
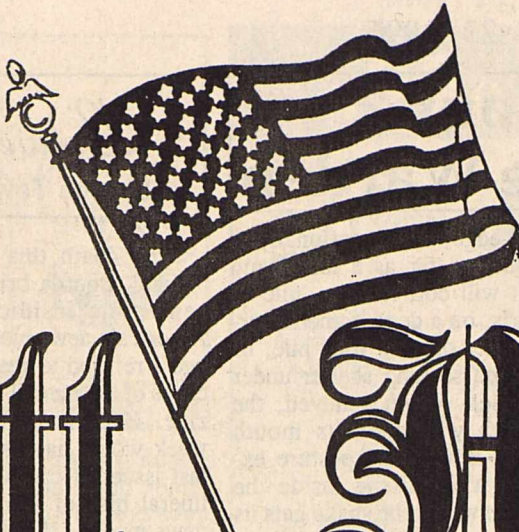


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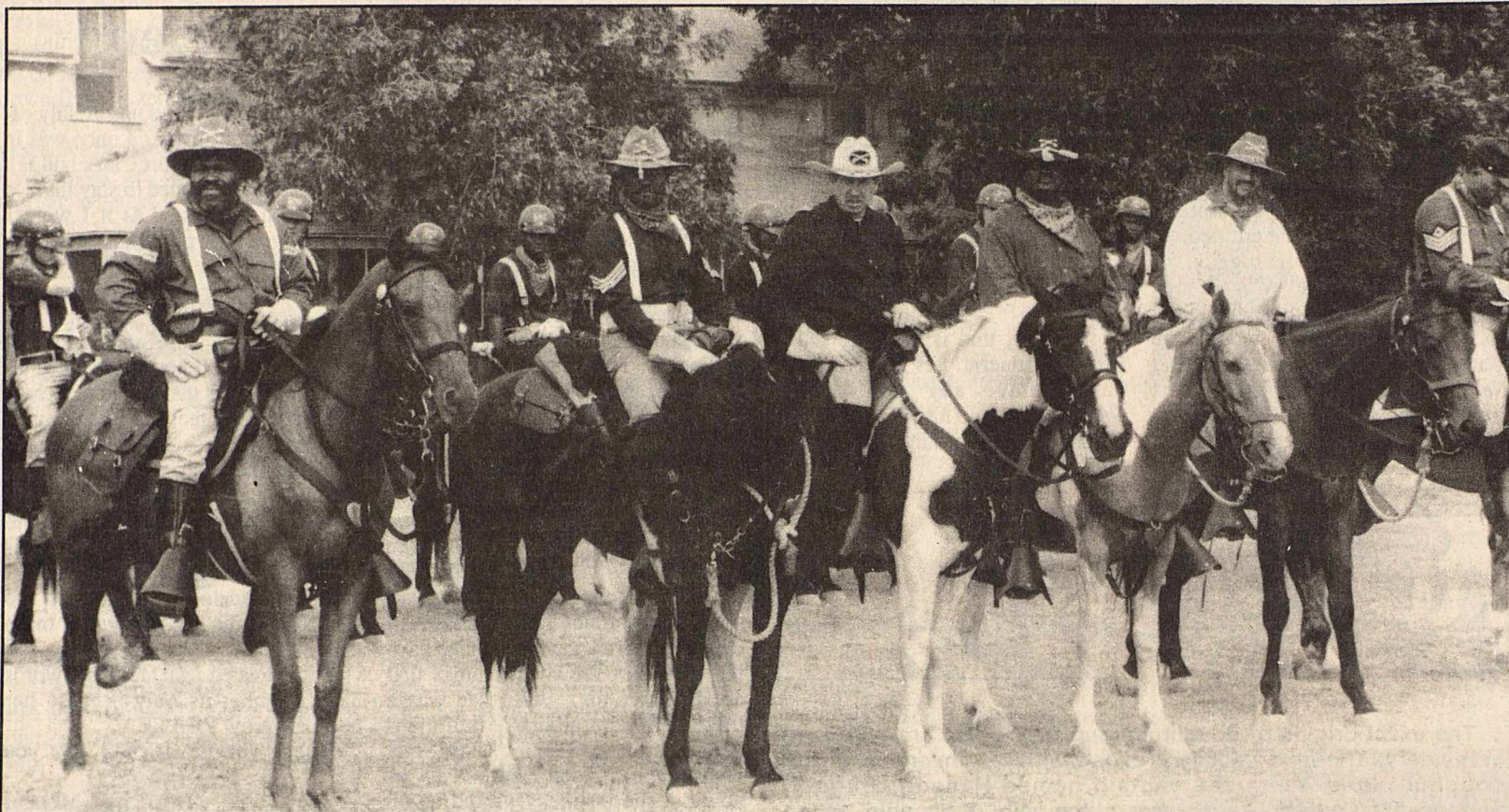
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"If a man had half as much insight, as he has hindsight, he would have twice as much foresight."



Vision Quest Buffalo Soldiers Ready to Hit The Trail

Over a hundred horses and riders converged upon the parade grounds at Fort Clark, making a spectacular sight for the fortunate few who attended the ceremonies.

On May 16th the Vision Quest Buffalo Soldiers, in union with the 9th and 10th Cavalry Association re-enacted the Charles Young Ride. This ride marked the third revisiting of the ride of Charles Young from his home in Ohio, to Washington D.C. to protest his forced retirement from the army in 1918.

The theme of this years ride was Unity; the recognition of the unity of all tribes, African-American (Seminole Indian Scouts) and white troops, who made the Buffalo Soldier units successful.

The ride began at the Fort Clark Bandstand after the soldiers camped overnight along the Las Moras Creek near the red bridge. It ended with a parade through Uvalde, and on to Soldier Valley, home of the Vision Quest Buffalo Soldiers.

Riders covered almost 20 miles

per day, camping out along the route at night.

Reenactors traveled across the country to ride with the Buffalo Soldiers. A few of the many riders were; the City Manager of Philadelphia, a mounted police officer from New York and the fire chief of Orlando Florida.

Many local residents spoke to the riders with words of encouragement and thanks at the beginning ceremonies. Among the speakers were Ms. Charles Wilson and Willie Warrior.

This Vision Quest program is a success story of positive change and hope for young people. These kids have earned their way here; they are here by choice. The leaders are helping the young people learn to be good parents to their children.

We salute the Vision Quest Buffalo Soldiers, the 9th and 10th Cavalry Association and all those people who cooperated to make this ride possible.

Thanks from Brackettville and Fort Clark for the opportunity to be a part of your "Quest."

Brackett Blanks Marion 9-0 in Playoff Opener

By J. J. Guidry
Contributing Writer

UVALDE - Ramon DeLeon pitched a five-hit shutout and all nine Brackett batters recorded hits Friday as the Tigers routed the Marion Bulldogs, 9-0, in a bidistrict playoff game.

The victory ups Brackett's overall record to 21-6. The Tigers, who are coming off consecutive district championships, now advance to the area playoffs.

"It's a great feeling," Brackett coach Gary Grubbs said after the victory. "The kids deserve it. They've worked hard. I think it's a momentum builder."

"Losing 1-0 to Kenedy last year in the playoffs was kind of disheartening to the kids. They've been talking it up all week. This is what they've been working for all year long. They went out there and they got it done."

The Bulldogs, who were the runners-up in District 30-2A, finish their season with a 21-6 mark.

several times but Brackett made the plays. For the most part, as far as swinging the bat, I think we did OK."

The Tigers handed Stephen Cage (10-1) his first loss of the season. Cage went 1 1/3 innings, giving up five earned runs on five hits with one strikeout and one walk.

Daniel Loyola relieved Cage and pitched 2 2/3 innings. He allowed three runs, none of which were earned, on four hits with one strikeout.

Justin Missildine pitched the last two innings for the Bulldogs. He gave up one earned run on three hits while fanning three and walking one.

Brackett jumped out to a one-run lead in the top of the first inning. With two outs, DeLeon homered over the left-field fence.

The Tigers took a commanding 5-0 lead after scoring four runs on four hits in the bottom half of the second.

With one out, Beau Smallwood singled to left and Ruben Terrazas singled to right center. Patrick Munoz singled to left, scoring Smallwood, and J. Wayne Ballew drew a walk.

Terrazas then stole home as Munoz took third and Ballew went to second. Michael Padron singled in Munoz and Ballew crossed home plate on Rene Luna's sacrifice fly.

Brackett added two more runs in the bottom of the third for a 7-0 lead. Jorge Rodriguez singled, went to second on a balk and scored on an error. Terrazas then hit his first career home run with a shot over the left-field fence.

The Tigers went up 8-0 in the bottom half of the fourth. Ballew led off with a single. Padron reached first on a fielder's choice as Ballew was out on a force at second. Padron went to third on DeLeon's double and scored as Brian Hooker reached first on an error.

Brackett added its last run in the bottom of the fifth. With two outs, Ballew singled down the left-field line. He later scored on Luna's RBI single to center.

"I think we could have done better," Marion coach Russell Kowalik said. "We have a young ball club. Mentally, we're still not as strong as I want to be, and I think that's a key factor."

"I think Brackett was a little hungrier, too. They suffered a disappointing loss in the first round last year so they were maybe more eager to get the win than we were."

DeLeon improved to 16-1 on the year after going all seven innings on the hill for Brackett. He fanned eight batters and didn't walk any.

"Ramon's not an overpowering pitcher but, obviously, he's a real smart pitcher," Kowalik said. "He is a very competitive individual."

Brackett left six base runners stranded during the contest while Marion had eight left on.

"When we had base runners on we were unable to get the key hits," Kowalik said. "We hit the ball hard

Brackett Tigers Battle Freer in San Antonio Friday (story on page 4)

Will It Take A Law To Force Texas Judges To Think?

By Richard Collins
ATAC Chairman

The nightmare refuses to end for the family and friends of Melinda Lee. A year and half ago the Texas Tech student was riding in a car when it was hit by a drunk driver at a Lubbock intersection. The crash was so severe Melinda never regained consciousness. She died 54 days later.

The driver of the car killing the 20-year-old college student was Wayland Leroy Lamb Jr. He was charged with DWI manslaughter and faced a maximum punishment of 20 years in state prison and a \$10,000 fine. A jury panel was selected for the trial and last August Mr. Lamb had his day in court.

After hearing the charges against him, Lamb entered a plea of "no contest." The jury, appalled by the incident and possibly influenced by evidence presented in the punishment phase of the trial, gave Lamb the maximum. The sentence was harsh indeed, but a prosecutor familiar with the case said the facts supported the decision.

Unfortunately for Melinda Lee's family, the jury's sentence brought no closure to their ordeal.

The 7th District Court of Appeals in Amarillo recently overturned Lamb's conviction. The Court ruled the trial judge did not properly warn the defendant about all the consequences of a "no contest" plea. The trial judge's mistake, the Appeals Court ruled, was not warning the defendant that a "no contest" plea can

result in deportation for a non-U.S. citizen.

Let me say that again - *deportation for a non-U.S. citizen.*

Wayland Leroy Lamb is from Levelland, Wayland Leroy Lamb was born in New Mexico. New Mexico is hardly a foreign country.

Sadly, the 7th District Court has forgone sound reasoning for a game of "gotcha". Because the trial judge did not provide an inapplicable warning, a manslaughter conviction carrying the maximum sentence was reversed.

So unless the Appeals Court reverses itself, or the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals agrees to hear the case, Lamb will be tried again. And this time there is no guarantee he will enter a plea of "no contest." A plea of "not guilty" would result in a full blown trial involving two full time prosecutors, weeks of preparation, jury selection, a round up of witnesses and another case on the docket. All for a technicality.

Perhaps it is because of such outrageous rulings that a bill to make technical reversals more difficult sailed through the Senate last session. Legislation proposed by Sen. J.E. "Buster" Brown would have placed the burden on defense attorneys to prove their clients would not have been convicted but for the error in question.

The bill, which was an attack on trial by technicality, ultimately stalled in a House committee. Misguided decisions such as this provide further evidence such a bill would have been a good idea.

County Auditor Visits Real County Courthouse

The Kinney County Commissioners Court met in regular session on May 13th 1996.

Judge Seargeant called the meeting to order and declared a quorum with Commissioner Frerich, Commissioner Montalvo, Commissioner Mendeke and Commissioner O'Rourke in attendance.

Martha McDonald, jail dietitian presented the menus that she is currently using for the prisoners. These menus, taken from the order guide are lower in cost than the previous menus. The county should see the difference in June.

Arlene Bernard, of the SCS office presented a letter regarding the Hill Country Association's annual Spring Tour. The Association requested the use of the Civic Center for their meeting with fees waived. Motion to waive the fees was made by Judge seargeant and carried.

Dora Sandoval, County Clerk reported the possibility of Chief Deputy Elaine Sheedy, leaving for a higher paying job. Dora stated that she would replace Elaine with Sylvia Gomez at the same salary and hire another deputy at minimum wage.

Reports were submitted to the court by Sarah Terrazas, County Librarian; Maryn Caton, Nutrition Center Site Director; Cliff Fritter, Road Supervisor and Commissioner Mendeke, EMS Coordinator.

Belinda Selguero of the Community Counsel of SW Texas in Uvalde asked the court to renew their contract for meals on wheels. The court will have the county attorney review the contract and report back.

