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## Brackett High's new 900 pound addition Briefs

By Dottie Cruz Staff Writer

Last Friday the symbol for the added Hooker. Fighting Tigers was unveiled at the entrance of the new Brackett High School.

Everyone entering the South side of the school, off Fulton street will be greeted by a magnificent Tiger Statue, symbolizing the Brackett High School Spirit.

School Board Member Tim Ward, referred artist Robert Hooker to the board to do the sculpture back in the Spring of this year.

Hooker has been sculpturing for the last ten years and has been a resident of Brackettville for eight years. Most of that time he has been traveling and working in the film industry as a set artist for different motion pictures.

"Brackett has always been home and always will be my place to return to," said Hooker.

Hooker has worked on motion pictures such as, Lonesome Dove and The Gambler Series, Gunsmoke and the epic movie Texas.

"My next project, I'm working with Lori Morgan country music star; I'll be doing some art-

to come," explained Hooker.

'Concrete (Statues) I do on the side, I also work in bronze too,"

Hooker is in the process of sculpturing a life size replica of Jesus washing the feet of the Disciple Peter which is for The Life Family Church of San Antonio.

The tiger statue took from be-

"When I allow God to work through me, as I create, I give thanks for the gift God has given me and I return that gift, by using that gift." Robert Hooker

ginning to the final touches, two months to complete. And by Hooker's estimate weighs nine hundred pounds.

Hooker started off with a block of styrofoam and carved it into the shape of a tiger. Then added clay over the styrofoam and carved in School Tiger. the details of the tiger.

When the sculpturing was done on the clay, Hooker made the work for her, that's the next story mold, which started with brush-

ing on 30 coats of latex rubber.

When this was done he added fiberglass to help support the latex rubber to the styrofoam mold of the tiger.

From there cement is poured into the mold and the next day the fiberglass and rubber is removed.

"And we have a Tiger, at which time I finished the process by painting, which gave it a bronze effect," Hooker concluded.

It took a forklift provided by Davis Hardware and driven by employee Dennis Dodson and six strong men to position and mount the Tiger to the base.

The base for the Tiger was constructed by the Agriculture Department of Brackett High School.

"Mr. Schuster and the students of the Ag shop made the base and did a super job," Hooker said.

"When I allow God to work through me, as I create, I give thanks for the gift God has given me and I return that gift, by using that gift," said Hooker.

Hooker's studio is located here in Brackett and will make smaller replicas of the Brackett High

at EMS want everyone to stay

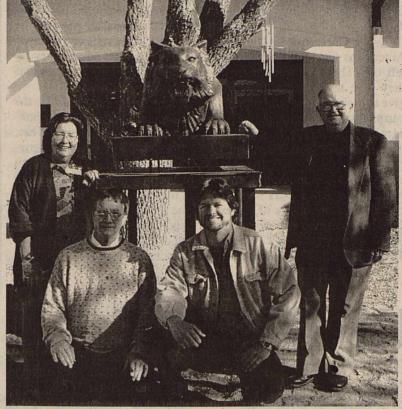
warm and wonderful moments this

On everyone's mind is Y2K and

by Carolyn Rutherford

Contributing Writer

time of year gives us.



Pictured above from left: School Board Member Rosemary Slubar, Superintendent Taylor Stephenson, Artist Robert Hooker and Brackett High School Principal Don Sims in front of the new Ti-

### Border Patrol seize 181.6 lbs of marijuana

Del Rio-U.S. Border Patrol Agents from the Eagle Pass Station seized 181.6 pounds of marijuana and apprehended three Mexican Nationals Thursday, Dec.

Agents performing linewatch around 7 p.m. approximately 1/2 mile west of the Eagle Pass Port of Entry observed three individuals carrying bundles on their backs coming out of a landing and going up a trail from the Rio Grande River.

As the agents attempted to apprehend them, they dropped their bundles and ran back toward the river. Apprehended were Jose Bernardino Leandro-Moreno, 19, Miguel Fernando Perez-Silos, 21, and Rodolfo Roger Florez-Casarez, 20. All three were born in Piedras Negras, Coahuila, Mexico, and had entered the United States illegally.

The marijuana, valued at \$145,280 and those apprehended were turned over to the Multi-Agency Drug Task Force in Eagle Pass.

### **Border Patrol Stats**

Del Rio-The following is a report of the apprehensions by Border Patrol agents assigned to the Del Rio Sector for the period December 6-12, 1999. The information is provided by station, and includes a sector total. Abilene-29; Brackettville-111; Carrizo Springs-128; Comstock-2; Del Rio-192; Eagle Pass-495; Llano-20; Rocksprings-8; San Angelo-23; Uvalde-35; Sector Total-1043. Other than Mexicans-153.

### shoulder harness. Make sure your Border Patrol seize 346.80 lbs of marijuana.

Del Rio- U.S. Border Patrol the back seat of newer vehicles Agents from the Eagle Pass Stawith airbags. When in doubt, fol-tion seized 346.80 pounds of low manufacturer's instructions. marijuana Tuesday, Dec. 14,

Agents performing linewatch • Always supervise children duties around 8:30 p.m. approximately 7 miles east of the Eagle Pass Port of Entry observed three individuals carrying heavy bags on their backs coming out of the Rio Grande River. As the agents proceeded to apprehend them, they dropped their bags and fled back to Mexico.

> The marijuana, valued at \$277,440, was turned over to the Multi-Agency Drug Task Force in

## Local 5th grader wins DAR essay

at Brackett's Jones Elementary Hornburg, Hawkins Huey, and Pat School, won the Uvalde de las McKelvy Encinas Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, 1999 essay contest entitled An Obituary For George Washington 1799-1999.

The Uvalde Chapter encompasses a large area including Del Rio, Eagle Pass, Carrizo Springs, Crystal City, Brackettville, Pearsall, and Reagan Wells as well as Uvalde. The essay will now be entered into state competition.

Contest chairman, Alice Hicks, made the announcement at the December meeting of the chapter at the home of Toni Hull in Uvalde. Following a salad luncheon the group enjoyed singing Christmas

Members from Brackettville Pictured above: Seth Frerich



Seth Frerich, 5th grade student attending were Jan Chism, Woodie



emergencies may arise.

