

## Commissioner Sheedy makes public apology

The Kinney County Commissioners Court convened in regular session Monday morning at nine o'clock in the County Courtroom with Judge Tim Ward calling the meeting to order. Judge Ward led the court in the pledge of allegiance followed by James Crumley with the invocation.

The Soil Conservation Service neglected to request the \$500 donation by the County into the budget for the year of 1990-91 (the state matches the County donation). The SCS approached the Commissioners for the money and the request was tabled until the April meeting.

Legal fees of \$313.20 for the Bill Bizzell case were presented to the Court but it was refused after county attorney Tully Shahan advised the commissioners to check and see if there is statutory authority to do so.

Bill McDonald and Armando Martinez, representing the Narcotics Trafficking Task Force, requested a pledge for the Grant 5 proposal. These pledges are matched by the Government.

Mr. McDonald and Sheriff Hooten stated that in the last 3 years the pledged monies were not used. The seizures and forfeitures had been adequate enabling the sheriff's department to pay it's way.

It was approved to transfer 1,500.00 from Other Building "line items" to the Cemetery "line item" which will be used to clean the Spofford and Brackettville cemeteries.

Approval to transfer \$5,000.00 from the Civic Center "line item" and transfer it to the Senior Citizens Center's Grant Fund was approved. Judge Ward explained to the court the reason for the amendment. The Grant has been stretched, according to Ward, further than anticipated, especially in the area of the old jail. The grant did not cover the refurbishing of the old jail so the need for additional money was imperative. The new Center is 85% to 90% finished and should be ready for occupancy in the next few weeks.

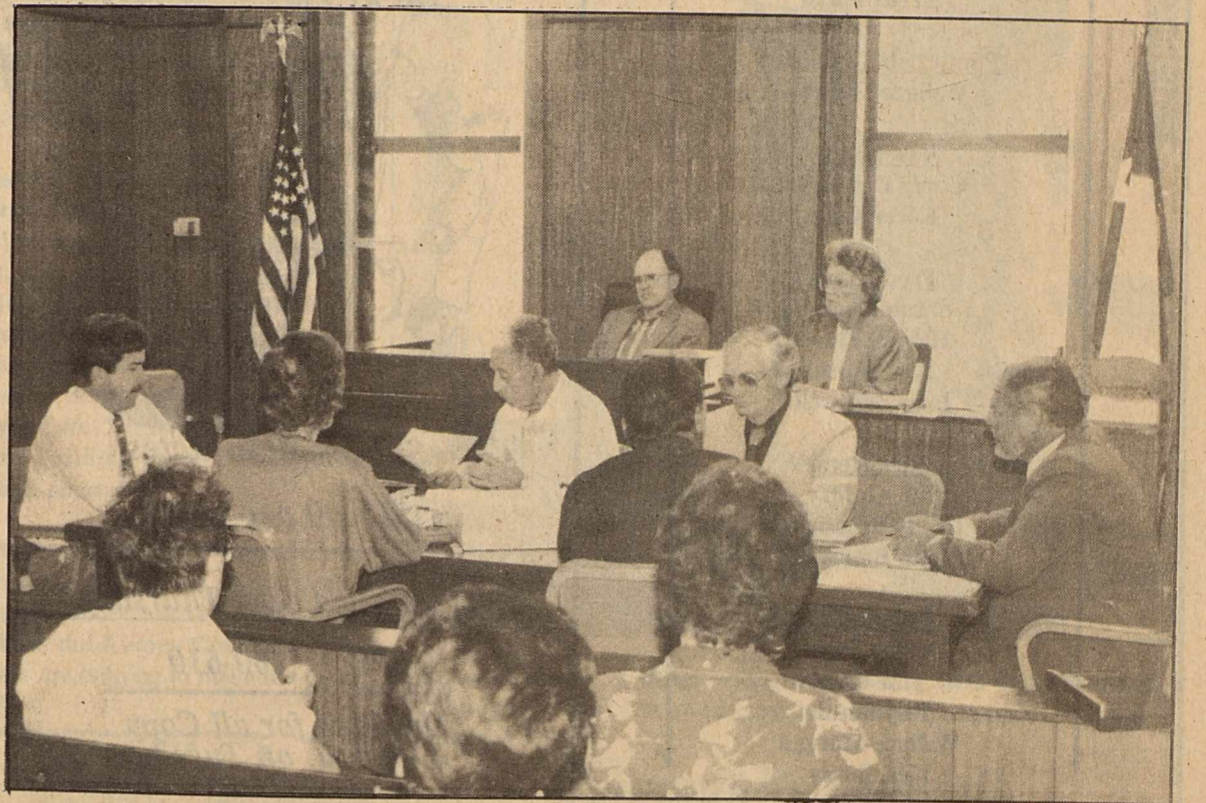
It was approved by the Commissioners to approve the transfer of \$500 to be used in a training

program. With the miscellaneous fund almost depleted, the Commissioners voted to transfer \$1,500 from the Courthouse Repair fund to the miscellaneous fund.

Mary Mitchell and Earlene Thurber, representing the Library and Friends of the Library, requested permission to sell the Kinney County (history) books and place the money in the Library funds. There are approximately 900 books stored in the Civic Center. It was approved to sell them at \$10.00 each.

Discussion on a separate jail fund in next year's budget by taking \$2.00 per man per day from prisoner care with the receipts to be used for numerous repairs that will have to be addressed shortly resulted in an approval by the Commissioners.

