

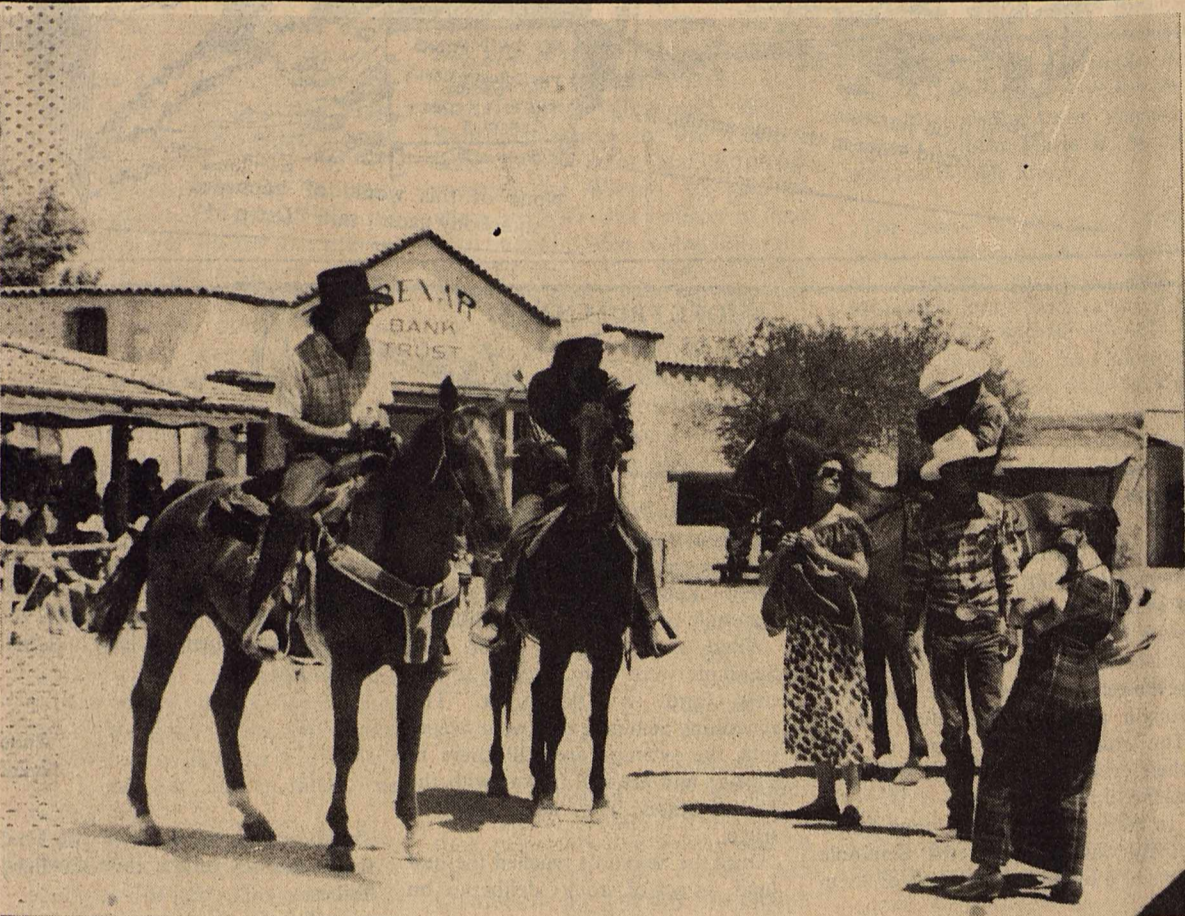
The Brackett News

"If a man had half as much hindsight, as he has insight, he would have twice as much foresight"

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Lashawn Wardlaw (center), granddaughter of "Happy" Shahan hands out colored bandanas to the horse racers during the Labor Day festivities. Hundreds of people flock to Alamo Village annually during Labor Day to watch the cowboy horse racers, enjoy live entertainment, feast on great barbeque and just enjoy good ole fashioned fun.

