

The Brackett News

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

Brackett Schools Could Lose Quality Educators

Brackett News Staff Writer

The B.I.S.D. track field located three miles from the main teaching facility was the site of a disciplinary action taken against thirteen Brackett Jr. High students in an elective athletic course. This action is causing disruption at the local school and among several families due to charges being brought against Coach Rebecca Hubbard and possibly others.

Circumstances leading up to this incident began the morning of March 22, 1991. At approximately 8:30 AM the Brackett Jr. High students taking this elective athletic course were transported via BISD bus to the track field to train.

The athletes were instructed by their coaches to "run the straights and walk the corners" of the track. The thirteen students in question refused to run and after repeated instruction to do so, the coaches were faced with the decision to choose a form of punishment to retain control of the class.

Reasonable corporal punishment is

permitted in Brackett Schools and is to be administered only in a designated place out of view of other students. Students may refuse the corporal punishment and be punished in a different manner if desired.

Later in the day, upon learning of the confrontation regarding their daughter, Vito La Gioia, former mayor of Brackettville and presently employed as a Kinney County Deputy Sheriff, and his wife Mary Helen, brought charges against Coach Hubbard accusing her of intent to cause injury to a child under 15, a Class A misdemeanor.

To deal with this accusation and the misconduct of several coaches, the school administration recommended the following:

The teachers involved in the incident will receive a written reprimand from the superintendent. The teachers will agree to the specified remedial actions noted in each reprimand. The reprimand will remain in each of the teachers' personnel file for a period of one year from the date of the incident. After the one year period,

if all of the other requirements are met and no other violation of this nature has occurred, the letter will be removed.

Coach Hubbard and Coach Day will be suspended for two days. Coach Campbell will be suspended for one day.

Coach Hubbard, Coach Day, and Coach Campbell will serve an additional year of probationary status on their term contracts.

Each individual involved will be required to complete 30 hours of inservice training covering the following areas:

Discipline Management/District Policy/Assertive Discipline Techniques
Effective Teacher, Student, Parent Relations
Effective Teaching Practices
Physical Education Curriculum and Course Design

A letter of apology will be written to the parent(s) of each child involved

and an apology will be made to the class.

At a special meeting of the BISD School Board Trustees which was called to canvass the vote in the recent bond election, Mr. La Gioia's request to speak was added to the agenda. After hearing his complaints, the Board of Trustees voted to accept the recommended disciplinary action of the BISD administration.

This is not the first time the La Gioias have appeared before the B.I.S.D. Board of Trustees with complaints. They have chosen to proceed with the suit even though the Board and administration have taken disciplinary action against the accused.

As a result the Brackett schools stand to lose control of its students and its attraction to qualified coaches and teachers and the families of Brackettville could lose the high quality of teaching their children now receive, and the careers of several young coaches hang in the balance.

SUPPORT your Library BUILDING EXPANSION FUND

The Friends of the LIBRARY Thank you!

\$50,000.00

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All We Need Is

\$47,000.00

Last week under the headline NEW LIBRARY NEEDED the article stated that Kinney County was in need of a library expansion. Some of our readers mistook the headline to mean that a NEW library was needed. Actually folks, it is a new library EXPANSION that is needed.

Gifts of precious one-of-a-kind books and historical records have been bequeathed to our library. Other donations have been given and still others will be given, after the present owners are sure that there are adequate storage facilities.

Adequate storage is a major problem that confronts the Kinney County Library system. Many of the records need to be stored in a controlled environment. Without this, the records could rapidly deteriorate. The library missed out on an important donation of microfilm because of lack of proper storage facilities. They can now be seen at the Uvalde

library. Other donations are pending, yet have not been accepted because of inadequate storage facilities. With the new addition, that problem will be solved.

Local historians as well as just plain folks do a lot of "looking up" at the library. As a matter of fact, it has been said that the library is the "brain of the community."

To keep everyone aware of how the fund drive is progressing, the Friends of the Library have placed a thermometer on Spring Street for all to see. They want to thank Charles Ingram for making it, and Bill Bizzell for donating the plywood.

Thanks go to the Lions Club for their donation of \$100.00. The architect's plans should be in hand by April 1, 1991 for all to see.

Until then, the Kinney County Library staff, and the Friends of the Library, say thanks to all of you who have donated time and money.

Tidwell Awarded Certification

Brackett News Staff Writer

Marcus Tidwell, Kinney County Tax Appraiser and Assessor/Collector has been awarded certification as a Registered Level IV Assessor/Collector and Level IV Appraiser.

Since Mr. Tidwell is both the County Appraiser and the County Assessor/Collector he has to be certified by the Texas State Board of Tax Professional Examiners in both fields. To qualify for the Level IV position, one must have at least five years experience, complete courses and pass exams in Mass Appraisal Techniques and Property Tax Law. He must also write and turn in an acceptable demonstration appraisal on a commercial property. Then he must take and pass a seven and one-half hour state exam.

To qualify for the Level IV Assessor/Collector, he must have at least five years experience, complete courses and pass exams in Advanced Collections, Personal Property Appraisal, Personnel Management then take and pass a six and one-half hour state exam.

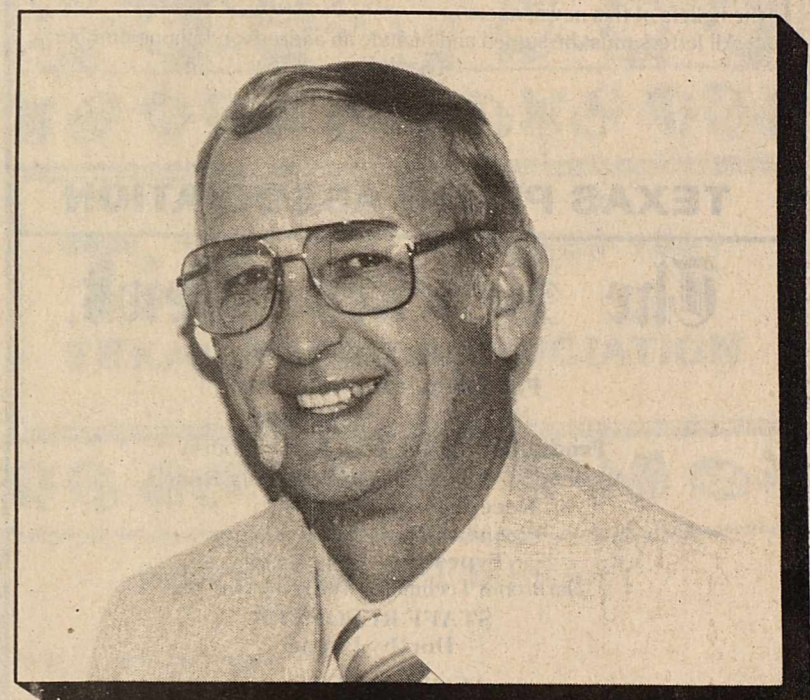
Mr. Tidwell has taken other courses not mentioned and must be re-certified every five years. This

means continuing his education on a yearly basis. This assures that citizens have an up-to-date man on the job.

Mr. Tidwell passed his Assessor/Collector exam in January, 1990 and his Appraiser's exam on March 13, 1991.

Mr. Tidwell is almost a native of Brackettville. He has been here since he was three years old. He and his wife Betty have three children: Joy, Cheryl, and Mark. Prior to his coming to work in 1984, he worked for Rio Grande Electric Co-op.

In discussing his work with the county, Mr. Tidwell tells us that prior to the 1980's the State had no standardization for assessing and collecting property taxes. At that time, the city, county and school board had individual methods of assessing taxes. In the early 1980's, the State Property Tax Board passed laws that insure that the County will have one set of records for all. Now on a yearly basis, the State Field Appraiser for the State Property Tax Board checks each District appraisal levels. They then issue results in a Ratio Study. This Study is used as a basis for issuing the funding for the schools. The ideal Ratio should be 100% of the market value. The Kinney County Ratio at this time is



Marcus Tidwell, Kinney County Tax Appraiser and Assessor/Collector.

nearly 95% of market value.

Mr. Tidwell says that "local taxpayers are carrying their full share of the tax load." This assures that the

school will get their full portion of the State Funds available to them.

Congratulations to Mr. Tidwell on his Certification.



Alexandra accepts gifts from Student Council members. Clay Hunt III, Mrs. Haby, Alexandra Makrushman, Kasey Hall.

Exchange Student From USSR Is Welcomed In Brackettville

By SONJA SHELL
Brackett News Editor

Mary Lee Haby's Home Economics class entertained Miss Alexandra Makrushman, daughter of Irina Alexandrovna and Nikolay Nikolaevich Makrushman, from Krasnodar, USSR this week.

To make Alexandria welcome, Mrs. Haby provided the food and the class prepared a wonderful Mexican meal. The menu included, carne guisado, spanish rice, pinto beans, flour tortillas, pico de gallo and cabbage slaw.

Alexandra answered questions from the students on such varied subjects as dating, climate, Aids, drug use, respect for the parents and many others.

Alexandra stated that "No, the weather was not like Siberia. It was a lot like New Jersey weather in winter." She said she lived in a five-

story apartment building on the second floor and that her family was fortunate and had a small country home with a lovely garden and orchard.

Alexandra is sixteen years old and has studied English since she was in the second grade. As a matter of fact, she said, "English is my favorite subject." She described her school day as better than the ones in the U.S. While she has a six-day-a-week schedule, the days were shorter. As such, they have a fifteen-minute break for lunch where they can run to the cafeteria and get a pastry. She said, "We have wonderful pasteries." Then they can eat more when they get home.

Alexandra is a foreign exchange student. Mrs. Haby became acquainted with Alexandra when she came to Texas on her school break. Mrs. Haby's godchild,

Audrey Sanborn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sanborn, of McAllen, Texas is a foreign exchange student in the home of Alexandra's parents while Alexandra is a student here in the U.S.

Alexandra said she had talked by phone to Audrey since she has been here and that both of them were extremely homesick to start with. Sometimes she still is. But, she said, "I would do this again."

Before Alexandra left she was made an Honorary Chapter Member of Brackettville Future Homemakers of America. She was presented gifts of Brackettville High School T-shirts from Clay Hunt III, and Kasey Hall of the Student Council. Mr. Sims also presented her with a Brackettville Tiger cap.

There was a nice interchange of information between Alexandra and the students. That is what it is all about isn't it?

Sheriff's Corner

By Sheriff Norman H. Hooten



This week started out with a flurry of law enforcement activity on Monday, March 25th that lasted all day, causing this writer and Chief of Police Johnny Fritter to be kept busy with various investigations from daylight till dark.

A series of three crimes believed to have been committed by the same as yet unidentified person started in the early morning hours Monday with a report from a Ft. Clark Security Guard of a suspicious person seen in the area around the Stop N Shop Grocery Store on the corner of Hwy. 90 and Ann St. A short time later the security guard heard the sound of breaking glass and saw the lights go out in the store and adjoining "Crazy Chicken Cafe." Sheriff's Department dispatchers notified Chief of Police Fritter who responded quickly to the scene. His quick arrival evidently scared off the would-be burglar who had entered the cafe through a large, double glass plate window on the west side of the building. Chief Fritter found a sack

of foodstuffs left near the door, nothing of value has been determined missing at the time of this writing. Contrary to careless comments made by some of our local "sidewalk Supervisors," the response time in this case was 10 minutes.

At approximately 8:00 a.m. Monday we received a report from local telephone man Nelson Jones of attempted theft of his Southwestern Bell Telephone truck from the parking lot of the phone office on Ann St. across from the courthouse. Both Chief Fritter and this writer responded to the scene. Upon our arrival it was determined that the perpetrator had entered the enclosed parking lot and had attempted to steal the truck by drilling out the ignition and steering wheel lock device with a drill taken from a tool box on the truck. However, the bungling thief, evidently far from being a professional, attempted to use a masonry drill bit to drill out the hardened steel of the ignition switch, thereby failing in his efforts. Nothing else of value was

found to be missing.

A subsequent report Monday morning was of a broken window in the county owned road maintainer that was located behind the future site of the Elderly Nutrition Center next door to the phone company building on Ann St. Due to the lack of substantial evidence at the scene it is unknown if this act was related to or caused by the same person believed to be linked to the prior two attempted burglaries. There was no further damage nor any indication of an attempted entry or theft of the vehicle.

At 2:30 pm Monday afternoon a major traffic accident occurred at the intersection of Fort and 1st Street involving a 1986 Chevrolet van driven by Diana Puda and a 1978 Buick driven by Ben Fuentes, Jr. both of Brackettville. Though there was major damage to both vehicles, no serious injuries occurred, minor cuts and bruises were suffered by the driver of the van and one of her small children who was a passenger. The primary investigator was Chief of Police Johnny Fritter, assisted at the scene by this writer.

Brackett High School athletic coach Rebecca J. Hubbard, 25, was arrested by this writer Monday afternoon on a warrant issued by the County Clerk's Office based on a complaint and information filed by County Attorney Tully Shahan. The case came about from allegations of injury to a child under 15 years of age stemming from the recent practice of various school coaches of "padding" children in P.E. who "weren't running fast enough" in the coaches judgement. Evidence of bruises and statements from the alleged victims satisfied the County Attorney that action in the case needed attention, thus the warrant and subsequent arrest. Hubbard was released on a \$750.00 PR bond, no trial date has been set in the case and other cases involving similar allegations are under investigation at the time of this writing. The charge of Injury to a Child in this instance is a Class A Misdemeanor that carries a maximum sentence of (1) a fine not to exceed \$2,000.00; (2) confinement in jail for a term not to exceed one year; or (3) both such fine and imprisonment upon conviction.

THAT'S ALL!

PUBLIC NOTICE

To whom this may concern: Ref: (1) 4x8 Gray Metal Trailer Serial None

This trailer described was picked up by Southwest Service Company. The last registered owner and/or Lienholder of said trailer is unknown and cannot be notified by certified mail as required by Law.

The trailer will be sold at a public auction by the Kinney County Sheriff's Department 20 days from the day it is published.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The City and School Trustee Election is just around the corner. Kinney County Tax Assessor Collector Martha Pena-Smallwood said that the deadline to register to vote or to make any changes on your application on file is Thursday April 4th.

We ask that you come in and advise us of any change of name, residence or mailing address on or before the deadline, so that our registration records can be as accurate as possible and to avoid any problems on election day.

