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# 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"

## Sandoval Appointed

By SONJA SHELL  
Brackett News Editor

A Regular Meeting of the Kinney County Commissioners Court met Monday, May 13, 1991 at 9:00 a.m. Judge Tim Ward called the meeting to order and determined a quorum. He led the pledge and County Attorney Tully Shahan led the invocation.

Twenty-six items were on the agenda with a special withdrawal for an Executive session to discuss a salary increase for the County Judge's secretary and city clean-up. The salary increase was approved and the city clean-up is to continue for the next few days.

The minutes of the April 8, 15, 22 & 29 meetings were approved with one correction. The square footage of the proposed library expansion was amended.

The new Clock Committee was appointed to oversee the restoration and changes necessary to obtain a place on the National Registry. The committee includes Dave Blair, Lloyd Davis, Jr., Billy Riley, Clyde Justice and Ralph Gonzales.

They tabled the bond issue for building improvements and/or operating funds.

The request by the Masonic Lodge to install a water line across the County Cemetery was approved.

Messer Refrigeration was awarded the contract to replace the old compressor at the Civic Center. The bid was for \$1,500.00.

The rates for using the Civic Center were increased by \$10.00 to each item. All users will be required to pay the utility bills for the time of use, pay a \$50.00 deposit and a

### Commissioners approved use of Civic Center for Athletic Booster Club's 1st Annual All Sports Banquet.

\$75.00 clean-up fee. This will apply to even those who use the Civic Center on a half-charge basis or a free basis.

The Commissioners approved the use of the Civic Center by the Athletic Booster Club to hold its 1st Annual All Sports Banquet, free of charge.

The April 1991 bills were approved.

\$1,000.00 was transferred from autopsy to miscellaneous line item for Indigent Burial.

The sheriff's budget was tabled until the sheriff could be present.

Terri Sandoval was appointed as acting auditor by Judge Thurmond. The Court approved the appointment.

The County Clerk's postage and supplies fund was amended to transfer \$72.00 to purchase file cabinets.

The County approved the contract with Southwestern Communications for the tower lease.

Redistricting was discussed and for the second time Mr. George Karbel of the Texas Rural Legal Aid had to cancel his appointment. The

Approval was granted for the County to get on the agenda for the Texas Department of Health public hearing scheduled for June 11, 1991, in regard to the Texcor application for license.

A request for the County to pay for the uniforms worn by County employees was approved.

Approval was granted to Fort Clark Springs Association for a plat on Unit 36 - R.V. section.

Tencha Pena requested permission to use the Kinney County Aging Services building for fund raisers and special rentals. The issue was tabled until a later meeting.

issue was tabled to be discussed at the Special Called Meeting Monday, May 20, 1991 at 7:00 p.m.

A Tourism Memorandum of Agreement between Acuna and Brackettville was approved.

## Commissioners Court Emergency Session To Expedite Projects

Brackett News Editor

The Kinney County Commissioners Court met in emergency session today for the good of the county to expedite the city cleanup and to expedite the County's portion of the swimming pool project.

They approved the following items: Rent two private pickups to haul trash to the City Landfill. Mr. Rocky Reschman's pickup at \$15.00

per day and Mr. Tony Flores' pickup at \$25 per day.

The County contracted with Ed Snyder to rent his trackhoe at \$45.00 per hour to excavate the swimming pool.

The County rented a concrete saw at \$60.00 per day for the swimming pool.

A Special Meeting is to be held Monday, May 7, 1991 to discuss redistricting and other matters.

## Gonzalez And Bravo Welcomed By Mayor

Brackett News Editor

The Regular Meeting of Brackettville City Council was held Monday, May 13, 1991 at 6:30 p.m.

The Mayor welcomed the two new aldermen, Ralph Gonzalez and Diane Bravo.

The minutes of the Regular City Council meeting of April 8, 1991 and of the Special City Council meetings of April 22, May 3, and May 6, 1991 were read and approved.

City and Utility Department Financial and Operational Reports were read and approved.

Resolution 1991-5 was approved.

It gives permission for the new Council members to sign checks.

A get-acquainted visit was held with members of the Fire Department to introduce the new Council Members. Diane Bravo volunteered to attend all the Fire Department business meetings and to offer assistance.

Introduction of a plan to decide on a new City Park was discussed. The proposed site is to be located on El Paso Street. The decision was tabled until a later meeting.

Notice that a Special City Council Meeting is to be held Friday, May 17, 1991 at City Hall at 5:30 p.m.

## 911 Yes Or No

Once again a group of concerned citizens attended the Regular Meeting of the Kinney County Commissioners Court to express their opposition to the proposed 911 emergency calling service. The Commissioners want to hear from all the citizens to get their opinion before the County is locked in permanently to the system.

It appears that the County can withdraw from the plan, but it will cost \$7,253.00 for expenses incurred up to this point for administrative costs. The residents of Kinney County have contributed some \$4,000.00 to date with their individual payments of fifty cents per month that has been added to their telephone bill.

There is also the possibility that at some future date there may be a State Mandate requiring participation. Do you want to pay now for something you have not received, or will it be more economically feasible in the future when the County is in a more solvent position? That is a question you County residents will have to decide. If you do not want it, write to your Commissioner, or call. If you do want it, write or call. Let them know one way or the other.

At this point, no one in the state has applied for withdrawal from the system and there is no legal precedent in place for doing so. It will have to go through the legal procedure of filing for withdrawal through the Attorney General's office. Is there going to be a charge to obtain a legal opinion? One suspects there will.

Once again the question, "HOW MUCH?"

## Brackett ISD Pleased With Rate

Brackett News Contributing Writer

Brackett Independent School District Bonds sold at an average interest rate of 6.43 percent. Bank One purchased the whole offering of \$1,000,000. The District was very pleased with the interest rate. The projection had been for 7.1% at the time of the bond election.

The District will receive the money from the bond sale by Friday, May 24, 1991, and will proceed with plans for the construction of a Middle School for grades 6-8 and a cafeteria. Preliminary plans for construction are available for public view at the Central Administration Office.

## BISD Bonds Rated

Brackett News Contributing Writer

Moody's Investor Service, a New York firm that rates the financial status of bonds issued by government entities and private business, has rated Brackett Independent School District Bonds at Aaa. This rating is the highest available to the District due to its sparse population and relatively low property tax base. This rating indicates that the District is in excellent financial condition.

The Bonds offered by Brackett Independent School District recently received an Aaa rating because payment is guaranteed by the Permanent School Fund. Bob McCall, school superintendent, indicated that he was very pleased with the ratings. "If Moody's had rated the District Aaa we would not have qualified for the Permanent School Fund guarantee. There are only six large districts statewide that qualify for an Aaa rating from Moody," noted McCall.

## "Buddy Poppies"

By DORTHY PAYNE  
Brackett News Staff Writer

May 27 and 30, 1991, voluntary workers will conduct their annual sale of "Buddy Poppies."

In Brackettville, permission has been granted the Veterans of Foreign Wars to have volunteers at various locations around town. Some will be at the post office, court house, places of business to name a few. The project will be under the direction of Agapito Saenz, V.F.W. chairman, and Margaret Reyes, Ladies Auxiliary Chairman. Poppies are sold for donations.

One penny for every poppy sold will be contributed to the operation of the V.F.W. National Home for widows and orphans at Eaton Rapids, Michigan. This is the only home of its kind in the world. It was founded in 1925.

There is no obligation for you to contribute to the cause of assisting disabled war veterans and their families. But you are asked to treat the volunteers with courteous treatment.

