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

Trustee Candidate Meeting Will Offer Information And Insight

Area school board candidates will have the opportunity to learn more about the challenges of board service at a school board candidate workshop Tuesday, March 15, 1994, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Brackett School Library.

The workshop will provide school board candidates and other interested citizens an understanding of what is involved in being elected and serving as a trustee. Jim Bader, an experienced school board member, and G. Steve Mills, superintendent of Brackett Independent School District, will explain board members' key responsibilities and outline the qualities necessary for effective service.

Topics to be covered include the role of the board member, ethics in board service, campaigning for office, and the importance of board membership in community service. Participants will also view "A Call To Service," a new video highlighting many aspects of board service and featuring several experienced school trustees.

All those interested are invited to attend the workshop. Admission is free. For more information, please call the Brackett Independent School District, G. Steve Mills, 210-563-2491.

Kinney County Democratic Primary Report No Change Expected In Tonight's Canvassing

In Kinney County 1965 people were registered to vote in the Primary Election of March 8, 1994. Sixty-seven percent, or 1332, exercised that privilege. By precinct, voter ratio was:

Precinct 1, 350 of 531, 65%, voted. Precinct 2, 368 of 490, 75% voted; Precinct 3, 268 of 407, 65% voted, and in Precinct 4, 346 of 537, 64%, voted. Early voting by personal appearance combined with mail-in ballots accounted for 536. On election day, 796 appeared at the polls which figures 67%.

At press time, canvassing of votes has not been conducted. Unofficial results show Tommy Seargeant with 658 votes for Kinney County judge and Tim Ward with 640.

Dora E. Sandoval was unopposed for District & County Clerk and received 855 votes.

Janis Floyd received 539 votes for County Treasurer. In that same race, Mary Flores received 244, and Maria Elena Pena received 501. Floyd and Pena will be on the April 12 run-off ballot.

In the County Commissioner, Precinct 2 race, Manuel Fuentes fielded 128 votes, Plunker Sheedy received 170, and Ralph Gonzalez had 62. Fuentes and Sheedy will be in the run-off.

Paul O'Rourke received 180 votes for County Commissioner, Precinct 4 while Bill Bizzell received 148.

The 5-man race for county wide Justice of the Peace also resulted in a run-off between Alvin Hall with 590 votes and Leonardo Luna with 300 votes. Alvin McClure garnered 188 votes, Charles "Puffy" Porter received 113, and Royce Massingill got 103.

Kinney County also elected a county executive committee through the write-in process. Jean Faulkenberry received the most votes for County Chairman and precinct results were: Precinct 1, Joan Boutwell, Precinct 2, Ava Lin-

deman, Precinct 3, Felix Gonzalez, and Precinct 4, Joy Ralston. Not all these people have been reached to confirm acceptance of office at press time.

State and district elections have not been canvassed but unofficial returns show that in Kinney County: Richard Fisher received 450 votes and Jim Mattox received 319 for U.S. Senator, with Michael Andrews and Evelyn Lantz 86 and 87 respectively.

Ann Richards led Gary Espinosa 661 to 326 for governor.

Martha Whitehead had 569 votes compared to 266 for Grady Yarbrough for State Treasurer.

Jim Nugent led Robert Earley for Railroad Commissioner with 493 to 327.

Mary Scott Nabors had 417 votes compared to David Young's 355 for an unexpired term as Railroad Commissioner.

In the Justice Supreme Court, Place 1, race, Bill Yarbrough had 298 votes, Rene Hass had 238, and Raul A. Gonzalez had 336.

Alice Oliver Parrott led Mike Westergren 435 to 297 for Justice, Supreme Court, Place 2.

Jimmy Carroll led Margaret G. Mirabal 386 to 326 for Justice, Supreme Court, Place 3.

Mike McCormick led Charles Baird 395 to 316 for Presiding Judge Court of Criminal Appeals.

For Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 2, Frances Northcutt had 135 votes, Betty Marshall had 235 votes, Gene Kelly had 158, Norman Lanford had 105, and Bennie Ray had 61 votes.

Herman Segovia fell behind Pat Priest 244 to 466 for Justice, 4th Court of Appeals District, Place 1.

Other state and district candidates ran unopposed.

All information is from the Democratic Primary. The Republican Party did not hold a primary in Kinney County.

Doppler Weather System East Of Town To Be Operated By Laughlin AFB Staff

It might look like a giant size golf ball on a tall tee, but it really isn't. It is an apparatus to help us know when it's the best weather to play golf...or fly jets...or just be secure, or take cautions.

By the time this year's severe storm season begins later this month, this weather station just east of Brackettville on Highway 90 will be well on the way to making our lives safer.

It will be able to see storm activity like no other. The equipment is being installed by the Department of Defense and a similar one is being installed at New Braunfels by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. The Doppler radar system developed in 1988 and will be a significant improvement over the 1950s equipment currently in use at Hondo, the agency that provides storm warnings for the Brackettville area.

Part of a \$4.4 million upgrade and consolidation of National Weather Service facilities under the Next Generation Radar Program being implemented throughout the country, the system is expected to begin preliminary operation by early April.

Commissioning of the installations is expected this summer, with full operation by the end of the year.

Although the computer technology is much more sophisticated, the Doppler radar is the same system used by police officers to identify speeders.

It is named in honor of Christian Doppler, an Austrian scientist who theorized that an object's speed and direction can be determined by measuring the sound or visual wavelength emitted by the object.



The Doppler radar will more than double the current system's range of detecting storm systems, in addition to providing information on wind speeds, freeze lines, hail activity and other information that has not been available from readings from the existing equipment.

The current system has received praise from weather observers because of its durability, although officials have pointed out that its vacuum-tube technology is antiquated and replacement parts have to be salvaged from the former Societ Union.

The Doppler radar is so powerful that it will detect swarms of insects

according to 1st Lt. Mark Lajoie, commander of the weather detachment at Laughlin Air Force Base that will operate the Brackettville facility.

Lt. Lajoie and those working with him are taking intense training, mostly on computers, and it may be a year before they gain a full realization of the new system's capabilities.

The systems at Brackettville and New Braunfels will be connected through ground lines to insure instant communication of weather data and the radar's 250-mile range will extend into the Big Bend area and down to Laredo.

Lt. Lajoie said that 16 military weather observers will operate the facility at Brackettville from their Laughlin AFB office. The radar will be in operation 24 hours a day and weather information will be relayed to the Air Force base for pilot-training flight operations that are conducted at Laughlin.

Lt. Lajoie also said that weather alerts to civilians (including Kinney County) will continue to be monitored by the National Weather Service and any alerts pertaining to severe weather will still be received as they are now...through the TV stations, radios, and emergency services.

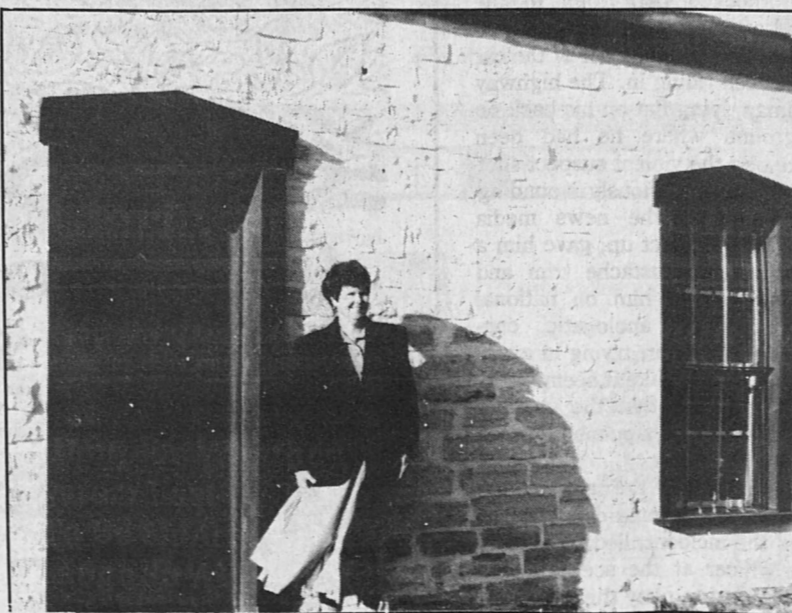
JTPA At Home In New Office

Joy Ralston, JTPA Field Specialist, is now located in her new headquarters in the Filippone Building. Mrs. Ralston accepted the JTPA position in November 1993 and the move to the historic building was completed this month. Her office is on the ground level and the entrance is on the north side of the building.

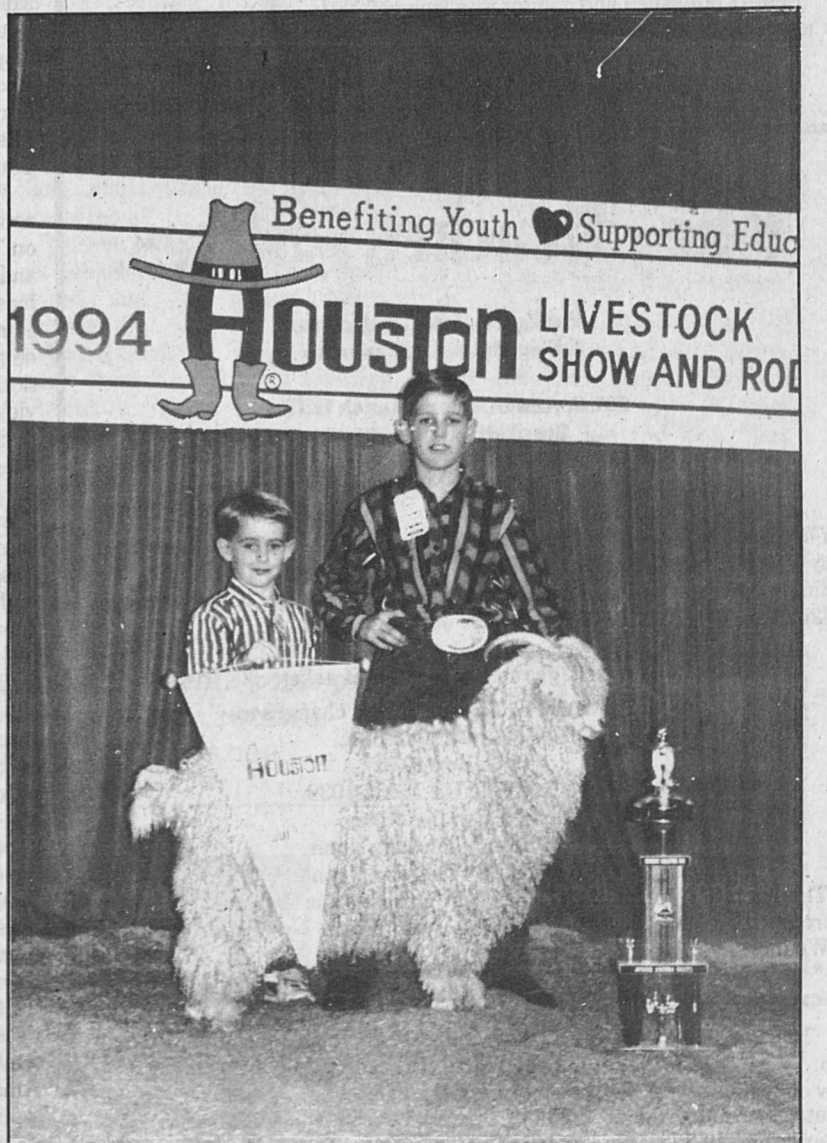
J.T.P.A. SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAM

Mrs. Ralston is now taking registrations for the J.T.P.A. Summer Youth Program which involved students ages 14-21. This program includes both the work program and the remediation program. All students admitted must qualify under the economic disadvantaged guidelines. Mrs. Ralston can be reached at her office (the Filippone Building is at the corner of El Paso and James Streets) and her telephone number is 563-2021. Her office hours are Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

She will be spending some time at the school campus to be more accessible to students during the period she is accepting applications for the summer programs.



JTPA Field Specialist Joy Ralston pauses outside her new office in the Filippone Building very early on a very windy Wednesday morning.



Davis Brothers Show Reserve Champ

Tillman Davis, left, assisted his brother, Zachry, in showing, and accepting the Reserve Grand Champion Doe awards at the Houston Livestock Show. They are the sons of Zack and Kayla Davis and show under the banner of the Kinney County 4-H Club. Zachry is an "old hand" at being in the winner's circle. This is Tillman's first "on-hands" experience but watch for him in the future.

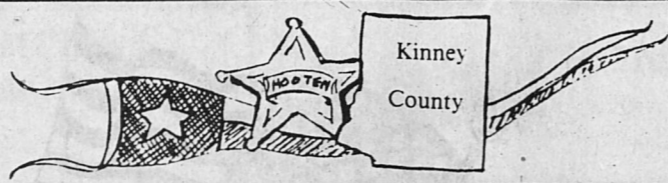


All District Basketball

Tigers chosen to the 1994 All-District Dream Basketball Team: first row, Ruben Terrazas - Honorable Mention, Patrick Melancon - Honorable Mention; second row, Kelly Henrich - Honorable mention, Ramon DeLeon - Honorable Mention, third row, Jesse Terrazas - 1st team, Wil Shahhan - 2nd team, top row, Coach Gary Grubbs.

Sheriff's Corner

By Sheriff Norman H. Hooten



Two separate but similar incidents occurred in Brackettville over the past week-end (March 5th & 6th) that are an indication of the continuously increasing lack of respect for the laws of the land and the peace officers who risk life and limb enforcing those laws. Much of that lack of respect in these days and times has been brought about by the "hype" of racism that the American public is being beat about the head and shoulders with these days by the biased, anti-law enforcement news media.