Judge Seargeant presented a letter of thanks from the Las Moras Hispanic Organization in appreciation for their support in the 1st Annual Cinco de Mayo Celebration.

Commissioner Mendeke made a motion to authorize the Judge to advertise for life guards to work at the pool. Commissioner Mendeke reported that Albert Payne was planning the swimming pool fund raiser BBQ for Sunday May 26th.

The court appointed/retained

Tulley Shahan to answer the law suit.

BISD Senior Class requested the use of the civic center for May 31st, graduation, in case of rain.

The court recessed until Friday May 17th.

Friday, May 17th
Commissioners Court reconvened with Judge Seargeant, Commissioner Frerich, Commissioner Montalvo, Commissioner Mendeke and Commissioner O'Rourke attending.

Cordelia Barlow, County Auditor reported on a trip to the Real County Courthouse for the purpose of comparison with our county.

Real County has a lower tax rate but a higher evaluation rate on property. The budget is the same as ours, except that they carry over \$100,000. at the end of the fiscal year. They have less employees, about 40, whose salaries are about the same as ours. There is no jail, they pay \$35.00 per day for Val Verde to keep the inmates. The Treasurer does both the Treasurer and the Auditor's jobs. The Judge's secretary does; indigent health, workman's comp. and the Justice of the Peace paperwork. There is a Nutrition Center however, the county does not own the building and they pay 10% of the operating costs (we pay 14% of the operating costs for our Nutrition Center). Real County has a Library and EMS but both are community owned and operated with the county paying a minimum donation to maintain the Library. The EMS is totally volunteer and operated with community funds to include purchasing equipment. The citizens are very supportive.

The court discussed procedures for freeing up funds from bonds with Jack Brown. Commissioners would like to borrow \$50,000. + enough to pay outstanding debts and asked Mr. Brown to figure plans for payments at \$40,000. per year and \$50,000. per year.

Commissioner Frerich reported on the Pinto Creek bridge project. The bridge has serious problems and is already leaking. Commissioner Frerich

Kinney County Employees Volunteer to Raise Funds for Swimming Pool

The Kinney County employees have taken it upon themselves to try to raise the funds needed to operate the community swimming pool for the children of Kinney County.

The employees hope to be able to raise at least \$2500.00. This money will be used to buy furniture, pay life guards, fix up the playground and whatever cost should arise during the summer.

Anyone wishing to help with this effort should contact Albert Payne.

Many associations have already helped with this project, the City of Brackettville gave \$350.00 towards

The kids need your help. This is a good place for memorial or other types of donations, make checks out to Kinney County Swimming Pool.

the purchase of a new pump and drained the pool so it could be cleaned and the Las Moras Hispanic Association donated \$300.00.

The employees will be giving a Bar-B-Que this Sunday May 25th at Happy Shahan Park next to the Nutrition Center. The cost will be \$5.00 per plate and food will be served from noon on. Come on by - buy two plates and freeze one!

We applaud the employees for their community spirit along with all the others who have helped with this project. See you Sunday!



KC Chamber Welcomes La Familia Grill

Larry Sofaly, President of the Kinney County Chamber of Commerce recently welcomed the new owners of La Familia Grill to the area.

Victor and Patti Hernandez are not exactly new comers to Brackettville but their new venture is. La Familia Grill is located at 802 W. Spring Street. They are open from 7:00 AM to 2:00 PM and 5:00 PM to 10:00 PM every day. You will find everything on the menu from home made biscuits

to a complete Mexican plate. All orders are to go but there is a cute area in front with tables and chairs.

Long time residents of Brackettville, Patti and Victor have 4 children who range in age from 11 years to 7 months old.

We welcome La Familia Grill to our area and wish them well.

Stop in and visit with Victor and Patti, the food is great!

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From Your Local Game Warden

By Henry Lutz
Kinney County, Game Warden

The third and final snake in the pit viper family in Texas is the Cottonmouth. Only one kind of cottonmouth is found in Texas. It is the Western Cottonmouth and is the most variable poisonous snake in the state, both in color and in the presence or absence of markings. They have a ground color of dark brown and are marked with 10 to 15 dark, wide bands which are somewhat lighter in the center than at the irregular edges. However not all cottonmouths look like this. Some have these clearly defined crossbands while others have none. Colors range from brown, olive brown or olive green to entirely black. For the first year of its life, the cottonmouth is vividly colored and looks much like a copperhead.

One of our largest and most heavy-bodied snakes, it may reach a length of over 4 feet. The eye pupils, as with all members of the pit viper group, are elliptical. About 8 young are born alive in a brood. At birth, they are from 6 to 8 inches long.

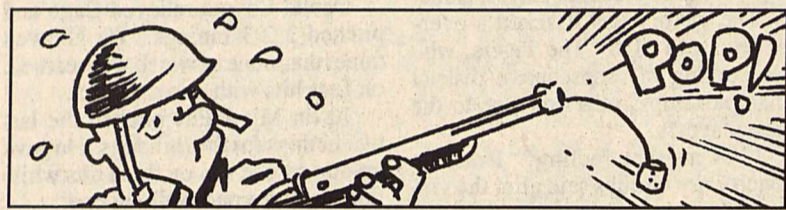
The cottonmouth is found primarily in Eastern Texas but ranges as far West as the Central Texas area. It lives in a wide variety of habitats associated with ponds or swamps, streams and even the rice fields along the Gulf Coast.

The semiaquatic cottonmouth often rests in the water or on the bank

along the edge, but occasionally it may wander as far as a mile from water. It will coil on logs, pile of plant debris, on a dead branch overhanging water or on a rock pile, or can be found seeking shelter under any of these. When annoyed, the cottonmouth will open its mouth widely in a threatening posture exposing the white tissue inside the mouth (from which the snake gets its name). It may also squirt musk from the glands at the base of the tail, spraying the liquid upward at a 45 degree angle for a distance of several feet. The unpleasant odor released by the snake no doubt is intended to discourage its enemies and intruders into its territory.

The cottonmouth has been associated with snakes called water moccasins it is found primarily around water and does swim in the water. It has also resulted in the thinking that all water snakes are poisonous. The western cottonmouth is the only poisonous semiaquatic snake. Other water snakes or water moccasins resembling the cottonmouth have no fangs or venom. They can inflict a bite but no more than a scratch or minor cut.

The best and of course safest thing to do when encountering any kind of snake is to retreat from it and leave it alone, especially if you do not know what kind of snake it is or whether it is poisonous or not. There are some snakes in Texas that are protected by law and are not to be killed.



The original intention of a gun salute was to assure the royalty or nation being honored that they were physically secure—that the weapons that were meant to pay tribute could also be used to kill.

Big Mama Sez!

Years may wrinkle the skin, but to give up interest wrinkles the soul.

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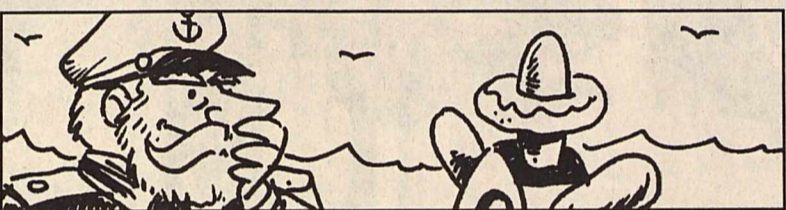
The death this week of Adm. "Mike" Boorda brings to front and center the insidious sickness of America's news media. Many years ago I refused to read *Newsweek* because of the mental bent of the magazine. Had I not already done so this week would have seen me read my last issue. I can accept the radical liberal bias of a magazine and the news media. If not I would divorce myself from 85% of T.V. and printed media. These elements drove Nixon from office over an attempted break in at a hotel by some of his supporters unknown to him. These elements were instrumental in the election of the most immoral charlatan ever to occupy the White House. That's saying a lot when you consider Harding, Kennedy, and Johnson have gone before.

What I do refuse to accept is the rotten mind set that thinks it is news to try to find insignificant nothings to destroy. *Newsweek* says nothing in depth about the immorality of Clinton; nothing about his constant lying; nothing questionable about his and his wife's crooked dealings in Arkansas. And yet it calls into question a great man of unquestioned accomplishments because he wore decorations he "may not" have been entitled. It took one with a mind set digging for dirt to even notice the "V"s. It took a reporter with a grandiose feeling of his own importance to pursue the matter. It proves further that *Newsweek* has an inferiority complex feeling it must deal in dirt to aggrandize its place in the news world. I

can understand the anti military of Bill Clinton. If I had done what he did as a draft dodger and "activist" in London and Russia, I would likely be anti-military to seek to justify in my own mind my aberrant behavior. This does not justify treatment reputable military men have faced. To satisfy his political ambitions that demanded he cater to the feminists treatment of higher naval officers over the much overplayed "Tail hook" incident has made many faithful military men to be gun shy.

Rather than put the Navy through such castigation as followed Tail hook Boorda decided to take himself out of the way. Some high ranking Navy personnel say he was entitled to wear the two "V"s. Others say he was not entitled to. This is beside the point. His reward from the time he lied about his age to enlist in the Navy to his rise as Chief of Naval Operations should be high lighted and rewarded. But no, the muck-racking *Newsweek* didn't care about greatness and success; rather they want to search out insignificant minutia and try to and actually destroy a great leader. By the time this goes to press "Slick Willy" will talk about how great the man was and shed his crocodile tears before the camera and when he thinks he's out of scope of the camera he'll laugh and be jolly over the whole affair.

After all this is what he did at Brown's funeral. If the American people have any self respect *Newsweek* should lose mega amounts of advertising and subscriptions.



The exact origins of doughnuts and their holes are shrouded in mystery. The man usually credited with the invention of the doughnut hole was a sea captain named Hanson Gregory. Supposedly, Captain Gregory was at the helm of his ship, eating a fried cake one night, when stormy weather arose. Gregory, needing both hands to steer the ship, spontaneously rammed the cake over one of the spokes. Impressed with his creation, Gregory ordered the ship's cook to make fried cakes with holes from then on.

Moncus' Musings

MIKE MONCUS
Park Ranger, Interpreter
Bastrop State Park

A Poor Writer's Friend

By Michael Moncus

There she was stepping into my fate. Maybe I stepped into hers. Either way something important happened or at least something very special happened. I couldn't write but she said I had a lot to say. She encouraged me and then she gave me the place, the resource in which to experiment with words and all of you were suddenly one summer my first audience. This thin sweet lady was not little, neither was her devoted husband. I fell in love with them right away. We recognized each other as brothers and sisters and immediately knew that it was bigger than all of us put together.

There is nothing about Jean Faulkenberry that I can say that will remove the feeling of loss I know your community must feel. I feel so blessed to have known her and to have felt her heart for all the things that are Brackettville. All I had was a lifetime of natural and beautiful experiences and a desire for sharing that with others. I don't know why or how but she instinctively picked up on

that and willingly and unselfishly offered me opportunity. I once was in her home there in Fort Clark and felt like if I'd have needed to stay that I'd have been welcomed as if I were a son. That is a remarkable way to feel about someone whom you've only just met for a few precious minutes. Jean was more than just special she was a pure and sanctified child of God and her hands were always at the work that would most help those in need. I feel that maybe much of what I said I said because I knew she gave me such freedom. For a writer to be edited by someone as gracious as Jean Faulkenberry and to pick up a publication as well done as that she produced and for her to ask for more and to encourage you the way she did me is a love worth more than money.

I appreciated Jean and if my words have meaning its only because her heart gave me PLACE.
Thank you my friend. See you later.
/s/Michael Moncus

There's nothing wrong with teenagers that reasoning with them won't aggravate. —Unknown

A Memorial Day Tribute To A Uvalde Cavalryman

By Anita Torres Smith, Ed.D.

Memorial Day is a very special day that brings memories of two World Wars. More immediate is the era of the 1940s with historical events that affected not only this writer's immediate family, but also the lives of many Uvaldeans and other Americans as well.

The *Uvalde Leader News* documented many stories on the contributions of Uvalde's young men to the war effort. In an issue dated October 20, 1944 some articles focus on the political scene while others highlight patriotic themes. One article announces Senator Truman's train-stop visit with John N. Garner. Another details school news. An advertisement highlights the Texas Regulars Party announcing that "in truth it is the real Democratic Party" and touts its standing on racial issues.

The patriotic stories making the news remind readers of the expiration dates of the red and blue ration stamps for purchasing meats, processed foods, sugar, gasoline, and shoes. Other articles deal with young war casualties. One of those casualties is Tec-5 Valeriano Mata Torres.

Soldado Raso
In the Mexican-American community many songs narrate the emotions and expectations of the *barrio* people expressing their loyalty and patriotism to America. A very popular song was *Soldado Raso*. Written by F. Valdes Leal, it portrays the *barrio* feelings. Part of the song is included throughout this article.

Me voy de soldado raso voy a ingresar a las filas con los valientes muchachos que dejan madres queridas que dejan novias llorando llorando su despedida.

Physically, Valeriano was a very small man. But what he lacked in stature was compensated by his desire to sport the uniform and the crossed sabers of the United States Cavalry. To meet weight requirements for admission, it is said that Valeriano ate 10 pounds of bananas and drank several quarts of water.