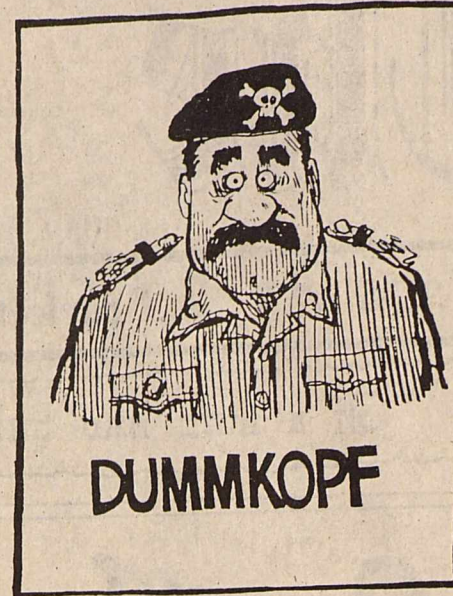
RGEC Group To Meet

The Brackettville District's Member Advisory committee will meet on Monday, April 1, 1991 at the Sabre Room at Fort Clark Springs at 7:00 p.m.

Chairman Jean Faulkenberry will preside at the meeting. If you have any questions, suggestions or complaints please contact one of the members of the committee listed below:

- Mr. & Mrs. Louis L. Sofaly, Mr. & Mrs. W.A. Belcher, Mr. & Mrs. James B. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Faulkenberry, Mr. and Mrs. H.C. Barker, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Lang, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Fithian, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Lundquist, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Young, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Voracek, and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wakefield. Also invited to attend the meeting are the directors from this district which are: Paul O'Rourke, Felix Harrison, Margaret R. Johnson, George Foster, and Gary Leonard.

MILITARY STRATEGISTS OF THE PERSIAN GULF WAR:



Days Past

by Dorothy Payne



March 4, 1937 - Martin Van Buren was inaugurated the eighth President of the United States. He was the first president to be born after the Declaration of Independence of 1776.

March 4, 1841 - William Henry Harrison campaigned for the presidency on his image as a "man of the frontier" with his campaign slogan "Tippycanoe and Tyler, too." He was inaugurated as the ninth president, at the age of 68. At his inauguration he caught a cold which went into pneumonia, and one month later he was dead.

March 6, 1844 - John C. Calhoun became Secretary of State.

March 1, 1845 - Presidnt Tyler signed the joint resolution annexing the Republic of Texas, the first time

to acquire a territory or accept a treaty. Four states resulted from the Texas territory. In this new treaty, slavery was restricted to south of the Missouri Compromise line of 30 degrees. Texas was supposed to reserve its public lands and must pay its own debts.

March 28, 1845 - The Mexican government, in protest of the Texas annexation treaty, notified U. S. Minister Wilson Shannon that diplomatic relations have been severed.

March 9, 1847 - The first amphibious invasion in U.S. Military history took place when General Scott's troops landed on the beaches south of the city of Vera Cruz. The expedition had been delayed by an outbreak of smallpox in Scott's

troops. Inside the fortress, 5000 Mexican soldiers waited. Two weeks were spent building fortifications on the beach, and a Mexican demand for surrender was turned down on March 22. By March 29, the city was under U. S. occupation and Scott was on his way to Mexico City.

March 3, 1849 - Congress established the Home Department (Department of the Interior) to set policies on public lands, settlement on Indians. The Bureau of Indian Affairs was transferred into it from the War Department.

March 5, 1849 - Zachary Taylor became president, the third Whig President, with his vice-president. Taylor was the twelfth president of the United States.

Between Us

By Joe Townsend



We can all relax and watch our streets become ruts, pot holes and rocks; at least until the city council decides to hire someone with responsibility and know-how. This week I decided once more to try and get the street in front of my house graded. I went to see Mr. Tillery and point blank asked him when he would get it done. He glibly replied, "I don't know." I told him I'd been getting this brush-off for six months and was tired of it. He said, "We're not using the maintainer now." I pointed out they had graded Sheedy street and had spent 4 days on Pafford street. He said, "We wanted to get it right." I said Thomas is between Sheedy and Pafford and would not have taken half an hour to grade it while the maintainer was there. I pointed out they had graded a wide street for a block because one family lived at the end of the block. I noted

another cross street he had graded from Sheedy to Thomas where no one lived. Then came the sage wisdom of Mr. Tillery. He said, "This town has neglected things for 30 years and I'm trying to get them right."

This was news to me. I've lived here 25 years and water, gas, and sewer have always been kept up to date. When a leak or problem arose it was promptly fixed without the wisdom of Mr. Tillery. Then came the stinger. He said, "The streets are no priority with me. I have nothing to do with them. I've had no training or experience." He pointed to his certificates prominently displayed in the front office and invited me to look at them. I could not care less, because a piece of paper does not make a capable workman. These simply say he passed some tests and so can claim approval by a

state agency. The investment in city streets far exceeds the investment in water, gas, and sewer lines and their adjuncts. But according to Mr. Tillery this investment deserves no consideration. Hence the pavement all over town is near total ruin. Un-paved streets get little, if any, care. Three times he told me he had nothing to do with the streets. Finally I asked him who told the operators what streets to grade. He admitted he did. So even though he has nothing to do with the streets, he indeed is the one responsible. It's high time the city council accepted its responsibility and told Mr. Tillery what to do rather than allow him free reign and be led by him. After all he is only a hired hand, not an elected official and has amply demonstrated and voiced his inability to make rational judgement or act responsibly.

Letter From The Publisher

As a parent and as a School Board Trustee, I feel the need to take a stand on the issue of students being paddled for **not performing** in track.

As a parent who has raised four children of my own and also my grandson, I have had thirty-two years of experience with schools, teachers, and children. I do not believe there are any bad kids -- misguided, but not bad. I also believe that you have to raise kids to be respectful and obedient and use discipline when necessary. My kids were always told if they got swats at school they would get swats when they got home. If any one of them ever got swats I was not informed.

I believe when kids go to school someone needs to be able to discipline them, if it is needed. I realize that times have changed but I believe that there is no respect

without being able to discipline if needed.

As a board trustee, I do not believe our coaches used discipline without just cause, I do however, think they used very poor judgement by not following the guidelines in the policy manual. I do not condone what happened, but I also do not think their careers should be ruined for making a mistake. I do not believe the swats will ruin the kids' lives either.

We were elected to serve on the board of trustees by the people of this community, yet we were not given the opportunity to take action on this matter before a lawsuit was filed. I believe it is our job to help see that our children get quality education, that we get quality teachers and administrators to operate our school, and that we seek

to improve and upgrade our school to be in compliance with state requirements.

This unfortunate incident seems to have set up a situation of "Them and Us." We cannot and must not let this happen. We need your trust as parents to let us, the administrators and board take steps to direct our teachers and coaches.

I am sure there are a lot of unanswered questions?? but please let us all try to be responsible adults and not let this be blown all out of proportion. We teach our children by setting examples. Please let us all try to be responsible.

These are my thoughts and feelings about what has happened and I hope this can be resolved without further incidence.

Jewel F. Robinson

Letter To The Editor

All the talk around town and school is of the three convicted coaches. Kids laugh at how Miss Hubbard had been arrested and looked like a criminal that she isn't!!! People's train of thought in Brackett really makes no sense to me. I don't understand how people can be so cruel and show no sense of respect

to other people's feelings. But of course the people worry about how the community and the kids (the future of this community lies in their hands) can be put under by a business like Texcor. Yet the parents are unwilling to teach their

children wrong and right. Therefore fighting Texcor has no meaning because either way the children are going down like the adults before them. The reason to blame for all this is the adults have no respect for each other nor the kids.

Sincerely,
David Seargeant Jr.

Big Mama Sez!



Ambition is the germ from which all growth of nobleness proceeds.

PLEASE REMEMBER that we attempt to include something for everyone within the pages of our paper. We realize that some folks enjoy finding fault and for those readers we thoughtfully include a socially acceptable number of errors within our publication.



MEMBER 1991

The Brackett News welcomes letters to the Editor. The Editor reserves the right to edit all letters submitted for length and context.

Letters will be edited to avoid the use of profanity or libelous statements pertaining to the rights of citizens.

Letters published and columnist's viewpoints do not necessarily reflect the beliefs of this newspaper.

All letters must be signed and include an address and phone number.

Thank You

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Grandma's Kitchen



Each night Morpheus beckons and we descend into the magical world of dreaming. At times mystical, at other times bizarre, prophetic, entertaining, frightening, or just plain confusing. While Freud was the first one in the Western world to tag dreams as messages from the subconscious, dream study is an ancient art. The old testament has many dream stories. Joseph's interpretation of the king's dream got him released from prison. Daniel escaped captivity and endeared himself to Nebuchadnezzar by solving the riddle of the king's dream. Some researchers scoff at all this. They consider dreams to be the meaningless firing of nerves in the brain.

Other researchers see them as a source of valuable messages that we would be foolish to overlook. I believe dreams can give us physical, mental and spiritual insights, and the price is right. When you stub your toe, you know it, pain is one way the body gives you feedback on what is going on. Dreams are another, they are messages from your subconscious self to your conscious self. Sometimes they compliment you and sometimes they chide you. On occasion they may also be a vehicle for relaying information from our higher

spiritual, or intuitive self. One of the best sources of unbiased information about yourself is your dreams. That's why they're so important and worth studying.

Just because you don't remember them doesn't mean you didn't have them. Everyone does, and we dream every night, that's scientifically proven. It is stated, any condition before becoming a reality is first dreamed. Once you remember your dreams, the next step is to interpret them. There are books and friends that can help, but only you can interpret your own dream. Each symbol has a meaning that is unique to you. The more you study your dreams the more patterns will emerge from the symbols. It's like communicating with someone that doesn't speak your language. You would have to sketch out your messages. How would you symbolize anger, peace, jealousy, fire, a dove, and the color green? Each of us would have different symbols, that's why the best dream interpretations are your own.

This past week I've done nothing but goof off. I call it, and now it's time for me to share some more recipes with you. Here's a good one from back in the 40's that'll stick to your ribs.

CHILI CON CARNE from South Dakota
2 TBS shortening (if needed)
1 lb ground beef
1 medium onion - 1 tea salt
1/8 tea pepper - 1 tea chili powder
1/8 tea cayenne pepper
1 can tomato soup - 1 can water
1 number 2 can kidney beans
Melt shortening in a sauce pan, add onion and beef, and brown slightly. Add shortenings, Tomato soup, water, and kidney beans. Cook slowly for 30 minutes, stirring occasionally. Serve with crackers.

These Bohemian Crullers came from Illinois:

1 cup flour - 1/8 tea salt
1 1/2 tea sugar - 4 TBS sour cream
4 egg yolks - 1/2 tea lemon extract
Sift together flour, salt and sugar. Add unbeaten egg yolks, sour cream and lemon extract. Knead into a rather stiff dough, roll out very thin on a lightly floured board. Cut into strips 1 1/2 inches by 3 inches: make a slit in center lengthwise and with a half twist bring one end through this slit. Fry in deep vegetable oil until golden brown. Drain and sprinkle with powdered sugar.

I'm going to have to give these a try, they sound easier to make than

the ones my mama used to keep on hand all the time.

Here's a Crispy Apricot Dessert:
1 cup sifted flour
1 tea baking powder
1 egg, lightly beaten - 1 cup sugar
1/4 tea salt - lg. can apricot halves
2 TBS sugar - 1/4 tea cinnamon
1/4 cup melted margarine

Blend flour, baking powder, egg, the one cup sugar and salt until of a crumbly consistency. Drain fruit and arrange hollow side up in shallow, greased baking pan. Fill hollows of halves with juice, then sprinkle with the 2 TBS sugar, followed by crumbly mixture. Top with cinnamon and drizzle melted margarine over all. Bake in moderate oven (375°) about 30 minutes or until top is crusty and brown. Serve with: Pot roast, browned potatoes, buttered broccoli, carrot raisin salad, and bran muffins (baked with the dessert).

Here's a good thought for you - the old narrow roads where two cars would barely pass without colliding, have all been replaced by splendid highways on which six or eight cars can collide at once.

Happy Birthday Lilly
Have a safe and happy week
Hugs and Special Love--
Grandma

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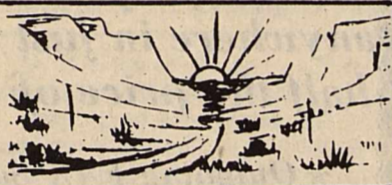
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Beyond The Horizon

By Dorothy Payne



When Colonel Shafter was commander at Fort Davis there is among others this story told of him.

Colonel Shafter was sitting on the veranda of No. 7 officers quarters, recovering with several officers from a good and satisfying meal, when a soldier walked up to the veranda. The soldier held his tin dinner plate which he showed the colonel. The soldier asked the colonel to look at his unsavory dinner. Colonel Shafter looked at the meagre contents and said, "Well, eat it you damn fool, I've had mine." The soldier turned grumbling and told his friends who grumbled, too.

After the man left, the colonel sent for the captain of the man's company. Colonel Shafter demanded to know how much money the captain had in his mess fund.

The captain said he had a balance of eighteen hundred dollars that he had managed to save. Shafter told the captain to spend the eighteen hundred dollars on food immediately, and to do it damn

quick. The soldiers never knew why their food became much better so suddenly.

In 1883, the Shafter Mine was discovered and named the Presidio Mining Company by John W. Spencer. The mine contained float of free milling silver carbonates, zinc carbonates, and lead.

The four original owners of this mine were General Shafter, Lieutenant Bullis, Lieutenant Wilhime, and John W. Spencer.

The first foreman of this mine was S. A. Wright. Before this, John Spencer had discovered gold in San Antonio Canyon, fifteen miles west of Shafter, and later discovered lead on Young's property.

General William Shafter was known as "Pecos Bill" Shafter while in Fort Davis, and was well liked by all who knew him. He was a very efficient officer and usually was a success at whatever he tried to do. However, his mining venture didn't prove to be of much success. The town of Shafter was named for him.

Library Notes



Help! Help! Help! We are in desperate need of pictures of the old Mellifont Building. This is the old ruin which stands just to the east of the back of the library. We are sure that several of you have pictures of many of the old buildings here in Brackettville and perhaps one is of this old building before it was torn down. We would so appreciate your looking through your pictures. If you have one, we would pay to have copies made. They are needed by the architects who are presently preparing sketches of the possible library expansion.

Mr. Martin R. Sheets came to the library recently. He has the book "CCC: The Way We Remember It." This book has a brief history of the CCC and a bulk of the book is comprised of the personal remembrances of many of the CCC participants. Mr. Sheets invites anyone who was in the CCC or is interested in reading about the projects and participants of this group to contact him and he will share his copy with others.

We wish to congratulate Reggie and Rebecca Felker as our second family joining The Friends Of The Library.

The library and other county facilities will be closed for Good Friday on March 29, 1991. Be sure to come by on Thursday and pick up

reading material for the long weekend.

Parents, on our display table are several books which have great craft ideas to help occupy the hands and minds of the young Easter Bunny Enthusiasts.

We have Danielle Steel's newest book "Heartbeat" both in large and regular print. Other best sellers are: "Cold Fire" by Dean R. Koontz; "Fourth K" by Mario Puzo; "Secret Pilgrim" by John LeCarre; and "Vital Signs" by Robin Cook.

