Charlotte, Doug Wadsworth and Jimmy Lyles of Devine and Gary Wehring of Rosenberg.

Candlelighters were Russell Trimble of Jourdanon, nephew of the bride, and J. W. Snyder of Charlotte.

Ushers were Jamie Newbury of Bridgeport, Charles Allen

of Baton Rouge, La. and Eddie Trimble and Jimmy Jones of Jourdanon, brothers of the bride.

A table covered with an antique handmade linen and crocheted cloth, made by the bride's maternal great grandmother, held the bride's book. A crystal bud vase holding a single pink carnation, and greenery, complimented the setting. Judy Toalson of Charlotte registered guests.

The reception was held at the Bob Hindes Office Building. The bride's table covered with a spice cloth overlaid with ecru lace held the bride's cake and orange fruit punch. The wedding cake was a four layer two tiered white confection, decorated with burnt orange roses, green leaves and white lilies of the valley. The first tier featured a fountain flowing with orange water. The cake was capped with a pearl heart, wedding bells and lillies of the valley. The bouquet from the church and crystal candle sticks holding white tapers centered the table.

The groom's table, laid with matching cloths, held the silver coffee service and groom's cake, a double ring German chocolate confection decorated with kissing angels between the rings and golden grapes on the cake. In the center of the table three spice colored candles in crystal holders and the bridesmaids' bouquets completed the setting.

Serving the bride's cake, was Brenda Jones, of Jourdanon, and pouring punch was Laura Pletcher of Kingsville.

Serving at the groom's table were Sue Samuel of San Marcos and Elaine Tullos of Charlotte.

Rice bags of chiffon in spice and ivory were distributed by Raina Newbury of Bridgeport, niece of the bride.

The bride chose for her going away dress a white cotton sun dress with a navy jacket.

Following a trip to Ruidosa, New Mexico, the couple will reside in Potect.

Local Students On Dean's List

Six area stuents attending Angelo State University in San Angelo, are listed on the Dean's Honor Roll for the spring semester at the University.

Listed on the 3.00 to 3.49 Honor Roll are Rodolfo Simon Castillo, a business major; Doxie Diane Dutton, a health and physical ed major; Gary Frank Gold, a journalism major; and Marjorie Zane Whitworth, a government major.

Those listed on the 3.50 to 4.00 Honor Roll include Le Jean Lockett, an elementary education major; and Isidro Perez Ramirez, a French major.

7-5-90



Rob Roy Spiller presents a check for \$500 from Junction National Bank to John Loeffler, who gratefully accepts the contribution to the Kimble County Ranch Fire Association. EAGLE PHOTO

Thank you to First State Bank for sponsoring the "Looking Back" page each week.

7-9-70



Here is one of the 237 who went to the cafeteria for tuberculosis skin patch tests Monday evening. Mike Soward is shown with one of the two Texas State Health Department nurses who conducted the testing, which was sponsored by the Lions Club. EAGLE PHOTO



A MESSAGE FROM CHIEF MARVIN IVOY

Once again I am writing this at 3:45 a.m. on a slow wet night with very little going on. I will probably walk outside and find my wheels gone off my squad car so I'll hurry up and tell you about a new way to get ripped off here in Junction.

Actually when it comes to scams, most of them are pretty much standard. They either offer you something for nothing, or they target those people who are trying to help others.

This second group used to be hit by the fraudulent "Bank Examiner" scheme. A subject looking like a federal agent would approach a bank customer outside of a bank or at their home and ask that a large amount of cash be withdrawn to see if the tellers are stealing. The money is handed over to the con, and a bogus receipt is given or the bags are switched, and the honest citizen ends up a victim of an old fashioned pigeon drop.

Not that kind of pigeon drop. This one doesn't involve dry cleaning but does involve tak-

ing you to the cleaners. You saw an example of a pigeon drop in the early scenes of the movie *The Sting*.

Now local Junction grandmas are getting calls from their grandchildren with a plea for cash for an emergency. Usually the voice purports to be the grandchild, and the grandparent gives the child's name for confirmation.

The call goes something like this: "Grandma, this is your grandson, and I'm in trouble, and I need to hire an attorney to get out of jail". Grandma says, "Jim Bob, is that you?" He confirms that it is, and from then on, a young person's voice pretending to be your grandchild has got you hooked. He will ask you to go to Super S and send him several thousand dollars by Western Union. He may even put the alleged bail bondsman or attorney on the line and let them give you the precise instructions and even a call back number for a cell phone, which will be discarded after the scam gets your cash. By trying to keep you from calling his parents, he denies you the quickest way to expose the scam.

