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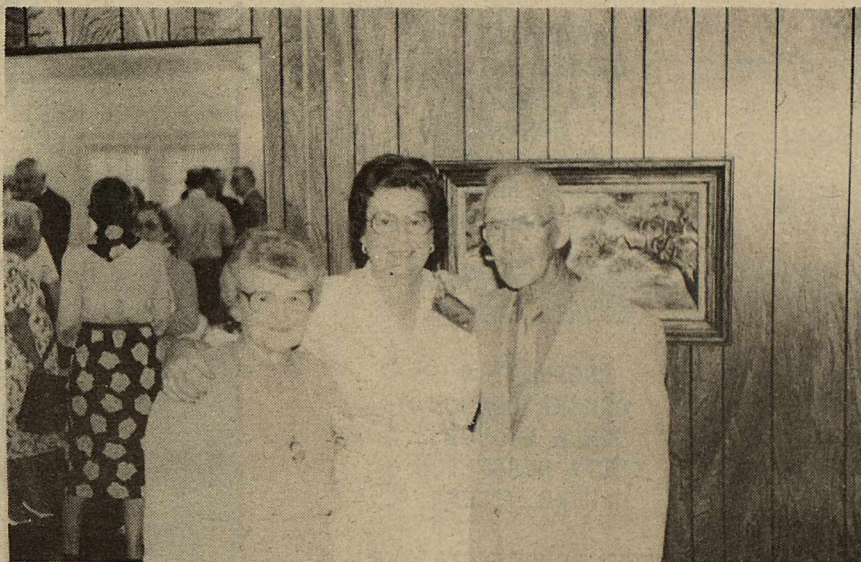
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Reggie Rivas accepting "Outstanding Performance Service Contribution Award." Story on Page 7.



Pictured above from left to right: Mrs. Cecil Allen, Mrs. Eloise Davis and Mr. Cecil Allen. Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Allen were Teachers of the 1937 Class.

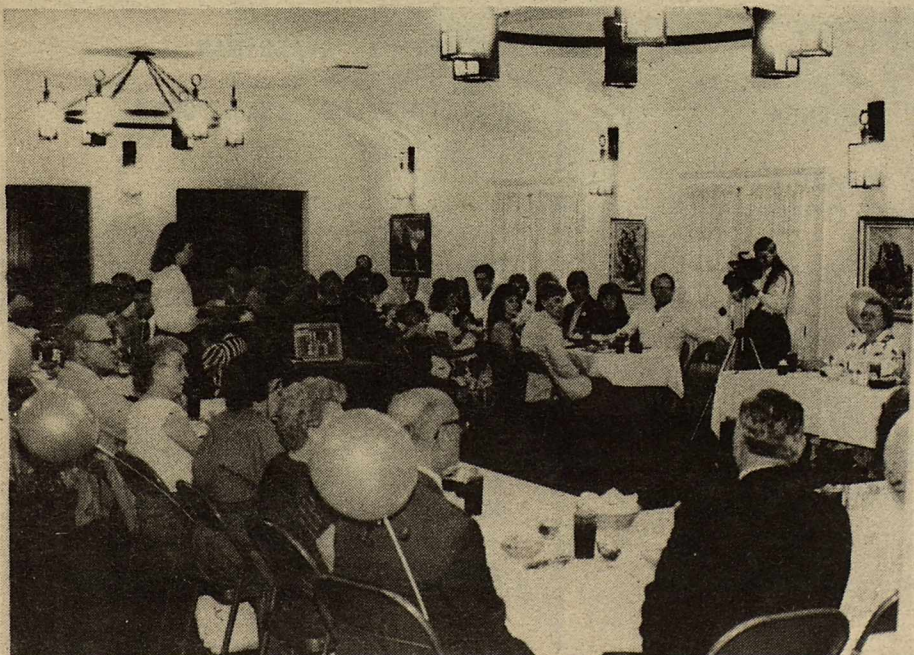
50TH CLASS REUNION

A First in Brackettville History

The B.H.S. Class of 1937 held its fiftieth anniversary reunion in Brackettville on May 16, 1987. So far as is known, this was the first 50th reunion held by a graduating class of Brackett High School.

The event kicked off with a patio luncheon at the Fort Clark Springs Golf Club House. Class members attending were: Mrs. Dan Riggs (Kathleen Bless), Iraan, Texas; Mrs. James King (Doris Deason), Monahans, Texas; Mrs. Lloyd Davis (Eloise Hunt), Brackettville, Texas; Mrs. Salvador Acosta (Leticia Olvera) Dallas, Texas; Mr. John A. (Junior) Reese, San Diego, California; Mr. Pat Rose, Jr., Brackettville, Texas; Mrs. Norman Beard (Wilma Ruth Rose), Alpine, Texas; Mrs. James Morris (Christine Wickham), Sonora, Texas.

Including family member guests, forty-five were in attendance at the luncheon. Dr. Eddie Acosta and Capt. Sal Acosta, sons of class member, Leticia Olvera Acosta, served as Masters of Ceremonies for the reunion events. Guests registered in a book displayed on one of the old bookkeeping desks which were installed in 1931 in the then new High School, and long since discarded. The desk now belongs to Mrs. Lloyd Davis and the old High School has become the Junior High.



Pictured above is the eight members of the 1937 class and their families.

