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Brackettville, Fort Clark, Spofford, and Kinney County, Texas

August 26, 1993

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

## **Council Favors Interlocal Agreement**

The Brackettville City Council met in a special session Monday evening, August 23, with Mayor Carmen Berlanga and Council Members Larry Moore, Ralph Gonzalez, Mary Flores and Julie Fuentes

Mayor Berlanga informed the citizens present that Council Member Flores asked for the special meeting and invited her to speak.

Mrs. Flores said citizens had expressed concern to her about the 1993-94 city budget not including funds for police protection. She mentioned that the council had rejected an interlocal agreement with the Kinney County Sheriff's Office earlier and she was now reconsidering that decision.

After a period of open discussion by council members and the public, Councilman Larry Moore moved to consider an interlocal agreement with the sheriff's department, and to amend the 1993-94 budget to accommodate the expenditure, effective October 1, 1993. The motion carried with Council Members Moore, Gonzalez, and Flores voting for it, and Fuentes voting against it.

The meeting was then adjourned on a motion made by Mrs. Flores which carried.

## **BISD Adopts Budget Sets Meeting To Discuss Tax Rate**

The Brackett Independent School District Board met in a special session Monday evening, August 23 with the following members present: Jimmy Bader, Lloyd Lee Davis, Stan Conoly, Jim McDaniel, Gloria Garcia, and Lingo Sandoval.

After hearing proposals for a policy of Employee Health Benefits, 1993-94, the board elected to stay with the plan through .Texas Association of School Boards

The 1993-94 Student Handbook was reviewed and adopted.

The budget for 1993-94 was adopted and a meeting was scheduled for 5:30 p.m., Friday, August 27, to discuss the effective tax rate (BISD Property Tax Rates appears in this issue of The Brackett News.)

The TASB Board Policy Manual Update #44 was also discussed.

## **Eat With The Boosters** Watch The Scrimmage

When you come to the Tiger football scrimmage against Crystal City Friday night, August 27, plan to eat with the Tiger Booster Club. The scrimmage starts at 7:00 p.m. and the Tiger Booster Club will be selling sandwiches, cup cakes, and cold drinks from the concessions stand in plenty of time for you to get seated by the kick-off.

Those plans were formulated at the Booster Club meeting Monday evening, August 23, in the High School Library where Manuel Pena presided.

Memberships are being taken by the Booster Club at \$7.50 individual

all athletes are especially encouraged to participate...however, membership is not limited to parents...all interested persons are eligible...even retired coaches and newspaper editors.

The Tiger Booster Club supports all athletics in all grades!

The Boosters voted to accept the opportunity to serve a Spaghetti Dinner on Wednesday, September 29, in connection with the BISD Open House to meet the teachers.

The next Tiger Booster Club meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 20, 6:30 p.m., High School Library. You'll be home in time for Monday night football.

Emma's retiring! After 45 years, she's ready to do other things with her life. Emma has been part of the legacy of Brackett ISD for almost half a century. She began work in 1948 as a Secretary for the Superintendent of Schools--C.O. McKinney. She moved to a different position in 1982 under principal Bill Johnson--High School Secretary. It is this position that Emma will leave as of August 31. We'll miss her!

The Castro family has lived in Brackettville for many years. Emma's dad was a civil service employee at Fort Clark Commissary. He retired about the time that the Fort was closed in 1944. Emma was married to George Swaim who hailed from North Carolina and worked for the railroad. He passed away in 1974. Emma's kids are all those great nieces and nephews and all the school kids. She fondly recalls that at Brackett ISD she could watch the kids when they started school, and she watched them closely as they finished high school at BHS. Today, one of her finest moments is when a former student comes in to give her a big hug as they recall days gone by. Emma comes from a big family.

Two sisters live in Brackettville: Carrie Garcia--who is Gloria Jimenez's mom and Derengowski--who Negrete's grandmother. She has a sister--Rebecca Terrazas in San Antonio. A sister, Mary Jane Talamantez, and one brother Ahart Castro, live in Chicago. One sister passed away this past year--Antoinette Converse. Five sisters and one brother made up this super Castro

Emma Swaim has seen lots of change. She worked directly for Superintendents McKinney, Flory and Wills. She worked directly for Principals Bill Johnson, Lee Schermerhorn, Bobby McCall and Don



## The Emma Swaim Story

Sims. Emma also worked for the most recent BISD Superintendents: Bobby McCall and Steve Mills. She has nice things to say about her em-ployers and has been a loyal employee. She talks about what has changed...lots more bookwork...all the reports, lots of paper and books. Emma tells about TEA reports from Bob McCall's days which were apparently brown paper envelopes. Said Emma, "Bob used to tell me don't bring me any more of those brown papers. I have enough to keep busy." She says that one of the major changes at BISD was the conversion to computers from

typewriters. Listen to this, world. According

By Taylor Stephenson to Emma, the kids haven't changed. She will always remember them as being real good kids. "I never had problems with kids...they were always very respectful. Some of my kids went away and came back as teachers." She points out this fact proudly such as Chuck and Connie Hall. She also brags about the teachers. What will you remember the most Emma? Really good teachers! "I'm going to miss it for sure. I sure won't miss the interruptions. No more absence or tardy slips! No more students interrupting when you had to meet a deadline."

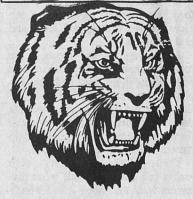
Emma is a walking BISD history book. We need to capture her life on video tape for the school library.

Can Your Horse Run? Enter The Labor Day Race

We'll lose this when she goes. I hope that Emma will take the time to write the history of BISD. She knows it because she lived it. I don't frankly know if she'll have time. She says she will visit family--"one of the first things that I'll do. I have a wedding of a niece in San Antonio in October. This spring, I'll go to Chicago and visit." She'll wait until it's not so cold in Chicago. She encourages the ex-students to come see her. "Stay in contact," Emma says, "I'll always remember you."

Some of the interesting changes noted by Emma: improvements in buildings. She remembers working in an office above the boiler room in the old junior high...mice were running all over the place. She tells lots of good stories about moving-such as from the 2-story building where Jones Elementary is now. Then, she moved back to the old Junior High again. When Jones Elementary was finished, she moved in there. Mr. Wills had an office there. She was in the outer office, and so was the elementary principal. She is very proud of the buildings and thinks this is the area of greatest school improvement.

Well, what can we say? Forty-five years is a great career. She succinctly says: "I had lots of happy times, not too many sad ones; I enjoyed my work." To be able to walk away with compliments for the kids and teachers is even more remarkable. She says every administrator's name with utmost respect. I believe that's the thing that I like. the most about her. I think Emma loved her job and would have taken you to task in a hurry for saying anything bad about her boss. That's a great quality in a grand lady. Emma, thanks for a job well done. You made a difference for the kids, teachers, administrators, and school patrons for 45 years. Great job! Thanks for the memory, Emma.



## **Original Expermiment**

Connie Hall's classes were challenged to develop original experiments. This class chose to develop animal cells using gelatin. Results were great! Shown left, Daniel Hernandez, who worked on his own. As a team the four on the right, James Burks, Steven Hagler, Zachary Davis, and Cody Joe Williams, also scored high.

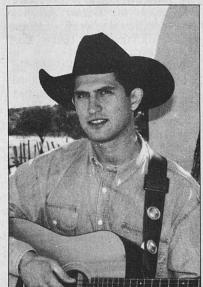


**Grass Fire** 

Friday afternoon, August 20, the Brackettville Volunteer Fire Depar-

tment answered a call to a grass fire a large number of acres of fourteen miles east of Brackettville. grassland, even jumping Highway The fire was contained after burning

90 in places.



Sergio Salinas

Round up friends and family on Labor Day and come to Alamo Village Movie Location, FM Hwy. 674 for the 33rd Annual Labor Day Cowboy Horse Races.

Bring your horse, enter it in the Labor Day Cowboy Horse Races which will begin immediately following the Texas Style Barbecue at noon. At 5:00 p.m. a trophy will be awarded the winner of the Championship Race.

All races will be run down Front Street of the famed movie location. No stud horses, please.

Guest Star Kelly Kenning and the Rockin' Horse Riders Band, featuring Andy Perez on guitar and Clyde Hepline on bass, will be entertaining from the front porch of the

## **Frerich Graduates** From ASU

Brackettville student Bonnie M Frerich was among the 231 students who received degrees during summer commencement at Angelo State University, San Angelo.

Miss Frerich received a Bachelor of Business Administration, Magna Cum Laude, with a major in accounting.



creations in western music and

be interspersed throughout the day

and world famous trick roper Kevin

Fitzpatrick will provide action with

Shop in air conditioned stores,

browse through the eighteen walk-in

buildings, and be sure to take time

to enjoy Happy Shahan's "John

Mexican food, burgers, san-

dwiches and salads will be available

Gunfights and cannon firing will

songs they have written.

his fancy and trick roping.

Wayne Museum."

## **Kevin Fitzpatrick**

Throughout the day, the Alamo all day in the Cantina along with ice Village Originals featuring vocalist cream, soft drinks, and ice tea. Keep a sharp eye out for recor-Amber Leigh on piano, Daniel Hobbs on bass, Blake Lewis on lead ding artist Sergio Salinas, producersongwriter Gene Poag, and Theresa guitar, Rodney Belasquez on rhythm, and J. J. Guidry on drums Bellamy, a beautiful lady from Tenwill be presenting their own

nessee with a beautiful voice. You might also see stars and production notables already on the set preparing to start shooting a production scheduled for immediate

filming at the Village. One of the friendliest visits you could have is a chat with Cowboy Poet Dave Crow who also officates

as the town marshall. The gates open at 9:00 a.m. for a full day of top notch entertainment. Step back into yesteryear, spend the day at the Alamo Village Movie. Location.

## **Notice To Former BISD School Board Members:**

Emma Swaim is retiring after 45 years of service to BISD. You are invited to a luncheon at the High School Library on Tuesday, August 31, at noon, to honor Mrs. Swaim. Please attend as BISD's guests.

## Sheriff's Corner

By Sheriff Norman H. Hooten



We have been kept busy this past week on what we consider to be routine duties; domestic disputes, disturbing the peace, minor assault complaints, and drunks in public. Chief Deputy Johnny Fritter was called out at 6:30 a.m. the morning of Sunday, August 22nd to investigate a report of a drunk passed out in the doorway of a local grocery store and upon his arrival arrested a 25 year old black male who gave an address in New York. The man was just "Passing through" according to his statement and succumbed to the influence of a more than adequate amount of alcohol contained in either beer or wine. He was transported to the County Jail and booked on charges of Public Intoxication. He was tried in Justice Court on Monday before Justice of the Peace Alvin Hall, found guilty, and fined \$100.00 plus costs of court. He was then given credit for time served and released with advice to "travel on down the road." Though I usually wait for the con-

clusion of the fiscal year to make my annual report on cost vs. income of operations at the Sheriff's Office and County Jail, the fact that the Commissioners Court is currently in the process of holding Budget Workshops involving the difficult task of preparing and setting the County budget for FY '93 - '94 would seem to be a good time for a preliminary report on our BASIC jail operations. I will still issue a final report on cost vs. income of our total operations later this year after the current fiscal year concludes on September 30, 1993.

