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



Anavelia Rodriguez, performing as one of the Selena look-a-likes at the Cinco De Mayo Celebration.

Brackettville's First Annual

"She Was a Very Special Lady" Brackettville and Fort Clark

Springs lost one of its biggest supporters this week.

Jean Faulkenberry passed away suddenly Monday evening after attending a school board meeting where votes from the recent election were canvassed. Mrs. Faulkenberry had served as election judge for those elections. From there, she was going to attend a meeting of the Old Quarry Society for the Performing Arts and then end up at First Baptist Church for a Prayer Meeting.

"Jean was always giving of her time. If there was something to be done in the community she was there to help out," said her former boss, The Brackett News Publisher Jewel Robinson

Jean and her husband Tom moved to Brackettville from Fort Stockton in June 1988 after she retired from the Fort Stockton Independent School District where she was employed for 29 years.

During those years Jean was a member of the Texas Educational Secretary's Association, serving as president in 1978; she served a twoear term as South Central Director of the National Association of Education Office Personnel beginning in 1981 and as president in 1985. Jean also was a 40-plus year member of the Order of the Eastern Star were Worthy Matron three times. Deeply involved in her church in Fort Stock ton, she served as Sunday School Performing Arts, the Fort Clark Historical Society, the Kinney County Director and was president of the Women's Missionary Union (WMU) in both Fort Stockton and Brackettville. She served as Mother Advisor for the Order of the Rainbow for girls, an organization in Ft. Stockyears. ton, which Jean reorganized in 1964. She furthered her education at Sul Ross State University, Texas A&M University, Permian College, and received an Associate of Science Degree from Midland College in 1979. After moving to Brackettville, retary/treasurer of the First Baptist

Village.



Oma Jean Mitchell Faulkenberry

r of the Old Quarry Society of the

Chamber of Commerce, where she

served on the Board of Directors since

for that organization for the last three

needed her," said a shaken, Kinney

County Chamber of Commerce Presi-

person under Tim Ward and was sec-

"Jean was always there when I

She served as Democratic Chair-

she served the highest position of Jean got involved in numerous orga- Church for the last four years. "If and the lives she touched are better nizations. She was a longtime mem- my wife Anne is my right hand, then for having known her."

Cinco De Mayo Celebration

wonderful success due to the hard work and organization of the Las Moras Hispanic Organization.

was the parade with 33 entries, one of the largest parades ever, if not the largest. First place award for floats went to Glenda Flores and Norma many other talented performers. Cruz, Second place went to the Talamantes family and Third place Lopez, Selena look alike, have been was won by Dueto Unsion of Del Rio.

The parade was attended by Mr. Aguilar, the Mexican Consul from Eagle Pass who rode in the parade car with Mayor Carmen Berlanga. Others in the parade were Parade Marshals Hector Jimenez, B.I.S.D. 6th grade teacher, and Antonio Ramon, B.I.S.D. HS world history and Spanish teacher, a Color guard with Jaime Montalvo carrying the Mexican flag, Judge Tommy Seargeant carrying the US flag and Patty Lopez carrying the Texas flag.

The first Annual Brackettville The Senior Queen of the festivities Cinco De Mayo Celebration was a was Consuelo Talamantes and the Queen was Leticia Rivas.

Performers for the Celebration were the first grade dancers, Balet The kick off for the celebration Folklorico of Ciudad Acuna, FCS squaredancers, Conjunto los Pajuelos, Matachines de la Virgen de Guadalupe, Selena look alikes and

The first grade dancers and Patty invited to perform on the Eagle Pass TV station channel 16. They will travel to Eagle Pass tonight, May 8, to record a Mother's Day Special. Mr. Ruiz of the Eagle Pass station was very impressed with the celebration and made a 2 hour recording of the celebration.

The Celebration was a wonderful success, Brackettville at it's finest. Congratulations to all who helped to organize this and we hope to see many more

See other pictures on page 2.

Tigers Claim Second District 29-2A Title In Baseball

By J. J. Guidry Contributing Writer

Brackett racked up nine hits and took advantage of 10 Lackland errors Tuesday as the Tigers blanked the Eagles, 12-0, en route to their second-straight District 29-2A championship.

The Tigers won the league title with a 9-1 conference mark. Brackett finishes the regular season with a 20-6 record.

Winning the district title was a goal we set at the beginning of the year, and the boys went out and did it, "Tigers coach Gary Grubbs said. "I don't think our kids would have settled for anything less.'

Brackett went 13-8 in Grubbs' first season at the helm. The Tigers were 19-6 last year and advanced to the bi-district playoffs.

"I think our program is on the rise," Grubbs said. "We should have a good program for years to come. It's helped that we've had some really talented kids in the last couple of years, but I think it will always be like that in Brackett."

The Tigers will open the playoffs next week and will face the runnerup of District 30-2A in bi-district, Kenedy (21-6, 12-2) has won the district but second place hasn't been clinched.

Marion (20-5, 10-3) has a halfgame lead over Yorktown (16-5, 10-4) for the second playoff bid in the district. Marion plays Karnes City on Friday.

If Marion wins, they will advance to the playoffs. If they lose, Marion and Yorktown will have a playoff for the second place position.

That is a real strong district," Grubbs said. "We scouted Marion and they have a real good ball club. We haven't seen Yorktown, yet."

Grubbs said the Tigers will take the playoffs one game at time.

We made it to bi-district last year and lost, 1-0, to Kenedy," he said. "We're just going to take it one game at a time. We would like to advance as far as we can.

"If we play like we have been playing and we play good fundamental baseball, then we have a good chance against anybody we play."

Big Shoot Out At Alamo Village

Saturday May 4th there were out the world), Enrique Garza from 1100 + people roaming around Alamo Eagle Pass and his horses Roxie and Barbie did the Mexican Hat Dance.

dent, Larry Sofaly.

The place was crawling with It was a great day for everyone. Jim Bush representative for SAS said laughing kids and smiling parents. 'This has been a great success and Where did they all come from? we hope to come back next year. Jim It was the Annual SAS shoe facalso stated "SAS people are the best tory Children's Day Picnic. There

were clown's making balloon, anishoemakers in the world". Alamo Village was open to the mals, miniature golf, carnival rides public while the picnic was going on and anything else a child could wish and the people who happened to wanfor. There were shows to amaze and tickle the young and old alike; 3 difder in were in for a special treat. ferent gunfights, Kevin Fitzpatrick These shows are not usually seen until

from Bandera performed his rope after Memorial Day at the Village. tricks (Kevin has performed through-

Jean was surely my left. said First Baptist Church Pastor Gil Ash.

Up until her retirement last year, Jean had served as editor of The Brackett News. Publisher Jewel 1992. She has served as treasurer Robinson described Jean as not only a loyal employee, but a loyal friend. "I had the pleasure of working with Jean and Tom in "The Glory Road." That was the first time I met her. She came to work for me at The Brackett News and was a great asset to the paper. I have no words to express the loss I feel, but I'm certain that there is a another star in Heaven now, about Jean.

sures to encourage safe and respon-

sible driving during prom night cel-

ebrations. "There is so much excite-

ment surrounding prom festivities.

But in planning for the big event,

families too often make a tragic mis-

take by overlooking a key element of

the evening - who's driving?" said

Toni Barcellona, CVC State Coordi-

Government statistics show nation-

The Coalition is calling for stu-

nator.

Of all the many tributes that have poured in to the newspaper, Cordelia Mendeke's words of tribute best sum up the life of this remarkable woman. "For such a little lady, she sure has left a big hole in our community."

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Greg Nowlin

Survivors include her husband Tom of Brackettville; four children, Ronald, Richard, Joyce and Thomas; and 12 grandchildren.

Services will be held at 11 A.M. Friday in First Baptist Church with Reverend Gil Ash officiating. See page 9 for additional information

Coalition For Vehicle Choice Promotes Safe And Sober Driving

(Austin, TX) - The Texas Coali- make proms the memorable times that they should be: tion for Vehicle Choice (CVC) is urging parents and students to take mea-•Keep it alcohol-free. Sponsors

of proms and post-prom parties should

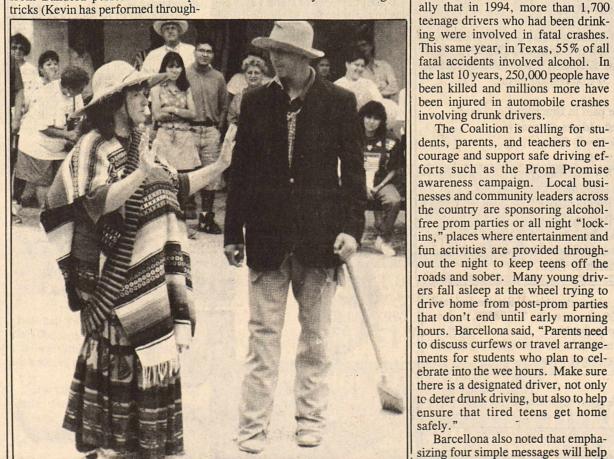
ensure that no alcohol is served to minors, and take extra steps to guard against any alcohol being brought in. Older guests and chaperones should set a good example by refraining from alcohol consumption during these functions.

•Don't drink and drive. Two in every five Americans will be involved in an alcohol-related crush at some time in their lives. Positive peer pressure can also discourage alcohol-impaired persons from driving. Refuse a ride from anyone that has been drinking. Party sponsors can help by providing "no-hassle" or cost-free rides home.

•No Sleepy Drivers. Make proper arrangements if a prom party is expected to let out at an unreasonable hour. Parents need to let teens know that it's okay to call home or some other responsible party if they are too tired to drive.

•Always wear your safety belt. Even if you are a sober and alert driver, others on the road may not be. A safety belt is your best protection in an automobile crash, and a good defense against drunk drivers - not only on prom night but each time you travel by car. The government estimates that safety belts save more than 5,000 lives each year, and could save thousands more if all drivers buckled up!

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From The Desk Of Your Local Game Warden

do to prevent snakes from showing up around your house, ranch, or even workplace. But there are a few things chances of being bitten. First, remove brush or any other forms of debris that can provide shelter or cover for the snakes. Dense, low growing plants also may provide cover for snakes. Such places are where a snake may find food such as mice and rats. Don't reach blindly into holes, piles of lumber, etc. or any other place where snakes can hide. Watch where you walk, being especially careful around logs, thick brush, and places mentioned above.

If a poisonous snake is discovered nearby, the best reaction is to remain as still as possible until the snake has moved away. The most common reaction when stumbling upon a rattlesnake is to let out a holler and run like the wind, kind of like the hunter who walked up to his hunting buddy out in the pasture. The hunter asked his buddy why he was so excited, sweating, and all out of breath. The buddy told him he saw a big snake lying along the trail but it turned out to be just a limb from a nearby tree. The hunter then asked his buddy why, if it was just a tree limb, was he still sweating and out of breath?. The buddy told him, "Well, it was the snake I picked up to kill the stick with." It should be remembered that a snake is quick to strike at a moving object, so to step away at such a moment may stimulate the snake to strike. If a rattlesnake is heard nearby

There is probably nothing you can but cannot be located, do not begin a anything that cuts off the blood supwild dash for safety. The location of the snake may be misjudged and by taking a step you may walk into rather that can be done to lessen your than away from it. Again, remain calm (as possible) and still until the any piles of rocks, trash, lumber, snake is sighted. When it is certain the reptile is at least 5 or 6 feet away and no other nearby, slowly back away. If you just move before locating the snake, do it as slow as possible.