"In Flanders fields the poppies blow, Between the crosses, row on row."

These are the opening words of Col. John McCrae's immortal poem, and dedicated to the memory of the men who fought and died in France during World War I. The poppy has become the memorial flower which honors all those who have given their lives in our nation's wars. The symbol of the poppy is observed in countries throughout the world, with organizations in Europe, America, and in most of the countries of the British Commonwealth.

Since 1922, the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States has conducted an annual sale of "Buddy Poppies" to raise funds for its charitable programs on behalf of the needy and disabled veterans, and the widows and orphans of deceased veterans.

So, stop next week when you see the volunteers who are selling poppies in town, May 27 and May 30, and be a "Buddy" and wear a poppy.

**You are cordially invited to  
Kinney County Aging Services  
OPEN HOUSE**

**May 18th from 10AM to 5PM**  
Refreshments will be served.  
Ribbon cutting ceremonies will  
be held at 10:30AM.

**COME JOIN THE FUN!**



Tencha Pena, director of Kinney County Aging Services, proudly displays new sign erected on the grounds of Kinney County's project and cordially extends an invitation to attend the open house scheduled for May 18, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

### Sheriff's Corner

By Sheriff Norman H. Hooten



Sheriff Hooten's column is missing this week because the Sheriff is missing. He and his new bride are on their honey moon.

### Between Us

By Joe Townsend



We are seeing one of the finest activities in Brackettville at this time that I have ever witnessed. It has been a common factor that the City and the County have not worked in unison. The present "Clean Up" campaign shows that it can be done. Spurred by Commissioner Shedy, much improvement is readily seen. Cleaning of lots and yards is going along in fine fashion. It would be a good thing to make this one annual campaign. This reveals that there are some who properly read their responsibilities. As far back as I can remember there have been those elected, at times, in the City and at

times in the County, who felt they were elected to be served by the people. In reality public officials are elected to serve the people. A good official always considers the needs and desires of the electorate. When actions of elected officials become oppressive and feel they can ride rough shod over people, their political career will soon end. Every comment I've heard has been more than favorable. It's time the people of Brackettville and Kinney County are treated as sensible tax-payers. It is to be hoped that this "Clean Up" campaign is merely an ice breaker to a close cooperation and development

of many programs that will benefit the entire populace.

After all, everyone in the County is a taxpayer, one way or another and every person in Brackettville is a tax payer in one way or another. They deserve that their taxes be wisely spent for their benefit.

Another cause for concern has arisen. I see by the paper that Judge Thurmond intends to appoint an auditor for Kinney County. Several questions arise. Why do we need an auditor? Why cannot the County Treasurer fill this spot? Will George Thurmond pay the salary? Does every county have an auditor appointed by the District Judge? With the Court House overloaded with unneeded employees, why add another? Does the District Judge have the authority to tell a County what it must have in the way of employees? If one is needed why cannot it be an elective office where the people have a say?

These questions deserve definitive answers before one penny of taxpayer money is spent.



### Nominations Sought

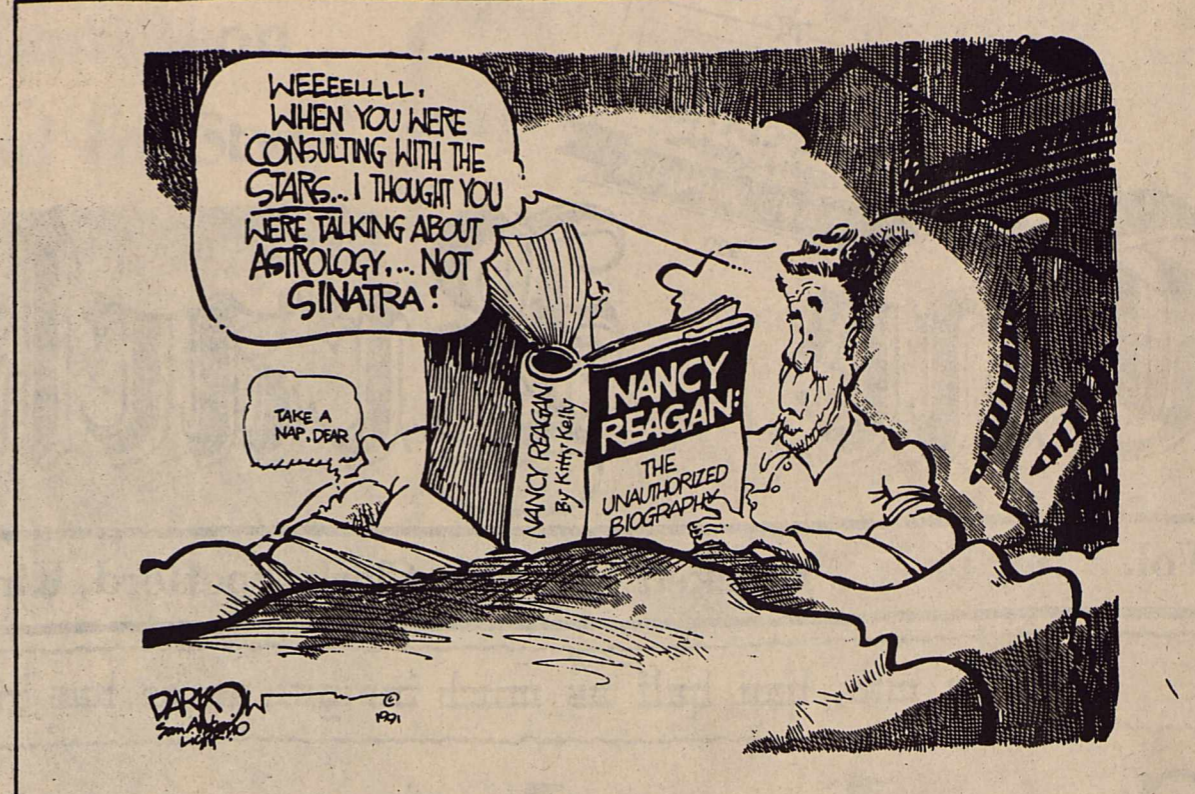
Nominations are being sought for THE OUTSTANDING CITIZEN award. Send the name of the person you wish to nominate, and in 25 words or less, tell why you think this person deserves the award.

Mail nominations to The Chamber of Commerce, P. O. Box 386, Brackettville TX 78832.