Please keep in mind that the preliminary report contained herein is a BASIC report based on known figures for expense and income. some estimated figures, and lacking some others that will not be available until the conclusion of this fiscal year. We cannot issue a report

Big Mama

Sez!

on ACTUAL and complete expenditures and income until we have all the figures. With that in mind I have presented an accounting of operations through July, 1993, on known basic figures and estimated figures for the months of August and September. Also keep in mind that this accounting DOES NOT include the operations expenditures for the Criminal Law Enforcement Divison of the Sheriff's Office, this accounting will be presented in my final report expected to be sometime in October, 1993.

Through the month of July, 1993, a total of 19,820 meals were prepared and served at the County Jail since October 1, 1992 at an average cost of \$1.87 per meal. The meals served at the County Jail must meet strict minimum requirements in nutritional value set by the Texas Commission on Jail Standards and our menus are inspected and approved quarterly by a licensed physician with an overall inspection annually by an inspector of the TJC during our annual jail inspection. We estimate, based on current inmate numbers at the jail, that an additional 3,964 meals will be prepared and served at the jail by the end of this fiscal year.

During the ten months from October 1, 1992, through July 1993, we expended a total of \$36,775.73 on food item purchases at the jail and an additional \$5,854.82 on non-food item purchases such as cleaning aids and other essential items related to prisoner care and maintenance of the kitchen area.

Estimated costs for the salaries and fringe benefits for seven (7) Jailer/Dispatchers and one (1) Dietician at the County Jail from October 1, 1992 thru July, 1993 was \$85,800.00 with estimated costs for utilities and phone at \$15,000.00 for the same period. We had some repair and construction costs at the

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jail that I do not yet have all the figures on but will have by the time of my final report. For better understanding of these figures I have recapped the BASIC County Jail operational costs and income from federal prisoner care from October 1, 1992 thru July, 1993 below:

## **RE-CAP**

MEALS SERVED	\$19,800.00
FOOD ITEM PURCHASES	\$36,775.73
NON-FOOD ITEM PURCHASES	\$5,854.82
UTILITIES/PHONE	\$15,000.00
SALARIES/FRINGE BENEFITS	\$85,800.00
TOTAL	\$163,230.55
INCOME/FEDERAL PRISONERS	\$134,460.00
NET COST TO COUNTY	\$28,770.55

Thus, based on a basic average for both costs and income for the first ten months of FY 92-93 we should finish out this fiscal year somewhere in the neighborhood of the figures shown below:

ESTIMATED EXPENSES (County Jail) \$195,876.00 ESTIMATED INCOME (federal prisoners)

ESTIMATED NET COST TO COUNTY \$34,524.66

As I said before, these figures DO NOT include the costs of our Criminal Law Enforcement operations which will include all those areas directly related and charged out to the CLE Division, which includes the salaries and fringe benefits of the Sheriff, Chief Deputy, and one (1) Patrol Deputy.

At the risk of sounding like I'm

trying to make excuses for this year's lower federal prisoner care income, I'll go ahead and make one. We were basically shut down at the County Jail for two months while much needed repairs were being made to various sections of the jail and, while some of our expenses related directly to prisoner care were lower, the other mandatory expenses such as salaries, fringe benefits, utilities, phone, etc. were still in effect. We have a quota from the Bureau of Prisons on federal inmate numbers (23 daily) and we try to maintain that number if at all possible due to the \$30.00 per manday fee we are paid for federal prisoner care. However, outside factors beyond our control such as the weather (wintertime), holidays, and other similar factors sometimes affects the number of prisoners available to be designated to the County Jail by the BOP. All we can do is maintain a good, secure facility that meets the strict minimum str dards for jail operation set by both the state and federal governments and provide the best possible professional staff to maintain security, supervision, and control over jail inmates. With those factors

plus years the federal prisoner care program at the County Jail has worked well to the benefit of all involved, including the county taxpayers. When one considers the fact that it would cost at least \$160,000.00 annually to maintain a state certified county jail operation in Kinney County with NO INCOME, the net cost to the County estimated for this year at \$34,524.66 is actually a savings to the County and the County taxpayer of an estimated \$125,475.34. Sometimes we have a much higher actual income than that received so far this year and that, of

present along with the good

relations we have maintained with

the U.S. Marshals Office and the

Bureau of Prisons over the past ten

an even greater savings to the tax-THAT'S ALL!

course, cuts down on the net cost for

## The Sullivan Sheet by Rick Sullivan

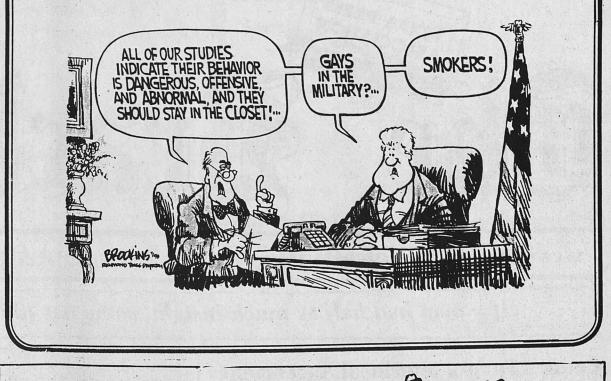
NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE PRE-SEASON SPREADS

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Chiefs	4	PATRIOTS		
BILLS	61/2	Falcons		
BENGALS	1	Eagles		
Browns	51/2	BUCS		
PACKERS	3	Colts		
REDSKINS	7	Jets		
Cowboys	1	BEARS		
CARDS	1	Broncos		
SAINTS	1	Lions		
SATURDAY, AUGUST 28, 1993				
DOLPHINS	2	Giants		
OILERS	9	Seahawks		
49ERS *	8	Chargers		
Raiders	21/2	RAMS		
VIVINICO				

## NGS 1 Steelers ©1993 by King Features Synd. **Driving Tests** License Renewal

An officer from the Texas Department of Public Safety will be at the County Courtroom, Kinney County Court House, each 1st and 3rd Thursday and each 5th Thursday, during the normal working hours of county offices.

The officer will be available to give driving tests, or to renew drivers licenses.



## Between Us

By Joe Townsend



The City Council is considering an interlocal agreement to have a verified police force. This is an action long overdue.

Last year the City paid \$21,000 for a police officer. Then there were the perks. Insurance, workmens Comp., cost of car equipped with a camcorder, gasoline, mechanical up keep and on and on including "comp time" paid on demand to the officer though technically he should not have had any.

If the City could work out a program with the County there could be great savings to the taxpayers of the City. Faced with increased water, gas, sewage and land fill rates, the taxpayers deserve consideration when it comes to spending by the City Council.

TAKING AUSTIN OUT OF AUSTIN

Serving as governor of Texas is

the greatest job in the world. But as

much as I enjoy coming to work

every day in our magnificent state

capital, the best part of the job

policy makers and bureaucrats who

supply me with information and ad-

vice here in Austin, I learn more

when I'm out on the road looking in

the faces of real Texans. When I

talk to people in Muleshoe, Sulphur

Springs, Brownsville or Pineland I

know that I am getting the straight

story on how government works, or

every other state employee -- work

for. This is where government ser-

vices intersect with real lives and

told of instance after instance in

which someone has had an un-

pleasant experience or lack of atten-

tion from the government their tax

dollars support. When I hear about

these problems, I come back to

reality tell public officials what tax-

payers want and need -- and what's

So it seems to me that it is time to

get the decision-makers in Austin

out to meet the people of this state

and to listen to them. It's time to

I am initiating a program we are

calling Capital for a Day, where all

the state agencies and offices will

set up shop in different county seats

around the state. We're going to

kick it off in Carthage, in Panola

On September 2, 1993, Texas

state government will operate out of

work efficiently for all Texans.

public forum in the evening.

people of this country.

These close encounters with

Austin and try to find a solution.

truly important to them.

take Austin out of Austin.

county.

Carthage.

Austin.

As I travel around Texas, I am

These are the people that I -- and

doesn't work.

real problems.

Because for all the experts, all the

comes in traveling around Texas.

because of violations of City ordinances would more than reimburse the City for the money contributed to the verified force. This would mean cost to the taxpayers would be negative. There is no question but that one

Fees generated by the verified

police force but accruing to the City

coordinated force would be more efficient than a lone ranger type of police chief. Officers would be accountable to the sheriff rather than operate as a loose cannon.

The present Sheriff Department has done ninety percent of criminal investigation for the City and County in recent years. It is hoped the City Council will as speedily as possible conclude an interlocal agreement. This is even more im-

## **GOVERNOR'S** REPORT



together to get this economy moving. We've already proven that. We passed a budget this year that

meets the basic needs of the people of this state and we did it with no new taxes. Last year we led the nation in new jobs created -over 50,000 -- and we've reduced the crime rate statewide.

All of this tells me that Texans can work together for a common good. That's why I know that Republicans and Democrats are going to be eager to join me in this Capital for a Day effort.

This program can bring some much needed local perspective to every decision made in Austin. And local control has always worked best in Texas. Just as I expect local school boards to know what's best for the students in their community, I believe the citizens of Carthage can best tell our Transportation Commission members what's important in Panola County.

Local participation will be critical to the success of this program. But I don't expect that to be a problem. If there's one thing I've learned traveling this state, it's that the people of Texas are not shy about telling you what's on their minds.

portant in view of the fact the budget of the City for next year seeks to buy two trucks and a "staff car" and have no police.

## LETTER TO EDITOR

On Wednesday, August 11th, I went looking for City Councilman Larry Moore, and caught up with him at the Memorial Clinic, where I asked him if he would please give hair cuts to two needy young boys. Immediately he said he would, and not to worry about the hair cut fees. He also offered to cut the boys hair during the school year, if needed.

At 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, August 12th, I stopped at Mr. Moore's barber shop to check on the haircuts, and sure enough, one of the boys was already beaming with his new hair cut. At that time, Councilman Ralph Gonzales was also at. the shop, and asked me if the two boys already had clothes for school. No, I answered, but I will be driving into Del Rio today after 4:00 p.m., and would try my best to find them clothes and shoes for their first day of school, which was the following day, Friday 13th.

Mr. Gonzales offered to talk to someone who could also help us. At 10:30 a.m., he came to my place of employment and informed me that a group of ladies from the United Methodist Church needed the boys' sizes for clothes and shoes, because they were going to Del Rio at 3:00 p.m. to shop for needy children of this community. (The ladies also asked Mr. Gonzales to please search for other needy children's names and sizes. Mr. Gonzales successfully contacted several families.)

"My" two young boys received two sets of clothing each, which included jeans, shirts, underwear, socks, tennis shoes and all the school supplies they needed for the school year.

These two boys, Tony Rubio and Ricky Galvan, send their appreciation to these wonderful people: Mr. Moore, Mr. Gonzales and the ladies of the United Methodist Church.

I pray God's richest blessings on you. You have truly been a friend to this writer and to several other

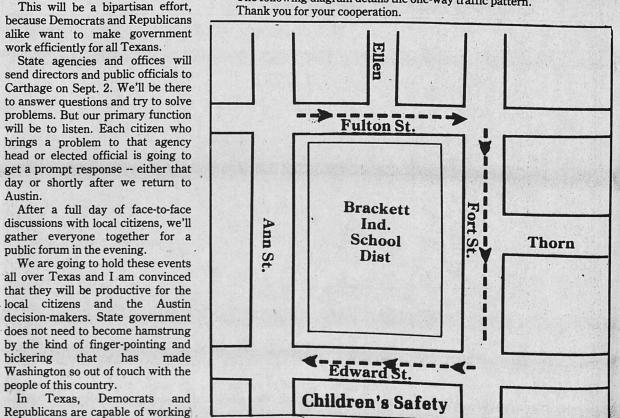
/s/Maria Elena Pena

## One-Way Streets

To safeguard the students population, motorists are asked to observe the one-way street traffic in the school area below as outlined.