Ironically, neither of the incidents were serious enough in the beginning to have caused the arrest of anyone had the principals involved been willing to have settled down and allow the responding officer to get things worked out. Both incidents began with calls for assistance to the Sheriff's Department due to domestic violence. However, the arrogance, violence, and total lack of respect for the rights of others and the law enforcement officer responding to the call led to an acceleration of the problem and subsequently to several criminal charges being filed on the principal actors in the

separate but similar incidents. Action could have been avoided.

The first incident was the report of domestic violence received at approx. 5:23 am the morning of Saturday, March 5, 1994, when a call was received on 911 from a local female requesting an officer at her residence. She reported that her husband was drunk and had beaten her and thrown her out of their house. The night Patrol Deputy was dispatched to the scene and upon his arrival found the complainant standing out in the front yard of the residence in tears. She stated that her husband was extremely intoxicated and had locked her out after beating her and throwing her out of the house, keeping their young baby with him inside.

Repeated attempts of the deputy to obtain response from the husband inside the house was finally met with threats of bodily harm and vulgar, profane language being shouted at the officer by the husband. The deputy called for assistance and upon the arrival at the scene by Chief Deputy Johnny Fritter the suspect fled out a rear window of the house into heavy brush nearby. A

subsequent chase on foot and with a patrol car failed to lead to the apprehension of the suspect and charges of Assault by Threat and Evading Arrest were filed later that day on the suspect, a 23 year old Brackettville man.

The suspect remained in hiding until being sighted on Monday, March 7, 1994 and leading officers on another chase, ending at a friend's house on Beaumont Street where he ran inside and locked the door.

The suspect finally responded to the pleas of his mother who came to the scene and gave himself up to this writer. He was arrested and transported to the County Jail where he later pled guilty to the Class C Misdemeanor charge of Assault by Threat and was assessed a fine of \$238.00. Bond was set on the Class B Misdemeanor charge of Evading Arrest which will be tried in County Court at a later date. After posting bond the suspect was released.

The second incident of a similar nature occurred at approx. 9:10 pm the night of Sunday, March 6, 1994, and involved the report of another domestic dispute received from a wife stating that her husband was drunk and was beating her. Again the night patrol deputy was dispatched to the scene, this time the suspect (a close friend of the previous suspect) ran towards the deputy in an offensive manner, shouting threats and obscenities at the officer.

He was obviously highly intoxicated and again the incident accelerated to the point where back-up officers were called to the scene and again the suspect fled the scene on foot. Neighbors also reported that they had heard gunshots fired in the immediate area of the residence prior to the arrival of the officers and this, of course, led to the heightened awareness of the officers on the scene.

Approximately 30 minutes later the suspect was sighted driving a vehicle at a high rate of speed through a residential area in Brackettville. The deputy gave chase and the suspect led the officers at high speeds through the city streets, abandoning his vehicle finally in a residential area in the northwest part of town, fleeing on foot. He had endangered himself, others, and the officer by his actions of reckless driving.

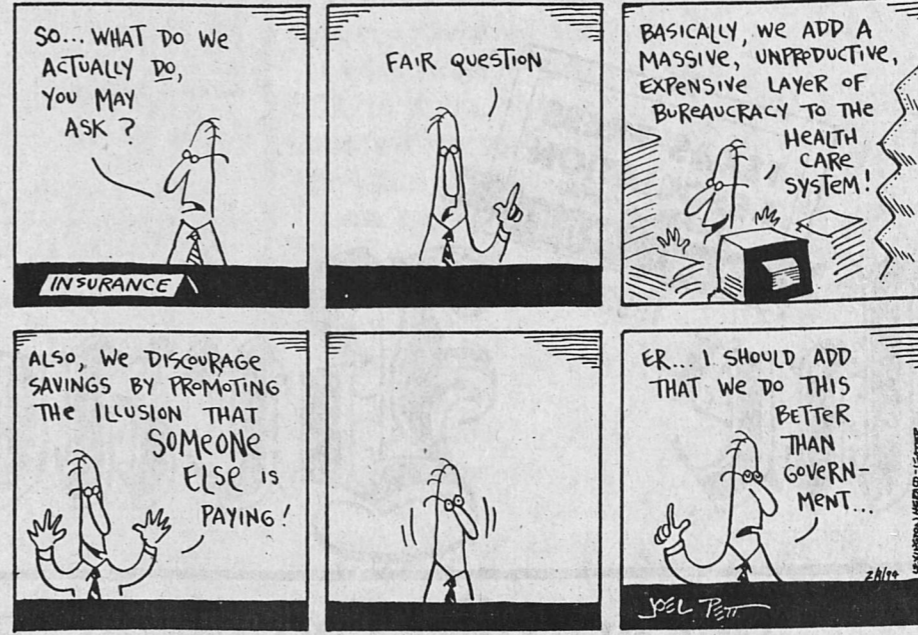
The vehicle was impounded by the Sheriff's Department and during a routine inventory of the vehicle drug paraphernalia was found inside it. The suspect was again sighted on foot near his residence in the early morning hours of Monday, March 7, 1994 and again fled on foot, evading arrest. Later that day charges of Public Intoxication, Disorderly Conduct, Assault by Threat, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Reckless Driving, and Evading Arrest were filed on the 19 year old man.

He turned himself in at the Sheriff's Department just before noon on Monday and later that day pled guilty to four (4) Class C Misdemeanor charges in Justice Court, bonds of \$500.00 and \$750.00 respectively were set on the Reckless Driving and Evading Arrest charges, both Class B Misdemeanor to be tried in County Court at a later day.

We see far too much of this type activity these days being broadcast on TV news and in the newspapers, and invariably we see the liberal, biased press trying their hardest to somehow, somehow place the blame on peace officers for the criminal actions of the suspects involved who violate the law, flee from and/or resist arrest, often violently. An example of this recently appeared nationwide on several of the biased, liberal, anti-law enforcement news shows when a young black man violently resisted the orders of a highway patrolman and a deputy sheriff and fought with the officers, resisting arrest.

He knocked both men to the ground after a violent struggle and then ran towards the door of the car he had been riding in. The highway patrolman, lying flat on his back on the ground where he had been knocked by the violent suspect shot the man twice, seriously wounding him. Naturally, the news media dressed the suspect up, gave him a haircut and a mustache trim and then interviewed him on national TV in a most apologetic, condescending manner, trying in every way possible to make it seem to the American public that the incident would never have happened had the man not been black.

This in spite of the fact that the man was highly intoxicated at the time of the incident, lied repeatedly to the officer at the scene, steadfastly refused to obey the lawful orders of the officer, and then violently



Between Us

By Joe Townsend.



One of the most refreshing writings I've enjoyed in some time was the letter last week by Mrs. Boyson. Friend, I'm just like you, I'm great for the shape I'm in.

The greatest contributing factor to a happy life is an optimistic acceptance of a person's being.

So many people with minor physical problems stay miserable because they let these frailties rule their lives. They spend much of their time reading, listening and trying to find something new or far out to address the problem.

Many people make minor problems into mountainous detractors. Insurance and medicare/medicaid have made access to doctors, hospitals and medicine so personally cheap and easy that many people feel they are cheating themselves if they don't go to the doctor when they stump a toe.

Doctors and the news media trumpet loudly the dangerous possibilities that many people live in anticipation of life threatening physical problems. This seems to be particularly true the older we get.

Many people refuse to accept the ravages of age. At 78 I know there are many things different from what they were 40 years ago. I know that at 78 there can't be many more years before I go to be with the Lord.

There is never a day that on my knees I don't thank God for the rest of the night and pray for Him to make this body He designed to be able to do what faces me in the hours ahead.

One of the biggest mistakes some people make is to go to the doctor. When a doctor is really needed that's good he's available but so much of the time it would be better to use some common sense and with God's help let the body heal itself.

Many live a life of misery just trying to spend a few more days on the earth. It is inevitable that one day life will cease here. To know the peace and joy heaven offers, it's amazing the fear of death that dominates their thinking.

I can understand that fear of one who has never trusted Christ as a Savior.

The expression of Mrs. Boyson demonstrates a deep faith in Christ, put into practice to make life enjoyable.

Thanks, Mrs. Boyson, you made my week.

I would like to thank all of those who voted for and supported my campaign for County Judge. I would like to congratulate all of those who won in each of their respective races.

I have enjoyed serving the people of Kinney County during the past twelve years and I am proud of the accomplishments that have been made.

I would like to encourage each of you to get behind your elected officials and work together to make Kinney County a better place to live.

May God Bless You!

**Sincerely,
Tim Ward**

Pd. Pol. Ad by Tim Ward, Box 1445, Brackettville TX 78832

FINAL DAY TO REGISTER FOR 1994 BASEBALL SEASON
Location: Kinney County Little League Field
4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
Friday, March 11, 1994
(during High School girls games)

Driving Tests License Renewal

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

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- 4. The Second Layer**
1 to 2 inches of garden soil, manure, or a compost activator.
- 5. Successive Layers**
Repeat steps 3 and 4 until your pile is 4 to 5 feet high.
- 6. Keep it moist**
Like a wrung-out sponge.
- 7. Turn it**
The more compact, the more often you turn it (once a week to once a month). It's ready when it's crumbly and a uniform brown.

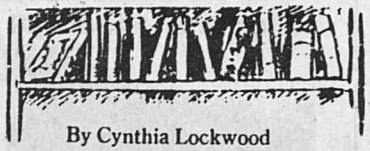
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Library Notes



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

If you haven't visited the Fritter Room lately, you are really missing out. Thanks to The Friends Of The Library organization we now have a beautiful wooden table on which our new microfilm/microfiche reader sits. Also for the convenience of our patrons, the Friends have purchased an adjustable chair to go along with it.

I am pleased to report that the Fritter Room is seeing more use. During the last month, two meetings have been held there. If you are interested in holding monthly meetings in this facility, please contact me here at the library. As long as the meetings are held during regular business hours, we are more than happy to oblige your request.

The following people donated memorials to the library during the month of February: James and Trudy Harber donated in memory of Dick Schroeder; P.M. Moore and Evelyn Whitley donated in memory of Leo Schooler and Dick Schroeder; and Georgie Thompson donated in memory of Buddy Schrader.

The following donated memorials to the Friends Of The Library: Joyce Bell, Henry and Marian Yeakle, Herbert and Eileen Voracek donated in memory of Dick Schroeder; and Ruth Wilks donated in memory of Leo Schooler and Dick Schroeder. Thank you everyone for your generosity.

These videos arrived with the monthly San Antonio circuit and may be of interest to you. Check out *A MacNeill/Lehrer Special Production: Eat Smart, Alzheimer's Disease; SAT Analogies; and Richard Simmons and The Silver Foxes Fitness Workout.*

New books in the library are *Lyon's Pride* by Anne McCaffrey, *Star Trek The Next Generation: Sarek* by A.C. Crispin, *The Cat Who Came To Breakfast* by Lilian Jackson Braun, *Night* by Elie Wiesel, and *Favorite Fortunes*, the third in a series by Colleen McCullough.

New in reference are *The Cover Story Index 1960-1991, American Presidential Families, and The MacMillan Visual Desk Reference.*

In non-fiction we have *Kiplinger's Buying And Selling A Home, Listening To Prozac* by Kramer, *1001 Images Of Dogs* by Lipson, and *Glorious Garnishes.*

For the younger readers check out *The Plant And Grow Project Book, Jerusalem, Tropical Rain Forests, Determined To Win: Children Living With Allergies, Sammy's Mommy Has Cancer, and The First Thanksgiving.*

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Many thanks to everyone who donated books and magazines to the library this past week.

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

Kinney County Library Staff & Volunteers

Bridge Anyone

By NORMA GOULD



The Fort Clark Springs Duplicate Club enjoyed another evening of bridge with seven tables playing the Mitchell Movement on Tuesday, March 1.

Mylo Unruh and Betty Inman won first place in the N/S direction.

Helen Lynch and Flo Stafford won second place. There was a tie for third place between the pairs of Tina Baugness - Rozetta Pingenot, and Nita - Fred Clayton.

Ben Pingenot and Norma Gould won first place in the E/W direction.

Molly Schroeder and Carol Benfield won second place with Ruth Theis and Gloria Boroughs winning third.

Unsung Hero

by Joe Townsend



There is a young man in high school who is making an impact in many ways.

He is a part of a very fine family. He is an exceptional student academically. He is a better than average athlete.

He has fine qualities of leadership. He is a good thinker. His personality lends itself joviality.

He is friendly and a fine example for his peers.

Surely Matthew Benacci is an "Unsung Hero."

THANK YOU

I wish to thank my many friends in Brackettville for their kindness and support during my illness. Your generosity and compassion have been a great comfort to me.

/s/ Mary Frances Swanson

Around the Fort



Ladies Exercise

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

Ceramic Shop Hours

Sat: Noon to 5:00 p.m. Mon: 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. Sun: 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.

What a beautiful weekend! I saw many members cutting grass, planting flowers, and gathering the "end of the dead leaves." There were children enjoying roller skating and some families took a dip in the swimming pool when the temperature hit the 90s.

After a long day working in their yards, some of the members enjoyed the Prime Rib Dinner Saturday. We didn't break last month's record, but we did serve 250 people.

Did you know Las Moras Inn Restaurant runs an "early bird special" Sunday - Thursday? You will get a 10% discount on your meal ordered between 5 - 7 p.m. Also, on Wednesday and Thursday evenings, there is a dinner special. Be sure to stop by for the best meal in town.

We all know walking is great exercise - so, why not join Lions International on Saturday, March 12, for their "Stride For Sight Walk-A-Thon." For more information, call 563-9103.

For those of you who are not participating in the golf tournament this Saturday and Sunday, there are always other activities to attend. Try your luck at Las Vegas Night, 7:30 p.m., Cavalry Room. Enjoy meeting with other members at the Adult Center. Take a quiet walk and enjoy nature at it's best. Visit our museum. Shop Sutler's Store. Plan a picnic with the family. So many options living here at Fort Clark!

