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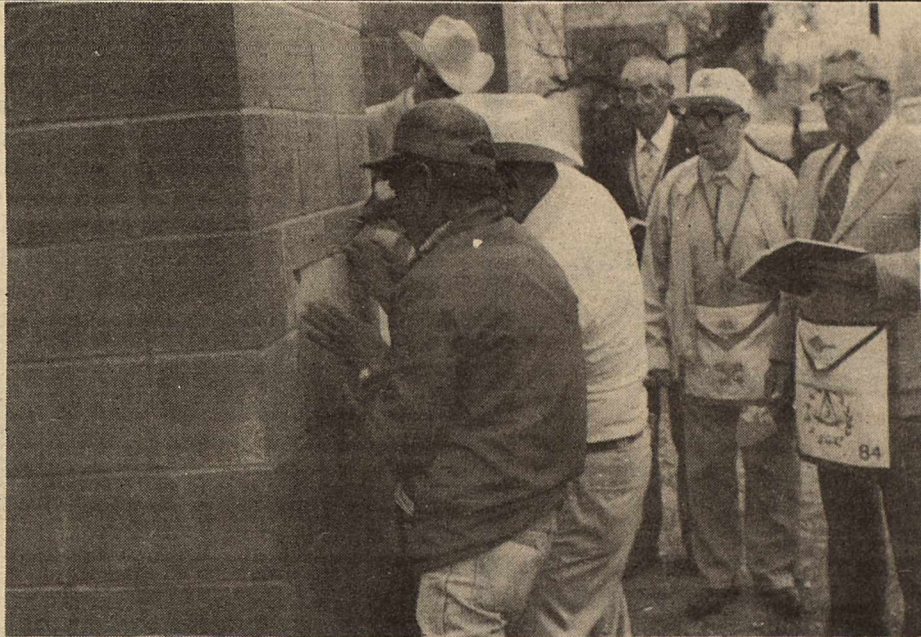
ACCIDENT OCCURS ON LAS MORAS ROAD

Two Kinney County employees were injured on Monday, December 8 when a county dump truck driven by Frank Gomez overturned. The accident occurred on a recently worked on but unpaved portion of Las Moras Road. The caliche road was slick due to recent rains in and around our area.

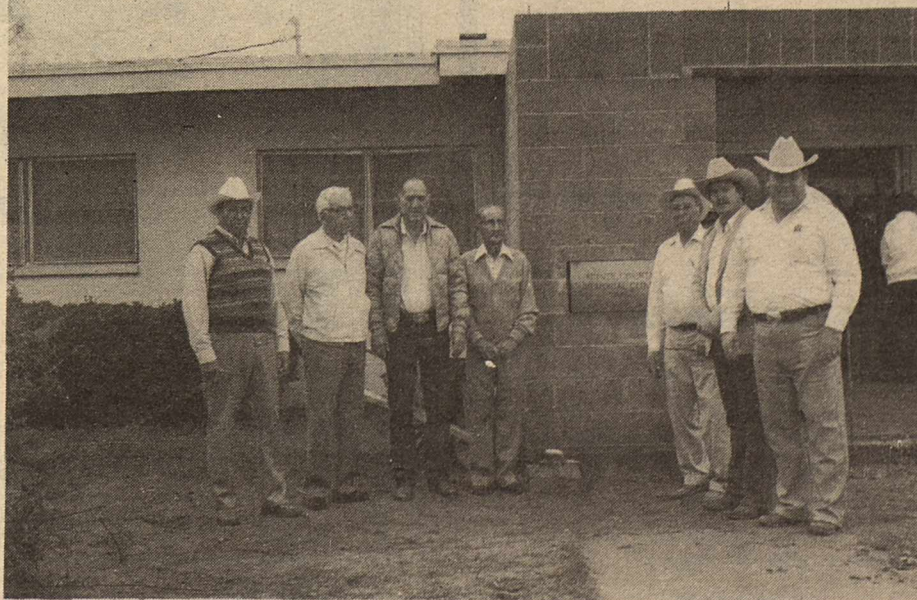
According to Gomez, the vehicle fishtailed and headed for a telephone pole. In order to avoid the pole, Gomez turned the steering wheel which caused the vehicle to turn over on its side.

Injured in the accident were Gomez and passenger Joe Sandoval. Gomez was treated at the local clinic and released with minor injuries. Sandoval sustained a neck injury and was admitted to Val Verde Hospital.

As of yesterday, December 10, Sandoval remained hospitalized.



Las Moras Masonic Lodge members perform the ceremony for the installation of the cornerstone at the Kinney County Memorial Clinic. Raymond Fuentes and assistant aid in the task.



City Council and County Commissioners present at the ceremony for the installation of the Clinic cornerstone were (left to right) Agapito Saenz, Charles Olsen, Bill Riley, Mayor Willie Mendeke, contractor Raymond Fuentes, Tim Ward, and Joe York, Jr.

CHRISTMAS LIGHTING CONTEST

The Brackettville Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a Christmas Lighting Contest on December 17th between 7:00 pm and 8:00 pm. Houses and businesses will be judged. Poinsettias will be awarded in three categories--best decorated home in Brackettville, best decorated home in Ft. Clark Springs, and best decorated business.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

We wish to thank you and members of the staff for publishing the public service announcements promoting the foster parent training seminar held in Del Rio on October 16, 1986.

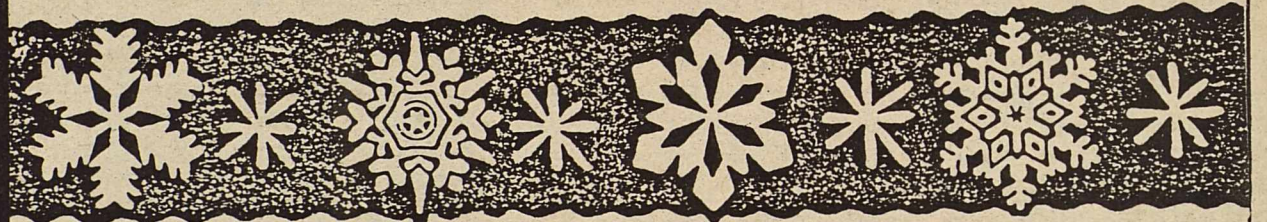
There were representatives from six different households completing the seminar, and we hope to certify four new foster homes in the Del Rio-Brackettville area.

Your dedication in promoting the need for foster parents in the community has always been most appreciated, and we hope for your continued support in the future.

Sincerely,

s/s Darrell ZumMallen
Foster Care Worker
Foster Care Unit: 091-11, Del Rio

s/s John and Dolores Vigil
Foster Parent Trainers, Del Rio



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CITY BEAT

By David Bohmfalk
Chief of Police



Stats for week of
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1 warning
1 arrest-HP44's

Well, as stated earlier, the holiday season is upon us. Not only a time for reflection and hope, but a time for celebration. Unfortunately, there are two dangerous areas of this. Fireworks and drinking.

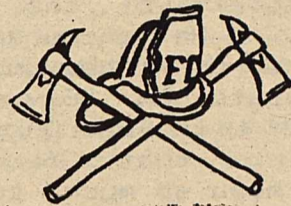
When using fireworks, be sure that the area is clear. Any combustibles, such as trash, dry leaves and grass, and other chemicals or burnable items should be avoided at all times. After usage is finished, be sure to check the area for any possible smoldering. Put out any "duds" with water. If possible, put water on the area. And please don't hold fireworks after you light them. In older days, fireworks had even burning fuses, but they don't anymore. One could take a couple of minutes to go off, and the next, immediately. I've personally witnessed this. Let's let the Brackettville Volunteer Fire Department have the holidays to enjoy too.

And while I'm at it, I feel that I can speak for the rest of the peace officers in the county (not to mention the State of Texas), when I say please let us have a quiet holiday season. If you must drink, be sure to have one person with you who abstains from drinking. And let him or her drive the car. I've heard people say that they actually drive better when they've had a couple. To this, I say

WRONG!! Alcohol is a depressant. What that means is that it slows reflexes and affects judgement. And it also affects balance. No one can drive a car better with these senses affected. And anyone trying will be tested. And if failing, will be arrested for DWI. Hint: There is no way to fool an intoxalyzer. A reading of .10 o/o or higher and one can expect to spend the night in jail and meet a judge. If they don't kill themselves or

someone else first. And if someone else is killed, the driver can expect to be charged with Involuntary Manslaughter. So play it safe, keep a clean record, and live to see Christmas 1987. I hear it's supposed to be a good year!