Streets affected are Fulton, Fort and Edwards. The hours during which this one-way rule will apply are from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on school days.

The following diagram details the one-way traffic pattern. Thank you for your cooperation.



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!

The Brackett News welcomes letters to the Editor. The Editor reserves

the right to edit all letters submitted for length and context.

To many parents, youth is stranger than fiction.

PLEASE REMEMBERthat we attempt to include

Something for everyone within the pages of our paper. We-

realize that that some folks enjoy finding fault and for

those readers we thoughtfully include a socially acceptable

number of erors within our publication.

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## Library Notes



**Library Hours** 9:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M. Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday **Closed Tuesday** 

August is the time for hot weather and summer vacations. Speaking of vacations, I will be taking mine and will be gone from the library for a week August 30 through September 3. Be kind to Maria and don't work her too hard.

We have new books in the library. Check out The Red Horseman by Stephen Coonts, Without Remorse, the latest from Tom Clancy, The Silken Web in large print by Sandra Brown, and Bad Hand the new biography of Ranald S. Mackenzie.

Thanks to the generosity of Andre Bushart, who donated 27 new videos, and Joyce Bell, who donated one new video, our selection is rapidly growing. Some of the new video titles are Juggernaut with Omar Sharif, The Lion In Winter, Cry From The Mountain, Dri Jekyll and Mr. Hyde, and The Dresser. We also have the musical Gigi, Eugene O'Niell's Long Day's Journey Into Night, The Greatest Story Ever Told, Cecil B. DeMille's The Ten Commandments, Danny DeVito in Other People's Money, and Volume 1 of 1, Claudius. I know these will see a lot

Many thanks to Pat Callnan, Angie Meeks, Betty Koons, and everyone who donated books and magazines to the library this past week.

The library will be closed on Monday, September 6, for the Labor Day holiday.

## **Beta Sigma Phi Shows Community Spirit**

Beta Sigma Phi's community spirit was in full evidence Saturday morning, August 21, as this active group along with their ever-faithful husbands, cleaned their two mile stretch of Highway 90 east of Brackettvillle.

To avoid too much of the summer heat an early schedule was met by approximately 25 workers. The enticement was a hearty breakfast of hot homemade biscuits, mouth watering sausage-egg casseroles, sweet rolls, jams, juice and coffee that was waiting for the workers at the Frontier Baptist Church after working. Beta's good cookin' will get husbands out every time. Thanks, fellows!

Saturday's outing was the first work session on the second year of the 2-year contract the three chapters have with the Texas Highway Department's Adopt-A-Highway.

Chapter coordinators Dee Curry, Marge Geeze and Pat Callnan reported a successful morning of work and fellowship.



News Cap.



Genealogists and historians, the

library now has our very own

microfiche microfilm reader/printer.

This coin-operated printer is recon-

As always, we invite you to visit

the friendliest little library in Kinney

Kinney County Library

Staff & Volunteers

Bridge Anyone

The Fort Clark Springs Duplicate

Bridge Club met Tuesday, August

Eight pairs played the Howell

In a very close game, the first

place winners were Ann Hibler and

Betty Inman in a tie with Helen

There was a tie in second place

between Joyce Bell and Alice

Seargeant, and Mona Miller and

Dena Scott coming in only one point

Unsung Hero

There is a fine young man who

He is an exceptional student. He

is in the upper bracket academically.

He is a fine athlete who works hard

**TEXAS PRESS** 

was born in this community.

character

By NORMA GOULD

17, in Shafter Hall.

Lynch and Flo Stafford.

behind the winners.

Movement.

ditioned and is ready for your use.

**Ceramic Shop Hours** Sun. 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Sat: Noon to 5:00 p.m. Mon. 7:00 to 10:00 p.m.

**Ladies Exercise** 

Activity Center. Monday, 10 a.m. Wednesday 9:30 a.m. Friday 10 a.m.

Line Dance Class Thursday Nights, 7:00 p.m.

Around the Fort

Thursday Night Movie, Adult Center, 7:00 p.m. "To Kill A Mocking Bird"

August 26 **Ice Cream Social** Wednesday, August 25, 7:30 p.m.

**Adult Center** 

**NCO Club** 

Fish Fry And Dance Saturday, August 28

Dinner 5 to 7 p.m., Dance 7 to 11 p.m. DJ Music

Golf Club



Picnic spots throughout the Fort have been "spruced up" in anticipation of increased use at summer's end. This one is in the "Red Bridge/Lagoon" area.

Dallas.

## The Lions Roar

By Nakai Breen

The Lions Club attended a memorial service for Claude Owen at First Baptist Church. It is with great sadness in our hearts that we feel when one of our Lion comrades

He is popular with his peers. He is departs to the other side. friendly and well liked by all who Yet, it is with great honor that we feel that he was a great part of the He is a young man of outstanding Lions Club and our community. He was a very gentle person with a Surely Wil Shahan is an Unsung ready smile for every one and an

open hand to help any body. His duty as a Lion is unstained, he always stood ready to perform his

We thank him with our hearts and we pray for his eternal rest. To his family we say he is not gone, he just

## **ASSOCIATION** Please Note: Brackett News Policy

MEMBER

The Brackett News welcomes news from the community - births, engagements, weddings, deaths, club/organizations, church, family, etc. To assist us in getting information printed in an accurate and timely manner, please observe the following guidelines.

All items must be signed, with an address and/or telephone number for verification and/or clarification purposes only, and brought into The Brackett News office by noon on Tuesday.

Information that is mailed will be accepted if it is signed and reaches the paper by the deadline. If received after the deadline, consideration will be given to printing it the following week.

If it is important news to you, it is important news to us, and to our

## **Manuel Madrid**

Doesn't matter - easy or hard. Madrid knows this community. Actually, he was in The Brackett News office Friday afternoon to take a stab at identifying the mystery picture but had to wait until Monday morning to correctly do so (this hard-working editor gave herself a 1/2 day vacation Friday!)

He was right -- naturally. Naming the ventilator in the south (?) wall of the Masonic Temple (Appraisal office) earned Manuel another cap.

No opinion is offered on the degree of difficulty this week!

Where were you born: Uvalde, Texas. When is your birthday: July 29.

What is your favorite food: Stir fried vegetables with shrimp. What is your favorite

movie: Doctor Zhivago. What is your favorite book: The Power Of Positive Thinking, by Nor-

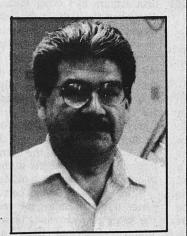
man V. Peale. How do your friends describe you: Too serious. Describe yourself: Easy

How long have you lived in Kinney County: Have worked here 3 years.

If you could go anywhere, where would you go: Rome.

If you could change Brackettville (Kinney County), how would you change it: More promotion of History of Brackettville and Fort Clark.

## Just For The Fun Of It



Felix G. Hernandez

What would you like to be if you could change your life: Work for the CIA.

## THINGS WITH HANDLES

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## **The Upstagers Present** My Fair Lady

Paul Poag Theatre August 27, 28, 8:00 P.M. Adults \$10.00

THANK YOU

Petra Terrazas would like to

thank Father David Zumaya and the

choir from Del Rio. I would also like

to thank the relatives who came

from out of town: San Antonio,

Washington, California, and friends

and relatives from Brackettville and

those that attended the mass and

reception for Petra Terrazas 96th

Bithday Celebration.

Texas.

Oklahoma,

Del Rio, Texas August 29, 2:00 P.M.

Students \$5.00 For tickets or information call 210-774-3277

## **Tri-County Tourism Association Organized** A group of citizens from Real, Edwards, and Uvalde counties have

banded together to promote tourism in the following communities: Leakey, Rio Frio, Rocksprings, Carta Valley and towns in the Nueces Canyon area - Camp Wood, Barksdale, Montell, Vance and Bullhead. Their first fund raising project will be Saturday, September 18, at the

American Legion Hall in downtown Camp Wood..."1st Annual Tri-County Tourism Association Domino Tournament." Tournament partners from area towns are invited to participate by

mailing a \$10.00 registration fee (per player) to Charlene Cox, Box 235, Camp Wood TX 78833 no later than September 15.

Players are asked to bring their own dominoes and scoring equipment. There will be no refunds; however, if a partner has to cancel out, his/her partner may subsitute for another partner.

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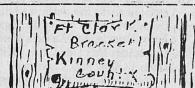
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## Community Calendar



AA: Mondays, 8 p.m., Slator Hall, 109 W. James St. Al-Anon: CAN HELP. Call 563-9205 for time & location of meetings.

Altar Society: 1st Monday, 5:30 p.m., Parish Hall. Band Booster Club: 1st Tuesday, 7 p.m., High School Band Hall. Mountain Laurel Garden Club: 2nd Thursday. Call 563-9692. BISD School Board: 2nd Monday, 6:30 p.m., School Board Room.

**Beta Sigma Phi** R of J Beta Epsilon Omicron (Sept-May) 1st & 3rd Monday, 7 p.m. 1st & 3rd Monday, 7 p.m. **Preceptor Theta Sigma** (Sept-May)

(all year) Laureate Iota Epsilon 3rd Monday, 7 p.m. Thursdays, 9:30, Golf Club **Book Club** Chamber of Commerce: 2nd Thursday, 7:30 p.m., Cavalry Room. City Council: 2nd Tuesday, 7 p.m., Slator Hall.

Commissioners Court: 2nd Monday, 9 a.m., Court House. Del Rio Christian Women's Club: 1st Wednesday, 12 Noon, Laughlin's AFB. Reservations required.

FCS Pot Luck Supper: 3rd Wednesday, 6:30 p.m., NCO Club. Bring covered dish, plates and utensils. Drivers License: 1st, 3rd, & Last Thursdays, 9 a.m. - 12 Noon; 1 - 3 p.m.

Court House. Duplicate Bridge: Tuesday, 7 p.m., Shafter Hall.

FCS Art Club: Work days Monday and Saturday 11 a.m., Meeting 1st

Monday, 1 p.m., Art Studio. FCS Community Council: 2nd Saturday, 10 a.m., Shafter Hall. FCS Board of Directors: 3rd Saturday, 9 a.m., Board Room. FCS Historical Society: 4th Saturday, 10 a.m., Shafter Hall.

FCS Museum/Sutler's Store: Saturday & Sunday, 1-4 p.m. FCS Ladies Luncheon: 2nd Wednesday, Noon, Las Moras Restaurant. Make reservations at Adult Center.

FCS VFW Post #8360 & Auxiliary: 4th Wednesday, 6 p.m., Pot Luck, 7 p.m. Meeting, NCO Club.

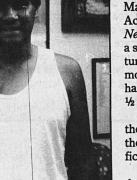
FCS Bingo: Friday, 7:30 p.m., Shafter Hall.

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 library for information.

KC Historical Preservation Society: 4th Thursday, 7 p.m., Court House. KC Kickers: 2nd and 4th Thursdays, 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 #444: 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. Shriners: 4th Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., Las Moras Restaurant. Rotary Club: Every Thursday, 12 Noon, Las Moras Restaurant. Methodist Ladies Luncheon: 3rd Wednesday, Noon, Slator Hall. Please make reservations.