None of the types of poisonous snakes found in Texas ordinarily can strike farther than a distance equal to three-quarters of its body length unless it has a firm backing or is striking downward from an incline. (Now is not the time to get out a tape measure) Certainly, none has the ability to jump at an enemy, a feat often attributed to the rattlesnake. A snake on the defensive is coiled with the purpose of shaving hair in the bite forward part of the body in a loose S-position. When striking, this coil is straightened out and the head is thrust forward. However, it is not necessary for a snake to strike from out the venom. It is also not a genera coiled position in order to bite.

First aid treatment of snake bites is fairly simple, get medical attention fast. There are a few things that can be done in the meantime, but none of these should stop or slow your attempts to get medical treatment. If bitten, you can tie on a contricting rent would break down the venom. band, such as a piece of rubber tubing or if nothing else, a strip of clothing or handkerchief can be used. The constricting band, if used, must be placed above the bite, between the bite and the heart. A tourniquet or

ply should not be used. The use of a constricting band is to slow down the blood circulation, not cut it off. You should still be able to get a finger underneath the band. Keep as calm as possible. The more excited you get the faster your heart beats and the faster your blood will circulate, taking more venom to the heart. Keep the bite area below the level of your heart. This aids in slowing the blood circulation. A suction type syringe or "Sawyer Extractor" can be used to try to draw some of the venom out of the bite. It is recommend for use only within the first 15 minutes after the bite. These suction devices can be purchased by the public, as well as snake bite kits, at most sporting goods stores. A razor blade is included with the "Sawyer Extractor" only for the area in order to get better suction from the device. It is no longer an acceptable practice to cut into the bite area with a knife or razor blade and suck ally accepted practice to apply ice to the bite, or use any kind of shock treatment that was publicized a few years back. This shock treatment involved shocking the bite area with a stun gun or attaching car jumper cables from your battery to the bite. It was believed that the electrical curmaking it non-toxic.

Once again, the best treatment is to remain as calm as possible and get to a treatment center or hospital as socn as possible.

Cameo From The Past

By J. Lee Ballantyne Contributing Writer

While we were living in Austin I had an experience I never want to have again.

Our family went with another family up on the Colorado River on a camping trip. We went by train and the train stopped out in the wilderness and let us unload. This was before this area of Texas was thickly inhabited and roads were just trails.

We made camp and all was well. The boys were in great spirit - they could go on up the river with the men.

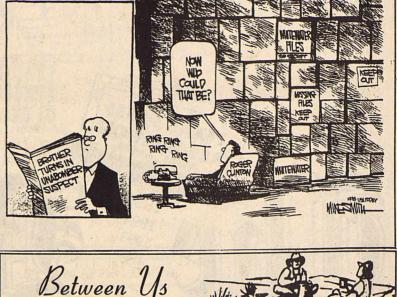
There were just two girls in the bunch and before the men went on up the river by foot, they took the two girls across the deep part of the river to a big sand bar. Our mothers could see us and we were having fun being "pioneers" when we discovered that the water was rising.

We couldn't swim and the water next to the bank was too deep and swift for us to get into.

The big sand bar was beginning to divide into smaller strips and the water was rising fast - our mothers were in a panic and calling for the men. Then finally we heard the voices of our men and then they were with us.

Dad jumped into the swift moving water and got to the sand bar which was fast disappearing. He took one girl over the swift moving water, then the other girl. Me.

I'll never forget the experience. I've always had great respect for deep water since that experience - I mostly stay out of it.



by Joe Townsend

I was honored this week by being asked to participate in a prayer rally in the front of the Gym at school. It was a part of a movement all across the United States to be a part of The National Day of Prayer. There have been national days of prayer in these United States almost from the beginning. In later years the President declared days of Prayer. There the President and Congress set a particular day as a National Day of Prayer. This year this particular Day of Prayer was more active with more widespread participation than ever before. I do not know who sparked the local participation but Pam every hand even from those not Melancon did the leg work. The rally was to be at 7:30 A.M. With trepidation I wondered how many would show up. When time came to start there seemed to be about 100 present. Most of these were students but there was a sprinkling of adults.

Someone had procured T-Shirts. They were white with large black be transformed.

block letters, "Life is Hard - Pray Harder." Many wore these and the sight was inspiring. Local ministers had been asked to participate. Each was introduced by a Senior. Fr. Lavette of the Catholic Church, Gil Ash of First Baptist Church, Ray Melton of the Church of Christ, Bill Adams of St. John's Baptist Church and Joe Townsend of Frontier Baptist Church all participated. Each was asked to pray for some national problem. At the close the group sang 'God Bless America."

It was a highly unusual and exhilarating experience. I heard on present, "This is the only answer." There is no greater truth. When our nation turns to prayer to God, problems (all caused by sin) will find solution. Pam and the students pointed and have led the way. When we put aside all selfish and hedonistic desires and depend on God our nation will

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Barcellona said, "Let prom pic- ing this simple advice during prom tures evoke lasting, pleasant memo- can help provide greater peace of ries, not tragic, unforgiving remind- mind for students, friends, and parers of careless behavior." Follow- ents alike.

Sez!



An optimist is a person who sees a green light everywhere while the pessimist see only the red stop light, but the truly wise person is colorblind.

PLEASE REMEMBERthat we attempt to include something for everyone within the pages of our pa-per. We realize that some folks enjoy finding fault and for those readers we thoughtfully include a so-cially acceptable number of erors within our publication.



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Brackettville's First Annual Cinco De Mayo Celebration. See related story on page one.

Garza Certified Animal Control Officer

20 hour course held at the Texas Department of Health, in Uvalde. Eddie passed the course and will now be mals that you observe on the streets patrolling the streets of Brackettville

be a welcome improvement to the have an answer he will find someone City of Brackettville's force. Eddie who does. Eddie will also be superwill be on call 24 hours a day 7 days vising the Rabies Clinic at City Hall a week. If you find yourself in need on May 18th, from 9 A.M. to 12:00 of the Animal Control Officer call: 563-2412 during office hours and 563-2412 after hours. Eddie will be glad are safer because of ycu. Thanks!

Eddie Garza recently attended a to help you with any animal related problems.

Report all stray, sick or dead aniof Brackettville to Eddie. If you have in search of loose or injured animals. David Luna stated that Eddie will animal bites, call Eddie. If he doesn't noon.

Congratulations Eddie, our streets



Bonilla Honored By National Breast Cancer Coalition

By Henry Bonilla

Congressman, 23rd District, Texas

WASHINGTON – U.S. Rep. Henry Bonilla (R-TX-23) was honored today by the National Breast Cancer Coalition (NBCC) for his unwavering and influential support of breast cancer research. The Board of Directors of the NBCC voted unanimously to honor Bonilla at their Annual Congressional Awards Breakfast which was held this morning in Washington, D.C.

"It's and enormous honor to be recognized by the National Breast Cancer Coalition," Bonilla said. "Breast cancer is one of the leading causes of death in the U.S., and every year it claims more and more lives.

After the ceremony and breakfast with the NBCC, Bonilla met with representatives of the Alamo Breast Cancer Foundation, including its president, Dale Eastman.

Bonilla is a member of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education which has jurisdiction over funding for breast cancer research and prevention.

For Pete's Sake

The man I'd most like to meet is that guy Anonymous. He writes some great stuff. Here's a little poem about growing old he is credited with, and I hope you get as much kick out of it as I did.

Did you ever think you'd like to Back up just a little ways

And enjoy again the pleasures Of your happy boyhood days? Would you trade your patent Leathers

And your made-to-order clothes For an hour of going barefoot Squeezing mud between your toes? Squeezing mud between your toes? Would you trade in your dyspepsia And your job of finding fault Por a hateful of green apples And A pocket full of salt? Would you swap your fancy tackle Dor a nice long willow pole And a can full of fish worms And a little sunperch hole? Oh, we know you say you wouldn't But you're all just grown-up boys. And it's only pride that robs you Of the fun a kid enjoys. Anonymous

Anonymous

The Brackett Meurs. **Brackettville Rotary Club**

Richard Curilla of Alamo Village end of the scene.

narrated a tape for the Rotarian's May second meeting. He had just completed this fifteen minute video which takes viewers behind the scenes of movie making. Richard showed us the progression of the making of a movie as well as getting to see the actual shooting. For instance, the script must first be written, and we see Richard hard at work editing this video script. Next, such people as stunts and special effects actors arrive. The set decorator and his crew come as well as the art department. They look around the village and see which of the sets, buildings and equipment they want to lease. Sometimes they constructed a tent village and a ranch house. Two days after the shooting this was taken down.

Most of the sets and buildings at Alamo Village are used over and over, but they are completely redesigned and redecorated each time to fit that particular script. In one mini series Alamo Village was changed around to serve as 8 different towns. One room served as a lawyers office, an ice cream parlor, and a hotel in the same movie.

The set decorator's job is to make the rooms looked lived in. The props, on the other hand, are objects such as a hammer or gun. These are numbered and issued each time they are used, then carefully collected at the hand.

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Notes

Happy Shahan has collected thousands of props and other objects. For instance, we saw a scene in which a 100 year old hearse is shown that belongs to the Village.

The actors arrive when everything is ready for the shooting. Observers may be impressed with the "hurry up and wait" aspect of film shooting, but everything that is done is necessary, such as adjusting lighting, or moving cameras. Dolly lines must be laid so the camera can move along with the action

Richard also included in his videos some shots of Happy, which touched each viewer in a special way. One scene showed him talking with James Garner between scenes. Richard recounted that Garner had asked him earlier, "When am I going to get to meet Happy Shahan? I've heard of him for years."

Well, Garner got his chance. He met Happy and the two are shown enjoying each other's company. We enjoyed Happy's company too, when we had the chance to visit with him. We are indebted to Richard for sharing this visit with us and for giving us the opportunity to see behind the scenes of movie making. And, incidentally, visitors are welcome during the shooting of movies at Alamo Village. A great chance to see this first

Preceptor Theta Sigma Chapter Of Beta Sigma Phi

The Preceptor Theta Sigma chap-ter of Beta Sigma Phi met at the ranch home of member, Nancy Frerich on Monday, May 6th.

After the opening ritual, President Luella Gilliland called the meeting to order with the first order of business being the installation of new officers. Those installed were Nancy Frerich, President; Pat McKelvy, Vice-President; Mylo Unruh, Secretary (as winter Texan) and Pat McKelvy who stood up in Mylo's absence. Clara McCord was installed as Treasurer.

Nancy Frerich then conducted the business meeting and announcements of new committees. Alicia Reymar read from the Beta Book.

Nancy Frerich gave the program on "Country Living" which was beautifully portrayed in the surrounding of home and ranch. She related interesting experiences of ranch life, and raising her family there and the many changes that have taken place. Other members shared experiences they had had and their love of this environment.