Several excellent research volumes have arrived. A few are: "The Doctor's Vitamin and Mineral Encyclopedia" by Sheldon Saul Hendler, M.D., Ph.D.; "Treating and Understanding Crippling Habits; Obsessive Compulsive Disorders" by Steven Levenkrom; "Symptoms" by Isadore Rosenfeld; and "The Race Is One Step At A Time" by Nancy Brinker and is the author's personal struggle. We also have "Every Woman's Guide To Taking Charge of Breast Cancer, Bulimia; A Guide For Family and Friends" by Roberta Sherman; and "Selenium As Food And Medicine" by Richard A. Passwater, Ph.D.

As always we invite you to visit the coolest, friendliest little library in Kinney County!!

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Informing the community about the library's services and problems.
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WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO JOIN?

Anyone interested in promoting the library. Yearly membership dues are \$2.00. Fill out the form below, attach your \$2.00 and either take it by the Kinney County Library, or mail it to P. O. Box 975, Brackettville TX 78832.

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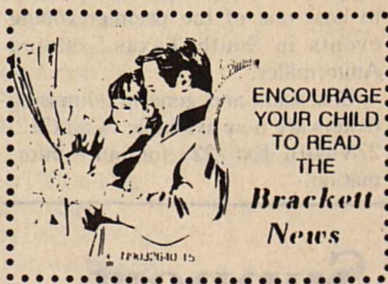
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Collector Wins Painting

It was on the steps of the Kinney County Appraisal office at 4:00 p.m. on Friday, March 22, 1991 that Ford Dodson added to his Bud Breen Art Collection when his name was drawn as the winner of the oil painting that was donated for the Jerry Fairbanks Convalescent Fund. Dodson stated he already owns five Bud Breen paintings.

A special Thank You to every person who purchased a ticket for this wonderful cause.



ENCOURAGE YOUR CHILD TO READ THE Brackett News

Happy 17th Birthday Adrian Pena!

Hope your day will be a pleasant one. We love you and think the world of you. Love, Mom, Dad, Regina & Hector Jr.

Happy Birthday Tudy!!!

From your friends, Regina and Adrian. May your day be filled with good things.

Winner



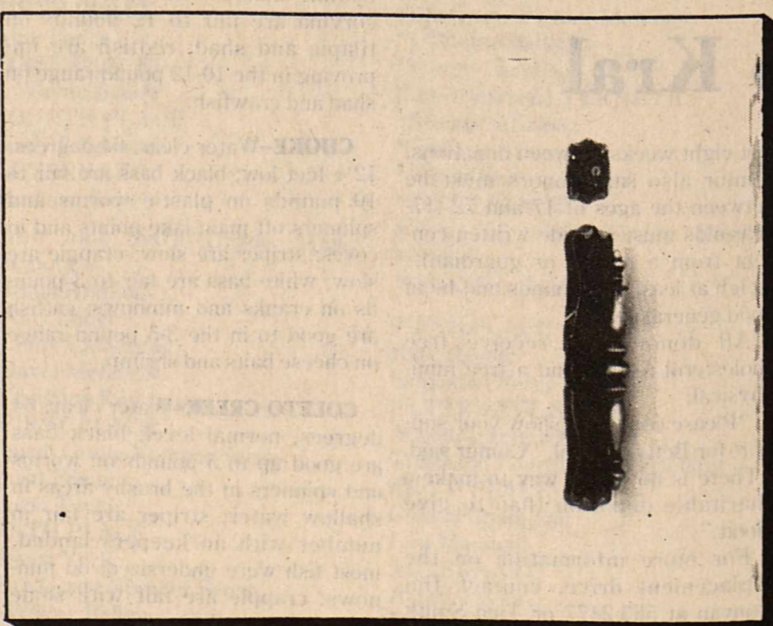
Virginia Tovar

Virginia Tovar won a hat for correctly identifying the mystery picture.

The picture is part of the wall of the library property soon to be restored.

Identify The Picture

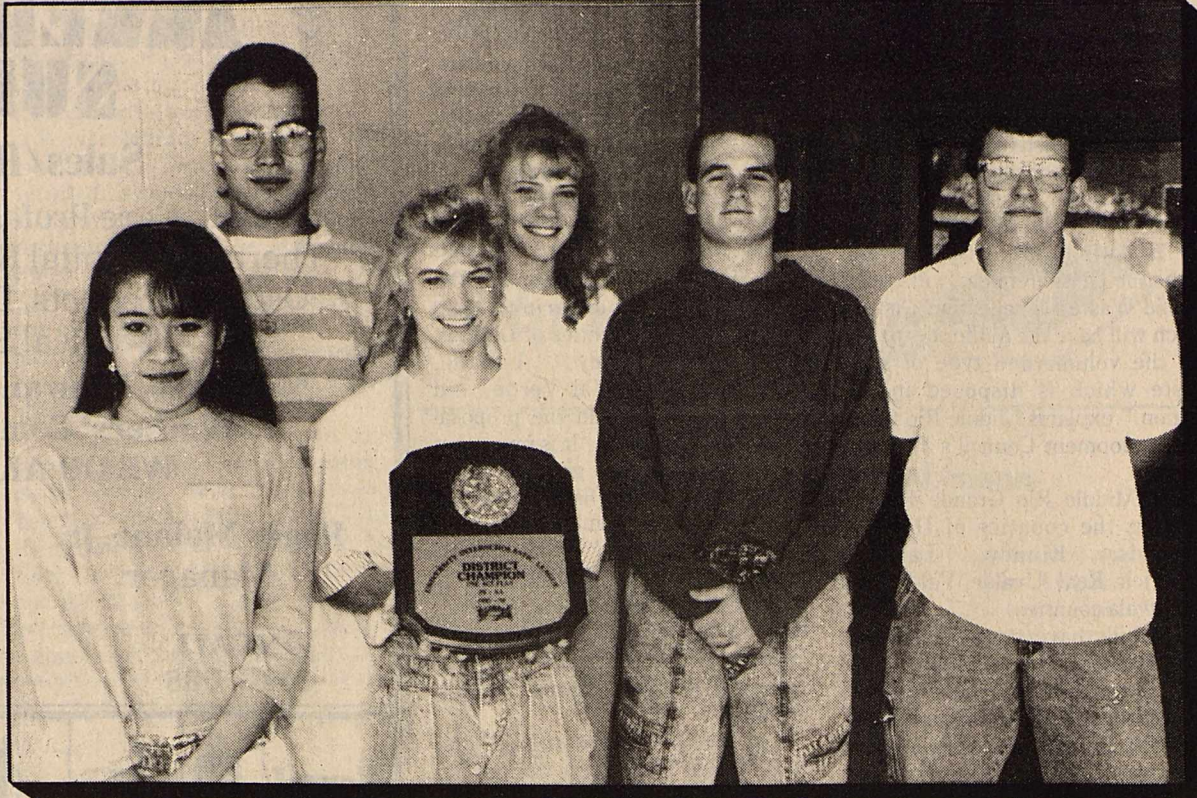
The first person to come by The Brackett News and correctly identify this picture will be given a Brackett News Cap.



Tiger Tracks



UIL Play Wins First



Back: Billy LaGioia, Wendy McDaniel and Scott Sims. Front: Monica Cruz, Shelley McDaniel and Lynn Floyd. Not pictured: Frank Rodriguez, Tiffany Bryan and Regina Pena.

TAAS/TEAMS EXIT Level Exam

The TAAS/TEAMS EXIT level Examination will be given by Brackett Independent School District on the following dates beginning at 8:00 a.m. at the high school:

April 2, 1991	TAAS Writing
April 3, 1991	TAAS Reading
April 4, 1991	TEAMS Language Arts
April 4, 1991	TAAS Math
	TEAMS Math

Notice of exam has been mailed to parents of all eligible students attending Brackett Independent School District. It is very important for students to attend school on the designated days, because no make-ups are allowed. Please contact Susan Harrison if you have any questions. All eligible students must pass all portions of the TAAS/TEAMS in order to meet graduation requirements.

Board Moves Ahead with Construction Plans

With the approval of the bond, the School Trustees continued with construction plans. The first project will involve the construction of a classroom building designed to house grades 6-8. The preliminary design includes a new cafeteria facility to serve the District. Also included are seven regular classrooms, a science classroom, and teacher work area.

The District architect, Mr. Don Legge, of Salado has left preliminary drawings of this structure at the school district central office. Interested parties are invited to view the drawings and provide input.

Historical Site Tax Exemption Board Approves Policy

In an effort to develop a comprehensive policy that will protect the tax base and encourage the improvement and preservation of historical sites in the Kinney County area, the Brackett Independent School District Trustees adopted an official policy that will protect the tax base and encourage the improvement and preservation of historical sites in the Kinney County area, the Brackett Independent School District Trustees adopted an official policy that will offer a variety of exemptions to property that has been approved for a Texas Historical Medallion, and whose owners are making efforts to preserve or restore that property. The policy, adopted by a 7-0 vote of the Board, appears below:

The Brackett Independent School District recognizes the historical significance of the buildings in the District. The Board wishes to provide some incentive for the restoration of those buildings. Because of this commitment, the board will consider granting exemptions to the following categories of property:

- Buildings with a Texas historical Medallion.
- Owned by an elemonnary institution - Full exemption
- Owned by an individual or company, but open to the general public with no admission charge - Full Exemption
- Business Property - 25% exemption on Assessed Value

D. Residential Property - 25% exemption on Assessed Value

Granting of exemptions will be considered annually in the January Board meeting. Continuation of approved exemptions will be contingent on the preservation efforts by the owners in the previous year.

This policy is pursuant to the authority granted the Brackett Independent School District Board of Trustees under Article VIII, Section 1-F of the Texas Constitution and the State Property Tax Code Section 11.24, Section 11.43 (b), and Section 11.18. Also, State Property Tax Board Rule Section 155.30. Questions regarding this policy can be directed to the Central Office of the Brackett Independent School District.

School Trustees Meet

Monday, March 25, 1991, was scheduled as a special meeting to canvass the results of the Bond Election. Also, on the agenda was an emergency item requested by Mr. Vito LaGioia to discuss a complaint involving corporal punishment administered by coaches.

The Board began the meeting in open session in the high school library at 6:30 p.m. They then went

into executive session for four hours to hear concerns of parents about the corporal punishment incident. The Board heard concerns from four sets of parents and then questioned two coaches.

After reconvening in open session, a motion was made by Diane Bravo to terminate two coaches. The motion died for lack of second. Zack Davis then made a motion to approve action taken by the superintendent with the addition of five days suspension for Coach Day. This motion died for lack of a second. Beth Ann Smith moved to accept administrative actions as presented by the superintendent. Jim McDaniel seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 4 for and 3 against.

The Board then moved to the first item of business on the regular agenda, canvassing the results of the bond election. The Board approved the results after reviewing tally sheets by a 7-0 vote.

Kindergarten Registration

Brackett I.S.D. Elementary Principal Steve Mills has announced that pre-registration for Kindergarten and Pre-Kindergarten children will be held April 8 - April 9, 1991, at

Jones Elementary School Office from 8:00 - 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 - 3:30 p.m.

KINDERGARTEN--The Kindergarten Program is open to all five-year-old children whose birthdays fall before September 1, 1991, and whose immunization records are current. In order to register your child for this program you will need to present the following information:

- Proof of birth date (birth certificate or passport)
- Copy of the immunization record
- PRE-KINDERGARTEN--The Pre-Kindergarten Program is limited to four-year-old children who meet the following guidelines: birthdays fall before September 1, 1991; immunization records are current; are limited in the English language or are from families whose incomes qualify them for the free or reduced lunch program. In order to register your child for this program you will need to present the following information:

- Proof of birthdate (birth certificate or passport)
- Copy of the immunization record
- Proof of limited English language or proof of family income

Children who are currently enrolled in school do not need to pre-register. For more information concerning Pre-registration, please call Jones Elementary at 563-2492.

UIL Literary Results

Jones Elementary School students took second place at Spring Literary UIL Contest. Forty-one elementary students represented the "Young Tigers" at Dilley on Tuesday, March 19, 1991, and Saturday, March 23, 1991. The following list gives the name of the contest, the children that participated in the event, and the place that the child won:

Sixth Grade Calculator Math
THIRD PLACE
Courtney Harrison
Brandy Meeks
SIXTH PLACE
David Melancon
ALTERNATE
Beau Smallwood
Sixth Grade Dictionary Skills
Edwina Banta
Jessica Payne
Viviana Rosales
Fifth Grade Dictionary Skills
ALTERNATE
Wendy Goodloe
FIRST PLACE
Monique Pierce
FIFTH PLACE
Alfred Rodriguez
Leilani Williams
Fifth and Sixth Grade Listening
FIFTH PLACE
Amy Bader
FIRST PLACE
J. Wayne Ballew
FOURTH PLACE
Lindy LaMascus
ALTERNATE
Monique Pierce
Fifth and Sixth Grade Music
Memory
*Jason Antillon
*Amy Bader
*Lindy LaMascus
*David Melancon
*Christina Reschman
*FIRST PLACE
Fourth Grade Number Sense
David Foster
Aaron Taylor
SIXTH PLACE
Jessica York
Fifth Grade Number Sense
J. Wayne Ballew

FIFTH PLACE
Michael Meyer
Samantha Perez
ALTERNATE
Charlotte Rose
Sixth Grade Number Sense
FIFTH PLACE
Courtney Harrison
Baldemar Martinez
Brandy Meeks
Fourth Grade Picture Memory
*Crystal Champion
*Sonya Correa
*David Foster
*Aaron Taylor
*Jessica York
*FIRST PLACE
Third and Fourth Grade Ready Writing
ALTERNATE
Jamie Bader
THIRD PLACE
Laura Lee Ballew
Khristina Dorough
Coty Williams
Grade Science
Josh Crumley
Courtney Harrison
David Melancon
Fifth and Sixth Grade Spelling
ALTERNATE
Liz Aguirre
FOURTH PLACE
Lindy LaMascus
Monique Pierce
Leilani Williams
Fifth Grade Picture Memory
*J. Wayne Ballew
*Wendy Goodloe
Katy Hagler-ALTERNATE
*Brenda Martinez
*Samantha Perez
*Alfred Rodriguez
*FIRST PLACE
Fifth and Sixth Grade Ready Writing
Wendy Goodloe
FIFTH PLACE
Katy Hagler
Samantha Perez
ALTERNATE SIXTH
Alfred Rodriguez
Third and Fourth Grade Spelling
FIFTH PLACE
Crystal Champion
Lisa Marshall
ALTERNATE
Aaron Taylor
Moses Villarreal

Second and Third Story Telling
Jamie Bader
Laura Lee Ballew
Zachary Davis
SECOND PLACE
Lisa Marshall

The following students placed in the 29AAA UIL Literary contests held in Dilley Saturday, March 23, 1991.