Creative Writing Group: Fridays, 9:30 a.m., Golf Club Snack Bar.



**Identify** 

The Picture

The first person to come by The

Brackett News and correctly identify

this picture will be given a Brackett

## **Never Ending Saga**

The never ending saga of the struggles of the fine folks of Querecho Flats never ceases to amaze me.

Since Arlo's fall from grace (due to his stupid election campaign), Rosilee's public display of nonaffection and complete denial of ever having anything to do with Arlo, and the pert-near lawyers from Prunieville leaving with the threat of death on their minds, things have leveled out to a mild stampede.

The kids are getting ready to go back to school, the Kortman County fair, rodeo and fist fight is still scheduled for the same week end in August and Karl, Garlan, Juan and myself are back to our old tricks.

Yep, boredom is a sorry state of mind.

Karl got a new computer and we had to try it out.

We were sitting around trying to figure our how to use it to create hate and discontent when Juan came up with the perfect solution.

Actually, he was just sitting there playing with all the neat programs when he accidentally discovered he could print up a really official looking document.

From the moment he discovered his hidden talents, we have had a

We rigged up an official looking letter from the "Soft As Butter Hand Moisturizer Company."

Yep, it looked official and when I sent it to one of my publisher friends in New York, it really looked official because of the New York post mark.

I called and explained to my friend that we had a few ladies (so called) in Querecho Flats that needed to be entertained for a couple of weeks and we figured this letter would do the trick (literally).

I sent him the letter from Logaville and he sent it back to the

Querecho Flats Quilting Quorum. Lucky for me he's as sick as the rest of us, cause he went to the trouble of making up a letter head for the envelope just like we had on the letter.

The letter looked pretty official even if I do say so myself. It looked and read like this:

Soft As Butter Hand Moisturizer A Creamy Company Of The East Box 281 **Apple NY 12345** 

900-555-4303 To Whom It May Concern: Ladies, we will be sending a field

representative to your fair village in search of the lady with the most perfect hands and facial complexion in hopes of signing a major contract with the lucky lady for the purposes of advertising our new skin moisturizer and wart remover.

We are a new company and we believe this product is the essence of perfection when it comes to softening the skin and removal of those insightly warts. We have also discovered that when used extensively it can do away with that unsightly facial hair also.

We will have the exact time and date that we will arrive by next week, and will notify you as soon as possible. If you are interested in this new product and are willing to try and become "Miss" or "Ms." Butter Skin, please write us and confirm your interest in this great new product as well as your interest in becoming the spokesperson for the Creamy Company Of The East.

Thank you, Milkdon Clabbered (Official Pres.)

Little did we know this letter was fixing to cause a war of the women that could go down in history as the "Mother of all Women Wars."

(To be continued)

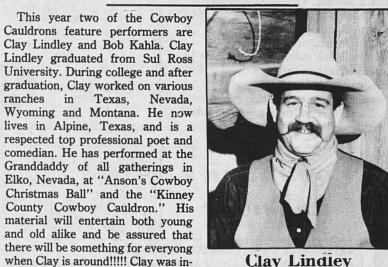
## **Chamber Chatter**

**Kinney County** Chamber Of Commerce



Howdy Kinney County, Your Chamber of Commerce has a really big show planned. But first, I want to remind you all to be sure and get your raffle tickets. For only \$1.00 you could win an original Western water color painting by Allyn Ger-

many of Del Rio, Texas. Our second prize is a \$200.00 gift certificate from Western World in Del Rio. Remember, you cannot win without a ticket. Oh, you can get your tickets at Davis Hardware, Sunshine Garden Center, The Jug Store, or Fort Clark M.U.D.



Clay Lindley

field. He win be a mainstay at the Cauldron as long as he wants to keep making the people of Kinney County laugh.



strumental in organizing the first

Kinney County Cowboy Cauldron.

He keeps us advised as to new and

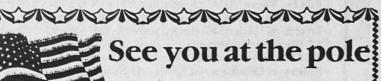
upcoming talent in the cowboy poet

Bob Kahla

Plan to attend and have an enjoyable weekend.

Bob Kahla is a fourth generation cowboy from Southeast Texas. He grew up on a ranch where his father had a rodeo string, so riding broncs and bulls came naturally. Bob is a cowboy, horse trainer, poet and story teller in Stowell, Texas. He is also the volunteer cowboy for the Beaumont ISD where he enjoys being a role model for children. His poetry and songs demonstrate that a tough cowboy can be literate and

sensitive. Students in Bracket ISD are writing poems and drawing pictures for display at the Cauldron. Some of our students may have the opportunity to try their hand at cowboy poetry or storytelling during Bob's performance. Cowboy Student artwork, stories and poems will be displayed around the Civic Center throughout the Cowboy Cauldron September 17th & 18th.



That's Wednesday, September 15, 7:00 a.m. Young people at Brackett High School. Adults at Kinney County Courthouse. See You At The Pole!

Chronicles Of Fort Clark, Texas By Donald A. Swanson (To run in installments)

## US. Army's Seminole Negro-Indian Scouts Installment #2

During the first eight months of the Fort Clark Detachment, the number of scouts remained at twenty-two but the commanding officers changed rather frequently. September 1872, Lieutenant G.W. Raddyke, then next came a Lieutenant Gerhard, but he only lasted a month (January 1877). Lieutenant Cranston was next but by February, he was replaced by Lieutenant Raddyke for second try at commanding.

Lieutenant Raddyke relinquished the command to Lieutenant Leopold Parker, 4th Cavalry, who was also Fort Clark Post Adjutant and Post Signal Officer.

May 1873 was a high point in Fort Clark's history and the detachment of the Seminole Negro. Indian Scouts. Colonel Ranald Mackenzie and 4th Cavalry regiment commenced an invasion of the Mexican border to assault Indian villages at Remolina. Colonel Mackenzie assembled his force at Las Moras Crossing on the Rio Grande. Among the various companies of the 4th Cavalry was Lieutenant Leopold Parker with 18 Seminole Scouts from Fort Clark and Lieutenant John Bullis with 16 Seminole Scouts from Fort Duncan.

Colonel Mackenzie had also appointed Lieutenant Parker as adjutant for the 4th Cavalry and the Colonel desired that Parker be free from all other duties. On the spot he ordered Lieutenant Bullis as the Commanding Officer of the Seminole Scouts and both detachments were consolidated for the

In Colonel Mackenzie's report after the raid he stated, "I also wish to mention Lieutenant Bullis with the Seminole Scouts who charged under the command of that gallant officer very well." Mackenzie had welded Indian fighting detachment together the likes of which southwest Texas and the Indians were to know and respect from 1873-1881.

The many battles with Indians fought by the Seminole Negro Indian Scouts has been documented and written for public appreciation. The neglected battle is the one fought by the U.S. Army and the Office of Indian Affairs, a bureaucratic war between the War Department and the Interior Department over Seminale Negro Indians Initially the Seminole Negro Indians were invited to Fort Duncan Military Reservation until transportation could be arranged to move them to the U.S. Indian Reservation. The U.S. Army never had an appropriation to feed, much less transport, Indians to the reservation. It was rather common knowledge at the time that Congress had made two successive appropriations so that the Bureau of Indian Affairs could transport U.S. Indians from Mexico to the Indian Reservation and subsist them.

The Army believed this would be available to cover the subsistence and transportation of the Seminole Negro Indians but the Bureau of Indian Affairs had other ideas. The Army issued rations to the Seminole Negro Indians expecting reimbursement and the Quartermaster filed religiously the adjustments. When the reimbursements failed to arrive, the Army made an inquiry only to be informed that the appropriation was for subsistence in the Indian Territory and not at the Forts in Texas. After more letters to the Office of Indian Affairs, the Army was informed they were not authorized

to bring U.S. Indians out of Mexico. After years of more correspondence trying to defeat the red tape the Army got a crowning blow. John Jumper, Principal Chief of the Seminoles, at the Seminole Nation stated, "these negroes...fled their owners and took refuge in Mexico...Mexico gave them a reserve...they became citizens of Mexico...they have no rights here...our citizens may have individually invited them to come here...as a nation we have protested against their coming."

The bureaucratic war was lost and the Army's only recourse was rely on the 1866 law that allowed them to enlist Indians as Scouts. So the only subsistence the army could legally furnish was that for the enlisted scouts but there were so many family members on the reservations that any means possible became the recourse from star-

The army was bound with no land to give them and they could only live on the reservation as long as they actively enlisted in the scouts. If a scout terminated his enlistment, by law, he was to move his family off the reservation. The army was stuck with no way to send these Seminole Negro Indians back to the U.S.

Indian Reservation much less to aid the family suffering from the lack of subsistence. At one point there were 44 scouts with their wages of \$13 per month trying to feed and clothe over 150 family members. Little wonder they were accused of stealing and killing four cows belonging to a rancher which Lieutenant Bullis paid for out of his own pocket to Inspector Ballantyne.

In spite of the hardships, poverty, disappointments, and racial problems of their families, as well as those they endured as soldiers, the Seminole Negro. Indian Scouts earned a prominent place in the history of the Indian Wars. In 1875 three scouts - Sergeant John Ward, Trumpeter Isaac Payne and Private Pompey Factor - were awarded the Medal of Honor for rescuing Lieutenanct Bullis from Comanche Indians. For action in the Red River War of 1874, Adam Paine (Payne) was awarded a Medal of Honor.

May 1876, Chief John Horse and Titus Payne were ambushed on the Fort Clark Reservation and Payne was killed. Military duties and engagements continued for the Seminole Negro Scouts over the years 1870 - 1881. In 1881, the last Indian depredation was committed in the Military District of the Nueces. It was not necessarily good news of the Seminole Negro Indian Scouts because it eliminated the army's need for them, but worse - Lieutenant Bullis was ordered to return to his unit, 24th Infantry. During Bullis' command, the Fort Clark Detachment of Scouts had a low rating for desertions, court martials, and response time for the call to arms.

After Lieutenant Bullis' departure, the command of the scouts rotated through many young army lieutenants until September 1892. Then the Seminole Negro Indian Scouts were transferred to Fort Ringold, Texas, to serve with 3rd Cavalry and to check the stealing of cattle in lower portions of Texas. Most of the scouts families remained living on Fort Clark Military Reservation and the scouts, except for furlough, were at Fort Ringold or in field service.

March 1899, the six Seminole Negro Indian Scouts were transferred back to Fort Clark. With no hostiles to tract all over the country side, there was no military need for the scouts. The Army is always fortunate in finding garrison duties mending fences, patrolling primeters, and more menial jobs - all went to the scouts.

After the Spanish-American War until World War I, Fort Clark had a period of survival - survival to maintain the post from being closed and also justifying the need to maintain the Seminole Negro. Indian Scouts. In the period of 1908 - 1910, the army was under pressure to close Fort Clark but the internal political problems of Mexico and the need to enforce the U.S. Neutrality Laws gave new life blood to the

The closure pressure brought forth the order to disband the Seminole Negro Indian Scouts Detachment. Each time Fort Clark gained a stay on closure, the order for disbandment of the scouts detachment would be held in abeyance. By 1912, the abeyance of the termination order brought about other

"Sixteen Seminole Negro Indian Scouts are authorized at Fort Clark. As their places are vacated by death or other causes, they are not to be filled, and only those now in the service may be re-enlisted. The organization will, therefore, in due course of time cease to exist." At this period, the army reported the Indian Settlement on the Fort Clark Reservation consisted of 43 men, 49 women, and 150 children, all closely

The year 1914 was final decision for the U.S. Army, all Indian Scout Detachments formed as a result of the Act of 1866 would be terminated and those in the service who desired to enlist in the regular army would be permitted to do so. From the War Department, this order filtered to the command level at Fort Clark.