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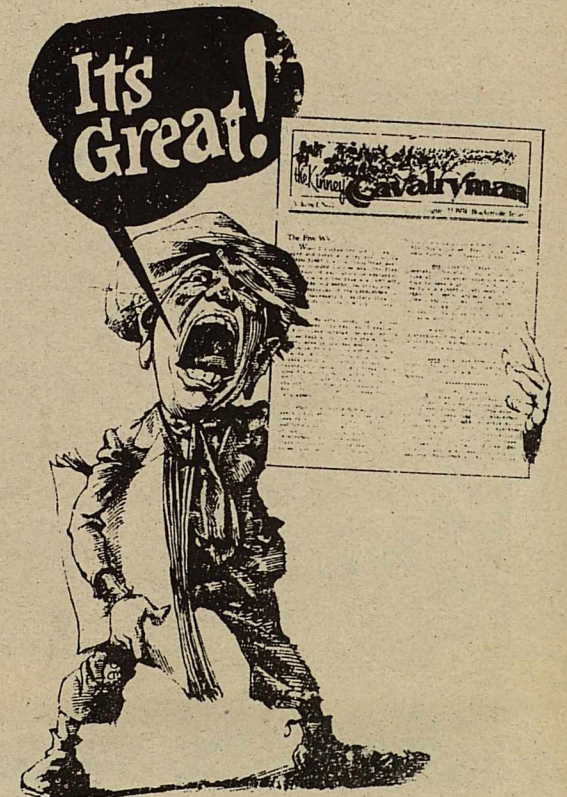
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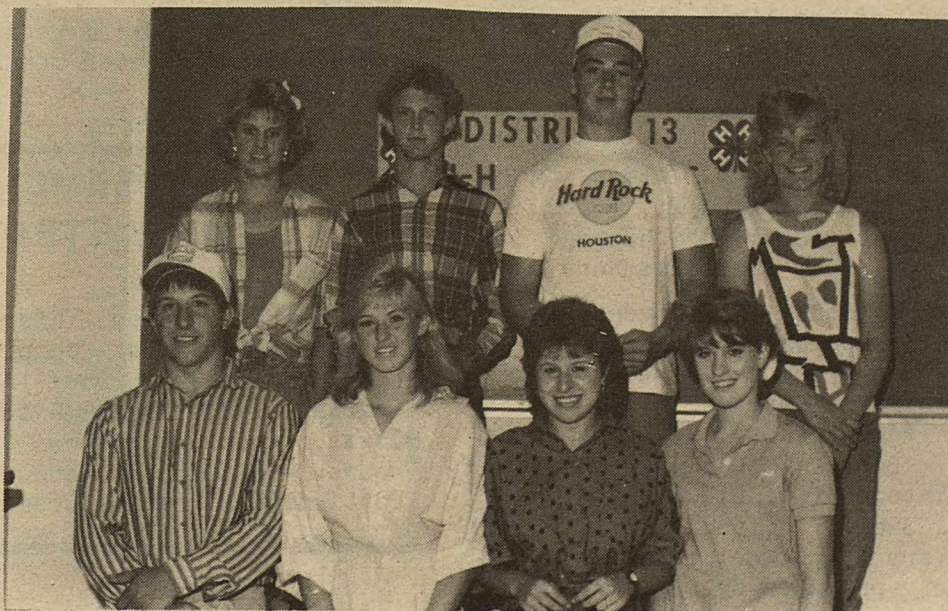
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Kathleen Hall, Kinney County 4-H Club member, received third place with her companion animal demonstration at the District 13 4-H contest held May 2, at Kerrville.



Karla Hall and Sarah Kelly, Kinney County 4-H Club members, first place and sweepstakes award recipients in the pre-junior animal production division, horse demonstration, District 13 4-H contests held May 2, at Kerrville.



Kinney County Senior 4-H Club members participating at the District 13 4-H contest Saturday, May 2, at Kerrville: Tia Ralston, Wesley Risinger, Dutch Wardlaw, Stacey Mayfield, Toby Frerich, Jodi Schermerhorn, Tammy Frerich, and Kelly Hall. These 4-H'ers placed 2nd and will travel to the State 4-H Round-Up held at Texas A&M in June.

BIRTHDAY WISHES

Happy 14th Birthday!
To Chuck
Love Ya, Mom, Bob, Lawrence
& Michelle



To Martha W.
Hope you feel better soon.
We Love You.
Terry, Karene
Dee & John



WELCOME BABY

ANTHONY DAVID MUNOZ

Anthony David Munoz was born on May 5, 1987 at Uvalde Hospital. Anthony weighted 7 lbs. 15 oz. and was 20 1/2 inches long. Proud parents are Robert and Ruby Munoz. Anthony has two brothers; Patrick and Michael. Proud Grand Parents are Mr. and Mrs. Jesus Munoz, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Agapita Saenz.



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CLASS REUNION CONT. FROM PAGE 1

For the luncheon the patio area was decorated with interesting memorabilia brought by the different class members, including the long dress worn by Leticia Olvera for the graduation exercises in the auditorium on the evening of May 24, 1937. This, of course, was before the cap and gown for high school graduations today. A bulletin board held newspaper clippings of the various social events honoring the 1937 grads, along with a graduation invitation, a Baccalaureate Sunday program, group pictures of the class made in 1937, and more recent pictures of the growing families. At registration, each class member indicated the miles traveled to the reunion and the number of children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. John Reese received the award for having traveled the greatest distance and Eloise Hunt Davis and John Reese tied for the "number of offspring" award.

Honor guests of the Class of '37 were three of their former teachers. They were Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Allen who now reside in Temple, Texas and Miss Else Sauer of Brackettville. Mr. Allen was Principal, Coach, and science and history teacher. Today that sounds like a big order, but he did it all and did it well. Mrs. Allen, who was Miss Maxine Walters when she arrived, was the first commercial teacher ever to come to Brackettville; and when her typing, shorthand, and bookkeeping students graduated, their proficiency qualified them for any secretarial or other office position of the day. It was recalled that a well-trained secretary then could command a salary of \$75 per month while a degree teacher could make \$90. As with countless other classes, Miss Sauer had taught this group in the 7th grade to write correctly, speak correctly, diagram sentences, memorize verse after verse, and identify famous works of art as well as the artists. The respect, admiration, and love felt by the Class of '37 for these three retired educators was evident throughout the day.

At 4:00 p.m. Mrs. Bob McCall and Miss Candy Bader conducted the interested group on a tour of the Junior High where they had attended high school. Fond memories of various teachers and classes were recalled, the many changes and improvements were noted, and

sentimental things that were gone were missed. The group was very proud to see that their alma mater is a school that is staying up with the times while retaining the important values that never change.

The final event of this reunion was a banquet at the Fort Clark Springs Members Lounge, a building with which they were all familiar, as it was the Fort Clark Officers' Club in their day. The banquet table was centered with a beautiful floral arrangement sent with the compliments of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Petersen of Walnut Creek, California. Mr. Petersen lived in Brackettville in his childhood and was a member of the Petersen family who owned the well-remembered general store, patronized in their early years by members of the Class of '37. The guest register again was on the old bookkeeping desk along with a shorthand dictionary which had been used by the Class of '37. During the dinner hour, Mrs. Kathy Conrey entertained on the piano with a lovely medley of tunes popular in the 1930's. The feeling of nostalgia was overwhelming.