Valeriano enlisted in the United States Army on March 7, 1941. Motivated by childhood memories, he signed up for the Cavalry and was shipped to Ft. Brown, Texas. Major Byron Sadler in his history of the 124th Cavalry describes duty at Ft. Brown in 1941 in this statement of a young trooper on guard duty: "Captain, while walking my post last night, I felt like I was in heaven. As I walked my Post, the moon shone through the waving palms, a mocking bird sang a beautiful song, and the odor of orange blossoms filled the

air." Research indicates that the 124th saw service in France during WWI. The Brigade's mission between WWI and WWII was varied but included patrolling the border between the US and Mexico. By October 1940 the 56th Brigade had the only purely "horse regiments" left in the National Guard. In November 1940, President Roosevelt signed the order activating the 56th into Federal service. As a result of deployment and reorganization, by July 1942 the 124th was the last Horse Cavalry to serve in the United States Army.

The Troopers
As a young boy, Valeriano had watched the 124th Cavalry Regiment 56th Brigade of the Texas National Guard passing through Uvalde parading through the *barrio* responding harmoniously to the commands of their officers. He admired them. He delighted in the straight lines of troopers and with his heart clinging preciously, his senses were captivated with the horses, horsemen, and horsemanship.

When traveling through Uvalde, the early troopers generally spent the night in a field adjacent to the South Park Street *barrio*. Along with neighborhood children, Valeriano and his younger brother Telesforo ran after the cavalymen squealing with delight. According to Telesforo, "the cavalymen sat tall and straight in their saddles on big, sweaty horses with rifles hanging down their left sides and sabers on their right". Telesforo adds that the children were oblivious to the horses' smell and to the clouds of dust made by the troops going to their encampment. "We were fascinated", he said, "with everything they did".

Virgen morena, mi madre te encomiendo cuidala, que es muy buena cuidala mientras vuelvo.

The Brass
Telesforo has fond memories of Valeriano and remembers the following episode as one of their favorites. "Vale looked at the soldiers in wild-eyed disbelief - not missing a thing", says Telesforo. "He was interested in everything. He kept telling me to pay attention to what the soldiers were doing."

"After camp was set up and horses cared for, the soldiers worked on personal things like polishing their brass fittings and the crossed sabers that decorated the lapel's upper left position on the blouse," remembers Telesforo. "Also the fittings with the initials U.S. worn on the upper right

lapel, and the regimental crests that completed the decor on the lower parts of the lapels. The crest was black and yellow and had the motto *golpeo rapidamente on it*", he remembers.

"The soldiers also polished their ankle-type shoes and their leather leggings and their cavalry boots", continues Telesforo. "Some washed their faces, others shaved, while still others sat on the ground writing letters or updating their journals."

Voy a la guerra contento ya tengo rifle y pistola ya volver de sargento cuando se acabe la bola nomas una cosa siento dejar a mi madre sola.

The Campaign Hat
"All of them cleaned their four-crease hats. Vale and I found this very interesting. First the creases were pushed out. Holding the hat in his left hand, the soldier brushed it carefully. He was very good at it. When he was done, the crown of the hat peaked with the top nicely raised. With the hat in his hand, with the 4 fingers of his right hand, he creased the four indentations into the top", said Telesforo.

According to Telesforo, the soldier worked on the brim next. It had a place where the strap that extended from ear to ear and below the chin was attached. He placed the yellow cord around the base of the crown with the two little tassels extending from the knot. Then he pinned a polished regimental crest to the front of this campaign hat, put it on, looked in the mirror and admired his reflection. Ready for wear, he hung the hat in its proper place. In essence it was an experience of an old, fine world. "Back home, we did the same to our hats. Vale practiced and practiced, dreaming of the day when he could become un *caballerista* (cavalryman)."

The Southern Land Frontier
During the early 40s, Cavalry units were stationed along the Rio Grande from Texas to Arizona. They monitored the Mexican/American border. Valeriano was detached from the 124th in July, 1943 and assigned to the Western Sector, Southern Land Frontier Headquarters at Fort Bliss, Texas. The remainder of the 124th was later sent to Burma.

The SLF was responsible for monitoring the border for foreign infiltrators and German spies. Since 1929 when the only bombing ever to take place on continental American soil occurred in Naco, Arizona (where two bombs were dropped close to the Immigration office), the United States

also monitored the Federal and Rebel Mexican forces to ensure that combating units remained on the Mexican side.

War Declared
By 1939 Germany had overthrown several Balkan countries and World War II was going strong. On December 7, 1941 President Roosevelt issued his declaration of war.

At Fort Bliss Valeriano was to use the full range of his abilities. Interpreting and surveillance were his duties. Having been brought up in a bilingual environment had its merits for Valeriano. He was fluent in both English and Spanish and because of his heritage, he knew the distinct details of the culture which included the way Spanish-speaking people think and act.

Virgen bendita mandale tu consuelo, nunca jamas permitas que me la lleve el Cielo.

Highlights
A highlight of Valeriano's career was when a Pfc. Dale Maple helped two German Prisoners of War escape. According to one of his letters, "The prisoners escaped on the 13th of February, 1944 and Maple and his two cohorts were captured two miles from Palomas, Chihuahua, Mexico, and a few miles from Columbus, NM". Valeriano adds further that "Mr. Medardo Martinez Mejia, a good friend of mine who works for the Mexican Customs apprehended the trio as they came to his post to ask directions to Casa Grande, Chihuahua."

Valeriano's other skills were the determining factor for his assignments near Columbus, New Mexico. On October 14, 1944 Valeriano and M/ Sgt. Loyd J. McKay were to work on rectification of map details in the north quadrangle south of Hachita, NM. In his jeep, Valeriano carried the special equipment. Out of Hachita on the road to Antelope Wells, his jeep overturned, and his Maker came to meet him. This brought much sorrow to his parents, Telesforo and Praxedis Mata Torres, his wife Eloisa (Canales), and his 3 brothers and 5 sisters.

Manana salgo temprano al despuntar nuevo dia, y aqui va otro mexicano que va a jugar la vida que se despide cantando que viva la Patria mia!

Valeriano's daughter Arselita (Shelly) was born December of 1944 and never knew her father. She is married to Bill Aldeen and has two daughters. They call Chicago home.

More Money For The IRS? Letter To Editor

By Henry Bonilla, Congressman, 23rd District, Texas

Every year, each government agency submits its budget request to Congress for the following fiscal year. This year, if you can believe it, the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) actually asked for more money to hire more employees. Now if you ask anyone who just finished filling out their tax return what they think about that, it would go over like a lead balloon!

The last thing the IRS needs is more money to police us. Already we work almost two hours of each workday just to pay our share of federal, state and local taxes. What working individuals and families sorely need is a break from unreasonable taxes.

Instead of asking us to send over a good part of our paychecks to fill the IRS's coffers, the government should consider providing working families some tax relief. Almost everywhere I travel in South and West Texas, I hear about the difficulties people continually encounter with taxes on property that's been handed down from generation to generation.

As more and more people stand to receive property from relatives who have passed on, this problem grows worse. Whether it's a rancher in Fort Stockton who can't cover the taxes on the land his parents left him in their will, or the small businessman in Hondo who's struggling to pay legal fees on property his family left be-

hind, this problem is quickly spreading like wildfire in the wind.

When faced with the prospect of looming property taxes, many families simply decide to get out and sell their land -- land that's been in their family for generations. Otherwise, they face the prospect of being saddled with enormous debt that will only be passed on to their kids. This tax law is breaking up family businesses and destroying family dreams.

Most of the people who encounter problems with taxes on property that's been handed down are just plain regular folks struggling to make a living from day to day. They can't afford to hold an auction in New York City in order to pay their taxes with the money this would draw.

There are several bills before Congress that would correct this wrong. The passage of this legislation should be a priority in the House of Representatives.

Our country was built on the sister promises of freedom and liberty, and was settled on the wide open spaces that stretch from sea to sea. The wealth of our nation's land and the bounty of its fruit has for hundreds of years drawn countless Americans to take chances and set up ranches, farms and small businesses.

Texans shouldn't be penalized for what their parents chose to leave behind. This property has been in their families for years and their families worked hard to maintain it. Let's not let the federal government rob them of what is rightly theirs.

Dear Editor

Last week I received the greatest award that any person could receive this award ranks the highest beside all the other awards that I have received in the past ten years or so.

I have been honored for my humanitarian goals and in full I have achieved each and every thing I have gone after. I am a peaceful person with a heart and love for the human race regardless of creed, rank or cast. I have received a silver star from one of the G.I.'s that fought many battles. I received many phone calls and pats on the back, I thank everybody for their interest but who should receive the thanks and honors are our heroes the ones that didn't come back or the ones that never were thanked.

So from the above letter I gather these words. I want to let everyone here in Brackettville know that these boys or men that went overseas to fight a battle so we can go to any gathering such as church parties or socials, to sleep at night in peace without any interference of being scared, even to go to any restaurant and sit and gossip. Now hear this, I Nakai Breen am very tired of fighting the evil forces and the red buffalo (tongue). I have been severely beaten up about ten years ago because somebody said that I was a witch, I never said anything to anybody especially to my family. Again last week the winds of evil hit my house, saying that I put something evil on some one. I am warning anybody who so ever can prove such doings lets go to court and stand there in front of a district judge and let him judge us. I can not take another beating for your lies, so prepare your evidence and documents because I am ready, may I never hear these again. May Our God above be the one that will judge us.

With Love In My Heart For All /s/Nakai

Kinney County Library News

We have some wonderful news! Its full speed ahead for the Summer Reading Program. Our Prayers have been answered.

We were really worried that the Summer Program would not take place this year due to the shortage of funds as well as volunteer help. Last years program was a big success, we had 75 students from preschool age to High-School. We also had 10 terrific ladies donate their time to work with these students, and the parents were very generous with supplies and snacks. However, this year we were hoping for a bigger and better program and that would mean more money. Well the CITY OF BRACKETTVILLE has come through again. After meeting with City Manager, David Luna, he informed us that they would be more than happy to fund the Summer Reading Program. Mr. Luna stated his concern for the children of our community and was very pleased that the library had such a program to offer our children.

Besides the funding we have also had some terrific people sign up to volunteer for the program. They are excited and anxious to begin working with the students. Students may now register at their earliest convenience at the Public Library for the Summer Program and can look forward to fun and excitement.

Our preschool happy Hour is going great, we had 18 little ones participate last week. They enjoyed being read to, coloring, looking at flash card alphabets and listening to audio tapes. After class they were rewarded with drinks and snacks while Mom's checked out books to read to them.

Unsung Hero

by Joe Townsend



There is a man in our community who has spent his entire life here. After finishing high school he spent many years working for the bank. For the last 20 years he has been employed by the Rio Grande Electric Co-op. He was a loyal, capable and efficient employee. The present management decided his loyalty and service was of little value and decided to down grade him and being a man with honor and personal dignity he refused to be demigrated. He has served on the city council. For many years he has served on the school board. For many years he has been an official at football and basketball games. He served on the Board of the Chamber of Commerce. He has been a faithful member of the Brackettville Rotary Club. He served for several years as secretary of the club and as president. He is faithful to his church. He is one of that elite group of whom this writer has never heard a negative comment. He is warm hearted and friendly. To know him is to like him. Surely Lingo Sandoval is an Unsung Hero.



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COUNTY AGENT NEWS by Alan L. McWilliams

Drought Management In The Home Landscape

We live through periods of low rainfall or just plain drought all the time in Southwest Texas. And even though there are areas that do receive rain, much of the area at present is in a very dry spell. Water conservation and even rationing is an everyday topic for discussion around San Antonio. We are fortunate living in Brackettville to have a good and plentiful water supply, but will it always be there? It may not if we do not watch how much we waste and how we take care of the existing supply.

Due to the hot dry weather that we have been experiencing, your lawn may be suffering from heat stress earlier than normal this year. Timely and judicious use of water will not only help your lawn, it will also help conserve water and save on your monthly water bill as well. Generally, we talk about water stress and drought management in August, but with the record-breaking hot temperatures and lack of rain lately, we find ourselves in a situation that dictates we take steps now.

One of the most common mistakes everyone makes is watering everyday. In the absence of rainfall, your lawn only needs a half inch of water once every three to four days. You may need to increase such waterings to every other day if the area is extremely dry. However, remember that nearly 50 percent of the water you use can be lost by evaporation if it's not applied at the correct time. Water early in the morning or just before the sun sets. Bermuda grass can go for weeks without irrigation. Even though it may turn brown and dormant, it will green up again the next time it receives a soaking rain. You can also do a little "drought proofing" on your landscape plants by using a good layer of organic mulch for trees, shrubs and beds. The mulch helps retain moisture for the shrubs and flowers and also helps to cool the root systems.

Xeriscaping is a term used to describe quality landscaping that conserves water and protects the environment. It makes use of the plants that are native to the area plus those that are adapted. Xeriscaping also involves putting plants together with similar water requirements so that you can water them accordingly and not

have to water the entire landscape each time. We have a nice publication that describes some xeriscaping techniques and gives a list of plants according to the region of Texas that they are best suited.

Probably the most important concept in maintaining a landscape that makes wise use of adapted varieties and native plants is watering properly. Newly planted trees and shrubs need more frequent watering until they are well-rooted. But during this period, they can be gradually weaned to a smaller amount of water. If you wean your landscape trees and shrubs to smaller amounts of water, then when we do have a very dry period like we are experiencing now, they will get by and still look good on less water and endure better.