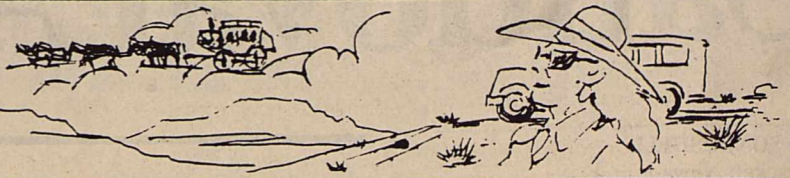
### Community Calender

- AA: Mondays 8 p.m. Slaton Hall, 109 W. James St.
- AlAnon: Mondays 8 p.m. St. Andrews Episcopal Church Parish Hall, Hudson & 4th St. Call 563-2007.
- Altar Society: 1st Monday 5:30 p.m. Parish Hall
- Band Booster Club: 2nd Tuesday 7 p.m. High School Band Hall
- Bass Club: last Thursday 7 p.m.
- Chamber of Commerce: 1st Thursday 7 p.m. Court House
- City Council: 2nd Monday 6:30 p.m. City Hall
- Commissioners Court: 2nd Monday 9 a.m. Court House
- Del Rio Christian Women's Club: 1st Wednesday 12 noon AFB Reservations required.
- Drivers License: 1st, 3rd & last Thursdays 9 a.m. - 12 noon; 1-3 p.m. 2nd floor, Court House.
- Duplicate Bridge: Sundays 1:30 p.m., Tuesdays 7 p.m. Sabre Room
- FCS Art Club: Work days Mondays and Saturdays 11 a.m.; Meeting 1st Monday 1 p.m. Art Studio
- FCS Community Council: 2nd Saturday 9 a.m. Sabre Room
- FCS Board of Directors: 3rd Saturday 9 a.m. Board Room
- FCS Historical Society: 4th Saturday 10 a.m. Sabre Room
- FCS Museum/Sutler's Store: Saturdays & Sundays 1-4 p.m.
- FCS Ladies Luncheon: 2nd Wednesday noon Las Moras Restaurant. Make reservations at Adult Center.
- FCS VFW & Auxiliary Post #8360: 4th Wednesday 7 p.m. NCO Club. Pot Luck dinner at 6 p.m.
- FCS Bingo: Friday 8 p.m. Town Hall
- FCS Las Vegas Night: 4th Saturday 8 p.m. Las Moras Restaurant
- FCS Old Quarry Society: 1st Monday 7 p.m. Sabre Room
- Friends of Library: No regular schedule. Call the Kinney County Library for information.
- KC Historical Preservation Society: 4th Thursday 7 p.m. Court House
- KC Kickers: 2nd and 4th Thursday 7:30 p.m. NCO Club
- Knights of Columbus: 1st Sunday 12 Noon Parish Hall
- Lions Club: 1st and 3rd Thursday 6:30 p.m. Las Moras Restaurant
- Masonic Lodge: 2nd Tuesday 7 p.m. Lodge Hall, Ann St.
- Order of Eastern Star #204: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays 7:30 p.m. Masonic Hall, 407 Bedell St., Del Rio Texas
- Shriners: 4th Tuesday 6:30 p.m. Las Moras Restaurant
- Rotary Club: Thursdays 12 noon Las Moras Restaurant
- Methodist Ladies luncheon: 3rd Wednesday noon Slaton Hall. Please make reservations.
- BISD School Board: 2nd Monday 6:30 p.m. Board Room
- Sorority: Preceptor Theta Sigma - 3rd Monday 7:00 p.m.
- NA: Thursdays, 7 p.m., St. Andrews Episcopal Church Parish Hall.



### Days Past

by Dorothy Payne



May 10, 1816: President Jefferson learns from his agents that Spain intends to pass the Louisiana area to France. He is alarmed by this news, knowing that Napoleon would be a formidable foe.

May 2, 1803: The Louisiana Purchase is signed. Livingstone and Monroe purchase 828,000 square miles of land - including New Orleans but not East or West Florida - between the Mississippi River and the Rocky Mountains for approximately \$15 million.

May 14, 1804: Meriwether Lewis and William Clark lead an expedition of 29 men (16 others will accompany them to the Mandan Villages in present day North Dakota) out of St. Louis on a keelboat and two pirogue boats.

May 26, 1813: Lewis and Clark sight the Rocky Mountains.

May 9, 1813: General Harrison in the War of 1812 successfully defends Fort Meigs (in present day Ohio), against Tecumseh and the British.

May 10, 1816: At Green Bay in present day Wisconsin, Fort Howard is founded as a base for the Illinois Territory Fur trade.

May 22, 1822: William Becknell left from Franklin, Missouri, on what was his second trip to Santa Fe. This time he took 21 men and three wagons. This expedition pioneered the Cimarron Cutoff, a shorter but much more hazardous route than the better-watered "Mountain Route" of the Santa Fe Trail.

May 7, 1824: Texas and Coahuila are organized as one of the states of the Mexican Federal Republic, now the single most important rival to U.S. dominance of North America. Thousands of Americans were already settled in this region.

May 1827: Fort Leavenworth (in

present day Kansas) was built on the Santa Fe trade route to provide protection on the trail.

May 18, 1830: Jackson signed the Indian Removable Act, which granted subsidiary authority to move eastern Indians to the lands west of the Mississippi River.

May 27, 1831: Comanche Indians killed Jedediah Strong Smith along the Santa Fe Trail.

May 1, 1832: Captain Benjamin Louis Eulalie de Bonneville led a wagon train out of Fort Osage on the Missouri River. The caravan reached the Columbia River and Bonneville explored the West for three years. Several place names commemorate his activities.

### THANK YOU

I would like to thank every one who sent flowers, cards, called, or visited while I was in the hospital. I am home now recuperating. Odette Mills

### THANK YOU

The family of Addie Schwandner wishes to thank Grace Rose, Ailene Reid, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd L. Davis for their kind expression of sympathy with gifts to Kinney County Public Library. Their gifts are deeply appreciated and gratefully acknowledged. Signed, Eleanor Tidwell

### Unsung Hero

by Joe Townsend



There is a man in Brackettville who has been here many, many years.

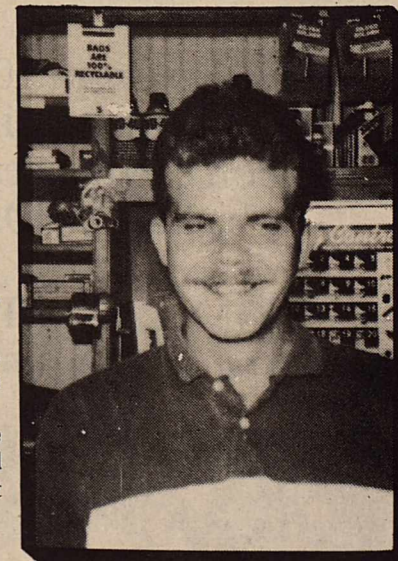
He has been employed in several businesses because he is one of the best in his field. He not only is a master of his trade but is a most accommodating person.

He always strives to do just what the customer wants. He is never belligerent nor antagonistic, but calmly and quietly goes about his trade.

He is likable and friendly. Surely, Mike Rodriguez is an "Unsung Hero."

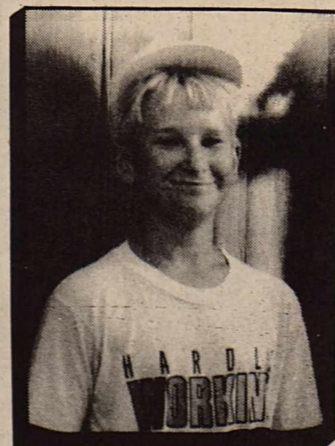
### Just For The Fun Of It

Where were you born: Santa Cruz, California  
Your favorite food: Fajitas  
Your favorite book: National Enquirer  
Your favorite movie: Alamo  
How do your friends describe you: Friendly  
Describe yourself: Happy  
What would you like to be: Rich  
If you could go anywhere, where would you go: Hawaii  
If you could change Brackettville, how would you change it: Wouldn't change a thing



Dennis Dodson

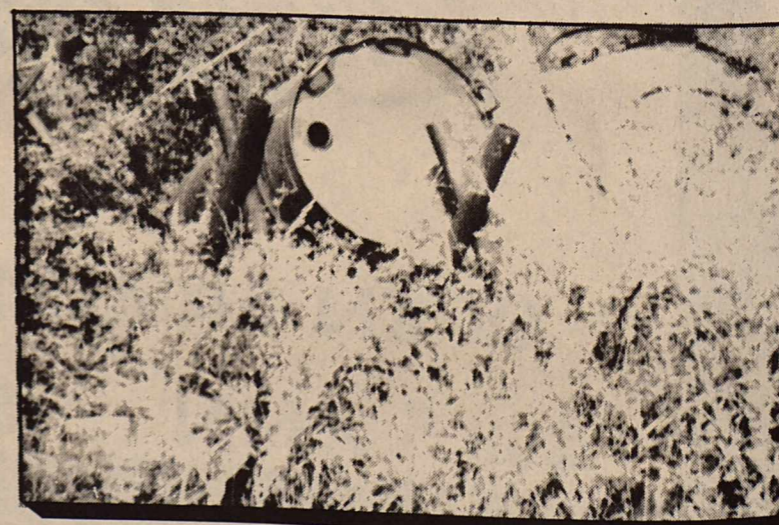
### Winner



At 4 p.m. on Thursday, Tim Hale was in The Brackett News office to claim a cap by correctly identifying the mystery picture. It was the exhaust fan cover at the concessions stand at Tiger Stadium.