A special tribute was paid the three deceased members of the class. They were Tom Perry (Buddy) Hybarger, who died July 7, 1944 in combat while serving in France as a bombardier and Billy Seargeant, who died June 7, 1953 after serving his country faithfully during World War II and until his death. Both are buried here in Brackettville. Mrs. Nellie Joe McCabe Netterblad passed away in 1986 and is buried in Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery after having spent her adult life traveling all over the world with her husband in the military service. Mr. Allen gave a brief account of the lives of the three and a moment of silent prayer was offered. The living classmates who could not be present were also remembered.

Members of the class were recognized individually, and in turn, each introduced husband or wife and other family members who were present. Seventy-three attended the banquet. Each class member was presented with a folder containing a copy of Mr. Allen's Daily Register of 1937, thanks to Mr. Bob McCall, present superintendent of B.H.S. and Mrs. Emma Swaim, long-time school secretary. Other items in the folder, prepared by Leticia Olvera Acosta and Eloise Hunt Davis, included pictures of both the old two-story Elementary School and the High School which the class had attended, along with the class roll, excerpts from the minutes of

School Board meetings of past years, lists of the Elementary and High School faculties of the time, and "Reflections As We Enjoy Our Fiftieth Reunion", an entertaining account of the many things that are a part of everyday life now and which were unheard of in 1937.

After spending the day sharing memories of days gone by and exchanging bits about families, careers, and their lives since 1937, this heart warming reunion of old friends ended with a sing-along of songs which they had sung at the weekly high school assemblies so long ago.

LADIES AUXILIARY VFW

The Fort Clark Ladies Auxiliary of the VFW Post #8360 held a special meeting Tuesday, May 12, 1987 at the NCO Club. Dorothy Salmon, Linda Woodson, Delores Pringle and Juanita Sides were voted and received into the Post as new members. We welcome them all.

Plans for a buffet supper were discussed and will be held on May 27, 1987 at 6:00 p.m. at the NCO Club. Following the buffet the new officers will be installed by Vada Avant, District II President from Atascosia, Texas.

On Saturday, May 30, 1987, the Ladies Auxiliary will place an American Flag on the grave of each Veteran at the Catholic Cemetery and County Cemeteries.

The Ladies Auxiliary of the VFW is dedicated to improving the community through Patriotism, Service Youth Program, Cancer Aid and Research and protecting Veteran's rights.

The Ladies Auxiliary meets the 4th Wednesday of each month at the NCO Building.

SEMINAR COMPLETED

Elizabeth Deason, Kinney County Auditor, has just completed her eighth seminar. One in College Station plus 7 at the University of Texas, which gives her over 236 hours of Public Accountancy for Continuing Education Credits.



Some people used to believe that the best cure for a cut received while reaping was to have it licked by a cat.

**"THE NITTY
AND THE GRITTY"
BY JOE TOWNSEND**

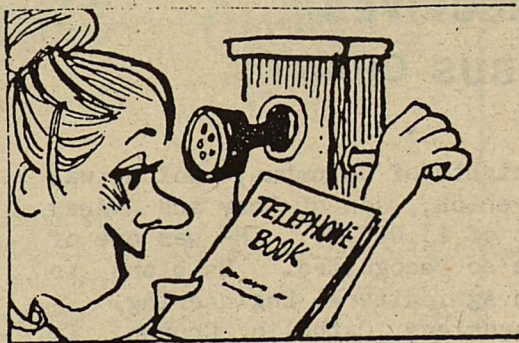
More of the Gritty -

Events of recent months have pointed up the possibility of ways of improvement relative to our city Police Department.

In view of the expense involved in a "Chief of Police" and a "City Judge" and the less than satisfactory events of recent days, I wonder about the wisdom of the present set up. It seems possible that hiring a City Marshall with possible arrangements through the Justice of the Peace to handle local fines etc., we would be much better off.

To say the least to adopt ordinances calling for election of these officers, if we maintain the present system, would certainly be a great improvement. I know this is asking a lot because once a person gains a power he is reluctant to give it up. To allow the people to decide on public offices is certainly preferable to the present system. If the Sheriff and County Judge can be elected by vote of the people there is no tenable reason why it would not be feasible to elect a City Marshall and a City Judge if there is need for one.

Since the people pay the bill it seems they should have some say in the officers. If officials are elective at least the voters have reasonable recourse by replacement at election time. Where the people are deprived of the elective process they are at the same time deprived of reasonable control over the office. This, at least, is worthy of consideration.



The first telephone book ever issued contained only fifty names. It was published in New Haven, Connecticut.



13 Young ladies and seven Counselors from the Texas School for the deaf

**STUDENTS FROM SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF
VISIT BRACKETT**

Gulf Printing at Fort Clark Springs was host to 13 young ladies and seven counselors last weekend from the Texas School for the Deaf.

Saturday, the girls were guests of Happy Shahan at Alamo Village where they were privileged to see a special program just for them.

After a picnic lunch in the swim park at Fort Clark, they went to the FFA arena. The girls were allowed to take horseback rides on horses owned by the Chuck Hall's. A short trip to the Hall's thrilled the girls as they saw peacocks, bobcats, and a new colt.

Saturday night, a Bar-B-Que honored the girls. Guests from the community included Mr. and Mrs. Bob Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Moore, Norman Hooten, and David Luna.

The girls left Sunday morning for a trip to Acuna and Del Rio.

Albert Payne was the host for Gulf Printing. Payne is the father of Roxanne Payne, one of the young ladies from the school. Roxanne has been at the school for one year.

The girls chose their trip to Brackettville and Del Rio over a trip to Corpus Christi.