FIRE DEPARTMENT NEWS



**JUSTIN BERRY
FIRE CHIEF**

The Brackettville Volunteer Fire Department, responded to a house fire on November 9, 1986, at 6:30 p.m. in rose alley. At the time of arrival, the two back rooms and the roof were burning, we were able to confine the fire to those two rooms and put it out. The house was vacant and arson is suspected. As I talked about before, the Brackettville Fire Department will be sponsoring the New Years Eve Dance, - from 9:00 p.m. until 1:00 a.m., at the Brackettville Civic Center. Music will be provided by the Sadddle Tree Band of Devine, TX. Advance tickets are \$8.00, or \$10.00 at the door. (Party favors will be furnished). The Department will be selling set ups and menudo that night, and a Fort Clark Membership will be given away. Tickets for the membership are \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00. Tickets for the dance and Fort Clark Membership may be purchased from any fireman.

Mrs. Vernon Miers was the winner of the Thanksgiving turkey, that was raffled off by the Department on November 21, 1986.

The Fire Department will be chauffeuring Santa Claus to the school on December 19, 1986. He will arrive at the rear of Jones Elementary to give out goodies and take Christmas lists from the kids. Those parents who would like to take pictures of their children with santa, bring your cameras.

With Christmas just around the corner, everyone has their Christmas tree up by now. Here are a few safety tips to follow to ensure a safe holiday season. Check your Christmas lights for any bare or frayed wires and keep your Christmas tree green by pouring a water and sugar solution in the base of the stand. Do not place candles near the tree.

We would like to thank those who have helped support the Brackettville Fire Department in 1986, and we wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. "See you at the dance".

BLOOD DRIVE SAT. 13TH

In behalf of Kinney County, we strongly urge every-one who is physically able to Donate Blood, to do so.

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Sincerely,

ss/ Albert A. Postell
County Judge

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CHRISTMAS MIRACLE AT OPERA HOUSE

Youth Players On the Plaza is bringing Christmas to the Uvalde Grand Opera House with their presentation of Miracle at Derrick, Texas. The two-act adaptation of Luise Putcamp's well-loved short story features thirty-two young actors, three choirs, and a miracle to warm a theatregoer's heart.

The play takes place in a small town in west Texas. Gus Derek, the richest man in town, offers an annual prize to the school whose choir is judged the best in a carol festival. Every year the children from the local orphanage sing "O Come All Ye Faithful," and this year, when the orphanage needs help so desperately, the orphan's choir just might be good enough to win the \$10,000 prize. But when little Christopher, whose only happiness is singing, joins in with his voice like a bullfrog, the orphanage seems doomed.

Performances at the Grand Opera House will be on Friday and Saturday, December 12, 13 at 7:00 pm and on Sunday, December 14 at 2:30 pm. General admission seating is \$3.50. Tickets for reserved seats are \$5.00 and may be obtained at the box office or by calling (512) 278-4184.

BLOOD DRIVE SUPPORT APPLAUDED

County Judge Albert A. Postell noted with pleasure the growing support for the community-wide Blood Donation Drive being conducted on Saturday. Judge Postell commented that the effort was particularly in keeping with the spirit of the holiday season. He encouraged the citizens of Kinney County to participate in "Giving The Gift Of Life For Christmas", observing that "few gifts could mean so much" to people in need.

County Commissioners Joe York, Jr., and Tim Ward, as well as other community leaders in government, business,

churches, and service organizations have voiced their support of the drive, to be held at the First United Methodist Church in Brackettville. Chamber of Commerce President and School Superintendent Bob McCall stated: "I certainly feel that this is a worthy effort at this time of year," and pledged his support.

The Blood Drive, sponsored by the Brackettville Ministerial Alliance, is intended to cover the emergency blood needs of the people of Brackettville and Kinney County, if sufficient supplies are obtained.

CANTATA CELEBRATES CHRIST'S BIRTH

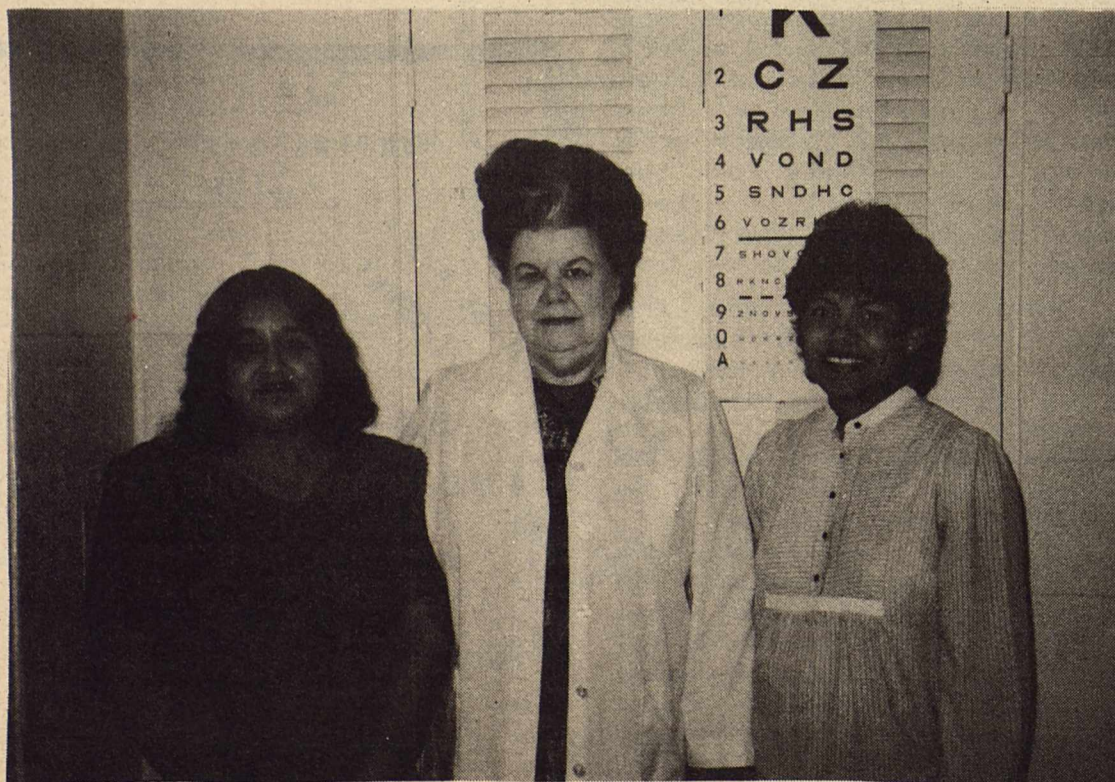
The Chancel Choir of the Brackettville First United Methodist Church will present the Christmas cantata "Night of Miracles" on Sunday evening, December 14th, at 7:00 p.m. in the church Sanctuary.

Celebrating the Nativity story in narration and song, the cantata is an original work by composer John W. Peterson, and details the events surrounding the birth of Christ.

Harold Inman, church choir

director, will conduct this challenging musical production which features solo work, harmonious ensemble singing, and memorable full choruses. Cathie Conrey, church organist, will provide the instrumental accompaniment for the choir, and Ray Kurtz will be the narrator.

The public is invited to attend the performance, and to be brought closer to the real reason for the Christmas season by sharing in this special holiday experience.



Pictured above from left to right are Gloria Canales, Clerk/Counselor; O.M. Shlanta, D.O.; and Norma Villarreal, Outreach Worker.

FAMILY PLANNING SERVICE OFFERED

Family Planning services are held on the first and third Thursday of each month, through the Community Council of Southwest Texas, Inc. On the first Thursday of each month, a clinic is held between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., run by Dr. O.M. Shlanta and staff. On the third Thursday of each month a supply and intake clinic is held without the physician in attendance.