### Identify The Picture

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



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## Grandma's Kitchen

By Grandma



We had a sort-of-a-cat skinning session in my kitchen the other day. My good buddy, Bud, had a report about how to keep good teachers teaching. As we all know, there's a lot of ways to skin this cat. We found a study done right here in Texas. A dandy way that's bound to get strong support among the tight-fisted school systems.

Research, the papers reported as serious, discovered what was called the "negative relationship" between teacher pay and quality of education. The higher the pay, the lower the quality. The way to fix that is to pay all teachers- good, bad, and indifferent - just enough to keep alive on. The less they make, the more likely the bad ones will quit for better paying jobs at Seven-11.

Now, the really good teachers will keep on teaching for love, not money. They'll teach through thin, without ever expecting the thick, this way, poor schools don't have to worry about losing teachers to rich schools, and none of them will be bothered with teacher tenure, or spending money on teacher evaluation. They'll know that the teachers they have are the best money can't buy.

Ole Zeke said, "from what he reads the Texas study is preaching what American public education has been practicing." That old line about them that can't teach is proved wrong every time an industry comes in that needs the skill of the high school science teacher.

This starvation wage plan will backfire said Zeke, because the private companies won't go in cahoots with the schools.

Then Clem said he'd seen too much cat skinning where the low end of the stick got skinned. For instance, National fund raising outfits recruit folks to volunteer their time to hold meetings and beg money, so they can pay their honorary chairman \$100,000 a year just to use their names on the free ads.

That's the same as low teacher pay, only worse, it plays on the guilt of folks that want to feel they're doing good works.

We all know, the world runs on pay control, the farmers still pay their workers as little as they can and work them as long as they can, with no more investment in equipment than necessary.

Then Ed said he couldn't believe that Texas report was "for real." That's probably somebody's idea of shaming schools into paying teachers more.

People that love their work, don't do it for money, but workers worth their salt have got sense enough to know when they're taken advantage of. Personal: I agree with Ed.

I read where Gene Autry asked one of his baseball players, wasn't it silly for a grown man to be paid so much money to play a game? The player said no sillier than for a grown man to make millions singing about reindeer with red noses.

Yep, you heard it right here in Grandma's kitchen, and now, I must get on to what I do best, and get paid the least, but I love it. I would never let the world know that I ever, let's say messed up a meal, but there's still a tiny bit of egg on my face over one I fixed last week. I redeemed myself by fixing this recipe below, it's sorta like lasagna without the wide noodles.

### HEAVENLY SPAGHETTI

- 1 - 8 oz pkg of spaghetti
- 1 1/2 lbs ground beef
- Salt and pepper to taste, I used garlic salt, onion salt, and pepper.
- 2 - 8 oz cans tomato sauce
- 1 - 8 oz carton cottage cheese
- 1 - 3 oz pkg cream cheese
- 1 Tb minced green pepper
- 1/2 cup sour cream
- 1/2 cup chopped onion
- cheese slices

Cook spaghetti by pkg. directions, drain and set aside. Sauté beef, stirring until browned. Remove excess fat. Add tomato sauce, salt and pepper. Remove from heat. Combine cottage cheese, cream cheese, green pepper, sour cream, and chopped onion. Grease a 2 qt. casserole,

spread half of the spaghetti on bottom. Cover with all of the cheese mixture. Add remaining spaghetti. Spread with all the meat and tomato mixture. Cover, refrigerate until 20 minutes before baking. Bake covered in a 350 degree oven for 45 minutes. Garnish with cheese slices.

My, my, I've been running on about this delicious food and I've run out of space.

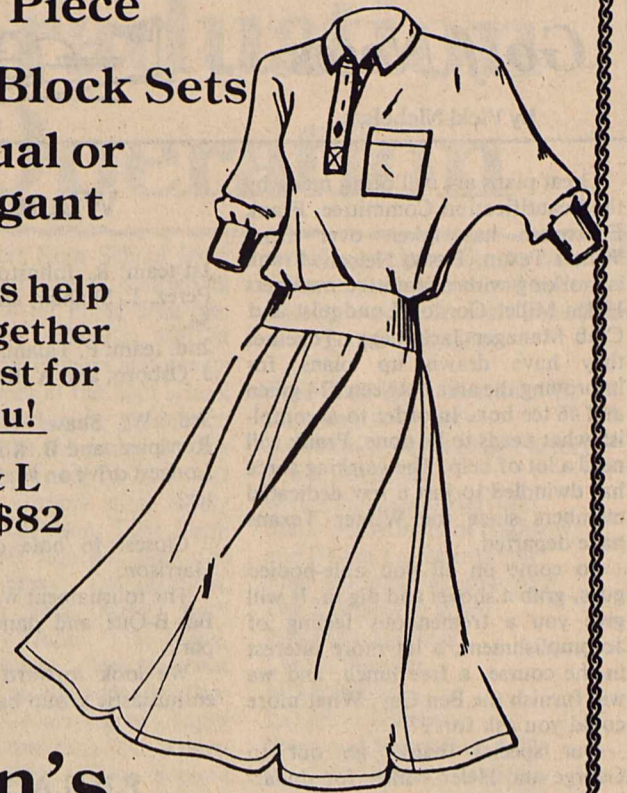
Here's a tid-bit to leave you thinking. A man and his wife were riding along together in a car. They had been quarreling, but hadn't spoken a word for a long time. Finally, they passed a jackass in the pasture. The man pointed and asked his wife, "A relative of yours?" "Yes," came the short reply, "by marriage."

Till next week, have a safe one - remember I love you. Now go out and find somebody to hug. Grandma

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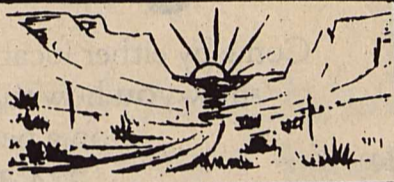


## Jean's

103 Spring Brackettville, Tx 563-2527

## Beyond The Horizon

By Dorothy Payne



In the middle of the square in Columbus, Texas stands a mighty oak. It sports a weathered plaque to a great Texas jurist, Judge Robert McAlpin Williamson.

The judge came to San Felipe in 1826, a dark-haired handsome man of 22 years. Except he had a stump of a leg, and it showed in his face the pain he carried. He immediately was called "Three-legged Willie." But, he did not let the loss of a leg bother him. He'd keep time with his cane at the dances, sing and play his banjo, quote criminal law, and got his first buffalo lying flat on his back.

He practiced law and edited the first Texas Gazette, and won election as alcalde. In his plain spoken way when praying for rain he said, "Lord, send us a bounteous one that will make corn ears shake hands across the rows, not one of those little rizzly-drizzles."