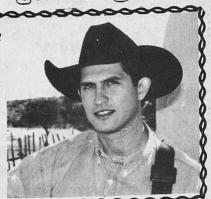
The painful duty of writing the command order for the final disbandment of the Seminole Negro Indian Detachment fell upon Captain Sterling P. Adams, 14th Cavalry, then the Post Adjutant and Commanding Officer, of the Seminole Negro Indian Scout Detachment. Within the parameters authorized, he prepared the "To Whom It May Concern" order to the best military possibility of absorbing the shock of the document and with an attempt to recognize the past faithful service.

Since the post was not under

Houston For The People

Co-authored by Sergio Salinas, Happy Shahan and Gene Poag Recorded By Sergio Salinas

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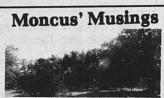


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## Awareness To Diversity

Recently I passed over the Nueces and Blanco Rivers on the western ends. I didn't see any water. Some green weeds, probably stinkweed or milkweed because I noticed butterflies, but there was no water. To give it the benefit of the doubt. I supposed a little water hid among some of the boulders down in the deep places. The reason I supposed that was also recently as a few weeks ago I crossed over the same rivers further towards the Gulf and found the beds of the same two rivers flowing richly and clean.

Texas is as diverse as a place can get. I am amazed at rivers and climates that are opposite so much as to appear down right ornery.

How many of you are aware that chapparel is synonymous with diversity. Granjeno, creosote bush, condalia or lote-bush, and cenizo or sage brush are all some of the ingredients of chapparel. Most of these things are ornery but almost all of them have many uses and medicinal properties.

The hills and rocks and dust are

all cousins and much orneriness comes from them but look at the

good that can spring from it. Think of how miraculous Clark Spring must have been even before Clark.

Consider how creosote-bush extractions from the leaf were formerly used as antiseptic dressings for cuts and sores of both domestic stock and human beings. It is also employed as treatment for rheumatism, tuberculosis, and intestinal disorders.

We've become a long ways away from simple things. We move down roads wearing high-speed blinders. When we slow down we run inside to shop or we run in to drop. Plants and animals that are important and once were the difference between life and death are now weeds or potential road-kills.

We've lost our taste by our dependence on processed foods. We've dulled our hearing or drowned it by mechanized roaring and we've arrogantly taken long strides in a direction removed from the real and the precious.

## Pets: Lost Or Found To Report **Lost Or Found Animals**

Call 563 2704 Found - grey male cat over 10 yrs old. Name "General". Last Tuesday, the Edward Goulds noticed all the cat food, put out for their cats, was

The next day the "General" made nimself known. He was starved, full of ticks and abcesses. He had on a collar with a tag from the University

Veterinary Hospital in Denton, Texas. The Goulds called Denton to find his owners. It seems they were out of the country and had left their pets in the states but no one knew with whom. Mobile Oil Co. of Dallas faxed the owners in Algeria, Africa, to find out.

Wednesday, AM, the Goulds received a call from Pam Smith in Algeria. She said the "General" had been left with her mother in Uvalde along with another cat, a dog, and a parrot. She then called her mother. Ieri Pibbens, in Uvalde to see if she wanted him back (The Goulds told her they would keep him).

Her 11 year old daughter Rhonda was elated that he had been found. They picked him up Saturday, August 21st. He was on his way to recovering his health. He had arrived at the Smiths' house in Houston in 1983 - already grown so he is over 10 years old.

The vet's tag helped locate his owners, but also kept him from hunting to survive because it bumped the buckle on his collar scaring away any prey. Pet owners need to be sure the vet's tag swings free from their collars. He had been missing since last October. How he got to Fort Clark Springs from Uvalde remains a mystery!

Golf News



## **Ladies Day**

August 24, 1993 The game was "total of even holes minus 1/2 handicap".

Tying for low gross were Fern Dyer and Mary Stephenson with 86. First place winner of low net was Odette Mills. Second place went to Fern Dyer and third place was won by Betty Inman.

Others competing were Shirley Stephenson, LaVon McLane, Flo Stafford, Odette Mills, Mae Roper, Luella Gilliland, Loris Ryan, Leslie Houk, Marge Adams, and Chick Cruse.

## CHRONICLES OF FORT CLARK Continues

eminent orders to close, there was no plot of land the U.S. Army could give the families. Since this was the strongest desire harbored since leaving the U.S. Indian Reservation, the Seminole Negro Indians' 53 families were in a state of shock in spite of the tone and consideration offered in their final removal from the reservation.

## 3-Par Scramble

August 23, 1993

Eighteen golfers showed their happy faces on a hot, humid morning to prove they could do just like the Pros., sink a few putts.

1st place with a 2 under Par 25: Tom Beatty, Ward Pomeroy, and Ruth Pack.

2nd place even Par 27: Bill Koons, Ron Buckles, and Stretch Klump.

Two teams tied with 2 over Par 29: Tom Faulkenberry, Dutch Schoolfield, Mickey Braun; Fay

Gooch, Dave Yates, and Ernie Hall. Two teams tied with 3 over Par 30: John Osborn, Jim Stafford, Mac McCandles; Donny Guajardo, Art Ray and Joe Portlow.



## Previews 33 Tiger Turf

## Making A Difference

By TAYLOR STEPHENSON, Curriculum Director

do us any favors in SB7 in my

opinion. Those school districts that

tried to keep the tax levy low by

using fund balances last year were

penalized by the state for their effor-

ts. Case in point: I&S rate of 27 cen-

ts will not be supported by Tier 2

dollars in 1993-94 because we tried

to give taxpayers relief and because

the state said--if you didn't tax this

year--you will not receive Tier 2

state dollars. So we pay the entire 27

cents, not just 9 cents of the 27 cents

At Brackett ISD, the School

Board adopted a very conservative

budget. Most of our staff members

will end up paying 50% of their in-

surance costs that last year were

paid by the school district. Staff

members will get very small salary

increases this next year. In many in-

stances, they will have less money

I have built lots of budgets for schools in the past 23 years. In my

opinion, the School Board has taken

a sound approach--conservative but one that keeps the basic services

going. The new building has nothing to do with the financial mess that

SB7 caused. This building tax was

voted on separately by BISD voters.

Being a School Board Member the next month will be a tough job, but

our folks do a great job balancing

the needs of children with the ability

of taxpayers of Kinney County. By

the way, we are seeking as much

grant money as we can to help us

complete our library media center.

To date, we have acquired two gran-

ts that are valued about \$60,000.

THANK YOU

Chuck and Connie for all your help

and support in our rodeo this sum

Thanks a million.

As always you have been a great

Charlie and Katie Hall

Hall Girls Rodeo Team

**Sophomores Are** 

Welcome

The eves of Texas - and the

nation - are focused on an ex-

periment in education going at the

University of North Texas in Den-

The state's fourth largest univer-

sity has opened its doors to selected

sophomores from high schools

around the state. Those accepted

get their tuition paid and emerge

from UNT 24 months later with

their high school diploma plus two

Sending students to college at the

end of their sophomore year in high

school is an unusual experiment in

education that began in 1988 when

the Legislature, concerned with the

low scores of high school students in

math and science, created the Texas

Academy of Mathematics and

Science (TAMS) and charged it with

**School Menu** 

BREAKFAST

MONDAY, AUGUST 30

Cheese Toast - Fruit

TUESDAY, AUGUST 31

Pancakes/Syrup

Fruit

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

Sausage/Biscuit - Cream Gravy

Fruit

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

Donut - Fruit Juice

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

Breakfast Pizza

Fruit

Salad Bar and "B" Line Everyday

Milk Served With All Meals

LUNCH MENU

MONDAY, AUGUST 30

Corn Dog - French Fries

Fruit

TUESDAY, AUGUST 31

Grilled Cheese - Vegetable Salad

Fresh Fruit

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

Hamburger - Burger Salad

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SCHOOL BUDGETS & SETTING THE TAX RATE

The Texas State Legislature passed Senate Bill 7 which establishes the fiscal network for Texas Public Schools in 1993-94. The biggest change in next year's system is that County Educational Districts will no longer exist after this school year. In 1993-94, the CED the Brackett ISD belonged to imposed a tax rate of 92 cents and BISD's rate was 12 cents. BISD had a tax rate of \$1.04 from both sources. No interest and sinking tax rate was paid by local taxpayers this year. The rate would have been about 27 cents, but it was paid from fund balances that had built up through BISD's history. If the I&S rate had been levied, we would have paid 1.31.

Along comes Senate Bill 7 which rewards the schools that taxed the most this last year. From what I can tell, the rich are poorer and the poor are also poorer because of SB7. For many years, Texas has given poorer schools additional dollars for tax purposes as a way of equalizing educational opportunities for all Texas students. The most notable equalization came in the form of Gilmer-Akin monies passed by our state in 1949. In our case, for each cent of taxes we raise about \$7,000 locally. Because of our low valuation of property, the state matched about \$14,000 for each cent of local taxation. Herein lies the problem. Because of cuts in state matching monies, our district must have a tax rate of between \$1.22 and \$1.28 next year to raise the same amount of money that was raised this year. It's very clear to me that the State did not want to raise taxes, and they dropped the bomb on the school districts in Texas. You will see districts all over Texas raising taxes significantly so that their schools can maintain the present level of services.

In 1992-93, we should have paid a tax rate for interest and sinking of 27 cents. Because we had a cash surplus, the Board of Education in Brackett voted last year to pay the I&S from fund balances. This was meant to be a one year tax saving for the taxpayers of BISD. If the I&S rate had been assessed, we would have been paying \$1.31-12 cents locally, 92 cents from the CED and 27 cents to debt service or I&S. Our tax next year will probably be somewhere between \$1.22 and \$1.28. The highest tax that could be assessed is \$1.55. The Board shows no inclination to assess the highest tax possible.

The story is a bit more complicated, but these are the basic facts. Not having a local I&S rate last year, the state's cutting its Tier 2 monies, and the apparent wishes of the State as expressed in SB7 of forcing each district to raise taxes as close to \$1.50 as possible have compounded the problem. Locally, the

## **Young Texas Writers Violet Crown Books Taking Entries**

The Austin Writers' League is taking entries for its Young Texas Writers Awards Program and the Violet Crown Book Awards.

Twelve cash scholarship awards up to \$250 will be awarded in the Young Texas Writers program in four categories: poetry, short story, essay and journalism. The theme for submission is "The Day After Tomorrow."

Texas high school students enrolled in grades 9-12 as of September 1, 1992, may submit entries through September 30, 1993. For a one-time entry fee of \$5, student authors may send in as many entries in as many categories as they wish. Submissions may be previously published or unpublished works.

The Violet Crown Book awards are three cash stipends of \$1,000 each presented for the best books published between September 1992 and August 1993 in fiction, nonfiction, and literary categories. Entries may be submitted by the author or publisher in the author's name.

Deadline for Violet Crown entries

Guidelines and entry forms for both programs may be obtained from the Austin Writers League, 1501 West 5th St., Ste. E-2, Austin

The Austin Writers League is a regional writing organization with a statewide membership of over 1600. For more information concerning available to the public, call 512-499-8914.