Mark your calendar for upcoming events:

Wednesday, March 16, Pot Luck Supper at Service Club.

Saturday, March 19, Fort Clark Arts and Craft Show at the Service Center. To reserve a table, call 563-9217 or 563-9452.

Saturday, March 19, St. Patrick's Day Dance at Town Hall. Music by Stone Creek.

Saturday, March 19, Adult Center Party at 7 p.m. Bring a dish of your choice.

Many more "happenings" later in the month. Funfinders are available at the Adult Center and member services office.

CP&L Makes Changes To Improve Service

Central Power and Light Company announced several changes in its Western Region to improve operations efficiency and increase customer service. These actions are expected to save CPL and its customers about \$3 million per year.

CPL plans to consolidate its four regions into three divisions by joining the Northern and Central Regions to become the Central Division headquartered in Corpus Christi. The other regions will become the Western and Southern Divisions. CPL's current Northern Region office in Victoria will remain open and continue to offer marketing and other service-related functions.

Some of the larger towns that will be a part of the new Central Division include Alice, Corpus Christi, Victoria, El Campo, Bay City, Goliad, Refugio, Beeville, and Kingsville.

In addition to consolidating the regions, CPL plans to close the Cotulla area office in the Western Region and the Taft area office. One or more CPL servicemen will remain in each of the areas where the offices are closed.

Twelve other area offices throughout CPL's service territory will become service offices which will focus primarily on responding to outages, connections, disconnections and other service functions. Three of the offices are in the Western Region at Devine, Rocksprings, and San Diego. The other offices are in Eagle Lake, Elsa, Goliad, Luling, Mathis,

Palacios, Portland, Three Rivers and Yorktown.

"While customers will no longer be able to pay their bills at a local business office in these towns, we have taken a number of steps to ensure that CPL continues to provide good service," said Gonzalo Sandoval, CPL vice president of operations. "CPL remains committed and actively involved in the communities it serves."

Customers have the option to pay their electric bills by mail or use one of the convenient pay stations at more than 100 locations throughout the company's service territory.

In Brackettville, CPL customers may pay their bills at Super S Grocery, 205 N. Ann Street.

Customers may call CPL at 800-274-2611 for assistance with billing, electric service, or to report outages. That telephone number connects the customer with the Customer Service Center that is staffed 24 hours a day.

Consolidation of the regions and the office closures will be implemented over the next few months and are expected to be in place by June. Employees affected will become a part of CPL's corporate restructuring and restaffing process.

"These actions will complement the corporate restructuring that is occurring throughout companies that are a part of the Central and South West Corporation," Sandoval said. "Ultimately, all of these measures will improve customer service and make us a more efficient company."

ATTENTION ALL BORDER FEDERAL CREDIT UNION MEMBERS!
Don't miss the 40th Annual Meeting...
 Friday, March 25, 1994
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Theta Sigma Is Hosted By Betty Inman Brackett Betas Invade "The Cemetery Club"

Monday evening, March 7, the Theta Sigma Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met at the Fort Clark Adult Center with Marty Isenberg presiding.

Following the opening ritual, roll was called, and the minutes of the previous meeting were read by Luella Gilliland. Doralene Keller reported on the chapter's finances.

Members were reminded by Ways and Means Chairman Mylo Unruh of the bake sale in conjunction with the Annual Arts and Crafts Show on March 19 at the Service Club.

Service Chairman Dee Curry emphasized that the Great Texas Trash Off (highway clean-up) is scheduled for Saturday, April 9. All three of the Brackettville Beta Sigma Phi chapters work on keeping two miles east of Brackettville on Highway 90 clean.

Pat McKelvy is planning a cultural outing on April 16 to see "Life With Father," a comedy that will be done by the Upstagers at the Paul Poag Theater in Del Rio.

A cultural program on "Happiness: What It Takes To Be Happy" was led by Doralene Keller. Members joined into a lively discussion. Mrs. Keller closed the program with a quote from Emily Dickinson "My only sketch of heaven is a large blue sky, larger than the biggest I have seen in June...and in it all my friends...every one of them!"

Hostess Betty Inman served refreshments to those already mentioned and Jan Chism, Nancy Frerich, Dee Gaston, Jean Land, Clara McCord, and Patsy Callinan, a guest from Beta Epsilon Omicron Chapter.

Brackettville was well represented at the Grand Opera House for the Uvalde Council of the Arts production of "The Cemetery Club." This is a rare comedy that has you roaring with laughter one minute, and then puts a tear in your eye the next. Ida, Lucille, and Doris, Long Island's "Golden Girls" are three Jewish widows who live in Queens and are great friends even though the only thing they have in common is that they are widows.

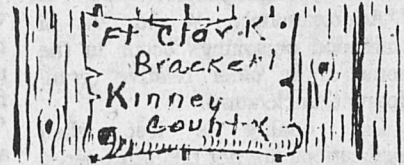
They meet once a month for tea before going to the cemetery to visit their husbands graves. Sam, the butcher, comes on the scene to visit his wife's grave where he meets the three heroines. He is tired of living alone, as is Ida, and is ready to begin a new life much to the dismay of Lucille and Doris.

All three Brackettville Beta Sigma Phi chapters, along with husbands and friends, enjoyed dinner at Jerry's Restaurant prior to the play. Attending were Carol Benfield, Millie Harvey, Betty Inman, Helen Lynch, Alice Seargeant, Mary Butler, Ruth Wilks, Betty and Vern Ebert, Eileen and Herb Voracek, Mylo and Dale Unruh, Pat

and Clem McKelvy, Nancy and Tony Frerich, JoAnn and Newell Mayberry, Connie and Jack Gillen, Kay and Harold Roberts, Melba and Mo Turner, Pat and John Long, LaVon and Jerry McLane, Clara and Allen McCord, Leslie and Bob Houk, Marty and Dan Isenberg,

Diana and Harry Daniels, Lou and Carl Green, Betty and Art Gaither, Ruth and Don Packer, Flo and James Stafford, Evelyn Whitley, P.M. Moore, Sue and Don Sims, Lynn and Tom McNew, Jean and Phil Land.

Community Calendar



- AA: Mondays, 8 p.m., Slaton 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.
- Bass Club: Last Thursday, 7 p.m.
- BISD School Board: 2nd Monday, 6:30 p.m., School Board Room.
- Beta Sigma Phi
 - R of J Beta Epsilon Omicron (Sept-May) 2nd & 4th Monday, 7 p.m.
 - Preceptor Theta Sigma (Sept-May) 1st & 3rd Monday, 7 p.m.
 - Laureate Iota Epsilon (all year) 3rd Monday, 7 p.m.
- Mountain Laurel Garden Club: 2nd Thursday, 10 a.m., Sept-May
- Chamber of Commerce: 2nd Thursday, 7:30 p.m., Cavalry Room.
- City Council: 1st Tuesday after 2nd Monday, 7 p.m., City Hall.
- Commissioners Court: 2nd Monday, 9 a.m., Court House.
- Del Rio Christian Women's Club: 1st Wednesday, 12 Noon, San Felipe Country Club. Reservations required.
- FCS Pot Luck Supper: 3rd Wednesday, 6:30 p.m., Service 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 #8360 & Auxiliary: 4th Monday, 6 p.m., Pot Luck, 7 p.m., Service Center.
- FCS Bingo: Friday, 7:30 p.m., Shafter Hall.
- 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., Service 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, Slaton Hall. Please make reservations.
- Creative Writing Group: Fridays, 9:30 a.m., Golf Club Snack Bar.

Just For The Fun Of It

Where were you born: Del Rio, Texas.
 When is your birthday: August 10.
 What is your favorite food: Steak and Vegetable.
 What is your favorite movie: Tombstone.
 What are your hobbies: Coaching T-ball, bike riding, crocheting, sewing.
 How do your friends describe you: Genuine friendly, talkative.
 Describe yourself: Friendly, easy to get along with.
 How long have you lived in Kinney County: All my life.
 If you could go anywhere, where would you go: Just to Fort Worth to be with my granddaughter.
 If you could change Brackettville, how would you change it: Do away with politics.
 What would you like to be if you could change your life: Pianist.

Beatrice Rocha

Answers to Super Crossword

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12	SMUT	SLANT	CRETE	ETON
13	HAMILTON	AGA	LOVELAND	
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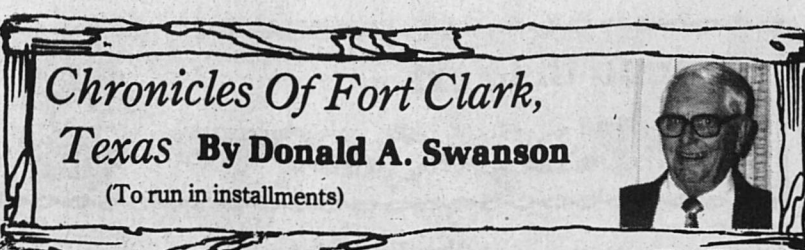
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 The first person to come by The Brackett News and correctly identify this picture will receive a Brackett News cap!

No Winner This Week! Keep Looking At It!

Big Birthday Party For Our Special Friends Nancy (Marie) Gomez Ed Snyder Matt Sandoval Estalla Guajardo
 At Ora's Place
 March 12, 1994 6 pm. til ??
 COME ONE, COME ALL HAVE FUN.

Have a Good Day
 Janice

Show Your Tiger Spirit



The Big Feed

Well, the evening of the big feed came and so did Old Virginia Sities and 41 of her newest deputies. It was not a pleasant sight.

There they were (all but the good ladies (?) of the Better Than Thou Club) serving up a meal that would make most kings wish they lived in Querecho Flats for at least one day a year.

Then just as the prayer had been said and every one was just starting to get down to some serious eating, it happened.

Yep, it was a terrible event to be entered in. There was dogs barking, babies crying and women screaming in the parking lot. I didn't know that Kortman County had that many vehicles with sirens and flashing lights on 'em.

Garlan, Karl, Juan and me knew what was happening, but none of the older people had any idea as to what was going on.

Of course the television crew from Kortman County's leading television station (KRAP) thought they were just invited out for a free meal and a chance to film some old people eating a holiday meal. WRONG!

We had invited them to a free meal, but the main goal was to capture ignorance at it's best on film for all the world to see. And I might add, they did a really fine job.

By the time some of them older people got done whipping old Virginia and her newly acquired deputies over the head with weapons ranging from chicken legs to chairs not to mention a couple of pitchers of really cold iced tea, things were in some what of a disarray.

It might not 'ave been so bad if old Virginia and her little untrained army had 'ave just walked in and asked a few questions, but no, they had to try and knock the doors down with a battering ram that they had built from a couple of old cross ties and some baling wire.

When they tried to knock the door down the first time, one of the new deputies stumbled and dropped his part of the battering ram. This caused a minor balance problem with the other five deputies that was as coordinated as the first. They ended up dropping two cross ties and a whole bunch of baling wire on Virginia's new super-doooper double

deluxe ankle-supporting lace up combat boots.

That caused a scream kinda like a gut-shot panther would make and old Archie Grouchman went to open the door to see what was going on. He got the door opened just in time for six really goofy dressed deputies and a rather spooky looking lady (?) that was limping to come flying through the doors and land in the middle of the table with all the Bar-B-Que on it.

Now that caused a mess and upset everyone else and all the sane ones thought they were being invaded by the Russians or that group of lawyers from California that had sworn to come back and get revenge.

Yep, there was a fight that took place that night. And I might add, the camera crew did a mighty fine job of recording it for posterity.

The veggie brigade wasn't all that well armed. They had a few fire arms, but most had canned veggies hanging off of their combat belts and can openers in their pockets. I guess they figured they would just force feed the law breakers once they got 'em under control.

When all was said and done, the veggie brigade left (after cleaning up the mess) and headed back to Logaville. The camera crew got the film on state wide news that night and made national news the next morning.

Virginia turned in her resignation for the job of Dietary Manager for the county and Hortense swore she didn't know anything about any of it.

B.B. swore he would find out who was responsible and take the proper action against the wrong doers and Buckshot said there was strong evidence of uncontrolled distribution of meat. And, he would see to it that at the next commissioners meeting there would be a county law passed that would guarantee all meat owners and eaters would be registered.

The good ladies (?) of the Better Than Thou Club found out that there are several people in this world that is goofier than they are and started a petition to get ALL of the above mentioned county power people impeached.

You know that may not be such a bad idea on a little larger scale.

Narrative History For Company Officers Quarters Fort Clark, Texas

Fort Clark, as U.S. Army garrison, was established June 20, 1852, with the view of protecting the southwest frontier of Texas against Indian depredations as well as protecting the Lower Road (San Antonio - El Paso).

The camp was first named Camp Riley after the then Commanding Officer of the 1st Infantry. At the request of Colonel Riley, the name was redesignated in orders dated July 15, 1852, as Fort Clark.

Fort Clark, Texas, was the semi-official name of the fort for 89 years. Since it was not named by the War Department, it was not made the official name by the Adjutant General's office until 29 September 1941.

Fort Clark was established on Las Moras Spring, Territory of Bexar County, the land of which was owned by Samuel Maverick, merchant in San Antonio. From 1852 until June 1884 the land which Fort Clark was located on was leased from Samuel A. Maverick or his estate.²

The officers' housing from the establishment of the post until 1873 consisted of tents and log houses. In 1871, the Department of Texas received approval to start rebuilding Fort Clark. In April 1873, the Quartermasters Department, Department of Texas, San Antonio, placed on the payroll of Fort Clark the following civil building skill workers: chief supervisor carpenter, 3 carpenters, 7 masons (\$75/mo) and 3 masons (\$50/mo).³

Each month the number of civil employees with building skills increased reaching the climax in April 1874 listing some 31 carpenters, 49 masons, and 23 quarrymen. These civilian employees lessened in numbers through 1874. Acting Assistant Surgeon Donald Jackson and Acting Assistant Surgeon Peter Middleton prepared a report in 1875 for the Surgeon General's Office, U.S. Army. In this report they reported: "the post has been much enlarged within the last four years and now covers about 20 acres. Nine new buildings are now completed for officer's quarters (including the commanding officer's quarters No. 29); they are built of stone, two

stories high, with a porch in front and with back buildings (wash sheds and outhouses, later removed)."⁵

In spite of all these improvements made on Fort Clark by the government, the land was still leased from the Maverick Estate and it was June 1884 before the U.S. Government purchased the land for \$80,000.