The need for more office space in the jail was presented by Sheriff Hooten with additional space for Chief Deputy, David Luna, being the primary reason. At the present, according to Hooten, no space is available for interrogating prisoners since all available space is stored with



The Commissioners Court pictured above as they met in regular session. Left to right are Judge Tim Ward, Betty Deason, Commissioner Joe Garza, County Attorney Tully Shahan, Commissioner Ruben Fuentes, Commissioner Plunker Sheedy, and Commissioner Alvin McClure.

evidence. The question of acquiring plans and estimates was discussed but a motion to table the project was made and it passed.

Sheriff Hooten reported that eight jailers are needed to maintain control and supervision of inmates. He stated that it is very difficult to make hourly cell checks with only one person. He requested another jailer and a Deputy Sheriff/jailer/dispatcher by

May 1st. He notified the commissioners that he, presently,

had a man attending peace officer school and he would be available in May. The Commissioners approved his request and agreed to

during the April meeting. After a lengthy discussion on the ambulance bills, it was decided to write-off the 2 year old

and older bills, the deceased 2 year old and older bills, and to delete bills of out of town persons with no forwarding address. Commissioner McClure requested an updated list to be presented at the next meeting.

The past maintenance of the Courthouse clock tower was discussed and the idea of bringing

## Swimming Pool bids rejected

City Hall -- The Brackettville City Council met in regular session Monday night at six thirty o'clock in the City Hall with Mayor, Larry Moore, calling the meeting to order. After a roll call was made, a quorum was declared with Councilmen Louis Dimery, Dave Broderick, and Richard Terrazas in attendance.

The Mayor welcomed visitors to the meeting and then called for the minutes of the last meeting to be approved. They were approved and accepted.

Alderman Terrazas read the Resolution for the Mayor to call the election.

The Mayor then called the upcoming election for May 4, 1991. Two positions will be open for Alderman, Place 1 and 3.

David Tillery, supervisor, was called on to make a presentation in regards to the purchase of a new mulch grinder for the city. Tillery described a Vermeer grinder and it's capabilities. He explained a plan that would make the machine pay for itself. Councilman Terrazas cautioned the council on the expense and cost of the new machine. He indicated that he would not be in favor of buying a piece of equipment that would not pay itself out. Terrazas reminded the council that a new computer for the city had been recently purchased. Tillery reported that the Vermeer dealer would bring the machine down and demonstrate it to the city with the city not being obligated in any way. A motion was made and seconded to contact the dealer and request a demonstration. Tillery was instructed to contact the Vermeer Company and notify them of the Council's request.

The council voted to order a new water meter and install it at the baseball field. It was noted that the Fritter family had

provided the land for the field and the city should respond to this gesture by providing the water for the diamond.

Ms. Rosemary Slubar, representing the Senior Citizens Center, appeared before the council and explained the request for a gas tap for the new facility. The complete City Council was in agreement with the request for the

gas tap and felt a moral obligation to comply with it. The tap will be installed as soon as possible.

Mayor Larry Moore reported that Happy Shahan had approached him and requested a permit to haul the accumulated

trash from Alamo Village to the city landfill. A lengthy discussion by the entire council ensued. Some of the council felt as if a permit to Mr. Shahan would open

the door to everyone in the county. It was noted that anyone outside the city limits would have to be charged commercial rates before they would be allowed to use the landfill. Due to the importance of the request it was decided by the council to table the issue and study it in more detail.

Two bids were received on construction on the swimming pool and they were opened during the regular meeting. Jay Miller

submitted a bid of \$132,448.00 and Gary Pool bid \$108,124.00. The amount that is allowed in the Grant for the swimming pool for construction of the pool is \$77,100.00. Jay Miller was \$55,448.00 over the grant money and Gary Pool was \$31,024.00 over. The City Council was advised by the administrator and engineer of the grant to reject these bids and re-advertise for new ones. A motion was made and seconded to reject the bids. The bids will be advertised for two weeks in the local newspaper.

The City Council went into executive session and the room was vacated.

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Kim Ahrens and "Killer", champion fine wool market lamb, are pictured above after winning at the Houston livestock show.

## Local champion

Houston, Feb. 27, 1991--A 131-pound Killer from Brackettville walked away from a showdown with more than 300 rivals at the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Wednesday.

Killer, shown by 13-year-old Kim Ahrens, was chosen Champion Fine Wool Cross junior market lamb by Judge Kent Boggs of Stillwater, Okla.

"This lamb has good style, balance and great muscle structure," Boggs said.

Kim, a 5-year veteran of the Houston show, exhibited a first place light weight medium wool

lamb in last year's competition.