**Tigers De-Talon Eagles** Board did us a favor last year by using fund balances, but the Interest By Brian Hooker and Sinking payments will have to Brackett News Sports Writer be paid this year. The state did not

Friday night, August 20, the

Brackett Tigers scrimmaged the Leakey Eagles in Leakey. It was wonderful, I'm sorry if you missed

Since the Tigers started on defense, I will, too. Moses Hernandez, a freshman, showed his toughness by leading the team in tackles with seven. Jesse Terrazas (who had an excellent game) was next in line with four tackles and two interceptions. The following showed their defensive power by getting a piece of the action. Manny Ramon - 3 tackles, Earl Wright - 2 tackles, Sean Burks - 2 tackles, Ramon DeLeon - 2 tackles, Nacho Aguirre -2 tackles, Kelly Hendrich - 2 tackles, Micheal Benacci - 1 tackle, Wil Shahan - 1 tackle, Matthew Rocha -1 tackle, Joey Pena - 1 tackle, and Raymond Talamantez - 1 tackle. As you can see the Tigers played team

Now for the fun part, offense! Kelly Hendrich completed three passes, all to Jesse Terrazas for a total of fifty-four air yards. Kelly's last pass to Jesse was a beautiful thirty yard pass, and when Jesse caught it you might-as-well have kissed him good-bye because he was off to the races. The play ended up being a seventy yard touch down play to give the Brackett Tigers a six-nothing lead over Leakey.

The Tigers not only passed well but they ran the ball well, too. Ramon DeLeon, a freshmen who led the team in rushing yardage with a total of 86 yards, showed he's no baby. Moses Hernandez, also a freshmen, rushed for a total of 56 yards and the second touch down of the evening. This gave the Tigers a 12-0 lead over Leakey. Chris Hale and Oscar Garcia also ran the ball well with a total of 14 yards a piece.

Believe it or not! That's the game folks, Brackett Tigers 12-Leakey Eagles 0.

Tigers will scrimmage Crystal City at home on Friday the 27, see you there!



Tuesday night, August 24, the

## **Tiger Football**

Friday, August 27, 7:00 p.m. Scrimmage, here

Crystal City

Tigerette Volleyball Saturday, August 28, F/JV Saturday, August 28, Varsity Tuesday, August 31, 5 p.m., Here, JV/V

Del Rio Tournament Crystal City Tournament District Game, Dilley

**DOVE HUNTING ZONES** Special white-winged dove area **NORTH ZONE** Fort Hancock CENTRAL ZONE **DUTH ZONE** 

Dove Season Near-Dove hunting, the traditional beginning of each year's hunting season in Texas, is almost here. As a reminder, mourning dove dates in Texas are: North Zone, September 1-November 9; Central Zone, September 1-October 31 and December 26-January 3; and South Zone, September 24-November 14 (ends November 10 in Special Whitewinged Dove Area) and December 26-January 12. The four-day whitewinged dove season in the Special White-winged Dove Area is scheduled for September 4, 5, 11 and 12.

The statewide daily bag limits is 12 doves, including no more than six whitewings and two whitetips. During the regular season, in the traditional white-winged dove counties of Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr and Willacy counties, the bag limit will remain 12 doves, including no more than two white-winged and two white-tipped doves per day.

The four-day white-winged dove season daily bag limits is 10 whitewinged, mourning and white-tipped doves in the aggregate, including no more than five mourning doves and two white-tipped doves. Shooting hours are noon to sunset.

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points before the Tigerettes put

After the match when I had a

chance to speak with Coach

Coggins, I asked her what she

thought and the first word out of her

mouth was "Awesome". She said

The girls were awesome but they

The Tigerettes go to a tour-

nament in Crystal City on Saturday.

They will depart from Brackett at

around 7:00 a.m. to face Carrizo

Springs in their first game at 9:45 in

them away beating them 15-4.

still had a lot of work."

the Junior High gym.

unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balance

4 98.895.50 & 1,280.00

## Tigerettes Awesome!

The Tigerettes played two out-

standing games against Natalia.

Showing serving ability was Denice

Frerich, going on a roll handing

Natalia serves that they couldn't

handle. The team played well

together, it was definitely not a one-

woman show. In the first game the

Tigerettes came out with spirit and

The second game was the same as

the first but the Tigerettes went on a ruff to Tlead Natalia 14-0. This

sparked a flame in Natalia's fire.

They went on a "Big" roll scoring 4

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Type of Property Tax Fund

Unrestricted Fund Balance

whipped Natalia 15-2.

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Schedule B

1993 Debt Service

Interest & Sinking Bonds

(Expand as needed)

By Brian Hooker

Brackett News Sports Writer

## **JUNIOR VARSITY TIGERETTES**

On Tuesday night, August 24, the Brackett J.V. Tigerettes played Natalia in their first district game.

The girls limited the match to only two games in a best of three series. Brackett had a total of six aces, 1 belonging to Amy Bader, 2 belonging to Casey Tipps, and 3 for Jackie Smith.

At the end of the first game the score stood 15-7 in favor of Brackett. Starting things off in the second game was Amy Bader with her ace. The freshmen played the second game and ruled over J.V. The game started in favor of Natalia 4-1 until the freshmen Tigerettes went on a 14-0 run to defeat their opponents 15-4. The Brackett J.V. Tigerettes now stand with a record of 1-0 in district.

Coach Coggins said "The girls played well but we still need work."

## VARSITY TIGERETTES

Brackett Tigerettes kicked off their district season against Natalia. Natalia showed up unprepared to take on the "Mighty Tigerettes."

## Excess collections last year - Total to be paid from taxes in 1993

Total required for 1993 debt service

Amount (If any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A

+. Amount added in anticipation that the unit will Total Debt Levy

\$ 195,175.50 \$ 201,211.85

Contract Payment to be Pald from Property Taxes

\$ 95,000.00

Schedule C Expected Revenue from Additional Sales Tax (For hospital districts, cities and counties with additional sales tax to reduce property taxes)
In calculating its effective and rollback tax rates, the unit estimated that it will receive \$

in additional sales and use tax revenues. State Criminal Justice Mandaté (For Countles) The \_\_\_\_\_County Auditor certifies that the previous 12 months beginning \_\_\_\_\_\_, 1

Transfer of Department, Function or Activity

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at \_\_\_\_\_\_ Kinney County Appraisal District Date prepared 8/20/93

Property Tax Rates in Brackett ISD

This notice concerns. 1993 property tax rates for Brackett Ind school district. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the school district used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the school district can set before it must hold a rollback election. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes and state funds by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate: 91,033.70 Last year's operating taxes Last year's debt taxes Last year's total taxes Last year's tax base Last year's total tax rate This year's effective tax rate: Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property) 74,928,807 This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new prop This year's effective tax rate 1.03 = maximum rate unless the school d .1245 publishes notices and holds hearing

This year's rollback tax rate: School maintenance and operations

This year's tax base This year's local maintenance and operating rate

/\$100

This year's debt rate This year's rollback rate

is August 31, 1993. TX 78703.

the League, upcoming workshops and programs, and resources

## Natasha's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Misgivings about a personal relationship are ill-founded. You will meet with a challenging situation on the job this week and may feel temporarily stymied. Patience, however, will win out. Watch overspending on pleasure interests.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Friends may burden you with their problems. A new business opportunity that comes now pleases you very much. Family interests prosper this week. Unexpected company drops by this weekend, and you may fall behind on chores.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You may be worried about a business matter now. Delays at work get you down. Social life provides you with a quick pick-me-up. A person who flatters is insincere. More information is needed about an investment concern.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Communicating with a certain someone is like talking to a stone wall this week. There is no sense in arguing with an opinionated type. Social life is fun, but guard against costly expenditures. Share happy times with family this weekend.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Monies due you may be delayed in arriving this week. You sparkle with creativity and will find the right words to get your points across to others. Reaching agreements about financial interests won't be difficult. Your routine at work may be upset in

some way VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) You are likely to meet with some opposition to your plans now, so it is best to be low key and wait until a more propitious time. Feedback is likely to be negative if you don't give others sufficient time to make up their minds. Timing is very important this weekend.

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Happy Birthday!

Aug. 26 Justin Shamblin Aug. 29 Brianna Escamilla
Aug. 26 Federico Martinez Aug. 29 Kristi Meyer
Aug. 26 Kay Gilbreath Aug. 29 Billie J. Roberts
Aug. 27 Bill Morgan Aug. 30 Susana Castillo
Aug. 27 Gus Garcia Aug. 30 Vickie Mitchell
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Aug. 30 Susana Castillo
Vickie Mitchell
Aug. 30 Jane Young
Bill Herman
Aug. 31 Tom McNew
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Charlie Rose

Charlie Rose tant this weekend.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Work priorities may take precedence over socializing this week. Still, you will receive a lovely invitation now. Pace yourself accordingly. Guard against overspending when socializing. Get-togethers with friends are short but sweet.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A problem related to child rearing may concern you and may interfere with your concentration for a while. A bona-fide career opportunity comes now. Coming on too strong with a romantic interest may cause this person to get cold feet. Be patient.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A home matter will have to be settled to your satisfaction for you to feel free to accept a social invitation. It may take a few days, but things will work out. A coworker is touchy this week and it may be difficult now to keep on top of things.

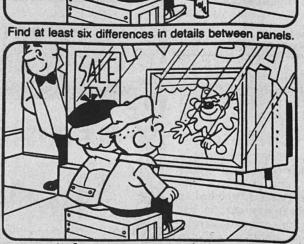
CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Business developments will put you in a better position. You may be hesitant about a financial concern and have a right to be cautious. You can't be forced into making up your mind now. Tell the other party you need more time to think things through properly.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Getting a financial matter straightened out will take a few days. Don't look for immediate solutions. A close tie is sensitive now and needs special consideration. Partnership rapport is a bright note this week.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A tendency to sell yourself short will work against you now. A new career offering that comes this week is worth your while. Be up for the challenge! Partners seem to be at odds about a personal matter. Avoid ©1993 by King Features Synd.



Vision Teaser



Offerences: 1. Expression is changed. 2. Tie is different. 3. Sign is added. 4. Can is removed. 5. Cap is reversed. 6. Ball is missing.

## MagicMaze

## THINGS WITH HANDLES

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all directions-forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

Broom **Bucket** Car door Cup Drawer Lawn mower Refrigerator Pail Screwdriver Pitcher

(Answer On Page 3)

## Super Crossword

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105 Dispatch

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109 Jezebel's

111 River in

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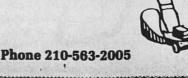
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This week Hope has produced his 600th fishing report.

The first report was "called" in by telephone to the San Antonio Express-News on January 12, 1982.

The first report included 10 lakes, about 250 words. The report has come a long way since then. The fishing report has now grown to include about 90 fishing holes, including saltwater, and some 4,000 to 5,000 words per week.

Hope will not make it to 700 reports. He is retiring at the end of September.

AMISTAD: Water clear, 80 degrees, 7 feet low; black bass are fairly good in the 3-4 pound range on deep diving cranks and Power Worms in the afternoon in 30-36 feet of water, buzz baits, PopRs are good early; striper are fairly good to 22 pounds trolling Rat-L-Traps in the evening; crappie are slow; white bass are fairly good around Marker 20; catfish are fairly good in 12-30 feet of water on cheese baits and nightcrawlers.

BRAUNIG: Water murky, 95 degrees, normal level; black bass are fair in number to 111/2 pounds, most are too small to keep; striper are fair to 4 pounds on chicken liver; catfish are fair to 5 pounds on worms and shrimp; channel catfish are good to 21/2 pounds on shad; redfish are good to 19 pounds on tilapia and spoons.