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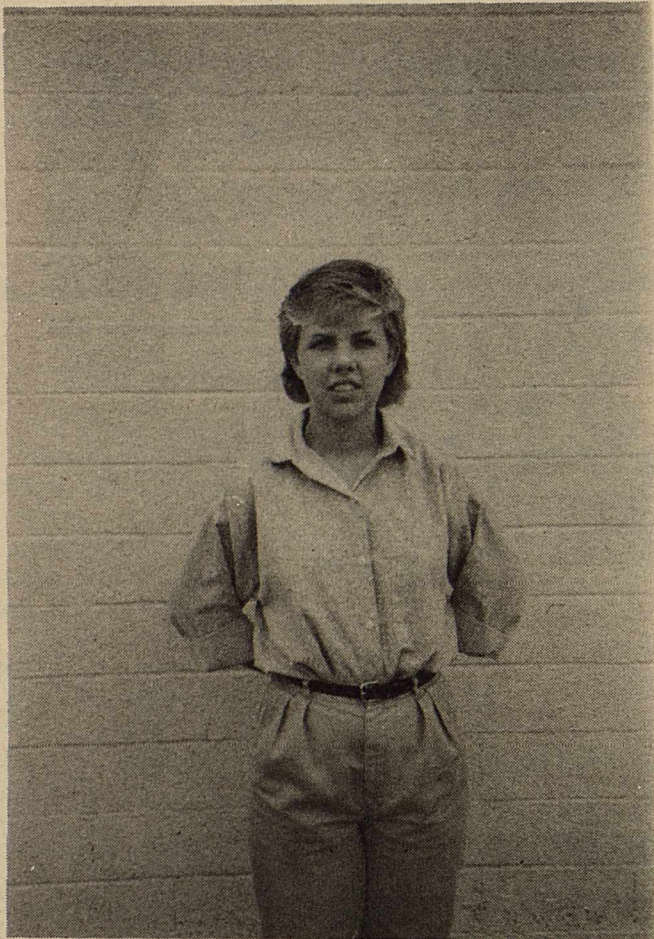
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Pictured above is Drum Major Hope Kelley.



Pictured from left to right are Junior High Twirlers Sandra Soliz, Tanya Frerich, and Regina Rubino.

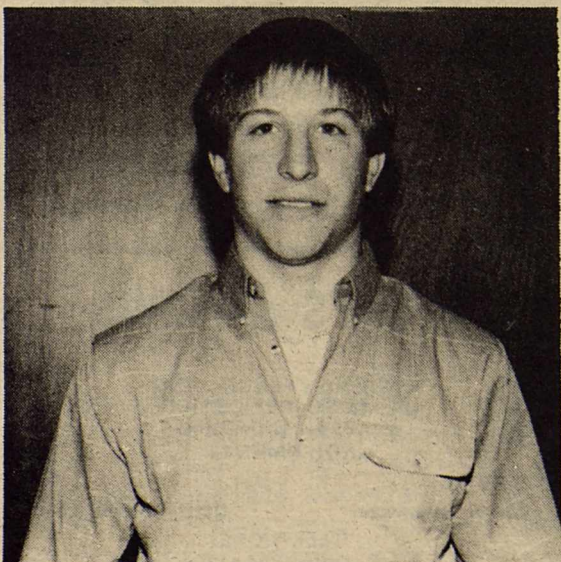
TWIRLERS & DRUM MAJOR SELECTED

A selection committee from the Del Rio area held tryouts for twirlers and drum major for the 1987-88 Brackett Tiger Band on May 2nd. Selected to perform for their third straight year as drum major will be Hope Kelley, a junior next year. Freshman Rosemary Rubino will be head twirler. Other twirlers will be Vivian Luna, Freshman; Francis Sandoval, senior; and Bonnie Frerich, sophomore.

Junior high twirlers will be seventh graders. Selected to be head twirler was Regina Rubino. Accompanying her as a trio unit will be Sandra Soliz and Tanya Frerich. Members of the selection committee were band directors from Del Rio I.S.D.



Pictured from left to right are 1987-88 Brackett High Twirlers Vivian Luna, Rosemary Rubino, Francis Sandoval and Bonnie Frerich.



TOBY FRERICH RECEIVES KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS GRANT

At the Texas State Convention of the Knights of Columbus, which was held in Corpus Christi May 1-7, Toby Frerich, son of Tony and Nancy Frerich, was awarded an Educational Grant of \$1,000.00. He was one of ten students in the State of Texas to be so recognized. He plans to attend Texas A & M University and Major in Agricultural Engineering.

Toby is a member of St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church in Brackettville. He has served the Church as an altar boy for nine years. He was the recipient of the Grand Cross Award in 1985 and is currently serving as Vice President of the Knights of the Altar. He is a Charter Member of the Columbian Squires where he has been Burser and Chief Squire. He has just this week received his 1st degree Knights of Columbus.

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NEW SIGNS ON HIGHWAY 90

SEMINOLE
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Pictured next to the new sign, thanks to their efforts, are Gilbert Villarreal, Chuck Jeffcoat, Roger Pina and David Seargeant.

ROAD SIGN CORRECTED

Thanks to the efforts of Brackett Jr. High students Gilbert Villarreal, Chuck Jeffcoat, Roger Pina and David Seargeant, the spelling of the word "cemetery" on two road signs along highway 90 in Brackettville was recently corrected.

In March, these students sent letters to the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation in which they pointed out the spelling error. The word "cemetery" had been spelled "cemetary". Their letters were answered by Mr. R.E. Stotzer, Jr., Engineer-Director, who thanked them

for bringing the problem to his attention. He told the BISD Seventh graders that he had informed the District Office in San Angelo a few days after the letter from Mr. Stotzer arrived, the signs containing the spelling errors were removed. During the week of Spring Break (April 13-17) the present signs were put in place. Not only did these students fulfill some of the State required essential elements for English Language Arts through this activity, they also learned a valuable lesson in effecting changes by working through appropriate state governmental channels, according to their teacher, Mr. Pat Seawell.

DRUG/ALCOHOL VIDEO TO BE SHOWN

Dave Roever of Ft. Worth, Texas, speaks in school assembly programs, civic clubs, and Churches all across the country.

Mr. Roever is a Vietnam Veteran who saw first hand the horrors of war as well as the tragedy of drug addiction.

His video message deals with drug and alcohol related problems with strong emphasis on "A Positive Self Image."

Roever's video presentation as well as a school science teacher's 15 minute talk on the drug-alcohol problem among youth will be at the First Baptist Church of Brackettville this Sunday night, May 24, at 7:00 o'clock.