Couple Celebrates 50th Anniversary

Warren "Robby" Robinson and Ruth Winters-Robinson celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary this past week-end. It was a special day for the Robinsons, not only did they celebrate 50 years of marriage, all of Ruth's brothers and sisters and their spouses attended the gathering.

"This is the first time we've all been together under one roof," stated Warren. "When the last couple walked in, it was the greatest feeling," he added. All six couples are in their first marriage. Several of them have passed their 50th anniversary and the rest should within the next six years.

They all enjoyed the festivities, which included a band that played music to appeal to both young and old alike, a fine dinner and the heart warming ceremony as the couple renewed their vows. Rev. Bill Koon conducted the services.

Guests in attendance were: Marty

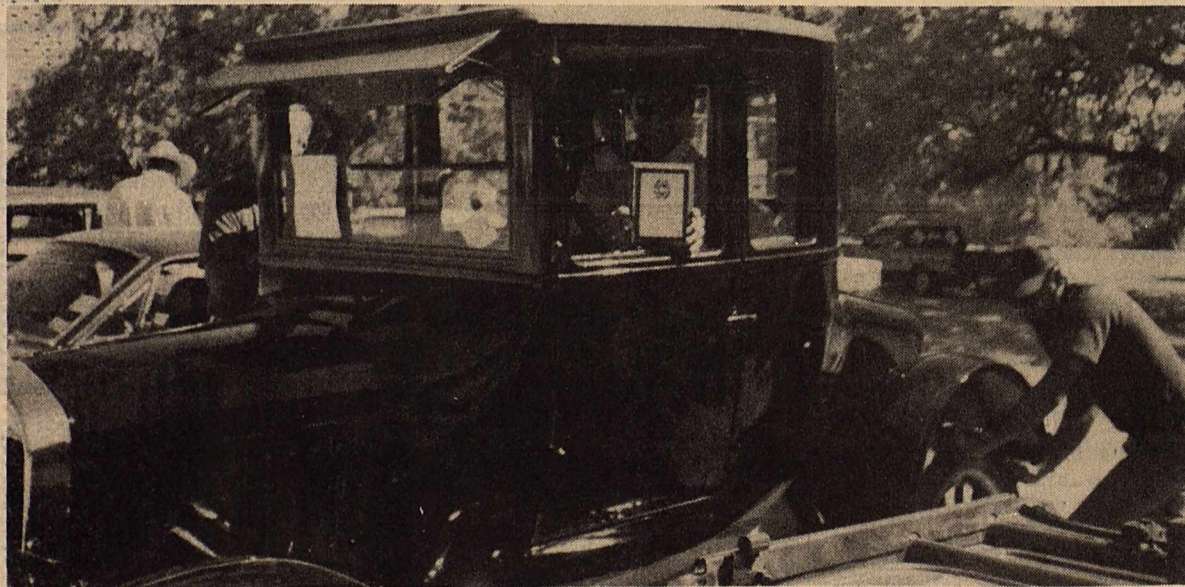


Warren and Ruth Robinson

and Dan Isenberg, Harlan and Evelyn Hunter, Jerry and Nancy O'Brien, Sam and Mary Lee Trollinger, George and Helen Miller, Doc and Chic Cruse, Molly Ardrey, Roy and Fern Dyer and Jack and Dorothy Wood.

Family members present were from Oklahoma, Montana, Georgia and Texas. Three of the couple's daughters were able to attend along

with their husbands and children. "It will take us a week to get ironed out," stated Ruth, "It was a lot of fun." When asked what the secret to a successful marriage was, Warren stated, "Give 60% and give 40% and give 100% of your love, always respect each other and be friends." Ruth added, "They told us it wouldn't last a year. Love and respect is important."



Jimmy Bader in his 1924 Model T (Best Antique Award)

Brackettville Has It's Winners!

Eighteen unique cars and trucks entered the 2nd Annual Open Car Show, Sunday, September 3 at Fort Clark Springs. The Recreation Department sponsored the event which had ten categories including a Peoples Choice category in which the

public voted for their favorite car. Brackettville had its winners! A 1924 Model T owned by Jim Bader won the Best Antique. A 1955 Chevy owned by Norman Hooten won the Best Sedan. Paul Davis took two categories, the Best Classic and the Best Interior with his 1956 Crown

Victoria Ford. A plaque was presented to each of the winners. Recreation Director, Sondra Meil and husband J.E. Meil did a great job getting the event organized. Congratulations to the winners and join the fun next year for the 3rd Annual Open Car Show!