This scam works for several reasons. Most of us don't hear that well and dismiss a voice sounding a little different on the phone as being due to our age. Most of us will do almost anything for our grandkids, including keeping secrets from their parents. Most of us have met our grandkid's friends and expect them to eventually end up in trouble and drag our little angels into

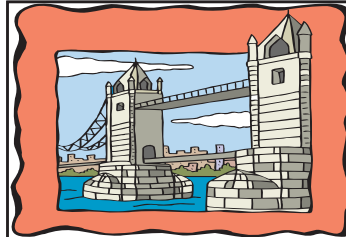
it with them.

The other scam which is still going on locally is the "Work at home mom makes \$6,795/month part-time". They try to get you to do some "work" on the internet, for which they pay you big bucks. They offer payment by direct bank transfer or by checks. The checks are either hot or downright counterfeit, and if you put them in your account, they end up getting some type of access to your account information. You should be very scared to give a stranger on the internet your banking information.

Another variation on this is that you have won a large sum of cash and need to pay the finder's fee or transfer fee to get the balance. If it is too good to be true....say this together aloud...it probably isn't true.

All of these scams have been done successfully locally by suspects who may live in other countries or even be working out of a prison computer class. The internet allows them to cast large nets over large areas with little chance of their ever being caught. Don't you get caught up in these scams. Tell other people about them. I know that these have happened recently because good people have come forward to admit to being taken advantage of. More victims are probably out there and afraid to admit it. The elderly are afraid if they admit to being a victim, their kids will put them away or take away some of their independence.

I'll share this article with my own mother. I'll also ask my grandson, Jackson, to put his parents on the phone if he calls asking for money. Of course if a four-month-old calls me, I will probably be just like every other grandparent and think my grandson is the smartest four-month-old out there. Enjoy life here in the land of living waters, and if your grandson calls up asking for money, either hang up or ask him to put his mom on the phone.



London Bridges
by Claudette Primeaux

The time and date have now been set for the transfer of the "park" property from LCRA to the London Community Association. We will meet at high noon on Monday, July 12, in the park for a short ceremony and signing of the documents. LCRA officials and their publicity folks will be on hand, as well as our local officials and press. Everyone is invited to attend - I know it will be hot, but we will not be there long. Come on down, and show your support.

The Community Association meeting will be this Thursday, July 8, at the usual time and place - potluck meal at 6; meeting at 7 p.m. at the community dining room. You may not have noticed yet, but there has been some work done there. Kirt Kundirt, one of our new members, has trimmed

the trees around the roof, repaired the front concrete and doors, and did some electrical work and repair to the "swamp cooler" at the big building. He commented that it is not easy to predict what he will find when he gets into the works of those old buildings. For instance, he was amazed that there was no re-bar in the concrete. I reminded him that the concrete was placed (notice I did not say it was "poured") in about 1923. Did they have re-bar then?

I can't help but wish the old big hall wasn't covered with metal siding. I know, I know, it requires less intense maintenance, but it would be so interesting to see the old wood and rough construction.

The dining room, you may remember, was the "home ec" building at the school and it

was moved to the community hall after the school closed. There are a few old desks still in the building, as well as a built-in flour bin in a kitchen cabinet. Do kids still study cooking and sewing in school? I don't think so.

Next week - July 14 - the SPC ladies will pack up for the Adopt-A-Platoon at the regular July meeting. If you have or can get anything for the boxes, please let me know or take it to the London Short Stop by noon on the 14th.

Can you believe the wonderful rain we have received the last few days? I have heard every number from 3 to 7 inches; all I know is we went from brown and crunchy to green and lush almost overnight. That, and when you finish mowing, it is time to start again. I love it, and it keeps Gary busy.