This time of year, it's easy to Christmas lights for exposed lose track of our small children. wires. Never allow unsupervised First off, Happy Holidays to But in all the hustle and bustle of children around the tree and other everyone in Kinney County! This the season, please pay close attendecorations. Update is about the holidays, we tion to your children.

EMS Update is about the holidays

This time of year we in EMS healthy so they can enjoy all the see increases in childhood accidents, poisonings, overdoses; and most of those accidents are preventable. To refresh all parents and caretakers I've listed some extra precautions:

> The American Red Cross encourages everyone to be ready for anything, by stocking up ahead.

· Lock away all medications. Keep track of your guests' purses and luggage. Kids are curious and will explore things left around that are new or unusual.

• Place all cleaners and harsh chemicals where you can get to them, but the kids cannot. This patch, law enforcement, the Fire includes such items as rubbing Department, and EMS are ready alcohol, alcoholic beverages, and as always to handle whatever even perfume!

always using your seatbelt and relatives and friends use these restraints for your kids too. Children in restraint devices should be in

> whenever fireworks are fired off. Now, all we have to do is relax and enjoy this wonderful time of year, anticipating the exciting new century! And as Tiny Tim said in A Christmas Carol, "God bless us,

saves lives!

Everyone!" For Emergencies, Call 911. (Kinney County EMS second unit may respond with less than the TDH minimum certified person-

• Double and triple check your

• Do not use open flames

· Always use child safety re-

(candles, fireplaces) unless you

will be in the area with the child.

straints whenever you are on the

road. Set the example yourself by

Wearing seatbelts and restraints

## Santa Claus made an appearance at Community Unity

By Dottie Cruz Staff Writer

around the west side of the build-

Waiting for their chance to tell Santa Claus what they wanted for unteer Fire Department. Christmas.

employees and area businesses Nursing and Robert Garza, Attorhave sponsored the event titled Community Unity. Nothing was Casey Plumbing from Uvalde. sold, everything was available at no charge and no strings attached. Santa Claus took time out of his

Community Unity was an idea from City Manager David Luna when he was first hired. It has the money on toys and then pick grown over the years.

Last year the donations amounted to \$2100, this year it and people who donated money for the event.

"The list goes on and on, Luna.

such as Davis Hardware, The area needed. Giftbox, Ora's Place, Total Insurance, The Bank & Trust, Tully

Bud Conoly Ranch.

Clubs such as Rotary, Fort Clark Men's Golf Club, Seminole The line of children and their Indian Scouts Association. School parents started on Spring Street in and government offices donated front of City Hall, then wrapped also including, Kinney County Appraisal District, Employees of ing down Keene Street last Sun- Kinney County, Brackett Band Booster Club, Brackett Independent School District and the Vol-

There were out-of-town bene-This was the 8th year the city factors also, The Val Verde Home ney at Law from Del Rio and O.V.

busy schedule to help out.

"That's what we do, spend all next year," said Luna.

"Last year we had approxiwas \$2600. That amount reflects mately 200 toys left over, this year the Church of Christ, St. John's the impressive list of businesses we have from 120 to 150 toys left," added Luna.

City Hall was decorated right after Thanksgiving with so many there's about 500 people," said lights that except for the spotlights that illuminated the Christmas The list include area businesses Carolers it was the only light the service provided by M&J Dj Mu-

> Santa Claus listened to each child's request and afterwards in- being given out, children and

was based on the child's age.

Of course if Santa Claus had selected a toy the child didn't like, they could go to one of Santa's helpers and exchanged it. Santa's helpers looked real fa-

miliar. That's because they were all city employees.

The backup helpers were elected officials, Councilwomen Mary Flores and Martha MacDonald along with Councilmen Ralph Gonzales and Tomas Gomez stood up front and helped the line to keep moving.

Mayor Carmen Berlanga was Even from the North Pole, helping with the booths. Police Chief Ron Ring and Judge Gil Raymer were present and helped hand out presents.

Different choirs took turns singup where we left off and do it again ing Christmas Carols for the

Among them were choirs from Missionary Church, Gateway Ministry, St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church.

When the Carolers took a break from entertaining the crowd, a DJ played the top 10 Christmas hits,

There were more than just toys

marshmallows.

The Lions Club provided marshmallows and the fire to roast them, Las Moras Hispanic Club

candy, cookies and even roasted way Ministries and Jones Elementary gave out cookies and the volunteer fire department gave out candy canes.

It was a night to remember and provided cookies and hot choco- an event that brought the commulate, EMS had cookies and a free nity together in the spirit in which blood pressure check, City Hall it was given. Have a Merry Christemployees gave out hotdogs, Gate- mas and a Happy New Year.



Shahan, Attorney at Law, Fort structed one of his helpers to give grown-ups could walk along a row Pictured with Santa Claus Patrick Gass (left) and Amber Castilla Clark Springs Association and the child a toy, recommendation of booths and be given hotdogs, (right) at the Sunday evening Christmas Community Unity.

### INSIDE

The way I see it

I was asked once, by someone who obviously didn't know me very well, if I had an opinion on whatever subject was being discussed, and the rest of the people in the room, who obviously did know me well, almost died laugh-

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Deer Crossing

Motor vehicle collisions with deer are increasing as deer movement across roads increases. Motorists should be alert for deer on both rural roads and in urban areas especially during the holiday season as more people get on the

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■ Making a difference We have a community spirit that makes you want to be a part of life here.

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## "Dear Santa: North Pole"

Submitted by U.S. Rep. Henry Bonilla

write a letter to Santa every year. I would usually ask for a toy gun, a football, or some new game. I how times have changed.

me privately that she was taking Turkey. no chances on the mail room at

the store to sit on Santa's knee, partments across the nation take generosity we see around the holithere's a good chance your "Santa" part in toy drives every year, dis-Representative" was hired from a tributing them to poor families company whose whole job is to right before Christmas. The young ernment oversight, caring Amerisupply Santas who are guaranteed men and women of the U.S. Ma- cans are doing their best to see to have had drug tests and back- rine Corps spend hours in shop- that the 20 million or so children ground checks.

way past dark, trying to see Tots" program. The Salvation of America. Santa's sleigh. Now the local TV

When I was a boy, I would exactly what his coordinates are.