Ann Hibler won the door prize. Members present who enjoyed snacks and special treats were: Vicki Bell, Patsy Callnan, Marge Geeze, Luella Gilliland, Lou Green, Ann Hibler, Betty Inman, Gaye Kurz, Clara McCord, Pat McKelvy, Bobbie Waddill and Alicia Raymer.



Time is going by fast and we are Donations will be greatly appreciated. still in need of volunteers for our Summer Reading Program. So far we only have 2 volunteers, we need at least 4 more. Unfortunately if we do not have enough volunteers there might not be a Summer Reading Program. So please pass the word and get us some help.

The Pre-School Happy Hour will begin Thursday, May 9th at 10:00 a.m. and will be held every Thursday for the next 5 weeks. Walk-ins are welcome. Snacks and refreshments will be given after each class.

The adult literacy classes have

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come a long way. We are very proud of the students and very grateful to the Masons for all their help. However, since both have worked so hard they will be taking a few months off. Classes will terminate on May 31st and resume on September 2nd. Congratulations on a job well done.

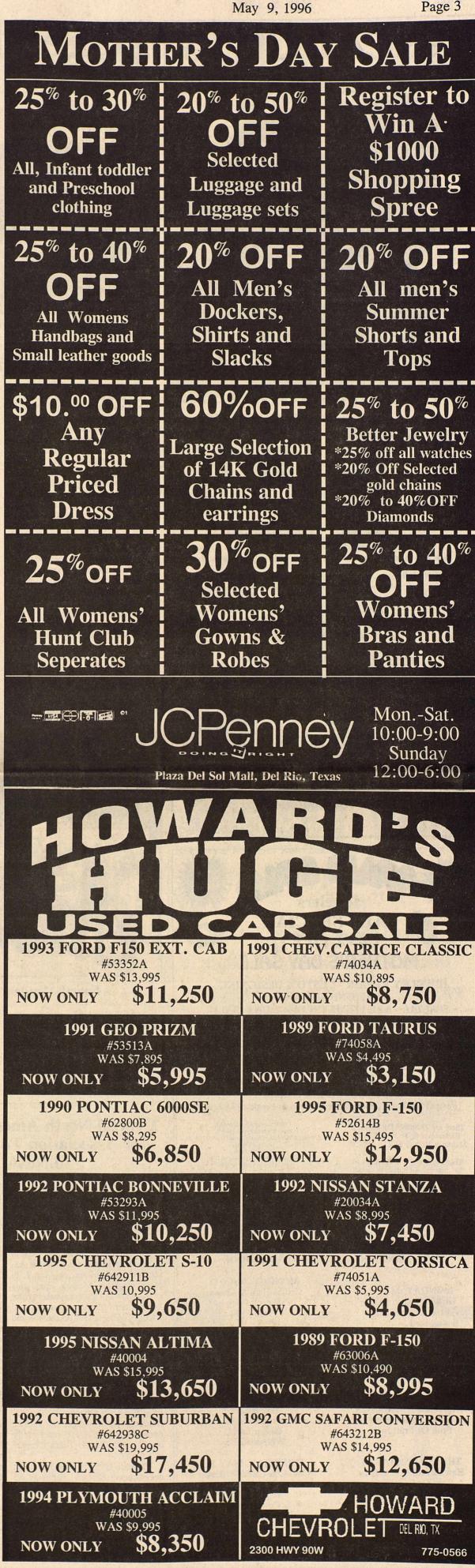
As always we invite you to visit the friendliest little Library in Kinney County

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We have again lost the presence, the warmth, the expertise and ebullience of a stalwart leader in our community. In the home going of Jean Faulkenberry we bid farewell for a while to a dynamic person and a dear friend of the writer. Jean quietly moved onto the scene several years ago when she and Tom retired and left Ft. Stockton to become two among us.

Because she never met a stranger she soon had a multitude of friends. She was a dynamic and faithful member of her church. She was active in her lodge. She was a leader in her professional organization. She was extraordinary as editor of The Brackett News. She loved Ft. Clark Springs and sought to help it in many ways. She was a fine member of the Rotary Club. It was amazing to see her wear so many hats and do so wonderfully well in all of them. When Tom had problems she tenderly cared for him and yet it never seemed to slow her down. Brackettville and environs have lost a marvelous indi-







1st grade singing Las Mananitas at Cinco De Mayo Day program



Kindergarten class dancing to LaRaspa at Cinco De Mayo Day

Brackett Elementary Celebrates Cinco De Mayo

The Brackett ISD celebrated Cinco saying the same part in English, it that brought tears to many an adult's eyes. The children, dressed in their festive red, white and green outfits gave a performance to remember.

Mrs. Gutierrez organized the celebration, which was the first of it's kind. Mr. Taylor Stephenson, Interim Superintendent, hosted the program and the children and teachers from Pre-K to second grade were the made up of lots of people from lots stars.

The Pre-K gave a brief history of

De Mayo on May 5th with a program was very informative, then they sang De Colores. The Kinder class danced to LaRaspa, and the first grade danced to LaVarsoviana. The second grade and their teachers dancing the Macarana, and then the 1st grade sang Las Mananitos with Mrs. Lopez accompanying them on the guitar.

"We honor the culture and background of all people; after all we are of places". said Taylor Stevenson.

It was a program that will be re-Cinco De Mayo with one student say- membered by students, parents and ing his part in Spanish and the next teachers alike as the FIRST of many!

vidual and this writer has bade Aloha" to a dear friend. Surely Jean Faulkenberry was an

'Unsung Hero".

Benefit Piano Concert

The Community Council and Kinney County Arts Council will present Silvana and Silvia Santinelli in concert at the Cavalry Room, Las Moras Inn, on Sunday, May 19 at 3:00 P.M.

The concert will be a chance for area residents to hear the new baby grand piano presented to Fort Clark Springs Association by the Community Council.

Silvia is a junior piano performer at the University of Texas in San Antonio. She has been the recipient of many awards and recognitions in Texas and Mexico including the first winner of the state level of the XV Cultural Competition in Mexico at the age of 7 years old. She won the San Antonio Symphony young Artist Award Competition in 1989. In addition to numerous solo recitals, she has performed with the San Antonio Symphony. In 1994, she attended the Second International Rachmaninoff Festival in Russia.

Silvana has a Bachelors Degree in Music and a minor in sociology. She has also won many awards in Texas and Mexico including the Southwest Texas State Young Pianist Competition, four years 1987-90 and the San Antonio Symphony Young Artist Award in 1987. She attended the First International Camp for Perfection in Music in Switzerland and the Rachmaninoff Festival in Russia.

Valeri Grokhovski, assistant pro-fessor of music at the University of Texas is the piano teacher.

The public is encouraged to attend this benefit concert.

Fort Clark Ladies Golf Club April 30

Best Ball Twosome With Handicaps Nell Darling & Juanita Pratt tied with Luella Gilliland & La Von McLane with socres of 60.

May 7th Low Gross - Pat McKelvy - 84, Shirley Stephenson - 84, Betty Lee -85.

Low Net - Clara McCord - 64. Pat Nelson - 65, and Barbara Miller - 67.

Plaza Del Sol Mall

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GREAT CUTS For Back to School





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Tiger Mike Padron as he hits a home run in the District playoff game with Natalia.

Tigers Clinch District

eled to Lackland Air Force Base for runs on 10 R.B.I's. their final district game. This 12-0 win over the Eagles clinched the district championship.

This championship is the second consecutive district title for the Tigers.

"It's very exciting to see our kids playing so well." Says head coach Gary Grubbs. "At the beginning of the season we set a goal to make the play-offs. We've done that and now we are looking for our first Bi-Dis-trict Championship over district 30-AA."

Ramon DeLeon bumped his record up to 15-1 on the hill. Ramon pitched 4 innings. Ramon struck out 4, walked only 2, gave up 0 hits and 0 runs, out of 13 batters. Michael Meyer came on in relief for Ramon. He pitched to 7 batters, struck out 5, walked only 1, gave up 0 hits, and 0 runs

The Tiger pitching staff gave up 0 runs and pitched a NO-HITTER! Awesome!

The offensive performance from the Tigers consisted of 14 hits out of 30 at bats. Three doubles were hit (Ramon DeLeon, Ruben Terrazas, and Jorge Rodriguez). One triple was hit (Brian Hooker). The Tigers stole

Tuesday, the Brackett Tigers trav- 8 bases, walked twice and scored 12

Mike Padron went 2 for 3 scoring 3 runs. Rene Luna went 1 for 3 scoring once. Ramon DeLeon went 1for 4 scoring once. Brian Hooker went 2 for 3 scoring once. Jorge Rodriguez went 3 for 4 scoring 3 runs. Beau Smallwood went 1 for 3 scoring twice. Ruben Terrazas went 3 for 4 scoring once.

Tiger senior Brian Hooker says, "It is a feeling like none other to win back to back championships your last two years in high school."

Tiger senior Ruben Terrazas says, "To go out and beat people that said you could never do it, that is awesome."

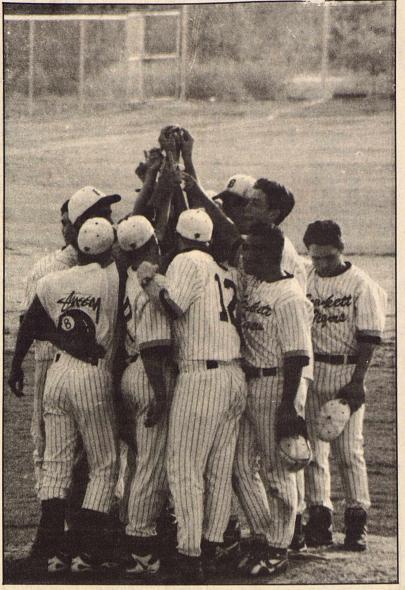
Tiger senior Mike Padron says, "The attitude that most of our opponents had was that they couldn't wait to play us without Wil Shahan. Wil was a great asset to our team but it is wonderful to show those people that one person doesn't complete a team. The Tigers are finally beginning to understand the concept of team. That

will take us a long way!" All 3 of the Tiger seniors ask that everyone come out to see their Bi-District game against the runner-up of district 30-AA.

Way To Go Tigers!



The Brackett Mews.



United Team, Tigers after a crushing loss to Natalia.

Tigers Suffer First Loss Friday, the Tigers suited up to play the Natalia Mustangs. the ball back to Michael Meyer who was pitching.

Natalia had to win to secure a playoff spot. The mustangs beat the Tigers by a freak accident.

There were runners on first and third with 2 outs on the Natalia Mustangs. It was the seventh and final inning, the game all tied up at 6-6. Natalia's short-stop, Hernandez, hit

Mike fielded it cleanly and threw it to first for an easy third out.

WRONG! The first basemen mitt broke and the ball flew right through the pocket of first basemen Pat Munoz's glove. The Mustangs won the game 7-6.

Tough break Tigers. Good Job!

Nine Tigerettes Named To All-District Softball Team

By J. J. Guidry Contributing Writer

The Brackett Tigerettes had nine players garner honors on the 5-2A alldistrict softball team, which was announced this week.