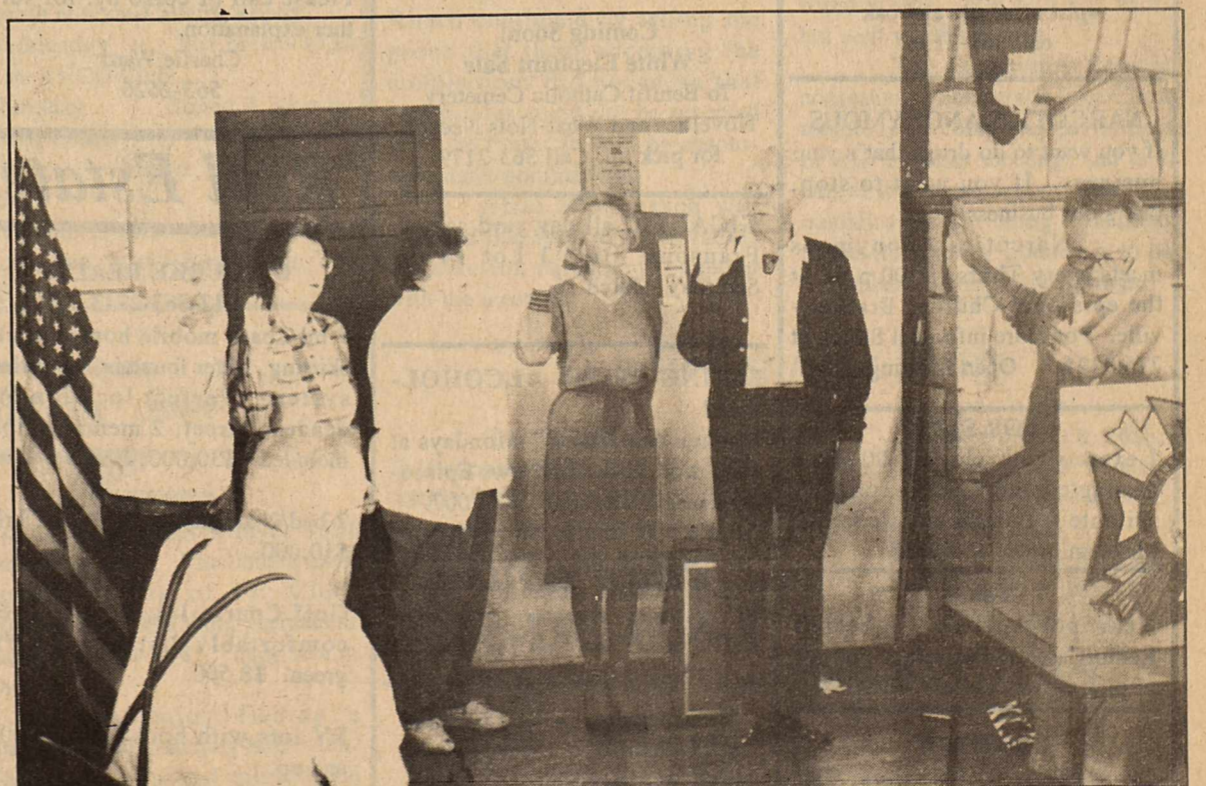
The daughter of Jerald and Vickie Ahrens of Brackettville, Texas, Kim is a member of the Kinney County 4-H Club.

"She is one of the best exhibitors in our county and she works hard at it," said Alan McWilliams, Kinney County extension agent.

The Reserve Champion banner was presented to Cody White for his 133-pound, second place heavy weight lamb.

Cody, 14, has shown at

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Fort Clark Springs Community Council Officials for 1991 being sworn in by Pat Owens. From left to right are Harold Kauffman, Treasurer; Ruby Miller, Secretary; Ellen Hazelton, Second Vice-President; Vickie Nichols, First Vice-President; Dick Hirsch, President. The Community Council was organized to voice the needs of the residents of Fort Clark Springs and serves as a sounding board to the Board of Directors. It's steady growth and success can be attributed to the dedication of interested members who have the welfare of the Fort on the top of their priority list. See story on Page 3.

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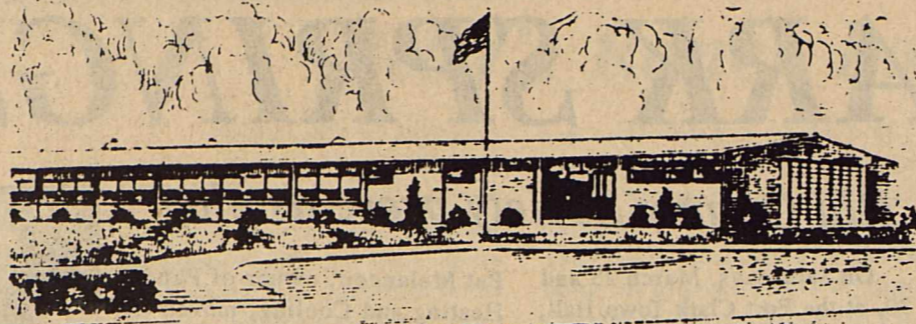
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# School



# News

## SCHOOL TRUSTEE APPLICATION DEADLINE

Wednesday, March 20, 1991, at 5:00 p.m. is the deadline for interested parties to sign up for the upcoming May 4, 1991 School Trustee Election. Drawing for positions on the ballot will be Thursday, March 21, 1991, at 8:00 a.m. at the Brackett Independent School District central office board room. There are two positions open; Lingo Sandoval who is completing the unexpired term of Eloy Garcia, and Diane Bravo. Interested parties may pick up an application in the superintendent's office at the school. Up to date there is one application turned in.

## ROTARY VOLLEYBALL TODAY!!

A fund raising Volleyball game will be conducted at the Brackett Independent School District high school gymnasium

March 14 at 6:30 p.m. The Brackettville Rotary Club will be challenging the Brackett Independent School District faculty in an exciting game of women's and men's volleyball. Admission for players and fans will be \$1.00. The money raised will be used toward the scholarship fund for a deserving senior.

## COME ONE COME ALL AND ENJOY THE FUN!!!!

## BOND ELECTION ABSENTEE VOTING ENDS

Absentee voting for the March 23, 1991 Bond Election will end on Tuesday, March 19, 1991. Absentee voting is being conducted in the high school office each week day during the hours of 7:30 a.m. through 4:00 p.m.

## THE MIDNIGHT CALLER BRACKETT HIGH SCHOOL ONE ACT PLAY

Brackett High School

proudly presents an advance performance of this year's UIL One Act Play entry, The Midnight Caller. The performance will be at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, March 18, in the high school auditorium; tickets will be on sale for \$2.00 at the door.