In Junior High School:
Ready Writing
1st - Karla Hall
5th - Lisa Dalton
6th - Samantha Luna
Spelling
1st - Manual Ramon
2nd - Zoila Herrera
Science
Sean Burks
HIGH SCHOOL
News Writing
3rd - J.J. Guidry
6th - Jennifer Shahan
Feature Writing
2nd - Jennifer Shahan
3rd - J.J. Guidry
Editorial Writing
Selina Ramon
Current Issues and Events
4th - Selina Ramon
5th - Myrna Gonzalez
Prose
6th - Mary Falcon
Poetry
6th - Mary Duran
Calculator Applications
3rd - Scott Sims
Informative Speaking
4th - Clay Hunt
Keyboarding (Typing)
4th - Isela Valdez
5th - J.J. Guidry
Literary Criticism
5th - Jennifer Shahan
Number Sense
1st - J.J. Guidry
Science
1st - Scott Sims
Science teams consisting of Scott Sims, Selina Ramon, and Bernie Allemeir are alternates.
Ready Writing
1st - Jennifer Shahan
3rd - Selina Ramon
We will be taking 8 students in 13 events to regional competition scheduled for Saturday, April 20, 1991.

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TUESDAY
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Seasoned Corn
Fruit - Spice Cake
Milk

WEDNESDAY
Hamburger-Burger Salad
Tator Rounds
Cookie - Milk

THURSDAY
Ranch Beans
Spanish Rice
Corn Bread - Fruit
Milk

FRIDAY
Grilled Cheese
French Fries
Fruit - Honey Bar
Milk

BREAKFAST

MONDAY
Dry Cereal
Cinnamon Toast
Fruit - Milk

TUESDAY
Waffles
Honey/Syrup
Fruit - Milk

WEDNESDAY
Cheese Toast
Juice - Milk

THURSDAY
Scrambled Eggs
Toast - Fruit - Milk

FRIDAY
Bean Burritos
Juice - Milk

Monica Miller

Brackettville Welcomes BISD Bookkeeper

Brackett News Staff Writer

Brackettville eight years ago on a hunting trip and they "fell in love with Ft. Clark Springs and the Brackettville area." Later her parents, Dub and Mona Miller bought property here and Monica Miller determined to find a position here in Brackettville. Perseverance paid off. Mona Miller saw the Bookkeeper "want ad" in The Brackett News, took it to Houston, and now we are welcoming Monica to our community.

Brackettville ISD welcomes Monica Miller as their new Bookkeeper. She is well qualified for the position with her Business Administration degree. She received her degree from the University of Oklahoma and is most recently from Houston.

Monica and her parents came to

County Agent News

by Allan L. McWilliams



If you have not sprayed your pecan trees with NZN, you may go ahead and do so now. I think most yard trees have broken bud and are off to a fair start. NZN applications should be applied at bud break, and two more times about 3-4 weeks apart. NZN is a nitrogen and zinc formulation which promotes healthy leaf formation and in turn, promotes a better nut crop.

As spring comes newly budded pecan trees need other care also. Spraying to combat scab will mean a more uniform nut crop. The disease is hard to see but if growers have had a problem in the past, they can probably expect it in the future. Pecan scab usually produces lesions on the leaf and black or dead shucks.

Some varieties such as Burkett, Wichita, Belmas, and Western are susceptible to pecan scab and should be treated with a fungicide. Varieties resistant to pecan scab are Choctaw, Desirable, Cheyenne, Pawnee, and Sioux, but growers should still be alert for problems with the fungus.

Spray immediately after the buds break and then two or three more times until June. While spraying a fungicide, also spray the pecan trees with zinc. Zinc sprayed on foliage helps produce larger leaves and promotes overall tree growth and nut production, as previously mentioned.

The prime time to fertilize pecan trees is immediately after the buds break. The old rule of thumb is to

apply one pound of ammonium sulfate, 21-0-0, per inch of tree trunk diameter.

Fertilizer should be broadcast on the surface under the pecan tree and should extend out to the canopy. A common misconception for fertilizing is to dig a hole near the trunk and pour liquid fertilizer into the hole. Since most feeder roots are in the top 18 inches, there is no need for fertilizer to be placed beneath the depth of the soil. Newly planted pecan trees should be cut back to one-half their height. When pecan trees are dug at nurseries, the roots are damaged. Cutting the tree back gives it a better chance of regenerating a new root system.

Mulching is also very important in helping young trees get established. Some of the best mulch is leaves, hay, pine needles and straw.

Unlike most trees, young pecan trees can withstand Roundup applications that are used to kill surrounding grasses. Young trees need plenty of water and should be kept relatively free of competition with grasses, especially bermuda grass.

Not only will a little care now produce good nuts and a healthy tree this year, but will build a strong tree for years to come.

If you need more information about pecan tree management, call or come by the Kinney County office of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Bills For New District Have Been Filed

Brackett News Contributing Writer

Bills to create a Solid Waste Management District for the nine county Middle Rio Grande Region area have been filed in both Houses of the State Legislature.

SB 1390, sponsored by Senator Judith Zaffirini, and HB 1915, co-sponsored by Representatives Harvey Hilderbran, Pete Gallego, and Ernestine Glossbrenner "will create a Solid Waste Management District which will have the authority to control the volume and type of solid waste which is disposed in the Region," explains Middle Rio Grande Development Council's Paul Edwards.

The Middle Rio Grande Region includes the counties of Dimmit, Edwards, Kinney, LaSalle, Maverick, Real, Uvalde, Val Verde, and Zavala counties.

The bills have been referred to both Houses' Natural Resources Committees. No date has been set for hearings in the committees. If approved by committee, the bill will be forwarded to the floor for vote. "We are encouraging the cities and counties to support these bills," said MRGDC Executive Director Michael Patterson.

Under the provisions of the bills, new waste disposal sites would be licensed by the Solid Waste District. The District will be composed of a Board of Directors who will appoint a General Manager to oversee daily operations. The Board of Directors will consist of one member from each county commissioner's court and one member from each county seat municipal government. Counties with populations of more than 25,000 will have an additional member. The At-Large member will be appointed jointly by the commissioner's court

and the county seat city council.

The District will have no authority to levy taxes nor power of eminent domain. The District will not have the authority to issue general obligation bonds - it will finance its operating capital through the issuance of revenue bonds. Bond service costs and all district operating costs will be paid from users' fees.

Currently the cities of Brackettville, Carrizo Springs, Cotulla, Del Rio, Leakey, Rocksprings, and Uvalde, and the counties of Dimmit, Edwards, Kinney, LaSalle, Maverick, Real, Val Verde, and Zavala have endorsed the proposal to form the District. "It is important to note that support given by communities to form a District does not mean that those communities have joined the District," explains Patterson. "If, and when the District is formed, counties and county seats will have the option to join the District under the provisions and terms of Districts' charter," Patterson said.

The MRGDC Board of Directors' Solid Waste Task Force drafted the original provisions for the formation of the District. Several incidents prompted the MRGDC Board to form the Task Force. "With the onset of new federal regulations which prohibit open burning of solid waste, cities are required to bury their waste. Since many of the municipalities in congested areas of the U. S. are pressed to find adequate space for dump sites they opt to export their waste to less populated areas like ours. Without such protective measures as the formation of a Solid Waste District to control the amount and type of waste brought into the Region, we could very well end up as a huge dumping ground," Edwards explained.

Guided Tours Each Saturday In April At Matagorda Island State Park

Port O'Connor - The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department and the Port O'Connor Chamber of Commerce are co-sponsoring four Matagorda Island Adventures in April.

Department staff from Matagorda Island State Park and volunteers will provide on-island transportation and guided tours, with each Saturday in April being devoted to a different topic, said Luke Thompson of the department's public lands division and stationed at the park. Port O'Connor officials will arrange transportation to the island, which is accessible only by boat. The barrier island is owned by the department and the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

The first adventure, scheduled for April 6, will focus on the history of the island with tour stops at the lighthouse, the trenches at Confederate Fort Esperanza, the abandoned Army Air Corps base, the state route between Saluria and Cedar Bayou, private space vessel launch sites and other points of interest.

The myriad of wildflowers and other vegetation found on barrier islands will highlight the second adventure on April 13. It will feature a walk across the island to observe firsthand the various ecological zones from the Gulf of Mexico beach to the peak of the sand dunes to the bayside marshes.

Matagorda Island, along with most of the central coastal area, is in the center of a primary bird migration route between North and

South America and is used at some time during the year by more than 300 species of birds. Barrier islands often are the first land reached by many birds migrating across the Gulf, offering a welcome respite from the rigors of extended flight. On April 20, adventurers may get a chance to see some of these species during the birding adventure. The island also is part of the winter range of the endangered whooping crane, but they may already be on their way back to Canada, Thompson said.

The final adventure, April 27, will focus on the marine life of the Gulf and bays. Adventurers will be able to see the importance of estuaries as nursery grounds for marine species and the role of a barrier island in the marine ecosystem. With the help of expert volunteer guides, visitors will be able to see and handle many of the hundreds of creatures living in what appears to be a barren stretch of beach sand, surf and bay mud.

The Port O'Connor Chamber of Commerce has arranged round trip passage on the Huster III. Cost is \$15 for adults and \$10 for children under 13 years old during each adventure. The boat will depart at 8 a.m. and return by 4 p.m. each Saturday from the TPWD docks in Port O'Connor.

Reservations are suggested and may be made by mail through the Port O'Connor Chamber of Commerce, P. O. Box 701, Port O'Connor, Texas 77982. For more information call (512) 983-2898 or (512) 983-2215.

Whooping Cranes

By LORRAINE SLOAN

Six brothers and sisters of the Crane family, all originally from South Dakota, are now at Fort Clark Springs.

LeRoye (Crane) Carlson is visiting from Spearfish, South Dakota. Irwin and Winn Crane, plus Stan and Imogene (Crane) Somers are "Winter Texans" from Soldotna, Alaska.

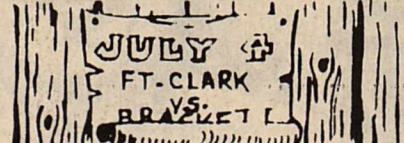
Permanent residents are Darwin and Elaine Crane, Bill and Cora (Crane) Proctor, and Lorraine (Crane) Sloan.

One brother, Harold Crane, did not migrate to Texas this year. Our mother always called us the "Whooping Cranes" and although the original whooping cranes are an endangered species, Fort Clark Springs is not endangered in being renamed "Fort Crane Springs."



The "flock" poses for family Portrait.

Community Calendar



- AA-Mondays 8:00 p.m. at First UMC Slaton Hall, 109 W. James St.
- AIAnon-Every Monday at 8:00 p.m. at St. Andrews Episcopal Church Parish Hall at Hudson and 4th Street. Call 563-2007.
- Altar Society-Meets the first Monday of each month at 5:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.
- Band Booster Club-2nd Tuesday of each month, 7:00 p.m. at the Brackett High Band Hall.
- Bass Club-Every last Thursday at 7:00 p.m.
- Chamber of Commerce-Every 1st Thursday 7:00 p.m.
- Commissioners Court-Every 2nd Monday at 9:00 a.m.
- Community Council-9:00 a.m. the 2nd Saturday of each month in the Sabre Room at Fort Clark.
- Del Rio Christian Women's Club-Meets 1st Wednesday of each month, 12:00--Laughlin AFB officer's club must make reservations.
- Drivers License--9 a.m. to noon, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. on the 1st, 3rd, and last Thursday of the month.
- Duplicate Bridge-1:30 p.m. every Sunday and Tuesday.
- Fort Clark Community Council-9:00 a.m. the 2nd Saturday of each month at the Town Hall on Fort Clark.
- Kinney County Historical Preservation Society-7:00 p.m. on every 4th Thursday of each month at the Kinney County Courthouse.
- Kinney County Kickers-7:30 p.m. every 2nd and 4th Thursday.
- Lions Club-6:30 p.m. every 1st and 3rd Thursday.
- Masonic Lodge-7:00 p.m. every 2nd Tuesday.
- Order of the Eastern Star #204-7:30 p.m. the 1st and 3rd Tuesday at Masonic Hall, 407 Bedell, Del Rio, TX.
- Rotary Club-Every Thursday at 12:00 p.m.
- Shriners-6:30 p.m. every 4th Tuesday.
- VFW and Ladies'Aux. (Ft. Clark)-7:00 p.m. every 4th Wednesday.

Just For The Fun Of It

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 Your favorite food: Cheese and broccoli
 Your favorite movie: Ben Hur
 Your favorite book: My son, My son, The Bridge of San Luis Rey.
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Unsung Hero

by Joe Townsend

Some of the true heroes of today are women who feel deeply the responsibility of being a wife and mother. One such woman was from here and married a man who was born here. Before she was married she was employed by the city. She capably handled the total paperwork and office of the city. She was always courteous and friendly. Her husband has always had her total support. She has done an outstanding job with her children. She has remained a friendly and warm hearted person through the years. Surely Mrs. Freddie Frerich is an "Unsung Hero."

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Meditations

by Preston Taylor

The Greek language helped change the world. God preserved the New Testament. His full and complete revealed truth, in the language of the Greeks. One philologist says that Greek is the most perfect vehicle of language that man has ever known.

The Roman roads helped link all roads to Rome. That gave commerce a big, new boost. Incidentally, it made the sending forth of the gospel more effective, too.

God used the language of the Greeks and the roads of the Romans as instruments for the sending out of the good news.

The resurrection of Jesus has outdone every other event in human history -- linked up with the "incarnation," of course.

The death of Jesus shocked and stunned His followers. The Passover season came and Jesus suffered and gave His life for us.

The disciples scattered. The

Roman leaders along with religious technicians celebrated when finally Jesus died. But the celebrations of the wicked soon ended and the celebration of God's people began. Christ came out of the grave alive forevermore -- world without end.

Why celebrate this Season and every Lord's Day? God's truth is verified, is confirmed. The dozens of times that Jesus told about His resurrection and the numerous times the writers of the Old Testament said Christ would come out of the grave -- well, all of that had its fulfillment on that glorious spring morning when Jesus came alive again.

We celebrate because we can have victory, too. How far-reaching is the victory? Well, it's over sin, death, the devil, and the grave. The living Christ in the heart opens the door for joy that is "unspeakable and full of glory." God's joy is for everyone who links life by faith and commitment to the Lord of glory.

St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church

Stations of the cross (also called the Way of the Cross) is a devotion in honor of the passion of our Lord which consists in moving from one to another of fourteen crosses and praying before each one (there are no set prayers) meditating on the passion. It may be done alone, or in company with others, with a priest presiding.