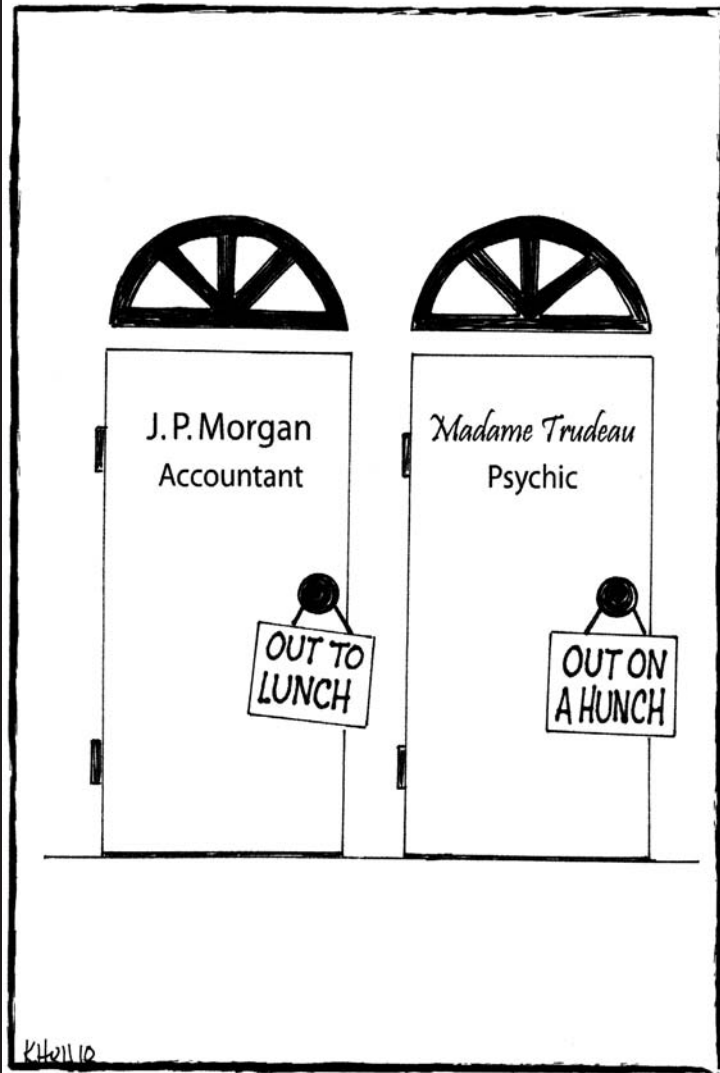
That's it for a short week. I'll be seeing you out there between the bridges of Kimble County - and don't fall in. There is actually water under some of the bridges!

South Llano River State Park National Weather Service Report Daily Temperature

Date	Readings		
	High	Low	Rainfall
06-27	96	69	0
06-28	96	72	0
06-29	---	---	0
06-30	96	69	0.17
07-01	95	69	0.98
07-02	84	71	0.05
07-03	75	72	1.38

SMALL TOWN

BY KRISTI HULL



2009-2010 Rotary President Tom Hash turns the gavel over to Andy Murr, incoming local Rotarian president. This exchange took place at a meeting held in the Back Door Cafe on Thursday, July 1, following a delicious meal.

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Thursday, July 8
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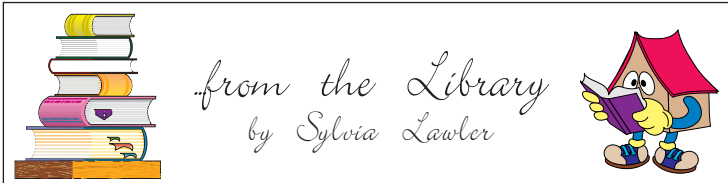
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Kimble County librarians have a dilemma. Not a bad problem, actually a good predicament to have. The situation is that the children are reading too much! I can hear the gasp of astonishment of refusing to believe such a statement. The very thought that children can read too much. How dare the librarians say such a thing! But this is a wonderful position in which the library has found itself, so let me explain before passing judgment.

child then may choose a new book to keep for their very own. They are able to choose from an assortment of books that have not been processed through the library's system, no library markings are found on any of the pages. The materials are brand new.

We librarians have been amazed at how much the children are really into reading this summer, whether it is the incentive of receiving a free new book or that this group of children is just passionate about reading. Whatever the reason, it is great, but it has also caused a dilemma!

To give you an example of how many books have

been given away so far, with four week remaining: back in April at the TLA (Texas Library Association) convention, while in attendance, the library purchased 127 new children's books just for this summer's reading contest. A secret that was shared with me at the convention was that most of the exhibitors would mark their books and materials down to half price on the last day, and that is how I was able to purchase so many at a very reasonable price. These materials are long gone, and now I am in pursuit of finding more bargains of affordable children books again.