The Midnight Caller is a play about life in a small Texas town and the courage it takes to break free from comfortable habits. Starring in the play are Tiffany Bryan, Monica Cruz, Lynn Floyd, Shelley McDaniel, Wendy McDaniel, Regina Pena, and Scott Sims. They are assisted by crew members Billy La Gioia and Frank Rodriguez. The play is directed by Merry Beth Mills.

For the past two years the One Act Play group from Brackett High School has advanced beyond District competition. This year's contest will be conducted at Southwest Texas Junior College in Uvalde on Tuesday, March 26. Please come and show your support for these hard-working students on March 18.

## PUBLIC MEETING FOR CONSTRUCTION PLANS AT BRACKETT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

A Public Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 19, 1991, in the auditorium at the Brackett Independent School District. This meeting is being held for general discussion and to answer any questions the public may have about the expenditure of the bond monies. The architect, Mr. Don Edward Legge, will be present with drawings and plans of items under consideration for construction.

The Brackett Independent School District Board of Trustees would like to encourage the citizens of Kinney County to attend this informational meeting. Come and learn what we are planning to do, why we need to consider these projects at this time, and the affect it will have on you as taxpayers.

## JONES ELEMENTARY PERFECT ATTENDANCE

PREKINDERGARTEN- Priscilla Benites, Arnold Pinales, Ryan Garcia and David Samaniego. KINDERGARTEN- Mayra Aguirre, Philip Munoz, Victoria Ward, Jeremy Felker, Domingo Villarreal, Jessica Terrazas, Mitchell Carroll and Nicole Mata. FIRST-Nancy Cano, Erica DeHoyos, Jose Vela, Adam Caton, Lloyd Lee Davis, Jason Dorrough, Rebecca Perez, Jaime Montalvo, Rob-Anna Hough, Sherry Villarreal, Cesar Daniels, Angel DeHoyos, Candice Ingram and Maria Ramos.

## JONES ELEMENTARY HONOR ROLL

6th Grade - Courtney Harrison, Lindy LaMascus, Brandy Meeks, Katy Hagler, Windy Goodloe and Monique Pierce.

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5th Grade - J. Wayne Ballew, 4th Grade - Crystal Champion, Moses Villarreal, James Burk, David Foster, Jessica York and Aaron Taylor.

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## Old Army Days

By Wallace Morgan

Marfa Training Site Area, circa 1920's. A 5th Cavalry trooper holding a wild baby burro in this photo. Mexican burros were common site during these years, in Southwest Texas. It is my understanding that quite a few were in this area, to include on Fort Clark, and Brackettville. They did have some use here, as some of the local civilians would

use them just as Mexican citizens below the border would use them to carry loads. Children especially liked them, and would ride them.

During the early 1970's when I was stationed in the country of Turkey, the local civilians would use them just as the people did here, years and years ago. On a number of occasions I would see what appeared to

be a large pile of sticks going down the street, but after looking closer it could be seen that there was a donkey underneath all of the load trotting down the street. The owner of the animal would be close by, but not controlling the Donkey with any apparent contact, such as a lead rope, etc. Donkeys, Burros, etc., are very strong, and have very strong muscles.

## Local Border Patrol Agents receive honors

These agents were recognized by their supervisors as having consistently gone the "extra yard" throughout this past year. Many of them were instrumental in the construction of our new facility

and numerous other special projects. It is with extreme pleasure that we acknowledge them.

On February 27, 1991, Chief Patrol Agent William B. Gibson presented Outstanding

Performance Awards to Brackettville Border Patrol Agents Peter F. Marshall, Enrique Cruz, Russell D. Moore, Jeffrey D. Duncan, Robert D. Fuentes and Gustavo Cantu.

## Kinney County Appraisal News Release

News release from the Kinney County Appraisal District, P. O. Box 1377, Brackettville, Texas 78832, (512) 563-2323.

### Tax Deferral Available for Elderly Homeowners

Texans aged 65 or older can postpone paying delinquent and current property taxes on their homesteads by taking advantage of a tax option called over-65 deferral. The elderly homeowner simply signs a deferral affidavit at the Kinney County Appraisal District office.

This special form of tax relief can also halt a lawsuit already filed to collect delinquent property taxes on an older Texan's homestead, according to Marcus Tidwell, chief appraiser of the Kinney County Appraisal District. "To stop a delinquent tax suit," Tidwell said, "the over-65 homeowner files the deferral affidavit with the court in which the suit is pending."

"This law means that, if the proper affidavit is on file, an

older homeowner cannot lose a homestead because of delinquent taxes," Tidwell said.

Once a homeowner files an over-65 tax deferral affidavit with the appraisal district, no taxing unit can initiate or pursue a suit for delinquent taxes as long as that person owns and lives in that homestead.

Tidwell stressed, though, "that tax deferral for the elderly only postpones paying delinquent taxes on the homestead; it does not cancel them. During the deferral period, taxes and delinquent interest continue to add up," he said. "When the elderly taxpayer no longer owns or lives in the home, those accrued amounts become due. Taxing units can then sue to collect all the deferred tax and interest."

While a penalty may not be imposed on the delinquent taxes

during the deferral period, the filing of the deferral affidavit will not forgive penalties which were already due. Also, an additional penalty associated with referring the account to a delinquent tax attorney may be charged if taxes remain delinquent more than 90 days after the deferral ends.