The public is invited to this eye-opening, helpful hour on Sunday night. No charges, no offering taken. First Baptist Church invites you and your family to attend this worthwhile program. Welcome!

CONSUMER FACTS

LAWN & YARD SERVICES

Spring is here and the grass is growing. Again.

For some, yard work is one of the pleasures of homeownership. Others, whether the lawns are their pride and joy or whether they view them as one of life's inevitable burdens -- along with death and taxes -- turn to professional lawn and yard care services.

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Before you contract for a service, ask for references and call them. Before you sign, make sure the agreement specifies exactly what work is to be done, the cost, the number of service calls, and the terms of payment (this is especially important for year-round service).

Be wary of door-to-door solicitors, especially itinerants who offer one time services such as spraying or tree trimming. You may find their work unsatisfactory, but they will be long gone.

If you have a difficulty that you cannot resolve with the contractor, contact your local Better Business Bureau or the nearest Attorney General's Consumer Protection office.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) is accepting nominations for County Committee elections for Val Verde and Kinney Counties. This notice is issued to inform eligible voters of the right to nominate candidates by petition. Copies of the petition and instructions on its completion can be obtained from your local FmHA office.

Persons nominated should be currently engaged in the operation of a farm, have their principal farming operation within the county or area in which activities of the County or area Committee are carried out, derive the principal part of their income from farming (that is more than 50 percent of their gross income must come from agricultural production) be a citizen of the United States or a alien lawfully admitted to the United States for permanent residence, not have an FmHA insured or guaranteed loan, and be well qualified for committee work. Nominations must be received in the Uvalde County Office no later than June 10, 1987. FmHA committee elections are open to all eligible voters without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, age, political affiliation, marital status, sex, and/or handicap.

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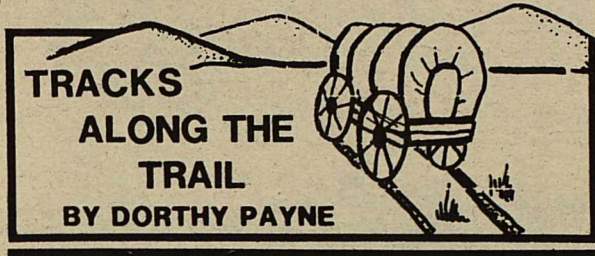

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David L. Payne was the original "Boomer Sooner", and organized the "Boomers". They were a company of colonists, members paid two dollars in fees to join the group. This down payment entitled them to a quarter section of land in Indian Territory. One of his followers said of Payne, "If Payne wasn't so handsome, Oklahoma would have never been settled." It was also said he could talk a bird right out of a tree and he could make you believe anything he said.

For twenty-five dollars more, you could have a townsite lot in the capital city Payne planned to lay out. He was a charming wheeler dealer. There were two groups of members, the first were farmers that wanted land; the second group, business men that wanted town property.

There were two schools of thought about the unassigned lands in Oklahoma Territory. It was claimed

they were surplus public lands or surplus Indian lands, and until the question about the status of the lands was settled, intruders were not supposed to enter, let alone live there.

So the troops were called out near the border of Kansas for the third time in ten years. The Boomers were asked to turn back at the line and not to settle on the land in question.

There was no violence, the soldiers from Fort Riley, Kansas and Fort Reno drifted the Boomers out of the Territory all along the borders when they were found on land that had not been opened for settlement.

Suddenly on November 28, 1884, David S. Payne died at the age of forty-eight. His camp life and the work with the Boomers had been too much for his poor health.

William Couch followed in Paynes footsteps and led four hundred men, women and children and went into camp where Stillwater, Oklahoma is now. Colonel Edward Hatch cut off their food supply and turned them back to Kansas.

The Boomers roamed back and fourth for almost a year. The country in question was a paradise. A cut would heal overnight and infection was unknown.

Their determination to settle only became stronger. They parked their wagons on the outskirts of Wichita, Kansas and waited for the Territory to be opened for settlement.

Finally that winter in January, 1889, Principal Chief Pleasant Porter and other Creek leaders went to Washington and met with the Secretary of the Interior. The Chief offered to sell their lands for settlement. The U.S. agreed to pay the Creeks two million, two hundred eight thousand for the lands. They bought Seminole land for one million, nine hundred, twelve thousand and title was given to the United States by the Creeks and Seminoles, two of the five Civilized tribes.

On March 23, 1889, President Benjamin Harrison announced that the lands making up the present Payne, Logan, Kingfisher, Canadian, Oklahoma and Cleveland counties, would be open for white settlement. There were other lands opened for settlement but this was the first and main one.

Now an interesting thing happened. The "Boomers" changed their name to the "Sooners". They said because they jumped the gun and came in sooner, they would call themselves the "Sooners". They also said they would sooner be in

Oklahoma than anywhere else. This new group followed the homestead laws to the letter.

The government sent slow moving trains from Arkansas City, Kansas. Trains ran through the Territory as far as Purcell loaded with settlers. Some of the "Sooners" hid out in the gullies and woods and when canon fire opened the run April 22, 1889 and did jump the guns. Some rode bicycles, horses, wagons, some even walked and staked their claim where they had already picked out a place days earlier.

By dinnertime, towns called Kingfisher, El Reno, Norman, Oklahoma City, Guthrie and Stillwater were settled. Stores were opened and in Oklahoma City some are still in business. United States Marshalls patrolled the streets until city government could be set up. But in general the new settlers of central Oklahoma were law abiding citizens.

In a week, there were schools and businesses set up. In a year there were ladies music clubs, church guilds, and literary societies. Some of these clubs remain to this day.

In 1889 the first oilwell was drilled in Indian Territory at Chelsea in the Cherokee Nation, thirty years after the first oil well had been dug at Titesville, Pennsylvania. Oklahoma became known for her "Indians, cowboys, and oil wells, and the State University football team became known as (you guessed it) the "Sooners".