Now that the TLA books are gone, the chore, which is a rather pleasant chore, of weekend scavenger hunts for bargains to replenish the book supply is in process. The past two weekends the library was fortunate to have

secured another 100 volumes. The challenge is to search out those bargains on children's books, those 50 cent or \$1 copies. So far the library has been successful in chancing upon terrific books sales. The most spent on a single copy has been \$5.

You ask the question, "How can Kimble County Library afford this contest?" The library is so fortunate to have the wonderful group "Friends of the Library" which has been and is always so supportive of the children's summer reading programs and any other program that the library undertakes. This group has been so generous by furnishing funds to finance these weekly pilgrimages.

Reading is the window to numerous adventures, of discovering new worlds, people, and things and also for the pure enjoyment of being entertained. Kiddos keep up the great job of reading!

NEW BOOK ON SHELF: *Family Ties* by Danielle Steel

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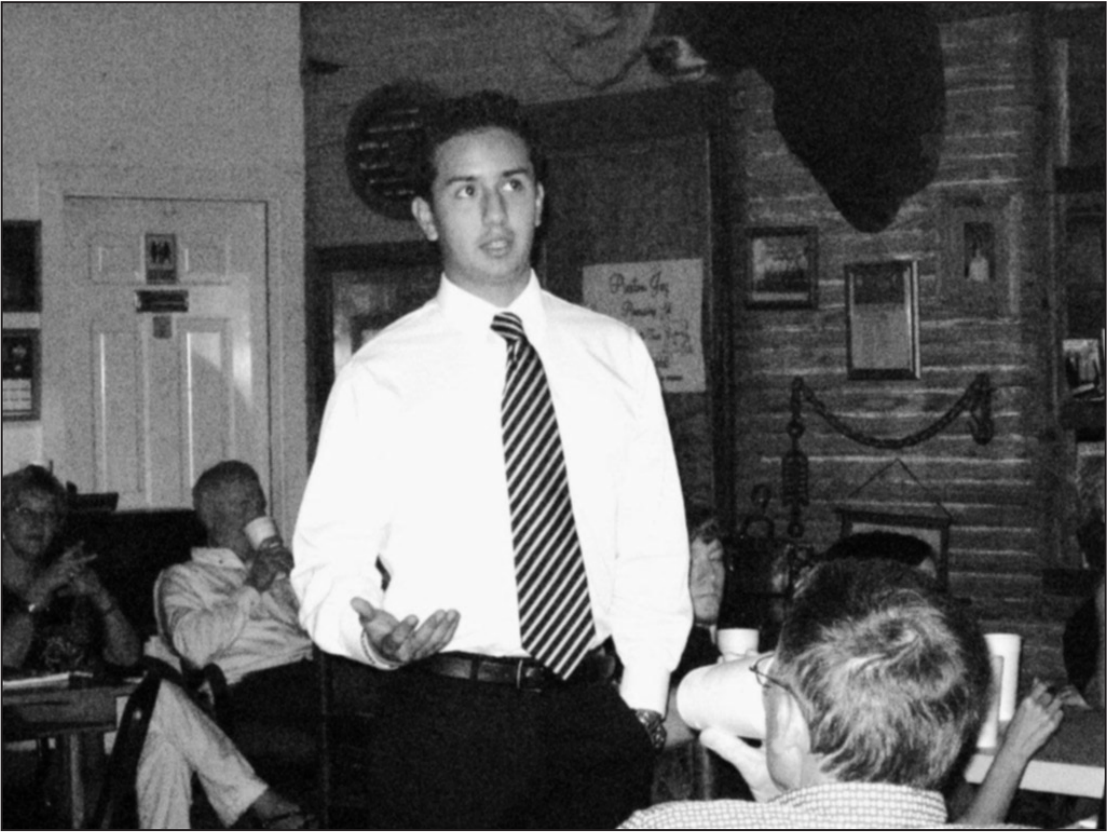
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will be held in early August. "We intended to break ground in late May, but some unforeseen events caused us to alter our timeline. What has transpired in the meantime are actions that assure the citizens of Kimble County we are building a facility that best serves the medical needs of the community in a fiscally responsible manner," said Loeffler.