"I was pleased," Tigerettes coach Gregg Nowlin said of the selections. Amy Bader and Patty Lopez. Frerich was selected as an ir "We finished third in the district so after starting the entire year at sec-

Delaney and junior outfielder Tara Torres all of Lytle, freshman infielder Jill Wier and sophomore outfielder Valerie Friesenhahn of Blanco and D'Hanis Mandy Wolff, a senior outfielder.

Brackett had three players named to the second team, Debra Frerich,

Frerich was selected as an infielder ond base. She is a senior





WEDNESDAY, MAY 15

Hamburger

French Fries

Burger Salad

Whipped Jello

THURSDAY, MAY 16

Chili Con Carne W/Beans

Crackers

Veggie Salad

Corn Bread

Apple Cobbler

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15 Sweet Potato Bread Fruit Or Fruit Juice

THURSDAY, MAY 16 Hawaiian Cheese Muffin Fruit Or Fruit Juice

Fourth Graders Plant Tree

grade students at Jones Elementary help the students with the planting. School planted a tree in front of the Hunt Library. As a part of their ecology project, the class collected aluminum cans which were sold to pay for the tree. Mr. Archie Woodson

April 22nd was Earth Day. To from Sunshine Gardens Nursery came celebrate this occasion, the fourth to school on Tuesday, April 23, to

> for his help in the purchase and planting of the tree, and also, Mr. McNew for taking our cans to be recycled.

Central North American Trade Corridor Association To Hold Symposium In Nava, Mexico **Discussion To Focus On Agricultural Production** And Industrial Trade

industrialists from the State of Coahuila Mexico will be given the opportunity to do so at The Central North American Trade Corridor Association symposium, on May 9, in Nava, Coahuila, Mexico. Highlights of the event will feature speakers from key northern Mexico industries, and a tour of an asparagus production and packing facility and the major power plant of Northern Mexico. The meeting will focus on solidifying the efforts that have been made to organize the South Texas and Northern Mexico chapter of CNATC. CNATC is a group of private and public individuals and organizations interested in getting U.S. Highway 83 into the National Highway System. Earlier during the year, CNATC successfully organized the South Texas Chapter of CNATC.

"Mexico is vitally interested in the development of U.S. Highway 83 because of the transportation link it represents between the agricultural producing areas of the United States and Northern Mexico," noted Ann Vaughan, CNATC International Vice in the tour should contact Vaughan Chair and project coordinator. "The or Erma Alejandro at 210-278-4151 State of Coahuila has already com- for further arrangements.

Individuals interested in network- mitted to the development of trade ing with agricultural producers and opportunities for the area as evidenced by the expansion of the 300 mile stretch of Highway 57 from Piederas Negras to Saltillo," she added.

Other key speakers include Lic. Jose Antonio Murra Giacoman, Secretary of Economic Development of the State of Coahuila; Terrence J. Foley, Dole Fresh Vegetables, Hermosillo, Sonora, Mexico; and Guillermo Ancira Elisondo, Director of Minera Carbonitera Rio Escondid. MICARE (Carbon II) is the major electric power plant for Northern Mexico. A tour of the asparagus producing facility and the power plant are scheduled after the speaking engagements.

Interested individuals are invited to attend the conference. "We are arranging the use of some area vans for transportation, but need to know how many persons plan to attend the event," noted Vaughan. A group will depart from the Middle Rio Grande Development Council at 209 N. Getty, in Uvalde, at 8:15 a.m. on May 9, and return around 6:30 p.m. the same evening. Persons interested

e had a good number of selections.

The Natalia Lady Mustangs won the district title and advanced to the year," Nowlin said. "She improved regional semifinals where they fell to Coahoma, 3-0.

Natalia junior pitcher Trisha Hollembeak was named the league's Most Valuable Player.

The Lady Mustangs had four players named to the first team, senior pitcher Mary Beth Lopez, sophomore infielder Celica Fraga, sophomore outfielder Lee Ann Stinson and junior utility player Beth Wells.

Representing Brackett on the first team were Chica Garza, Courtney Harrison and Lindy La Mascus.

Garza is a junior. She earned honors as a catcher, and also saw play-We would like to thank Mr. Woodson ing time in the outfield this season.

Chica had a good season," Nowlin said. "She was a unanimous pick. I thought she was the best catcher in the district. She has a good arm. She threw a lot of base runners out."

Harrison made the elite squad as a short stop, a position where she earned first team all-state honors last season. The junior also pitched for the Tigerettes this year.

'Courtney had a good year," Nowlin said. "Her numbers weren't she was still deserving of all-district."

La Mascus was honored for her Brackett.

"Lindy batted over 600 this year," Nowlin said. "She had a tremendous trict for the Tigerettes were Susie year. She played everywhere. She pitched and she played some short stop but she spent most of her time in the outfield.

"Lindy has a lot of speed," he said. "She was able to chase down a lot of played in the outfield. fly balls in the outfield."

Tilley, sophomore infielder Tara of the year."

Don't buy the house, buy the neighborhood.

-Russian proverb

A Tiger Salute To:

Windy Goodloe, BHS Sophomore, who won second in the Texas State UIL competition in Poetry Interpretation. A tip of the hat also goes to her coach and teacher, Dee Curry. Next week, Making a Difference will salute these two!

"Debra came on and had a good a lot from last year. I was happy with her play.'

Bader was selected as a utility player. The junior played first and third base for the Tigerettes.

"I was disappointed Amy didn't make the first team," Nowlin said. "She really had a good year. She played third base most of the year and then played some at first after her injury.

Lopez is a freshman. She started in the outfield for Brackett this season.

"Patty started out real strong for a freshman and then she kind of leveled out," Nowlin said. "She is a good athlete and has a lot of natural ability."

Also earning second team honors are Blanco senior Cassy Sawey and D'Hanis sophomore Krystal Burrell as pitcher; Lytle senior Jenni Walters and D'Hanis freshman Annie Santos as catcher; Lytle junior Tanya Sessom, Center Point sophomore Darcy Hasty, Blanco junior Amy Carroll and D'Hanis junior Abby Guerra in the infield; Natalia freshas good as they were last year but man April Rodriguez, Lytle sophomore Tamara Sessom, Center Point sophomore Amanda Reed and play in center field. The junior also D'Hanis senior Shannon Guerra in the pitched and played short stop for outfield and Center Point freshman utility player Valerie Parks.

Earning honorable mention all-dis-Hernandez, Jessica Payne and Hilda Aguirre.

Hernandez, a sophomore, started at first base for Brackett. Payne, a junior, and Aguirre, a freshman,

"Susie did a good job at first Rounding out the first team selec- base," Nowlin said. "She hit the ball tions are senior pitcher Kendal well, batting over 400. Jessica and Young, senior infielder Tammie Hilda both came on strong at the end

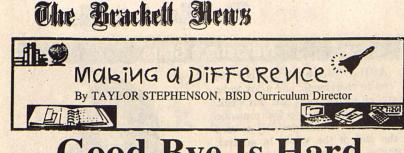
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Good-Bye Is Hard To Say!

say good-bye when you're enjoying things like they are? I can remember early in life visiting in Falfurrias, TX., a grand lady named Aunt Sissy. She's one of those people that you just enjoyed being around. Her life was a tough one, but she somehow forgot about herself and helped you have a good time. As I got older, I remember having to wipe the tears from my eyes as I looked in my rear view mirror seeing my mom and dad...while I drove off to who knows where for who knows how long. Yeah, I was a big baby, but I learned to enjoy folks because I knew I would be sad when I left. This week, I want to talk about a couple of good-byes that are hard for me...the Steve Mills Family and Jean Faulkenberry.

Jean was sitting across the table from me in a meeting Monday night. Five minutes after the meeting was adjourned with a pain that was too severe for her to withstand...we lost our friend. By now, you know the story. She was a dear, special person who did lots of things for our community. We are better because of her a goal. Good traits for a fine teacher. tion. The herbicide must be applied life. Jean was kind, but didn't mind telling me what she thought. She always found a place for my "stuff" while working for the Brackett News. Every week at Rotary, I would have Jean lead the Pledge of Allegiance...because she was dependable...she was always there in second grade. He has made giant when you needed her. Most of all, I'll miss her just meandering down the street...or visiting at the bank...or post office...a grand lady. Good-Bye is hard to say! Our prayers go to Tom and family. Our gratitude goes also for bringing her our way.

Steve, Merry Beth, Jeffrey and Matthew will be leaving us at the end dent. of May to move to Denver City. They chose to make the move because of career opportunities, but it's still hard for them and for us.

The family has been with us for 8 years. Steve moved through the ranks long as we have memories of her in from Elementary Principal to Superintendent. He moves to a school district with strong traditions and high to say! expectations. He follows a superin-

Ever notice how difficult it is to tendent who was well liked. He says "I'm leaving a great district that is filled with high quality people." He is thankful for the high quality staff that he has been able to recruit. "Phenomenal!" Steve attributes lots of his success in recruiting to our great location. He's proud of the new library...a fantastic addition to our community. A real first class facility! He's proud of the curriculum that he was able to get implemented. Steve says "Our district is in charge of the learning rather than flying by the seat of our pants." Steve says thanks to those folks who stayed loyal to him as he worked to keep our district moving toward the 21st century.

Merry Beth is from San Antonio. She taught 8 years at BISD. A really fine English teacher. She has been busy at school with One Act Play and piano playing at the Baptist Church. Steve is busy at church as a Deacon and song leader. Merry Beth will miss the kids who were fun and willing to work without too much grumbling. She is innovative and appears laid back while pushing hard toward One of the best.

The boys are typical guys. Jefdent. He quietly goes about the business of learning and growing and is well liked in our school. Matthew is strides forward in learning this year. He likes to talk to me about their dogs, boys...watching them through being kin to the superinten-

That's about it. There's still time to say good-bye to the Mills Family. It's still hard. We've grown accustomed to their faces. For dear Jean, a prayer would help. She'll live as our minds. That'll be a long time. We feel the loss. Good-byes are hard



WEED CONTROL IN TURFGRASS

Every year about this time, if you're like me, you look out over your lawn and think that you've just got to do something about those weeds. Sometimes it seems like a never-ending problem. We fight them in the spring and summer in hopes of achieving a weedless lawn. There are no secrets to getting rid of bothersome weeds but there are a few things to keep in mind when controlling weeds in turfgrass/ The first thing to remember is that all weeds cannot be controlled the same way. Winter Weeds

Broadleaf annual winter weeds are clovers, thistles, mustards, etc. These are best controlled by using a preemerge material in the fall of the year. Most people wait until they have weeds and can see them before they try to control them. Remember, if you had broadleaf annual weeds last year, then you will have them again this year, and every year after until you break the cycle. These weeds germinate in the fall - mid September, with the first fall rains and the approach of seasonal cool fronts. In order to kill these weeds, a pre-emerge, one that works before the weeds come up, must be used prior to their germinaabout the middle of September.

These weeds, if you have them frey is a seventh grade student who is now, will be dead soon, with the onin band, athletics, and is a good stu- set of hotter weather. They will not usually survive if the weather is hot. They are too mature to really be affected by 2, 4-D or Weed-Be-Gone.