Officers Plan Busy Year For 4-H

An officer's meeting was held Tuesday, August 29 at the Kinney County Courthouse. Officers present were: President Jennifer Shahan and Reporter Wil Shahan. Mr. McWilliams was also present.

Mr. McWilliams went over this year's plans with the officers. He suggested appointing committees to handle such things as the Highway Clean Up, Recreation, 4-H Banquet, District Council, Re-enrollment and Recruitment.

He also suggested that the club have separate groups for sheep, steers, rabbits, pigs, food & nutrition and

wool & mohair. Each of these groups would have separate meetings and decide things within their groups. They would also be responsible for fund raising events within their own group. These funds could be used toward educational material or trophies.

City of Brackettville Public Hearing

The governing body of the City of Brackettville will be conducting a public hearing in conjunction with the regular City Council meeting September 11, 1989, Monday at 4:30

The next 4-H meeting is scheduled for September 11, at 7:00 at the Kinney County Courthouse. At this time, all children interested in re-enrolling or new enrollments are asked to attend. This will also be the time to express your interest to participate in certain events.

p.m. at the City Hall Council Chambers. The purpose of the meeting is to consider passage of the proposed budget for fiscal year 1989-90.

The Challenge of a Life Time

by Jewel Robinson

David Seargeant Jr. has returned from a 63-day wilderness survival program with the Challenger Foundation in Escalante, Utah.

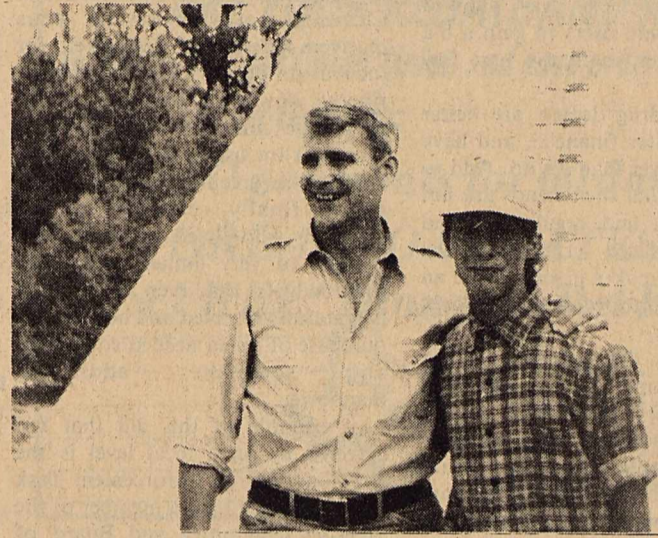
We did a lot of praying, soul searching and investigating this program before he left and while he was there. It's scary when you entrust one of life's most precious possessions to strangers.

David said, "I want you to know, Mom, you made the right decision in sending me to Challenger. I'll never forget it and I want to go back as a counselor. I wish more people knew about Challenger. There are a lot of kids out there that can use the help."

We are very proud of David and all the other young people who go through this program. The responsibility for their success or failure is placed squarely on his or her shoulders. They were challenged mentally and physically to do things they never thought possible. They learned discipline, persistence and determination. They learned to do for themselves, as well as for others. Each young person spent six days and nights alone in the wilderness. During the 63 days they walked over 450 miles.

David made leather pants and moccasins. He learned to build a fire without matches. He also made bead work and some pottery.

Each young person is given an



Oliver North and David Seargeant visit together during the adventure of

Indian name. David's Indian name is Stalking Cougar. One of the highlights for David was getting to meet Oliver North.