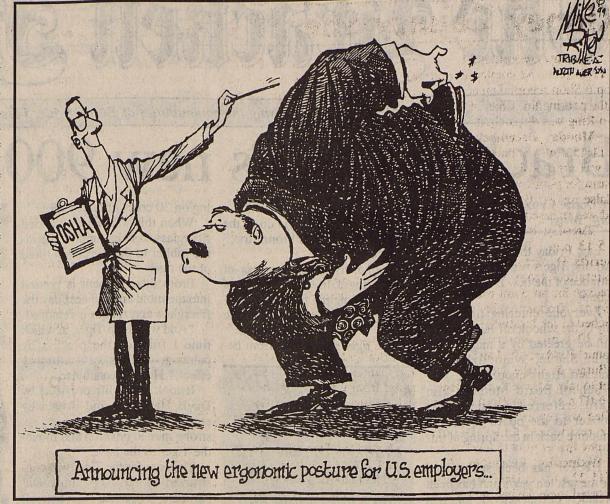
Still, no matter how much Christmas has changed, the spirit of it is as alive as it was back in little bags of gold down the chim-

wrote her letter to Santa, then left off. They give to churches, faxed copies to her grandparents. they give to charities, and they When you take your child to give to their neighbors. Police deping malls and outside of stores, in the United States will receive a And gone are the days of sim-standing ready to take donations Christmas present. That is the ply staring out the window until of toys as part of their "Toys for spirit of Christmas, and the spirit

station breaks in with hourly re- Army places Angel Trees in evports, and on Christmas Eve you ery corner and kettles on every can log on to the Internet to see sidewalk. And Project ABC matches families with other families who have children with expensive medical problems. The sponsoring families go out and buy would address it to "Santa: North the fourth century when Saint gifts for the families they've Pole" and send it on its way. Oh, Nicholas was supposedly tossing adopted, as well as everyday things like pots and pans or canned A friend's granddaughter told neys of the poor in what's now food. Then, a couple of weeks before Christmas, the presents are Every Christmas, millions of delivered. Hundreds of thousands the North Pole this year. She Americans step in where St. Nick of families across our country repeat their own similar traditions

> The amazing thing about the days is that somehow, every year, without rules, regulations, or gov-

These tax cuts were possible



## Tax-cut priorities The most Holy of all days

Submitted by **Kay Bailey Hutchinson** 

visit my money. "-Bob Hope.

working taxpayers.

Other significant tax-reduction long-term care to elderly family provisions of the bill included: members.

Big Mama Sez!

•Phasing out the death tax, which is critical to maintaining our fam- because the federal budget is exily farms, ranches and small busi- pected to show a \$3 trillion surwhat I thought was a fair and bal- counts. This would benefit in parimprovement for America's hard- workforce after raising children. view as critical. The first and most tirement Accounts to \$5000 from important of those was elimina- \$2000. • Providing additional per-

"I always like to go to Wash- nesses. • Allowing those over age plus over the next 10 years. Conington. It gives me a chance to 50 to make catchup payments to gress had devoted 75 cents of each pension plans, such as 401 (k)s, surplus dollar to protect Social Last summer Congress passed and Individual Retirement Ac- Security and Medicare, pay down the national debt and fund national anced tax relief bill, a definite ticular, women who return to the defense and education priorities. The remaining 25 cents of each • Increasing the maximum allow- surplus dollar would be returned It included some elements I able contribution to Individual Re- to the taxpayers who sent it to Washington.

Sadly, the President vetoed this tion of the marriage tax penalty. sonal exemptions to those giving bill and insisted on maintaining the status quo. This means that next year we will resume the fight to and other counterproductive taxes,

In fact, lowering taxes will be the focus of even more strenuous efforts in 2000. And eliminating the marriage tax penalty will still be at the top of my tax-relief agenda. Abolishing this tax alone key Day and Xmas. would save Texans an estimated

I also believe it is important for Congress to provide broad-based on the agenda would come a 10 to ease the burden on all Ameri-

Two other areas of tax relief priorities, as well: reducing the inheritance and capital gains taxes. The bill President Clinton vetoed would have phased out and finally repealed the inheritance, or death tax. While it generates only 1 percent of all federal tax receipts, that revenue is offset by administrative costs and receipts lost from payroll and other taxes that disappear when small businesses are destroyed by the tax and jobs are lost after a death in the family.

The capital gains tax is a bad idea as well, are: Americans pay taxes on their salaries or incomes. If they have anything left to save and invest, they are taxed at a rate as high as 20 percent on what their savings have earned. Capital gains taxes discourage the creation of new businesses and get in the way of the growth of existing enterprises. They are a drain on America's economic vitality.

This has been a brief overview of my tax-cut priorities. I would like to know what Texans think should be changed or eliminated. Please write my office with your comments and suggestions.

Our address is: Senator Kay Bailey Hutchinson - 284 Russell Senate Office Building - Washington, D.C. 20510. Attention: Tax Cuts.

We want to wish each and everyone of you a Merry, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

> Love, Chapo & Henry

As you may have noticed by now, if you read my feeble attempts at writing, I am a very opinionated, extremely conservative individual. I was asked once, know me very well, if I had an opinion on whatever subject was being discussed, and the rest of the people in the room, who obviously did know me well, almost died laughing. I was once told that in the world of conservatism I am about 2 steps to the right of Attila the Hun. I am rather proud of that do away with the tax on marriage, analogy. So it won't come as any herald, announcing the arrival of great shock to most of you to find the King. that I have a definite aversion to the misrepresentation or commer-

The way I see it!

by Steven R. LaMascus

of the Savior of the World from Jews, knowing from the prophtax relief for all taxpayers, so next the description of the most holy esies that the Messiah must be resof holidays (the root for holidays urrected, and thinking that the disan ex-mas. Now if we can just fig-

ure out what a mas is we've got it

religious. I hate Fourth of July

begin His real work on earth. wilderness, make straight the path for the Lord," Jesus knew that the

In the three years that He performed miracles, healed the sick cialization of anything patriotic or and lame, and preached the New Covenant, Jesus was constantly sales, Thanksgiving sales, Christ- derided by the vast majority of the placed guards on the tomb.