Fort Clark, as an Army garrison, had a cyclic life of importance as the military necessity dictated. On the high side the Fort was subject to increased money for improvements while on the low side, the fort was recommended to be closed. Historically the closing was first registered by General William T. Sherman while he served as Chief of Staff, U.S. Army. General Sherman wanted it closed and the activity shifted to Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio.⁶

Upon General Sherman's retirement, General Phillip Sheridan replaced him and Fort Clark regained military importance. Then in 1908, 1912, and 1915 there reappeared pressure from within the Army and Congress to close Fort Clark but Mexican border problems would each time rescue Fort Clark.⁷

Along came World War I and once again the Mexican border became a threat to the U.S. security and Fort Clark regained military importance. Between the two World Wars, Fort Clark's military importance was once again questioned, but prewar conditions of World War II again raised the vulnerability of the Mexican Border and Fort Clark regained its military importance. In June 1944, the War Department declared Fort Clark surplus. The Post was inactivated on 9 February 1946.⁸

After Fort Clark was deactivated it was turned over to the War Assets Administration for disposal. In June 1946, it became the property of Texas Railway Equipment Company, a subsidiary of the Brown and Root, Inc.⁹

From 1946 until 1952, the temporary buildings on Fort Clark were dismantled and the building materials sold. The permanent buildings such as the nine officers quarters were utilized by employees of Brown and Root, Inc.

In 1948, Brown and Root opened the property as "Fort Clark Ranch" and the general public was invited to attend for a fee. In 1971, Fort Clark (Fort Clark Ranch) was sold by Brown and Root to North American Towns of Texas, Inc. of San Antonio, Texas.⁹ North American Towns of Texas renamed the property "Fort Clark Springs." It established Fort Clark Springs Association Incorporated to operate the property as a private recreational community and to be leasee for all the real property and improvements until the sale and the payment for eight thousand charter memberships were completed.¹⁰

At that time the mortgage would be released and Fort Clark Springs would be the owner of all properties not sold to the individual members. From November 1971 until July 1974, the nine previous officers houses were rented on a daily or weekly basis to members and guests. In August 1974, these quarters were put up for sale to members by the Fort Clark Springs Association.¹¹ The sequential list of owners of these duplexes are listed on an addendum sheet.

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Lions Stride For Sight
Saturday, March 12, 1994
8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
Report To Service Club, FCS

Run, walk or stroll for Sight. All pledges are to be designated for District 2-A2 Lions Sight Research Foundation programs.

Walk Will Start Immediately Following The Lions Club Pancake Breakfast.

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Willows Bring Peace

Wherever I see willows, I find peace. They are always found in the kind of place that would be ordinary without them. Not that I have anything against ordinary places, but any ordinary place could use a few willows.

The pond, tank, river or lake encourage willows. How a tree species becomes associated with water seems mysterious. How anything with variance becomes known for its characteristic differences is mysterious, but the mystery is associated with how and in what setting it is perceived.

A willow, by nature, was always a tree whose roots sought more water than soil and therefore jeopardized its footing and ability to withstand strong wind. To compensate for poor footing, the act of drawing up large quantities of water makes it soft and pliable, able to bend and sway with the wind. If the tree had broad leaves, it would sway too much, but it has thin, wispy leaves as a favorable adaptation.

The willow is ideal for its environment.

I have watched baskets being made from the smaller limbs of willows. A neighbor makes furniture from them. I have heard that an ingredient of aspirin comes from the bark. As a kid, I used to climb up and sway in the limbs and have fun.

Through reflections of willows, I've looked out over water down a length of line and from the glassy surface drawn a flashing silvery fish. To me, the willows made the experience very special.

Many poems and songs have been written about willows. All I can add to those sentiments is that I concur.

County Agent News
 By Allan McWilliams

Medications And The Older Adult

For many older adults the idea of taking medicine means you're sick, but medication use for either long-term or short-term conditions does not mean abandoning the idea of wellness.

Using medication properly is one of the most important tools for taking personal responsibility for wellness. By managing some of the chronic conditions that occur for the "chronologically gifted," older adults can be in control.

Dr. Barry Browne, pharmacologist at the Texas A&M University Health Science Center and Scott and White Memorial Hospital has presented a number of issues and facts about older adults and their medications.

Here are some findings regarding older adults and medication:

**Ten percent of all hospital admissions for patients 65 years of age or older are due to medication not being taken according to the directions.

**Older Americans make up 13% of the population, but consume about 30% of all prescriptions.

**The average adult over the age of 65 takes between two and seven prescription medications a day.

**Older people buy about 70% of the over-the-counter medications.

**Forty percent of people asked by the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) said they stopped taking their medications before the prescription was completed, and 20% failed to fill their initial prescription.

**Older adults suffer two to five times the frequency of adverse drug reactions to their medications compared to younger people.

**Approximately 1/4 to 1/2 of childhood poisonings occur in the home of an older relative (grandparent, uncle/aunt).

Life quality is lost when medications are not taken properly. Health care costs are also driven up by medication problems that could have been prevented. Older adults can learn how medications work in their bodies to improve their proper use of medicines.

How is medication used by the body in an older person? The term pharmacokinetics is used to describe how drugs are handled by the body. Simply put, pharmacokinetics involves how drugs are absorbed by the body, distributed throughout the body, changed by the body, and then eliminated from the body.

Medications taken by mouth are absorbed into the bloodstream through either the stomach or the intestines. In older adults, however, some age-related changes occur which may change the way the body absorbs drugs. These changes include:

**Additional time required for the stomach and small intestines to empty. This extra time can reduce absorption by allowing the drug to bind with food, or increase absorption because the drug is in the absorbing areas longer.

**Decreased stomach acid which can either increase or decrease absorption of a drug.

**Decreased blood flow to the intestines and stomach which can decrease drug absorption since absorption is dependent on blood flow.

How are drugs distributed in the body? Medications are distributed by the blood to all different organs of the body. Age-related changes, however, can change the way this happens. Changes include body size and amount of fat and muscle. Drug doses are often based on healthy young adults. So, the elderly may be



When A Child Breaks The Law In Texas What Comes Next?

A child who breaks the law in Texas may enter a complex world of procedures, places and people called the **juvenile justice system**.

In Texas, the ages of juvenile justice jurisdiction are 10 through 16. The handling of juveniles is strictly regulated by state law, but juvenile probation is locally administered at the county level.

This year, more than 100,000 Texas children picked up by law enforcement officers will enter the juvenile justice system.

For minor violations, the police may simply warn the child and parents. However, when further action is needed to protect the public or the child, or to prevent future offenses, the case is forwarded to local juvenile probation officials.

Children arrive at the juvenile probation units around the clock. They may be sick, intoxicated, injured, depressed or violent. Critical admissions must be made on the spot.

Intake officers are skilled in crisis prevention, information gathering and assessment. They resolve some cases through counseling and refer others to more appropriate social agencies. If charges are to be filed in court, they must make the initial decision about where the child will stay pending judicial proceedings.

Many are safely released to parents or guardians while others must be held in secure detention or in a shelter.

Children who break the law come from all social, racial, and economic groups. About two-thirds are male.

Most are charged with minor offenses or "status offenses" such as truancy or running away from home. However, one-third or more are serious offenders who may have committed crimes such as burglary, assault or murder. Substance abuse, family violence and school problems are common.

Juvenile detention centers are short-term, secure facilities. Run by local juvenile probation departments, they are designed to protect the community and the child, and to assure the child's appearance in court.

At intervals set by law, children in detention have detention hearings where a judge must be shown there is good cause to hold them. Children are not detained without due process of law. The more than 50 detention centers in Texas offer top quality custodial care, crisis intervention, counseling, education and many other services.

When charges are filed against a child, a probation officer initiates a court investigation. After making a detailed assessment of the child's behavior, home, school and social relationships, the officer writes a social history report to assist the judge in deciding on a plan for the child's future.

In the court proceeding, called an Adjudication hearing, the child, family, and the child's attorney, appear before a judge or jury that will decide if the child committed a delinquent act or is a "Child In Need Of Supervision." If the child is adjudicated for the offense, the judge orders a "disposition"—a plan to protect the public and to redirect the child toward a law-abiding future.

Juvenile court judges have many options from outright dismissal to long-term confinement in a correctional facility. For felony offenses, a youth 15 or older can be "certified" to stand trial in the adult criminal courts.

For other serious offenders, the Determinate Sentencing Law allows a juvenile to be confined up to 40 years, first in a Texas Youth Commission facility, followed by an optional court transfer to prison.

For less serious offenders who require confinement, the judge may order an indeterminate commitment to the Texas Youth Commission where the child may be held until his or her 21st birthday.

In most cases, however, the judge orders some form of probation supervision in the community, or placement in a private, state or local residential treatment facility.

Some of the youngest, least serious offenders get a second chance to prove to the court that no further action is needed to prevent future illegal activity. Those who succeed in this six-month "Informal Adjustment" program avoid a juvenile record and continued involvement with authorities.

Of all the court's choices, probation supervision is most used. Because children remain in their homes and schools, probation is the least costly, least disruptive course of action.

The court-ordered rules of probation demand school attendance, good conduct, curfews and participation in specified programs, including community service or financial restitution.

Probation officers enforce these rules while they help the child and family achieve positive change.

Parents are expected to participate in their child's probation program. As the source of social, emotional and financial support, the family is a key to a successful probation outcome. Family counseling, parent training and support groups help parents meet the challenge of raising teenagers today.

Some children must be removed from their homes due to uncontrolled behavior, drug addiction, mental illness, or an inadequate home environment. Children are removed from homes only as a last resort to protect the public, to provide needed supervision and treatment, and to prevent future lawless conduct.

The child who succeeds on probation, either at home or in an institution, gets a fresh start. The Texas juvenile justice system treats children with confidentiality and concern. Juvenile case records are not made public.

Probation practitioners work hard to see that children leaving their care and custody are better equipped to build productive, law-abiding futures. Because all children have the potential for good, they deserve our best efforts in their behalf.

To learn more about juvenile justice in your community and how you can help, contact Kinney County Judge Tim Ward, Kinney County Sheriff Norman Hooten, or Juvenile Probation, 63rd Judicial District (Val Verde, Edwards, Terrell, Kinney Counties) 200 Griner Street, Del Rio TX 78841.

This information has been provided as a public service by the Texas Juvenile Probation Commission (TJPC), a state agency, who works to help local juvenile justice agencies achieve the highest standards by providing technical assistance and financial support.

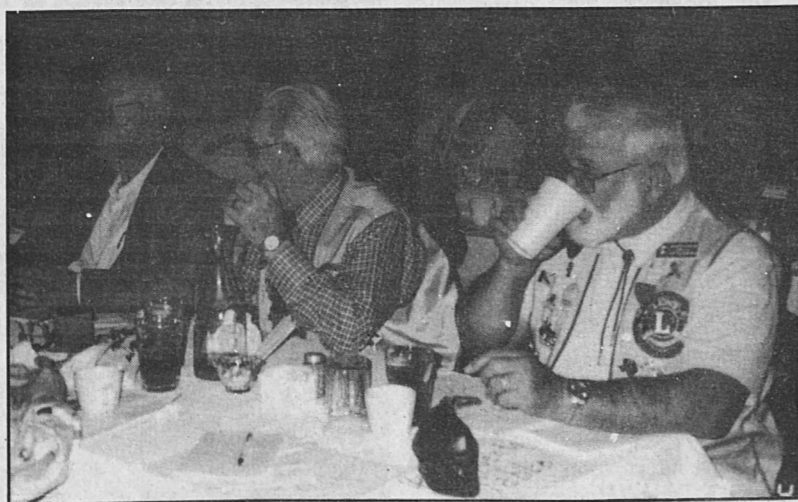
Charter member and past president P.H. Coates III and wife, Wynelle, were guests of honor. Mr. Coates is still a member of the club.

Charter president Grady Lester and his wife were recognized. Mr. Lester was one of 15 past presidents present. Thirty-eight men have served as president. Charlie Ward served multiple terms.

The club was organized with 12 charter members. Membership now totals 53.



Charter member Marion Wills, left, and his wife (to his right) now live in San Marcos. Mr. Wills is a past president. To Mr. Wills' left is Past President Frances Larson.



Past presidents Alvin Hall, Sid Spohnholtz, and Tom Faulkenberry. Faulkenberry offered the invocation.



Past presidents from Del Rio Host Club Dr. John Seals, Cliff Cavendar, and Jim Long, along with eight others from Del Rio, were guests. Long is also a past district governor.

Lions Celebrate Anniversary



Lion Past President Tim Ward and his wife, Debbie, may be praying that the guest speaker who Judge Ward introduced will not recall any more of Tim's "growing up" days.



District 2-A2 Lion Governor Mike Rourke and his wife, Liz, of San Antonio, were guests and Gov. Mike recognized all past presidents of the Brackettville Club with certificates.



Lion Don Parks gave the history of the Brackettville Club which is actually the third club organized in Brackettville. The first fell in the 1928 financial crash. The second slipped into decline during World War II. The third time has been "charmed" as the 40-year old organization is a vital part of the community.

The club meets on the first and third Thursday evening of each month at Las Moras Restaurant.