Appointments can be made by calling 563-2434, Monday thru Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Charges are based on income. We welcome the opportunity to meet your Family Planning needs.

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE TO BID

Bids are being accepted through December 17, 1986, 10:00 a.m., for brush work to be done on the Silver Lake Ranch in Kinney County, Texas. Contact the Soil & Water Conservation District at (512) 563-2414.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL

ACCEPTING APPLICATION

The Community Council of Southwest Texas, Inc., will be taking applications for the Temporary Emergency Relief Program, for food, utilities, and shelter, these services will be provided through neighborhood centers in each county, Monday thru Friday from 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

Proof of residency, emergency needs, loss of income, identification, income and benefit verification is requested at time of application.

VEHICLES TO BE AUCTIONED

The Community Council of Southwest Texas, Inc., is auctioning two (2) standard production 1976 Ford Stationwagons and one (1) standard production 1979 Ford Van.

Vehicles can be seen at 429 W. Main St., from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday thru Friday. Sealed bids will be accepted until December 16, 1986 at 5:00 p.m. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the above address on December 17, 1986 at 3:00 p.m.

Interested parties please contact Jorge Botello, Director of Social Services or Jose Rene Martinez, Coordinator of Social Services at (512) 278-6268.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

Community Council of Southwest Texas, Inc., officers will be taking new applications for the commodity distribution program. All persons previously qualified must be recertified before January 20, 1987.

Starting in December commodity applications will be taken on Monday thru Friday, 8:00 to 5:00 except Tuesday, December 16, 1986.

Proof of residency, identification and income and benefit verification is requested from all persons filling our applications. Applicants need to bring yellow identification card. Applications will be accepted at:

1. Community Council Neighborhood Center in Brackettville, Texas or call 563-2422.

KINNEY COUNTY HISTORICAL BOOK SALE

The book "KINNEY COUNTY 1852-1977" is now being offered for sale for \$14.00 plus .72 cents tax, at the Kinney County Library and Courthouse. A book makes an ideal Christmas gift.



Your Horoscope by Chas. King Cooper

Aries (March 21 to April 19) You have all the facts you need right at hand, thanks to your research. This is the time to go ahead and present them to bigwigs. Your love life will become very intense this week, so enjoy it. People around you will try to manipulate you into the position they want, but be aware of it and avoid it.

Taurus (April 20 to May 20) Lately, you've found yourself thinking suspicious thoughts about someone near and dear to you. Dispel these by having an open discussion about your fears. While this won't alleviate them altogether, you and your loved one will be able to ride this out.

Gemini (May 21 to June 20) Your penchant is for the practical this week, so put those ideas to good use and present them to bigwigs. The result will be very profitable for you. That co-worker who's been coming on to you can only spell trouble, so don't try to mix business and pleasure.

Moon Children (June 21 to July 22) Your creative flair is at a peak right now. Take advantage of it and do some writing or drawing to express yourself. If you turn your hand to holiday decorating right now, your home will reflect your creativity.

Leo (July 23 to August 22) It's best to stick close to home this week and concentrate on all the domestic chores which need to be done before the holidays. Children will try your patience, but keep them busy at tasks which will not only be helpful to you, but will keep them occupied as well.

Virgo (August 23 to September 22) Seek advice from a financial expert before investing any of your time and money into a new project which could prove to be a folly. Those of you who are single will yearn to settle down, but relax and let nature take its own course.

Libra (September 23 to October 22) Your budget is an absolute mess and has been for quite some time. Take heart; the situation will soon improve through an unexpected windfall. However, take the time to work out a livable expenditure schedule.

Scorpio (October 23 to November 21) Involving yourself in a regular exercise regimen will sharpen your powers of thinking, as well as tone up your body. Your approach at work has been just the right touch — not too assertive, not too meek. Spend time getting your home ready for the holidays.

Sagittarius (November 22 to December 21) Your mind is sharp right now and you are able to perceive situations around you quite clearly and correctly. Use this knowledge to strengthen your position at work and in the home.

Capricorn (December 22 to January 19) You feel like gadding about, so start paying some holiday visits now. Your sociability and charm bring great favor. Utilize those ideas which you've kept on the shelf for too long at work. They will work to your financial advantage.

Aquarius (January 20 to February 18) You will receive a career offer this week which will be very tempting. Make sure you look into every aspect of it before deciding to make a move. There are some hidden ties attached which you may not like. Your gregarious nature will be satisfied this weekend.

Pisces (February 19 to March 20) You will find that your immediate family is being too demanding concerning finances. Make sure everyone understands what is realistic and what is not. Stick close to home during the latter part of the week and don't take any chances with your health.



Horse-racing regulations state that no race horse's name may contain more than eighteen letters.

HERE COMES SANTA CLAUS

Volunteers from a number of men's organizations throughout the south central Texas area will be making Christmas "special" for youngsters, December 16th & 18th, when they make "Santa" calls. Parents and grandparents can send in entry forms with a \$3.00 donation to the March of Dimes and have "Santa" deliver a phone message to the child. Santa's cheery message will brighten the season for many children while raising money for the prevention of birth defects...the goal of the March of Dimes. Over 250,000 children are born each year with serious birth defects and 18 million dollars was awarded worldwide by the March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation in grants for research, public and professional health education and medical services.

Volunteers are bilingual and will place calls during times specified on the entry forms. For more information or to volunteer your assistance, please call the March of Dimes office in your area. In San Antonio, the number is 647-7700, Laredo 723-0648 and Del Rio 775-4325.

THANK YOU

I want to thank each and everyone who helped us with the BBQ for Chester Simmons. We couldn't have made it without your help. Thanks!

Ora's Drive-In
Ora Rodriguez

GOOD LUCK

I would like to take this opportunity to wish my daughter, Vicky Abrigo, and the other ten participants whom will be going to Hondo on December 13, 1986, to participate in the 4-H District Food Show. The Best of Luck to all.

Rose Mary Abrigo
A Proud Mom



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

CITY	PLACE	DAY	TIME	JAN	FEB	MAR
Brackett	Kinney Co. Civic Ctr.	Fri.	9:00 am -2:00 pm	9		
Carrizo Spgs.	Service Ctr.	Weds.	9:00 am -2:00 pm	7,21	4,18	4,18
Crystal City	Comm. Court @ Courthouse	Weds.	9:00 am -2:00 pm	14,28	11,25	11,25
DelRio	Resident Station	Mon. -Fri.	9:00 am -5:00 pm			
Uvalde	Civic Center	Tues.	9:30 am -2:00 pm	6 13,20 27	3,10 17,24	3,10 17,24 31

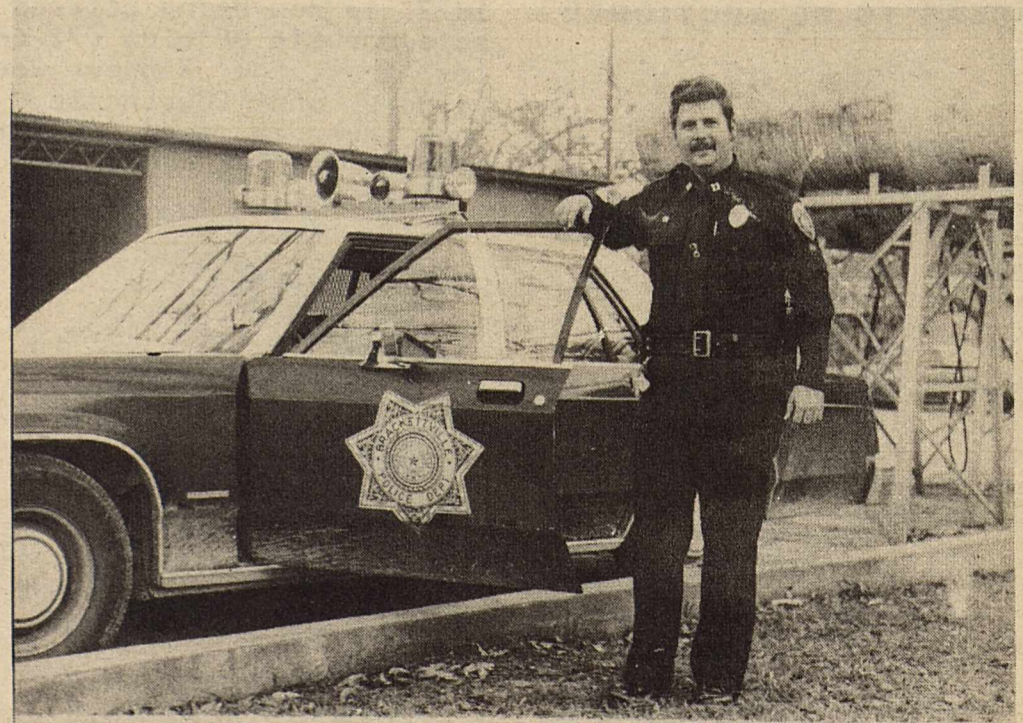
A representative of the Social Security Administration will be in the cities indicated above at the times and places shown. The representatives will assist you in applying for retirement, survivors, disability, Medicare or Supplemental Security Income benefits.