Watering the lawn, as I have stated in previous news columns, is best done only when the grass needs it and not by the calendar. Do not water once a week on every Tuesday, but rather learn to recognize the signs when it needs water and apply it then. Water as infrequently as possible yet thoroughly when you do water.

Your landscape can be divided into three water zones. Regular watering zones need water about once a week or more once they have become established. These are things like lawns and flower beds. Occasional watering zones are those that require water once every two to three weeks once they are established in the absence of rain. These would be perennial flowers and woody shrubs and vines. Natural watering zones only require water when rain is received. These would be tough woody shrubs and native trees and other plants. This can fit into your plans for planting plants in your landscape and can make maintenance much easier.

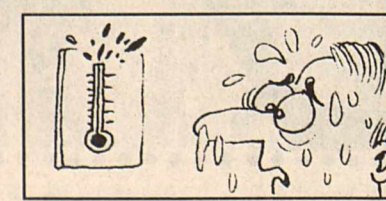
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TIGER TRACKS

Tigers' Offense Explodes For 12 Hits

By J. J. Guidry
Contributing Writer

UVALDE - Brackett baseball coach Gary Grubbs expected a "real close game" when his Tigers opened the high school baseball playoffs against the Marion Bulldogs.

After all, the Bulldogs were ranked No. 4 in the 2A state rankings. And Marion's pitching ace, Stephen Cage, entered the contest with a 10-0 mound record.

But Ramon DeLeon pitched a five-hit shutout and Brackett erupted for 12 hits as the Tigers picked up their first playoff win in school history.

"I think a key factor was that we jumped out early on them and gave Ramon a good lead," Grubbs said. "We didn't think we would win 9-0 but I think the kids gained confidence as the game went on."

And the Tigers did jump on Cage, handing him his first loss of the season. Cage pitched 1 1/3 innings, giving up five runs on five hits.

"We didn't know what to expect coming in," Grubbs said. "Cage was 10-0 so we knew he had to be doing something right."

"We figured he would be a control pitcher like Ramon, and he was. I wasn't real surprised that we hit him hard but the kids were a little leery coming in."

The Tigers went through three Marion pitchers, finishing the contest with 12 hits.

"It's been like that all year," Grubbs said. "We were hitting .410 as a team coming into this game. We've had several games where we've had 10-plus hits."

"Even with the outs we were making tonight, we were hitting the ball."

We hit the ball hard on the ground and made some outs but we did a good job of moving the runners.

"We stole home one time, Rene Luna had a sacrifice fly to left field, we were doing all of the things right. Things were just going our way."

All nine of the batters in the Tigers' line-up recorded hits in Friday's contest.

"It's a plus when you can attack people 1 through 9," Grubbs said. "They don't know how to pitch you. They can't pitch around anybody."

"The kids have done a great job of learning how to work a count," he said. "They knew what pitches to look for."

Sophomores designated hitter J. Wayne Ballew turned in a perfect 2 for 2 plate performance. He also scored a pair of runs.

"J. Wayne is a tremendous kid," Grubbs said. "He works hard in practice. He works hard at the plate. That's great when your No. 9 hitter can get you a couple of hits and score a couple of runs."

Senior outfielder Ruben Terrazas was 2 for 3. He scored two runs and recorded his first career home run.

"Ruben deserves it," Grubbs said. "Last year, Ruben struggled quite a bit. There was a point this season where he was struggling."

"He hit .939 in district. He has really come on. I'm really pleased with Ruben. He's really hitting the ball hard."

DeLeon turned in a 2-for-4 performance, including his first-inning homer.

"Ramon has a good bat," Grubbs said. "He's starting to pull the ball a little more. I think he's finally getting the quickness of his bat back. He's a tremendous player."

Brackett Battles Freer In Area Playoffs

By J. J. Guidry
Contributing Writer

The Brackett Tigers will resume action in the state high school baseball playoffs Friday as they battle the Freer Buckaroos at South San High School in San Antonio at 7:30 in an area contest.

"I don't know much about Freer," Tigers coach Gary Grubbs said. "I know they have two good pitchers. One is 9-2 and one is 10-2."

"Talking to their coaches on Saturday, they play good defense and do just enough to score some runs so they sound a whole lot like we do."

Freer is 19-4 on the season. The Buckaroos defeated Skidmore-Tynan, 3-0, in the bidistrict playoffs.

The Tigers, who are 21-6 overall, opened the play-offs with a 9-0 victory over the Marion Bulldogs.

"I think it will be a real competitive baseball game," Grubbs said. "At this point, I think our boys are going to be a little more hungry. They got a taste of what it feels like to win."

"We had a big crowd at the last game, the crowd was behind us and it was just a real enjoyable experience. I know that we're going to be very competitive, and I'm sure they will be too."

Grubbs said he is pleased Brackett

is playing at Burrows Field in San Antonio.

"We tried (to play at) Pearsall and Carrizo Springs but both of them were having graduation that night and we didn't want to play an early game so we just decided the next best field we could. Turns out, we found a really nice field. Burrows is a really excellent facility."

The Tigers will start Ramon DeLeon (16-1) on the mound Friday. The junior pitched a five-hit shutout against Marion, fanning eight batters and walking none.

"If we get the kind of pitching performance that we had the other night from Ramon, I think that's a big key," Grubbs said.

"I'm sure we're going to get that because he's done that all year every time he's started. He just doesn't walk people and he makes them hit the ball."

"I think getting a lead early is a big key. We did that the other night, and we applied some pressure to Marion. I think that was a big difference in the ball game."

"Again, playing good defense is going to be very important. We had three errors the other night but none of them were costly as far as runs. We seemed to make the next play right after the errors so it didn't hurt us too much."

MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Windy Goodloe, Texas Second Place Winner In Poetry Interpretation

Though it's been a few weeks since the news hit Brackettville, Windy deserves some recognition. I have been telling you that I would write about her, but she keeps moving and doing things (so do I). We have been very busy going in different directions. Finally, today, I managed to find time during the noon hour when Windy & I could talk about her winning second in Texas in Poetry Interpretation. That's my story this week.

About Windy: She's a Sophomore at Brackett High School. All of her schooling has been done right here at BISD. She's active in school...student council, is sophomore class president, plays tenor sax in the band where she also serves as Assistant Drum Major. She is in track, basketball and volleyball. Windy is an honor student who enjoys taking the more difficult courses. She's an outstanding student. Above all, she is a fine, young lady who knows where she wants to go and finds a way to get there.

Her relatives are Seminole Indians. Windy says that's why the family settled here. They were active in Brackettville's history. She lives with her grandmother, Dora Goodloe. All of Dora's children (11 kids) finished school in Brackettville. Three still live here today, Carol Dimery, Raymond and Smiley. GeGe Pines lives in Del Rio. John passed away about 5 years ago. Five of Dora's kids live in Big Lake: Arkie, Walter, Bootsie, Ricky and Darnett. Windy's mom is Darnett. One of Dora's children lives in Indiana and that's DoDo. Seems like everyone in the family has a nickname. I do too. So, right away it sounds like my kind of family. I also know and respect the Goodloe family. They're sound folks.

Back to Poetry Interpretation. It takes lots of preparation. Dee Curry is Windy's coach. Curry teaches English at BHS, and Windy quickly points out that she could not have been successful without the hard work and expert guidance of her coach. Poetry coaches help you find the meaning in poems. They move the Poetry Interpreter to understand the meaning of the poem and not just reading the words. Thanks to Coach Curry for a job well done.

So, poetry interpretation is getting up on your feet and interpreting a poem with all of the emotions and feeling that the author intended. UIL

Poetry Interpretation involves being given 2 categories: Category A has to do with American authors while Category B was the performer's program where you combine poems with a unifying theme. Windy won 2nd place at district in LaPryor where she did Category A: Voices of America. She won 3rd place in San Antonio where she did both categories. Then she culminated her performances with a second place win in state.

Windy says her most memorable moment might have been at district when she realized what poetry interpretation was all about. It all came together. She talks with eyes that show dedication about a poem called "Maya Angelou"...about a woman who has been through lots of struggles in her life...maybe it's about a lot of women, yet about one woman...who is a slave looking for freedom...who works in the tobacco fields, sinks to some of the lowest depths, but yet...overcomes with a philosophy "She shall not be moved."

How did Windy feel about winning state? It was a big surprise. The awards ceremony was a strange setting. Six contestants go to the stage...only 3 will place...Windy listens to place number 3...a sophomore...YEA...who is at UIL poetry for the first time...YEA... "Oh, my gosh...I got third place." BUT HE WAS HERE LAST YEAR IN ONE ACT PLAY. Whoa! Not me!

Then on to second place...also a sophomore. Windy didn't have much hope. From Brackettville...WHAT? Mrs. Curry shook her and had to remind her to go to the stage and get her medal...still in shock...all the way home...still in shock. Windy was happy...she thought the first place winner was superb...but he was a SENIOR. I can win next year! Windy sets goals and works hard to reach her goals. I think she'll get it done.

That's about it. She tells it much better than I can write it. She's a fine young lady who did something really neat for herself, her school and her community. Windy makes me glad that I have spent 36 years working with kids, teachers and school patrons. She can make a difference in the world. She already is making a difference. To Windy, Grandma Dora and the entire Goodloe family...our heartfelt thanks! Have a good week.

Retakes Available For TAAS

Individuals who are no longer enrolled in a Texas public school and who wish to register to retake the exit level Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) or the Texas Educational Assessment of Minimum Skills (TEAMS) may obtain a registration packet by contacting Susan Harrison at Brackett High School; 210-563-2136, extension 401. The test registration forms must be completed and returned no later than June 14, 1996

to Iowa City, Iowa. The exit level writing test is scheduled to be administered at Brackett High School July 16, 1996, the exit level writing test is scheduled to be administered July 17, 1996, and the exit level reading test is scheduled to be administered July 18, 1996. Individuals who have registered to retake the test must arrive at the testing site no later than 8:00 AM. Please contact Susan Harrison for more detailed information.

Six Tigers Participate In Express-News Photo Day

By J. J. Guidry
Contributing Writer

Six Brackett Tigers traveled to San Antonio Saturday to be a part of an event that has become a yearly tradition in South Texas.

In the end, more than 500 players and coaches from 85 schools participated in the 10th San Antonio Express-News High School Football Photo Day at South San Stadium.

The 486 players involved in photo day were chosen by their respective coaches to represent schools across South Texas.

Representing Brackett were juniors Ramon DeLeon, Butch Lopez, Moses Hernandez and Michael Aguirre, and sophomores J. Wayne Ballew and Xavier Thomas. "The kids enjoyed it," Tigers

coach Roy Rokovich said. "They really liked it a lot. They got to really see a lot of the big kids from the 5A schools. There were a lot of good kids there."

"Our kids were real impressed. Out of our district, Dilley, Natalia and Charlotte were there so they got to see some of those kids. They got their eyes open to a few things."

Rokovich said the Tigers are looking forward to beginning their 1996 gridiron campaign this August.

"We're real excited about the season," he said. "Our kids have matured a lot, just from last year to this year. They've hit the weight room and they've gotten stronger."

"Just look at our baseball team, you can tell there is a big difference. A lot of that deals with maturity, knowing more about the game and preparing themselves."

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David Burton, PE instructor,
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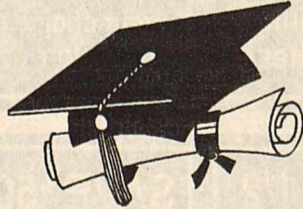
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DeLeon Records Shutout

By J. J. Guidry
Contributing Writer

UVALDE - Brackett pitcher Ramon DeLeon gave himself a lead in the first inning and he never looked back Friday as he led the Tigers to a 9-0 win over the Marion Bulldogs in the first round of the high school baseball playoffs.

DeLeon set the pace for the bidistrict game after nailing a solo home run over the left-field fence in the bottom half of the first inning.

"I think Ramon's home run swung the momentum for us," Brackett coach Gary Grubbs said. "To have two outs and then to hit a home run is big."

DeLeon went on to pitch a five-hit shutout. He helped his own cause with a 2-for-4 plate performance.

The junior, who upped his mound record to 16-1 on the season, fanned eight batters and didn't walk any.

"I was very happy with Ramon," Grubbs said, "Marion hit the ball hard at times but we made the defensive plays. We made a few mistakes (three errors) but he had a good pitching performance."

"Ramon is steady. When he's on the mound, you know he's not going to walk anybody. They're going to have to hit the ball. He spots the ball well."

"Ramon is a smart pitcher. He moves the ball in and out, throws his curve and he changes speeds on you."

Grubbs said that Brackett's senior catcher, Brian Hooker, was a big factor in DeLeon's pitching performance.

"I think Brian did a great job," he said. "He called all of the pitches tonight, I didn't call any. Ramon and Brian work well together."

Four Ranchers Re-Elected To FLBA Board

DEVINE, Texas -- Four local ranchers were re-elected to the board of directors of Southwest Texas Federal Land Bank Association (FLBA) at the long-term lending organization's annual meeting this month.

Re-elected by stockholders to three-year terms of the 15-member board were Jack Kingsbery of Crystal City, Gerald McBride of Realitos, William S. Whitworth of Brackettville, and Edwin L. Yanta of Devine.