The custom originated with the Friars Minor in the 15th century.

The Way of the Cross will be celebrated at 5:30 p.m. on Good Friday outdoors at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church with Very Rev. David G. Zumaya, pastor. Father David wishes all his parishioners and friends a very blessed Easter. Everyone is welcome.

Obituary



Dennis James Robinson

Funeral services for Dennis James Robinson were held Saturday, March 23, 1991 at 10:00 a.m. at the First Baptist Church in Brackettville.

The reverends Ronnie Watson and Preston Taylor officiated. Interment was in the Kinney County Cemetery.

Mr. Robinson is survived by his wife Patricia, daughter Ashley, son Billy James, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Robinson all of Brackettville. Three brothers and

one sister-in-law, Gary and Larry Robinson of Port Aransas, David and Cindy Robinson of Zion, Illinois, as well as his maternal grandmother Jessie DuBose of LaPryor, his paternal grandmother Willie Lee Robinson of Uvalde, and several nieces and nephews.

Pall bearers were Steven Schaefer, Billy Ray Robinson, Donnie Nance, Tony Samaniego, Daniel Samaniego, and John Samaniego.

Gilbert Sanchez

Gilbert Sanchez of Brackettville, age 73, died in the Amistad Nursing Home in Uvalde on March 25, 1991. He was born January 2, 1918 in Spofford. He was married to Maria Dimas in Brackettville.

Gilberto Sanchez is survived by: Wife--Mrs. Maria Sanchez of Brackettville, Sons--Frank S. Sanchez, Armando Sanchez, Ben Sanchez, Gilbert Sanchez Jr., Manuel Sanchez, Guadalupe Sanchez, Juan Sanchez, and Martin Sanchez all of Brackettville. Daughters--Margarita Sanchez, Aurelia Sanchez, and Lin-

da Sanchez of Brackettville, and Lenora Sandoval of Castroville. Sisters--Colorina Leal of Uvalde and Viva Lucero of San Antonio. Fourteen grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren also survive him.

The date of service was March 27 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church. Place of interment was the Kinney County Cemetery. Father David Zumaya presided.

Pallbearers were: Rudy Luna Jr., Ernest Luna Sr., Frank D. Sanchez, Pete Salaz, Jose E. Sandoval and Manuel Fuentes.

News from . . .

First Baptist Church



Tim Ward congratulates J. Lee Ballayntyne on her 90th birthday

Immediately following the morning worship service, members and guests of First Baptist Church, Brackettville, met in the fellowship hall for a luncheon honoring Mrs. J. Lee Ballayntyne who will be 90 years old on March 29. Chairman of the Deacons (and a former student of Mrs. Ballayntyne's) Tim Ward presented Mrs. Ballayntyne with a decorated cake, and a silver antiqued pin from the church.

This gracious lady has been a

leader in the community. A former teacher in the public schools, she has influenced the lives of most of Kinney County youngsters.

She has served her church in many capacities, and for many years was the church organist. She still plays as needed.

It was appropriate that the day was the beginning of revival/renewal services since Mrs. Ballayntyne's name is synonymous with evangelism in Brackettville.

Frontier Baptist Church

by Joe Townsend

"He is not here. He is risen." This earth shaking message shattered the stillness of the early morning pouring forth from the empty tomb where Jesus had been buried. They called for his death saying he was a blasphemer because He said "I am the Son of God." He proved Himself to be; by shattering the Roman seal and rolling away the heavy stone from the tomb He walked away alive.

This great victory is celebrated around the world as Christians gather to do honor to this risen Lord. Uncluttered by gifts, trees and tin-

sel, this day simply pays homage to the Risen Lord. As preachers everywhere prepare for this event they are gloriously inspired by the opportunity to joyously tell the listening congregations, "He is Risen." As preachers wait for the Lord to give them the message and depend on the Holy Spirit to bless the message, the air becomes charged with a Victorious truth, "He is Risen." Not even satan can dilute or defuse the message ringing from preachers from every walk of life as they proclaim, "He is not here, He is risen."

St. Andrews Episcopal Church



The Gospel account can never be accused of being a "pat story." Jesus ate fish and walked through doors. Mary, near the sepulchre, mistook Him for the gardener. On the road to Emmaus, the two disciples mistook Him for a traveler and didn't recognize Him. The Apostles, who were fishing, didn't recognize the man on the shore till John said to Peter, "It's the Lord." The resurrected Lord also appeared to His disciples in a group, first without Thomas, and then to everyone, and the accounts are confused.

But there is no confusion over the fact that they had broken up after the Last Supper. They scattered; they denied; they betrayed. And so, when they came back together, what do you suppose Jesus said to them? And what do you think they said to Him? Unless you know, you'd never guess.

Jesus said, "Do you have anything to eat?" And they said, "Here, have some boiled fish and a honeycomb." There were no reproaches, no speeches by Jesus on their infidelity. There were no ex-

cuses and no explanations by the Apostles. Life went on again, picking up at the point where it left off.

There is a message in that for us. When we betray and abandon Jesus, many of us try to find a suitable, repentant way to return to His good graces. But the truth is that all we need to do is re-introduce Jesus into our daily lives -- and right away Jesus is going to resume His place at our table and share our lives again. His returning to our lives means that once again there is a concern for the Eternal to become a part of our daily lives.

Some folks complain about other folks who attend church only on Easter Day, but I rejoice because of the many who have resurrected their relationship with the Lord on Easter. If you've been away too long, why not return to your church this Sunday? And, if you don't have a church, consider yourself invited to ours; I promise you'll be most welcome. We will gather Easter Day at 10:30 a.m. Central Daylight Time. You all come!

--The Rev. Bill Koons



Betty Kral

Community Plans Blood Drive For Local Resident

Brackett News Staff Writer

Betty Kral, who has been battling cancer for the past two years, enters the hospital Friday morning. She will begin a four week treatment consisting of five, eight-hour days of chemotherapy treatment. At the end of four weeks she will come home then return in four more weeks for the same treatment.

During the time Betty is hospitalized the community plans a blood drive. It is to be held on April 10.

Betty says, "Everyone has been

so nice to me and my family that it has been a source of great encouragement." Some of her former workmates at school gave her a little party and presented her with gifts. One of the gifts was an afghan kit. "One of the hardest things of a hospital stay is not having enough to do. This time I will come home with an afghan," she said.

Betty especially mentioned the support that she has received from her husband, Daniel. She said, "Without him it would have been too hard."

All of Betty's friends and family wish her the best.

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First United Methodist Church

The United Methodist Church will observe Maundy Thursday

Communion at 7:30 p.m. Thursday (today) in the church sanctuary. The service will be concluded by the

"Tenebrae," signifying Jesus' entering His time of prayer in the Garden with his disciples before His trial and crucifixion.

Everyone is welcome to this special service.

Easter Time

Brackett News Staff Writer

Easter is the English name for the Sunday of the Resurrection of our Lord, "the feasts of the Feasts" and "most solemn of all Solemnities" of the Christian faith and hope.

Easter Sunday is the first Sunday after the full moon or on next after March 21; it always falls on some date from March 22 and including April 25. This date was fixed by the Council of Nicea in 325.

Easter time in the United States is from the first Sunday of Lent to Trinity Sunday.

In Canada, Easter begins at different times but always closes on Trinity Sunday.

In England, except Westminster Easter time is from Ash Wednesday to the first Sunday after Easter.

In Westminister, England, Easter time is from the fourth Sunday of Lent to Trinity Sunday.

In Ireland, Easter time is from Ash Wednesday to the Octave of St. Peter and Paul on July 6.

In Scotland, from the first Sunday of Lent to the Octave of the Ascension or in some places only to the first Sunday after Easter.

Church Directory



St. Andrews Episcopal Church: Henderson & Fort, Sunday Church Service 10:30 A.M. Vicar; Rev. Bill Koons - 563-2071.

St. John Baptist Church: West Crockett St., Sunday School 10:00 A.M., Sunday morning worship 11:00 A.M., Wed. prayer & Bible study 7:00 P.M. Rev. Walter A. Johnson, Pastor 563-9551.

Frontier Baptist Church (A Southern Baptist Church): Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 A.M., Sunday Evening service 6:00 P.M. Joe Townsend, Pastor 563-2158.

First Baptist Church (A Southern Baptist Church): 307 N. Ann Street. Sunday School 9:45 A.M., Worship service (Sun) 11:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M., Worship Service (Wed) 7:00 P.M. Rev. Preston A. Taylor 563-2245.

Church of Christ: Sunday School 9:30 A.M., Worship Service 10:30 A.M., Bible Study (Sun) 6:30 P.M., Bible Study (Wed) 7:00 P.M.

St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church: Masses Mon. & Fri. 7:00 A.M., Wed. and Sat. 6:30 P.M., Sun. (Spanish) 8:00 A.M. reg. 10:30 A.M. Confessions Wed. and Sat. 6:00 P.M. Religion Classes Wed. 6:00 P.M. Religion Classes Sun. 9:00 A.M. Prayer Meeting (Spanish) Wed. 7:00 P.M. Father David G. Zumaya, Pastor.

First United Methodist Church: "Celebrate and Witness" Morning Fellowship 9:30 A.M., Church School Classes 9:45 A.M., Service of Worship 11:00 A.M., Choir Rehearsal Wed. 5:00 P.M.



Flores and Villarreal Exchange Vows

Sandra Flores and Dan Villarreal exchanged marriage vows on February 23, 1991 at 6:30 p.m. during a double-ring ceremony held at the Brackettville Civic Center. Officiating was the Honorable County Judge Tim Ward.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Mary McIntoch of Spring, and Mr. Ernest Flores of San Antonio. Grandmother is Tomasita Flores of Brackettville.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Domingo Villarreal, Jr., of Brackettville.

Mr. and Mrs. Pedro R. Pena served as witnesses. The groom's niece, Sherry Villarreal, served as flower girl, and his nephew, Domingo Villarreal, IV, served as ring boy.

A reception, dinner and dance was held immediately following the ceremony.

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Allan L. MacGillivray presents program on Texas Lions' Camp at Kerrville.

Brackettville Lions Host Guest Night

Brackett News Contributing Writer

On Thursday, March 21, the Brackettville Lions Club met at the Las Moras Restaurant at 6:30 p.m. with President Pohl presiding. A brief business session followed dinner.

Lou Sofaly reported for the nominating committee and presented a slate of candidates for 1991-92 officers. They were: Tom Faulkenberry, president; Norman Butler, 1st vice-president; Walt Baugess, 2nd vice-president; Herb Voracek, 3rd vice-president; Wilma Lewis, secretary-treasurer; Dorothy Franks, tail twister with Sammy Trollinger, alternate; Mary Lee Trollinger, Lion tamer with Felix Gonzales, alternate; Lou Sofaly, Ron Frisbee, and Peter Pohl, membership committee; Quincy Roller, Ben Nelson, and Sammie Trollinger, 1 year directors; Sid Sponholz, Charles Olson, and Claude Owens, 2 year directors; and Peter Pohl immediate past president.

President Pohl announced that through the financial assistance of three Lions, the club was able to make an additional \$100 contribution to the Kinney County Library expansion program, and to purchase a 26-inch color TV for the new, Kinney County Nutrition Center.

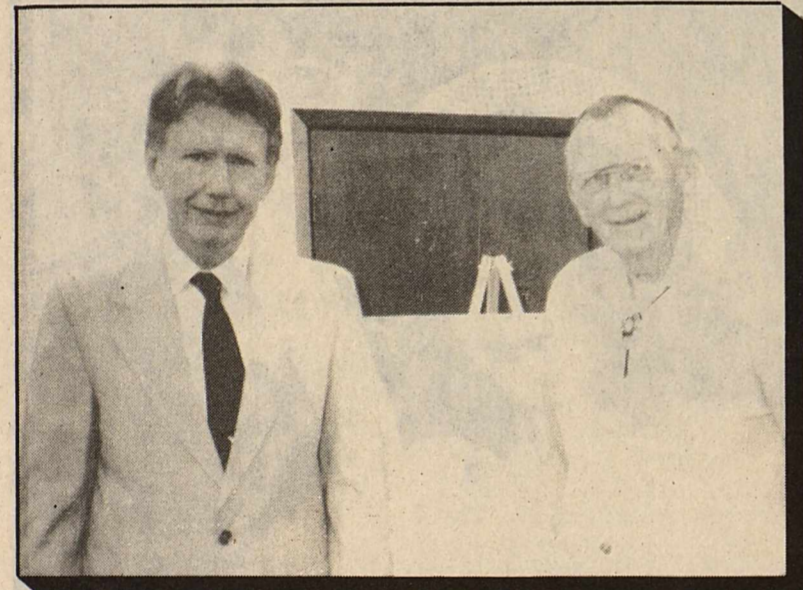
Cliff Lewis, Zone Chairman in District 2-A2, gave a report on the recent zone meeting held at Del Rio San Felipe Lions Club. Brackettville Lions Cliff Lewis, Wilma Lewis, Sid Sponholz, Quincy Roller, Tom Faulkenberry, Herb Voracek, and Eileen Voracek attended.

On March 16, Lions Sid Sponholz, Tom Faulkenberry, Peter Pohl, Cliff Lewis, and Wilma Lewis attended the cabinet meeting in Dilley. Allan L. MacGillivray brought an interesting and heartwarming program on the Texas Lions Childrens Camp at Kerrville.

MacGillivray is a camp director, Del Rio Host Lions Club. After showing a film of camp activities, he showed a film of camp activities, he urged the club to sponsor a child from Kinney County to the camp which is for children with disabilities. Brackett School Nurse Jill Duncan was present and was asked to help identify eligible students.

Visiting from Vermont was Lion Jim Leith. He told how pleased he was to be able to attend. He said that he had attended many Lions Club meetings over the United States, and related a few experiences.

Other guests were wives, relatives, and friends of members.



Fort Clark Historical Society president, (right) Ron Buckles welcomes speaker Ben Pingent.

Historians Hear Story Of Dolores Colony

On Saturday morning, March 23, an overflow crowd gathered at the Sabre Room, Fort Clark Springs, for the monthly meeting presided over by President Ron Buckles. Minutes of the previous meeting were read by Secretary Dorothy Franks. Treasurer Roland Boyesen was unable to attend but sent his report and it was read by President Buckles.

Membership chairman Walt Baugess reported 246 members of the society with 77 of those being troopers who served at Fort Clark.

Fort Clark Museum Curator Don Swanson reported that five Elderhostel groups had visited the museum in the past few months and had been very impressed with the quality of the museum. An additional 141 people registered as guests at the museum last month. New donations to the museum includes Mike Cusack's gift of an 1877-78 map outlining the campaigns out of Fort Clark. Cusack is the co-author of "The Lonely Sentinel," the story of Fort Clark, which is a "best-seller" at Suler's Store. Other recent donations include an 1859 saddle bag, and a 1904 saddle. The museum is open from 1 - 4 p.m. each Saturday and Sunday, or by appointment. There is no admission charge but contributions are accepted. Non-Fort Clark members are welcome.