Forms for filing a tax deferral affidavit are available at the appraisal district office. "The homeowner should fill out the form and have the signature witnessed by a notary public," Tidwell said. For more information, taxpayers may contact the Kinney County Appraisal District, P. O. Box 1377, Brackettville, Texas 78832. (512) 563-2323.



## Birth announcement

Charles and Julie Salsman are the proud parents of a daughter born March 6, 1991 at 1:08 a.m. in Uvalde Memorial Hospital. Named Rebecca Lauren, she weighed 7 pounds 11 ounces and was 21 inches long.

She is welcomed by proud older brother, Zachary 2 years

old.

Paternal grandparents are, Charles Salsman of El Paso and Carol Salsman of Lavonia, Michigan.

Maternal grandparents are Doug and Arlene Johnson of Azle, Texas.

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# Tiger Sports

By J. J. Guidry



## Tigers entered La Pryor tourney

La Pryor - The Tigers began their regular season last Thursday, Friday and Saturday as they participated in the La Pryor Invitational baseball tournament.

Brackett faced the Del Rio Junior Varsity in their first game. The Rams were victorious 16-3.

Del Rio came out swinging with 10 runs in the first inning.

The Tigers put their first points on the scoreboard in the top of the third when Lynn Floyd

singled and scored. David Durrough and Refugio Martinez also scored for Brackett in the fourth. Durrough was walked, while Martinez got on base with a single.

The Rams added two more runs in the third inning and four in the fourth to round out their 16-3 win.

Brackett then met up with the Uvalde Junior Varsity. The young Tigers fell short 17-9.

runs in the first inning and then refused Uvalde any offensive threats as they were dismissed three up and three down. Scoring for BHS were Lesly Floyd, Arturo Falcon, Steve Clementz, Javier Solis, Refugio Martinez and J.J. Sandoval. Clementz singled in the top of the second and then stole second base. Solis hit a sacrifice fly allowing Steve to score, upping Brackett's lead to 7-0.

The tide began to turn in the bottom of the second when Uvalde rallied for nine runs for a two-point lead.

In the third inning, the Tigers were scoreless, but the Coyotes added a pair of runs for an 11-7 lead.

Pitching for the Tigers were Refugio Martinez, J. J. Sandoval and Arturo Falcon. The Tigers will play Dilley Friday, March 15 at home.

## Clementz hits Tigers first home run.

The Fightin' Tigers opened their 1991 district schedule Tuesday as they hosted Asherton. This was Brackett's first home game in 24 years. The Tigers were defeated by the Trojans 8-3.

Asherton began the game with five hits in the first inning. Hector Navarro and Albert Villarreal both singled to get on base and then scored for a 2-0 lead. Villarreal then struck out three Tigers in the bottom of the first as Asherton was shining.

David Durrough scored the first run for the Tigers, in the bottom of the second. Durrough got on base with a single.

The Trojans had five more hits in the top of the third

and increased their lead to 7-1 with runs from Navarro, Villarreal, Gary Galvin, Leroy Mireles, Cesar Sanchez and Salva Miranda.

Brackett cut Asherton's lead to 7-3 when Gilbert Villarreal singled and scored in the third and then Steve Clementz hit a home run over the left field fence.

Asherton's only other run came from Albert Sosa when he was walked. Albert Villarreal, the winning pitcher, hurled 11 strikeouts and was 2 for 4 from the plate with a single and a double to lead the Trojans to their 8-3 victory in the district opener.

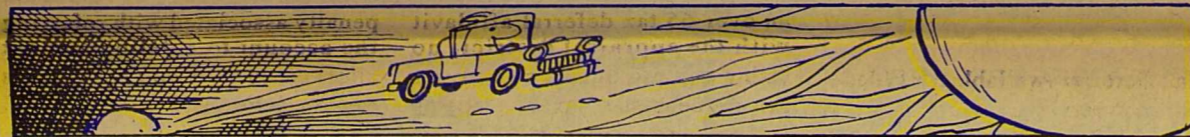
Pitching for the Tigers was Refugio Martinez. The first pitched ball for the Tigers in twenty-four years.



Pictured is third baseman Javier Solis as he tags a Asherton runner from trying to steal third base. Javier is one of Brackett's key starter on the team this year.



Pictured is Senior Steve Clementz as he rounds third base after hitting Bracketts first homerun in twenty-four year over the left field fence. This is Steve first year to play for the Tigers and he has earned the starting position as short stop.