CALAVERAS: Water murky, 95 degrees, normal level; black bass are slow; striper are slow to 4 pounds on chicken liver and artificial baits; channel catfish are good to 1 pound each and blue catfish to 5 pounds and yellow to 24 pounds; redfish are good to 161/2 pounds on live perch and Rat-L-Traps; corvina are good to 15 pounds, 5 ounces on live perch.

CHOKE: Water clear, 87 degrees, normal level; black bass are fair to 81/2 pounds on topwaters early and white buzz baits, shad colored PopRs and Tiny Torpedoes in 3-8 feet of water; striper are slow; crappie are slow in 25 to 40 feet of water near the dam; white bass are fair in the shallows of Huisache Flats on small cranks; catfish are fair to 25 pounds early around trees around roosting birds in 3-8 feet of water just east of Calliham Point, fish are feeding on small clams, cheese bait

and liver have been producing larger

COLETO CREEK: Water clear, 80 degrees, normal level: black bass are fair to 10 pounds on spinners and worms; striper are slow; crappie are fair on minnows in 20 feet of water; catfish are good to 20 pounds on live

CORPUS CHRISTI: Water clearing, some dinginess in the upper end, 89 degrees, normal level; black bass are slow; striper are picking up in the deep end of lake on downriggers; crappie are good in deep water around structures and around state park piers and old dam; catfish are good on trotlines deep in middle of the lake on live perch; yellow catfish to 32 pounds are beginning to hit; white bass are plentiful under the birds in the upper lake, fish are a little larger than

FALCON: Water clear, 85 degrees, 10 feet low; black bass are good through 91/2 pounds on cranks, Crabworms and Bass Assassins; striper are fair to 15 pounds on Knocker Spoons in 25 to 50 feet of water; crappie are slow; catfish are good to 51/2 pounds on shrimp; white bass are good on Roadrunner jigs and spoons.

MEDINA: Water clear, 87 degrees, 5 feet low; black bass are fair to 4 pounds on topwaters; catfish are fair to 4 pounds on nightcrawlers and shrimp.

TEXANA: Clear in creeks and rivers, main lake murky, 1 foot low; black bass are good to 3 pounds on plastic worms; crappie are good to 20 fish per string in Sandies Creek; white bass are fair in creek on chrome Rat-L-Traps; catfish are 563-2852

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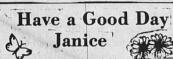
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The above described vehicle was towed in by Kinney County Towing Service on or about July 31, 1993.

The last registered owner of said vehicle is no longer residing at the address shown on the computer records; therefore, cannot be notified by certified mail as required by law.

This vehicle will be sold at a public auction by the Kinney County Sheriff's Department to the highest bidder on Friday, August 27, 1993, at 10:00 a.m.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

## **Notice Of Budget Hearing**

The Kinney County Commissioners Court has set the 13th day of September, 1993, 11:00 a.m., for the public hearing on the proposed budget for fiscal year 1993-1994 in the County Courtroom of the Courthouse in Brackettville,

The proposed budget will be on file in the County Clerk's office after August 25, 1993, for public inspection by any taxpayer in Kinney County.

> Dated: 08-18-93 /s/ Dolores Raney, County Clerk Kinney County, Texas

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## CITATION FOR **PUBLICATION**

## The State Of Texas

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: "You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of forty-two days after the date of issuance of this citation and petition, a default judgement may be taken against you."

TO Kristine Mathieu, 850 Paint Rock Road, San Angelo, Texas

Defendant, Greeting: You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Notice Of Seizure And Intended Forfeiture at or before ten o'clock A.M. of the Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days after the date of issuance of this citation before the Honorable District Court of Kinney County, Texas at the Court House of said County in Brackettville, Texas. Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court on the 16 day of April A.D. 1993, in this case, numbered 2871 on the docket of said court, and styled, THE STATE OF TEXAS Plaintiff, VS 1984 MERCURY AUTOMOBILE VIN:

1MEBP9239EH605822 Defendant. The names of the parties to the cause are as follows: THE STATE OF TEXAS - Thomas F. Lee District Attorney are Plaintiffs and 1984 MERCURY AUTOMOBILE VIN: 1MEBP9239EH605822 are Defendants.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: NOTICE OF SEIZURE AND IN-TENDED FORFEITURE.

As is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates thereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Brackettville, Texas, this the 16 day of August A.D. 1993.

/s/Dolores Rancy Clerk, District Court, Kinney County, Texas

## IOB ANNOUNCEMENT

The Middle Rio Grande Development Council has a vacancy for a Para-Professional Technician II at the Carrizo Springs JTPA Office and Education Center.

Preferred requirements include: (1) an associate in arts degree or an equivalent in para-profession experience (2) ability to perform proctoring of assessment instruments (3) computer literacy skills required in order to assist in the supervision of youth and adults in the classroom, and (4) word processing skills preferred in Word Perfect.

Applicants should be able to communicate effectively in English or Spanish to all teaching groups. Technician II assists classroom instructor, participant services specialists and job placement counselor in program activities.

Interested applicants should submit resume, application, to: Ramon S. Johnston, Deputy Director of Adminstration, P.O. Box 1199, Carrizo Springs, Texas 78834, (210)876-3533. Applications will be accepted until position is filled.

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

The Community Council of Southwest Texas, Inc. announces the sponsorship of the Child Care Food Program at the Headstart Centers located in Batesville, Brackettville, Campwood, LaPryor, Leakey, Rocksprings, Sabinal, and Uvalde.

All children enrolled, who meet the eligibility criteria, will be offered the same free meals with no physical segregation of, or other handicap, sex, age, or national origin.

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TO: Martin Cordona, 10801 Phantom Hill, Dallas, Texas.

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1G3GM47A7FR328397 are Defen-

The names of the parties to the case are as follows: THE STATE OF TEXAS - Thomas F. Lee, District Attorney are Plaintiffs and OLDSMOBILE AUTO-MOBILE VIN 1G3GM47A7FR328397 are Defen-

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/s/Dolores Raney Clerk, District Court. Kinney County, Texas.

## IOB ANNOUNCEMENT

The Middle Rio Grande Development Council is looking for qualified applicants interested in the position of JTPA Participant Services Specialist II. This position is responsible for assisting citizens of the Middle Rio Grande Region to become economically self-sufficient through the proper evaluation, assessment, and assignment of client to an appropriate JTPA training activity.

The Specialist will determine eligibility for Federal and State funservices available economically disadvantaged person or persons who need barriers removed in order for them to participate in the labor force. Specialist will work with eligible persons to develop a plan of training and services to bridge the gap between their current condition and meaningful self-sufficient employment in the labor force.

The preferred requirements for this position are that: (1) the person be a graduate from an accredited college or university with a degree in Business Administration, Public Administration, Human Services Field or other related field and (2) the person have two years experience in JTPA Case Management Services and/or equivalent experience. The position requires traveling within and outside the region and will office at the MRGDC Cotulla ITPA office.

All qualified persons interested in applying for this position should mail resume or application to Middle Rio Grande Development Council, P.O. Box 1199, 1904 N. First Street, Carrizo Springs, Texas 78834, attention Ramon S. Johnston, Deputy Director of Admistration. Applications will be accepted until position is filled. Salary range for this position starts at \$15,009 depending on experience.

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## IOB ANNOUNCEMENT

The Middle Rio Grande Development Council is looking for qualified applicants interested in the full-time position of JTPA Participant Services Specialist/G.E.D. Instructor, or someone interested in one or the other of these positions on a part-time basis.

This position is responsible for assisting citizens of the Middle Rio Grande Region to become economically self sufficient through the proper evaluation, assessment, and assignment to an appropriate JTPA training activity.

Preferred qualifications for the position include: specialist (1)bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university; (2)two years experience in case management services and/or equivalent experience; (3)be TEA certified, (4)should be computer literate, (5)should possess demonstrated ability in working effectively with students, parents and com-

munity agencies. The position requires traveling within and outside the Region and

will office in Brackettville, Texas. All qualified persons interested in applying for this position should nail resume and/or application to Middle Rio Grande Development Council, P.O. Box 1199, 1904 N. First Street, Carrizo Springs, Texas 78834, attention: Ramon S. Johnston, Deputy Director of Administration. Applications will be accepted until position is filled.

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## IOB ANNOUNCEMENT

Middle Rio Grande Development Council has a vacancy for a full-time Instructor, at the Cotulla JTPA Office and Education

Center. Preferred requirements for this position include: (1) a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university required (TEA Teacher Certification preferred), (2) at least two years teaching experience and/or equivalent professional level work experience (3) should be computer literate and able to use computer laboratory for instruction (4) strong ability to communicate effectively in English and Spanish to youth and adult teaching groups, (5) should possess demonstrated ability in working effectively with students, parents, and community agencies.

Salary range for this position is in accordance with MRGDC salary schedule depending on experience. Some regional and overnight travel required, therefore applicant must have reliable transportation.

Interested applicants submit resume, application, and a copy of their college transcript to: Ramon S. Johnston, Deputy Director of Admistration, P.O. Box 1199, Carrizo Springs, Texas 78834,

(210)876-3533. Applications will be accepted until position is filled. MGRDC is an opportunity employer program operator and auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals disabilities.

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## IOB ANNOUNCEMENT

The Middle Rio Grande Development Council has a vacancy for a full-time Instructor at the Uvalde JTPA Office and Education

Center. Preferred requirements for this position include: (1)a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university (TEA Teacher Certification) required, (2)at least two years teaching experience and/or equivalent professional level work experience (3)should be computer literate and able to use computer laboratory for instruction (4)strong ability to communicate effectively in English and Spanish to youth and adult teaching groups, (5)should possess demonstrated ability in working effectively with students,

parents, and community agencies. Salary range for this position is in accordance with MRGDC salary schedule depending on experience. Some regional and overnight travel required, therefore applicant must

have reliable transportation. Interested applicants should submit resume, application, and a copy of their college transcript to: Ramon S. Johnston, Deputy Director of Administration, P.O. Box 1199, Carrizo Springs, Texas 78834, (210)876-3533. Applications will be

accepted until position is filled. MRGDC is an equal opportunity employer. Program operator and auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals

with disabilities.

## JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

The Middle Rio Grande Development Council has a vacancy for two (2) full-time Instructors at the Eagle Pass JTPA Office and

**Education Center.** Preferred requirements for this position include: (1) a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university required (TEA Teacher Certification preferred), (2) at least two years teaching experience and/or equivalent professional level work experience (3) should be computer literate and able to use computer laboratory for instruction (4) strong ability to communicate effectively in English and Spanish to youth and adult teaching groups, (5) should possess demonstrated ability in working effectively with students, parents, and community agencies.

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## 1993 Hunters Guide

The Brackett News will again produce a Hunters ? Guide for free distribution in September.

Last year's advertisers will be contacted. Those interested in advertising for the first time may call 210-563-2852 or write Box 1039, Brackettville 78832  News from . . .

The Pastor's Pen GIL ASH

## First Baptist Ch

In 1905 Augustus Saint-Gaudens was commissioned by President Theodore Roosevelt to create some new designs for U.S. coins. Even though he was an excellent artist he had his problems in adapting to 3dimensional artwork.

His first coins, though beautiful, were of such high relief (raised images) that they did not stack very well. In order to mint them it required nine impressions at 172 tons of hydraulic pressure. Only 24 were made.