There will be no meeting of the society in April since the date falls during the Troopers Reunion which already has 40 registrations. Buckles introduced Ben Pingent, noted historian, author, Fort Clark Springs resident, and Fort Clark Historical Society member, who brought alive the history of The Dolores Colony which was the first attempt at a civilized settlement in what is now Kinney County. The Dolores Colony was a few miles south of the Seminole Cemetery on Highway 3348 where the pavement ends.

Pingent immediately put the crowd's mind into a time machine programmed to events of 160 years ago tracing the boundaries of 1830 Texas by the Nueces River to the south, and the city of Bexar (now San Antonio) to the west.

He wove an intriguing tale of the small group who journeyed from New York to the vast unknowns of Texas to form the Colony. They found a land filled with hostile Indians, and hardships too numerous to imagine. The Dolores Colony, a decade before its time, survived only from March 1834 - March 1836. Mr. Pingent held the audience spellbound for 45 minutes, then ended by showing copies of the book "Comanche Bondage," a saga of the Dolores Colony which is available for purchase from him. The book can also be checked out at the Kinney County Library.

Dan Shi Shines In Nashville Revue

By GENIE GIDGE
Brackett News Contributing Writer

Last Sunday night the Singing Fowlers brought their show, The Nashville Revue, to Del Rio. Their show included songs and impressions done by Mary Robin Fowler, Sammy Fowler and Steve Brown, plus a Local Talent Show Case.

The Fowlers are a very talented family. They are involved in the t.v., movie and music industry.

Sammy Fowler is known for his outstanding keyboarding, singing, and his impressions.

Steve Brown's specialty is the guitar, although he is also a vocalist and impressionist.

Mary Robin treated the audience with her beautiful vocals and master impressions. Her "re-creations" of Bart Simpson and Edith Bunker were the best. The crowd loved them, without a doubt.

The real stars of the show, however, were the ones who were in the Local Talent Showcase. Ten people from the Del Rio-Brackettville area got on the show to sing one song which was videotaped and will be shown to record companies and t.v. producers in Nashville, TN.

Our own Dan Shi was one of those in the talent show. You may know Dan Shi from Happy Shah's Alamo Village or from his gospel singing at the First Baptist Church of Brackettville. He sang one of his original songs, "I found Jesus in Texas." Dan was the last of ten to sing and he certainly got the best response.

The audience clapped in time with the song, The Singing Fowlers band members could be seen in the back singing the chorus along with Dan, and after the song was over the audience rose to their feet and applauded. The crowd's reaction was truly amazing.

Dan had said a few days prior to the show that he had a special feeling about the song he had decided to sing. That hunch certainly proved correct with the audience, and we all hope to see Dan soon on The Revue television show, on Channel America TV network (Saturdays at 11 p.m. EST on satellite: Space Net 2, Channel 5 and on regular TV stations nation wide-check your local listings) which is where he will be if the Fowler Family decides he's got what it takes to be on their show.

The other nine singers (some of whom were fabulously talented singers) in the Nashville Revue Show Case were: Rebecca Leonard-Country, Emma Goodwin-Easy Listening, Viola Aguilar-Easy Listening, Dan Peterson-Country, Vernon Stanley-Country, Ray Martinez-Easy Listening, Anita Blakely-Gospel, John Ash-Country and Tina De Witt-Easy Listening.

The Nashville Revue Road Show has been to many other places in Texas videotaping other singers. All of these people may have a chance of a recording contract, a t.v. appearance (such as on the Nashville Revue television show), or who knows what?

We wish these singers luck, and we're like to thank those who came on stage Sunday night to sing for us.



Cast members, Pat Melancon, Tiffany Bryan and Lisa Conoly

Soul Food

By GENIE GIDGE
Brackett News Contributing Writer

If you believe laughter is good for the soul, "Wally's Cafe" is the place to be.

Last Saturday evening "Wally's Cafe" came to the Town Hall on Fort Clark Springs. It was obvious that a lot of hard work went into the production of this play. The set looked fantastic! The crew paid a great deal of attention to all the little things on the set and with sound that help bring a play together.

The actors were perfect for their parts. The three brought Wally's Cafe to our hearts.

Pat Melancon played Wally, a man with a dream. Mr. Melancon was as convincing as Wally as he was funny-and he was hilarious.

Lisa Conoly played Louise Murdock, Wally's wife. Mrs. Conoly's portrayal of Louise was wonderful. I felt sorry for the character's situation, hated her for the things

she said and did to Wally, and loved her for her support (however disguised) of her husband. All these emotions were felt while I laughed at the witty repartee between the actors.

Janet Cheshire, another character with big dreams, was played by Tiffany Bryan. The character had visions of stardom and a knack for causing trouble between Wally and Louise. Miss Bryan, like everyone else in the play, was dedicated to making "Wally's Cafe" a reality to the audience. Her dedication paid off Saturday night.

I think everyone found something in that play every bit as real to us as our own lives. If the audience's roar of applause and standing ovation were any indications of the quality of the play, those who haven't seen it are in for a real treat.

You can still see "Wally's Cafe" Saturday night, March 30, at 8:00 p.m. Don't miss it!

Preservation Society Studies Historical Items

Brackett News Contributing Writer

February 28, 1991 was the meeting of the Kinney County Historical Preservation Society. Agnes Vondy brought several items of interest for those attending to view. Among the items were:

Phonograph records from the 1907 and 1908 era. For those of us that are unfamiliar with the records, they are the 78 size. In the beginning there were recordings only on one side.

"The Best of the World's Classics" by Henry Cabot Lodge, Editor In Chief.

An invitation to a 1913 Masquerade Dance to benefit the Hearse Fund was viewed. The dance was promoted by the Ladies of the Cemetery Association.

A letter written by Ed Ross from Sycamore to Miss Virginia Ross.

The society had met with the Brackettville Chamber of Commerce December 6, 1990. The recognition of historical buildings, the history, markers for buildings, and a visitors guide book were common goals discussed.

Jewel Robinson presented a list of historical buildings compiled by the Texas Historical Commission and a map of Brackettville for a possible guide book.

Our community has a wealth of historical interests and preserving and promoting those interests will enrich each of us. Mr. and Mrs. Seavers from the Chamber of Commerce have been most helpful and enthusiastic. We invite all those interested to attend the meeting of the Kinney County Historical Preservation Society, Thursday, March 28, 1991, 7 p.m. at the Kinney County Court-

It's Like Peanuts

Brackett News Staff Writer

Historical research can be a lifetime occupation. It's like peanuts, "the more you get the more you want." The fascination of learning the history of our ancestors can be like a mystery unfolding and luring the researcher on and on.

If you have a good source of information to use for the researching, it can be very rewarding; otherwise, it can be very frustrating to not be able to do the research properly.

If a larger library is accessible, especially a library that has the facilities to house archives, the information needed can be supplied on demand.



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--BRADLEY SQUARE--50% and 60% off sale merchandise - Lots of new Easter Dresses - Register for \$150.00 gift certificate to be given away in April.



Nueces Canyon News



By JAMES GREER
Brackett News Staff Writer

New Activities for Old Settlers

The Nueces Canyon Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors at its monthly meeting supported the proposal of Dr. William C. Triplett, Chamber Member, to underwrite the cost of a novel mobile -- a pylon supporting the three types of airplanes associated with Charles A. Lindbergh.

A 'Canuck (Curtiss JN-4-D), the famous "Spirit of St. Louis," in which Lindbergh made his nonstop transatlantic flight in 1927, and a Lockheed float plane which he and his wife Ann (Morrow Lindbergh flew around the world).

Replicas of the planes, each approximately 10 ft. wingspan, will be constructed by members of the Nueces Canyon Chamber of Commerce, painted in authentic colors, and will be "flown" from a 20 ft. tall pylon to be erected in Camp Wood's Lindbergh Park, in time for the summer '91 "Old Settler's Reunion" celebration.

Re-dedication of the park is planned and several novel attractions will be available: 1) a non-flying model airplane contest 2) a 'build your own glider and fly it' contest and 3) a "Scud" Patriot missile big shoot-out," plus other activities related to flying and airplanes.

New Business Project Extended

Due to increased interest of citizenry and new business owners in the Nueces Canyon in the past year, it was decided that the Nueces Canyon Chamber of Commerce project implemented by Chamber of

Commerce president Homer Stephens, Ola Creech and Lou Thomas would be extended to include new businesses opened within the past year (from April 1990 to April 1991).

Business owners who have opened within the above date are being asked to call 234-3527 or 597-2278. A new list will be published in the near future, Stephens informed.

Baptist Church News

Brother Mike Smith held a "Witness Training Seminar" on Friday, March 15, and Saturday the 16th. This Seminar was "Sharing With Confidence." Those attending enjoyed it very much.

The Church will be having a recreation night every Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m. The ladies will exercise and the men will play basketball, and at 8:00 p.m. we will all play volleyball together. Please come and join us for a fun filled evening of recreation.

Yes, we will be having a Revival on April 21-26. Our pastor will be Larry Ramsour, and our Worship leader will be Cliff Harden. Larry Ramsour is a full time Evangelist and comes from Winnsborough, Texas. Cliff Harden is the Minister of Music and Youth at the First Baptist Church in Castroville. Please come, and be in prayer for our Revival.

The children's choir meets every Sunday evening at 5:30 p.m. All the children are welcome to come and take part.

Firemen Called Out

The Nueces Canyon Volunteer fire department was called out at 3:35 p.m. Monday, March 18.

The fire was at the Cal Newton

ranh 13 miles south of Camp Wood near Montell. This was the first fire that the firemen had been called to since the big one southeast of Leakey.

Abduction Attempt Fails

A 12 year old Camp Wood girl escaped from two Latin American men who allegedly abducted her Saturday night in front of the Camp Wood post office.

The Real County Sheriff's Department is withholding the girl's name. The abduction occurred between 7 and 8 p.m., with the girl telling authorities she escaped about three and a half miles north of Camp Wood.

The girl received cuts and bruises and one black eye. Authorities were continuing their search at the time this was written.

Around The Canyon

George and June Moore of Aransas Pass spent the weekend here visiting in the home of Robert D. and Eula McGowan.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard (Dick) Tucker the past two weeks were their daughters Dixie Lee and son Kim of Laredo, and Donna Lou Dafoe and two children John and Kristen of San Angelo.

Convalescent Center Donations

Members of the Camp Wood Convalescent Center Boosters Club are proud to report several donations received recently for the use of residents of the CWCC.

Ona Bee Godbolt gave CWCC

representatives a check for \$100 after a slide presentation was made to a group of Leakey people at the Triple L Club.

Booster Club president Austin Dean, along with Mayor Dick Tucker and Dr. William Triplett, spoke to the Leakey group earlier this month, and then gave their presentation to both the Leakey and the Utopia Lions Clubs.

Dean noted that people from Leakey and Utopia are among the residents in the CWCC, and that people from both communities visit and entertain quite frequently at the center.

Booster Club treasurer Sue Sweeten reported that a donation of \$75 had also been received from Women of the Canyon, and that Mr. and Mrs. James Coleman had given memorial gifts in memory of Graddon Mayfield, Emma Lee Webb, Gene Bales and Alberta Spurgers.

Dean stated that the CWCC employees, four registered nurses and 24 licensed vocational nurses and that the monthly payroll for the center now exceeds \$32,000.

He said that in the near future, the center will be employing a full time physical therapist and a lab technician, and that plans are being made to secure another doctor.

Dorothy Elizabeth Taylor

Services for Dorothy Elizabeth Taylor of Camp Wood were held at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Nelson Funeral Chapel, Rocksprings, followed by interment in the Rocksprings Cemetery.

Mrs. Taylor, 79, died March 18, 1991 in the Camp Wood Convalescent Center. She was born October 7, 1911, in Barksdale and was married in Del Rio on September 12, 1928, to Joseph Taylor. She was a member of the Methodist Church.

Survivors are her husband, Joe Taylor; two daughters and sons-in-law, Dorothy and Damon Stotts of Barksdale and Kathryn and Ward Crockard of Uvalde; six grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Arnold E. Meineke

Arnold Ernest Meineke of Rio Frio died March 15, 1991, in the Camp Wood Convalescent Center at age 73. He was born April 15, 1917 in Fort Collins, Colorado.

Survivors are his wife, Dorothy Meineke; and two sisters, Betty Engles of California, and Helen Dakiser of Colorado.

Arrangements for cremation were by Nelson Funeral Home.

Philip L. Barrager

Philip L. Barrager, 73, of Camp Wood died March 15, 1991, at

Uvalde Memorial Hospital.

He was born October 24, 1917, in Alexander, N.D., and was married to Betty Jane Holte in Santa Barbara, California.

Survivors are his wife, Betty Barrager of Portland, Oregon, five sons, Stephen Barrager of Los Altos, California, Thorn Barrager of Carpinteria, California, Adam Barrager of Corvallis, Oregon, and Samuel and Paul Barrager of Portland, Oregon, two daughters, Suzanne Goodman of Arlington Heights, Ill. and Jona Pommier of Lompoc, California, three brothers, Alvin Barrager of Santa Cruz, California, Clifford Barrager of Oting, Minn. and David Barrager of Tokyo, Japan; a sister Carol Elgin of Camp Wood; and nine grandchildren.

Following cremation a memorial service will be held in California at a later date.

Arrangements by Rushing-Estes-Knowles Mortuary.

Camp Wood Calendar

Nueces Canyon Band Boosters: First Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m.
Nueces Canyon Chamber of Commerce: Meets at noon every second Wednesday of each month at the Old Timer Restaurant in Camp Wood.
Camp Wood Convalescent Center Boosters Club: Meets at 6:30 p.m. the first Tuesday of the month at the Old Timer Restaurant in Camp Wood.
Camp Wood City Council: Meets second Monday of each month at City Hall.
EMS Bingo: Held at 7:30 p.m. every Thursday night at the American Legion Hall in Camp Wood.
Nueces Canyon School Board: Meets third Tuesday each month at the High School Library in Barksdale.
Nueces Canyon Civic League: Meets the fourth Tuesday of the month at the Elementary School Cafeteria.
Real & Edwards County Water Conservation & Reclamation District: Meets second Thursday each month, County House in Camp Wood.
Senior Citizens: Meet at noon the third Friday of each month at the Senior Citizens Center.
Women of the Canyon: Meets the first Thursday of each month.

Nueces Canyon School News

By KAREN COLLINS
Brackett News Staff Writer

PLAY WINS AT ZONE AND DISTRICT

"The Curious Savage," Nueces Canyon's entry in the UIL Zone and District One-Act Play contests, was chosen a winner on both occasions last week, and will advance to the area contest in Beeville on Friday, April 5th, according to Drama Director Linda Fish.