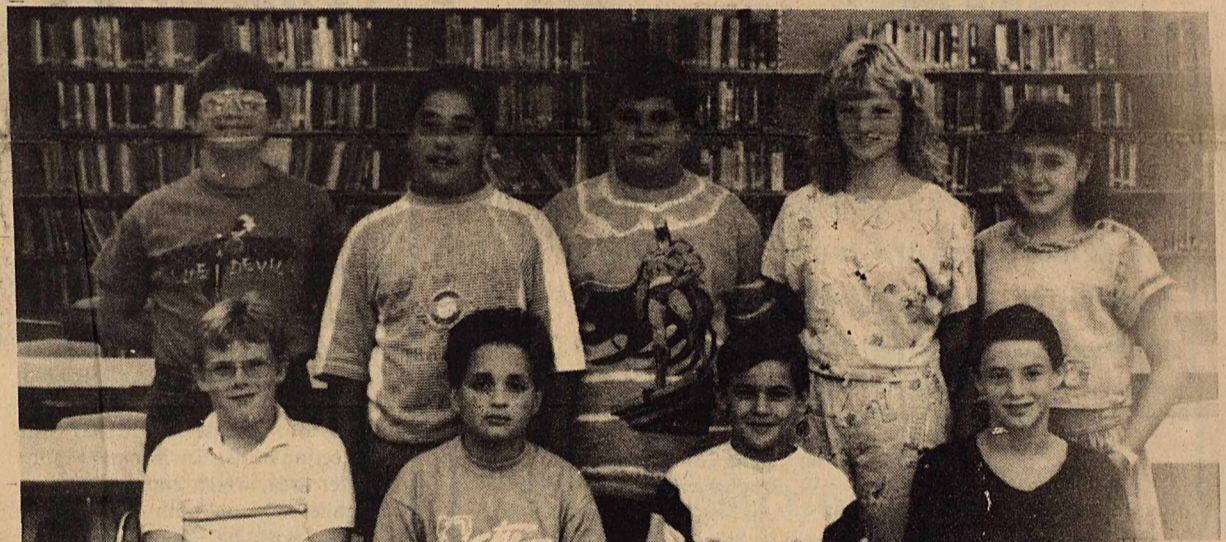
"I'll Never Forget It"

When Janet and I went to Escalante to get David, we met some nice

people. We stopped at Gas & Goodies for soft drinks and directions. Jana Lee was very friendly and helpful.

We stayed at the Moqui Motel. I got the best night's sleep I've had in years. They have no air conditioning, so we opened the windows and breathed clean fresh air. We went to the Circle K Restaurant the next morning where Dannie saved my life with a cup of coffee.

It was 11:30 a.m., our time, and I hadn't had my caffeine fix. Boy, was that good coffee.



Pictured above are the 1989-90 Talent Search 7th grade students: Michael Benacci, Kelly Henrich, Sean Burks. Top (standing) - Jeffery Potter, Robert Gonzales, Manuel Ramon, Charlie Hall, Teresa Perez. Bottom (seated) - Patrick Melancon.

1989-90 Talent Search Students

Students chosen in the 1989-90 Talent Search are: Jeffery Potter, Robert Gonzales, Manuel Ramon, Charlie Hall, Teresa Perez, Patrick Melancon, Michael Benacci, Kelly Henrich and Sean Burks.

These students will be eligible to test for the Scholastic Aptitude Test

(SAT) and the American College Testing Program's Assessment (ACT) along with college bound students in Del Rio or Uvalde.

These tests are used to measure the verbal, mathematical and general reasoning ability of highly able seventh graders. Top scoring

students will be invited to a Grand Recognition Ceremony at Duke

University in May, where they receive book awards and some receive

scholarships from leading institutions in the Talent Search area.

AIDS Symposium Warns Local Residents That AIDS is on The Rise

An AIDS Educational Symposium was held August 26, at the Ramada Inn, Del Rio, Texas. The symposium was sponsored by the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio in cooperation with the Val Verde County Medical Society, Del Rio Community Resource Center, Family Planning, and the Texas Department of Health. Local arrangements were made by Dr. Roberto Cuellar, Val Verde Memorial Hospital. The eight-hour session was attended by the largest group of professional and para-professionals, compared to the same symposium held all along the border from Brownsville to El Paso.