Kingsbery, who has served on the FLBA board since 1993, owns and operates Kingsbery Ranch of Crystal City. He is president of Kingsbery Manufacturing Corporation. McBride, a director of the FLBA since 1976, ranches near Realitos. He also is member of the Agua Poquita Soil and Water Conservation Board.

Yanta, who farms and ranches in Medina and Karnes counties, and Whitworth, who ranches near Brackettville, both have served as FLBA directors since 1987.

Approximately 120 stockholders attended the FLBA annual meeting May 2 at the Medina County Fair Building in Hondo. It was the first stockholders meeting held since Southwest Texas FLBA was formed Feb. 1, 1996, by the merger of Southwest Texas FLBA of Devine and the FLBA of Uvalde.

The association is the largest agricultural real estate lender in Southwest Texas, with nearly \$234.9 million in loans outstanding to ranchers, farmers, rural homeowners and agribusinesses in 18 counties.

The Southwest Texas FLBA board is composed of the directors of both former FLBAs. Chairman is Shelby Henke of Campbellton. Vice chairman is Larry McBee of Del Rio.

The association is headquartered in Devine, and has branch offices in Pleasanton and Uvalde and a contact office in Del Rio.

Proclamation City Clean-Up Campaign

To: All Citizens

In regular session of the City Council on May 14, 1996, it voted and ordered by said council that the annual City Clean-Up campaign be initiated. Therefore, with the powers vested in me as mayor, I hereby proclaim the period from May 15, 1996 thru July 31, 1996, as the 1996 Clean-Up Campaign. Accordingly, I sincerely urge that each and every citizen of this community participate in this vital and important campaign, and earnestly hope that the end result of said campaign will be a mark symbolizing the concerted effort of all citizens in doing their part in keeping our community clean, neat, healthful, and free of pest.

City conveyer will be made available to remove all accumulated refuse starting May 15, 1996. Please place all such refuse on alleyway easements or other accessible areas convenient for the conveyer.

Carmen M. Berlanga
Mayor

David G. Luna
City Manager

For Pete's Sake

This is the story of Johnnie McGuire Who ran through town with his pants on fire.

*He went to the doctor and fainted with fright
When the doctor told him his end was in sight!*

Two goats, grazing in an empty lot, found an old container of movie film. One of the goats nuzzled the can until the lid came off, and the other goat loosened the spool and ate a few frames.

The second goat ate some too, and soon they had eaten the whole film. When nothing was left but the can and the spool, the first goat said, "Wasn't that great?"

"Oh, I don't know," replied the second goat. "I thought the book was better!"

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There Is No Secrets To What Masons Believe

By Bruce Clements
Contributing Writer

We believe in some pretty "OLD FASHIONED" things. Such as the brotherhood of man. Service to those who are less fortunate. Helping young people get a head start toward a promising life. And we believe in GOD.

Surprised? Some people are. They somehow have come to consider us a secret society. Yet our constitution and regulations are open for all to see. And our membership is open to men of all religious convictions. Our only requirement is a belief in a Supreme Being.

The faith leads Masons to provide homes for the elderly and for orphans. We provide college scholarships to promising young men and women.

We contribute to blood banks, fund medical research, and maintain 19 Crippled Children's Hospitals and 3 Burn Institutions. The Scottish Rite maintains over 100 Childhood Language Disorders clinics across the United States.

That's why it's not surprising that 15 presidents have been Masons (including George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Franklin D. Roosevelt, Harry Truman, Gerald Ford), entertainers (John Wayne, Danny Thomas, and Buryl Ives), and astronauts (Buzz Aldrin and Wally Shirra).

If all this surprises you, that's good. Because sometimes, we're surprised at all the wrong ideas people have about us.

We want you to get to know us better.

MASONS FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE STAND TALL.

Texans Want To Rid State Of 'Justice For Sale' Image

By: Jeff Judson and Winter Prosapio

ing to do with Texas.

• Curb multiple punitive damage awards for the same conduct so a defendant would still have to compensate all who are injured, but would be punished only once.

Clearly, Texans understand the ways their legal system, in many cases, is being abused. And it is just as clear that the perception that Texas remains a state where justice often goes to the highest bidder is more than an opinion but a reality. Two national publications recently have focused on one such misuse of our state's civil courts: the loophole that has opened Texas to a flood of out-of-state lawsuits.

The Texas Supreme Court ruled in 1990 that state trial judges had no discretion to dismiss personal injury lawsuits filed by out-of-state residents, even when the cases had no connection to Texas. In 1993, the Legislature changed the law to give judges this authority. However, a group of wealthy personal injury lawyers lobbied for specific exemptions that removed judges' discretion in cases involving railroads, asbestos or aircraft.

As a result, Texas has been turned into a dumping ground for other states' lawsuits. We now have more than 36,000 out-of-state asbestos-related claims pending in our courts -- a backlog that has exploded by an average of 14,000 claims each year since this loophole was created. Hundreds of out-of-state railroad claims are also pending in Texas courts.

None of these cases has anything to do with our state. The claimants are not from Texas. The alleged injury didn't even occur within eyesight of the Texas border. Yet, because of this loophole, Texas judges are barred from using their own discretion to send these cases back -- even though in many instances the claims were brought here because they were no longer valid in the claimants' home states.

Texas is the only state that ties the hands of its judges this way.

Texans don't like this. And rightly so. Aside from an issue of fairness, there is the matter of our taxes. Texas taxpayers are being forced to pick up the tab every time someone from another state decides to try their chances with our legal system and the 'Texas Lawsuit Lotto.'

So, even with the Legislature's recent progress, Texans realize that we still have a way to go before we can yank the 'Justice For Sale' sign from our yard. Lawsuit abuse is still a problem in Texas. Now tens of thousands of people from outside our State are flooding in to take advantage of "Texas justice."

Jeff Judson is president of the Texas Public Policy Foundation, a free market research center based in San Antonio.

Winter Prosapio is executive director of San Antonians Against Lawsuit Abuse, a community coalition dedicated to creating public awareness of the abuses in the legal system.

Sales Tax Report For May

"Sales in Texas continue to clock along at a good pace," State Comptroller John Sharp said as he delivered sales tax rebates to 1,079 cities and 115 counties, 1.4 percent more than the statewide allocation of one year ago.

This month's sales tax rebates include taxes collected on March sales by businesses filing monthly returns and reported to the Comptroller in April and those businesses filing quarterly returns for January, February and March.

Brackettville 1.000% brought in \$5186.92 compared to \$4916.39 for the same time period last year. This is an increase of 1.53%.

Kinney County Health Services with a rate of 0.500% received \$3008.95 compared to \$2816.32 last year. This reflects an increased of 0.33%.

Kinney County's 0.500% amounted to \$3053.34 this year, opposed to \$2844.61 last year. Increase 5.50%.

Ladies Golf Club May 14

Nassau Tournament
Fern Dyer won Low Total with 60
Maye Roper won Front Nine with 31
Mary Stephenson and Betty Lee tied the back nine 129.

Yea!
Seniors
1996

Training Seminar Offered

A Texas Review and Comment System (TRACS) Training Seminar will be held on Wednesday, June 5, at 2:00 p.m., at the Willie De Leon Civic Center Reading Room in Uvalde. The free seminar is open to all county judges, mayors, county commissioners, city council members, and other chief elected officials of Dimmit, Edwards, Kinney, La Salle, Maverick, Real, Uvalde, Val Verde, and Zavala counties.

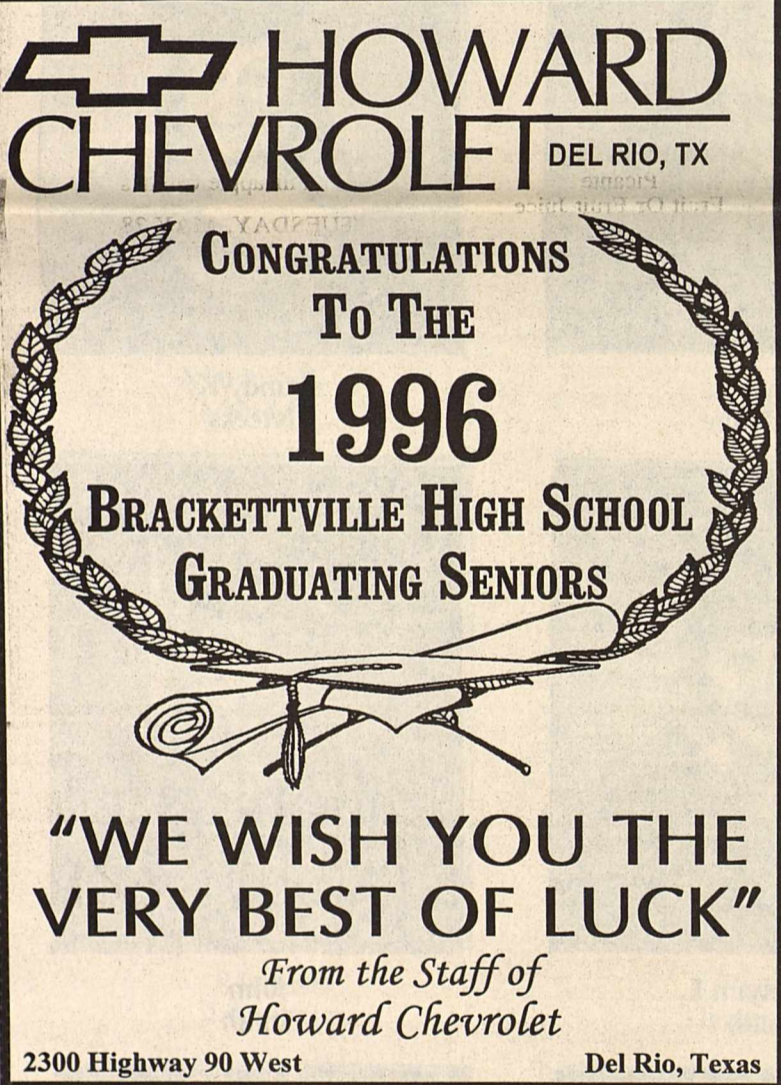
Tom Adams, of the Governor's Office of Budget and Planning, will conduct the seminar.

"The purpose of the TRACS Committee is to provide local governments an opportunity to review and to comment upon State plans, applications for federal and state financial assistance, and environmental impact statements related to projects or programs that affect their jurisdiction," noted Ann Bracher Vaughan, Director of Economic and Community Affairs of the Middle Rio Grande Development Council. Interested officials are urged to reserve seating for the event, as space is limited. Reservations may be secured through Erma A. Alejandro, MRGDC, 210-278-4151, phone; 2929, fax.

What's more, the survey results further dispel any notion that lawsuit reform is only a business issue. More Texans (80 percent) feel that civil justice reform will help taxpayers than feel it will help business (75 percent).

And what types of changes do voters want? The survey found that 70 percent or more of Texans Support legislative proposals to:

- Make juries aware of different payments an injured party has already received for the same injury.
- Place some reasonable limits on the amount of money that can be awarded for non-economic damages, such as for pain and suffering.
- Close a legal loophole that has opened up our courts to a flood of out-of-state lawsuits that have noth-



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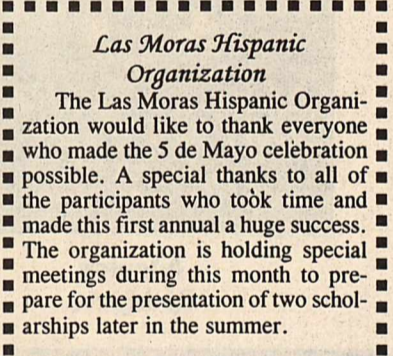
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Las Moras Hispanic Organization

The Las Moras Hispanic Organization would like to thank everyone who made the 5 de Mayo celebration possible. A special thanks to all of the participants who took time and made this first annual a huge success.

The organization is holding special meetings during this month to prepare for the presentation of two scholarships later in the summer.