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Pictured above is the cast of "Buzzy Bear and the Rainbow"

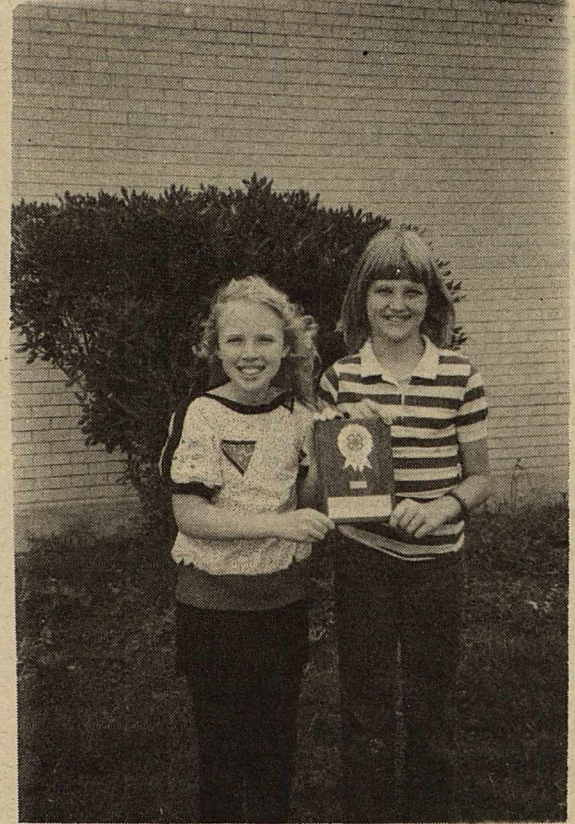
BUZZY BEAR & THE RAINBOW CAST MEMBERS

First grade classes at Jones Elementary have been meeting the requirements mandated by the State of Texas in unique ways during the past two years. The essential elements that each class must be taught cover all academic areas. Helping in the area of theatre arts and language arts have been actual play production techniques used in Barbara Phillips and Candace LaMascus classes.

With Demitreus Williams accompanying on the bell lyre and Mrs. Bonnie Jones on the keyboard, Mrs. Phillips class performed the play, "Buzzy Bear and the Rainbow". Characters and parts were, Jon Banta, Buzzy Bear; Jana Gabriel, Mother Bear; Nat Terrazas, Father Bear; Cherrise Ward, Bird; Michael Meyer, Squirrel; Katy Hagler, Rabbit; Jose Gonzales, Chipmunk; J.

Wayne Ballew, Narrator.

"The Unhappy Alligator" was presented on May 15 and May 18 to classes and parents by Mrs. LaMascus class. Cast members and their roles were Wendy Goodloe, Narrator; Jackie Moore, Sun; Ed Hernandez, Coconut Palm Tree; Jason Barajas, Alligator; Chad Neuman and Cindy Cardenas, Flowers; Alfred Rodriguez, Flamingo; Jan Salmon, Bug; Liz Aguirre, Lucinda Reyes, Lionel Ramos, Luis Rivas, Dean Mayfield, Chris Garza, Mark Martinez, and Beatrice Smith were Oranges.



Pictured above are Karla Hall and Sarah Kelly with their award.

HALL, KELLEY

WIN SWEEPSTAKES

Karla Hall and Sarah Kelley took the sweepstakes award with their Pre-Junior Division Method Animal Demonstration presentation at the District 4-H Meet in Kerrville on Saturday, May 2. The two did a presentation on buying a horse at the event. Katie Hall won third place in the personal pet competition of the division.

The "Share the Fun" entry of Even Steven took second place. Cast members were Dutch Wardlaw, Toby Frerich, Jodi Schermerhorn, Tia Ralston, Stacey Mayfield, Kelly Hall, Tammy Frerich, and Wesley Risinger.

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SHERIFF'S CORNER

BY
Norman Hooten
Sheriff

The local criminal element has been reasonably quiet lately with no major crimes reported in our county and only a few minor disturbance calls being investigated by the Sheriff's Department. There has even been a decrease in DWI and Public Intoxication arrests. I hope this trend continues and is not just the calm before the storm.

Cecil R. Ferguson, 36, of Germantown, Tennessee was tried in District Court before District Judge George Thurmond on Friday, May 15th. Ferguson was arrested on March 9, 1987 and charged with felony possession of Cocaine. He received a 2 year sentence to TDC on a plea bargain agreement between District Attorney's Office and Ferguson and his attorney. Ferguson is currently on parole from Tennessee on a prior drug conviction for which he received a 15 year sentence. He also has other drug charges pending against him in Tennessee.

We now have 4 prisoners in the county jail who have been sentenced to prison terms ranging from 2 years to 15 years. It is anticipated that they will have been transported to TDC by the time you read this.

On a lighter note, I attended a B-B-Q Saturday, May 16 hosted by Mr. & Mrs. Albert Payne representing Gulf Printing Company that was held for a group of kids from the Texas School for the Deaf in Austin, Texas. The B-B-Q was just one of many events put together for the youngsters enjoyment during their stay in the Brackettville-Ft. Clark area.

The kids were here on a field trip and were given a tour of Alamo Village by Happy Shahan where a special wild west show was put on for their entertainment. They swam at the Ft. Clark pool and later that evening were taken horseback riding at the FFA arena by Chuck and Connie Hall. After the horseback ride the group was given a tour of the backyard "zoo" at the Hall residence where they viewed an assortment of exotic fowl and animals including a family of bobcats, one of which had given birth to two new kits a few days

before.

It kind of puts a lump in your throat and makes your eyes water a little bit to see so many kids who suffer from such a severe handicap having such a good time. They were all smiles, not a frown among them, and if they were aware of being handicapped they didn't show it. They were all so happy and friendly.

It took me awhile to realize what was different about this group of kids compared to any other group, it was the silence. Most of the youngsters communicate with sign language, and plenty of it, describing the things they had seen and done.

They were having such a good time that their plans were changed, they had planned on going to San Antonio to finish up their field trip Sunday but decided to stay on in our area until late Sunday afternoon. I am sure the youngsters had a very special Thank-You for Mr. & Mrs. Bob Nelson, Marjorie Moore, Kenneth Hale, Nancy Forbes, Happy Shahan and the Alamo Village staff, Mr. & Mrs. Albert Payne, and Chuck & Connie Hall for taking the time to help make their field trip to Kinney County so enjoyable.