Three days later the tomb was as Xmas. again empty. No one could ex-

Christmas is arguably the most plain the sudden disappearance – holy of all days. This Christmas except His disciples, of course, is the celebration of over 20 cen- and even they had trouble believturies of Christianity. Jesus of ing the truth. Thomas refused to Nazareth was born sometime believe it until he had touched the around 3 or 4 BC; no one is abso- wounds in Jesus' hands and side. lutely sure of the year of His birth. The leaders of the Jewish Temple He lived just over 33 years. For bribed the soldiers who had been by someone who obviously didn't the first thirty years of His life He assigned to guard the grave to say lived as a man, a carpenter. He that the body had been stolen waited patiently for the word from while they were asleep. These His father, God, that He should were the same soldiers who had been assigned there to prevent that When John the Baptist began his very thing. In fact the body had work as "a voice calling in the not been stolen; it had been resurrected from the dead by God.

It is now 2000 years later and time had arrived. John was the that small core-group of 12 disciples has grown to over a billion. The birth of Christ the Savior, His following death on the cross, and His resurrection and ascension to the right hand of God are the very essence of the Christian faith. The glory of God is at stake here and mas sales. I hate the terms Tur- Jews. When He began His minis- it angers me greatly when I see try He formed a core of devoted the sacrilegious non-word Xmas. What is Xmas anyway? I believers. When He was crucified It is defamation and belittlement \$1 billion over the next three looked it up in my thesaurus and the Jews thought their troubles of the greatest event in human hisit wasn't there. What does it were over. Jesus was buried in a tory to call this holy day Xmas. It mean? It simply removes the name borrowed tomb. The leaders of the is Christmas, the day we celebrate the birth of Christ, The Messiah, The Savior, Jesus of Nazareth. Immanuel. It is celebration of the percent, across-the-board tax cut being holy days). Xmas? Maybe ciples might try to steal the body day the earth was offered salvait is a has-been mas? You know, and claim it was resurrected, tion. Please do not desecrate that day by referring to December 25th

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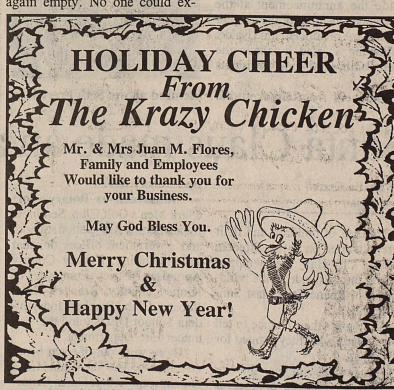
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### Kinney County Sheriff's Report ...

Sunday, December 11 in the parking lot. Chief of Police Ranch. Owner was contacted.

Ron Ring was dispatched. Monday, December 12 36 was arrested by Deputy Karl Chism for public intoxication and

and was released the next day. Tuesday, December 14 5:13 p.m., Edwards County Sheriffs Department requested Hwy 55. Trooper Ashley was dis- tos and notified animal control.

patched to the location. sent to take care of the accident.

her residence. Chief Deputy noon. Johnny Fritter went to investigate.

Wednesday, December 15 reported someone had stolen a 35 Sunday.

4:00 p.m., EMS reported a local resident attempted, twice, to intentionally hit the ambulance. Chief Deputy Fritter was advised.

6:05 p.m., Frankie Lumbreras, 34, from Del Rio was arrested by Trooper Lozano for three outstanding DPS warrants. Lumbreras was still being held in the daughter had allegedly eloped the Kinney County Jail, as of last with her 18 year old boyfriend. Tuesday afternoon.

Thursday, December 16

help. Police Chief Ron Ring went to the location.

8:45 a.m., A woman reported a family disturbance at her parents apartment. The brother was causing the disturbance with his sister over the care of their Mother. Police Chief Ron Ring spoke with both of them and the brother left the premises.

2:32 p.m., A traveler reported a report. in person that a gray Ford Pick up situation.

close to the York Ranch. Unit 4 drunk and hadn't slept... 12:07 p.m., An employee from reported the six goats on the East Stop n Shop reported an accident side were closer to the Flores

Friday, December 17

7:30 a.m., A local woman 11:15 a.m., Kenneth S. Ford, called and reported, that Friday morning, 12 dogs were in her yard and had killed her son's pet goat. a false report. Ford posted bond She spoke to City Manager David Luna about the situation.

7:48 a.m., Chief of Police Ron Ring went to the residence where earlier a pack of dogs allegedly assistance from DPS and a killed her son's pet goat. Ring wrecker for an Semi-rollover on checked out the area and took pho-

10:45 a.m., Juan E. Chicas, 28 5:20 p.m., Reserve Deputy from Mexico was arrested by the Manuel Pena reported an accident U.S. Border Patrol Agents Garrett at Burger & Shake. Unit 205 was and Garcia and charged as a Fugitive from California. Chicas is 6:07 p.m., A Spofford resident still being held at the Kinney called and reported a burglary at County Jail as of Tuesday after-

Saturday, December 18

12:02 a.m., A local woman 11:22 a.m., A Del Rio resident called and reported an abandoned vehicle on Fulton and Beaumont. caliber lever action deer rifle from Deputy Chism informed the his truck sometime Saturday or owner. He knew where his vehicle was because the A-Frame had broken and said he would take care of it the next morning.

1:10 a.m., The Border Patrol checkpoint advised the Sheriffs department that a woman called them and requested they detain her 16 year old daughter if she came through the checkpoint. Because

8:50 a.m., Travis Delbert Hoerman, 52, from Pleasanton 8:44 a.m., A local resident re- was arrested by Trooper Slubar for ported he was having a domestic DWI 1st offense. Hoerman posted problem with his son and needed bond on the 21st and was released.

9:20 a.m., A woman called and reported that someone had hit her car. Chief of Police Ron Ring went to the scene.

ported that his sister and her hus- ting a deer and it was wounded. band were arguing and he was May need to be put out of his misconcerned for her well being. Deputy Guidry and Chief of Police went to their residence on Fort couldn't find the wounded deer. Clark and spoke with the couple. The husband spent the night in Del Rio with his parents.

