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Warning: Fake \$100 bills could show up in Beeville

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Beeville Police Chief Joe Treviño is warning local businesses to check \$100 bills closely.

"I just read that a bunch of counterfeit \$100 bills have shown up in Bay City," Treviño said Tuesday morning.

He said banks in that community had identified 21 of the bogus bills just recently.

Police recently were called to one of Beeville's banks after eight counterfeit \$100 bills turned up in a deposit made by a local convenience store.

Seven of the bills later were traced to a woman who used the

(See Counterfeit, 6A)

Smooth strolling soon on St. Mary's Street

By GARY KENT
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Members of Beeville's Tax Increment Finance District board learned last week that the city is getting ready to seek contractors to replace sidewalks on North St. Mary's Street and on West Bowie Street.

City Manager Tom Ginter told the board Jan. 27 that Grant Works has been hired to complete an environmental assessment for the project and that should be completed within the next 60 days.

TIF money paid for the improvements to downtown sidewalks on North Washington Street years ago and TIF Chairman Joe B. Montez has been anxious to have the same kind of work done on St. Mary's Street ever since.

Montez was instrumental in creating the district as a way to pay for infrastructure improvements in the downtown area.

(See Sidewalk, 9A)

Bee County Junior Livestock and Homemakers Show Crafty creations

Homemakers show has everything from baked goods to barbecue pits

By ERIC LATCHAM
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One carried an elaborate wreath of barbed wire, feathers and shotgun shells. Another grasped a small photo of a snake.

A third made sure that none of her glittery seashells fell from their branches.

On Monday evening and Tuesday morning, the Bee County Exposition Center was filled with chaos as parents scrambled to get their children's entries checked in while at the same time volunteers rushed to label and correctly categorize each item to be judged.

Hours, weeks and even months were spent in preparation for this day.

"I got everything in November, but I completed it last weekend," Lonnie Jordan said.

Jordan constructed a fairly large, portable barbecue pit/smoker, coining it as "The Weekender" because its design allows it to be pulled behind a vehicle.



Kailyn Martinez inspects an ornament on her seashell-themed decorative tree.

Eric Latcham photo

Senses overwhelmed

It is evident that the 2010 Bee County Junior Livestock and Homemakers Show is full of entries in which effort and creativity are on display everywhere.

It's enough to nearly overwhelm the senses.

The aroma of freshly baked

(See Show, 14A)



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Mounting up for the horse show at the Expo



Jason Collins photo

Sydney Baker take a few moments during the horse show competition to rub her horse's mane. It worked. He looks relaxed.

By JASON COLLINS
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Victoria Ford and her paint Sully rode through the arena as one.

Sully seemed to know what Victoria wanted with only her slightest movement.

Precision like this doesn't come without practice though.

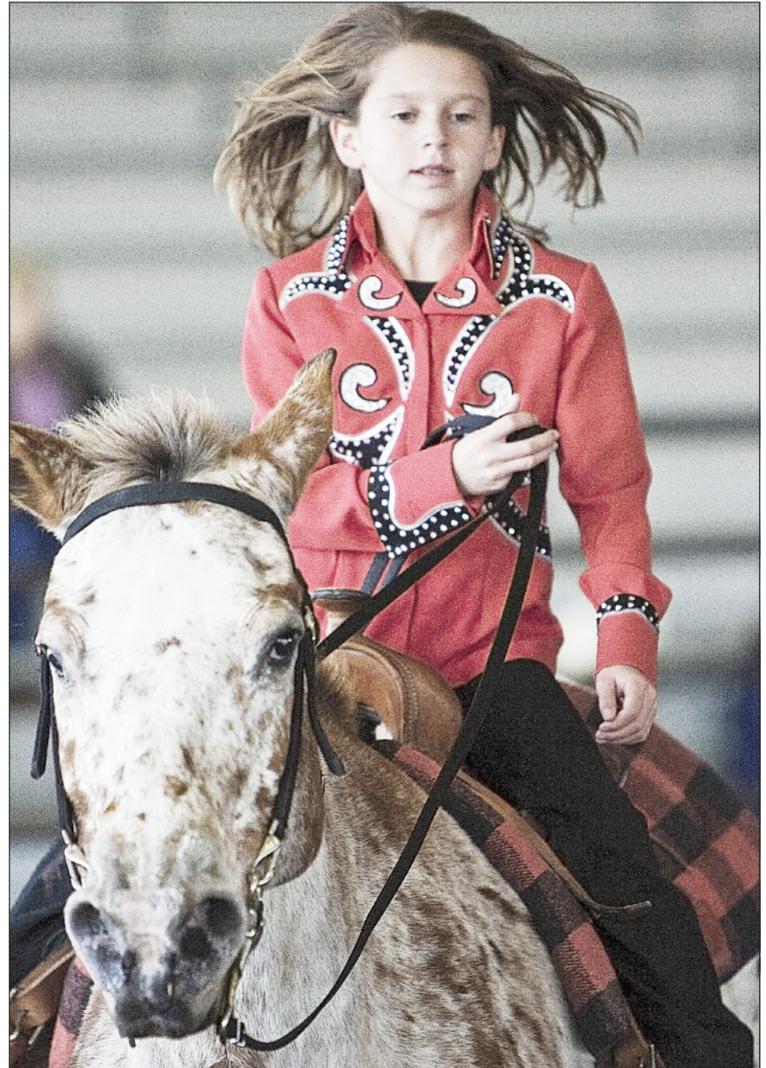
Victoria has been riding horses since she was 5 years old.

"Ever since I was little, all I ever wanted was a horse," Victoria said. "They finally got me one and I have been riding ever since."

Saturday morning Victoria was competing against seven other youth in the senior category.

"Today I am doing the western pleasure events," she said only moments before hopping atop her paint. "It is one of the

(See Horse, 6A)



Jason Collins photo

Mackenzie Harvey rides during the western pleasure competition of the Bee County Junior Livestock and Homemakers Show horse show competition.

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• Youths from throughout Bee County compete in Saturday's horse show at the Expo Center.