If you are filing for a Social Security Account Number you must bring with you proof of age, proof of identity, and, if you are not a U.S. citizen, proof of legal residency.

If you need assistance in filing a claim for reimbursement of your doctor bills you may call 1-800-442-2620 toll-free, or you may ask the representative to help you.

Upon invitation from any group, we shall be happy to provide a speaker on any phase of the Social Security Program.

The Eagle Pass Office is open to the public from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday, except on Federal holidays. This quarter we have three holidays: January 1, New Year's Day, January 19, King's Birthday and February 16, Washington's Birthday.



Brackettville Police Chief David Bohmfalk is shown wearing his new winter dress uniform. Bohmfalk has changed the uniform from brown to navy blue and revised the shape of his badge from a seven-pointed star to one in the shape of a shield.

BLOOD DRIVE

Saturday's the special day! You've seen and heard about it for several weeks--"Give the Gift of Life for Christmas"--and now comes your chance to provide a most meaningful holiday gift, and be a lifesaver!

The community-wide Blood Donation Drive will take place from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Saturday, December 13th, at the Brackettville First United Methodist Church on James Street. Experienced technicians from the South Texas Regional Blood Bank will handle six collection points in Slator Memorial Hall, so that there will be little or no waiting time involved.

Donors from age 17 (with parental consent) through age 66, weighing at least 110 pounds, and in generally good health are needed. Be sure to eat a good meal before donating, and if possible, avoid taking aspirin or other medications and drugs in the 24-hour period before giving blood. If you must take medication in that time, please write out the name and dosage for the technicians conducting the pre-donation screening and health check-up. Regular blood donors are asked to bring their donor card for updating.

Under the sponsorship of the Brackettville Ministerial Alliance, this holiday effort is intended to replenish Blood Bank and area hospital stocks which were used during the Thanksgiving Holiday period, and to provide critically needed supplies for the upcoming Christmas Holiday period. Your special gift costs nothing, but can mean the difference between life and death for someone in real need--perhaps a family member, or friend or neighbor from our community. Celebrate the gift of your good health in the true spirit of Christmas, and join in this donation opportunity on Saturday!

THANK YOU

We would like to thank all the good people who helped to make the BBQ for Chester a success. Thanks for all your help.

Chester & Theresa Simmons

DECEMBER SCHOOL MENUS

BREAKFAST

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
			ASSORT. CEREAL JUICE TOAST W/JELLY MILK 11	PANCAKES SAUSAGE FRUIT ASSORT. MILK 12
ASSORT. CEREAL JUICE TOAST W/JELLY MILK 15	BREAKFAST TACOS FRUIT MILK 16	FRENCH TOAST FRUIT MILK 17	BRAN MUFFINS FRUIT MILK 18	PANCAKES SAUSAGE FRUIT ASSORT. 19

LUNCH

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
			PIZZA SALAD GREEN BEANS JELLO W/FRUIT MILK 11	TACOS NACHOS LETTUCE & TOMATOES RANCH BEANS FRUIT MILK 12
HAMBURGER TATER TOTS SALAD FRUIT MILK 15	SOUP GRILL CHEESE SAND VEG STIR FRUIT MILK 16	BAKED CHICKEN MASHED POTATOES WITH GRAVY BROCCOLI FRUIT MILK 17	PIZZA SALAD GREEN BEANS JELLO W/FRUIT MILK 18	ENCHILADAS PINTO BEANS SPANISH RICE CORNBREAD FRUIT MILK 19

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CHAPTER III

NUTRITION SERVICE MANAGEMENT

The first decade of the nutrition services program for older Americans focused on the problems of organizing to deliver services. The next 10 years will be a period of developing and refining ways of managing the delivery of services.

A recent study of nutrition services shows that the initial task on balance has been well managed. It also identified important management problems: meal costs and food quality vary widely across the country.

Nutrition service operation size, location of sites, and the method of food quality. The only factor which makes an appreciable difference is whether the person in charge is a good manager.

The cost and quality are conditions in any service-related activity which can be controlled, and the function of management is to control conditions which affect the delivery of services.

Service management is the primary responsibility of the nutrition service director. This chapter describes the good management necessary to have a smooth running service which best meets the needs of older persons. Management includes planning, organizing, staffing, directing, and assessing. (Assessing is discussed in Chapter VII. Management processes in Chapter IV cover many aspects of food service management.) All of these functions are integral, ongoing responsibilities involved in nutrition service management. In managing nutrition services, some functions may be shared with others. Initial clarification of nutrition director management functions comes from the AAA.

I. MANAGEMENT STYLES

All managers have a style of management with which they are most comfortable. An individual style determines how a person relates to others, solves problems, reacts to pressure, and approaches new situations. There are several different management styles, all of which are useful. There is no one ideal style, although some styles are more appropriate for a given situation than others.

Many theories about management style have been developed, two of which are presented here. The first deals with how the manager relates to employees and the second more specifically describes the individual manager.

Understanding management styles also helps in selecting staff. A proficient management team may be developed by hiring staff who have complementary styles. For example, a conserving/holding fiscal officer or bookkeeper would complement the style of a controlling/taking director, and a supporting/giving outreach worker would add balance to that staff. Advisory council members and volunteers may also be selected for their styles. Asking an advisory council member who has a strong conserving/holding style to review budgets or bids could balance a supporting/giving nutrition director.

Nutrition directors who have diverse management responsibilities and limited personnel have a greater need to develop various management styles. Awareness and practice of useful managerial styles can maximize management success.

II. OPERATIONAL PLANNING

Planning entails assessing needs, establishing goals and objectives and strategies to meet them, developing budgets, writing policies and procedures, and developing services.

The area agency on aging (AAA) has overall responsibility for needs assessment and planning, but input is often solicited from the nutrition provider. This section presents tools and strategies of planning useful to nutrition directors in designing their service and in offering suggestions for expansion and improvement to the AAA.

A. NEEDS ASSESSMENT METHODOLOGY

An essential first step in the planning process is for area agencies to assess the level of need for congregate and in-home meals within the planning and service area. This type of assessment is called an area needs assessment and is an integral part of program and service planning. AAA's often ask nutrition providers to help assess needs, and a variety of techniques and methodologies may be used.

One planning method uses statistical information to help determine area needs. For example, adults over seventy-five are likely to have a greater number and more serious needs than those sixty to seventy-four years of age. Therefore, AAA's may want to know how many persons receiving nutrition service are seventy-five and over. Local statistical information reflects the levels of met and unmet needs better than state data (e.g., census data or state agency statistics). Local statistics, combined with state and national findings, can provide information for area planning.

A more comprehensive technique using a mathematical formula has been developed in North Carolina. It is used to assess service programs by factors such as cost, prevalence in the community of the problems the services address, community priorities, and potential impact of service on needs. Services with the greatest impact at the least cost are those assessed as most needed.

The staff at the center are in the planning process of their Christmas Party which will be held on the evening of December 19th. No lunch will be served at noon so that preparations for the evening party can be made.

Home-Delivered Meals will be taken out as usual. Seniors who plan to attend the party must call in at 563-2015 to register. A buffet is planned beginning at 6:30 P.M. with a lot of other entertainment, Christmas Carols and some dancing.