2:00 p.m., A local woman called and reported that someone Bobby Guidry searched the area Uvalde.

but didn't find anything else. 12:48 p.m., A local man re- 7:17 p.m., A woman reported hitery. Game Warden Henry Lutz was called in. He reported he

Monday, December 19

5:15 a.m., Border Patrol Checkpoint requested assistance from DPS to come to the checkpoint because they were holding had found a checkbook on West two intoxicated individuals. Dis-Fulton. There was one check miss- patcher called the checkpoint back ing. Also missing was a piano key- to let them know the Trooper was board, brand name unknown and on his way and reported back the color of black and white. Chief of individuals had gotten away and Police Ron Ring and Deputy crossed the county line into

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Elena, Danny & Elidia Molinar 8 years old on December 23rd.

From Brother Tony, Sister Tanya & Parents Tony & Elena Molinar.

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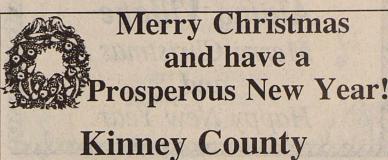
at Christmas and throughout

the new year.

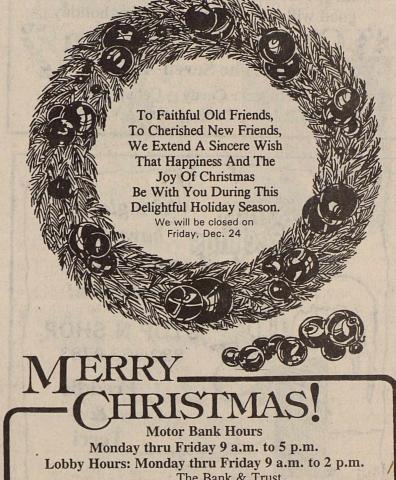
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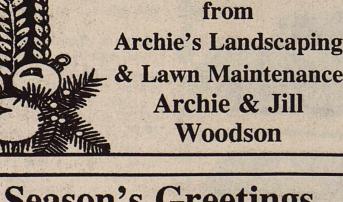


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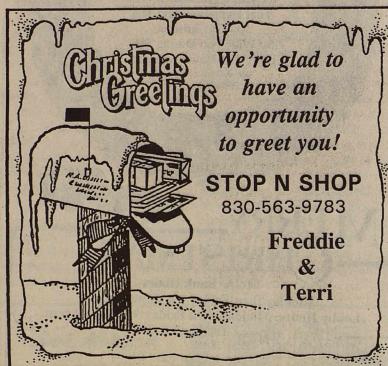
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## Have you seen a Javelina lately?

Gunsmoke and Campfires by Steven R. LaMascus

When I first moved to this area in 1969 javelinas were common I hunted on a ranch near Cline and desert pigs and became intimately in spite of their fearsome reputation and awesome dentition they hamster. The poor little creatures with a rifle. I have never personally shot a javelina while hunting. They are just too tame and too easy a target. I wouldn't mind hunting it was because of their absence. them somewhere they were exthe problem.

that there is no way to track whether or not a hunter has killed one or twenty. This coupled with the fact that javelina are herd ani-

numerous times of someone who shot eight or ten javelinas from a single group. I have also seen lots of the little pigs lying in the ditch nearly every time I went there I where someone had thrown them saw javelina. I loved the little after deciding they didn't want to mess with cleaning or skinning familiar with them. I learned that them. This causes me grief and frustration. It has also decimated the local population of javelina. I are about as dangerous as a pet have not seen a javelina in the wild in Kinney County in many years. are nearly blind, not very bright, The places where they were once and not extremely sporting to hunt common are now devoid of the animals and their little pointy-toed tracks are conspicuously absent. I am sad and the brush is less than

There is a solution to this probtremely numerous, but I would lem, however. I suggest that the only do so with a bow or maybe a Texas Parks and Wildlife Departhandgun. With a modern high- ment quit depending on the quespowered rifle they are about as tionable honor of the average challenging as hunting tortoises hunter to kill no more that two per with greyhounds, and therein lies year. Instead, just add the javelina to the list of game animals for The limit on javelina is two per which a tag is needed. Set the limit year. However, there is no tag on at one per year. There is no need the license for them, as there are for anyone to kill more than that for deer and turkeys. This means and the tags would help keep the public honest. If there is a real need for population control in a particular area additional tags can crossed the road. be issued to the landowner. It is mals and tend to mill around when simply ridiculous for the State to shot at, allows unscrupulous hunt- set a limit on javelina and then give

ers to shoot a whole herd if the their law enforcement officers no desire strikes them. I have heard way to enforce the limit. It is like nor a predator, nor a varmint. telling us that we can drive only fifty miles an hour and then refusing to give the Highway Patrol radar or speedometers in their cars. Then they have to depend on John Q. Public to keep his speed within legal limits. Well let me tell you, it ain't gonna happen!

The javelina is not a fur-bearer, Neither is he a pig. He is a peccary. Our version is the collared peccary. He is a valuable citizen of the brush and desert of South Texas and as such he deserves the status and protection of any other game animal. Let's give him that protection before it is too late.

### Be alert for deer on the highway

A little on the Wildlife side by Henry Lutz

Once again it is time for the annual warning to motorists to deer movement across roads increases. Motorists should be alert for deer on both rural roads and in urban areas especially during the holiday season as more people get on the roads.

Deer often move and feed in groups. If a motorist sees one deer, they should be alert for others nearby that may not have appeared yet. It is a good idea to look in the direction the deer came from and not focus on the deer that's already

their direction or stop abruptly when approached by a fast moving vehicle.

During the breeding season, bucks chasing does are distracted

and can become victims of collisions because their natural defense mechanisms that might alert them to danger don't kick in.

It is against the law to pick up watch for deer. Motor vehicle col- or possess the carcass of a deer or lisions with deer are increasing as other game animal that was hit by a vehicle on a public road.

I want to end this column with a joke about hunters that was sent to me by email:

Two hunters were dragging their dead deer, by the legs, back to their truck. Another deer hunter approached pulling his along too. The lone hunter said to the pair "Hey, I don't want to tell you how to do something....but I can tell you that it's much easier if you drag the deer in the other direction. Then the antlers won't dig Deer blinded by headlights at into the ground." After the lone night do not react as they normally hunter left, the 2 decided to try it. would during the day. It is not A little while later one hunter said uncommon for deer to reverse to the other, "You know, that guy was right. This is a lot easier!" The other added, "Yeah, but we're getting farther away from the truck!"