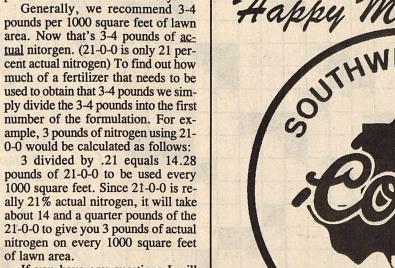
Another weed that is beginning to seed out now is rescue grass. It grows faster than your lawn (usually about Barbara & George (do the names an inch a day) and is usually subject sound familiar?) I have enjoyed the to homeowner attempts to be controlled. But the same holds true for grow...knowing what my own son this weed --- the time for applying and daughter and wife must have gone something for control is in the fall because many things used to control it will also damage your turfgrass.

Summer Weeds Pre-emergents can be effectively used in the early spring to take care of a lot of these types of weeds but it is too late for applying a pre-emergent herbicide now. Most of the weeds have already germinated. It should have been done the last part of February or the first part of March. the courthouse for more information.

A common one in our area is the prostrate lawn flower or horseherb. It grow flat on the ground and has "aces of spades' shaped leaves. It has a yellow-green color and a little yellow flower. It does very well under shade trees and on the northside of the house. The best way to control this plant is several sprays of 2, 4-D or Weed-Be-Gone. It is a perennial weed, so it will come back several times and there is seed everywhere, so it is not easy to control. You must stay after it. If you have a bermuda grass lawn, the use of MSMA several times at light rates will do a good job of controlling other grasses and some broadleaf weeds. However, MSMA will hurt St. Augustine and other turfgrasses.

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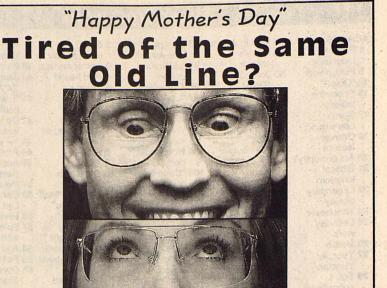
Warm season perennial grasses like bermuda and St. Augustine need a balanced fertilizer with a 3-1-2 ratio. If you are bagging your clippings, continue using this formulation throughout the growing season. If you are leaving clippings on the lawn, you do not need to use a balanced fertilizer. Using straight nitrogen such as 21-0-0 or 33-0-0, will do a perfectly good job. Use fertilizer at low rates throughout the growing season. The goal here is to prevent lush, rapid growth, A good rule of thumb is to put fertilizer out at each holiday.



be more than happy to assist you in determining lawn and turfgrass needs. The Texas Agricultural Extension Service has some helpful bulletins on lawn care and management. Come by

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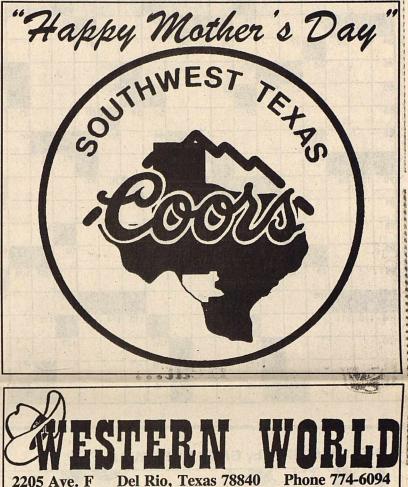
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Lou Green, Woman of The Year.

Theta Sigma Celebrates Beta Sigma Phi 65th Anniversary

courage and foresight of Walter W. Ross who 65 years ago founded Beta met in the McKelvy Home on Airport drive for a salad supper and an evening of celebration.

Betty Inman and Vicki Bell led the group in singing and the opening ritual after which Marge Geeze gave the Beta Sigma Phi grace. Following dinner Luella Gilliland gave the welcome, Doraline Kellar led the founders day pledge and Alicia Raymer read the message from international.

In the presentation of awards, by popular vote Lou Green was awarded the prestigious honor as Theta Sigma's woman of the year. President Gilliland then honored 5 other deserving members with perfect attendance pins. Leading the group with 5 years perfect attendance was Pat McKelvy, others honored were Jean Land and Betty Gaither were Marge Geeze, Bobbie Waddill, Ann recognized and missed.

Theta Sigma Chapter Members Hibler and Luella Gilliland. Outgojoined international and members ing officers and committee chairman throughout the world Tuesday were honored and received a round evening, April 30th in a salute to the of applause. New officers will be installed at the first meeting in May.

The year of 'The Dreamcatcher" Sigma Phi. Members of Theta Sigma came to an end as Clara McCord announced the new theme when she unveiled a lovely, graceful hand carved wooden heart with a large twinkling crystal dangling from its center. Candlelight caught the colorful rays of the crystal and reflected them into the metal laced golden framed mirror in the background. A fitting "Reflections of Love: will be the theme for the 1996-97 Beta year. Those celebrating the 65th Anni-

versary were Molly Schroeder, Nancy Frerich, Dee Gaston, Ann Hibler, Bobbie Waddill, Vicki Bell, Betty Inman, Marge Geeze, Doraline Kellar, Luella Gilliland, Alicia Raymer, Clara McCord, Lou Green and Hostess Pat McKelvy. Absent members Jan Chism, Patsy Callnan, Jana Ring, Gay Kurz, Mylo Unruh,

Stitchery Club

meeting will be a the Fort Clark Adult Center on May 16 at 9:30 a.m. Rosie project report on the Anniversary with the designs and will help with something new.

STITCHERY will continue meet- the quilting. If you would like to help, ing the 3rd Thursday of each month check with Rosie at the Adult Centhroughout the summer. The next ter. Someone will win this handmade quilt in a drawing to be held before the end of the year. Chances are al-Mattingly will give us the latest ready being sold at the Adult Center. STITCHERY is an opportunity for

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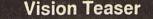
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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You're charismatic and a joy to be around for the most part this week. Singles are apt to meet with romantic introductions unexpectedly toward the end of the week. In general, things are going pretty much your way now. Enjoy!

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) A social function which you attend early in the week has pleasant business ramifications. In fact, you'll be meeting with an important opportunity for advancement or a possible career change. The weekend brings positive financial developments.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Couples will be looking for some time to themselves this week and could wind up taking one or two vacation days toward that end. Remember, privacy is an ally to romance. Good news comes about a financial matter.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) It's a great week for interests of the heart and activities with children. Couples enjoy being in sync and are on the same happy wavelength. This weekend, romance is a definite plus for singles.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Benefits come through friendship, although you shouldn't put too much stock in what one person in particular is saying. Some are invited to visit friends at a distance. Romantic prospects are excellent as the weekend dawns

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) You'll be happily engaged with a do-it-yourself project or work which requires you putting in some overtime. Later, it's an excellent idea to entertain guests in your home, provided you've completed that project.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Business and pleasure enjoy a happy marriage this week where you're concerned. Couples make informed decisions involving the use of joint funds which could lead to an



important purchase. Your intuition is very much on target this weekend.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) In the beginning of the week, you find it easy to reach agreements with others. Some will be enjoying local sightseeing or an exciting day trip if on vacation. Leisure events and romance are highlighted this weekend.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) There's an emphasis on partnership this week, both at home and on the job. Your feelings for your mate grow stronger. This weekend, you'll be meeting some interesting people on the social scene

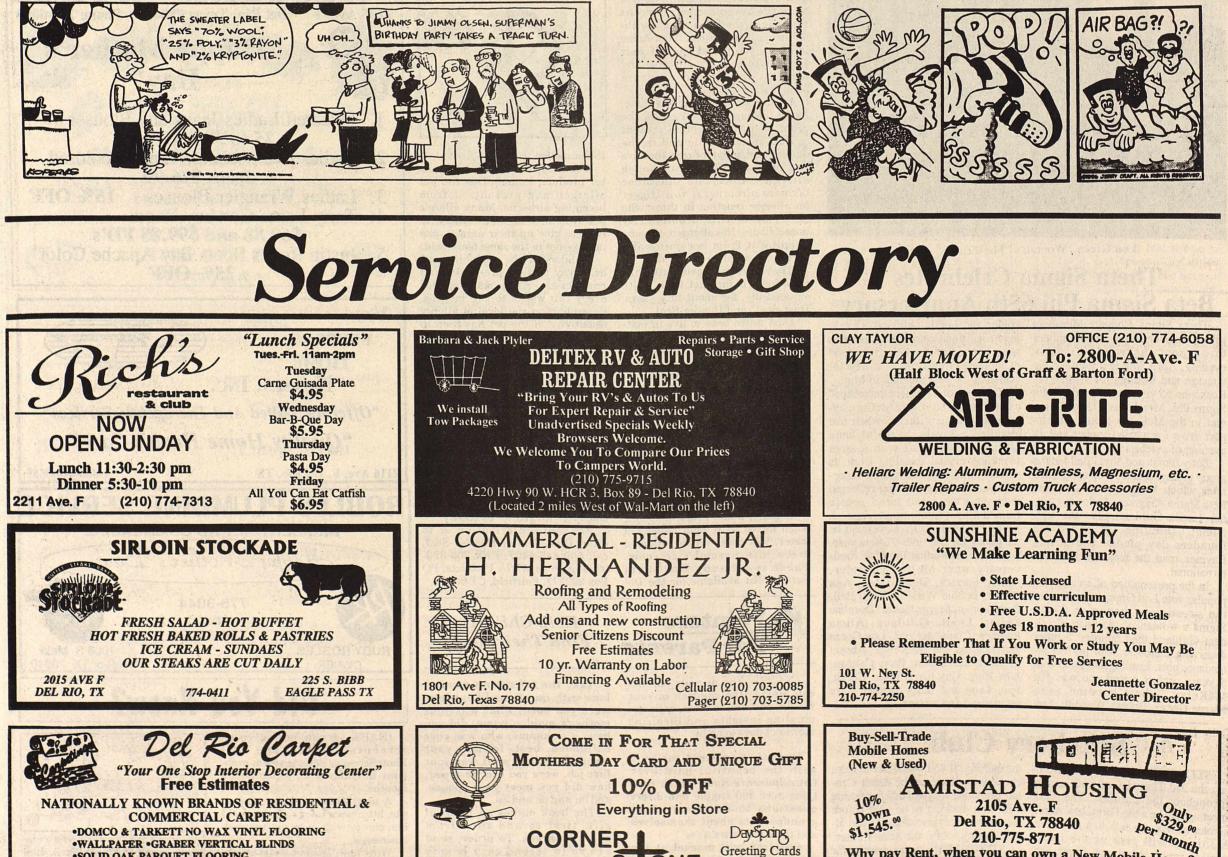
CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) You could be faced with having to make a major purchase for the home early in the week. Perhaps an important appliance needs replacing. Some receive a gift or favor from a relative over the weekend.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) It's your charm and friendliness which come to your aid this week. If you want to, you can charm the birds out of the trees. Others are impressed by what you have to say. This weekend, enjoy leisure events and romance.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) It's worth your while to look for bargains before making that purchase you've been considering. Time is on your side, so don't rush into anything. Later in the week, rest and relaxation appeal. ©1996 by King Features Synd.