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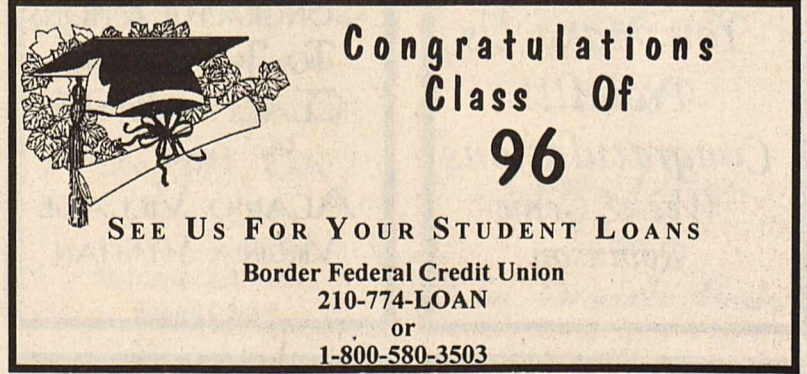
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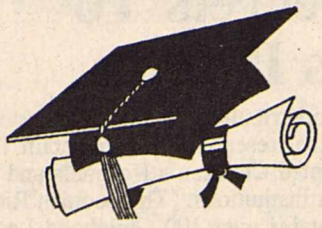
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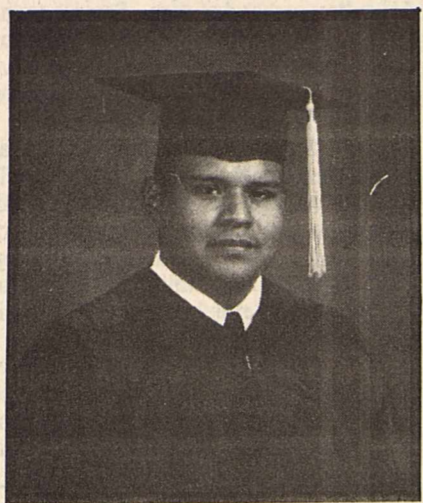
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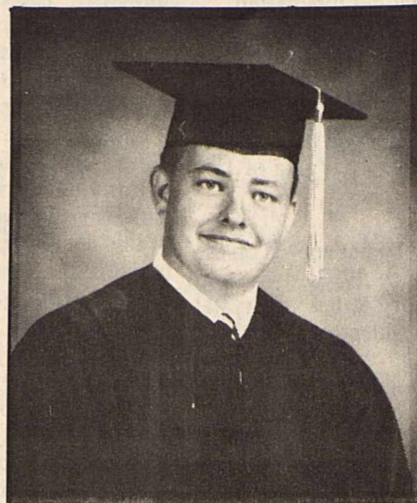
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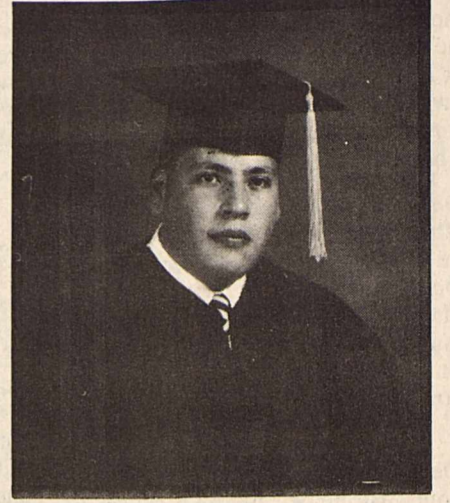
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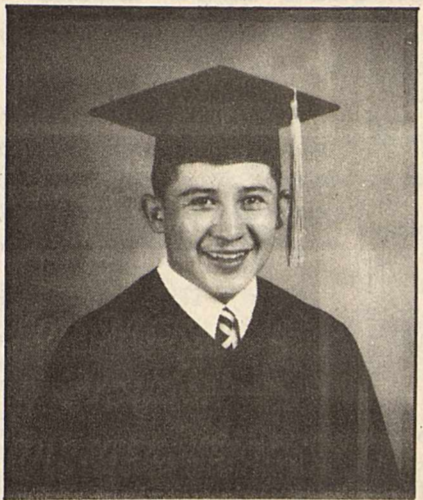


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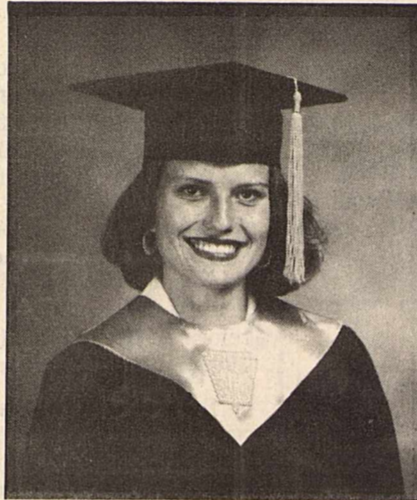


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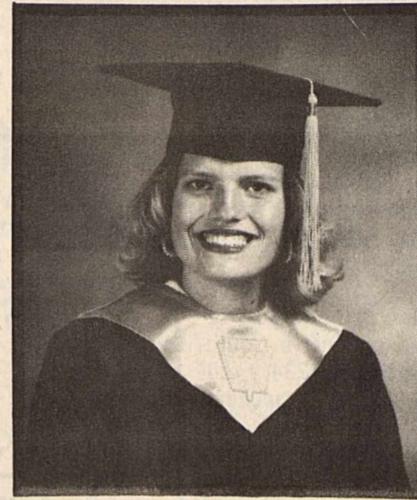
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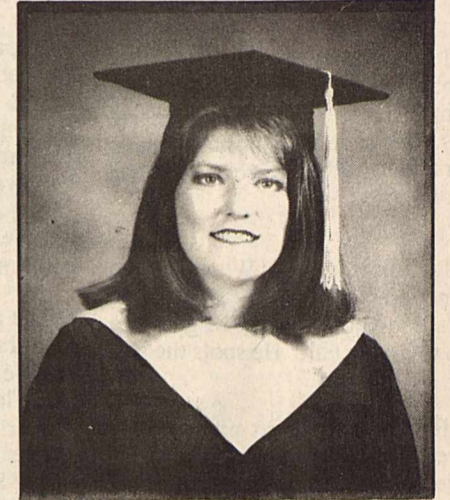
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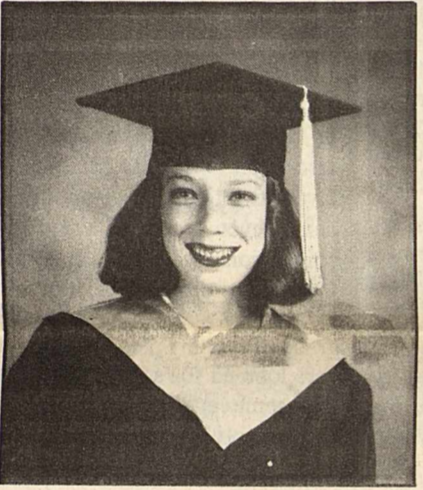


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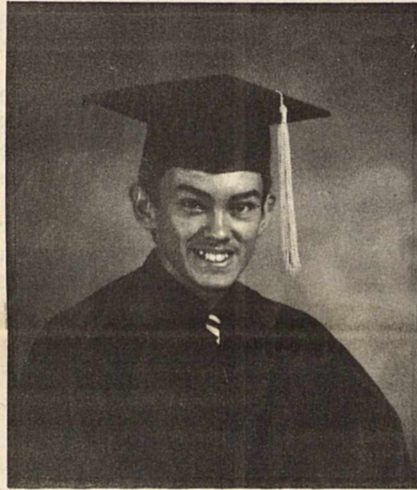


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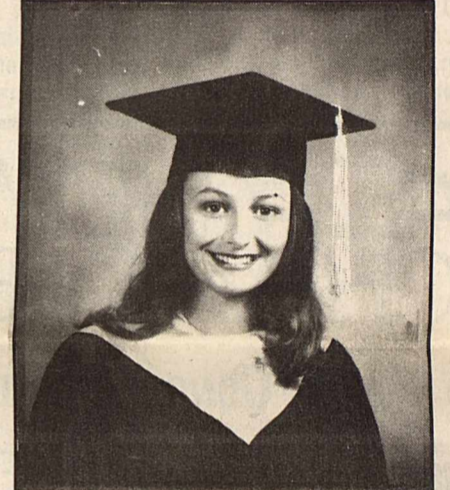
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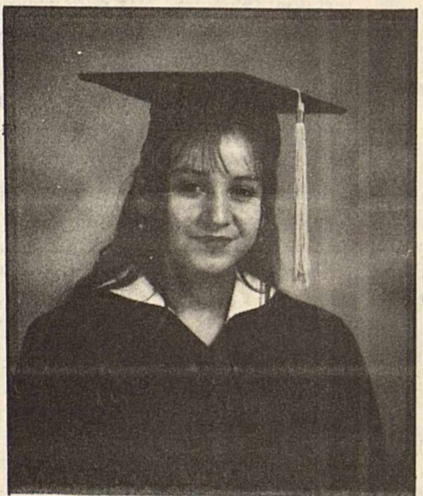
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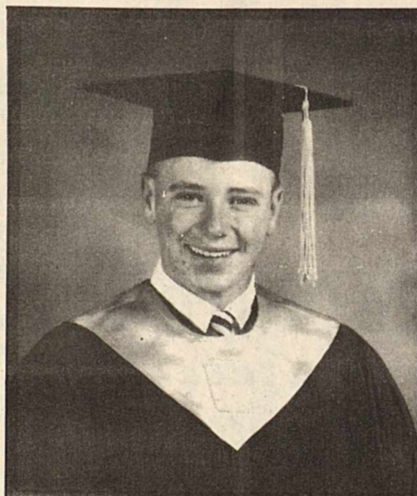
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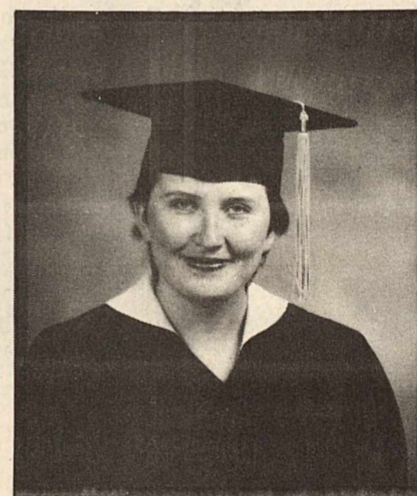
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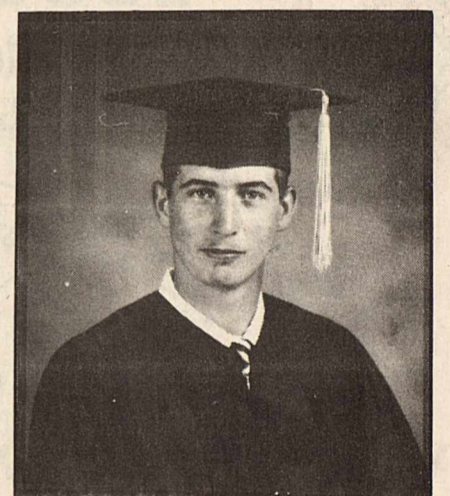
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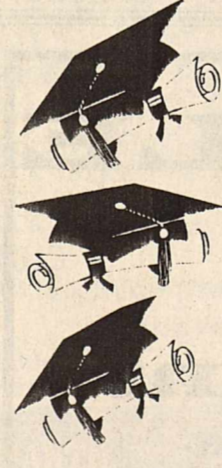
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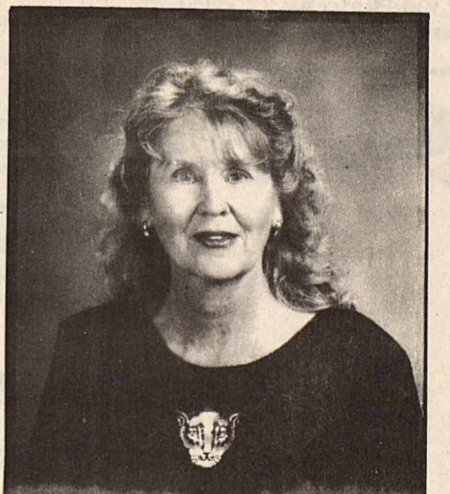
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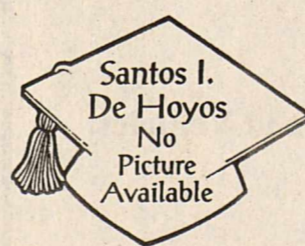


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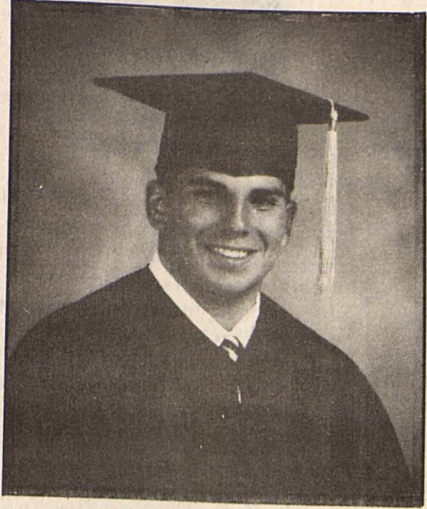
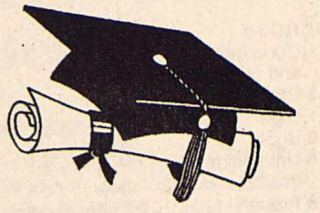
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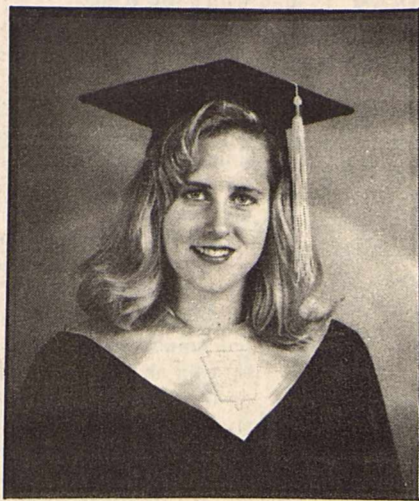
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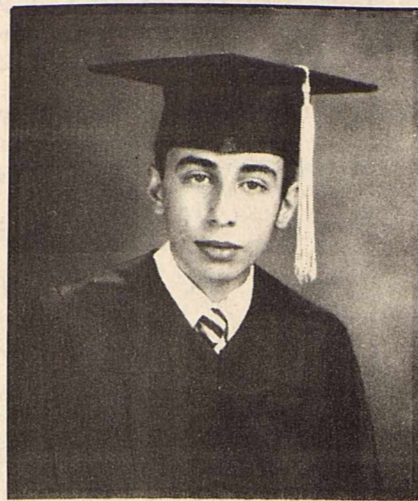
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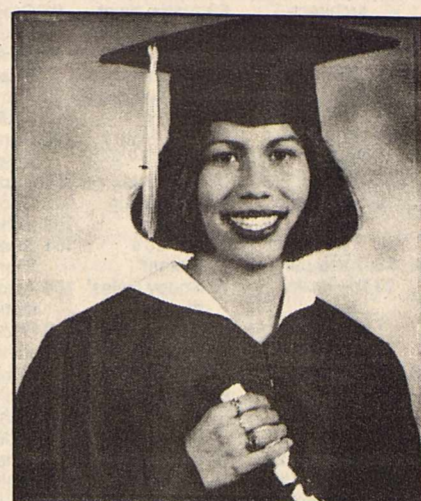
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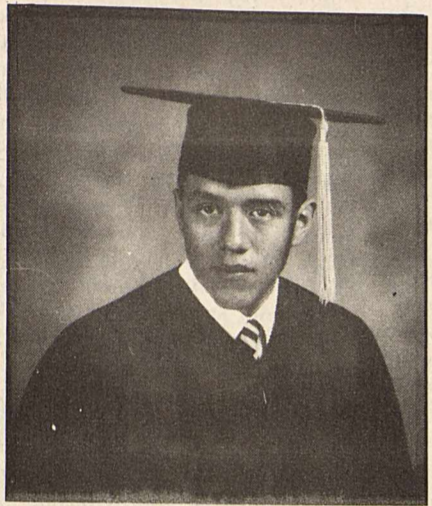