Many community members and hospital employees are excited about the groundbreaking. "Now that we have a timeframe for the event, the committee will begin meeting to make plans. I'm sure this will be a truly memorable event the community will remember for a long time," said John Hughson, Hospital Administrator. A groundbreaking committee will consist of members of the hospital staff, the Kimble County Hospital District Board and the Kimble

County Hospital Foundation. According to JD Kidwell, KCHD Board member, citizens of Kimble County have voiced their desire to the hospital district to have timely information disseminated regarding the progress of the project. "We have taken those comments to heart because we understand the importance of keeping the community informed about the progress of their new hospital. An ad hoc communications committee has been formed to discuss how this can be accomplished and bring recommendations to the full Board."

The KCHD Communications Committee is comprised of Hospital Board members, Bobby Chenault, JD Kidwell and Debra Mudge; Hospital Administrator John Hughson; Project Manager Judy Blazek; Rees Associates architect Melanie Compton; community representative Gary Primeaux and Preferred Management's new Director of Community Education, Sherry Fair.



Jorge Cevallos, Rotary exchange student from Ecuador, reviews his year in the U.S. for the Rotary Club members and guests at his final meeting in Junction. He has since returned home to continue his schooling, but hopes to visit Texas again soon.

Letter to the Editor

To: Editor, Junction Eagle

The most disturbing challenge we face in the Hill Country today is the looming threat of massive transmission towers and broad clear cut rights of way for the Competitive Renewable Energy Zone project. Almost every county in Texas Senate District 24 from Taylor in the north to Kerr in the south is slated for these gigantic new power lines. Ironically, our State Senator, Troy Fraser, was the sponsor of Senate Bill 20, which created the CREZ program.

The most onerous features of the CREZ project are written into the law. Power of immi-

nent domain condemnation given to private contractors, "Open House" mass notification of impending condemnation, assignment of contracts to wealthy contributors, all were there from the start. This program was designed to be a windfall for utility companies at the expense of the public.

After protests and organized opposition across his district, Senator Fraser has started to back pedal a little. He is quoted in the June 18th *San Antonio Express News* as saying the Public Utility Commission should perhaps review parts of the CREZ program. Natural gas prices and wind power investment are both down. "Market conditions have changed dramatically," he says. There is no longer any economic motive for this project.

When Kimble County was threatened with the LCRA CREZ line, they responded with resolutions and lobbying to try to get the line moved to Mason. Mason replied with a

resolution endorsing an IH-10 route. Now Kerr County is resisting the IH-10 line and resolving to send it to Mason. Instead of fighting one another, county to county, we should unite against the entire CREZ project.

Every week we learn more and more about the proposed coal-fired generators promoted as "back up" for the West Texas wind farms. We learn more and more about the dangers to wildlife and our citizens posed by turbines and super high voltage wires. We don't have to shamefacedly say, "CREZ lines are a good thing, but someone else should have them." We know this project is wrong, and we should be trying to stop it.

I'm writing Senator Fraser and anybody else I can think of to make this point. The CREZ project is environmentally dangerous and economically valueless and should be stopped.

Sincerely,
Dan Barton

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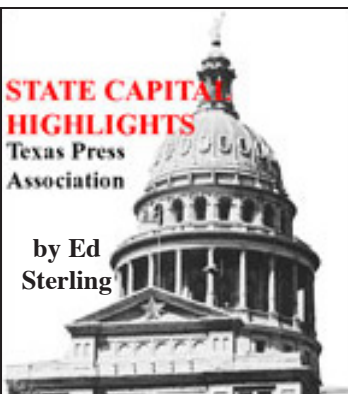
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Governor protests EPA's disapproval of Texas' clean-air plan...

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency on June 30 announced its final disapproval of the flexible permit program the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality had submitted two weeks earlier for inclusion in its clean-air plan.

The EPA said Texas' program, which has been in effect for 16 years, does not meet several national Clean Air Act requirements meant to protect public health and the environment. That is because it allows companies to avoid certain federal clean air requirements by lumping emissions from multiple units at a plant under a single "cap" rather than setting specific emission limits for individual pollution sources. Individual pollution sources can be defined as each separate smokestack.

The EPA said its decision will force some 125 refineries and petrochemical plants to invest millions of dollars to get new permits, but the decision did not come as a surprise to Texas or the industries. EPA regional director Al Armendariz had for months warned that he would disapprove the permits if Texas did not comply with the Clean Air Act.