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## Christmas in Brackettville, 1999!

Making a Difference by Taylor Stephenson

to keep that love of community tions of Christmas present. uppermost in our minds as we move to the new millennium.

The Community Unity celebration sponsored by the City of Brackettville is a grand example. David Luna, city employees and Submitted by board members did a great job decorating the grounds with happy Christmas lights. There was Santa, and he was a busy man handing out gifts to the children of Brackettville. The choirs sang Christcookies. The civic organizations mance. of Brackettville helped make this grand event a success. Thanks to Brackett High School, was voted F.F.A. and plans to participate in the City of Brackettville for con- as an All-State Honorable Men- track before graduating in May of tinuing a community building tion Defensive Lineman. Steven 2000. He plans to attend college

evening. Missouri and California. There's no place like home for the holi-

### Life and times of Judge Roy Bean

by Ella Chambers Contributing Writer

Rotarians were given an enjoyable history lesson by Ms. Lee Lincoln of the Whitehead Museum on Thursday, December 16, 1999 at their regularly scheduled lun-

Ms. Lincoln had chosen the life of Roy Bean as her "lesson" for the day.

The luncheon ended about twenty minutes later than usual only because most of those in attendance had meetings to attend and a job that needed to be attended to that afternoon. Ms. Lincoln kept her audience totally captivated with her candor and knowledge of Judge Roy Bean's life.

She began with his birth in Kentucky into a very poor household. Told how he and other brothers had left home at early ages to earn a living in California where another brother had migrated to

Roy seemed to have developed a fondness for beautiful women at an early age. This would cause him to leave California and several other places he lived for short periods before settling in San Antonio where he married and had several children, but again he had some circumstances that would compel him to leave San Antonio and eventually settle in Langtry where he became the very colorful and historic Law West of the

Ms. Lincoln brought some of the historical documents and pictures the Whitehead Museum has secured relating to Judge Roy Bean.

She touched briefly on the Lily Langtry period of Judge Bean's life, dispelled some myths and affirmed other facts in the ongoing research that she is involved in.

Why he finally lived in Del Rio where he was buried along with one of his two sons, why his burial site was moved to the museum grounds and the route some of the displays have taken before finding a home at the Whitehead museum.



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days. For many years, I taught in lived in San Antonio and Midland. same spirit will dominate our com-1999! For those who are here for ing in my heart as I drove home to live in the best place in the world the last Christmas of the 1900s, on Christmas Eve. Seems as if I to raise kids and to enjoy life. To you know it is a special place to would hear, "I'll be Home for do this, we all need to remember be. There is a warmth about the Christmas" being sung as I bal- that we're team players in this folks who live here that most com- anced emotions between the tears community. What one does has an munities do not have. If you have of coming home to the joyful effect on all of us. We have our been lucky enough to live in Kin-smiles of seeing my family. By the share of the problems, but with a ney County, you have already ex- time I reached San Antonio, I too team spirit, no problem is insurperienced this warmth which I'll was singing the carols of Christ-mountable. call "community." We have a community at the top of my voice. So, munity spirit that makes you want it's a time for memories of Christto be a part of life here. We need mas past as well as the celebra-

The moon on December 22 is scheduled to be the brightest in 133 years. I write this before that date; so I can't verify that one. It mas.

What will Christmas future be will be fun to watch the moon in New Mexico while my family like in Brackettville? I predict the all of its splendor announce the Winter Solstice. Our community Christmas in Brackettville, I can remember that special feel- munity and that we will continue has been decorated to the hilt! Take the time to check out the array of lights from folks who share their Christmas Spirit.

Merry Christmas. Have a grand week. I'll close with an old Irish Blessing that has been copied from an Internet Site, Heartwarmer4u: May peace and plenty be the

To lift the latch on your door, And happiness be guided to your home by the candle of Christ-

## Merry Christmas Happy New Year With Special Thanks To All My Customers & Friends Hair By Diane Diane & Brandi Wilson

### Hagler All-State honorable mention

Bo Hagler

The Class 2A All-State high school football team was released and one of the Brackett Fighting Tigers has made the elite team. mas carols that lifted our spirits. I The team is voted on by The Aswas delighted to find roasted hot sociated Press Sports Editors served as a team captain this year. dogs, marshmallows and lots of based on regular season perfor-

It will be nice to be home for Most Valuable Defensive Player in career. Christmas. My children and the District 30-AA and made the grandsons are coming in from District 30-AA First Team offen- and Mrs. Rick Hagler.

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sive lineup. Steven is an All-Southwest Texas State recipient and last year received first team all-district honors on offense and defense as well as the 1998 Male Athlete for Brackett I.S.D.

Hagler has been a member of the Tigers for the past 4 years and

Steven is currently a member of the Brackett Tiger basketball Steven Hagler, Senior at team, National Honor Society, was also recently elected as The in the fall and pursue his football

Steven's proud parents are Mr.

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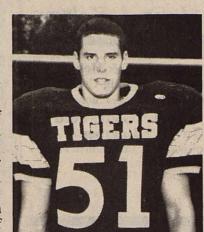
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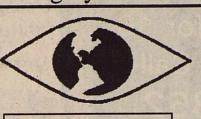
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Pictured above: #51 Steven Hagler, Captain of the Tigers Football Team and recipient of numerous athlete honors.

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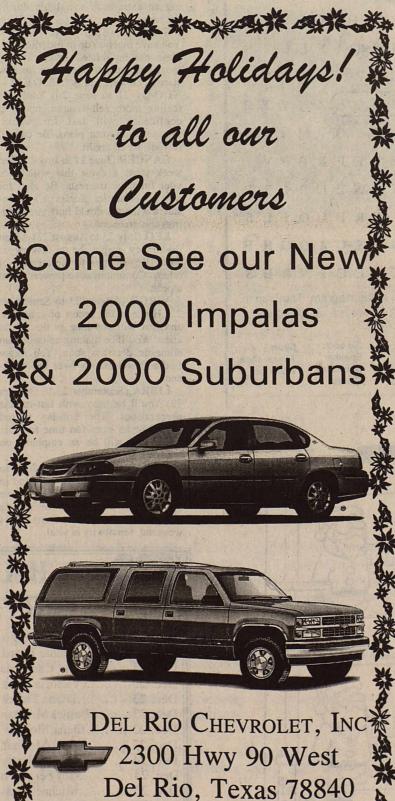
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Your Horoscope by Natasha ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A co-worker might be touchy. Stay on top of assignments. You'll be enjoy-