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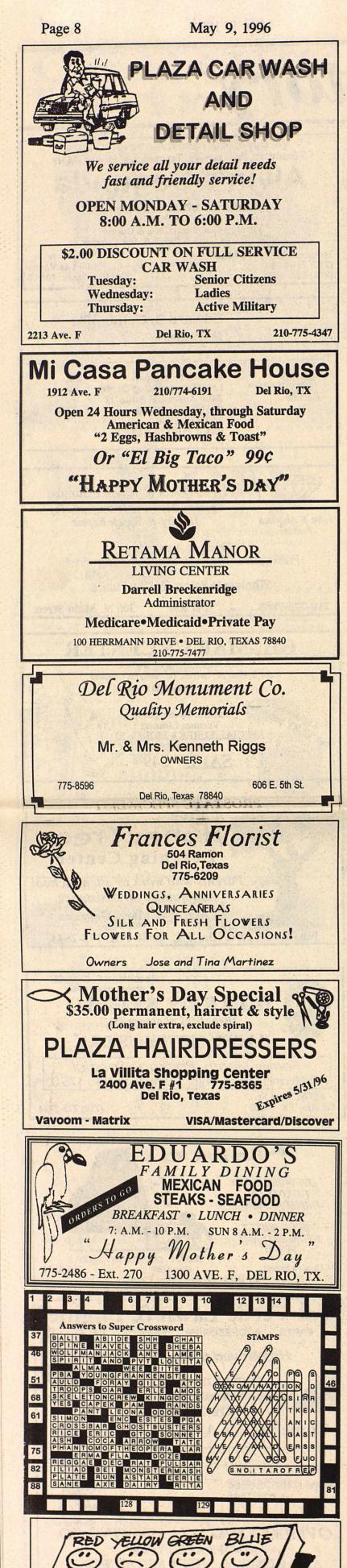
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Francis Henry French was born in Fort Wayne, Indiana on September 27, 1857. Deeply impressed from his youth by the stirring deeds and stories told by veterans of the Civil War, he realized his ambition for a military career by entering the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York where he graduated twelfth from the Class of 1879. He was assigned as 2nd Lieut of "E" Company 19th Infantry and came West. Following service at Fort Garland, Colorado Territory and Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, the regiment moved to Fort Brown at Brownsville, Texas where Lt. French was detailed as the Regimental Adjutant. In December of 1882 the 19th Infantry was posted to Fort Clark.

At Fort Clark, on January 1, 1883, Lt. French began diaries which he faithfully maintained for the next thirty years.

May 1884: Lt French has been posted to Fort Brown at Brownsville, Texas. His is responsible for target practice and is living with Dr. William Crawford Gorgas (later Surgeon General of the United States Army). He visits Matamoras for Cinco De Mayo and fires the 21 gun salute for the post. On other visits he smuggles bottles of perfume back into the United States. Gorgas becomes sick and the married officers' wives continue to provide comfort for the bachelor French. Military duties concentrate on construction of the rifle range and an "experimental march" which takes Lt French on an 86 mile trek making him footsore and weary. Finances, ladies, socializing and his mail are the focus of his existence.

Tuesday. May 6 1884

Worked hard all day clearing off range for 1000 yard firing. Got a path cut through almost entire length. Had crates & box with my furniture which came yesterday, brought to my room at noon and after dinner unpacked them putting the crates in my old quarters for safe keeping so as to use them again. My chest is broken so as to be worthless. Have asked Gar-dener for so many things that I hate to ask for a new chest, but I cannot get along without one. Had a talk with Gardener and Liscum in front of Bradford's for a while at noon. In the evening called to bid Liscum good bye as he returns to Edinburg tomorrow and then went to call on Miss Cummings. Scott was present for a time. After he left we took a walk in the moonlight and did an errand at a grocery store. Were weighed, 136 lbs. being my share and about 85 hers. Poor girl, her troubles have run her down terribly. I am very glad she is going away. She feels mortified about her thinness & made me promise not to tell any-Met Crowder & Miss body. McWatty, Dr. & Mrs. Happersett

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and called for a few moments with them on Miss Valls. Then accompanied Miss Mamie home & stayed until 11 o'clock there. Afterwards went to a "baile" at Mr. Sharp's in honor of his sisters-in-law, the Misses Case, who have just returned from New York. Knew them before and was glad to renew the acquaintance. Danced the Mexican danza this evening, a kind of slow waltz. Don't like it much. No mail beyond Ringgold this evening, which is extremely aggravating as we have been waiting so long.

Wednesday. May 7 1884

Worked on the range as usual all day and accomplished a great deal. After dinner there was a very hard rain fall. At times it was so thick we could hardly see across the parade. A norther commenced to blow at the same time. Showers continued during evening. Had a long talk with Gorgas while rain lasted and find him more interesting than before. If Marie marries him she will do very well indeed. Received a letter from home, in which Mother writes in a very despondent manner about the factory. Father feels very blue. Wish I could help him in some way. Feel that I have been & am very selfish to spend almost as much on myself

as they all do at home. Intended to call down at Gourila's with Gorgas but the rain prevented. Spent the evening at the Chaplain's with Scott. Left him there and returned to write usual letter home. It is very pleasant to get back to my desk once more.

Thursday. May 8 1884

Marched on guard this morning and got Gardener to promise to make me two chests when he has time. Did not work on the range as the rain last night has made it Crowder took my too damp. sword a short time in the morning while I went down town a short time to attend to some money matters connected with the checks that came yesterday for mileage. Received \$45.20 for trip from Clark here and expenses were \$35.35, clearing about \$10; 565 miles is the distance. Unpacked my clothes and put them in the bureau and

closet. Enjoyed going through my desk very much. No mail in this evening; look for it in the morning. Read papers in evening, tak-ing tattoo, until I fell asleep in the big arm chair. Was awakened about 11 o'clock by Bradford who had just returned from a church fair and offered to take my sword to let me go down. Declined feeling too sleepy. Would like to have gone earlier but there was nobody to take my sword. Saved a little money. No mail this evening.

Friday. May 9 1884

Mail came this morning bringing a letter from Hewitt with check for \$200 additional and kindly permitting me to send a note for \$500 payable in 18 months to take place of previous note. Paymaster Bash & Dan came last evening and paid off this afternoon. They bring no news. Worked on target range a short time in morning and not after noon on account of the payment. Wrote letter to Hewitt, one to Mother enclosing check & postal order and one to Mr. Bartlett about the land in Florida. Was very glad to send the money to Mother to use as it may be of some assistance to Father. Have paid all that is due on the land and now own it entirely. This is my first land and I shall be proud as can be when the deed comes. Went over to Matamoras after dinner and smuggled over two bottles of perfumery, leaving two bottles over there to be smuggled over later. Engaged some Mexican music and saw some lace bed spreads & pillow shams. Think a set would make a handsome bridal present for Sue. Called on Miss Valls in evening & found young Cowen there. He played Mexican music and we had a good waltz. Called at the Chaplain's for a while after returning. Dr. Happersett received word that the order for his transfer to the Dept. of the East had been issued, as was Dr. Heger's.

Saturday. May 10 1884

After guard mounting worked on range and made good progress. think that it will be entirely cleared in a few days. After noon read papers until three o'clock when I went up to Hennisee's to dine with Chaplain, Maj. Bash & Dan. Had

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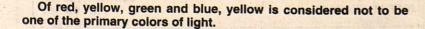


a good dinner with champaign [sic] & smoked a cigar afterwards. Major & Dan & Capt. Bradford called at Saint's Rest afterwards and stayed until nearly retreat. Mail brought me a bundle containing towel, handkerchiefs & socks left at Clark. Escorted Miss McWatty to choir practice & sang piece with Mr. Kiers of his composing. Then went over to Matamoras & brought over two bottles of perfumery. Met a Captain of the schooner Hungerford & rode up to Jagon's with him in a carriage. He insisted on my drinking with him; took a lemonade and felt ashamed to be seen in such Returned to Saint's company. Rest & dressed to go over to Happersett's but they retired before I started. Tied up perfumery to send to Hewitt by Maj. Bash & wrote him a letter & commenced letter home. Gorgas is sick, a low kind of fever.

Sunday. May 11 1884

Went over to the Library to read after guard mounting and then completed letter home. Carried it and letter & perfumery over to Bradford's for Maj. Bash to pack with his things. He will mail the letters and send the perfumery by the first one going to Clark from San Antonio. Three letters and a bundle of papers came from home in this evening's mail. Escorted Miss Mamie to and from chapel in the Administration Building. Sang in the choir as usual. Took a short walk with Miss Mamie after church and sang duets with her, sitting on her porch. What a noble woman she is. Gorgas is not as well as he was yesterday. Went over to Bradford's after dinner to bid Maj. Bash & Dan goodbye, as they will spend tonight in Matamo-

ras and leave tomorrow morning by train for Ringgold.



Beta Epsilon Omicron Celebrates Founder's Day

Beta Sigma Phi met to celebrate man; Barbara Miller secretary and Founder's Day with a picnic at the home of Lynn McNew on Monday. April 29, 1996. The meeting was opened with the National Anthem led by Lynn McNew, followed by the opening ritual led by President Marla Madrid. A delicious salad supper was enjoyed by all.

Following the supper, our guest, La Vena Clark, was introduced. Francine Collins led the chapter in the Founder's Day Pledge. Pam Melancon read the message from International. It was a very moving tribute to the memory of Walter Ross and his dream.

Awards were presented by President Madrid to all officers and committee chairmen: Hazel Ivey scrapbook chairman and perfect attendance; Lynn McNew vice-president and membership chairman; Evelyn Whitely treasurer; Opal Groce calling chairman and three years perfect attendance; Betty Mathison Beta reader; Flo Stafford social chairman, Dee Curry program and yearbook chairman; Pam Melancon program May 13th at the Adult Center. Inand social chairman and Ruby Cheaney ways and means chairman.

Improved Vision Testing For Children

in 20 American children has a serious eye disorder. Without early intervention, those childrenapproximately 1.2 million kids-will suffer permanent vision damage.

Reliable vision testing when the child is very young enables treatment when it is still effective. Unfortunately, current testing methods most pediatricians and other primary care doctors use for preverbal children (age 3 and under) often fail to detect serious eye problems.

Most American children get their first full vision examination when they start school. That is usually too late for effective treatment of serious eye disorders such as amblyopia ("lazy eye"), which can be cured if detected before a child is three years old. Beyond that age, treatment becomes less effective.

Refractive errors, astigmatism, cataracts and strabismus can lead to amblyopia, which is a loss of vision caused by uneven strength of the eyes. Amblyopia is treated

Beta Epsilon Omicron Chapter of Also, Cathie Conrey service chairpublicity chairman; and Marla Madrid received a president's pin and four years perfect attendance. The Program of the Year went to Flo Stafford for her program on Soup. The Pledge of the Year was Cathie Conrey and the Woman of the Year was Flo Stafford.

Installation of the officers for 1996-97 followed the announcement of the 96-97 theme: "Reflections of Love," Our new officers include: President Dee Curry, Vice-president Hazel Ivey, Secretary Barbara Miller and Treasurer Evelyn Whitely.

The closing ritual and Mizpah was led by President Madrid. And then the 1995-96 president, Flo Stafford, was presented with the scrapbook of her year. Marla gave beautiful "dream catcher" remembrances to all her officers. Finally, as the sunlight faded on a wonderful evening, Secret Sisters were revealed and gifts exchanged and new sisters were drawn for the 96-97 year.