Gov. Rick Perry called the EPA's action "irresponsible and heavy-handed" because it "not only undermines Texas' successful clean-air programs, but threatens thou-

sands of Texas jobs, families, businesses and communities throughout our state. It will also likely curtail energy supplies and increase gasoline prices nationwide."

Greens may certify candidates...

The Texas Supreme Court on July 2 ruled the Green Party of Texas may certify candidates for the November general election ballot.

The Texas Democratic Party filed a lawsuit to stop the certification of Green Party candidates, alleging "secretly-funded petitions gathered for the Green Party by an out of state non-profit corporation constituted an illegal corporate contribution." Official filings show the Green Party received \$532,000 in corporate money. Conventional thinking is that Green Party candidates would draw votes away from Democratic candidates.

To learn more about the Democratic, Green, Libertarian and Republican parties of Texas this election cycle, visit their websites at these addresses:

- <http://www.txdemocrats.org/>
- <http://txgreens.org/>
- <http://lptexas.org/>
- <http://www.texasgop.org/>

For a wide range of election information, the Texas Secretary of State's website, <http://www.sos.state.tx.us>, is a primary source.

For non-partisan information on candidates, visit Project Vote Smart at <http://www.votesmart.org>.

Second bomb threat in 2 weeks...

A phoned-in bomb threat on the morning of July 2 necessitated the evacuation of the state Capitol. A similar threat, also made via a public pay phone to the 9-1-1 emergency number, was made on June 18.

The Texas Department of Public Safety is conducting an investigation of both

threats. The DPS responded by conducting a search using troopers and trained dogs.

Operation Safe Shelter activated...

With Hurricane Alex rolling in from the Gulf of Mexico, Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott on July 1 launched Operation Safe Shelter, a service to protect evacuees by identifying registered sex offenders who might also be seeking refuge.

When evacuation shelters contact the Operation Safe Shelter hotline at (866) 385-0333, law enforcement officials with the office of the attorney general will access and share information from the state's registered sex offender database.

Shelter managers can use this information as necessary to coordinate specialized housing arrangements or take other action as appropriate, the attorney general's office said.

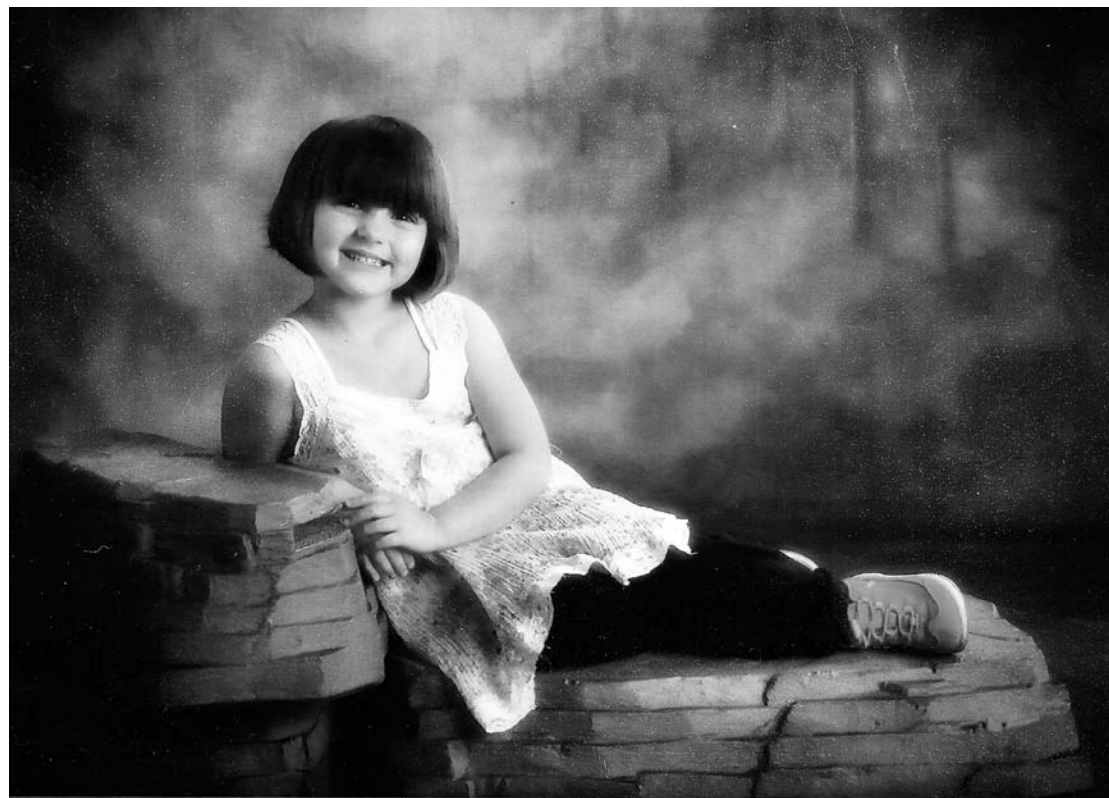
Redistricting panel is picked...

Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst on June 30 said redistricting is too important an issue for the Senate to wait until January when the Legislature convenes.

So, he announced appointments to the Senate Select Committee on Redistricting and Committee. Members will be able to travel the state before session begins and hear from Texans on how best to draw political lines for the next decade, Dewhurst said.

Appointees include Sens. Kel Seliger, R-Amarillo, chair, and Mario Gallegos, D-Galena Park, vice chair; six Republicans, John Carona of Dallas, Kevin Eltife of Tyler, Craig Estes of Wichita Falls, Joan Huffman and Dan Patrick of Houston, and Tommy Williams of The Woodlands; and three Democrats, Juan "Chuy" Hinojosa of McAllen, Royce West of Dallas and Judith Zaffirini of Laredo.

Braggin' rights



Phoenix Miller recently appeared in the role of Gretl in *The Sound of Music* at the Cailloux Theater in Kerrville. She is no stranger to the Playhouse, having been a squirrel in *Willy Wonka & the Chocolate Factory* and acting in *Schoolhouse Rock*.

Phoenix is a first grader at Tom Daniels Elementary School in Kerrville, where she was crowned "Most Outgoing" in kindergarten.

She is the daughter of Dr. Kiley and Tisha Miller of Kerrville; granddaughter of Tammy and Gary Bundick of Junction, and great-granddaughter of Jr. and Fern Bundick and the late Martha and Harvey Hull, all of Junction.

Appraisal Review Board to begin property owner protest hearings

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Property owners who disagree with the Kimble Central Appraisal District's appraisal of their property for local taxes may protest their value to the district's appraisal review board (ARB). The ARB will begin hearing taxpayer protests on July 15.

After the ARB completes its hearings and approves final property tax appraisals, local governments will use these appraisals to set 2010 property tax rates.

The ARB is a group of citizens who live in the appraisal district and are appointed by the district's board of directors. Property owners may protest any of the following issues to the ARB:

- The appraised or market value of the property;

- Unequal appraisal of the taxpayer's property compared to similar property in the district;
- Inclusion of the property on the appraisal records;
- Denial of a partial exemption, such as homestead exemption;
- Denial of special appraisals, such as agricultural or timber productivity appraisal;
- Determination that agricultural or timber land has had a change of use and is subject to a rollback tax;
- Identification of the taxing unit or units in which the property is located;
- Determination that the taxpayer is the owner of the property; or
- Any other action of the appraisal office that adversely affects the owner.

A property owner must file

a written notice of protest by June 2 or within 30 days after the appraisal district mails the taxpayer notice of appraised value, whichever is later. The ARB schedules a hearing and sends the taxpayer written notice of the date, time and place. The law contains specific timelines and procedures for both the taxpayer and the ARB throughout the appraisal protest process. These are detailed in the state Comptroller's publication, Texas Property Taxes: Taxpayers' Rights, Remedies and Responsibilities. Copies are available from Kimble Central Appraisal District. The publication is also available on the Comptroller's website at www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/proptax/index.html or by calling 800-252-9121.

Hill Country Chapter American Red Cross offers class

Hill Country Chapter American Red Cross is offering, free of charge, a Disaster Assessment Basics class on July 10, from 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. at the Red Cross building - 333 Earl Garrett, Kerrville.

The purpose of this course is to provide a general overview of the tasks performed by Red Cross Disaster Assessment workers in support of a disaster relief operation and a local incident such as a single or multi-family fire.

Learning objectives-Upon completion of this course the participants will be able to

- Explain the importance of completing a disaster assessment;
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