

Names in the news

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Landers gives advice to British

Advice columnist Ann Landers has some unsolicited advice for the British: pay more attention to private enterprise.

Miss Landers, yesterday, told the American Embassy Association about her frustrating experience in a London shoe store.

"I was told I couldn't be served because they were closing in two minutes," she said. "I had to beg them to wait on me and take my money—and this was for \$65 shoes. They just couldn't wait for me to get the hell out of there."

Knievel to jump in Kingdome

Daredevil Evel Knievel has signed a contract for two motorcycle jumping performances in the Kingdome, in Seattle, Wash., next month, promoters said yesterday.

The performances Oct. 29 and Oct. 30 will feature a motorcycle jump from specially constructed ramps in the domed stadium. The

shows also will feature motorcycle performances by Knievel's teenage son, Robbie, as well as other acts.



Knievel

New beach home for former premier

Former South Vietnamese Premier Nguyen Cao Ky says he's well, happy and settled into his beach-community home in Huntington Beach, Calif.

He's still giving speeches, and his wife plans to go into the restaurant business, he says. But a communal farm he once envisioned for Vietnamese refugees is off.

Uncle Sam's money too costly for Bayview

Associated Press

BAYVIEW — This small community of Bayview in the Rio Grande Valley says it doesn't believe or participate in Uncle Sam's federal revenue sharing program.

"Philosophically, we're opposed to the revenue sharing concept," said Phillip Loveless, Bayview's mayor. "And we practice what we preach."

"Our town's pretty conservative. Most of the 300 to 400 residents are retired or semi-retired. We don't need the money and we don't want it."

When checks began arriving at city hall from the U.S. Treasury, Loveless said he mailed them back to Washington.

"The checks are so small. I believe one was for \$185," he said. "It

would cost us more than that just for a bookkeeper to keep up with the checks."

Bayview is located about 16 miles east of South Padre Island. The town consists of a general store and some paved streets that cross several wide rasacas, canal-like bodies of water that are common to this area of Texas.

"The key to our situation is that the people don't demand any expensive services," said the mayor, a retired Air Force colonel. "Every family has their own septic tank for sewage. We get water from the rasacas. We don't have any city property taxes. We levy a two per cent sales tax on the phone and electricity bills to pay for street signs and such. The city isn't in debt. We've got money in the bank."

The city of Los Fresnos, about seven miles down the road, provides Bayview with fire and police protection.

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Fossils to be studied

By Brenda Grissom

Camels and mastodons in Brazos County? These unlikely specimens once roamed the bottomlands freely, and many still be studied at the Brazos Valley Museum of Natural Science, 204 W. Villa Maria.

"We have fossils of camels, bison and a mastodon, all from Brazos County," said Fred Paine, director of the museum.

Exhibits of Indian artifacts, early Texas fencing wire, dinosaur tracks and animal specimens provide a surprising insight into the history of Brazos County.

Also, whale vertebrae from the banks of the Brazos River and

elephant fossils found in Brazos County are exhibited.

Birds of Bryan are featured as part of more than 900 bird specimens in the museum.

In addition to exhibits, the museum offers classes dealing with natural science, gives lectures, and acts as a laboratory for museum courses at Texas A&M University.

"This was organized primarily as an educational institution for kids ages eight to twelve," said Paine. "We're trying to change the emphasis to include younger kids and adults."

Those wanting more information concerning museum classes or activities are asked to call 822-5511.

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