Seeing their smiling faces and silent exclamations of joy and surprise at all the new experiences of things seen and done made it all worthwhile to those helpful people who took time out from their lives to give to a group of kids less fortunate than others.

SHRINERS RIDE IN JOURDANTON

Saturday morning, May 16th, Jack Taunt, Jim Haga and I having loaded our scooters departed for Jourdanton to join other Shrine Units to ride in the Jourdanton Kactus Kick Parade. We were again accompanied by our cheering section, Dorothea Clements, Dorothy Haga, and Marge Taunt.

Before we reached Uvalde we ran into our traditional rain and the further we went the heavier it got. But from past experience we did not let this stop us, for it has either been raining when we left home or rained on the way, but has always stopped before parade time. This was no exception, we ran out of the rain about D'Hanis. Upon arrival in Jourdanton, we parked our vehicle in the area where the parade would end, unloaded our scooters, and again our fearless leader, Colonel Jack Taunt, said

follow me I will take you on a short cut to the assembly point. He did, but it was down an unpaved street in Jourdanton. It was a short cut though. We arrived safely at the assembly point even though we had to clean mud from our scooters before riding the parade. We have been taught don't question our leaders judgement, just follow. He may not be right but he is the leader. At the assembly point, we joined the other 25 Alzafar Shrine Units and while waiting for the parade to begin we were served coffee and donuts by the Jourdanton residents.

The parade from the start to the finish line was 1.1 miles, however, with us doing maneuvers we registered 4.5 miles. We were awarded a trophy for our participation. Although we have had only three riders at the last three parades, we are still able to do some crowd pleasing maneuvers. I am happy to report no one had an accident.

Although our primary reason for riding is to advertise that we offer free help to Crippled and Burned Children, recently we have let it be known that the Scooter Unit is from Brackettville. As we approach the reviewing stand the P.A. Announcer introduces us as follows; "The Fort Clark Scooters. This is the newest parade unit in Alzafar Temple. They are members of the Fort Clark Shrine Club that meets in the Old Historic Fort Clark, in Brackettville, Texas."

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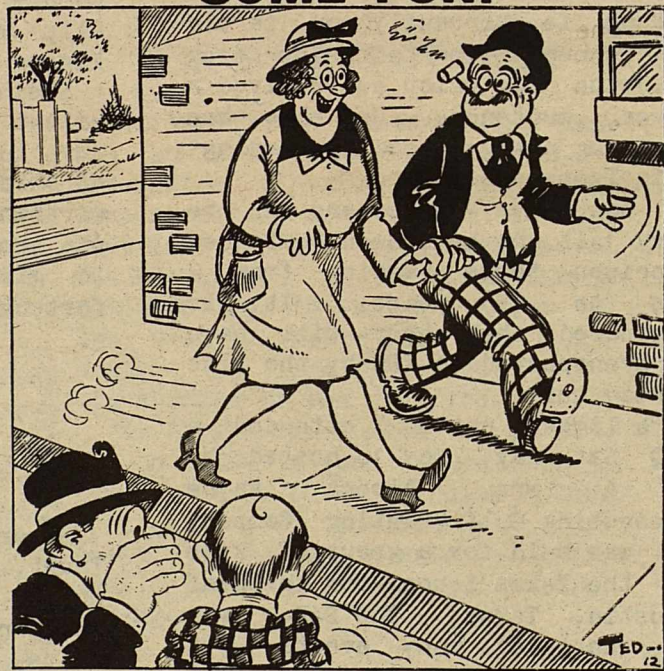


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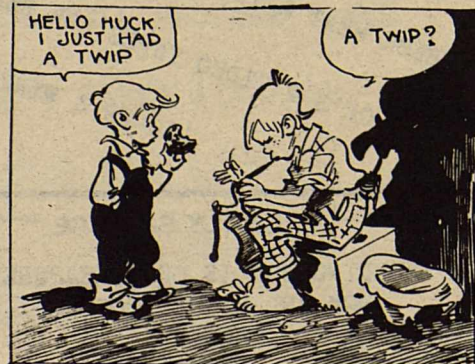
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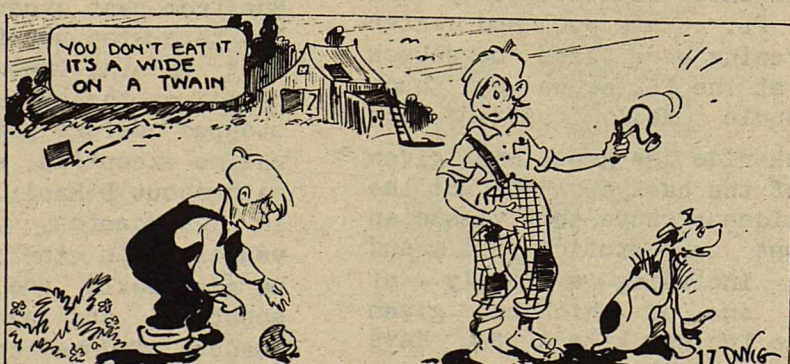


HELLO HUCK I JUST HAD A TWIP

A TWIP?



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VIDEO VIEWER

BY RORY WOODSON

Hi, This week I'll review "The Color of Money" and "Children of a lesser God".

"The Color of Money" as you may or may not know is more or less the sequel to the 1961 classic "The Hustler". Paul Newman is back, and better than ever as "Fast Eddie Felson". This time he teams up with a young show off named Vince, brilliantly played by "Tom Cruise". While trying to mold Vince into a successful hustler, Eddie encounters some problems of his own.

This picture, directed by Martin Scorses, is an outstanding film. It's easy to see why Paul Newman was picked for best actor of 1986, and why Tom Cruise was nominated for the same award! I give this film at least a 9.

"Children Of A Lesser God" was also one of last years outstanding films. It was a very warm and touching film about a teacher of deaf children who falls in love with one of his students. This film also has an all star cast! It also has an academy award winning recipient in "Marlee Matlin" who won the Oscar for best actress! The Cast also included "William Hurt" who by no means is a slouch in the acting department. For all of you who like a good cry movie I recommend this one. I give it an 8 1/2. TILL NEXT TIME HAPPY VIEWING

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not be used to fund promotions and gimmicks to entice (some) citizens to gamble. In the Michigan lottery, in order to generate more revenues, the government has become a pusher." (Daniel B. Suits, Economics Professor, Michigan State University, "The Economic Case Against Gambling," *Business Week*, 4 Aug 75.)