Dr. Ciro V. Sumaya, Associate Dean Continuing Education, Professor of Pediatrics and Pathology, Medical Director, South Texas Children's AIDS Center, led the AIDS Advisory team and faculty, along with other professionals from San Antonio. Local faculty and community moderators were: Roberto A. Cuellar, M.D.; Larry L. Lindenschmidt, D.D.S.; Roxanne M. Renner, B.S.W., S.W.; Charlie Linebaugh, R.N., Certified Infection Control Nurse; Norma Diaz, R.N.; and the simultaneous translator was Josefina Martinez, El Paso, Tx.

Although there are not as many cases of AIDS in Texas, as California

and New York, as much as possible needs to be known about the disease, because it is increasing, not decreasing, in the number of cases being seen and detected.

Even though much research work is being done, it is still the only infectious disease, in spite of all treatment modalities, that patients inevitably die from. Dr. Sumaya

covered all types of research currently underway, relative to AIDS and AIDS-related complex, many local physicians, nurses and other professionals attended, as well as many physicians from Cd. Acuna.

There were several mini-sessions covering various topics associated with the disease, as well as a question and answer session.

Reserve That Seat!

Brackett Independent School District has received numerous complaints about people seating in the reserved seat section. Changes

will be initiated this year to attempt better crowd control. Please understand that this action is being taken for safety and to allow people who hold reserved season tickets to sit in the seats they paid for.

1. Please enter the reserved section from the center ramp. (Under the bleachers.)

2. Please present your ticket stub(s) to the school representative at the entrance to the reserved seat section.

3. Please do not allow children to sit in the aisle.

These new changes will be effective starting with our first home game this Friday, September 9, 1989.

Smell of Fresh Flowers!

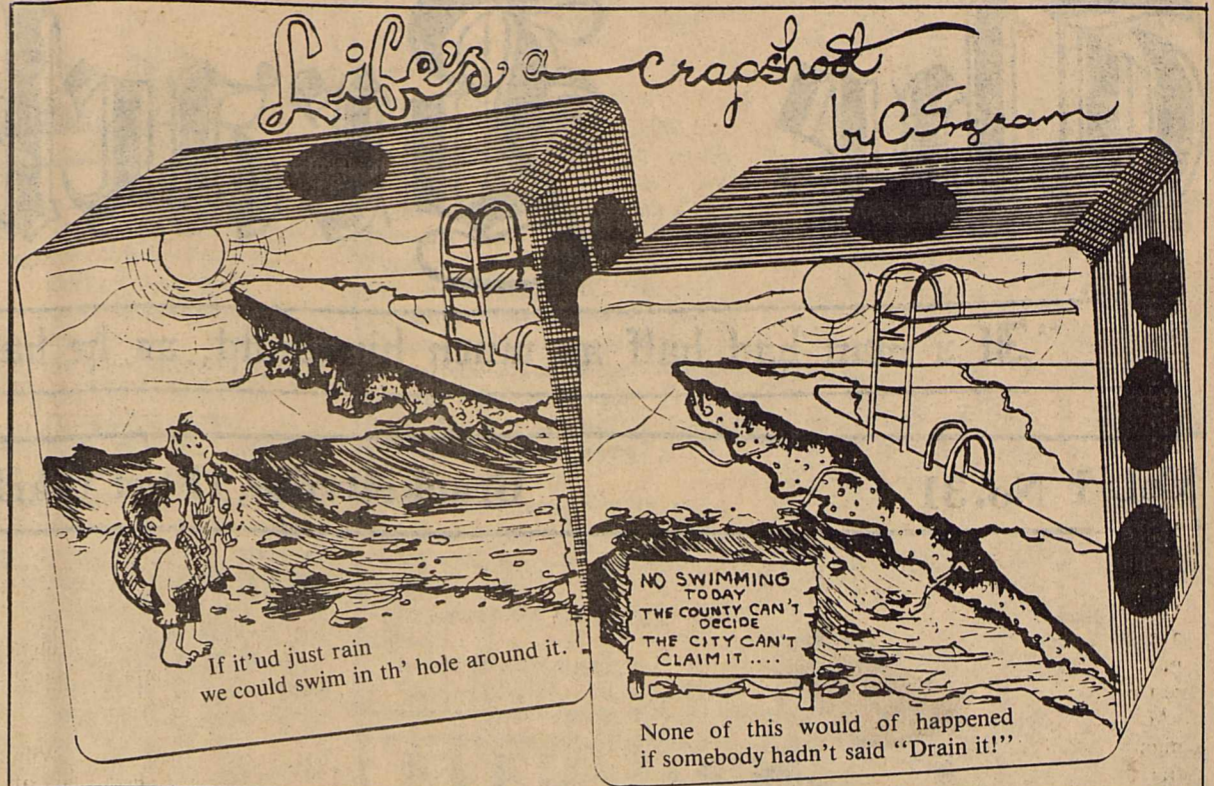
Lawanda Butter, Madge Belcher-Keys and Martha Smallwood are all winners this week. They each won a fresh cut bouquet of flowers from the Sunshine Garden Center and Florist. Each week Archie and Jill Woodson