Past District Governor John Petry and his wife, Jill, of Carrizo Springs were guests. Lion John brought the evening's message. He and Tim Ward grew up together. John's father, Past International president Herb Petry, chartered the Brackettville Club.



Brackettville Lions Club president Walt Bauguess and his wife, Tina, presided over the evening.

THANK YOU



Maria Elena Pena

I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude and sincere appreciation to all of you who supported me with your vote in the Democratic Primary.

I hope you will give me the same consideration and support on April 12 at the Run-off Election.

Pd. Pol. Adv. Maria E. Pena, Box 857, Brackettville TX 78832

Thank You

I would like to take the opportunity to thank everyone for their support in the Justice of the Peace Election on March 8, 1994.

At the same time, I am asking your continued support in the run-off election on April 12, 1994. **Leonard Luna**

Pd. Pol. Ad. by Leonardo Luna, Box 1102, Brackettville TX 78832

THANK YOU

I would like to thank my friends, family, and all others who supported me in the recent election.

I promise to serve Kinney County to the best of my ability.

Tommy Seargeant

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Kinney County Political Scene 1994

DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY RUN-OFF

Tuesday, April 12, 1994
Early Voting April 4 - 8

FORT CLARK M.U.D.

Sign up at the Fort Clark M.U.D. by 5:00 p.m. March 23, 1994
Two Directors To Be Elected.
Election May 7

CITY ELECTION

Sign up to run at City Hall through March 23
Early Voting April 19 - May 3
To Be Elected: Mayor and 3 Council Members

Terms of Mayor Carmen Berlanga, and Council Members Mary Flores, Julie Fuentes, and Jean Seargeant expire.

Election May 7

SCHOOL ELECTIONS

Sign up to run at School Administration Office until March 23
Early Voting, At School, April 19 - May 3
The terms of Lingo Sandoval, and Stan Conoly expire. Lloyd Lee Davis has resigned so his unexpired term will be filled.

Election May 7

CITY OF SPOFFORD

Obtain applications and sign up to run at Mayor's Residence
Between 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. February 22 - March 23
Early Voting, Broadway & Reserve, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., April 18-May 3
A Mayor and 5 Council Members To Be Elected
Election May 7

With the cooperation of the city, school, and Spofford candidates, *The Brackett News*, as a public service, will print pictures and resumes on each candidate in the April 14 issue. Please turn this information in to the Editor by April 8.

Facts From The Census Bureau For Women's History Month

POPULATION

In 1990, there were 127.5 million women in the nation, 51% of the U.S. population. The women's population in 1994 is projected to be 133.4 million.

Overall, women outnumbered men by 6 million in 1990. There were equal numbers of men and women aged 25 to 34. More men than women are born each year, but because men have higher death rates during the young adult years, the ratio begins to even out.

BUSINESS

The growth rate of women-owned businesses was more than four times greater than the rate for all businesses from 1982 to 1987. The number of businesses owned by women grew from 2.6 million in 1982 to 4.1 million in 1987, a 57% increase.

Women own 30% of the nation's businesses, with receipts totaling nearly \$280 billion, about 14% of the U.S. total in 1987.

EDUCATION

Women are improving their education. Three-fourths of women received a high school diploma in 1990 compared to a little over half (53%) in 1970.

College enrollment of women exceeds that of men. It has more than doubled for women in the past two decades. Women have narrowed the education gap: in 1970, 8% of women completed college compared to 14% of men. In 1990, it rose to 18% for women and 23% for men.

In 1990, 1 of every 10 women in their thirties were enrolled in school.

Women are entering male-dominated fields of study in ever-increasing numbers. In 1970, less than 1% of all bachelor's degrees in engineering went to women. By 1990, it increased to 14%. In 1970, only 9% of business degrees went to women, but by 1990 it increased to 47%.

FAMILIES

More women are delaying childbirth to attend college and establish careers. In 1990, the birth rate for women 30 to 34 years old was the highest it has been in the past two decades (81 per 1,000 women). During the past decade, birth rates for women in this age group have increased more than any other age group.

The proportion of families maintained by women has increased steadily since 1970. African Americans have the highest proportion of women-maintained households (44%) compared to 13% for Whites, 12% for Asian and Pacific Islanders, and 22% for Hispanics in 1990.

EARNINGS

The median earnings of women who worked year-round and full-time increased by 1.3% between 1991 and 1992 to \$21,440, while that for comparable men was unchanged at \$30,358.

The median earnings of women, aged 25 and older, who were year-round full-time workers was \$18,648 for high school graduates in 1992; \$24,859 for those with an associate's degree; \$29,284 for those with a bachelor's degree; and \$35,018 for those with a master's degree. Comparable figures for men were \$26,766, \$32,349, \$40,381, and \$47,260.

POVERTY

Families maintained by women with no husband present were nearly six times as likely to be poor than married-couple families (34.9% vs. 6.2%). In 1992, families maintained by women accounted for 52% of all poor families.

At all age groups, women have higher poverty rates than men. The largest difference between the poverty rates for females and males occurred for the oldest population (75 years and over). The poverty rate for females 75 years old and over was 17% compared with 10% for males.

OCCUPATIONS

Women are not equally represented in all professions. For example, women continue to be overrepresented, making up 77% in clerical (administrative support) and service occupations and underrepresented in production, craft, repair, and labor occupations, making up 9.5%.

MARITAL STATUS

Marriage is being delayed while women go to college or establish themselves in the labor force. The proportion of women aged 25 to 29 who have never married tripled in the past 20 years, from 11% in 1970 to 33% in 1992.

Golf News



Thursday Couples

Thursday, March 3, 1994

1st place, net -2: Loris Ryan/Clarence Blackburn, Connie & Jack Gillen.

2nd place, net -1, 3 way tie: Lorna & Ken Frost, Bob & Joyce Williamson; Helen & George Miller, Joyce & Louie Zipperer; Connie & Jack Bramble, Mary Stephenson/Charlie Smith.

There were 72 participants.

Monthly Club Scramble

Saturday, March 5, 1994

A total of 60 golfers participated in the Monthly Club Scramble which had been postponed from the Saturday before due to unpleasant weather.

1st place, -11: Jim Bussey, Clem McKelvy, Kelly Dennis, and Ken Weaver.

2nd place, -10: Julian Garza, Clarence Blackburn, Flo Stafford, and Herb Voracek.

3rd place, -9: Chuck Titus, Fern Dyer, Gordon Petaja, and Dick Reivitt.

4th place, -8: Tom Beaty, Pat McKelvy, Ken Frost, and Hugh Tarbell.

5th place, -7, 3/way tie: Charlie Smith, Carol Benfield, Garland Armstrong, and Vern Ebert; Ron Ring, Larry Pieroth, Dee Curry, and Carl Green; Bill Bizzell, Tom Faulkenberry, Roger Stephens, and Louise Williamson.

Older Worker Week

Kinney County Judge Tim Ward signed a Proclamation designating March 13-19, 1994, Older Worker Week in Kinney County. The Proclamation expresses appreciation for the contributions that older workers make to the community and recognizes them for their accomplishments.

For over twenty years, the Senior Texans Employment Program, administered by the Farmers Union Community Development Association and funded through the Texas Department on Aging and the U.S. Department of Labor, has provided older workers the opportunity to apply their lifelong skills and abilities to many local projects while receiving marketable training for employment.

Texas, and Kinney County, is proud of the contributions made by mature workers.

In Kinney County, the Senior Texans Employment Program (STEP) is utilized at the Aging Services and Mrs. Tencha Pena is the supervisor. She emphasizes how important it has been to the program. Due to limited funding, it would be almost impossible to work and meet the needs of Kinney County's Senior Citizens at the Center which is frequently referred to as "The Nutrition Center."

This Week In History

On March 11-14, 1888, a raging blizzard hit the eastern United States, resulting in 400 deaths ... March 13, 1907, financial panic and a depression began ... March 12, 1912, the American Girl Guides was founded (the name was changed to Girl Scouts in 1913) ... March 9, 1933, Congress began its "100 days" special session, eventually passing the New Deal social and economic measures called for by President Roosevelt ... March 11, 1941, the Lend-Lease Act was signed, providing \$7 billion in military credits for Great Britain ... March 12, 1947, outlining his Truman Doctrine, President Truman asked Congress to aid Greece and Turkey in order to combat Communist terrorism ... March 12, 1956, massive resistance to the Supreme Court desegregation rulings was called for by 101 Southern congressmen ... March 10, 1971, a Constitutional Amendment lowering the voting age to 18 in all elections was approved in the Senate by a vote of 94-0 ... March 9-10, 1993, at Janet Reno's confirmation hearings before the Senate Judiciary Committee for the post of Attorney General of the U.S., Reno said she would resist political pressures on the Justice Dept. and act forcefully against violent crime and drug trafficking ... March 10, 1993, a doctor was shot dead outside an abortion clinic in Pensacola, Fla. ... March 12, 1993, Janet Reno took the oath of office ... March 12, 1993, federal agents cut off the electricity to David Koresh's compound in Waco, Texas in an effort to force the Branch Davidian cult out ... March 14, 1993, floodlights were concentrated on the Davidian compound at night ... March 15, 1993, two cultists came out of the compound to meet with federal officials but there was no progress in negotiations.

3-Par Scramble

Monday, March 7, 1994

First place, at 2 under par 25, was the team of Gerald Gallion, Kathy Warm, Dave Yates, and Don Sandwisch.

Two teams tied at 1 under par 26: Wayne Marrs, Ruth Theis, Bob Barnett, Jim Palmer; Alfred Pena, Darlene Sandwick, Dave Eden, Gerald Ivy. The Marrs team won the birdie hole.

At even par 27, was the team of Bill Koons, Mary Butler, Joe Partlow, and Don Young.

Two teams finished at 2 over par 28: Fay Gooch, Ruth Pack, Lyle Neal, Ken Weaver; Micky Braun, Gwen Young, Keith Pickle, Wally Warm.

Three teams tied at 2 over par 29: Ruben Martinez, Camile Neal, Ted Thacker, Ray Entrikin; Pat McKelvy, Patrick Stephenson, Ed Theis, Ed Boyko; Don Herron, Charles Smith, Mac McCandless; Ken TeGrothenhus.

Ladybug Golf

Tuesday, March 8, 1994

Twenty Ladybug Golfers started on this damp day, but only seventeen finished. The game was "Best Front or Best Back, both Gross and Net."

Definite winner of Low Net on the Back 9 with an awesome 29 was Diane Daniels. She would have earned Low Gross on the Back 9 also with a 41 but since you can't win both Pat McKelvy earned it by default with a 43.

Helen Miller had a net 34 to win Low Net on the Front 9. Helen also would have been in a 3-way tie for Low Gross on the Front 9 but wasn't eligible so it was a tie between Gwen Ladd and Carol Benfield.

Medalist winners were 87 were Diana Daniels and Pat McKelvy.

Others brave enough to finish play were Betty Tarbell, LaVon McLane, Leslie Houk, Clara McCord, Jane Dwyer, Deborah Dillahanty, Chloey Crusto, Marty Isenberg, Margot Kenrick, Darlene Horning, Edith Zipperer, and Luella Gilliland.

Business Seminar By MRGDC And JTPA

The Middle Rio Grande Development Council/Small Business Development Center and its JTPA Division is sponsoring its "2nd Annual Operation Transition Job/Business Seminar" along with Del Rio Bank and Trust; the Family Support Center at Laughlin Air Force Base; representatives from the Texas Employment Commission, Veteran's Service Office, Small Business Administration and Southwest Texas Junior College. The seminar will be on March 11, 1994, at 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon at the Eagle Room at the Ole Distributors in Del Rio.

The program will cover all available Job Retraining Services, Entrepreneurial Education Services and Small Business Loans. The focus of the seminar is to provide active duty servicemen who will be separating/retiring with job search and self-employment resources available at the federal, state and local level.

The seminar is free and open to all veterans in the Middle Rio Grande Development area which covers the following counties: Dimmit, Edwards, Kinney, LaSalle, Maverick, Real, Uvalde, Val Verde, and Zavala.

For more information contact Mr. Anthony "Tony" Hooks, Laughlin AFB at 210-298-5899 or Lucy Brooks MRGDC-SBDC at 210-278-2527.

Melancon New To School Board

Thursday evening, March 3, 1994, the Brackett Independent School Board met in a special session to appoint a person to fill the vacancy on the school board created when Lloyd Lee Davis resigned.

Unanimously the board appointed Pat Melancon to serve in the vacancy until the May 7 election.

Board members present at the meeting were Jimmy Bader, Jewel Robinson, Jim McDaniel, Gloria Garcia, Lingo Sandoval, and Stan Conoly.

Brackett High School Host To Invitational Golf Tournament

Monday, March 7, 1994, the Brackett High School golf program was host to a high school invitational golf tournament at the Fort Clark Springs Golf Course. Thirteen teams participated.



Brackett A Team

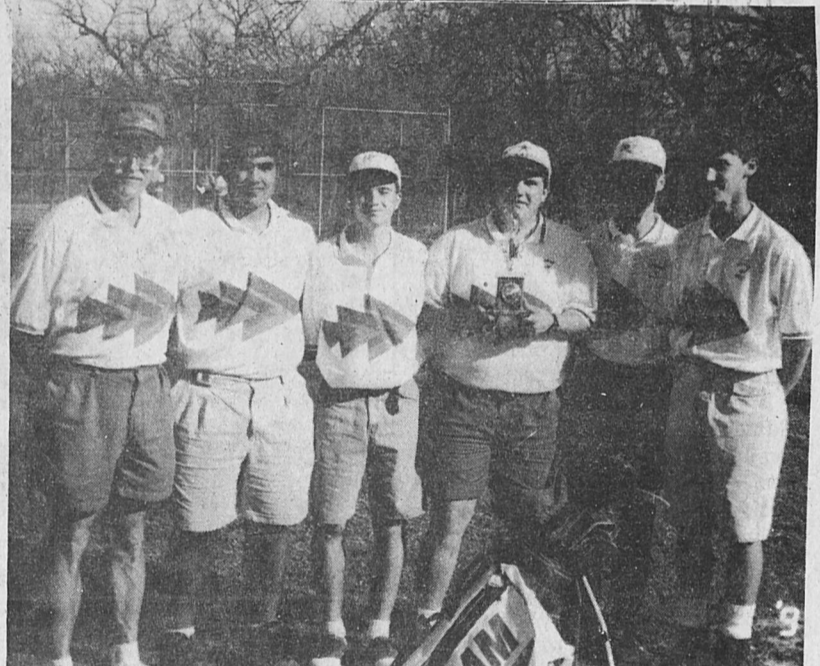
The Brackett High School "A" team placed fourth with a team score of 397. Pictured from left, are Coach Tom McNew, and players with scores, Nacho Aguirre (105), Jared Shahan (85), Miguel Aguirre (106), and Brian Hooker (103). The fifth player, not pictured, was Owen Brandt who shot 104.