"Time-worn myths?" -- not really. "Opinions not backed by facts?" -- not really. States having lotteries "enjoy total success?" -- not really. The promise of the premise is not seen in the actual performance; whether the "proof is in the pudding" depends upon which side of the issue you're on! (Next week: Bad Economic Policy)

Philip A. Bell,
Pastor, First UMC



A peanut carries 26 protein grams and contains many of the essential B vitamins. Its fats are the polyunsaturated variety and it carries a balanced share of calories.



The dandelion blossom is actually a bouquet of about 150 to 200 tiny flowers set in a solid head on a stem.

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TOBY FRERICH

He is a member of the National Honor Society at Brackett High School where he has participated in both athletic and Literary events.

He is a 4-H member of 10 years standing and is currently president of the local organization. He exhibited the Grand Champion Steer 1987, has received the Gold Star Award, Silver Shears Award, and numerous Showmanship and Method Demonstration Awards.

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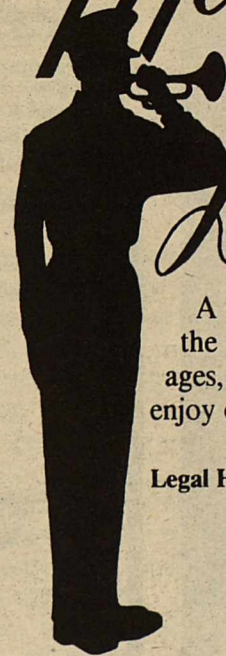
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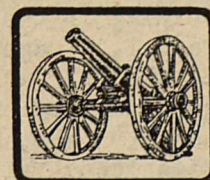
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SHRINERS

At the end of the parade we were served liquid refreshments, had a picnic lunch, said our good-byes, loaded our scooters and headed for home.

Next month is strictly a fun month for all shrine units. On June 4 to 6 we will be in Austin for the All-State Competition. This is where all Units from all the Temples in Texas meet and compete against one another. A lot of dare-devil riding will take place. As each unit is required to have at least 4 riders and since we are down to 3, we had to drop out of this competition. However, I was selected to be one of the Judges. Each participating member pays his own expense, some will be traveling 6 or 7 hundred miles, spend 3 nights in a motel, just to ride in competition for 8 to 10 minutes.

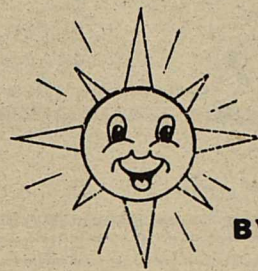
The most they can expect to get out of it is a trophy. More will go home empty handed than with trophies. It is a meeting for fun and fellowship, with each unit showing off his special brand of toy.

Then it is out to Las Vegas, Nevada for the International Competition to be held June 22 to 25. This includes units from all the North American Shrine Temples. Like the All-State it is for fun and fellowship and only trophies will be awarded.

July will find us back home and if we still have scooters after being in Las Vegas, we will go to Seguin for their 4th of July Parade.

The Fort Clark Shrine Club will meet Tuesday, May 26 at 7:30 p.m. in the Members Lounge of Las Moras Inn. All visiting Nobles and their ladies are welcome.

Bruce Clements



GREEN TIPS

BY KATHY BADER

I hope your blackberry bushes are as loaded this year as mine are. My kids are watching them every day to see when they can pick them. It won't be long, but after these beautiful rains, they (and everything else) will sure have to be watched for stress. The rains tend to leach out the soil very fast. A good side dressing of composted manure will help them tremendously, plus conserve moisture as we move into drier months. As next years canes begin to grow, pinch them back to about 3 feet to get them to branch and give more producing canes next year. Be sure to tie them so they don't become too wild in the patch.

Watch St. Augustine lawns for signs of chlorosis. A shot of iron for them will help too. If fleas and ticks become bad again this year, an application of Dursban granules over the lawn will eliminate them, but do not use these granules near fruit trees or gardens unless you check the label carefully.

Roses should be big and beautiful this spring, but so will the bugs. Watch for browning along the tips of new buds and poor development of roses with some discolor. Some buds may even refuse to open. This is a sign of thrips--very small bugs that do the damage. They can be controlled by many different kinds of sprays. If you are near the garden or house you might try a non-pesticide such as an insecticide soap. It works very well.

If you haven't yet, stake or cage your tomatoes. They probably need support about now. And give them a good shot of fertilizer. If you planted an agriform pellet with each one when you planted, you won't need anything else for quite a while yet, but Tomatoes will respond very well to amonium sulfate, to help with strength, blossom growth, and general good health.

We are putting in our third planting of our favorite vegetables this week to keep them coming over the next few months. Some of our favorites are tomatoes, peppers, beans, squash, and beets.

There are over 100 varieties of beans. Most do very well in our area. Try some new ones just for fun.

As your grapes become heavier and begin to lengthen be sure to tie or trellis the branches to give them extra strength and the extra support they will need as our winds pick up. This will keep them from breaking off and losing the clusters. Give them a boost of composted manure and mulch them. Remember, vines need lots of water when they begin to put on the grapes.

If you are looking for something new and exotic to plant around the garden, try an old Texas Native--the Texas Wild Olive Tree. They do very well here and make a beautiful tree.

Watch pecan trees for tiny egg clusters on the tips of leaves. If you have them, spray with Malathion when the eggs turn red or you won't have a good crop of pecans.

Watch squash plants for wilting. This is probably the squash vine borer. Use Thiodan along the base of the stems.

Fertilize Geraniums with 20-20-20 and allow to dry out between watering, and they will bloom again like crazy!

Well, this ought to keep you busy until next time.



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JOSEPH DION MONTALVO

Joseph Dion Montalvo was born on May 5, 1987 at Baptist Memorial in San Antonio. Joseph weighted 6 lbs 12 oz.. Pround parents are Joe and Paulita Montalvo. Grandmothers are Elena Cervantez and Senobia Montalvo. Great-Grandmother is Maria P Terrazas. Joseph has one brother: Jaime Adam.

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