A Del Rio trip is scheduled for Tuesday, December the 16th. This will be the last trip for the month. Please make arrangements for this day. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call.

Happy Holidays!!

Emerson Snipes and Ann W. DeMaine,
Service Planning for the Aging
(Raleigh, NC, Center for Urban Affairs and Community Services, 1979).

Analysis of Food Service Delivery Systems Used in Providing Nutrition Services to the Elderly, Preliminary National Report. (Washington, D.C., USDHHS, Administration on Aging, June 30, 1981).



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**VOICES
PERFORM
AT TOWN HALL**

The Voices of Fort Clark will present their annual Christmas Concert at the Town Hall, Fort Clark Springs, at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, December 15.

The program will include performances by the Voices chorus, and by the Ladies' group newly named the Troopettes.

Also included will be several singalong numbers. The Voices first presented this concert for the Del Rio Music Club on the afternoon of December 8.



**POHL HONORED AS
LION OF THE YEAR**

Brackettville Lions Club secretary/treasurer Peter Pohl was honored on December 4 as Lion of the Year. George Strickland, District Governor of district 2A2, was present for the presentation which took place at the regularly scheduled meeting. Strickland observed that the Brackettville Lions contributed over \$800.00 to the various Club activities, including the Leader Dog School, Kerrville Crippled Children's Camp, and the Eye and Tissue Clinic. These donations served to make this a 100% Club.

Pictured at left: Lions Club secretary/treasurer Peter Pohl.



OPERATION CARE & SHARE

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Operation care & share is a national cooperative effort designed to increase public awareness & understanding of how private citizens & community organizations can respond to the problem of hunger in the United States & to mobilize greater human, financial & in-kind resources in support of local food programs.

Voluntary organizations, churches, etc. are urged to meet the needs of local food programs & the people they serve. The Knights of Columbus #8223 along with the Columbian Squires Circle #3375 or Brackettville will be conducting a drive within the next two weeks to help the elderly & needy with food for this Christmas Holiday.

Collection points will be established at all our local grocery stores & at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church.

We urge your participation.

Chris Gomez
Chairman
563-2588

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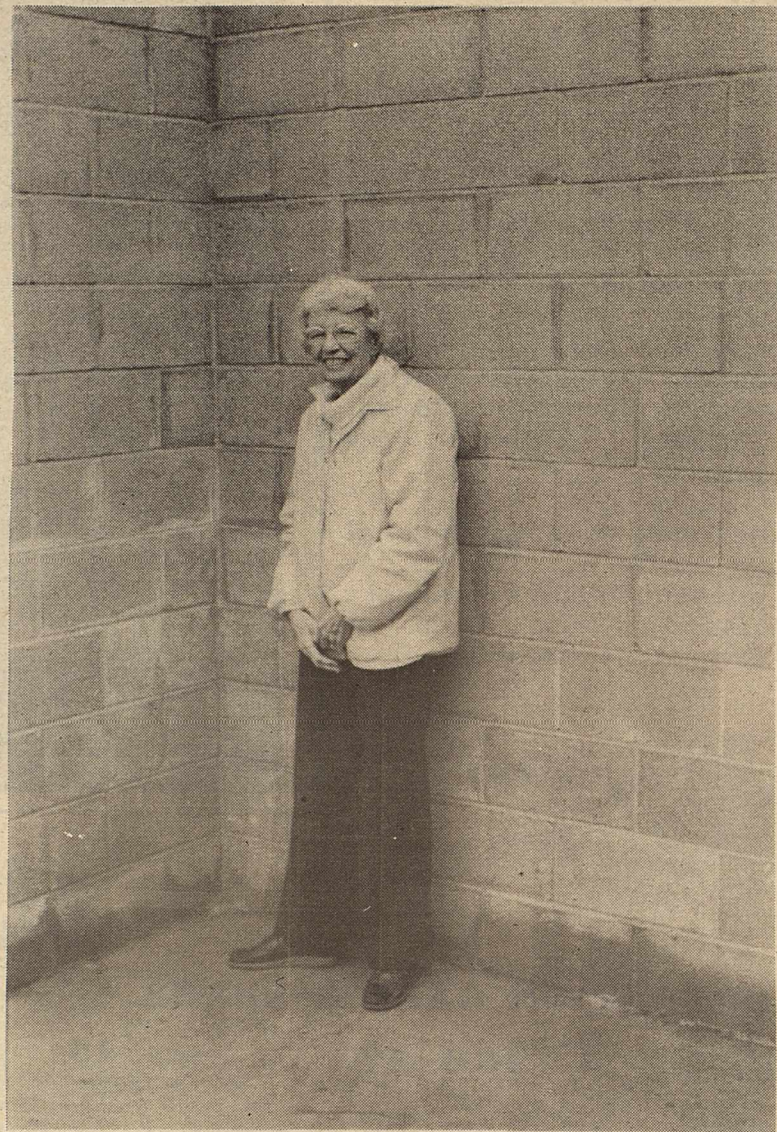
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Else Sauer and J. Lee Ballantyne were present at the ceremony to set the twin cornerstones for the Clinic which took place on December 8.

Miss Sauer and Mrs. Ballantyne were both present in 1956 when the original cornerstone was laid. These ladies are truly two of Kinney County's real pioneers.



Our Doris Cahill, who resides with her sister, Margaret (Peggy) Peck, in Fort Clark Springs, has been appointed to represent Brackettville on the United Medical Center Board.

This will be Doris' second term as a member of the Board which serves as the governing board for the three clinics located in this area: Eagle Pass, Del Rio, and Brackettville.

An exciting piece of news is that Doris left on Tuesday to attend a Clinic Conference in New Orleans, Louisiana. We know she will be learning a lot while at the Conference and hope she enjoys herself thoroughly.

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SHERIFF'S CORNER



NORMAN HOOTEN
SHERIFF

The investigation into the brutal beating and robbery of a Brackettville man on the night of November 30th, has been completed and charges of Aggravated Robbery have been filed against 2 brothers, also of Brackettville.

The victim, Jesus Terrazas, 55, was attacked in the civic center parking lot after leaving a local lounge. He was severely beaten and robbed of over \$700.00 in cash. He was left lying unconscious in a drainage ditch.

Evidence discovered during the course of the investigation leads investigators to believe that Terrazas was attacked, beaten, and robbed by Jose "Joey" Martinez, 18, and his brother Francisco "Frankie" Martinez, 22, both of Brackettville. The two brothers fled to Del Rio the night of the crime and ironically both men have been arrested in that city and charged with Homicide and Aggravated Assault, stemming from an incident near a lounge in that city that occurred the night of December 2nd in which one man was stabbed to death, and another cut and stabbed repeatedly with a knife.

Francisco "Frankie" Martinez, is on parole from TDC at this time where he was serving a prison term for a 1982 burglary conviction in this county. Arrest warrants have been issued, and holds placed on the pair by the Kinney County Sheriff's Department. The two men remain in the Val Verde County Jail at the time of this writing in lieu of bonds totalling \$75,000 on each man. At the time of their arrest by Val Verde County officials, the 2 men had less than \$3.00 on them. The \$700.00 cash taken during the Kinney County robbery has not been recovered.

A disturbance report received from the B&S Grocery on the evening of Saturday, December 6th, led to the arrest of Charlie W. Wilkens, 39, of Caddo Parrish, Louisiana on charges of Disorderly Conduct. Wilkens

became extremely violent after his arrest and was obviously suffering from a mental disorder. After being transported to the county jail by myself, he struggled violently with arresting officers and jailers, striking Jailer Larry Reese in the face. He was finally subdued and transported to the Val Verde County Jail to be placed in a padded cell there for observation (we do not have facilities at the Kinney County Jail in which to hold violent mental prisoners). An Emergency Commitment Order was signed by Justice of the Peace Rosemary Slubar, authorizing Wilkens transfer to Val Verde County. He will be processed there and most likely will be transferred to the State Mental Hospital in San Antonio for treatment and observation.

Wilkens had several homemade weapons concealed in his clothing at the time of his arrest. The weapons consisted of sharpened pieces of steel rods and heavy gauge steel wire.