The NC play was performed in zone competition on Tuesday, March 19th, at SWTJC's Tate Auditorium in Uvalde, along with plays from Rocksprings, Knippa, and Sabinal. Nueces Canyon and Rocksprings were named as winners by the judge, thus advancing to the district contest held on Saturday, March 23rd.

The NC play competed against Center Point, Harper, and Rocksprings at district, with NC and Center Point named as winners and certified to advance to the area contest.

The play cast and Mrs. Fish invite everyone who can to be in Beeville on April 5th to support the NC play.

NC BOARD EMPLOYS TEACHERS

At the regular board meeting held on Thursday, March 21st, NC board members voted to offer contracts to the following teachers for the 1991-92 school year: Cynthia Allan, F. O. Burlison, Judy Burlison, Karen Collins, Thelma Colwell, Debbie Cox, Emma Dean, Sandra Fairchild, Linda Fish, Sam Fish, Russell Gee, Mary L. George, Wayne Grove, Bobbie Sue Hatley, Lila Holland, Annette Hutto, J. B. Hutto, Wanna Lloyd, Peggy Luce, Joan Malechek, Eddie Lou Massey, Roddy McDougald, Lynn McNew, Kenneth Perkins, Denise Russell, James Russell, and Ivie Vernor. Contracts will also be offered to Earleen Hatley, Chris Vernor, and Connie Webb pending approval of federal funds. Roe Burlison was renewed as counselor.

Board members present at the meeting were Don Jackman, Steven Jechow, George Sweeten, Billy Boatright, Carl Walzel, and L. S. Field, Sr.

Wayne Grove thanked the board for allowing the seniors to travel to Red River, New Mexico, on their class trip and reported that everyone had a good time. He also stated that the sponsors on the trip were complimented on the good behavior of the class members.

Carl Walzel gave the invocation, and the minutes of meetings of February 19th, 26th, and March 5th

were read by George Sweeten, corrected, and approved.

Board members adopted an Instructional Growth Policy as per recommendation of TASSB, approved the textbook committee recommendations for new books to be adopted for next year, and agreed to continue to allow the Chamber of Commerce to store their float in the tin building at the high school as long as it was not needed by the school.

Board members voted by a 3-2 margin to renovate the two-story building at the high school campus so that the administrative offices can be moved there from their present location. Voting for the motion were Sweeten, Jechow, and Jackman. Field and Walzel were opposed, and Boatright abstained. Mr. Deatherage reported that the estimated cost of this much-needed project is \$30,000. The present office building will then be used as a recreation room for high school students and for storage purposes.

Board members discussed the building problems, and Deatherage reported that workers should be on both campuses within two weeks to begin repairs as per earlier agreement. Restrooms will be added to the west end of the north wing at the elementary campus after the siding has been repaired.

Bills were approved for payment before the meeting was adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

THREE FILE FOR SCHOOL BOARD

Three persons had filed for the two openings on the Nueces Canyon school board by the deadline time on Wednesday, March 20th, according to school officials.

Steven Jechow, whose term will end this year, filed for re-election, and will be opposed by Debbie Hurt of Camp Wood. Charles Hutcherson filed for the slot held by Jerry Halsell until he moved out of the district last summer, and will be unopposed in the May 4th election.

Absentee balloting will begin on April 15th and continue through April 30th in the administrative office at the high school in Barksdale.

Polling places will be open in Camp Wood, Barksdale, and Montell from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. on Saturday, May 4th.

DATE CHANGED FOR RUMMAGE SALE

The Super Rummage Sale sponsored by the band boosters has been re-scheduled for Sunday afternoon, April 14, according to director Debbie Hurt. Originally scheduled for April 7th, the change was made to avoid conflicts with regional one-act

play which will be April 5th.

Please call Debbie Hurt or Lynn McNew for further information, or to arrange for donated items to be picked up between now and then.

The sale will begin at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 14th, and will be held in the band hall, or just outside if weather permits.

STUDENTS QUALIFY ACADEMIC CONTEST

K. C. Allan, Courtney Ewing, and Kandy Pruitt won medals at the district academic contest held on Friday, March 22, in Medina, and thus qualify for regional competition in Brenham in April.

K.C. won gold medals in both Lincoln-Douglas Debate and Persuasive Speaking. Courtney took the silver in Feature Writing, and Kandy the silver in Literary Criticism.

Courtney also placed fourth in Poetry. Other fourth place winners were Kristi Collins in Current Events, and Carolyn Hodge in Keyboarding. Balinda Sweeten placed fifth in Headline Writing, and Carrie Fontenot was fifth in Prose. Paul San Miguel placed sixth in Keyboarding, and Robert Lee was sixth in Headline Writing.

Others competing were Jenny Finn, Sonia Hidalgo, Shelly Hurt, Jana Merritt, Paul Nevarez, Bambi Renfro, Oscar Saucedo, Joe Shipman, Tammy Tidwell, Terri Tidwell, Andrea Wallace, and Trey Williams.

Sponsors accompanying the students to Medina were Cindy Allan, Judy Burlison, Karen Collins, Thelma Colwell, Eddie Lou Massey, and high school principal Warren Colwell.

JR. HIGH BOYS 2ND AT ROCKSPRINGS

The Jr. high boys track team earned 124 points and placed second overall at the Rocksprings track meet on Saturday, March 23rd.

Vann Allen placed third in high jump and fourth in both the 110 meter hurdles and the 300 meter hurdles.

Heath Walzel was second in the 800 meter run, fourth in triple jump, and fifth in long jump.

J. P. Whipkey was second in triple jump, fourth in the 200 meter dash, fifth in high jump, and sixth in the 110 meter hurdles.

Josh Schexnider was third in the 300 meter hurdles and fifth in the 100 meter dash. Gama Saucedo was third in the mile run. Todd Hennis was third in the 400 meter dash. Abel Hidalgo was fourth in discus, fifth in the mile run, and sixth in shot.

Billy Van Winkle participated in the mile run and Mike Tidwell in shot put.

The mile relay team placed second with Vann Allan, Allen Hodge, Heath Walzel, and Todd Hennis. The sprint relay was third with Allan Hodge, Josh Schexnider, Heath Walzel, and Todd Hennis.

SPRINT TEAM FINISHES SECOND

The NC Jr. high girls track team, coached by Russell Gee, scored 123 points to finish second only to Utopia's 132 points at the Rocksprings track meet on Saturday, March 23rd.

The sprint relay team of Jennifer Allen, Misty Merritt, Patricia Evans, and April Jablonski placed second.

Toby Winston placed second in the 800 meter dash. Chrissy Tucker placed fifth and Shannon Duran sixth in that same event.

Toby Winston was second and Misty Merritt third in the 300 meter intermediate hurdles, and Misty was fourth in the 100 meter low hurdles.

Patricia Evans was third and Ann Phillips fourth in the 400 meter dash.

The 800 meter relay team of Jennifer Allen, Ann Phillips, Brandy Ward, and April Jablonski placed second. The 1600 meter relay team won first with Jennifer Allen, Toby Winston, April Jablonski, and Ann Phillips running the four legs.

Kathy Morgan was second in shot put, and April Jablonski was second in discus. Ann Phillips was second in high jump, and Jennifer Allen was fourth in triple jump. Jennifer Allen placed fourth, Toby Winston fifth, and Ann Phillips sixth, in long jump.

Both the boys and girls will be participating in the Ingram track meet on Friday, March 28th.

YEARBOOK AWARD

NCHS students honored with Yearbook Award in the 1990-91 yearbook are Will Baker, Brian Borchart, Elva Carabajal, Edna Casey, Christine Davis, Will Duran, Courtney Ewing, April Guerra, Frank Kames, Tara Hamilton, Jason Horner, Will McCory, Julie Moore, Billy Joe Nevarez, Paul Nevarez, Roger Phillips, Bambi Renfro, Paul San Miguel, Balinda Sweeten, Andrea Wallace, Michelle Warton, and Angie Whitley.

Each year the NCHS Annual Staff makes a number of Yearbook Awards to NCHS students who do not find out exactly what awards they have received until the yearbooks are published. The names of

the students are released so pictures can be made for the yearbook but the identity of the award is not made known.

Members of the NCHS Annual Staff voted on the categories for the awards and then elected students to receive the awards.

Annual Staff members wish to remind those who have not yet ordered a yearbook that the few extra copies will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis. You must order now to be sure a copy is reserved for you.

COLLINS WINS AT UVALDE TOURNNEY

Kristi Collins, NCHS senior, won the championship trophy in girls singles in the A division of the Uvalde tennis tournament held on Friday and Saturday, March 22 and 23. Collins, after drawing a bye in the first round, defeated players from Midland Lee (6-0, 6-0) and Laredo United (6-1, 6-0) to qualify for the finals where she won over Midland Lee's top singles player by a 6-1, 6-3 margin.

Mary Dalton, NCHS junior, placed second in girls singles in the B bracket. She won over players from Dilley, Pleasanton, and Uvalde before falling to Midland Lee in the finals.

The doubles team of Brian Borchart and Jason Horner placed fifth in the boys A bracket.

Other NC players in the tournament were Will McCory in singles, and the doubles teams of Edmund Winston/Frank Karnes, Jennifer Ross/Edna Casey, and Coleen Goedecke/Michelle Warton.

SENIOR TRIP TO RED RIVER

The nineteen seniors and six sponsors who made the class trip to Red River, New Mexico, during spring break returned home Wednesday evening, March 13th, with stories of "fun, fun, fun, and more fun."

The group traveled by bus from Camp Wood, leaving on Friday, March 8th, to spend three entire days on the ski slopes and in the resort town of Red River.

Seniors making the trip were Kristi Collins, Dan Colwell, Barry Cowen, Anthony Estrada, Norma Falcon, Carrie Fontenot, Jason Hale, Tara Hamilton, Robert Lee, Will McCory, Julie Moore, Candycy Newman, Brenda Reed, Michelle San Miguel, David Satterwhite, Joe Shipman, Samantha Shipman, Trey Williams, and Edmund Winston.

Sponsors were Wayne Grove, Warren and Thelma Colwell, Bob and Wanna Lloyd, and Carla Talley.

BOYS TRACK TEAM AT BOBCAT RELAYS

Members of the NCHS boys track team racked up 25 points at the Medina Bobcat Relays on Saturday, March 16th, according to Coach James Russell.

Davis Satterwhite placed third in shot put with a throw of 43 feet, 2 inches, and Robert Lee placed third in the 400-meter dash with a time of 55.08.

Since Nueces Canyon schools were on spring break during the week preceding the meet, a full team was not present to compete.

The NC track teams are now preparing for the NCHS Panther Relays to be held on Saturday, March 30th.

JAIME NEVAREZ Senior Spotlight

Featured in the senior spotlight this week is eighteen-year-old Jaime Nevarez, son of Dale and Raul Nevarez of Camp Wood.

Jaime is presently enrolled in sociology, Spanish, free enterprise, typing, home economics, English, computer programming, and building trades at NCHS.

He lists his favorite activity as tennis and is a member of the NCHS tennis team this year. He also likes football, and says the Houston Oilers are his favorite professional team.

He enjoys watching the Simpsons on TV and reports that Sylvester Stallone is his favorite actor.

Jaime's plans after graduating from NCHS in May are tentative, but he does plan to go to college.

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT BRENDA REED

Featured in the senior spotlight this week is Brenda Lynn Reed, the eighteen year old daughter of Larry and Shirley Reed of Camp Wood. Brenda has five sisters and one brother.

Brenda transferred to NCHS from Astoria High School in Oregon. She is currently enrolled in English, algebra, physical science, building trades, and athletics.

Her hobbies include sewing, shopping, and working with children. She lists Garth Brooks as her favorite singer and emerald green as her favorite color. She likes basically all food, and says "Raising Arizona" is her favorite movie.

She was elected as a duchess on the homecoming court earlier this year. She would like to pursue a career in photography after her May graduation from NCHS.



Your Horoscope

by Charles King Cooper

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Fulfill a social obligation. Relations with friends go well, but don't seek monetary favors. Job developments are favorable. This is not the week to take a stand regarding a matter of principle. Don't force issues.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Being too aggressive injures your cause career-wise. Be tactful with higher-ups. Make a point to keep in touch with an old friend. Though the financial picture improves, you're still inclined to argue with a relative about money.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You may overreact to someone's inconsiderate remark. Weigh decisions carefully. Avoid snap judgments. Monetary deals are favored. Don't disregard the feelings of a family member. Be tolerant of those whose views differ from your own.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) It's time to introduce a romantic interest to your family. Go out for good times this week, but check expenditures. A ticklish job situation can be resolved by socializing with a co-worker. Pay extra attention to avoid careless errors.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You may resent a family member's interference. Feelings in romance deepen. The needs of children preoccupy you this week. You can have a good time with a loved one without overspending. Sustained effort leads to accomplishments on the job.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) A co-worker's brashness may upset you. Consult with experts about financial moves. Partners share responsibilities now. Steady application, rather than impulsive moves, bring gains careerwise.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A friend promises more than he can

deliver. You may find romance at a distance. You'll meet others who share your views now. It's not the time to share confidences with others. A career opportunity requires careful negotiations.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Your loyalty is appreciated by a friend. Still, don't let others take advantage of your good nature. Watch escapism after dark. A touch of eccentricity marks your approach to shopping now.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) You are too possessive at times. Give others enough freedom to show how much they care. A planned meeting is subject to change. Your heart may be set on a purpose. A mix-up in communications can occur with a relative or date.

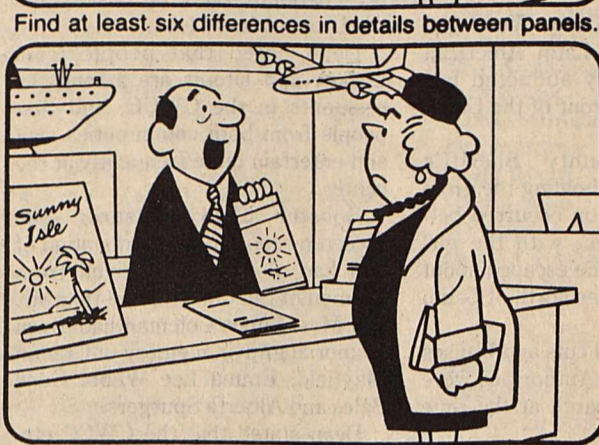
CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Siblings reach a new understanding of each other. Creative juices are flowing. Evening hours accent leisure activities. Follow through on commitments. Don't inconvenience others by being unable to make up your mind.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) You may be clinging too tightly to a child. A turning point is reached in a love relationship. Capitalize on work opportunity. Artistic types enjoy special productivity. A partner is fickle now. A romantic entanglement may be too intense for your taste.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) The bonds between lovers grow stronger. Don't disregard good counsel about an investment. Evening hours bring changes in plans. A financial proposal may have strings attached. An all-or-nothing attitude prevails in romance. Business advice is helpful.