Also not pictured is the Brackett High School B team of Matthew Rocha (127), and David Melancon (124).



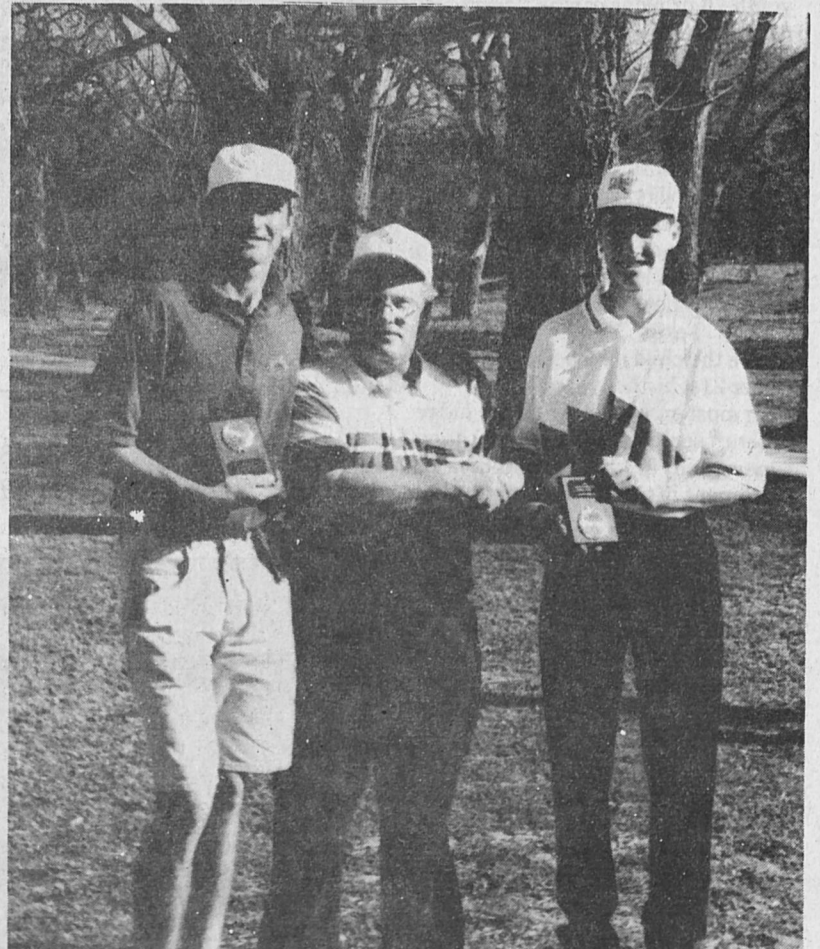
Uvalde Wins First

With a team score of 333, Uvalde "A" team placed first. Willie Edwards is coach. Players and scores: Aaron Riggins (78), Cliff White (83), Bob Diaz (87), Robby Scott (85), and Matt LaBorde (88).



Ingram Takes Second Place

Ingram High School, with a team score of 343, took second place. Jerry Mounts is coach. Players and scores: Clint Lange (77), Felix Fisher (83), Will Cannon (88), Carlos Arredondo (95), and John Rodgers (103).



First and Second Place Medalists

Host Coach McNew presents plaques to first medalist Clint Lange (77) of Ingram, left, and second medalist Aaron Riggins (78) of Uvalde.

Other teams entered in the tournament were Floresville A and B teams, Junction A and B, Natalia A and B, Pearsall, Rocksprings, and Uvalde B.

Reviews Previews Tiger Turf

School Menu

Three Choices For Breakfast
 1. Printed Menu; 2) Dry Cereal, Toast, Fruit or Juice) 3. Two Slices Toast, Fruit or Juice. Milk served with all meals.

Breakfast

MONDAY, MARCH 14
 Scrambled Eggs/Toast
 Fruit or Juice
 TUESDAY, MARCH 15
 French Toast
 Fruit or Juice
 WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16
 Raisin Nut Bread
 Fruit or Juice
 THURSDAY, MARCH 17
 Taquitos
 Fruit or Juice
 FRIDAY, MARCH 18
 Sweet Roll
 Fruit or Juice

Salad Bar & "B" Line
 Open Every Day
 Milk Served At All Meals

Lunch

MONDAY, MARCH 14
 Sloppy Joe
 French Fries
 Fresh Fruit
 TUESDAY, MARCH 15
 School Made Pizza
 Choice of Vegetable
 Fruit
 WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16
 Hamburger - Burger Salad
 French Fries
 Fruited Jello
 THURSDAY, MARCH 17
 School Made Burrito
 w/Chili & Cheese
 Spanish Rice - Pinto Beans
 Fruit
 FRIDAY, MARCH 18
 Macaroni & Cheese
 Broccoli
 Fruit Roll

Making A Difference

By TAYLOR STEPHENSON, Curriculum Director

A SCENT OF SPRING: It Only Takes A Spark...

As you know, Mother Nature is changing her staging to Springtime in Brackettville and Kinney County. Many of us that were transplanted from other states know that all four seasons do not exist in every part of the world.

Springtime has always been my favorite. We change from seeing trees and shrubs that have looked barren and bleak for too many months to seeing vibrant colors. Look around and you'll notice the Mountain Laurels with their sweet Lilac type smell and grape-like appearance. Fruit trees have begun to bloom with colors of pink, red and white. The Ash trees started the parade of green and now we're starting to see leaves begin to form on Red Oak and Mesquite trees. The Pecans like the Santa Claus in the Macy's Thanksgiving Parade will be the last to appear on the scene. Take a look at the Huisache to see the golden, yellow transformation that is taking place. It's a nice time of the year!

We're fortunate to live in Kinney County where the seasonal changes can be appreciated. My experience living in large towns is that life moves so swiftly that the leaves, flowers and fragrant scents come and go without any cognition from people. How do I know? I've done it!

This is a great time to pack a picnic lunch and go out to see the changes that are taking place. There are not many out there looking; so, you can have the amphitheater of nature to yourself most of the time. After looking and smelling Spring, come back with a smile on your face. It's amazing what we can do with our own world when we start from the outside and work to the inside.

Sure, it's better to change inside first. Sometimes, it's not just you that needs the changes. It's those school children with a frown on their faces that pass you every morning. It's the overworked co-worker that you meet first thing in the morning. It might be a neighbor or a friend or (God forbid) even a spouse or even ourselves that might wake up in a bad mood. I believe that we can change all that by starting off with a smile and a word of encouragement for others. Children deserve the best that we can give. You know the adults that intertwine into our lives each day too. All of us should be allowed to smile and to have happy thoughts while learning about the way this world works. Children might not know that everything won't work out just as planned. I hope that they retain this naivete through adulthood and pass on their smiles and optimistic attitudes to those that follow them.

Growing up in a suburb of San Antonio which wasn't much bigger than Brackettville, I noticed that the people that really mattered in my life were the ones that treated others with dignity and respect. They were also the ones that came to work thinking that they could solve problems and that attacked the problems of the home and the community in the same way. I guess I was always more impressed with those that had some answers and worked hard to achieve the results than those who simply found fault. With children, in my opinion, it is imperative that our kids know how to rebound after a loss or a goal that didn't come to fruition. Oh, it may not be smiles that they all need, but it won't hurt. Maybe that's one of the reasons that I like a good comedy or lighthearted movie better than those sad ones.

Enough sadness and tragedy will occur in our lives to give us the balance with the happy, frivolous times. If we don't get our share of unhappiness by the time we reach our great reward, so what? Who was the loser? Can you imagine hearing "I'm sorry, I laughed and smiled more than I frowned and felt sorry for myself." How about this one, "I smiled at lots more folks than ever smiled at me."

I have known folks that passed me by and made me invisible. Because of professional differences, I became invisible to them. Those are the difficult ones to smile at. When a grand lady or a stately gentleman passes you by and you don't exist, try a smile. It probably won't work more than it will, but that's someone else's problem. I didn't do it this way sometimes. There were times when I just would rebel and make them invisible, too. I don't think I really achieved anything except that it made me feel better.

Okay, what's all this about? I'll try to close by saying we've been locked up all Winter. Step outside and smell the roses. (Maybe the Mountain Laurels!) Take a look at what God is doing to cheer us up. A flower, the return of the Purple Martins, or the Hummers might be reason enough to cheer up and quicken our step. When you feel Spring, pass it on.

Model the gospel song, "It only takes a spark to get a fire going." That's what it's all about. Let's enjoy what's happening and reflect with our countenance our enjoyment. Let's pass on the fun and excitement of living on this earth to those around us. It's fun!

This week, I salute Mother Nature for a grand display, and I share my salute with those that have seen it for passing on the radiance through a smile or a word of encouragement!

Brackett Campus

By BRIAN HOOKER
 BHS Student Reporter

It Is Consolation For Tigers At LaPryor

The Tigers took a 13-3 baseball win behind Michael Munoz's three-hitter Saturday, March 5, in the LaPryor Baseball tourney. Munoz fanned 10 batters. After the game, he was 1-1 for the season, went all five innings for the Tigers who won on the 10-4 run rule.

Switch-hitter Brian Hooker had a perfect 3 for 3 at the plate. Wil Shahan was 3 for 4. Both Jesse Terrazas and Moses Hernandez were 2 for 3. Terrazas earned all-tourney honors for Brackett.

In the first inning, LaPryor had one run and Brackett had three. Hernandez scored on a passed ball after a double, and drove in both Hooker and Shahan.

Matthew Rocha scored for Brackett in the bottom of the second on a Butch Lopez single.

In the third inning, Padron scored.

The fourth inning was a good one for the Tigers as they scored five runs to take a 10-3 lead. Terrazas Hooker, Shahan, Hernandez, and Padron each scored.

The victory was clinched by Brackett in the bottom of the fifth when Terrazas scored on a Hooker line drive. Hooker then scored on an error and Shahan scored on a passed ball.

The Tigers advanced then to the consolation finals after defeating Cotulla 10-2 Friday.

Shahan earned the win from the mound. After relieving DeLeon he went three innings, striking out seven, walking six, and gave up one hit.

DeLeon, in two innings, fanned three, walked one, and allowed two hits.

Brackett lost the first game of the tournament 6-5 to LaPryor. In that game, Munoz pitched five innings, gave up four hits and all six runs while hurling five strikeouts and walking one.

DeLeon relieved Munoz and finished out the final two innings of the game. He gave up two hits, struck out two batters and walked one.

Tigerettes Softball Win One - Lose One

The BHS Tigerette softball team met the Medina Valley Lady Panthers in a double-header Saturday, March 5. They won the first game and lost the second game.

Early in the first game, the Lady Panthers trailed 4-3 then exploded with 13 runs in the bottom of the fourth. The Tigerettes responded

with 19 runs in the top of the fifth and clinched the 23-16 win.

Freshman Courtney Harrison earned the win from the mound. Designated hitter Isabel Aguirre led the offensive attack with four runs.

Denice Frerich, Lindy LaMascus and Sandra Hernandez scored three runs each. Amy Baker, Lolly Hernandez, Samantha Luna, Ida Aguilar and Harrison scored two each.

The second game ended 15-5 against the Tigerettes.

LaMascus was the losing pitcher for the Tigerettes.

Amy Bader, Sandra Hernandez, Chica Garza, Courtney Harrison, and Lindy LaMascus each crossed the plate once for the 5 scores.

Tigerettes Lose To Lytle 10-9

Monday, March 7, the Tigerettes softball team traveled to Lytle for the first ever Lytle-Brackett softball matchup. The Tigerettes lost 10-9. The game was protested in the second inning.

In the top of the first inning, the Tigerettes poured it on to score four runs then played the defense allowing Lytle no runs.

In the second inning the Tigerettes scored again. Going into the bottom of the second, the Tigerettes had a 5-0 lead. In the bottom of the second, Lytle scored four runs but their bookkeeper goofed and scored them having five runs. The game finished under protest from that point on.

Starting the third inning, the Tigerettes came on strong with three more points and awesome defense.

At the end of three innings, the score was 8-5.

The Tigerettes scored again in the fourth inning. At the end of four, it was 9-5, Brackett.

The Tigerette defense crunched in the fifth inning and allowed Lytle to put five runs on the board. At the end of this inning, time expired.

So, the Tigerettes score book says a tie between Lytle and Brackett at 9-9. Their score book says Lytle won 10-9.

The game was protested to there will probably be a rematch in the near future.

Brackett ISD Library

would like to thank the following for their recent donations to the new facility:

1. Mrs. Dorothy Oliver, Mrs. Jean Faulkenberry, and Mrs. Mary Sam York and her wonderful first grade class for monetary gifts.
2. Mrs. Billie Jean Hale for the many magazines she regularly provides.