Local residents and businesses should take precautions and beware of foot travelers passing through town. Many of them are people with mental disorders and a large number of them are dangerous. Should you notice anyone acting strangely, out of the ordinary, or suspicious, call the Sheriff's Office as soon as possible and let us check them out.

It is frustrating and depressing that many millions of dollars are spent each year on welfare and give-away programs and yet so little is spent on mental health programs for the poor or others who cannot afford professional help. People like Mr. Wilkens who are obviously suffering from severe mental disorders are usually shuttled from county to county. If and when they are finally committed to a mental hospital, they receive only limited treatment, if any, and then are released back into society to continue their lonely, aimless travel through our countryside posing a threat to the safety of themselves and innocent citizens. These people are suffering from a terrible illness and should be safely confined and treated until they no longer pose a danger to themselves or others.

SPORTS
BY KEN MULLIGAN

BRACKETT DROPS FOUR

Campwood- The boys and girls varsity teams both lost 2 games in the Nueces Canyon tournament last weekend. The girls lost 42-37 to the host cougars and 44-37 to the Sabinal Yellow Jackets. The boys dropped their first game to the D'hanis Cowboys 62-48 and their second match up with Utopia 48-36.

In the tournament, the boys were led on offense by Hector Pena with 25 pts. and 22 rebounds. Dutch Wardlaw threw in 21 pts. and grabbed 5 boards, Charlie Baker 12/18, Sonny Garcia 12/8, Steve Boutwell 4/1, Frank Morgan 3/8, Mitch Frerich 3/4, Robert Estrada 2/4, Abel Esparza 2/3, and Placido Samaniego 0/1. Estrada had 10 assists, Garcia had 7 and Frerich had 2 to lead the Tigers in that category.

Estrada led defensively with 6 steals and 1 blocked shot. Frerich had 5 steals, Wardlaw 3/1, Garcia 2/0, Pena 2/0, Baker 1/2, Esparza 1/0, Samaniego 1/0, and Morgan 0/1.

Martha Samaniego led the way for the girls offensively scoring 24 pts. grabbing 22 rebounds and handing off for 6 assists. Pilar Lozano was 17/15/1, Mela Lozano 16/6/9, Sheri White 6/19/3, Tia Ralston 5/7/1, Elena Sandoval 4/7/3, Melinda Meyer 2/1/0, Yvonne Luna 0/2/3, and Tammy Frerich 0/1/0.

Defensively, there were no blocked shots, however, Mela Lozano led with 8 steals. Ralston had 3, and Samaniego, White, and Melinda Meyer had 1 each.

Tuesday night both varsitys and the boys JV play at Leakey. Play begins with the JV game at 5:00 pm.

THANK YOU

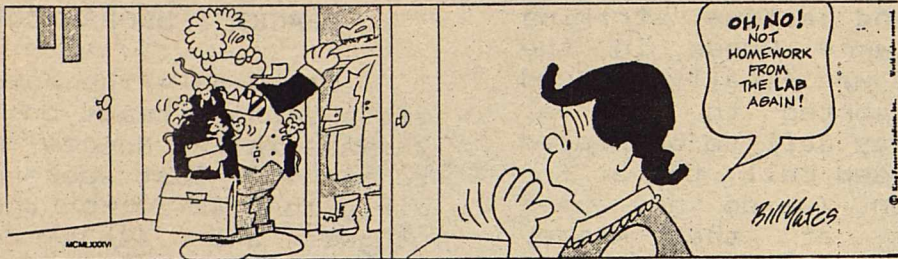
I would like to thank Mrs. Ramona Falcon and Praxedis Aguirre for the help, support, understanding and patience you have shown me. Without your leadership and backup I couldn't have done it.

Vicky Abrigo

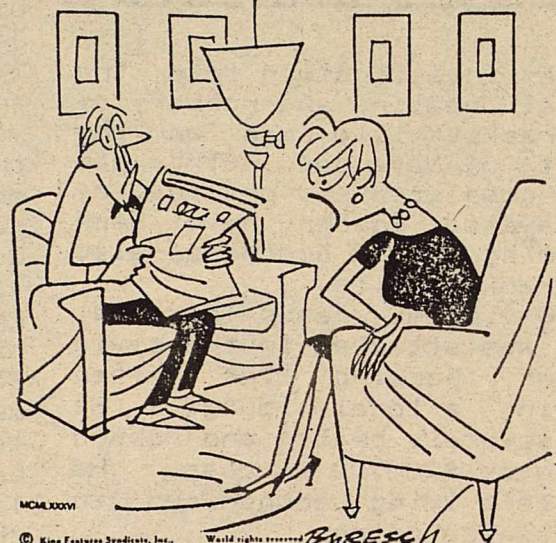
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By Bill Yates



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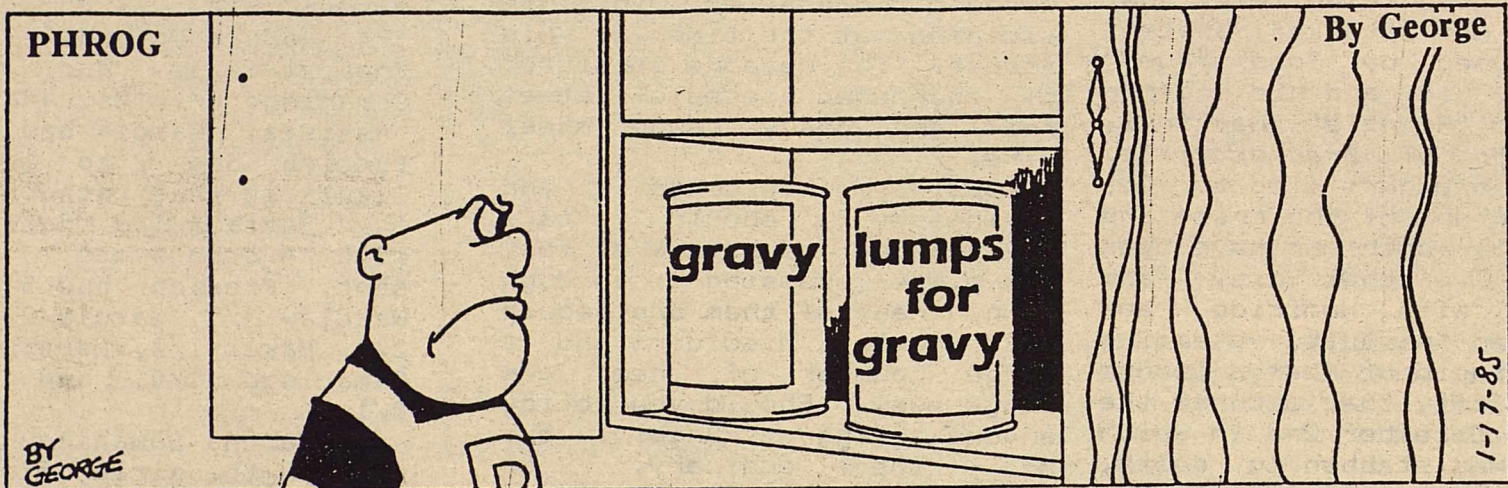
"Why is it every time we discuss something, you have to put in your two cents' worth?"

Tillie the Toiler



PHROG

By George

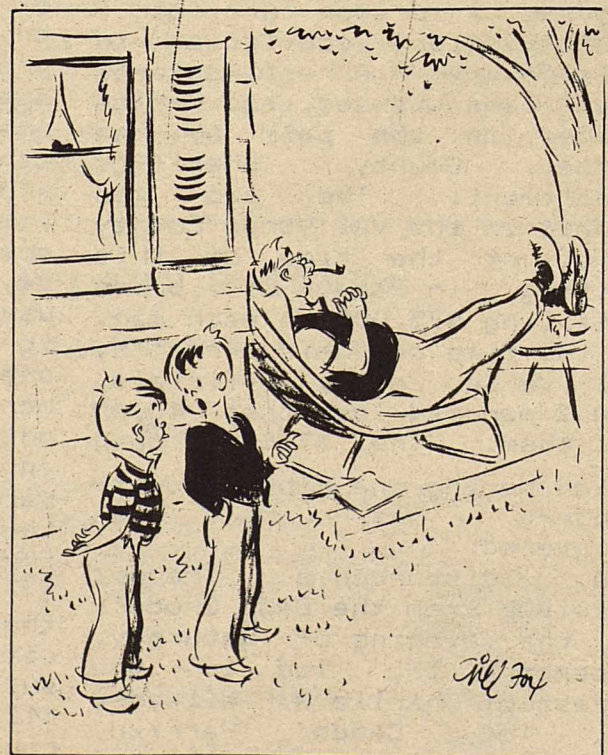


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Side Glances



"My grandfather is retired. That means the rat race is over and he won!"