On his second attempt, the president commanded the mint to "Begin the new issue even if it takes you all day to strike one piece." As it turned out, each coin required five strikings to bring out the clarity in

high relief. A little boy was making quite a mess at the table, eating. His father

scolded him and said, "Son, you eat like a pig." Realizing his little boy had never seen a pig, he said, "You do know what a pig is, don't you?"

"Yes," replied the boy replied. "It's a hog's little boy."

Every day that we live, we leave our impressions on boys and girls both big and little. The longer we have them in our presence, in our stamping mold, the greater and higher the relief or impression will be. Isn't it important that we be certain that the mold has been perfected by the "Master Artist?"

God created man in His image but through sin His creation has become corrupted or flawed. The only way to be made perfect is to go back to the refiners fire, melted and remolded. God help us to make good impressions!

As each fifth Sunday, the Lord's Supper will be observed during the 11:00 a.m. worship service. A covered dish meal will be served immediately after the close of the morning services.

Singspiration

The community is encouraged to join the First Baptist Church congregation at 1:30 for a Community Singspiration. Anyone interested in participating in the musical ministry may contact Pastor Gil Ash at

St. John's Baptist Church

Pastor Wm. P. Adams, Sr. 210-563-9175

The public is cordially invited to attend a special program at 2:30 p.m., Sunday, August 29. Speaker will be Pastor Forrest P. Hill, Jr., Church of the Living Water, Austin, Texas.

Dinner will be served after the morning services at 12:30.

## Frontier Baptist Church

By Joe Townsend

their assistance.

expect the church to help them. If

they are in hard financial circum-

stances they want the church to help

them. If there is tragedy or death

they expect the church to come to

There are some who find in the

church a spiritual storehouse. When

they are despondent they know they

can find uplift. When they have a

sad experience they know they can

tragedy come they know they can

find sympathy and understanding.

on them they can find care, concern

and compassionate forgiveness.

They know that whatever happens

the church offers guidance and vic-

Others find in the church a place

The only ministry of the church

should be to point people to

Jesus Christ and the opportunity to

become children of God. To render

spiritual uplift, confident fellowship

with God and others. To render to

people what can be found no place

image, it does offer help, it does of-

fer social fellowship but if it is not

truly a spiritual storehouse and an

opportunity to serve man and God it

can be heard next Sunday at Fron-

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Joe R. Townsend.

Come and see.

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torious enjoyment of life.

and opportunity to serve.

What does the church mean to you? It means so much to so many people in so many different ways.

To some it's a social club. They go because their friends are there and they can see them, visit with them and enjoy fellowship with them.

To some it is a status symbol. They go because they feel it enhances their image in the community.

find comfort. When sorrow and Some go because they find it a leaning post. If they get sick they

## 'Boy Captives **At Sutlers Store**

The fifth and final printing of the story of two area boys captured by Indians in 1869, a book titled The Boy Captives, is on sale now at Sutler's Store, the gift shop operated by the Fort Clark Historical Society, at the Old Guard House Museum.

The tale of the capture of brothers Clinton and Jeff Smith near their Dripping Springs home, by Lipan and Comanche Indians, was first written in 1927 as Clinton told the story to J. Marvin Hunter. Subsequent printings have been done in 1965, 1986, and 1993.

The book relates five attempts the Indians made to capture the Smith children. Finally on the morning of March 3, 1869, as Clinton and Jeff went out to herd sheep, they were cut off from their house and cap-

tured. Their father sought help from soldiers at Fort Concho and from Camp Verde. Captain Charles Schreiner also joined the rescue effort. After chasing the Indians for 250 miles, the white men finally had

to turn back. Clint was adopted by a Comanche Chief and Jeff was sold to Geronimo. This true narrative of the only known brothers to survive the hardships of captivity by hostile Indians is undistorted by interpretation and unfolds in diary-like fashion describing their indoctrination into the Indian tribe and life including Indian raids, battles, war dances and hunting adventures



The Boy Captives is being distributed by Milton O. Smith, son of Clinton Smith. Milton is a retired

rancher who lives at Rocksprings. The book is available at Sutler's Store for \$9.95 plus tax or can be ordered from Smith, Box 665, Rocksprings, TX 78880 for \$11.95 which includes tax and postage.

## **Obituary**



Jose L. Antu, Sr.

Funeral services were held for Jose L. Antu, Sr. at 10:00 a.m. Monday, August 23, 1993, at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church. Burial followed at the Catholic Cemetery in Brackettville. Father David G. Zumaya officiated.

Mr. Antu was born in Brackettville on April 22, 1909, and died in Del Rio on August 19, 1993.

He worked for Rio Grande Electric Coop for many years.

Survivors are his wite, Carrie Antu of San Angelo; children, Irma Avalos of San Antonio, Ernestine Welch of Kansas City, Missouri, Josie Jones, Mary Marcilliotte, Elvia Cerverda, and Joe L. Antu, Jr. all of San Angelo; 11 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were under the arrangement of G.W. Cox Memorial Funeral Home, Del Rio.

## **Guy F. Burkart**

Funeral services were held at St. Augustine's Catholic Church in Houston on August 18, 1993 for Guy F. Burkart. Fr. James Burkart officiated.

Guy Burkart, age 64, lived in Pagosa, Colorado, but was in Houston for cardiac rehabilitation.

He is survived by his devoted wife, Janie; and loving daughters Pamela Melancon and husband, Pat, of Brackettville; Bonnie Gippert and husband, Myron, of Houston;

Cheryl Guest of New Braunfels; Judy Burkart of Pagosa; a loving sister, Margaret Carter of Houston.

Surviving grandchildren are Lisa Ashmore; Ben Graham; Zachary and April Guest; Patrick, David and Michelle Melancon; Jeremiah Lopez; Shawn and Matthew McGee; and one great grandchildren, Chloe Ashmore.

The family has requested that remembrances be given to the Brackett ISD Memorial Fund.

## 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., Sunday Worship 11:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M., Wednesday Worship 7:00 P.M. Gil Ash, Pastor, 563-2245.

Church of Christ: N. Ann St., Sunday School 9:30 A.M., Worship Service 10:30 A.M., Bible Study Sunday 6:30 P.M., Wednesday 7:00

St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church: Masses Monday and Friday 7:00 A.M., Wednesday and Saturday 6:30 P.M., Sunday (Spanish) 8:00 A.M., Regular 10:30 A.M. Confession Wednesday and Saturday 6:00 P.M. Religion Classes Wednesday 6:00 P.M. Sunday 9:00 A.M. Prayer Meeting (Spanish) Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Fr. 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 Wednesday 5:00 P.M., Gordon Miller, Pastor.

St. John's Baptist Cnurch: Crockett Street at Keene Street. Sunday services, Sunday School 10:00 A.M., Worship 11:00 A.M.; Wednesday, Bible Study, 7:00 P.M. William P. Adams, Sr. Pastor, 563-9175.

## Did You Know?

That Jefferson Davis, president of the Confederate States of America, was the first choice to head the new Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas.

He was offered the job in 1875, but declined. Had he accepted, A&M would have had a president

without a country. At the end of the Civil War, Davis was denied U.S. citizenship. It was not restored until long after his death.

Davis had strong Texas ties. As a congressman, he advocated Texas admission to the Union. During the U.S.-Mexican War, he was stationed on the Rio Grande. Later

as U.S. Secretary of War, he conceived the idea of sending camels to Texas to determine if they would be useful in carrying the supplies to outlying forts.

## **Texas Department Of** Agriculture

**By RICK PERRY** Commissioner

## **Red Grapefruit Chosen** State Fruit Of Texas Texans like to brag but usually

back up their claims with proof -- the Texas red grapefruit is another fine example of that spirit. The Texas red grapefruit, which was developed in the Rio Grande Valley, was named "State Fruit of Texas" in a proclamation signed by Gov. Ann Richards and the resolution passed the 73rd Legislature unanimously.

We all know that the Texas red grapefruit is the sweetest around.

Nearly 20,000 acres of grapefruit trees are planted in Texas, and the Texas red grapefruit generates more revenue than any other tree fruit produced in the state. The Rio Star makes up 62% of the red grapefruit crop while the Ruby-Sweet accounts for 30%.

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County Agent

There are several up coming events of interest to citizens and residents including:

\*Pesticide Applicators Training on August 31st beginning at 8:15 a.m. at the Civic Center.

\*County 4-H meeting August 30th at 7:00 p.m. in the County Courthouse. This will be the Annual Re-enrollment and Membership

\*Program to present options on Elderly Care and Nursing Care Facilities for Brackettville on Thursday, September 9th, at 6:30 p.m. in the District Courtroom.

## TEXAS LAW WILL RESTRICT LANDFILL OPERATIONS

In less than six (6) months, Texas law will require cities and counties to produce forty percent less trash a day than they do now.

Today, every Texan - every man, woman and child Texan - produces on the average nearly 6 1/2 pounds of trash a day. Figuring the State's population at 17 million, the figure is somewhere around 19 million tons of landfill material annually.

The Omnibus Recycling Bill, enacted by the 72nd Legislature, requires municialities across the State to reduce their solid waste flow by 40 percent by January 1, 1994. What that means is every Texan will have to cut daily output of trash from 6 1/2 pounds to about 4 pounds.

The Texas Legislator's intention was to jump-start recycling efforts at the municipal level. Critics of the bill say it lacks one crucial feature.

The bill seems to be lacking provisions for fines or penalties. A task force will make recommendations to the Texas Legislature to assist communities with complying with the bill. The task force would likely recommend putting a mandatory ban on disposal of leaves, grass clippings and other landscape waste in landfills.

How are cities and counties to reduce their waste flow by 40 percent? Back vard composting of landscape trimmings is the easiest and most environmental friendly way.

Leaves, grass clippings and other landscape trimmings make up about 28 percent of Texas annual landfill deposit, or about 5 million tons. Nearly all of the five million tons could be turned back into garden

soil and mulching with home composting. It's a simple low cost answer to the Omnibus Recycling Act. With the exception of very woody brush, residents can recycle all their organic materials right in their own back yards through composting and mulching.

Other than composting, the only quick way to decrease landfill volume would be to increase tipping fees or taxes or implement other, more expensive recycling efforts.

The Omnibus Recycling Act is only one of several laws recently coming to bear on Texas landfills. The Federal Resource Conser-

vation Act (RCRA), the same act responsible for superfund cleanups, requires operators closing landfills after October 8, to monitor leakage at the site for 30 years. RCRA requires operators to drill and maintain at least three wells on a small landfill. Larger landfills may require 20 or more monitor wells to satisfy the Federal regulations.

If a landfill is closed before October 8, midnight, then the 30-year monitoring law won't apply. Closing early saves the operator tens or hundreds of thousands of dollars in monitoring costs.

The Act has effectively reduced the number of Texas landfills from more than 1100 in 1989 to 430 in June, 1993. Operators have closed many smaller landfills, consolidating their collections at regional sites.

The real concern is not about there being enough landfill sites in the future. The question is, "Will cities and counties be able to afford to operate a landfill?" There are plenty of suitable sites available, but operating a landfill is likely to become much more expensive as State and Federal regulations come to bear. That expense will be passed on by landfill operators to Texas citizens one way or the other.

Over the next few weeks, I will run a series of articles explaining the "Don't Bag It" program and the way the concept is supposed to work. If you are interested in finding out more about the program you can contact the Kinney County Office of The Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

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