 March 1994 * BRACKETT ISD *

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- 12 Saturday
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 NUECES CANYON JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL TRACK
 ASHERTON TOURNAMENT - BASEBALL
- 14 Monday
 6:30pm REGULAR SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING
 GIRLS-TIGERETTE INVITATIONAL-FT. CLARK
 SECONDARY PRE-REGISTRATION
- 15 Tuesday
 4:00pm DEL RIO FRESHMAN (DH) - BASEBALL - THERE
 4:30pm UVALDE - SOFTBALL - THERE
 7:00pm ONE ACT PLAY - COMMUNITY PRESENTATION
 SECONDARY PRE-REGISTRATION
- 16 Wednesday
 PAYDATES--CUTOFF
 SECONDARY PRE-REGISTRATION
- 17 Thursday
 SECONDARY PRE-REGISTRATION
 ONE ACT PLAY - LOCAL
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Parenting Skills Class

Tuesday, March 15, 1994, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.
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 Taught by Luis Garza, Children's Mental Health Office.
 For information, call Judy Blankenship, 563-2491

Inhalant - Poison Awareness Week

Abusers Suffer Irreversible Brain Damage

Nearly 300 organizations in 135 Texas cities will be joined by 180 organizations in 42 other states in a grassroots campaign to combat a "silent epidemic" during **Inhalants & Poisons Week**, March 20-26, initiated by the Texas Prevention Partnership.

The Texas Prevention Partnership is a public-private effort initiated and funded in part by the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse. TPP has been conducting a comprehensive inhalant prevention program since 1990.

The education and awareness week comes in the wake of a recent national survey which found by the time American youth reach the eighth grade, one in five has sniffed a legal substance to get high, making inhalants the third most abused substance after alcohol and tobacco for that age group. The rate of usage of inhalants among eighth graders is double that of marijuana.

The University of Michigan study, conducted for the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) and released in February, confirmed what many educators, law officers and parents had feared - that inhalant abuse is increasing among middle school students (6-8th graders). Among eighth graders, the use of inhalants increased 17.4% from 1992 to 1993.

"Crack cocaine and marijuana are making headlines, but far more of our 12-14 year olds are abusing common household products," said Harvey Weiss, executive director of the Texas Prevention Partnership.

Chronic inhalant abusers suffer irreversible brain damage. First-time users have died from powerful adrenaline surges that short-circuit the heart. Kidney, liver, lung and bone marrow damage can also develop.

Dr. Richard Scatterday, an Irving, Texas, expert on the medical effects of inhalants, said the dangers from first-time use of inhalants cannot be overemphasized: "It appears that the risk of sudden death with any given episode of inhalant use exceeds that presented by any other drug of abuse."

The long-term University of Michigan study parallels findings of inhalant abuse in Texas: one in four Texas seventh graders has sniffed or "huffed" common household products.

Weiss, who founded the National Inhalant Prevention Coalition which is partially supported by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, said inhalant abuse has been a "silent epidemic" which only recently has gained the attention of the media at the national level.

"Inhalants strike our youngest and most vulnerable non-renewable resources," Weiss said. "Communities across this country are joining together to begin to change this devastating trend."

Join the March 20-26 Inhalants & Poisons Awareness Week and help combat this major problem. For more information, contact: Texas Prevention Partnership, 1615 Guadalupe Street, Suite 201, Austin TX 78701, phone: 512-480-8953.

Brackett High School Presents

A One-Act Play Comedy Entitled

Shut And Bar The Door

Thursday, March 17, 7:00 p.m.
 BHS Auditorium

Admission: \$3 Adults, \$2 Children

This Play Will Be Presented In UIL Competition.

Cast in order of appearance: Wil Shahan, Katie Hall, Charlie Hall, Michael Benacci, Matthew Benacci, Guadalupe Rodriguez, Samantha Luna

The Tiger Booster Club

Encourages You To Support

1994 Varsity Baseball

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
Mar. 10	Asherton Tournament	T	TBA
Mar. 15	Del Rio Freshmen (DH)	T	4:00
Mar. 19	Eagle Pass Freshmen	H	1:00
Mar. 22	Dilley	T	7:00
Mar. 25	Lackland	H	4:00
Mar. 29	Lytle	T	4:00
Apr. 05	Natalia	H	4:00
Apr. 08	LaPryor	T	7:00
Apr. 15	Uvalde JV	H	4:15
Apr. 19	Dilley	H	4:30
Apr. 22	Lackland	T	4:30
Apr. 26	Lytle	H	4:30
May 10	Natalia	T	4:30
May 13	LaPryor	H	4:30

COACH: GARY GRUBBS

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Natasha's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) This week brings exciting business developments but you need to guard against a quarrel with a friend. The coming weeks bring an improvement in your financial affairs. However, it's not a good idea to lend money at present.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Partnership interests and reaching agreements with others are highlighted in the weeks ahead. Be patient about a business matter this week. Travel promises to be fun. The weekend brings happy social times with friends and family.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Important decisions about investments and financial security will be made in the next few weeks. New business starts are favored now but a co-worker may be touchy. A disagreement could arise about an ideological concern. Incentive is high.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You will be going out more often for fun times in the near future. Exciting romantic developments make this week special. Try not to overspend on pleasure interests. If looking to move, you receive valuable leads now.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You may be purchasing office equipment for the home this week. Some will receive a freelance opportunity. Home life will be a major accent in the coming weeks. Try not to make a big deal out of a little thing going wrong early in the week. Agreements are reached by the weekend.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Impatience could mar your progress on a work project this week. However, exciting times are in store for you where romance and leisure interests are concerned. Your own perfectionism could get in your way on a certain project.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Financial prospects will be improving in the next month or so. You will be shopping for home and family now but don't overspend on pleasure interests. It's a week of happiness for you in recreational interests and romance.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A growth in self-confidence will mark the weeks ahead of you. You are coming into your own now. Be patient with a family member this week. Avoid an inclination to be critical of others early on in the week.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) You will opt for more time for yourself in the near future. Money developments now are positive. Distractions may interfere with your concentration early in the week. The weekend finds you sharing fun times with friends.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) This week begins a very active period of increasing socializing for you. Some of you will soon join a club or organization. You will receive some happy news that pertains to career interests.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) It's best not to force issues in business this week. Work from behind the scenes is profitable. The coming weeks, though, bring important career progress. Welcome news comes from friends at a distance.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You begin a cycle this week that favors travel and educational interests. You may not make as much progress with an unfinished task as you would like but good news comes now about a financial matter.

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Vision Teaser



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



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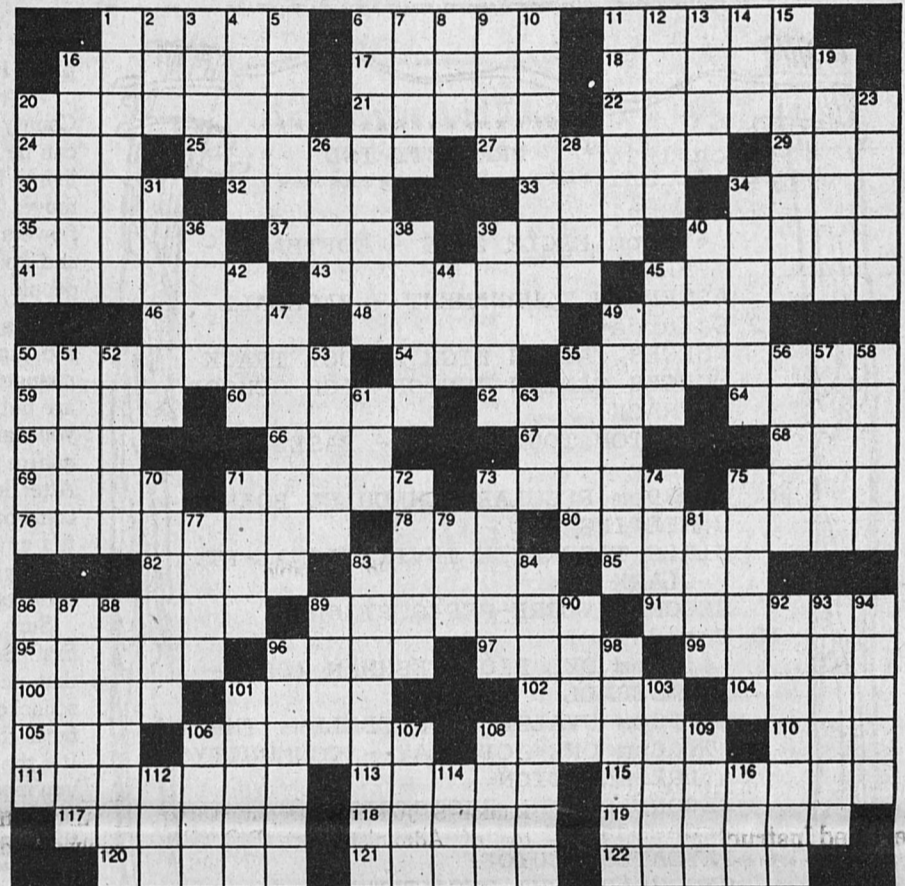
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(Answer On Page 3)

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Super Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Proof-reader's mark
- 6 Essential
- 11 Crude wooden shoe
- 16 Conditional release from prison
- 17 Adult insect stage
- 18 Sports compounds
- 20 Abraham in Nebraska?
- 21 Yuccalike desert plant
- 22 Small crown
- 24 Literary collection
- 25 Slurdy fabrics
- 27 English writer and social reformer
- 29 Pike-like fish
- 30 Army meal
- 32 Actress
- 33 Worth or merit, once
- 34 Medieval lyric
- 35 Band-leader
- 37 Beget
- 39 Still sleeping
- 40 Prepare the tea
- 41 Dean Martin parties?
- 43 Produce quickly
- 45 Brings to an end
- 46 Sister of Ares
- 48 Russian drink
- 49 Weather forecast
- 50 Nighthale in Alabama?
- 54 Freud's concern
- 55 California trading center?
- 59 Mother of Castor and Pollux
- 60 Festive occasions
- 62 Adopts a sullen expression
- 64 Use an old phone
- 65 Pierre's friend
- 66 Author
- 67 Psych. org.
- 68 Brazilian macaw
- 69 Indecent talk
- 71 Special point of view
- 73 Greek island
- 75 Harrow's rival
- 76 A bit of Bermuda in New Zealand?
- 78 Turkish officer
- 80 Moonspot in Colorado?
- 82 One of the tides
- 83 Swimmer's hazard
- 85 TV "Renegade" in Nevada?
- 86 Funnyman
- 89 Skycaps
- 91 Becomes mature
- 95 Fencing swords
- 96 Impose a tax
- 97 Chicago business district
- 99 Breed of small, hardy cattle
- 100 Crowd
- 101 River in Yorkshire
- 102 Thick slice
- 104 Computer food?
- 105 Son of Gad
- 106 Quantity
- 108 Kitchen gadget
- 110 Title for Alec Guinness
- 111 Oscar in Wisconsin?
- 113 Clan
- 115 Greed for riches
- 117 Seat in the chancel
- 118 Souvenir
- 119 Deduce or infer
- 120 River to the Danube
- 121 Baker's need
- 122 Winged DOWN
- 1 Variation of
- rummy
- 2 Circle segment
- 3 Cross
- 4 Terry or Corby
- 5 Kind of elbow?
- 6 Iron chancel-ior in North Dakota?
- 7 Andy's sidekick
- 8 Made a lap
- 9 Designer Cassini
- 10 Explorer in Ohio?
- 11 Dismissed from employment
- 12 Jack-in-the-pulpit, for one
- 13 Capital of Switzerland
- 14 Yoko —
- 15 Becomes snarled
- 16 English playwright
- 19 Naval construction man
- 20 Missouri birthplace of HST
- 23 Pitfalls
- 28 Tell it like —
- 28 Drip out slowly
- 31 Leader of the Canaanites
- 34 Made amends
- 36 French verb
- 38 Overhanging roof edges
- 39 Noddle
- 40 Like a fashion model
- 42 Confess and implicate others
- 44 Roofing slate
- 45 Eccentric wheel parts
- 47 Bivalve mollusk
- 49 Kind of muscle
- 50 Cube or card starter
- 51 Proposition proved to be true
- 52 State of being hated
- 53 Of an ancient Greek city
- 55 Assayer's cup
- 56 Lariat
- 57 French star
- 58 African antelope
- 61 Dancer
- 63 Flower
- 70 Canned
- 71 Command to Fido
- 72 Linger a while
- 73 Ship of the desert
- 74 Eternally
- 75 Fled to wed
- 77 Ann and Robert E.
- 79 Narrow ship channel
- 81 Arthurian lady
- 83 A bit of England in Connecticut?
- 84 Look for gold in the Nutmeg State?
- 86 Change a garment's length
- 87 "Thais" and "Aida"
- 88 Laughs at contemptuously
- 89 Andean country
- 90 Only
- 92 Tricky
- 93 Formal announcement
- 94 Delusion's partner?
- 96 Young lord of the jungle
- 98 Paste used in forameats
- 101 Soap plant
- 103 Angled edge of plate glass
- 106 Biblical name: Douay
- 107 Corner
- 108 Kimono sashes
- 109 — avis
- 112 — Amin
- 114 Labor org.
- 116 Mus. direction to the performer



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Mar. 14	Luella Gilliland
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/s/ Dolores Raney
County Clerk

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

The Middle Rio Grande Development Council has a vacancy for a Para-Professional Technician I at the Carrizo Springs JTPA office and Education center.

Preferred requirements include: (1) high school diploma or GED and at least 30 post secondary credit hours; (2) ability to administer and interpret 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 and Spanish to all teaching groups.

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Interested applicants should submit resume, application to: Ramon S. Johnston, Deputy Director of Administration, P.O. Box 119, Carrizo Springs TX 78834. Applications will be accepted until position is filled.

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JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

The Middle Rio Grande Development Council is looking for qualified applicants interested in applying for 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 to an appropriate JTPA training activity.