After the war, he became the Texas Provisional Government's head of the first Texas Rangers. Seven months after San Jacinto, he was judge of a thousand mile circuit. Everywhere he went, he talked on the strength of the Texas Constitution, and its guarantee of rights against tyranny.

Once when holding court in Shelbyville, when he called for a jury a man who called himself a lawyer, heading a group of men said court could not be held, an unusual procedure against a court established by the constitution. Judge Williamson asked for the lawyer's "legal authority which gave him the right to make such a request. The lawyer drove his knife into the bench and said, "This, sir, is the law of Shelby County." Three-legged Willie answered and drawing his pistol said, "If that is the law of Shelby County, this is the Constitution that overrides the law." He laid the pistol on the bench as the lawyer left, and had the sheriff summon Shelby's first grand jury.

The judge served on the Republic's Congress and retired at Independence in the Austin Colony. There is a marker at his last home in Wharton and in the Austin State Cemetery.

The bronze marker on the Columbus Oak reads: *Beneath this tree, the first court of the third Judicial District of the Republic of Texas was held in April 1837, by Judge Robert M. Williamson [Three-legged Willie].*

## Budweiser Donates Buses To Big Bend, Matagorda

Brackett News Contributing Writer

Texans soon will be able to enjoy additional areas of two of the state's most scenic parks.

In a move to open more of Texas to Texans, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department announced on May 7 the expansion of a highly successful tour bus program at Big Bend Ranch State Natural Area and a shuttle bus program on Matagorda Island.

The expanded bus program is made possible by a \$100,000 contribution from Budweiser. Company officials presented the department with a check during a news conference at the Anheuser-Busch brewery in Houston.

"The donation will allow us to purchase buses for Big Bend Ranch and Matagorda Island," said Chuck Nash, chairman of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission. "We are grateful to Budweiser for their generosity. We are especially excited about being able to open more of the natural areas to park visitors."

"We are proud to play a role in opening undeveloped Texas lands to Texans," said Robert Signorelli, Region V vice president for Anheuser-Busch, Inc. "With this contribution, visitors to Texas natural areas

can gain access to some of the most beautiful areas of the state."

The bus program began in January at Big Bend and in April on Matagorda Island. At present, one bus operates at each location. The Big Bend bus is booked well into the summer. Travelers learn about the lands on a narrated tour with scheduled stops and a chuck wagon

lunch. The Matagorda Island bus operates as a shuttle, transporting visitors to various locations on the island.

The additional buses also will be equipped with heating, air conditioning and a restroom facility. Nash expects the buses to be ready later this year.

Buses depart from Fort Leaton State Historical Park and the Barton Warnock Educational Environmental Center in Lajitas for Big Bend Ranch. To make bus reservations, call 915-424-3327 (Warnock Center) or 915-229-3615 (Fort Leaton).

Weekend shuttle service for Matagorda Island departs from park headquarters. No reservations are necessary.

## Library Notes



They said it couldn't be done... well, Ladies and Gentlemen, we have done it!

We have reached our goal of \$50,000.00 for the library expansion project.

Now, as a very wise person has said, "It's time to do the hard part." We have written our grant application to the State Library System. We must now wait for them to evaluate and enumerate our application.

However, we do not have to merely sit still and wait. As one of our staunch supporters so succinctly put it: "I know you think that this application covers all the costs you will have for this project...but, there are always things that weren't anticipated (even professionals like architects and engineers) so, let's just keep working and hope that we are able to get some extra dollars to cover those extras."

We feel this is a wise statement. Therefore, The Friends will continue to try to sell the County History books and contact individuals who might be interested in making donations to the library expansion program.

Obviously, there won't be the all out effort made prior to our May 15 deadline, but, no one is going to refuse additional funds for this purpose.

The atmosphere at the library Wednesday morning when the news was spread that we had indeed received the \$25,000.00 from the Hillcrest Foundation was electric.

Mr. and Mrs. Staff Fritter had been sitting by the telephone for two days waiting for the word. Molly Schroeder and Happy Shahan were quietly expectant. This writer was a nervous wreck.

Imagine my response when the telephone call from Mr. Shahan began with, "Do you want the good news first or the bad?" Being a pessimist, we requested the bad first and were told that we wouldn't get the check until later. The good news was we had it!!!

That was the beginning of the euphoric mania which has reigned at the library this entire week. With that in mind, please forgive us if we have:

called you by the wrong name; sent you home with the books you just returned; sent you to reference for romance; or any of several other ridiculous occurrences which might have happened.

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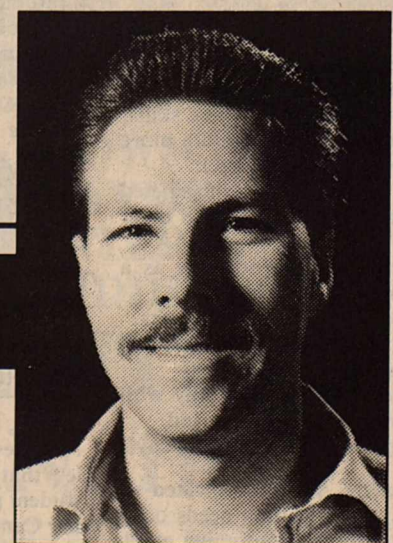
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# Graduation Operation

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the week of May 19-25, 1991, shall be known as "NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL BOSSES' WEEK" in grateful recognition of the unselfish and dedicated service provided to the nation's schools, colleges, universities, and communities; and

BE IT ALSO PROCLAIMED that the third week of May shall be observed to honor America's education leaders.

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Patricia A. Huggins  
President



High School Cheerleaders



Jr. High Cheerleaders

## 1991 - 1992 Cheerleaders

Twenty-six energetic, bright-eyed students from the sixth through the eleventh grades put forth a tremendous effort in order to try out for Junior High and High School Cheerleaders. For three weeks, these girls worked after school to learn cheers and chants from the High School Cheerleaders.

At the last minute due to a back injury that happened during a track meet, Theresa Terrazas was unable to try out.

Out of the twenty-five girls, eight high school and six junior high cheerleaders were chosen by a combined student body and judges vote.

Girls trying out for junior high positions were: Edwina Banta, Francisca Garza, Christina Reschman, Lindy LaMascus, Courtney Harrison, Vianna Pierce, Katie Hall, Terry Esparza, Amber Davis, Denise and Debra Frerich, Samantha Luna, and Brandy Meeks.

Girls chosen as the 1991-1992 Junior High School Cheerleaders

were: Denise and Debra Frerich, Amber Davis, Samantha Luna, Lindy LaMascus and Edwina Banta. Head cheerleader will be Denise Frerich.

Girls trying out for high school cheerleader were: Kim Ahrens, Cookie Hough, Jennifer Terrazas, Yvette Rocha, Nicole Garza, Jessica Taylor, Theresa Terrazas, Wendy McDaniel, Debbie Buntello, Michelle Brandt, Valerie Talamantez, and Jenifer Shahan.

All those trying out were busy young ladies - with track, golf, etc. They showed much dedication and interest and each improved every day.

Congratulations to all these girls because all came out winners. They tried and tried hard.

Elected as high school cheerleaders were Kim Ahrens, Michelle Brandt, Wendy McDaniel, Yvette Rocha, Jenifer Shahan, Valerie Talamantez, Jessica Taylor, and Jennifer Terrazas. Valerie Talamantez will be head cheerleader.