ing an extra-busy social life during the holidays.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You have much to do in order to complete holiday-related tasks. Tie up loose ends, and then prepare for new starts. The weekend is fun! GEMI-NI (May 21 to June 20) You'll be feeling more self-assured, and that confidence will last for weeks. Proceed with your plans. Be careful

in your use of credit. CANCER (June 21 to July 22) The week starts a cycle that will favor your financial interests. Be alert for new opportunities. Someone's inconsiderate remark could hurt your feel-

ings this weekend. LEO (July 23 to August 22) Adroit diplomacy might be necessary at work. Be sensitive to the feelings of others. Communicative powers are at

a peak. VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Home is the center of activities, and that will continue in the weeks ahead. You'll be making an important domestic decision soon. You might find a friend moody over the weekend.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You'll be busy with last-minute preparations. The holiday period should be an extra-fun time for you. There also will be an emphasis on romance.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) You begin a period in which you'll be especially productive on the job. You'll also be getting recognition for your efforts. This weekend, sensitivity is vital.



SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Partnership interests will be emphasized in the weeks ahead. You'll be reaching an important agreement. This weekend, have holiday fun without going overboard.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Guard against making insensitive remarks. Let others know you're serious and dependable. The coming weeks will bring financial opportunities. AQUARIUS (January 20 to

February 18) Good news might come

from an adviser. At home, a loved one needs extra consideration. The coming weeks will bring you more than one travel opportunity. PISCES (February 19 to March 20 You'll be making connections that will prove helpful to you in business,

now and in the coming weeks. This

weekend, guard against self-indulgence and overspending.
YOU BORN THIS WEEK are able to communicate your ideas efficiently. You have a strong sense of responsibility and high ideals. You are also a champion of other people's rights. Developing tact would ease your path.

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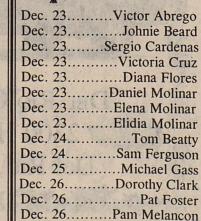
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## RELIGION

Gateway Ministries by Pastor Charolette Corev

The Gift was placed at the tree. Giver had sought the finest, the break his gift was never received, purest, the most expensive gift of never opened, never enjoyed by the his gift and open it to see the all, because his love was so deep one he loved so dearly. for the one he was offering it to.

package. Every facet of the gift thinking, with hardened heart, selected was to bring joy, beauty, even swearing. Didn't the person success and long life to the per- realize that he had sold all he had son it was selected for. He had to to purchase it! It was non-return- life through receiving Jesus Christ sell all he had to purchase The able. It was a done deal. It was a Gift, but it was worth it because contract that was forever settled. he pictured the joy and freedom it Because of the law, he could not would bring. He pictured the em- go back and say, "I'm sorry, I brace he would receive when The made a mistake. The person didn't Gift was received. With pride and eagerness he extended his arms with The Gift. He had endured everything to purchase it and now arrangement that was made" here it was, all ready.

Tears began to fall from his face

You must give back to me the faith, rest in hope, walk in love. price I paid. You must undo the

The pain and agony The Giver

Standing there, waiting, wait- suffered could never be touched ing for the person to receive and by the hand of a doctor. Yet, he open his gift, he waited breathless still loved the person. He left The for the person to receive it, but to Gift for the person, hoping one It was wrapped with Love. The The Giver's surprise and heart- day, any day before the person died, that the person would receive beauty of what he had bought.

Only you can write the end of Nothing but goodness filled the as the person walked away, un- this story because The Gift began wrapped in swaddling or strips of cloth, lying in a manger. The price was his life. The Gift is eternal

as your Lord and Savior. Receive The Gift today. It is the best Christmas present of all and it is free to those who believe. It will bring peace and good will to you. Merry Christmas!!! Stand in

## How great His love is toward you

Mary Magdalene Catholic Church information. by Lynn McNew

Over the last six months or so that I have been writing this col-technology, umn, I have had many people tell me that something I have written entist. really touched them. I'm glad this is so-my purpose has always been to express my own thoughts and feelings and in the process to possibly awaken some thoughts and feelings in others.

So today, I want to send you my Christmas greeting.

If our greatest need had been

God would have sent us an edu-

If our greatest need had been God would have sent us an

economist. If our greatest need had been

pleasure,

tertainer. But our greatest need was for-

So God sent us a Saviour.

This Christmas may you see If our greatest need had been and know anew just how great His love is toward you! Please spend God would have sent us a sci- some time during this busy week to read Luke's gospel story of Christ's birth, preferably aloud with the rest of your family.

You are welcome to worship with us anytime at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church. There will be Midnight Mass on God would have sent us an en- Christmas Eve. Merry Christmas and God Bless You!

### Only you can write the end of this story Luke 2:8-14

St. John's Missionary Church by Rev. William P. Adams

And there were in the same country Shepherds abiding in the field, Keeping watch over their flock by night.

And, Lo an Angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them; and they were sore

And the Angel said unto them. Fear not; for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a savior, who is Christ the Lord.

And this shall be a sign unto you; ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the Angel a multitude of the heavenly host, Praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest,

and on earth peace, good will toward men.

St. Luke 2:8-14. Praise the Lord.

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### Molly Ardrey

Molly Ardrey, 63, passed away Thursday, December 16, 1999 at her home. She was born June 19, 1936 in Huntington, West Vir-

She lived in Marion, Ohio where she graduated from high school. She attended the University of Florida and was member of Chi Omega. She was also a performer in The Cypress Gardens Water Ski Show.

She then left Florida with her sister Dolly and went to New York G. C. Talamantez City, as The Ardrey Sisters Singing and Dance Act.

part of The June Taylor Dancers, 21, 1999 in Uvalde. opening for Jackie Gleason, Dean Martin, and Jerry Lewis and ap- 1907 in Brackettville. He is surpeared on the Ed Sullivan Show. vived by his wife of 71 years,

Manhattan, New York.