The Specialist will determine eligibility for Federal and State funded services available to economically disadvantaged person or persons who have barriers for participation in the labor force. Specialists 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 job requires traveling within and outside the region and will office at the Carrizo Springs JTPA center. 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 TX 78834, attention Ramon S. Johnston, Deputy Director of Administration.

Applications will be accepted until position is filled. Salary range for this position is in accordance with MRGDC policy and is dependent on experience.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Brackettville Housing Authority will accept proposals from consultants demonstrating experience with the DHUD Comprehensive Improvements Assistance program and other pertinent DHUD programs for:

Developing a Comprehensive Plan for Modernization, including a management and physical needs assessment;

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Qualified and interested persons or firms are invited to submit letters of interest; evidence of knowledge, experience and ability to provide required services; evidence of professional qualifications; profiles of principals, staff and facilities; and a certified statement that the consultant is not debarred, suspended or otherwise prohibited from professional practice by any Federal, State or Local agency.

Submittals should be forwarded to Brackettville Housing Authority, P.O. Box 371, Brackettville TX 78832, Executive Director Shirley Holloway, or presented at the PHA office in Brackettville or arrival prior to March 22, 1994, at 2:00 p.m.

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The election will be held May 7, 1994.

Two directors will be elected. To be qualified as a director, a person shall be at least 21 years old, a resident citizen of the State of Texas, and either own land subject to taxation in the district, or be a qualified voter within the district.

/s/ Larry Sofaly
General Manager

Trivia Test

by Linda Luckhurst

1. Geography: On what canal is Port Said located?
2. Television: What was the cause of Chuckles the Clown's demise on "The Mary Tyler Moore Show"?
3. Post Office: Who was the first movie star to be put on a stamp?
4. Shake It Up, Baby: What dance had Charles Lindbergh as a namesake?
5. World Series: Who lost the 1969 World Series to the Mets?
6. A Driving Force: What is the voltage common to most cars' batteries?
7. Famous Relatives: Who is Shirley MacLaine's brother?
8. Music: What is the name of the last album the Beatles recorded as a group?

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Road 6, 12, 7, Warren Beauty; 8, "Abbe

Lindy Hop; 5, the Baltimore Orioles;

squashed him; 3, Grace Kelly; 4, the

1, Suez Canal; 2, an elephant

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Every year for so many years that I can't remember when it started there has been a day set aside and called "The Great American Smoke-Out." Its purpose is to encourage smokers to give it up at least for one day. That day came and went this year with many that participated in the community, some of whom are still on the wagon, so to speak. I commend them.

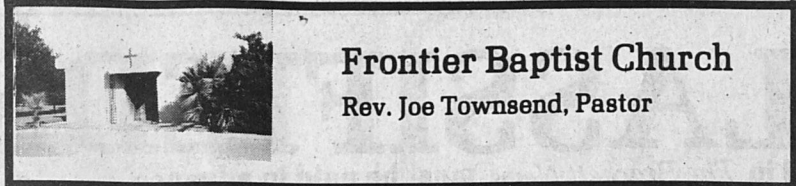
Now, smokers, before you quit reading let me assure you that I have no ax to grind, just some information to share. Many of my acquaintances are smokers and when I am in their presence I do nothing to offend them. I hope, that for their benefit, they will someday choose to quit but attacking them will not produce the desired outcome. So instead, I enjoy their company and when the cloud is so great that it bothers me I have the choice and option to leave, and do so.

I just recently came across an article that shares some information that most people are probably not aware of. THE MARLBORO MAN IS DEAD! You remember him probably. He was that rugged cowboy who rode the range punching cattle. As he crested a hill, the camera zoomed in for a close-up. He was tall in the saddle with a patriotic eagle tattooed on his hand that was noticed as he lighted up a Marlboro. Those things you knew about.

What you may not have known is that he succumbed to lung cancer at the age of 51 and spent the last three years of his life warning others of the dangers of smoking. Even though it was too late for him he thought that if he could encourage just a few to stop smoking, or never start, it would be worth his expense and effort.

I am a non-smoker. I never have and never will. You know what my advice would be so don't ask. Talk to someone who still smokes and ask their advice. I feel confident that they will advise, "Don't start!"

The Apostle Paul's advice is, "present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God..." and that is good advice for all of us, smokers or non-smokers.



Frontier Baptist Church
Rev. Joe Townsend, Pastor

"Where there is no vision, the people perish."

This is a statement of reality taken from the Bible. An acceptable translation "people perish" is "running wild."

"No vision" means no meaningful understanding of the fact that there is a future and it is waiting to be the "now."

The basic meaning points to the nation. It's high time our nation look at the future.

Does anyone believe that continuing the rabid deficit spending by the Congress can continue without the down fall of the country? Does anyone really believe this nation can continue the greased downward slide in sin and wrong and long survive?

The continuing acceptance of murder the unborn, the continuing demand for acceptancy of homosexuality, the promotion and acceptance of promiscuous sex are all examples of a lack of vision.

God destroyed the great city of Sodom because of the homosexuality of the city. God over and over speaks of the sanctity of life and yet a million and a half abortions every year thumb their noses at God.

The sanctity of the sexual act is taught from the Garden of Eden to Revelation and yet the modern national fashion from the head of the

nation all the way up the theme is "enjoy it but be safe, use a condom."

The continual refusal to hold drug users and alcoholics responsible for their actions exacerbates the problem.

All of these things find approbation and promotion from the White House, through the bureaucracies (in many cases appointed miscreants), through the judicial system (appointed judges) and to the people who vote for and accept the folly.

Who honestly believes the nation can continue this direction and survive?

When, and only then, these ungodly practices are negated is there any real hope for the future. Passing on such open defiance of God is certainly unfair to our young people, children and coming generations.

The people of this nation must return to the actions that have made it great, "thus saith the Lord."

When people ask God to give themselves a vision of the reality of themselves, a vision of God and his reality, a vision of the future, then we will lift our lives, our thinking, and our electoral selections and see again the greatness of life and the future. "Where there is no vision, the people perish."

Next Sunday there will be another message from God's Word by the pastor at Frontier Baptist Church.

A warm welcome awaits you. Come and see.

Dear Citizens Of Kinney County:
Thank you for going to the polls and voting in the Primary Election March 8.

I wish to especially extend a HEARTFELT THANK YOU to those of you that cast your vote for me as County Treasurer. Your vote has placed me on the April Run-off Election Ballot.

I am asking for your continued support and confidence in me to uphold the office of County Treasurer with honesty, integrity, ability and commitment.

Again, thank you and God bless you!

Janis Floyd

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I, Dora Elia Sandoval, wish to thank all the voters of Kinney County for their gracious support of me. Even though I was unopposed, each vote was greatly appreciated in my heart. I look forward to serving the people in Kinney County. God Bless.

Dora Elia Sandoval

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THANK YOU

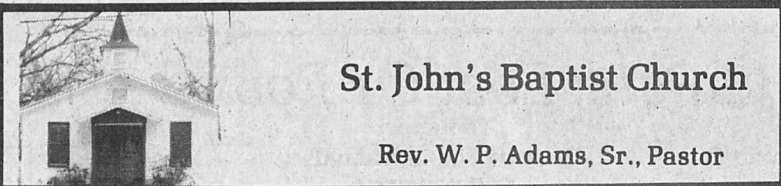
Thank you, Dear Friends, for your support and votes. I will be in a run off for Justice Of The Peace between Leonard Luna and myself. I need your votes again in the April 12, 1994, run off election.

For those who did not vote for me in the March 8th election, I respectfully ask for your votes in the run off election. They will be gratefully appreciated.

Thanks again, very much, and may God bless you all.

Alvin F. Hall

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St. John's Baptist Church

Rev. W. P. Adams, Sr., Pastor

Praise God

I waited patiently for the Lord, and He inclined unto me, and heard my cry.

He brought me up also out of an horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock, and established my goings.

And He hath put a new song in my mouth, even Praise unto our God; many shall see it, and fear, and shall trust in the Lord.

Blessed is that man who maketh the Lord his trust, and respecteth not the proud, now such as turn aside to lies. Psalms 40:1-4

Praise The Lord, Oh, Praise The Lord!

Praise God!

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Every Thursday Night, 7:00 p.m.

Gospel Preaching

COME PRAISE THE LORD WITH US!

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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 7:00 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 P.M.

St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church: Masses Monday and Friday 7:00 A.M., Wednesday and Saturday 8:30 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 Church: 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.

Lutheran Congregation: Meets 1st and 3rd Saturday evenings, 6:00, Fort Clark Golf Club. 563-2047.

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Sheriff's Corner

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resisted arrest. And in spite of the fact that a loaded, sawed off shotgun was found in the man's car after further investigation of the incident occurred following the shooting. Of course he denied that he had been running to get the shotgun when he was shot!

The laws of this land have never, and most certainly do not now, state that one can violate the law, flee or resist arrest and assault peace officers just because one happens to be black, brown, red, purple, or pink. The laws say it is a violation of the law to do these things by ALL people regardless of their sex, color, race, culture, or creed! It is high time that the biased, liberal, anti-law enforcement news media and the militant, self-serving racists of this country come down off their soap box and get back to basics and realize that the law applies to all people of this country, even those who would try to use racism as an excuse to violate the law and then cry foul when it is applied to them!

Violations of the law, wife-beatings, assaults, public drunkenness, evading and/or resisting arrests, and assaults on peace officers WILL NOT be tolerated in Kinney County!

If a wife is getting beat up by her drunken husband and does not want that violent, assaultive person arrested, then don't call the Sheriff's Department and don't blame the LAW for her problems. Once we are called to the scene of such domestic violence and the situation cannot be defused because a drunken husband or boyfriend will not listen to reason and turns and directs his violence and assaults on the peace officers responding to the disturbance THAT PERSON IS GOING TO JAIL!

And remember this, it doesn't make ANY difference to me what color, race, sex, culture, or creed you happen to be, the law in this county will be, as it has been, applied evenly, fairly, and firmly. Color, race, sex, culture or creed is NOT a violation of the law, illegal actions are!

That's All!

Thank You

It is with the deepest gratitude that I wish to thank the voters who so generously supported me in my race for County Commissioner, Pct. 2.

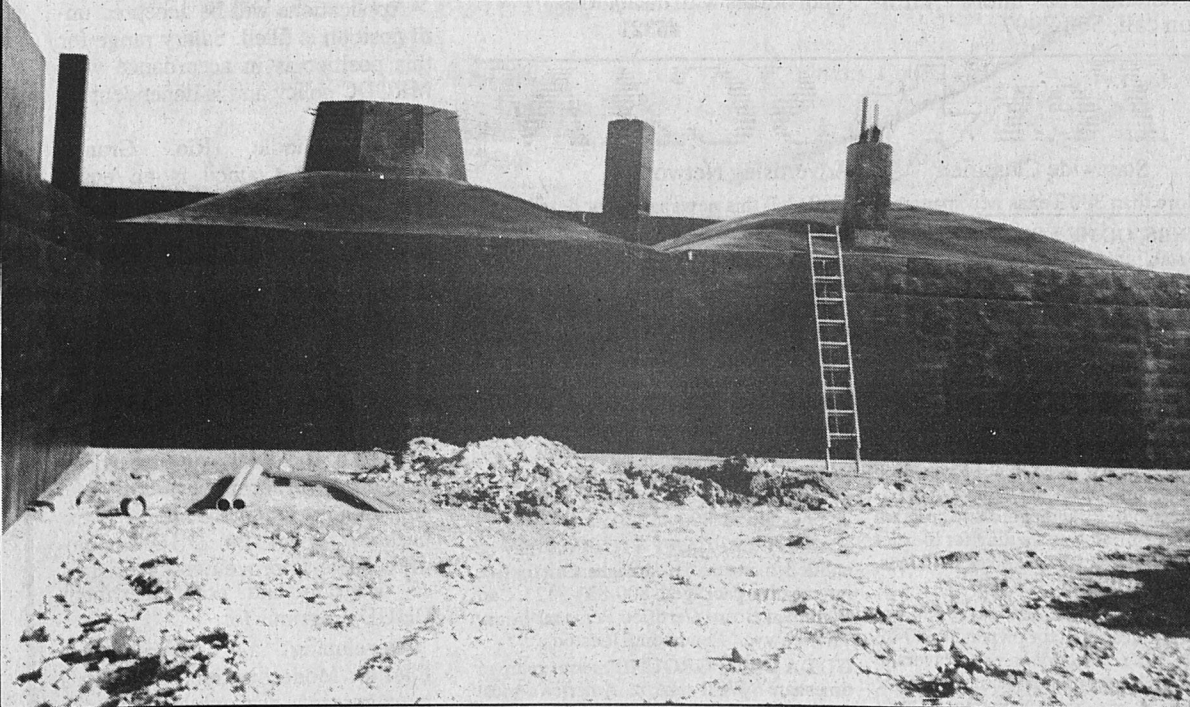
I now will run in the Primary Run-offs on April 12, 1994. I respectfully ask your vote and continued support in this coming run-off election.

I will also continue working hard to earn your trust and confidence. Hopefully time will permit a personal contact with all voters in my precinct before April 12.

In addition I wish to thank my opponents who joined me in running a clean and fair race.

Sincerest thanks,
Plunker Sheedy

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Unique Home Takes Shape
The unique home being constructed by Don and Jean Hood on their property east of Brackettville continues to take shape as, at the time this picture was taken Monday, three of the four concrete and steel domes has been poured.

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Monthly Lease Payment	\$249.00
Number of Months	24
Refundable Security Deposit	\$250.00
Cash Down Payment	\$500.00
Total Amount Due at Inception	\$999.00
Total of Monthly Payments	\$5,976.00
Total Mileage Allowed	15,000
Mileage Charge over 15,000	.11¢ per mile

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