The Brackett High School Drug Advisory Committee is continuing to plan for the all night drug-free graduation party on May 31, 1991 at LaFonda Ranch. Seniors and guests will meet in front of the high school at 11:00 p.m. following graduation and be bussed to the party. At this time, chaperones will be Joy and Don Ralston, Jimmy and Kathy Bader, Susan Harrison, Tony Ramon, Jill and Jeff Duncan, Tom and Jean Faulkenberry, Jim Runyan, Don and Sue Sims, Merry Beth Mills, Dorothy Oliver, Tim Ward, and Gregg Nowlin. Entertainment planned so far includes movies, dancing, volleyball tournaments, board games, A treasure hunt, and a dart-throwing contest. The Seniors

would especially like to thank the following businesses and individuals who have so generously contributed to Project Graduation:

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## Insurance Discontinued

A recent Attorney General decision has caused the Brackett Independent School District to end a policy of providing accident insurance for all school children. In 1991-92 the District will provide insurance for students competing in University Interscholastic League activities only. Parents will have the opportunity to purchase insurance for their children.

The Superintendent noted that

the program was ended on the advise of school attorneys. "The District can use gate receipts and contributions to purchase insurance for students participating in UIL. Our attorneys noted that the District does not have the liability exposure and the Attorney General's ruling prohibits the purchase of insurance where no liability exists." The increased cost of the program was also a factor.

## BISD Summer School

Brackett News Contributing Writer

Brackett Independent School District will operate on a four day week summer schedule from June 3, 1991 through August 2, 1991. During this time, office and custodial hours will be as follows:

Office Personnel: Monday-Thursday 7:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Maintenance Personnel: Monday-Thursday 7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

All offices and the custodial and

maintenance departments will be closed from July 1-8, 1991.

Patrons with emergencies may reach administrative personnel at the following number if school offices are closed:

- Bob McCall, Superintendent--563-9257
- Don Sims, High School Principal--563-9294
- Steve Mills, Elementary Principal--563-9525
- Richard Terrazas, Maintenance Superv.--563-2264.

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**Thursday, May 16:**  
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**Saturday, May 18:**  
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**Thursday, May 23:**  
--Awards Ceremony--Auditorium  
9:00 a.m. Junior High School, 10:00 a.m. High School.

**Thursday & Friday, May 30 & 31:**  
--All Secondary School On Final Exam Schedule

**Friday, May 31:**  
--8th Grade Graduation--Auditorium--11:00 a.m.

--Senior Trip to Garner State Park--Tubing--Leave at 8:00 a.m.

--Brackett High School Graduation--Tiger Stadium--8:00 p.m.

--11:00 p.m.--Saturday, June 1, 6:30 a.m. Project Graduation--La Fonda Ranch

## Trustees Adopt Calendar

Brackett News Contributing Writer

The Brackett Independent School District Trustees accepted recommendations from the Brackett Advisory Council and Administration and adopted a calendar for 1991-92. The calendar has five more instructional days as required by Senate Bill 351 which bring the total from 175 to 180, but the most striking difference is the early starting date.

Teachers will come back to work on August 15, 1991, and students will return on Friday, August 16, 1991. The purpose of the early start is to allow students to finish the first semester and take exams before the Christmas Holidays.

This year's calendar also returns to a conventional Spring Break. Spring Break is scheduled for March 9-13, 1992. Another feature that is different is the scheduling of "bad weather days" for Martin Luther King's Birthday on January 20, 1992, and Good Friday on April 17, 1992.

Superintendent Bob McCall indicated that the Texas Legislature may still pass legislation that would alter the calendar, but he felt that the major features would remain in place. He was particularly pleased with the early starting date. It gives children six to eleven more days to prepare for the state mandated competency test and it allows them to take semester exams prior to the Christmas Holidays while the information is still fresh on their minds.

# Have You Seen A Game Lately?

By TOMMY FOSTER  
Brackett News Sports

In Thursday's girls softball game, The Leprechauns beat the New Kids 12-4 at the Kinney County Little League park.

Scoring for the Leprechauns was Viviana Rosales in the first and second innings, Crystal Juarez in the fourth, Deborah Villareal in the first and fourth, Latoya Wright in the first and fourth, Molly Montalvo in the first and third, Gracie Morin in the third, Samantha Payne in the second, and Lisa Marshall in the fourth. Pitching for the Leprechauns was Jessica Payne.

The New Kids' runs were scored by Francisca Garza in the second, Amy Bader in the third, Susie Hernandez in the third, and Windy Goodloe in the fourth. Francisca Garza and Amy Bader pitched for the New Kids.

In Monday night's softball game

the Silver Roses edged out the Leprechauns 8-6 in a very close game.

Scoring for the Leprechauns were Viviana Rosalez in the first and third, Michelle Melancon in the first, Deborah Villareal and Latoya Wright in the third, and Jessica Payne in the fourth. Pitching were Viviana Rosalez and Jessica Payne.

The Silver Roses eight runs were scored by Liz Aguirre, Melissa Terrazas, and Cindy Cardenas in the third, Cherise Ward and Sonya Correa in the fourth, Katy Hagler and Ariana DeLeon in the fifth, and Jo Lee Jones in the sixth. The pitcher was handled by Jo Lee Jones, Liz Aguirre, and Courtney Harrison.

Tuesday's Double Header ended with the Lions over the Cowboys 18-3 in the first game, and The Astros over the Rams 4-2 in the second game.

Scoring for the Lions were Miguel Aguirre in the third inning, J. Wayne Ballew in the third, fifth, and

sixth, Beau Smallwood in the first, twice in the third, once in the fifth and sixth, Marcos Garley twice in the third and once in the fifth, Waylon Franks in the third, Matthew Smallwood in the third and fifth, Nat Terrazas in the second, Clint Clark in the third and Daniel Hernandez in the third. Pitching was done by Marcos Garley and Miguel Aguirre.

The Cowboys' wins were scored by Munchie Falcon in the first and Micheal Meyer in the first and fourth.

Pitchers included Josh Crumley, Micheal Meyer, Munchie Falcon, and Rene Luna.

In the second game the scoring Astros were Marco Abrigo, Demetice Williams, and Robert Aguirre in the third along with David Reyes in the fourth. George Rodriguez pitched for the Astros.

The Rams' runs were scored by Tim Hale and Butch Lopez in the fourth. Butch Lopez and Patrick Munoz shared the pitchers mound.

Friday's double header ended with the Cowboys over the Astros 15-4 in game one and the Lions over the Rams 4-1 in game two.

The Cowboys runs were scored by Munchie Falcon in the first, fourth and sixth innings, David Melancon in the first and sixth, Mike Meyer in the first and sixth, Josh Crumley in the first and sixth, Rene Luna in the first, fifth and sixth, Arron Taylor in the sixth, and Brent Smith in the sixth. Pitching were Josh Crumley and Munchie Falcon.

The Astros runs were scored by Rocky Aguirre, George Rodriguez, and Luis Guajardo in the third, and by David Foster in the sixth. Pitching was Jorge Rodriguez, Luis Guajardo, and Rocky Aguirre.

In game two, the Lions runs were J. Wayne Ballew in the first and fifth, Beau Smallwood in the third, and Mike Aguirre in the fifth. Pitching was Marco Garley.

The Rams one run was scored in the fourth by Tim Hale. Pat Munoz pitched.

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# County Agent News

by Allan L. McWilliams



This week's article is a second of a two-part series to the honey bee developments in South Texas.

Spring is swarming season for a variety of insects--termites, ants and honey bees. This is also a time when people are more likely to find bees building hives in new places and encounter an occasional sting. But if you think you feel bad after a honey bee sting, consider the bee.