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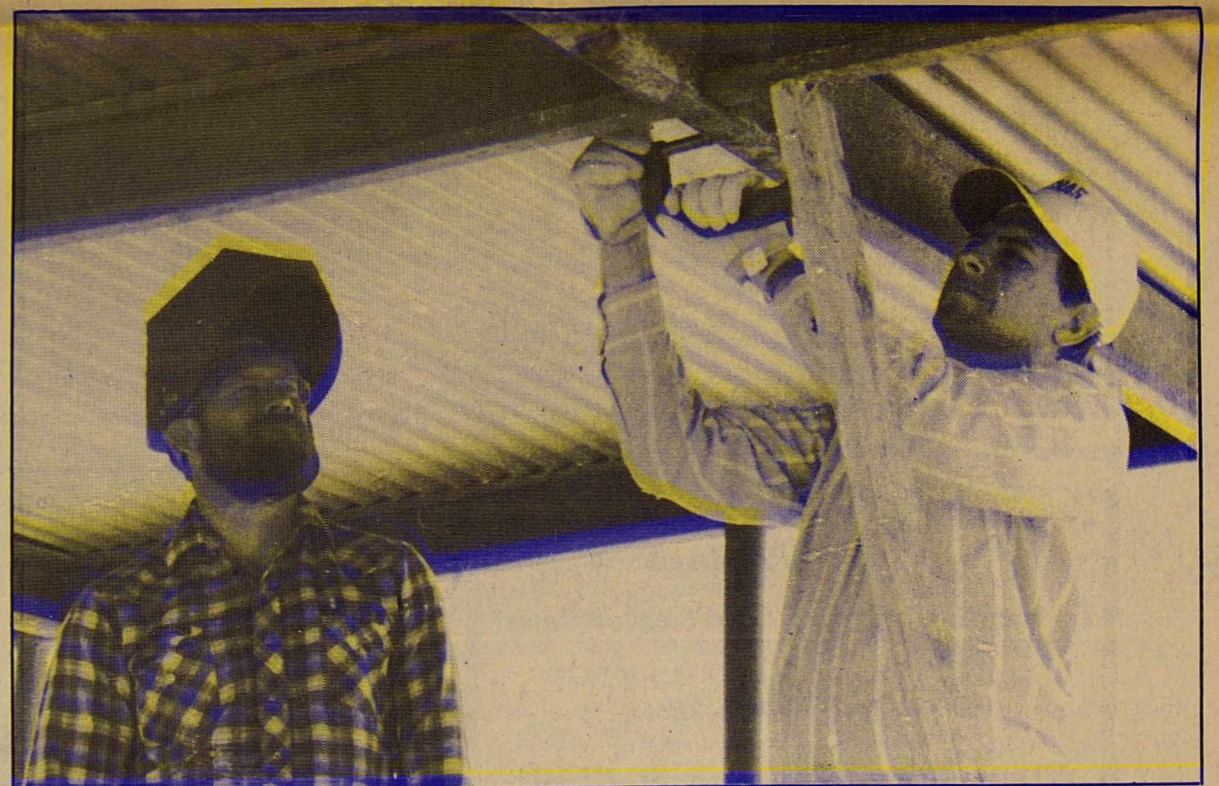
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Pictured at left is John Jones and at right Greg Sharp as they put support up in the roof of the stands. These gentlemen were part of the volunteers on "workday" held at the Kinney County Little League park.

## Little League work day held

The Kinney County Little League held their "Work Day" Saturday, March 9th. President of Little League, Linda Sharp stated, "We really got a lot accomplished. We planted trees and grass seed and just put some hard work putting the field back in shape." It couldn't have been accomplished without our volunteers: Albert Payne, Raymond Falcon, David

Meyers, Greg Sharp, Buck Smallwood, John Jones, Melody Jones and Linda Sharp. Also we would like to express our gratitude to Bizzell Construction and Kinney County whose efforts helped with the project.

Registration was a little slow, due to the number of out of town activities. Debbie Coe and Ruby Munoz registered about 34

kids. There are plans for another registration in the future.

The Little League is still looking for practice fields. If anyone knows of any available area, please let any of the Board Members know. We would appreciate anyone interested in helping in some way, please let a Board Member know.

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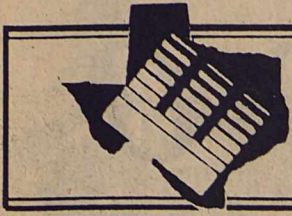
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**Texas Agricultural Extension Service**

By Alan L. McWilliams

**Local Gardens!**

Are you tired of paying exorbitant tomato prices and getting a piece of fruit that doesn't even taste like a tomato? You may consider growing your own.

Growing tomatoes in the backyard can be a fascinating and rewarding venture, but it can be frustrating, too. A sickly tomato plant that produces few if any fruit certainly doesn't help anyone's gardening spirit. Whether you are growing tomatoes for the first time or as an old pro, you may profit from some useful advice on avoiding some common pitfalls.

First, don't grow tomatoes unless they can receive sunlight for at least six hours a day. Tomato plants placed between tall shrubs, under trees or between buildings simply will not produce a good tomato crop.

Second, good soil is essential for good growth and high yields. Often, poor soil can be improved with liberal amounts of organic matter and by proper fertilization. A dark, heavy clay or even a fine sand can be improved by working 3 to 4 inches of organic matter into the soil where the tomatoes are to be planted.

To raise a few tomato plants, prepare a space at least 2 feet square for each plant. The soil should be worked to a depth of at least 12 inches. Liberal amounts of organic matter and a small amount of fertilizer such as 10-20-10 or 12-24-12 should be mixed into the soil.

The key to growing tomatoes successfully is choosing

the right variety of tomatoes. Select varieties that result many of the common diseases. A few varieties most suited for Texas include: President, Whirlaway, Celebrity, Big Set, Sunny, Carnival, or the small fruited Small Fry or Cherry Grande.

Transplants should be planted somewhat deeper than they

were originally growing. Plants growing in peat pots or peat blocks should not be removed, but rather the entire container should be planted. Sometimes it is helpful to break the bottom of the pots, but avoid damaging any of the roots.

When setting tomato plants in the garden, use a starter solution to assure adequate fertility during the early stages of growth. Starter solutions can be purchased at local garden centers, or can be made by mixing one to two level tablespoons of a complete garden fertilizer in a gallon of water. About one cup of the starter solution should be applied in the plant hole prior to planting.

For best results, transplants should be set in the garden on cloudy days or late in the afternoon. The plants should be protected from adverse conditions such as high winds or excessive heat for a week or so after transplanting.

Almost all tomato varieties should be staked, trellised or caged for best results. Any method is good if it keeps the fruit off the ground. Tomatoes that are allowed to contact the soil often develop fruit rot.