Mom's Kitchen



Christmas has always been more than just another holiday. There is a special atmosphere, an altered way of looking at the world, something so rare and unique it can only be called the "Christmas Spirit". This Christmas spirit, prevails from just before Thanksgiving, until "Old Christmas", January 5th.

Early during the holidays, fruit cakes are made from treasured recipes and packed into brightly decorated tins, tucked away in a cool, dark place, and left to ripen until the great holiday feast. Families plan in excited tones for the marvelous Christmas get-together, and everyone seeks that one perfect gift.

The very nicest gifts are those we prepare ourselves. Such gifts are part of us...and through them we share our creativity with those we love. Nothing says "Merry Christmas" as well as gifts we have made in our own kitchens.

Some of the following recipes come down through many generations and are awaiting your cooking pleasure...and the pleased surprise of the people to whom they are given. Share a part of yourself this Christmas with home made Christmas gifts from your kitchen.

Candlelight Holiday Raisin Cake

- 1 1/4 C shortening
- 1 1/2 C honey
- 6 eggs well beaten
- 2 1/2 C sifted flour
- 1 tsp. salt
- 1 tsp. baking powder
- 1 tsp. cinnamon

- 1/2 tsp. nutmeg
- 1/2 tsp. ground ginger
- 2 C mixed, diced candied fruit
- 2 C candied pineapple pieces
- 2 C dark seedless raisins
- 2 C golden seedless raisins
- 1 C halved candied cherries
- 2 C broken pecan pieces

Place the shortening and honey in large bowl and beat until creamy and well blended. Stir in eggs, sift flour with salt, baking powder and spices. Add to creamed mixture and stir until smooth. Blend in fruit and pecans and turn into greased 10" tube pan lined with 2 thicknesses of greased heavy brown paper. Bake at 250 degrees for 4-4 1/2 hours with shallow pan of water in bottom of oven. Or may be placed in 3 8 1/2 x 4 1/2 x 2 1/2 inch loaf pans and baked at 300 degrees for about 2 hours.

Fresh Apple Cake

- 3 C fresh delicious apples peeled and chopped
- 2 1/4 C sugar
- 1 1/2 C oil
- 3 eggs-well beaten
- 3 C flour
- 1 tsp. nutmeg
- 1 tsp. cinnamon
- 1 tsp. salt
- 1 1/2 tsp. baking soda
- 1 tsp. vinegar

Cover apples with 1/2 C of the sugar and set aside. Combine remaining sugar, oil, and eggs in large bowl. Sift together flour, nutmeg, cinnamon, salt, and soda. Add dry ingredients to moist mixture a little at a time until well mixed. Add 1 tsp. vinegar, mix, then add apple, sugar mixture. Mix well and bake in well greased and floured tube pan at 350 degrees for about 1 hour 15 mins., or until cake tests done.



TAX EXEMPTIONS FOR THE DISABLED

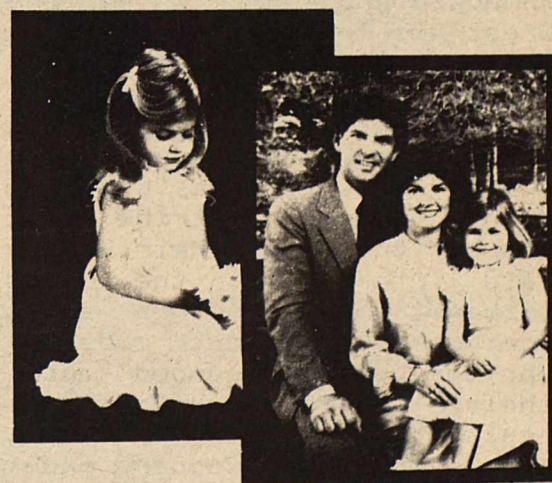
Although most taxpayers are aware of the Homestead and Over 65 tax exemptions available to qualified residences, many overlook the exemptions provided for disabled homeowners, disabled veterans, and surviving spouses or children of disabled veterans.

January 1 to April 30 is the correct time to file for tax exemptions. Although the Kinney County Appraisal District attempts to contact all who may qualify for an exemption, some, they feel, are not receiving the tax help they are legally entitled to.

Taxpayers wishing to apply for any exemption are asked to contact the Marcus Tidwell at the Kinney County Appraisal District or phone 563-2323 for more information.



Jan Mills
THE NATION'S STUDIO

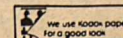


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By Dorothy Payne

Few tombstones remain in the little cemetery on the south shore, near Andrews, Texas. The lettering on the ones made of wood is completely worn away by the prevailing sandy winds. The soldier's markers made of stone cant crazily off balance.

Once this was a busy place, a camping and meeting town for the Indians, then a military camp, and later an organized town. According to courthouse records of old Fort Concho, the town was named Shafter Lake, after Colonel Shafter, who was stationed there in the latter part of the 1880's. Parts of Fort Concho are still standing near the present town of San Angelo, Texas. Later the Colonel was transferred to Fort Davis, in the Big Bend.

Long before Colonel Shafter came and camped at the Lake in 1875, the Indians camped on its shores to fill their leather bags with salt, for the lake could boast of no living thing, being a body of salt water. This section of the country was practically unmapped and was known as the Great American Desert.

Here plains tribes roamed freely from water hole to water hole. There were plenty of antelope, buffalo, and blue quail, and until the "Comanche Moon", when that tribe took the war trail for their yearly raid into Mexico, the other tribes hunted and met at a spring on the south side of Shafter Lake and camped until their salt supply was replenished.

A company of troopers under the command of Colonel Shafter was sent into the vicinity with orders to map the area and find the available water. Setting out from Fort Concho, he and his command camped at Big Spring, and from there started down into the desert country, which by now was called the Llano Estacado by the buffalo hunters and trappers.

Setting up a base camp near the present town of Lamesa, he proceeded into what is now Andrews county, mapping the

water holes and terrain as he went. Close to the present town of Andrews, he came upon a large band of Indians camped at a lake of salt. Given the order to attack, the troopers routed the band, driving them south towards Mexico, capturing four and killing one.

According to a report sent by Colonel Shafter to Assistant Adjutant General in Austin, dated in January, 1876, the Indians left behind in their flight, 25 horses and mules, 3 to 4 thousand pounds of buffalo meat, 100 hides, 50 sacks of mesquite beans, 100 lodge poles and various cooking utensils.

Later the salt lake was named Shafter Lake, in commemoration of Colonel Shafter's camp made there while mapping the area. After Shafter's return to Fort Concho, the Indians still came to the lake for salt.

By the year 1900, a ranch headquarters was built near its shore. In 1906, a Land company came from the east, and after obtaining a tract of land, began to develop a town. Lots were sold, and before another year a town was established.

Although Shafter Lake was destined to never be more than 400 hardy souls in population, it had a general store, hotel, bank, a school and a church.

When the mail began to come via the first car in the county, from a branch post office known and still known as Florey, Shafter Lake too, had a post office,

The land company tried to develop a railroad spur to connect with the railroad to Midland, but in spite of the high hopes, this project barely got started.

Because of the lack of industry, by the time of the first World War, the population began to decrease, principally because most of the surface rights belonged to the University of Texas.

The last hope died when the new town of Andrews began to build a few miles away and because the county seat was there.

The people left, one by one, the general store burned and only a smaller one took its place. The church was moved to Andrews, and the post office was discontinued. The old foundations are still

there, the ranch headquarters remain and a few headstones are still in the cemetery across the lake.

Standing on the shores, if you can blot out the sound and sight of the pumping oil wells that are now still there, one can almost lose oneself and see how it must have been when the Indians camped there with the smoke curling lazily from the cooking fires, while they salted down the buffalo meat.