There's a reason why honey bees sting only once and it's not that they don't hold grudges or become peace activists. After stinging, the honey bee bleeds to death, usually within two hours.

Entomologists tell us that the honey bee loses her stinger because it's barbed. When she tries to withdraw the stinger, the barbs catch and essentially pull her guts out.

A stinger left behind is the telltale sign of a honey bee. No other insect loses its stinger; not the yellow jacket, wasp, hornet or bumblebee.

The end of the female honey bee has three parts: a needle-like shaft, or hollow tube, that allows the venom to flow into the victim, and two barbs that are hinged under the venom sac and attached along the shaft's length. The sac pumps like a miniature heart, about the size of a straight pin head. As venom flows, muscles attached to the stinger alternately contract, digging the shaft deeper into the target.

Those muscles also are attached to the honey bee's intestines. So, when the honey bee forcefully frees herself from the sting, the action rips away part of her body. Insects have no veins for blood. Blood flows openly in the cavity. If you break an insect's body, it bleeds.

As the bee's agony ends, the victim's misery begins. The bee-less venom sac continues to pump poison, taking some 10 minutes to empty if not removed. Also remember not to pull it out with tweezers, because this will only squirt the remaining venom straight into the wound. It is better to slide it out from the side.

The venom causes either a local or systemic reaction in the victim. That's because it's made of acids (which cause pain) and complex proteins, to which some people are allergic.

About 99.6 percent of persons stung have a local reaction in the form of pain and swelling. The others (about 4 in 1,000) have systemic allergy that requires

medical treatment.

Allergic reactions differ for the stings of bees and wasps, because the venom has different proteins. It is rare to be allergic to both. It's like saying that because you are allergic to bees you are also allergic to milk--both are made up of complex proteins.

Systemic reactions to bee stings cause tingling on the palms, soles, lips and tongue. The throat may tighten, and the victim may have difficulty breathing or experience dizziness and nausea.

For that person, one sting is as likely as 3,000 to 1 to cause death. Also, allergies may change so that one who never has been allergic becomes so, or vice versa.

Liz Greeley at the National Center for the Health Statistics in Washington, D.C. said 87 people died in the United States from bee, hornet and wasp stings in 1987, the most recent data.

On average, less than one death occurs from honey-bee stings in Texas each year. Including hornet, wasps and other stinging insects, the average is less than 3 deaths a year.

Bobby Davis, a spokesman for the Texas Department of Health, said 38 people have died from bee stings in Texas between 1950-1989. Wasp stings have caused 66 deaths in Texas between 1950-1987.

For most of us, the risk is getting too many stings at one time. This is something to consider with the arrival of the Africanized honey bee. More than a dozen Africanized honey bee swarms have been confirmed in South Texas this spring.

The venom of the Africanized honey bee and the domestic honey bee produces the same allergic reaction. A 150-pound person who is not allergic, can take 800-1,000 stings before having a toxic reaction. There are just not that many domestic honey bees willing to give their life to kill you. But, the Africanized bees might. Dr. John Thomas is an entomologist and handles bee programs for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. He has supplied the information in this article and further states that bees are not usually as fast as a human, so your best chances of avoiding conflict with the Africanized or domestic honey bees is to run and get clear of the insects. Running could save your life as well as the bees.

## C.A.R.E. Holds Meeting

Brackett News Contributing Writer

A meeting of C.A.R.E. (Citizens Against Radioactive Environment) on Friday evening, May 10, 1991, showed 50 members in attendance.

Several items were discussed including Senator Zaffirini's Senate Bill #1406 which, when passed, will establish protective procedures for the good of all citizens of the State of Texas with respect to Radioactive Dump Site locations.

In addition, it was noted that a recent news release from Texcor Industries created the impression that a permit to dump radio-active waste

near Spofford had already been granted. This is NOT the case. A permit cannot be granted nor approved until all required public hearings have been completed.

Another hearing is now tentatively scheduled for June 11, 1991, in Brackettville, Texas, at the Civic Center. C.A.R.E. urges everyone to watch for this hearing, and attend it to voice your objection to the Texcor proposal.

It was affirmed by the members that the fight is not over, and further that C.A.R.E. is as determined as ever to remain active in the battle against improper waste disposal in our area.

## Tree Pruning Guide Available

Brackett News Contributing Writer

How a tree is pruned in its first few years of life will affect its shape, strength and even its life span.

An illustrated, easy-to-follow guide called "How to Prune Young Shade Trees" has been prepared for homeowners. It can be obtained free of charge by writing The National Arbor Day Foundation.

The How To Prune guide includes step-by-step illustrations showing how proper pruning in the early years of a tree's life can save money in the long run and result in safer, more beautiful, healthy, easy-to-maintain trees.

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## Yearling Ewe Annual Futurity

Brackett News Contributing Writer

May 23rd is the date for the 1991 Yearling Ewe Futurity to be held at the 4-H Sheep Barn in Del Rio.

This annual event is one of the highlights of the Sheep Committees yearly educational activities. Pens of ewes will be evaluated and judged during the morning.

A really top notch educational program has been planned for this year according to Roger Blackmon, CEA. Tim Bauer, who is in charge of the "Certified Lean Lamb Program" of the American Sheep Industry, is going to be in Del Rio and will be the featured speaker.

Bauer will address the critical need for producing lean, wholesome lamb meat to compete with other meats in the grocer's counters. Bauer will also address the proposed Yield Grading program for lamb. This program is vital to the sheep industry and could greatly favor the large rugged sheep produced in Val Verde County.

Producers should plan to be at the Fairground at 9:30 a.m. on May 23rd (Thursday) to enjoy this program.

Roger Blackmon may be contacted at the CEA-AG office at 300 E. 17th St., Del Rio, Texas 78840, or telephone 512-774-7591.

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## New Home Loan Program Announced By FmHA

Brackett News Contributing Writer

TEMPLE, TX--Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) has implemented a new program to assist rural residents to become successful home owners.

In addition to its direct housing loan program, the federal agency is now authorized to guarantee commercial loans to purchase single-family housing. "This expands our ability to provide financing for homes in rural areas," notes FmHA State Director Sox Johnson.

Under this new program, FmHA guarantees a loan made by a qualified lender against a percentage of possible loss. Loans may be made by any lender, including state housing agencies, which is approved as a mortgage for federal housing mortgage insurance. Additionally, lenders approved by FmHA, the Federal National Mortgage Association ("Fannie Mae"), or the Farm Credit System may qualify for the program.

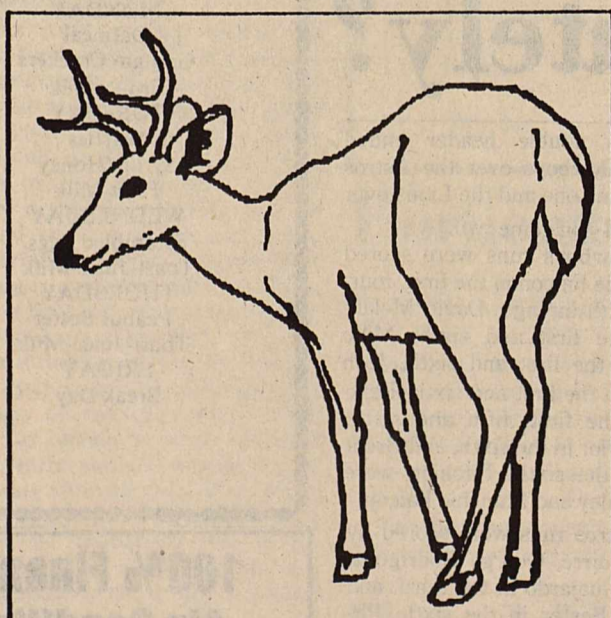
FmHA is authorized to guarantee up to \$100 million in loans for single-family homes during the current fiscal year. This assistance is available for new or existing rural housing, located on individual tracts or in subdivisions, according to the State Director.