**Lions Club news**

The Brackettville Lions Club wishes to thank all those who donated to our Make-A-Miracle campaign held on 2 March 1991. Money collected will be used to buy glasses for needy children of Kinney County and eye research. The Brackettville Lions has provided eye examinations and glasses for nine children, of Kinney County during the past twelve months. Part of the money collected is also used by the Lions Sight Research Foundation at the University of Texas, Health

Science Center in San Antonio. The purpose of this Foundation is:

- To provide a continuing program of research in diseases of the eye;

- To assist in the preservation, restoration and conservation of sight and the rehabilitation of the visually handicapped;

- To encourage the dissemination of information on sight conservation, eye research and donor tissue.



**Word Studies**

By Ken Curry

**WHY GOD CREATED MAN - PART I**

"He who believes in the Son has eternal life; but he who does not obey the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God abides on him" (John 3:36). As Christians, we know that the single, most important decision a person can make during his or her entire life is to believe in Jesus Christ as savior, for in doing so that person will spend eternity with the Lord. As Christians, we should also know that the most important thing we can give to a non-Christian is the Gospel, the good news that Christ died for their sins, and by simply believing in Christ they also will spend eternity with the Lord.

Now, the non-Christian is very reluctant to believe something so simple, and is very ingenious in thinking up good questions to confuse the Christian. "If God is a God of love, how can He send anyone to hell?" "If God is

omniscient and knew man would sin, why did He go ahead and make man?" "What about the heathen in foreign countries that have never had the opportunity to hear the Gospel?" "Why did God create evil?"

The only source for the answers to these and like questions is the Bible. I remember as a young literature major in college that all the poets, ancient and modern, wrote of their yearning to discover the Secret of Life. Why did God create the universe? Why did God create man? These and other questions I will try to answer in a series of articles. Since there is not a single book of the Bible that addresses these questions and answers them directly, I will have to use a combination of inductive and deductive reasoning; that is, I will tell the simply story of why God created man, and then I will go back and attempt to prove each theory and hypothesis from scripture.

**Shriners begin parade season**

The Alzar Shrine kicked off its 1991 season with the Washington Birthday Parade in Laredo on February 23, 1991. On Friday, February 22nd, Dorothea and I loaded my little Red Car in the trailer and departed for Laredo to participate in the parade. Carl and Martha Eaton accompanied us. We arrived in Laredo about 1:00 p.m. and checked in at our Motel, then joined other Shriners and made a dash for the Border to do a little shopping and eat a Mexican dinner.

Saturday morning was clear, warm, and sunshiny. This is the first time since I have been riding this parade that it has been decent weather. It is usually cold or rainy or both. But as I learned from my first trip there, to go prepared. Was really thankful I didn't have to wear my heavy clothes.

The parade began not far from the Motel where we were staying, so we unloaded our cars at the Motel and drove to the starting

point. Again this was our lucky day for the Alzar Units were No. 2 in the parade. We followed a Military Unit that was saluting our forces in the Persian Gulf. The theme seemed to be to show support for our Troops. This was the largest crowd to attend this celebration. Bleachers had been set up all along the route and so many spectators lined the street that it was difficult to maneuver our vehicles. Everyone was waving an American Flag. Gave us a sense of pride that we were performing for such an enthusiastic crowd. The street was very rough, a resemblance of some of Brackettville's streets. It made the maneuvering very difficult.

Although this is an American celebration, there were as many participants from Mexico as in the U.S.. Some of the most beautiful floats I have ever seen. Although the parade was not without mishap for me. As we were returning to our Motel after

reaching the end, I was about a block from the Motel when I broke a drive chain on my car. Due to the rough roads, the bolts had come loose in the transmission and let the chain get loose. Lucky we had a tow rope and they tied onto me and pulled me home.

Even though the main purpose for our riding is to advertise that we offer Free Help to Crippled or Burned Children, we get as much fun out of performing for the crowds as they do seeing us.

This year we have 16 parades scheduled, which will

keep us pretty busy. In addition to that, the Texas State Competition, where we compete against other units from the 12 Shrine Temples in Texas. This is strictly a fun event. We will practice long hours one day a week for three months, just to get to ride for not less than 8 or 10 minutes on the day of competition. The first three places in each class receives trophies, the losers as in all sports say, "Wait Until Next Year". This year the event will be held on June 8 at the Alzar Shrine Temple in San Antonio. The public is invited and there is no charge.



**Reflections**

By Rev. Preston Taylor  
First Baptist Church

A fascinating village rests calmly on the slopes of the Sierras de Cordoba near that Provincial capitol in Argentina.

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We dream about a better life, but the dream fades. Instead of satisfaction, vexation takes over. We are held captive in our present circumstances, and life has lost its sparkle.

We cry "Help! I'm

stuck!;" but no one rushes to help us. Our residence is on the inside of the circle of despair, and every move we make leaves us at the starting place.

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**Council rejects pool bid**

the clock mechanism, which is a priceless antique, down to the second floor, was discussed. There, it will be displayed through a glass enclosed case and more accessible for repairs. It was noted that the moving of the clockworks would make it eligible for the National Register of Clocks, which would, in all probability, encourage tourist into our area. A motion was made to proceed with plans, which will include the cost of the move.

Sonja Shell, newly hired editor of the BRACKETT NEWS, was introduced to the Court. Judge Ward acknowledged the Kinney Cavalryman's presence and stated that both papers were welcome to the court at any time.