Our next meeting will be held on coming officers will plan the program and be hostesses.

(NAPS)-It's estimated that one by wearing glasses, patching the eye, eyedrops, or surgery. Without treatment, amblyopia causes per-

> manent vision damage. It can even lead to blindness. Fortunately, a revolutionary new camera has been developed that effectively screens children as young as six months for eye problems. Called the MTI PhotoScreener, it takes special instant photographs that show if a youngster has a vision disorder. Potential eye problems show up on the PhotoScreener pictures as crescents on the child's eyes.

The PhotoScreener test takes less than five minutes (including evaluation), doesn't require restraints or eyedrops, and is painless. The child simply sits for a photograph. Pediatricians, family physicians, and eyecare professionals across the country are adding this screening to their routine testing procedures for young children.

Parents should ask their child's doctor about the availability of the MTI PhotoScreener in their area.



The relationship between grandparent and grandchild can grow even more special as the generation gap is literally filled in with the help of a new book.

Bridge Anyone NORMA GOULD

Five tables met for duplicate bridge on Tues., April 30.

Lamont & Marie McCandless won 1st place in the N/S direction. Ben Pingenot & Flo Stafford were 2nd with Rozetta Pingenot & Norma Gould winning 3rd.

Nancy O'Brien & Mary Edgar won 1st in the E/W direction. Arnie & Gertie Trautwein won 2nd with Betty Schlatterer & Alice Seargeant winning 3rd.



St. Andrews Episcopal Church: Henderson & Fort Sunday Church Service 10:30 a.m. 563-2071.

Frontier Baptist Church (A Southern Baptist Church): Sunday Services 11:00 a.m., 6:00 p.m., Joe Townsend, Pastor, 563-2158.

First Baptist Church (A Southern Baptist Church): 307 N. Ann St., 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.

Baptist Hispanic Mission: 307 N. Ann Street, Sunday 9:45 a.m.; Wednesday 5:30 p.m.; Friday, 6:00 p.m., Eugenio Duran, Pastor.

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 6:30 p.m.

St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church: Sun. Masses at 8:00 | A.M.(Spanish) and 10:30 A.M.(English); Mon., Thurs. and Fri. Mass at 1 7:00 AM:Wed. Mass 6:30 P.M., Religion Classes Wed. 4:00 and 7:00 PM; Sat. Rosary 7:30 AM, Sat.Mass 8:00 AM and 6:30 PM. Confession Wed. & Sat. 5:30 PM, Rev. Donald R. Lavelle, C.M.F.

St. Blaise Catholic Church: Sun. Mass 12:30 noon. Adult Catholic Explanation and Convert Classes Thurs. 7:00 PM Rev. Donald R. Lavelle, C.M.F.

First United Methodist Church: "Celebrate and Witness" 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., Sheree Harris, Pastor. St. John's Baptist Church: Crockett at Keene St., Sunday School 10:00 a.m., Worship 11:00 a.m., Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m., Worship Service Thursday 7:00 p.m., William P. Adams, Sr., Pastor, 563-9175. Our Redeemer Lutheran Congregation E.L.C.A: Henderson and Fort St., Sunday 9:00 a.m. Worship, Bible Study every other Sunday 10:00 a.m., Rev. Nathan La Frenz, 563-2047.

Templo Elim Asambea de Dios: North Street, Sunday 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., Wednesday and Friday, 7:00 p.m., Rev. Abundio Mancha, Pastor, 563-9237.

Gateway Ministries (Non-Denominational): 301 E. Spring St. (across from post office), Praise & Worship Fellowship Sunday 10:00 a.m., Bible Study Wednesday 6:30 p.m., Robert W. Corey, Pastor, Charolette Corey, Associate Pastor, 563-9331.

New Jerusalem Temple Apostolic Church:514 E. Louise St, Sunday School 10:30, Church 11:30, Bible Study: Wed. 7 p.m., Mission: 3rd Thurs.of each month 6 p.m. Pastor Rudy Goodloe (563-9468)

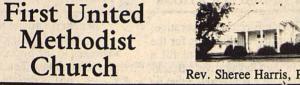




In one of the books of the New Testament of the Bible, Corinthians chapter 13 the qualities of love are told. It is patient, kind, and not jealous. It does not boast, is not arro- direction because of the special day gant or prideful, and does not act unbecomingly, or see her own. It is Sunday or it was just God's timing of not easily provoked, does not take into account a wrong suffered, does not rejoice in unrighteousness, but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never too frequently is forgotten. God, bless fails.

First Baptist Church Rev. Gil Ash, Pastor "The Pastor's Pen"

As I read through that in verse five it seemed as though one word was in bold print. I don't know if it was because my mind was tuned in that of recognition that we celebrate this making a point to me. The word was "her." a feminine pronoun. This chapter sounds an awful lot like mother, a godly mother. Mothers are worthy of our honor and praise. She mothers, everyone of them.



One day a teacher asked her class what they wanted to be when they grew up. The hands went up, & one by one they gave their answers: fire fighter, nurse, pilot, teacher, cowgirl, etc. Finally, it was Billy's turn. Grinning from ear to ear, he proclaimed, "I want to be possible!"

"Possible? What do you mean, you want to be possible when you grow up?" his teacher asked, to which Billy answered, "My mother is always saying that I'm impossible, so someday I want to be possible!"

Mother's Day is just around the corner. Who we are today was to some extent made possible by our mothers -- the woman who raised us, our grandmothers, aunts, teachers,



the faith -- women who are in the church and women whose lives of faith are recorded in the Bible (women) like Sarah, Deborah, Martha, Mary, Priscilla, and the ones who are known simply as "some women").

Let us remember to thank & to give thanks for all of these women. One way to do that is to pass on the gifts they gave us to some child who needs them.

Finally, let us thank the One who made our mothers possible and who continues to make possible all people and things.

It is truly in our thankfulness that we become even more "possible." God bless you.

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Oma Jean Mitchell Faulkenberry

On May 6, 1996, God in His great wisdom saw fit to call Jean I.S.D. for 29 years before retiring Faulkenberry home. The Master took with the ideas of "a life of leisure" her by the hand and led her safely down the path that leads to Heaven. Jean is now safe in the arms of Jesus, away from all pain, heartache and sickness. There she is waiting and watching for her loved ones to join her in that fair city of God.

Oma Jean Mitchell Faulkenberry was born December 20, 1926 in Ranger, Texas. At an early age, she moved with her family to Goldthwaite, Texas and lived there until 1943. She moved back to Ranger and graduated from Ranger High School in 1944.

From there she went to work for the Department of Defense in Washington, D.C. during the Truman Administration. In 1948, while visiting with a friend in New Orleans, she met Cpl. Thomas R. Faulkenberry who was returning from Japan with the 11th Airborne Division. They were married July 8, 1949.

Jean is preceded in death by her mother, Annie Adams Mitchell, her father, John Rufus Mitchell, a brother, R. D. Mitchell (gunners mate 3rd class killed in action during WW II) and a sister, Leta Deal Mitchell.

Jean is survived by: Her husband of almost 47 years, Thomas R. Faulkenberry, One daughter Joyce Ray (Jimmy) of Midland, and three sons. Thomas D. Faulkenberry (Tina) of Anchorage, Ak., Richard Faulkenberry (Teresa) of Midland, and Ronald Faulkenberry (Sherrye) of San Antonio. One brother, Raymond Earl Mitchell (Linouise) of Goldthwaite, Tx, Two sisters, Edith Daniel (Walton) of Goldthwaite and

Numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews. Twelve grandchildren: Shane Williford (Shalom) of Midland, Tx, Ashley Blase (Tommy) of Midland, Tx, Vance Ray of Midland, Tx, Stacy Crawford of San Antonio, Tx, Thomas A. Faulkenberry of Kingwood, Tx, Sarah Faulkenberry of Kingwood, Tx, Weston Baulkenberry of SanoAnto-nio, Tx, Amy Faulkenberry of Midland, Tx, John Faulkenberry, Midland, Tx, Mary Faulkenberry of Midland, Tx, Kia Faulkenberry of An- Brackettville Funeral Home located chorage, Ak, and Josi Faulkenberry at 114 North St. Brackettville, of Anchorage, Ak.

Jean was with the Fort Stockton at Fort Clark Springs. In "retirement" at Fort Clark Springs, she worked for James T "Happy" and Virginia Shahan at the main office overlooking thousands of acres, hundreds of longhorns, sheep and the Alamo Village. She was also employed as Editor of the Brackettville News for four years.

She is a Past Matron of Fort Stockton Chapter #230 and Del Rio Chapter #204 Order Eastern Star. She was also an active member in the Fort Clark Historical Society, Community Council and other Fort Clark Committees. Jean was appointed the Kinney County Democratic Chairman by Judge Tim Ward for two years and was appointed to the P.I.C. Committee of the Middle Rio Development Council. She was also a former Rotarian.

Jean is gone and we shall miss her deeply. Our hearts are heavy, our eyes filled with tears, but God has looked down and saw how beautiful her life was and needed her for his banquet. We should not question His will as He giveth and taketh life as he sees fit. We cannot understand why God took her when we needed her so, but we must look to the Holy Comforter for comfort and solace in this heart breaking time.

Do not mourn as those who have no hope, but look toward that great day when we shall be reunited with her forever. Jean would say to us, "Now, dry your tears and make the best of your lives and put your trust in the Lord."

Visitation will be Thursday, May 9, from 11:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M. at the Brackettville Funeral Home Chapel. Funeral service will be Friday at 11:00 A.M. at the First Baptist Church in Brackettville. Rev. Gil Ash will be officiating. The Order of the Eastern Star - Del Rio Chapter #203 will be conducting graveside services. Burial will take. place at the Masonic Cemetery ind Brackettville, Texas. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of the Del Rio Funeral Home dba Texas.

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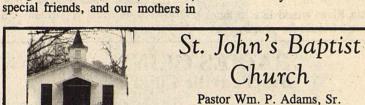
The employees of the Texas Department of Transportation Laredo District are making plans to move into their new building the week of May 13, 1996. The district will continue to answer your questions and offer you assistance during that week at its current location at 302 Washington Street in Laredo. Look for us at our new facility on May 20, 1996. The main telephone number will remain (210) 712-7400. The following is our new physical and mailing address:

Texas Department of Transportation Luis A. Ramirez, P.É. **District Engineer 1817 Bob Bullock Loop** Laredo, Texas 78043

In addition, the Laredo Area and Maintenance offices moved into their new office in April. Their physical address is the same as above. The main telephone number has changed to (210) 712-7700.

If you have any questions, please contact the Public In-formation Office at (210) 712-7411.



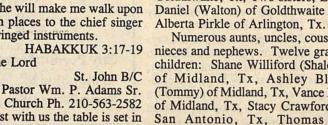


Athough the fig tree shall not feet, and he will make me walk upon blossom neither shall fruit be in the mine high places to the chief singer vines; the Labor of the olive shall fail, on my stringed instruments. and the fields yield no meat, the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and Praise The Lord there shall be no herd in the stalls;

Yet I will rejoice in the LORD, I will joy in the GOD of my salvation.