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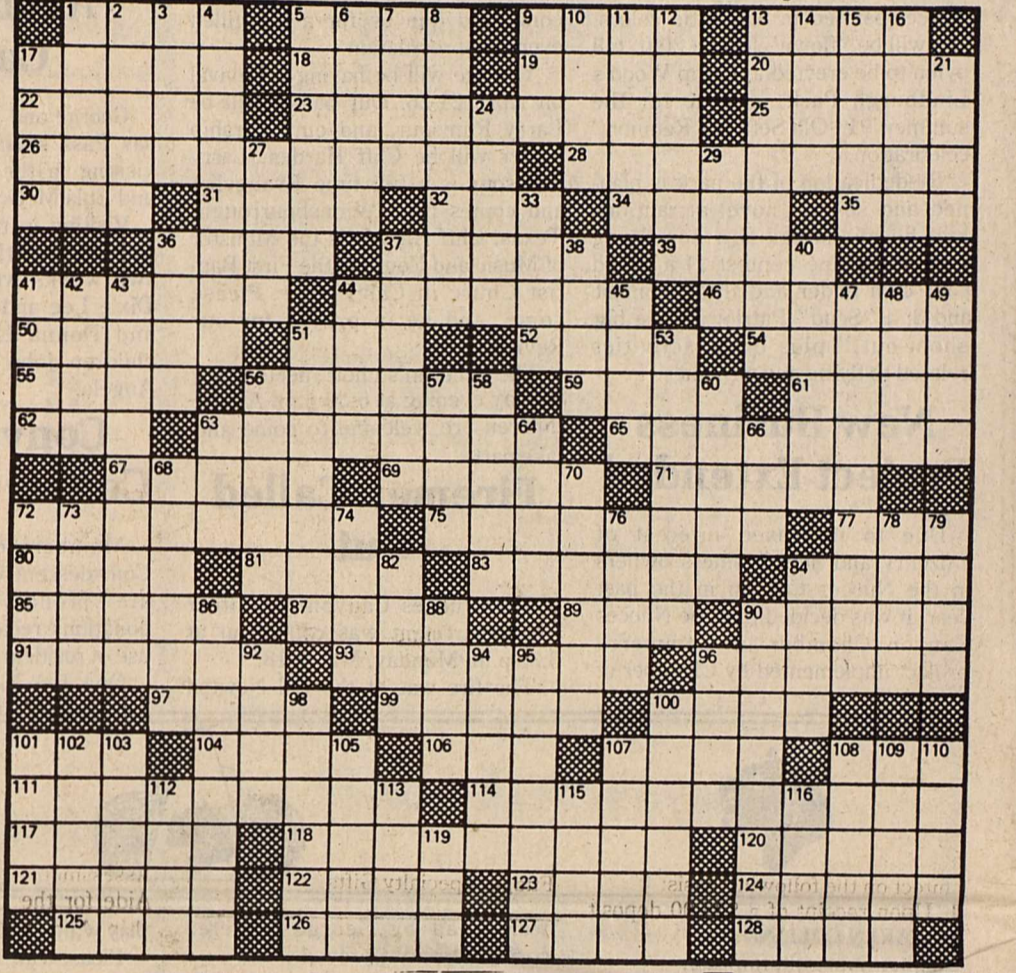
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63 Hybrid fruits
65 Wrestlers' maneuvers
67 "There" (Sellers movie)
69 Puts on a scale of one to 10
71 Instrument for Claudio Arrau
72 Scouring powder
73 Chief
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80 Gardner et al.
81 The Andrews Sisters, for one
83 Most recent
84 Loy's four-legged co-star
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87 Unexpected obstacle
89 Link
90 Film/dom's Garsom
91 Moved sideways
93 Large fish
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99 Biblical name
100 Diva's delight?
101 Prefix meaning "equal"
104 Stupid person
106 Make a lap?
107 Oscar - Renta
108 Belgian resort
111 William Holden film (1939)
114 Swiss film (1973)
117 Bay window
118 English mathematician
120 Pod or psych follower
121 Boisterous festivity
122 Architect Saarinen
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124 Where the action is
125 Serpent lizard
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127 Peter or Ivan
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- DOWN**
1 Extra reward
2 Computer operators
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5 "Weapon" (1987 movie)
6 Lucy's TV friend
7 Kind of code
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9 Hula Hoops, for one
10 Moslem prince
11 Curtain fabric
12 Detecting device
13 Sports associate
14 Robert or Alan
15 Love, Italian style
16 Polio researcher
17 Expectant desire
21 "People who - people..."
24 Heating vessels
27 Old orgy cry
29 Goddess of discord
33 Small piece
36 Chums
37 Spring festival
38 Presently
40 Ship's social area
41 Moot sightings
42 Ready to eat
43 Marrying murderer
44 Spasm of distress
45 Angora source
47 Pacific Ocean inlet
48 Author Bag-nold
49 June honorees
51 N.Y. hockey team
53 Say, "Will you marry me?"
56 Archaic verb form
57 King of Norway
58 Desert plant
60 Believer in God
63 Material for a Jack Haley costume?
64 Word in a Doris Day hit song
66 It's before band or box
68 Atelier items
70 Bird dog
72 - Timber-lane
73 Caesar's 57
74 Writer Lard-ner
76 Israel's Golda
78 Flowering
79 Mountain lake
82 Rowers
84 Cartoonist Peter
86 Beach morning-glory
88 "Life - on forever..."
90 Asia Minor native
92 Lord in "Winter's Tale"
94 Combine
95 Explorer's helmet
96 Common complaint
98 Archid's edifice
100 Cotton gin, for one
101 Musical prince
102 Painful lesions
103 Miss Oyl of comics
105 Black tea
107 Theater offering
108 Gluts
109 Fishing reels
110 Author Seton
112 Profound
113 Earth: Scot.
115 Morays
116 - earth (element)
119 - the line (conform)



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Furnish and install approximately 82' x 42' gunitite concrete swimming pool at an existing location and hookup to existing equipment. Dirt moving, removal of existing concrete and new concrete decking is included in this project.

The Project will be awarded under a single lump sum contract which shall include the furnishing of all labor, materials and equipment required for this project. Bids should be accompanied with Bid Security. Bids without Check or Bid Bond will be returned.

The Project Contract Documents will be available at the office of the Architect, Groves and Associates, 7550 IH 10 West, Suite 200, San Antonio, Texas 78229, Phone (512) 377-3261.

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THANK YOU

The family of Dennis James Robinson would like to express our deepest gratitude to all of the wonderful people of Brackettville and Kinney County for the many acts of kindness bestowed upon the family during our time of need. A friend in need is a friend indeed. Again, thank you.

NEW BUSINESS

SPACE PLACE, 301 N. Getty, Uvalde, Texas. Gifts, Cards, Storage all types, Homemade Fudge, Specialty Gifts.

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

The Middle Rio Grande Development Council is accepting applications for a JTPA Program Monitor located in Carrizo Springs, Texas. The preferred requirements for this position are: High School Graduate or GED with two years of college or four years work experience with the Job Training Partnership Act or other Federal/State programs.

Applicants must be fluent in both English & Spanish and must be able to travel (including over night lodging). Applicants must demonstrate ability to perform detail work.

All qualified persons interested in this position should mail a resume or application to the Middle Rio Grande Development Council, P.O. Box 1199, Carrizo Springs, Texas 78834, attention Ramon S. Johnston, Deputy Director.

Entry salary level for this position is \$15,009. This position will be kept open until filled. #2131

WANTED

Camp Wood Convalescent Center, located in beautiful hill country. In need of medication aide if interested 596-5250. Kathy Walzel.

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City of Brackettville is accepting applications for two positions for city operations. Applicant must have high school diploma, or GED equivalent. Must be in good physical condition, and will be considered as a laborer. Must have the desire to learn and willing to further education. City of Brackettville is an equal opportunity employer.

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

Middle Rio Grande Development Council is accepting applications for the position of Assessment Specialist/Instructional Aide for the Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA) program in the Uvalde Office. Job duties shall be to assist instructor in classroom setting with adults or youth administrator assessments to all JTPA applicants (successful applicant will be trained in assessment).

Preferred requirements for this position are as follows: willingness to learn, ability to clearly communicate ideas, ability to work with people, ability to travel on occasion, AA Degree, Bilingual (English/Spanish) and experience in working with adults and youth.

Entry salary level for this position is \$15,009 depending on experience and qualifications. Interested parties please submit resume to Ramon S. Johnston, Deputy Director, P.O. Box 1199, Carrizo Springs, Texas 78834-1199. This position will be kept open until filled. #2116

LOTS FOR SALE

Three tracts land for sale with and without improvements by court appointed receiver. Lots four (4) and five (5), block A, Maverick Addition, behind Conoco; Emma Brown Homestead across from school in block 48; Aulgur Colony Row home at Southeast part of block eleven (11), blk nine (9), Unit 21, FCS. Call Marcus Tidwell 512-563-2323 or 512-563-2838 after 5:00 P.M.

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BARGAIN

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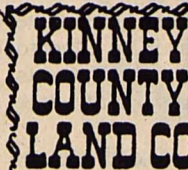
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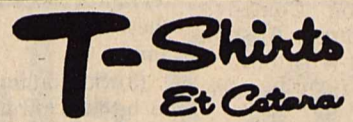


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THANK YOU

I would like to thank Dr. Zack Davis for his efforts on the rabies clinic held this past Saturday, and to Ms. Ginger Dodson, and Josie Gomez for helping out. We had a very good turn out with over 100 tags given out and 80 permits issued to local residents. Special thanks to all the people who had their animals vaccinated and permitted. Together we can keep this town safe for our children. Mayor Larry Moore

FOR SALE

Ruger Red Hawk 44 mag with 4X scope \$500. 563-2165.

Janice

Have a Good Day

Happy Easter From The Brackett News

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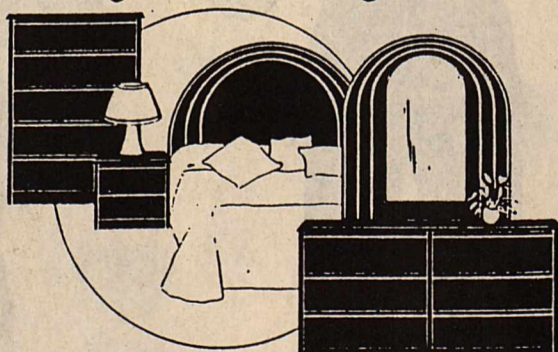
That's right. All personal (non-commercial/business) classified messages with 20 words or less will be printed at no charge for one week if brought in on the form below on Monday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. This offer is for a limited time only.

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Country-n-Western Brackettville Civic Center Saturday, April 6th 8:30 p.m. - 1:00 a.m.

'Found Somebody New' (Sound Tracks/Chevell) 'Gambling At The Yellow Rose' (Nickle Publishing)

Tickets: \$5/Single - \$7/Couple At The Door

BYOB - Setups ONLY sold on premises

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FDEB Promotes Fire Protection

The board members of the state of Texas Fire Department Emergency Board (FDEB) are pleased to announce the opening of their new state administrative office and full agency operations.

The board of directors recently held its election of officers. The 1991-92 officers are: Barney Oldha, chairman, Bertram; Ernest Reesing, vice-chairman, Alpine; Charles Cox Harris, secretary, Midland. Other members of the board of directors include: Howard Baughman, Del Rio; Don Comedy, Haskett; Danny Stamper, Austin; and Ray Williamson of Wharton. A. Joseph Anthony is the Executive Director.

The purpose of the FDEB is to promote efficient fire protection for the residents of the state of Texas by providing financial assistance in the form of scholarships, grants and low interest loans to rural and urban fire departments throughout the state. Funding shall be used to purchase equipment, facilities and training for fire fighters as a preventive mechanism aimed at combating the damage and injuries caused by fires in an effort to reduce the ever-increasing escalation of insurance rates for the citizens of Texas.

The FDEB is geared up and ready to begin receiving requests for the distribution of application forms for financial assistance. Although the FDEB is restricted from mailing out

unsolicited applications, they have gone to great lengths in an effort to professionally service the interests of fire entities throughout the state by:

(1) Providing an easy to use application request form located in a variety of trade association journals, newsletters and agency mail outs that may be substituted in lieu of a letter requesting an application;

(2) Establishing a toll-free phone number to provide for the facilitation of any questions and/or technical assistance necessary for the completion of the application; and,

(3) Scheduling periodic seminars to be held throughout a variety of regions of the state to provide information for the completion and processing of the application through the FDEB.

The FDEB follows a policy of distributing funds fairly and equitably on a need basis, allowing the F7EB governing board to determine who should receive funds and how much should be issued by its administration based on eligibility and without bias in support of its mission.

Direct contact can be made at: Fire Department Emergency Board
Twin Towers Office Center
1106 Clayton Lane, Suite 220E
Austin TX 78723
(512)452-0202 1-800-299-FDEB
Fax (512)452-1567

Hinds And Trant Attend Seminar

Janita Hinds and Debbie Trant of Janita Hines Real Estate attended the Rural Land Market Seminar held in College Station on March 22. The seminar was sponsored by the Real Estate Center at Texas A&M University. The outlook for Texas rural land markets was presented. The state of the Texas economy, impacts of the 1990 farm bill, the Texas agricultural economy, economic history of Texas land markets, and Texas land market developments were topics covered by the various professors from Texas A&M.

The implications for rural land values are 1) financing and interest rates; 2) foreclosed properties and

how they are managed; 3) environmental issues; and 4) uncertainty in agricultural due to the new farm bill and the world market.

The free trade issue was touched upon and it was brought out that new opportunities should become available in Texas. The advantages and disadvantages of free trade and how it will affect our area will become known after the actual law is outlined.

The overall opinions presented were that Texas is coming out of the slump; that we have started the task of diversifying our state economy; and that we need to proceed with caution.



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JR. BOYS' DRESS SLACKS

- Choose from a selection of 2 and 3 pocket models
- In permanent press fabrics
- Assorted patterns and colors
- Sizes: 4 - 7

TICKET PRICE: \$13.99

\$7
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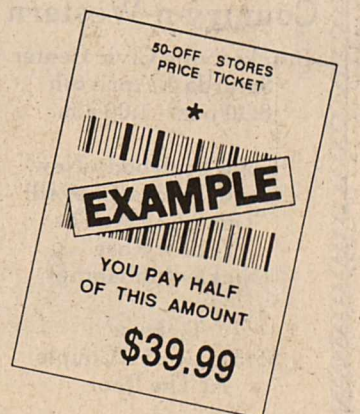
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