Many rural residents eligible for direct FmHA loan assistance may also qualify for the guaranteed loan program. Applicants with low to moderate incomes may be eligible for loan guarantees, and low-income applicants may qualify for the agency's interest assistance program, which brings down the cost of the monthly payment.

Applicants must be without safe, decent and sanitary housing and unable to obtain a loan without the FmHA guarantees at rates and terms

they can reasonably be expected to repay. "Loans may be guaranteed for up to 100 percent of the cost of acquiring the house," said the State Director, who added that these are 30-year, fixed-rate mortgages.

Individuals interested in the new guaranteed loan program should contact their commercial lenders or the local Farmers Home Administration County Supervisor.



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Meditations

by Preston Taylor

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150,000 people of London died from the disease and 10 million citizens of India died from Black Death in early years of this century.

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Faith in the living God is an antidote for a lonely existence. The Eternal Lord cares for you and me. The Incarnation (Jesus' coming in

flesh--"en carne") the Cross, and the Resurrection shows that God is involved in the human situation. Trust Him.

Build a bridge from your island to another person and cross that bridge. Refuse to close your doors to the outside world. Open some windows and let fresh air and sunshine come into your life. Take the initiative. Someone needs you as desperately as you need companionship with others. Stop your hermit selfishness. We are made for fellowship. Try it.

Find a worthwhile interest, a noble task. Explore, search, struggle. Don't succumb to bad circumstances. Do not be shackled and imprisoned by a humdrum world. God offers an exciting life in an exciting world in this exciting day.

The plague of loneliness does not have to claim another victim. Prove it.

St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church

By DORTHY PAYNE Brackett News Staff Reporter

May 16 is Pentecost Sunday, a liturgical feast among the Jews and the Christians.

Among the Jews, it is a harvest feast and is celebrated about the seventh week after the Passover or Pasch. This feast later commemorated the promulgation of the Ten Commandments on Mount Sinai.

The Christian celebration falls on the seventh Sunday after Easter. It commemorates the descent of the

Holy Ghost upon the Apostles. It is a harvest-feast of Christ, since on that day Christ's apostles, through the power of the Holy Ghost, lost their fear, went forth and preached courageously, and baptized thousands - a great harvest for the early church.

This feast is also called Whitsunday, because the Vigil of Pentecost was a day for the baptism of converts, who wore white (or white) garments on Pentecost Sunday. The color of the mass vestments for Pentecost is red.

Frontier Baptist Church

by Joe Townsend

Frontier Baptist Church is an ideal place to touch hearts with other Christians and have fellowship with God. The sole purpose of Frontier

Baptist Church is to offer an opportunity for worship of our God. The fellowship is extraordinary and the worship is a communion with our

Heavenly Father. Singing of familiar and loved gospel songs and hearts joining in prayer set the stage for a Gospel message from the Word of God. Every person present is richly blessed. The congregation and pastor of Frontier Baptist Church issue each person in this area to come and be blessed.

The Bible Says

"So each of us shall give account of himself to God." So much of the time all people live as though God is hiding in the closet and doesn't know what they do. Even when we soberly face the fact God sees and knows, we act as though it is insignificant. Our actions and suppositions have no bearing on God disregarding us and our actions. He not only knows and cares but will call us to account, "for every idle word," He says. Just to think that one must give account

unto God for every act boggles one's mind. The only peace of mind to be found is the knowledge that when God looks at the account sheet the billing will be marked, "Paid in full" for every person who has placed his

faith in Jesus Christ the Son of God. Each of us must give account and without Jesus assuming the debt any person must bear his own sin, "So each of us shall give account of himself to God." Rom. 14:12.

Church Directory



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

FCS Ladies Luncheon Programs End In 'Style'



Kathy Johnston & Rozetta Pingenot.

Brackett News Contributing Writer

FORT CLARK SPRINGS--A "Summer Fashion Show" on May 8th was the grand finale for the season of ladies luncheon programs, wrapping them up with "style" until

September.

The summer fun fashions were provided by the Style Shop of Eagle Pass. Co-owners of the Style Shop, Carolyn Pogue and her mother,

Clara Spence represented the Style Shop and assisted the models.

Brackettville's own models presented the summer fun fashions. The models were: Kathy Johnson, Pat Callnan, Betty Krischler, Rozetta Pingenot, Molly Schroeder, Wendy Lampkin, Molly Ardrey and Evelyn Whitely.

Ladies Luncheons will be held through the summer, every second Wednesday of the month. Programs will begin again in September.

U.S. Armed Forces Day

Brackett News Contributing Writer

Armed Forces Day is a day designated in the United States to honor the nation's military services. In the United States, May 18th is celebrated.

In 1949, the Department of Defense, as part of its unification of the services, eliminated Navy Day, Army Day, and Air Force Day and created a single period to honor all the armed forces. This is the third Saturday in May each year.

Open house is held at most military installations for public visiting and this week culminates on Saturday, which is Armed Forces Day, with parades and appropriate ceremonies. To make it possible to give emphasis in turn to each major service, the Army, Navy, and Air Force rotate annually as host force in each of the main military areas of the United States.

Governors of many states and mayors of principal cities have joined in honoring the services by proclaiming observance of Armed Forces Day in their areas.

The Navy League of the United States continues to celebrate Navy Day October 27th of each year, and the Marines celebrate Marine Day on November 10th.

SR-2 Simulator

Brackett News Contributing Writer

No fearsome beast...this SR2. This entertainment simulator, scheduled to be at Plaza del Sol Mall May 22 - June 1, provides passengers with stomach-lurching experience of Roller Coaster and Bob Sled rides as well as Sportscar Racing.

Using Sight, Sound, Wind, and Motion, the computer operated machine begins to move back and forth, tilt up and down, and lean right and left on its hydraulic pistons. "It moves in synchronism with the film sequences shown on the screen," said S. R. Spencer, owner. Shaped like a large, wheel-less space age van, the SR2 seats 12 passengers. Once the passengers are buckled in, the hatch is shut, and the screen at the front of the vehicle blips on, and the THRILL begins.

Mall Manager Blanca G. Larson, said that the mall had been trying to get the SR2 to the mall for the past three years.

"Their popularity and demand makes it hard to schedule smaller markets."



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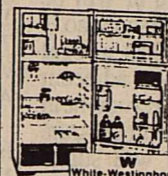
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MISSING

Framed antique tapestry, approximately 2 1/2 feet by 4 feet. This item was donated to the library expansion program for auction at the dinner-dance. It disappeared after the auction Saturday night.

No questions asked if the tapestry is returned to the K.C. Library or The Brackett News.

Plaza Del Sol Mall

This May you could win a trip to CANCUN, MEXICO for two

FOR MOMS

A weekend for two at Holiday Inn at Market Square with tickets to SEA WORLD for two adults and two children.

FOR BRIDES

A Honeymoon at the Radisson Resort in SOUTH PADRE ISLAND

FOR GRADS

A weekend at the Radisson Resort in SOUTH PADRE ISLAND (To be given away at Civic Center on Grad night)

Pick up your registration forms at any Mall store for the trips. Registration May 1 thru May 25 - Trips to be given away May 27 at 5 P.M.

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