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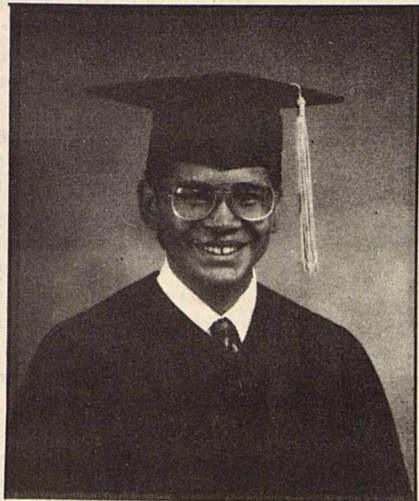


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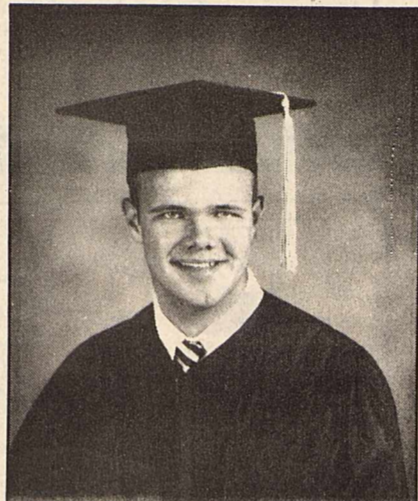
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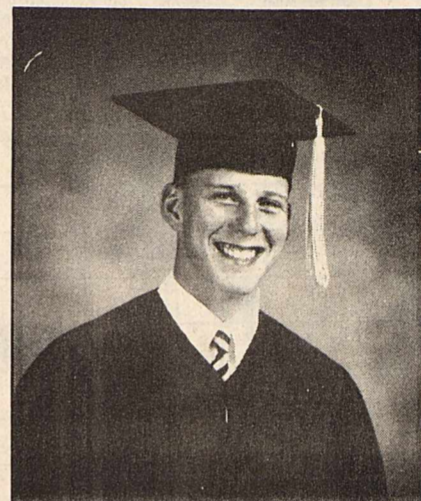
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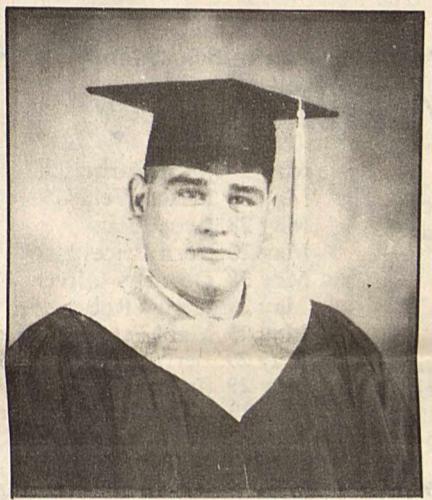


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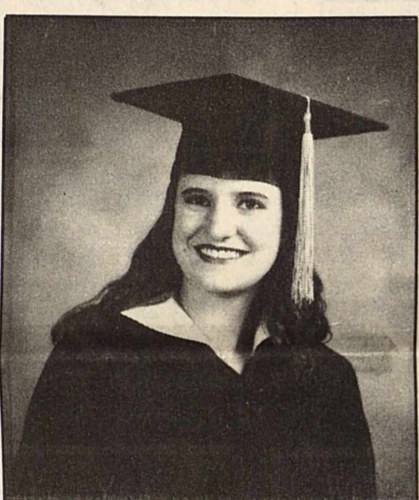


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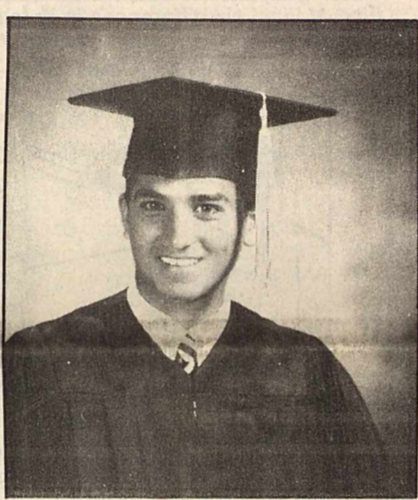
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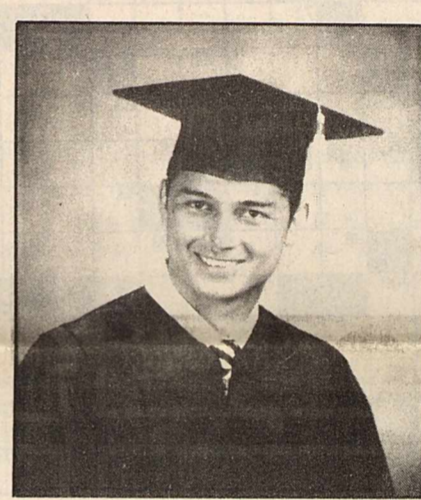
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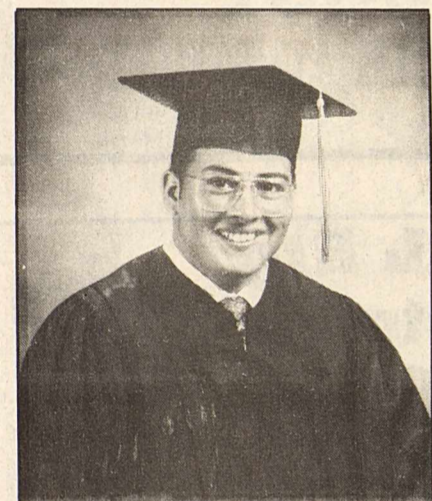
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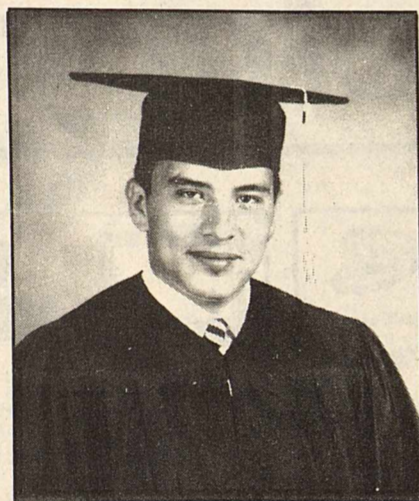
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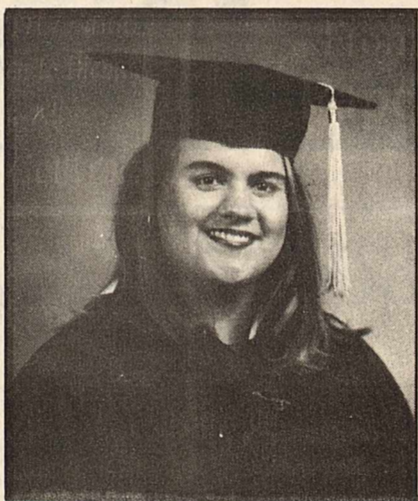
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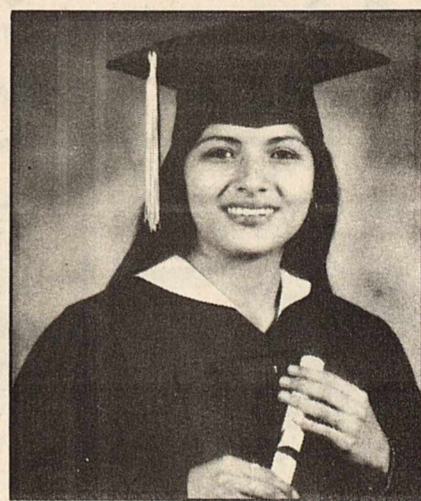
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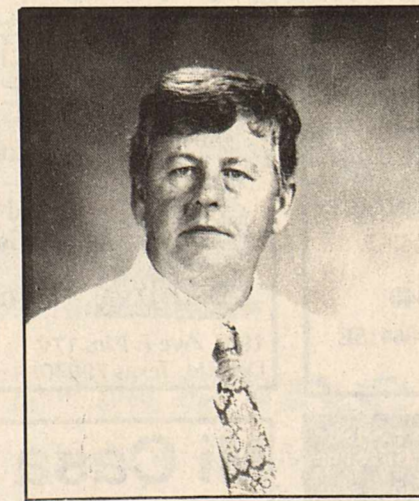
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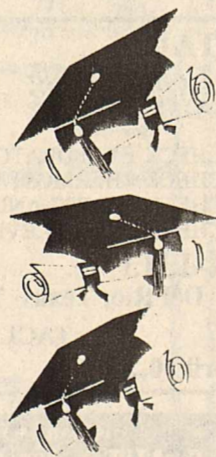
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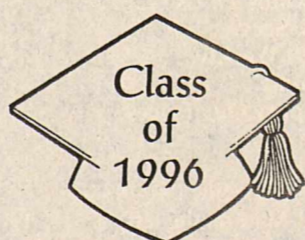
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions-forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

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Natasha's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A cycle of increased popularity begins for you this week. Later in the week, you'll be looking to do something different in terms of entertainment and socializing. This weekend, though, you may become impatient with a loved one.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) This week brings new insights about a financial concern. A cycle favorable to your work interests begins early in the week and continues for some time to come. Something at home could upset you over the weekend.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) The weeks just ahead will bring major business developments. However, this week you may have the urge to redecorate or do something to spiff up your abode. Be sure this isn't too costly since your budget could be strained.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You'll have more time to spend with children or a romantic interest in the coming weeks, thanks to a let-up in your hectic schedule. This week, too, brings happy social developments. Drive carefully if traveling.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) A new cultural interest fascinates you early in the week. Midweek, a new adviser could enter your life which could prove quite beneficial for you. Enjoy social visits over the weekend, but avoid a romantic spat.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) You could find yourself much involved with home improvements in the weeks ahead. Persistence leads to a career success this week, but try not to be too overbearing. Avoid squabbles about money this weekend.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You'll have more money at your disposal in the weeks just ahead, but don't let this tempt you into an unwise spending spree. This week is productive on the job, but you'll need to use tact with a difficult co-



worker.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Your communicative skills come to the fore now and in the coming weeks. You'll be reaching important agreements midweek, but be sure to check out the fine print. Be patient with co-workers on the job.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) You could be signing an important document in the near future, and you'll also defuse tension with a competitor. Distant matters prosper this week, but keep peace with loved ones over the weekend.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Chances to improve your income will arise in the weeks just ahead. A new approach leads to career gains this week, but be sure this is more conservative than radical. This weekend, you don't see eye-to-eye with your mate.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) You'll be more sure of yourself in the coming weeks. In fact, a new start will be on your agenda. This week, the accent is on teamwork, both at home and at work. Don't force issues with a friend this weekend.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A humanitarian interest could take up more of your time in the coming weeks than you'd anticipated. An early week inspiration leads to a full week of productivity. Be tactful with superiors.

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Vision Teaser

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Tree is added. 2. Car is moved. 3. Hydrant is missing. 4. Arm is raised. 5. Apron is different. 6. Flowerpot is removed.

Happy Birthday

May 23 Mike Bizzell	May 27 John Garberich
May 24 Lorena Guajardo	May 28 Leticia Vela
May 24 Esteben M. Pena	May 28 Rene Diaz
May 24 Bernie Allemeir	May 28 Vern Price
May 24 Willie Allemeir	May 28 Dorothy Oliver
May 25 Tammy Coggins	May 29 Henry Robertson
May 25 Dolores Wilson	May 29 Mary Etta Speaker
May 25 Herminia Hernandez	May 29 Bernadette Frerich
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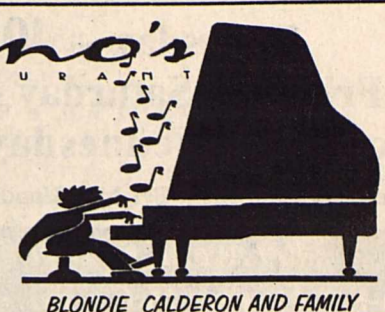
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while crying, "The blood of Jesus cleanseth from all sin." To it the gates of heaven flew wide open; and the angel said, "An abundant entrance is ministered to you into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."