will be giving away fresh cut flower arrangements to persons that register for the drawing. Stop by Sunshine Garden Center and Florist. The next winner may be you.

SHERIFF'S CORNER KINNEY COUNTY by Sheriff Norman Hooten

The President of the United States, George Bush, has now publicly joined forces with various federal, state and local law enforcement agencies in our on-going war against the illegal and highly profitable sale of drugs.

Our new budget allows slots for narcotics agents from each participating agency, including Kinney County, at NO cost to the agency or county other than vehicle fuel and insurance coverage.



The Fifth Removal The last to be removed were the Seminole Nation, the last of the Five Civilized Tribes. The same cruel story was repeated.

part of the government almost started another war. Washington wanted to unite the Seminole with the Creek Nation, but when the Civil War started, the Seminole finally got a proper assignment of land and then it was too late.

PLEASE REMEMBER that we attempt to include something for everyone within the pages of our paper.

Letter to the Editor

State considers Violating 1983 Environmental Treaty w/Mexico

The State of Texas has received a request for a permit through the Department of Health from TexCor, a subsidiary of Browning Farris, for a radioactive waste dump in Spofford, Texas.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor: In your last week's newspaper there was a letter to the editor from Glen Seaver, Jr.

have done one very good job keeping it that way! Glen, if you are planning on running for office, you should keep in mind that Precinct 4 also extends over into Brackettville and Spofford.

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If the State is so ill advised to issue this permit, they will be the catalyst for a major international incident, which will cause much undue embarrassment for our State Dept. and the Bush administration.

Recent events, in our area of the border, reaffirm the need of our communities to band together in a strong force to be reckoned with, against unscrupulous, notorious organizations such as TexCor.

It's not over until it's over, and as John Paul Jones said: We have not yet begun to fight, which will include the spot lighting of an international incident if need be.

Letter to the Editor

Because I represent the voters of Kinney County, I find it necessary to disprove a misleading and deceptive statement made in reference to the swimming pool issue.

In the Sheriff's Corner, Mr. Hooten stated, "Ironically, Pct. 1 Commissioner Joe Garza reversed his previous vote and this time voted against the proposal."

After reviewing the minutes of the meetings held by the County Commissioners, I found that \$24,000 were never mentioned in the previous proposals.

To the voters of Kinney County - "Is \$24,000 a few minor changes?" I leave this question in the hands of the taxpayers of this county for whom I pledged to represent keeping their best interest in mind!

Joe N. Garza Commissioner Pct. 1

Another thing that wasn't mentioned; is that in the three years that I have been a commissioner, we have not raised taxes and I feel as a whole, some of us, including myself, have done one very good job keeping it that way!

Thank You

Thank you to the family & friends who sent letters, cards, newspapers, etc. to David while he was going through the Challenger Program.

David Seargeant, Jr. 1310 Cooper Dr. Irving, Texas 75061

Thank You

I would like to thank everyone for the many beautiful cards and for their concern while I was in the hospital.

Thank you Evelyn Tartt

Happy Birthday!

Bob Harris!!

KINNEY COUNTY LAND CO. 2 bedroom, 1 bath mobile home in Brackettville. Air conditioning and heat, kitchen appliances. Water, yard maintenance & trash pickup all included in \$175.00 rent.

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