A very lengthy discussion, pertaining to the re-districting of the Kinney County precincts, was entered into. According to the latest census, Kinney County has grown 37% for a total of 3112 residents. The State mandates that all Counties re-district this year for the purpose of having an equal amount of voters in each precinct coupled with an equal amount of ethnic voters. The last re-districting was done in 1987 but the percentage figures were incorrect. That is when the

objections began to surface. No action was taken since it was not mandated at that time. The main part of the discussion centered on doing the re-districting at the lowest cost. It was stated that the census will be certified in early April and a decision must be made by early fall. The census maps showing concentration of minorities will be needed for this endeavor.

Mr. Sheedy, noting his request not being on the agenda, asked for permission to speak from Judge Ward. He told the Court

that he would like to apologize for his conduct during the special called meeting that took place on February 22. He said that he was apologizing for the way he was.

Judge Ward suggested that the Commissioners give some thought to a possible bond issue for building improvements in the county. This is a responsibility that will be facing the Commissioners in the days ahead, according to Ward, and rather than getting caught up in budget funding and coming up short, a bond issue passed now would provide the necessary resources later on.

Commissioner Sheedy suggested another meeting for next week with a discussion on inter-relationships with the city and county, for the purpose of reviewing the ambulance bills again. The Commissioners decided against the earlier meeting with the item held up until the April meeting.

Commissioner McClure suggested that more notices in regards to the agenda be put out. The monthly bills were approved after a discussion on the importance of employees signing all tickets on anything charged to the county. McClure was adamant in wanting to know who signed a bill and for what.

**Champion lamb**

Houston for three years and is a member of the Presidio County 4-H Club. He is the son of Sara and Robert White of Marfa, Texas.

Boggs said Cody's lamb, Big Kirk, had excellent length of body and a good profile.

Also winning at the Houston Show was J. Wayne Ballew, 3rd in Fine Wool Cross, lightweight and Jenifer Shahan, 3rd in Fine Wool Cross, medium weight.

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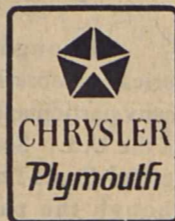
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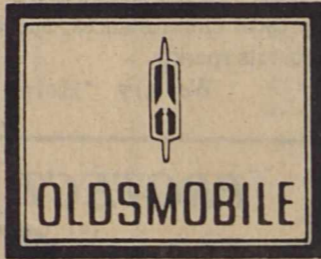


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In the book of Jeremiah, chapter 51, we are told what is

happening to Babylon (modern Iraq). If you read the entire chapter you will see that God finally gets tired of Iraq (Babylon) trying to destroy Israel. The sum of the Chapter says when Babylon (Iraq) rises up, she will be destroyed. In verse 30 it states exactly what we all viewed on T.V. Iraq soldiers coming out of their holes crying

for mercy. "The mighty men of Babylon have forborne to fight; they have remained in their holds; their might hath failed; they become as women; they have burned her dwelling places; her bars are broken."

Yes, it is over for Iraq and Saddam, but it is not over for us. For you see, we actually

fought against Russian technicians who manned the missile launches. Military intelligence reported 8,000 soviet advisors were in Iraq during the war. Watch the news reports and see who manufactured all the war machinery; you will see the Russian symbol on every-

thing. No, our troops are not coming home without a war with Russia. We may rotate personnel, and make a big television issue over soldiers coming home, but discreetly we will replace them with fresh troops. The reason is because we are living in the last of the last days. Jesus is soon to come for his church; but he told us it would be troublesome with wars and rumors of war just before he comes.

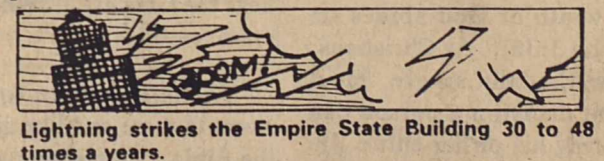
Do not let anyone fool you with a lie that America is too good to be judged. We will give an account to God for the 30 million unborn babies murdered in the womb. We will give account for a lukewarm Christian attitude that has allowed Satan to lure millions of our youth into rock music and Satan worship while we play church.

God is not impressed by our military might--he is far more concerned with our being humble before him. America has only one answer for a future, and his name is Jesus Christ, the only begotten of the Father.

In Christ's Service  
Robert White

the destructions wrought on retreating forces who were armed and fighting all the way. There were no white flags, no throwing down of guns, no abandoning of military vehicles, tanks and artillery. Had these forces met ground forces of the coalition, they certainly would have engaged them. They had the opportunity to surrender, but refused. After Vietnam, there were those radicals who demanded, and in some cases prevailed, the prosecution of American troops. No matter that children befriended by U.S. troops took grenades from their clothes and threw at the troops. No matter that women, spared by U.S. troops, repaid that compassion by

grenades. If it could be proved that American troops killed civilians some would want them imprisoned in disgrace or worse. It's high time the National media get on the side of the United States. They seem to think it's all right for the Iraqi to take their tanks, artillery and guns and try to fight their way back to the home base so they can continue their barbarous ways, but it was wrong for the air support to intercept and destroy. Sure "War is Hell" and people are killed but after all, the coalition forces were reacting to the war initiated by the Iraqi. Americans should refuse to support those advertisers who support such corrupters of the news.



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By Joe Townsend

Now that the war is over the media has fallen back into the rut of shin-kicking the Americans. Shades of Vietnam - now there arises caustic criticism of the coalition forces in attacks on retreating forces of the enemy. The treatment of Kuwait, the people, the oil facilities and the total infrastructure, it is totally unacceptable that the Major networks even call into question of

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