The LORD GOD is my strength Come feast with us the table is set in and he will make my feet like hinds the LORD.

Adios Amiga! (Good Bye My Friend) Jean Faulkenberry Grace



Galeway Ministries

By Charolette Corey

chicks under her wings... Covering He wasn't already there. To me, to us with her feathers. . . and under her wings we found a place of refuge. . . These are all descriptive of the love found in a mother's heart. especially my mother, Lucy Shipman. For those of you who would make fun of this description as being silly, they have not known my mother, and they do not understand the things of God. The HOLY SPIRIT exhibits forgiven." (NIV). Since the Holy Spirit is the vehicle himself in similar characteristics. In Genesis 1:2-3 we read of the Holv Spirit "Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the efforts of the Holy Spirit ties God's surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God said, 'Let there be light, and there was light." (NIV) It is a fact that my mother has "hovered" over The Holy Spirit is the very character me and brought light into my moments of darkness and was constantly creative in designing a better world around me. As I was growing up, on many occasions she was used as a vessel of God to protect me from danger and even rescued me from it like we read in Isaiah 31:5 "Like birds hovering overhead, the Lord Almighty will shield Jerusalem; he will says in 1 Thes. 4:8 "Therefore, he shield it and deliver it, he will 'pass over' it and will rescue it." (NIV) reject man but God, who give you and again Psalms 91:4 "He will cover you with his feathers, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness will be your shield and ram- harden your hearts as you did in the part. You will not fear the terror of rebellion . . ." Today, I honor my night, nor the arrow that flies by day, mother by saying yes to the Holy nor the pestilence that stalks in the Spirit and His power in my life. I darkness, nor the plague that destroys at midday.

(NIV) Many is the day that my mother soothed my fears, I knew I could run to her and she would be there to stand up for me against things that threatened me, and many is the night that she wiped my brow and soothed my breathing when I was threatened with sickness that at times which is the first commandment with tried to even take my life. Her words gave me strength. There was even a time when I ran from God for about on the earth." five years and I know she cried out in her prayers for me and she probably felt like Jesus did in Matthew 23:37 "how. . . often I have longed to gather library "The Shipman Library" which your children together, as a hen gath- consists of around 200 videos and ers her chicks under her wings, but you were not willing."

(NIV) Obviously, her prayers worked and God proved to me that to see what is available. He would never leave me nor forsake me, that He would continue to love me no matter what I did and there

Hovering. . . A hen gathering her was no place that I could run to that deny my mother's love is like a drowning man denying a life pre-server. I believe that is similar to what the scriptures mean when it says "And everyone who speaks a word against the Son of Man will be forgiven, but anyone who blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will not be

> by which we are drawn to God and by whom Jesus and his sacrificial love is made manifest, then denying the hands to be able to help us while we are being pulled down into dark, blackened seas that desire to kill us. of God that seals our spirits against having to experience the "second death" as in Ephesians 4:30 "And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption."

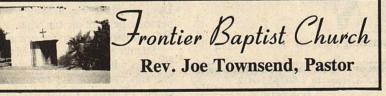
> (NIV) If the Holy Spirit is denied as one's life preserver, there is no hope but to sink even as the scripture who rejects this instruction does not his Holy Spirit," and reminds us in Heb. 3:7" So, as the Holy Spirit says: Today, if you hear his voice, do not say yes to the Living Christ Jesus in my life, even as she has been an example of God's love in my life. I rise up in the mornings and call her BLESSED. As a postscript for obedience, God has an extra blessing for me in Ephesians 6:1 "Children obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right, Honor your father and mother a promise, 'that it may be well with you and that you may enjoy long life

(NIV) I am certainly much blessed and in honor of both my mother and my father our ministry has named its cassettes, and around 250 books available to be checked out by the public. Contact us at 563-2121 or come by \ Stand In Faith!!! Abide In Hope!!! Walk In Love!!!

Clarence Lee Converse

Brackettville, Texas died May 1, 1996 in Del Rio, Texas. Veteran of the Korean War serving under the United for over 20 years. He is survived by his brothers: Charles Converse of Mesquite, Texas, Donald Converse of Brackettville. Sisters: Thelma Donaldson of Whithall, Ohio and Alice Green of Garland, Texas. One Niece and four nephews. A rosary

Clarence Lee Converse, of was recited at 8:00 P.M., Friday at the Brackettville Funeral Chapel. Funeral Mass was at 11:30 A.M., Saturday May 4, 1996 at St. Mary's States Army. He worked as a Barber Magdalene Catholic Church. Burial followed at the V.F.W. Cemetery in Brackettville. The San Felipe Del Rio Honor Guard conducted military graveside services. Funeral arrangements were under the direction of the Brackettville Funeral Home 114 North Street.



Jesus said "I am the truth and the know true freedom in his soul by truth shall make you free - - and you shall be free indeed.

Every war engaging America has been in defense of freedom. The Revolutionary War and the War of 1812 were fought for the freedom of the colonies. The Spanish American War was fought to bring freedom to Cuba and the Philippines from domination of Spain and the Catholic Church. World War I was fought to guarantee freedom from Kaiser Bill. World War II was fought for freedom from Hitler and Hirohito. The Vietnam war was fought to bring freedom from Communism from the north. The Korean War was fought for the same purpose. No one can question the value of national freedom. No one can logically deny the value of freedom of the individual. However in America we daily see the erosion of this freedom by the radical leftist government of the President and his untenable appointees.

The only true freedom comes from God through Jesus Christ. A mans body may be shackled but he can Day. Come and See.

trusting Jesus Christ as his Savior. The greatest motivation to life for most people is fear. The medical profession and all government bureaucracies intentionally try to create fear in the lives of people. The news media thrives on engendering fear.

These forces tend to make life fearful and miserable. If one truly has the right kind of faith in God there is no room for fear. Many people are fearful of what tomorrow brings. This is because they have forgotten who holds tomorrow; yes, God.

Many live in fear of physical problems because they don't know or trust the Great Physician who designed these bodies. Many fear death because they do not realize death is an open door to heaven and all its joys. Jesus came to free us from all these

forces which are from Satan. No person is truly free until his soul is truly free, made so by Jesus Christ. Next Sunday Frontier Baptist Church commemorates Mother's

Worship At The Church Of Your Choice This Sunday And Every Sunday

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Minimum Requirements: Must be at least 17 years of age, a student in High School or other Educational Institution or have been accepted for enrollment in an educational institution.

Complete job vacancy notice and application information are available from your local TxDOT district offices, or TxDOT employment office in Austin. Applicants may call 1-800-893-6848 to obtain information about this or additional job vacancy notices and application information. Applicants must submit completed applications. Resumes will be accepted for whatever additional information they contain, but not in place of a completed applications. FAXED APPLICATIONS ARE ONLY ACCEPTED FROM APPLICANTS RESIDING IN ANOTHER STATE. A HARD COPY MUST BE SENT IN ADDITION TO THE FAXED APPLICA-TION. The TxDOT Laredo District Office PHYSICAL address is: 302 Washington, Laredo, TX 78040, and our MAILING address is: P. O. Drawer 2219, Laredo, TX 78044-2219. Telephone (210) 712-7400. An applicant needing an accommodation in order to apply for this job may call (210)-712-7425 or TTY (512-416-2977).

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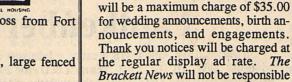
The MRGDC Presenting "How To Apply For A **Business Loan**"

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The Middle Rio Grande Develop- ment.

ment Council's Small Business Development Center is presenting "How To Apply For A Business Loan", at Middle Rio Grande Development Council JTPA, located at 213 Canal Street, Del Rio, Texas on May 8, 1996 from 8-10 A.M. Speaker will be Mr. Mario A. Riojas, Director of the Middle Rio Grande Development **Council Small Business Development** Center covering a nine county area which includes Dimmit, Edwards, Kinney, LaSalle, Maverick, Real, Uvalde, Val Verde and Zavala.

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Effective March 14, 1996 there

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of opportunity to make comments or request a public hearing is hereby given by the Commu-nity Council of Southwest Texas, Inc., 713 E. Main, Uvalde, Texas on the continuation of rural public transportation services within the counties of Dimmit, Edwards, Kinney, La Salle, Real, Uvalde and Zavala. Financial assistance to provide this service is being sought from the Federal Transit Administration in the federal amount of \$99,998.00. Services will be for the general public, run on demand response routes, and fares will be charged for the service. Written comments or a written request for a public hearing are being accepted at P.O. Box 1709 or 713 E. Main Street in Uvalde, Texas until May 23, 1996. Further information can be found at above address or by contacting Jorge Botello, Executive Director, or Sarah Hidalgo-Cook, Transit & Safety Director, at (210) 278-6268.

Art And Essay

Contest There is nothing better than to

show off a piece of artwork you have made or an essay you put together after much thought and deliberation. The Plaza del Sol Mall wants to reward school age kids for their hard work by hosting an Art and Essay Contest during Armed Forces day (May 18) in Del Rio, Texas.

Mall Manager Blanca Larson says the competition will allow students to tell what freedom means to them. "This is a great way to get the community and schools involved with Armed Forces day activities," Larson said. "We want to encourage all stu-

dents grades 1-12 to enter." There will be three age groups competing. First through fourth grades, fifth through eighth, and ninth through twelfth grades will compete for prizes. The three possible winners will get a grand prize of one T1 simulator ride each at Laughlin Air Force Base.



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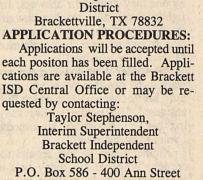
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Rio Grande Electric Cooperative, Inc. is accepting applications for the position of Warehouseman to fill a vacancy in the Cooperative's Brackettville District. Applicants must be able to follow instructions, complete assigned tasks, use 10-key, type purchase orders and keep records. Must possess skills in both oral and written communications in the English language. Must possess current Texas driver's license with a clear driving record. Some forklift use and heavy lifting is required. Applications may be picked up or requested from any RGEC office and must be mailed to RGEC, Human Resource Department, Box 1509, Brackettville, Texas, 78832. Applications must be postmarked on or before May 16, 1996. RGEC is an Equal Opportunity Employer. (Vacancy 96/005)

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School District

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Brackett Independent School

Brackettville, TX 78832 210-563-2491

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LAFB public affairs spokesman Ron Scharven says the T1 simulators have more equipment and devices than other trainers and the kids would get a thrill out of taking a ride in one. Gift Certificates will be given to

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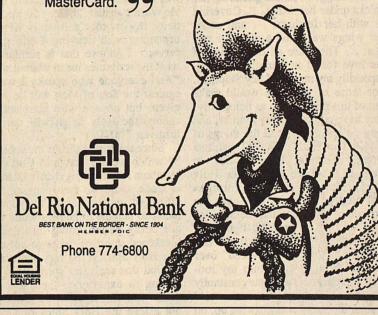
The theme is "What Freedom means to me." Rules: A limit of 150 words or less for the Essay contest and a minimum of 22x28 inches for the poster art competition.

Event coordinators say this is a great way to show how the military affects the local community and a way to show we care about Armed Forces Day. It's also a way to see a younger persons perception on what many older Americans take for granted.

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