The Brackettville Lions Club is accepting contributions of food staples and canned goods to fill Christmas baskets for the needy of our community.

A drop-off box is located in the lobby of the First State Bank of Brackettville for your convenience.

For additional information. Please ask any Lion or call 563-9369.

Again this year, the Grandmother's Club is providing toys for the children of the Christmas basket recipients.

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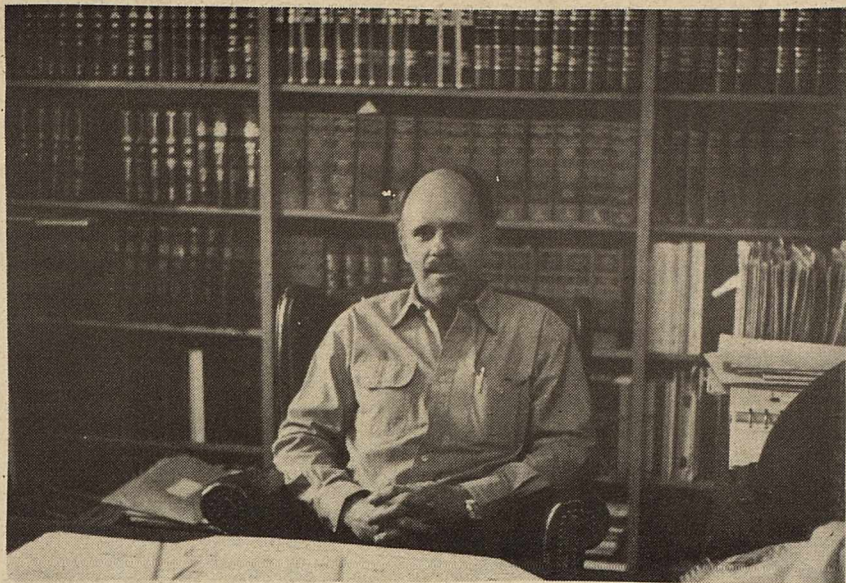
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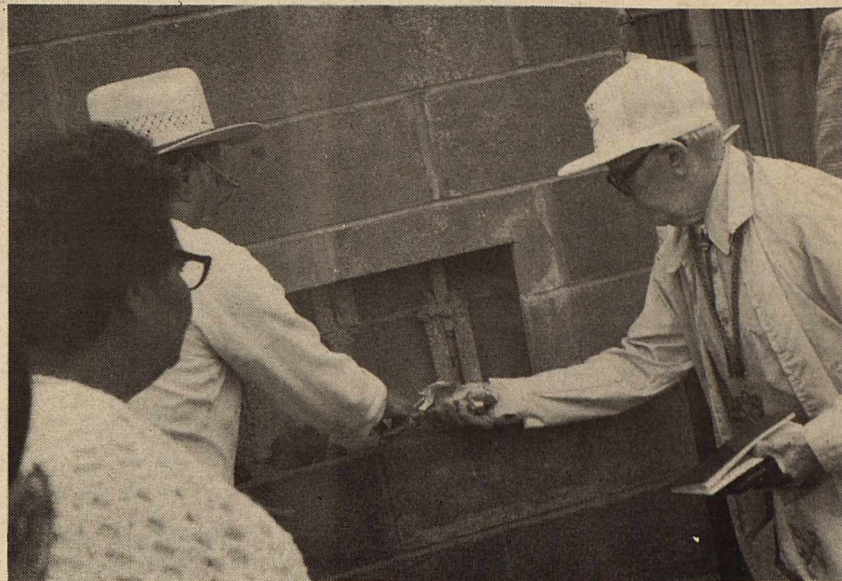
or Alvin Hall

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To run for the office of County Attorney, one must hold a license to practice law. The main duties of the County Attorney, according to the Texas Agriculture Extension Service at A&M, are to serve as legal advisor to all county officers and to represent the state in all criminal cases in the County and Justice of the Peace Criminal Courts. The present County Attorney, Tully Shahan, works with Kinney County law enforcement officers throughout their investigations and preparation of their cases to go before the criminal county courts.



Robbie Robinson (right) assists Raymond Fuentes in replacing the original Clinic capsule at ceremonies performed December 8.

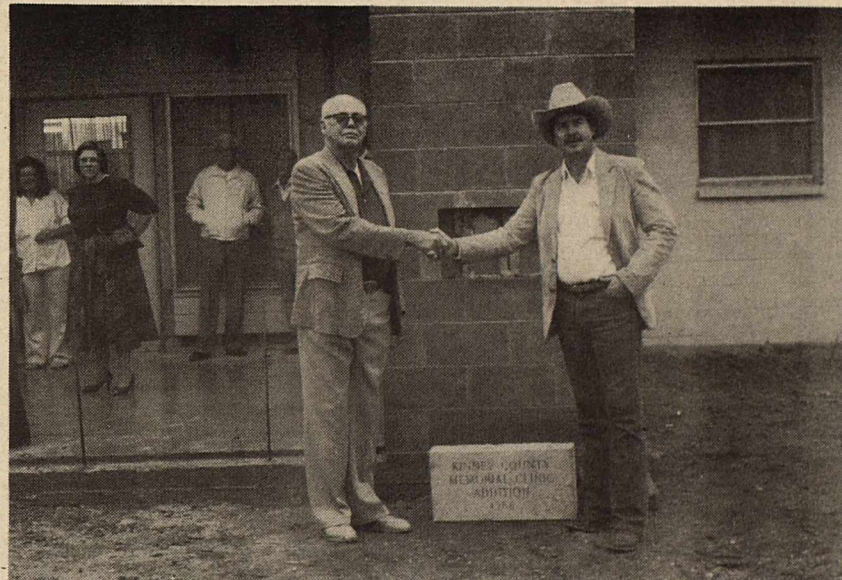


County employee Lisa Slaughter Soliz wears more than one hat during a normal working day at the Kinney County Courthouse.

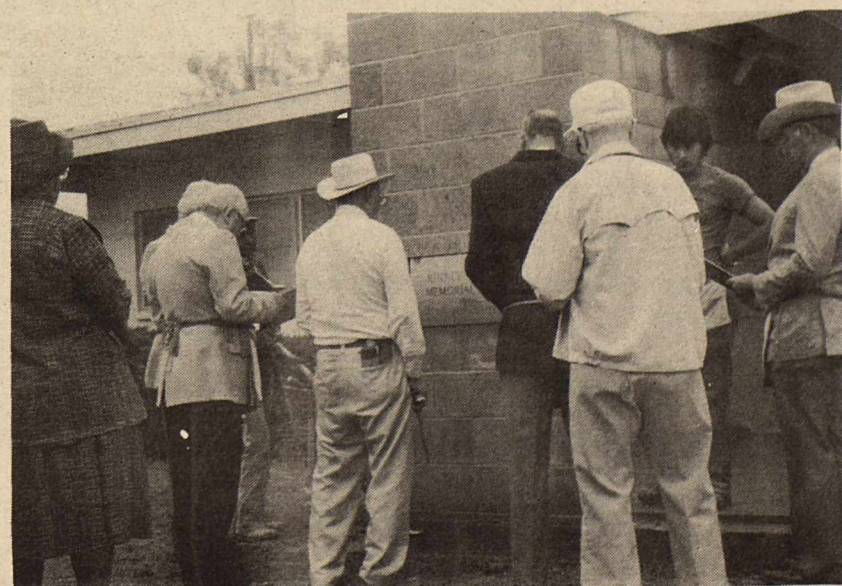
In addition to working as the County Attorney's secretary, Lisa also handles the County Indigent Program which began on September 1, 1986.

Lisa, who resides in Spofford, is married to Alex Soliz. She is the daughter of former Brackettville residents Bobby and Emma Slaughter. Cheerleader for Brackett High, Lisa graduated from the BISD school system in 1983.

With a ready smile and cherry disposition, Lisa is always willing to help anyone who needs her assistance.



Tim Ward (right), volunteer General Contractor for Clinic addition and assistant Contractor P.M. Moore



Las Moras Masonic Lodge members conclude their ceremony after replacing the Clinic cornerstone.

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