Since the beginning of time people have sought to find alternative ways and means of entrance into heaven. There is one way, and only one way, and that is through the forgiveness of sin as one places their faith in Jesus Christ as the Son and God, crucified and resurrected Savior of men. Nothing, nothing else will do!

First United Methodist Church



Rev. Sheree Harris, Pastor

This Sunday churches around the world will celebrate Pentecost, "the birthday of the church." And what a birthday it was! In the midst of Peter's impassioned sermon, the Spirit swept through the crowd setting their souls afire with love and power! Two thousand people were baptized on the spot and began their journey with Jesus Christ that will stretch through eternity.

It was a magnificent day indeed and a grand beginning of the Church. But let us not make the mistake of also ending if there. God's Spirit has continued to give birth — to new insights about God, ourselves, each other, and how we're all related, to new outpourings of compassion for the hopeless and hurting, to new struggles for justice and equality, to new ways of praising and worshipping God.

While the Church universal was born on Pentecost, the Spirit has since continued to spawn new particular churches around the globe. Some churches are new and in their infancy

with all the inquisitiveness and awe of a new born just beginning to taste the sweet milk and honey of God's love. Some churches are in the adolescence stage of questioning, rebellious, and changing as they seek their particular identity. Others have survived this turmoil and achieved a somewhat secure position and role in the community. A few churches have matured to the point they are willing to step out of their security to once again view the world, themselves and God with awe and wonder, and to begin to ask new questions and to stretch and change and grow.

Churches are a lot like individuals. And the Spirit works in and through churches much the same way the Spirit does with individuals. All of these birthings and growth is the work and gift of God's Holy Spirit.

This Sunday, I pray that you will be in church to celebrate that gift and to participate in that work. And remember to keep your eyes and heart open for signs of new life! Blessings on you.

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rich said they would video the leaking for future use, also he said to hold off on any payments to the contractors.

The Court discussed the fact that the County Agent doesn't pull a trailer any longer and possibly doesn't need such a large vehicle.

Sarah Terrazas, County Librarian asked if the bill couldn't be paid promptly for the Happy Shahan room in the library, some of the bills are 2 to 3 months past due. After some

discussion it was decided that Sarah will send letters to the vendors informing them of the deadlines for the bills to be paid since commissioners must okay the bills and the court only meets once a month. It turned out that the bills were submitted at a date too late to be presented to the commissioners in the April meeting. The bills were approved and will be paid this month. All bills pertaining to Kinney County offices must be approved by the commissioners court.

The Methodist Hospital System

HOUSTON -- AHHH, VACATION! The last place you want to be is sprawled across a hotel bed, your complexion a greenish pale, your only companion a pail.

Unfortunately, travel, particularly foreign travel, may present certain health hazards, such as motion sickness, stomach cramps or fatigue.

If bedrest isn't the kind of rest you had planned for your vacation, Tobias Samo, MD, an infectious disease specialist at The Methodist Hospital in Houston offers these tips to help you stay healthy as you see the world:

- Beware of Montezuma's Revenge, in reality a virus or bacteria that's not confined to Mexico. It can strike you in places the angry Aztec never even heard of: Nepal, Fiji, anywhere. So, don't drink the water (unless it's been thoroughly boiled) or suck the ice cubes. Stick to bottled water, particularly the bubbly kind. Also, refrain from buying street vendors edible wares. Dairy products - including ice cream - are potentially dangerous, as are any fresh fruits or vegetables for which you don't peel the skin yourself. Thoroughly cooked and promptly served meals are your safest bet. And skip salads on return flights; most airline meals originate in the country of departure.

- As a preventive measure, take two chewable Pepto-Bismol tablets four times daily - before meals and at bedtime - if OK'd by your physician. If Motezuma does strike, switch from Pepto-Bismol to Imodium AD and an antibiotic prescribed by your doctor. Then wait, usually only 12 hours to

three days.

- Travelers using public modes of transportation should watch out for cold and flu viruses. Crowded airplanes, buses and trains are ideal places to pick up bugs, especially on unfamiliar terrain where you're not immune to the various viruses going around. To prevent colds, which are spread through physical contact, Samo suggests washing your hands often. Influenza, which is airborne, is a little harder to avoid. Ask your doctor if you should get a flu shot before *bon voyage-ing*.

- Put a Boy Scout to shame with your preparations. Pack antacids and Pepto-Bismol; Neosporin or another antibiotic ointment; Band-Aids; your preferred painkillers (acetaminophen, aspirin or ibuprofen); calamine lotion for itching; Dramamine for motion sickness; Benadryl to control allergic reactions (don't forget prescription medications you may take occasionally for surprise reactions); and sunscreen of SPF 15 or higher.

- Bring enough of your regular prescription medications to last twice as long as your trip, says Samo, packing half in one bag and half in another; if one piece of luggage is lost, stolen or misrouted, you'll still have the proper dosage for the duration of your travels. Keep all medications, not just prescriptions, in their original bottles so customs won't nab them. Samo also recommends carrying copies of your prescriptions and a list of your drug allergies and medi-



Frontier Baptist Church
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Paul said to his young protege, "Take heed unto thyself". Occasionally each of us should pause and "take heed" to ourselves. Take heed to our importance. Each of us is important to some one. One should be important to his family, his community, and to his friends. This cannot be unless one recognizes his importance to himself. Every individual is different from every other. This difference is important. If one does not feel important to himself he cannot be important to others. God intends for each of us to recognize his own personal importance. After all we are individually important enough for God to send His Son Jesus Christ to die for us. Each of us should "take heed" to his possibilities. There is no individual alive who does not have abundant possibilities. Even God does not expect us to exceed our possibilities but we owe it to ourselves to seek out and fulfill our possibilities. Few people ever reach their possibilities but true success in life depends on how closely we pursue

our possibilities. We need to "take heed" to our responsibilities incumbent on each of us. As Americans we have responsibilities to our nation. As citizens of Brackettville we have responsibilities to our city. We have responsibilities to our families. As creatures of God we have responsibilities to Him and to His church for which Christ died. If each of us met all of our responsibilities how much better the entire world would be.

Basic to all is that we "take heed" unto our God. "Take heed" to the God who made us; the God by whom "we live and have our being". "Take Heed" to the God who watches over us, who guides us, who protects us and who provides and cares for us. "Take Heed" to God who loves us, even with all our failures and sins. This God whose Son came to earth as a human being and gave himself up to die on a cross to redeem us. To be fair to ourselves we must "take heed" unto ourselves.



St. John's Baptist Church

Pastor Wm. P. Adams, Sr.
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And a certain woman, who had an issue of blood twelve years, And had suffered many things of many physicians, and spent all that she had, and was no better, but rather grew worse,

When she had heard of JESUS, came in the crowd behind, and touched his garment.

For she said, if I may touch but his clothes, I shall be well.

And straightway the fountain of her blood was dried up; and she felt in her body that she was healed of that plague.

But the woman, fearing and trembling, knowing what was done in her, came and fell down before him, and told him all the truth.

And he said unto her, Daughter, thy faith made thee well. Go in peace, and be well of thy plague. Praise the LORD. St. Mark 5:25-29, 33+34.

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Come feast with us in the word of God. The table is set. Praise the LORD.

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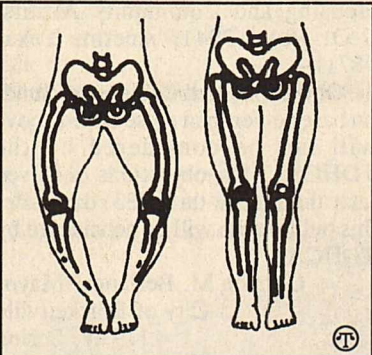
The family of Jean Faulkenberry gratefully sends their thanks for the love, support, and Christian encouragement given us as we try to adjust our lives without wife, mother, and memaw. The food, flowers, telephone calls, visits and memorials have been overwhelming. These past 8 years were among the happiest of her life and that was because of the friendships formed here. Our mother will be here with you forever, so as she attends to God's gardens and chairs His committees, we ask you watch over our Daddy as he remains an active and integral member of your community.

Tom Faulkenberry And Children,
Joyce, Thomas, Richard, Ronald
And 12 Grandchildren

Medical Milestones

New Advances In Limb Treatment

(NAPS)—What it would be like to be excluded from sports because one of your legs is shorter than the other or because you are bowlegged? Try to imagine not being able to reach shelves in a supermarket or the teller counter at the bank because you are only 3-feet-4 inches tall.



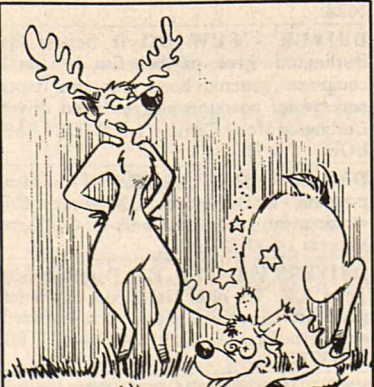
For most of us, these are realities we will never have to face. Unfortunately, until recently, help for those who do suffer these conditions was difficult to find.

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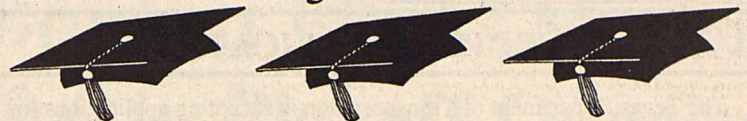
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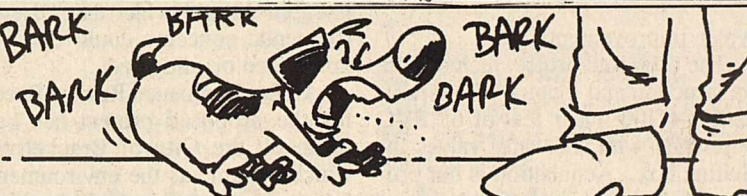
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- St. Andrews Episcopal Church: Henderson & Fort Sunday Church Service 10:30 a.m. 563-2071.
- Frontier Baptist Church (A Southern Baptist Church): Sunday Services 11:00 a.m., 6:00 p.m., Joe Townsend, Pastor, 563-2158.
- First Baptist Church (A Southern 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 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)

Thank You

To the dear people of Kinney County and Brackettville, I send my love and heartfelt thank you to all of you who have been so thoughtful and considerate of me during my illness. I have received so many beautiful cards and letters with such encouraging messages -- nearly all with a prayer on my behalf enclosed. I cherish each one of them.

I have been so touched by the generosity of this community. Many have supported me financially. How I appreciate your caring. To the members of the PTO, who sponsored a bake sale for me, and to everyone who baked a cake or bought one, I am deeply grateful to you. To everyone who has called to give me their love and encouragement, bless you. To all of you who have remembered me in anyway, I thank God for you, remembering you in my prayers. You have made a very hard time easier to bear.

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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 application. FAXED APPLICATIONS ARE ONLY ACCEPTED FROM APPLICANTS RESIDING IN ANOTHER STATE. A HARD COPY MUST BE SENT IN ADDITION TO THE FAXED APPLICATION. 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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Notice to Public of No Significant Impact on The Environment And Of Intent To Request Release Of Funds

City of Brackettville
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Brackett News
May 23, 1996

TO: All interested agencies, Groups and Persons:

Seventeen (17) days after this publication, the City of Brackettville, Texas intends to request the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) to release Federal funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-383) for Project No: 714089.

Environment Assessment Activities

Water Improvements

The proposed project includes the construction and looping of approximately 4,700 linear feet of 6" PVC water line with six water valves including box. Acquisition is not proposed in this project. Construction will take place in the following locations:

Table with 3 columns: Street, From, To. Rows include 2nd Street, Veltman, Pafford, Louise, Spring, Shеды.

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I would like to express a heartfelt 'Thank You' to all who supported me on the May 4th City Election. To show my appreciation and gratitude for your trust in me, a barbeque has been scheduled for Sunday, May 26, 1996 at Columbus Park (City Park) from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. with a D.J. playing. Thank You, /s/Tencha Pena

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Middle Rio Grande Development Council is requesting proposals from qualified Classroom Training Institutions/Schools wishing to enter into working agreements with the Middle Rio Grande Development Council to provide classroom training services for program participants from within the region.

Classroom Training Institutions/Schools interested in submitting a proposal may contact Ramon S. Johnston, Deputy Director of Administration at (210) 876-3533 for a copy of the RFP Packet. All proposals must be received by 10:00 A.M., Thursday, June 20, 1996 at the MRGDC Central Office, 307 W. Nopal Street - P.O. Box 1199, Carrizo Springs, Texas 78834.

The Middle Rio Grande Development Council is an equal opportunity employer and auxiliary aids and services may be made available upon request to individuals with disabilities. For information please contact our VOICE or TDD telephone (210) 876-3533. Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUBs) are encouraged to submit a proposal. The Middle Rio Grande Development Council reserves the right to accept and/or reject any or all proposals received and/or negotiate with all responsive firms.

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