Fort Clark Springs, a member of the Kinney County Appraisal Filimon and wife Lily Talamantez Board for two terms and attended of Pecos and Henry and wife Pam St. Andrews Church.

and wife Carol Kaplan of Corpus Connie Freeman both of Brackett-Christi; Seth and wife Molly Earl ville, Andrea Davalos and hus-Kaplan of Brackettville. Grand- band Frank of San Antonio and daughters Hannah and Rachel of Sylvia Skipper of Las Vegas, Ne-Corpus Christi. Sister Sally vada. He is also survived by 5 Magdalene Catholic Church today Ardrey of Venice, Florida. generations of children and grand- at 6 pm, Rosary will follow at 7. Nephew Brady Fitzgerald of Jacksonville, Florida and her Aunt Fran Randell of Brackettville. She sioner for 33 years. He also took Magdalene Catholic Church, was preceded in death by her par- over his Father's shearing crew for ents Mable and Wren Ardrey.

Services were held at the St. Andrews Episcopal Church last Saturday, December 18th.

### Sharon Toft Trant

Sharon Toft Trant, 68, of Brackettville, Texas passed away Monday, December 20, 1999 in Nix Hospital, San Antonio.

She was born April 21, 1931 on the Toft Ranch in Brackettville. Survivors son: Robert Lee Trant, Jr. and wife Debbie, Brackettville. Daughter: Kimberly Trant Ilse & husband, Dudley, of Uvalde. Grandchildren: Derek & Brandon Hale, Uvalde; Ashley Ilse, Uvalde. Sister: Janice Mendive & husband, Larry of Arlington. Several nieces and nephews. Preceded in death by her husband, Robert Lee Trant, Sr.; and parents, Harold & Wilhemenia Toft.

Memorials may be made to St. Andrews Episcopal Church or the

charity of your choice. Services were held last Wednesday, at St. Andrews Episcopal Church.

### Eleonora Frerich Eleonora M. Frerich, 89, of

Brackettville, Texas passed away Sunday, December 19, 1999 in Uvalde Memorial Hospital.

She was born May 5, 1910 in New Braunfels, Texas. Survivors are her son, Jack Frerich & wife Catholic Church. Gladys of Brackettville. Grand-Kincade & husband Tim of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Great-

G. C. Talamantez, age 92, Their career included being a passed away Tuesday, December

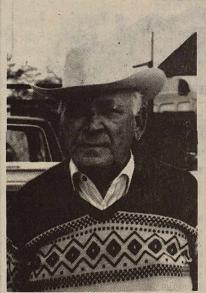
G.C. was born January 12, She and Harvey Kaplan were Elena S. Talamantez and eight married November 28, 1960 in children. Sons: John and wife Mary Jane Talamantez of Brackett-Molly was a board member of ville; Richard and wife Lydia Talamantez of San Antonio; Talamantez of Abbott, Texas. Survivors include: Sons Kevin Daughters: Sue Freeman and children.

G.C. was County Commisthe same amount of time.

grandchild, Daylon Miller of Oklahoma City. Numerous nieces, nephews and cousins also survive. Preceded in death by her husband Leonard Frerich & son James Frerich.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at St. Mary Magdalene

Pallbearers were Charles children, Charles Michael Frerich Michael Frerich, Tim Kincade, of Brackettville, & Bonnie Marie James Voss, Tony Frerich, Raymond Frerich & John Frerich.



### G. C. Talamantez

Visitation will be at St. Mary Funeral services will be Friday, December 24th, 2 pm, at St. Mary burial will follow at Brackettville

### Thank-You

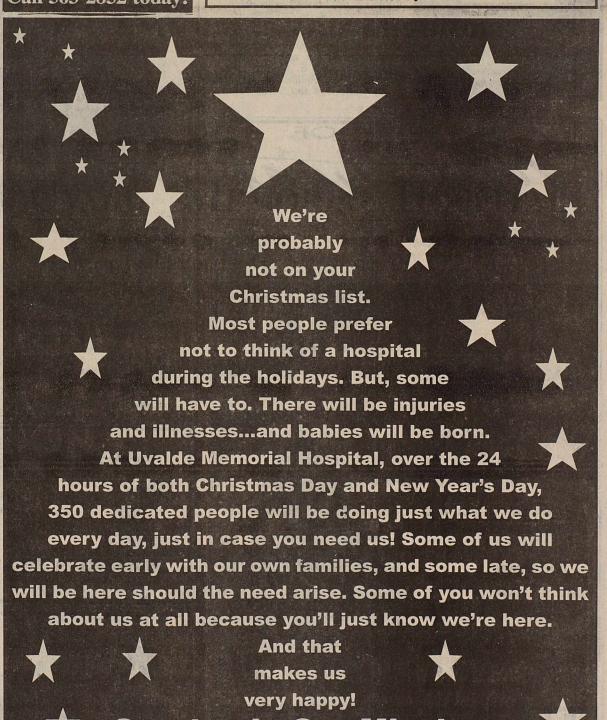
Saturday the 18th of December the Las Moras Hispanic Organization delivered sixty-one Christmas Baskets to citizens of Brackettville and Spofford.

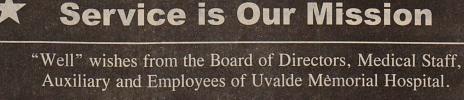
We would like to thank the following Organizations and the individuals who made this possible. Ft. Clark Men's Golf Club, Ann Malin, Bob and Joyce Williams, Kinney County Chamber of Commerce, Brackett Border Patrol Welfare and Recreation Assn., Seminole Indian Scouts Assn., Dick and Norma Reivitt, Betty B. Schlatterer, Fort Clark Arts Club, Newell and Jo Ann Mayberry, Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, Rotary Club, and Brackett ISD.

The Las Moras Hispanic Organization is very appreciative of all who contributed to this program

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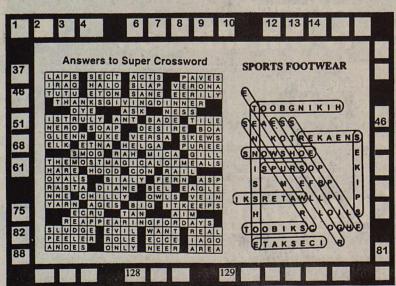
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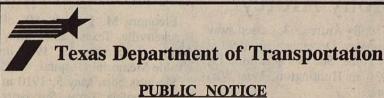
The residence of the Independent Administratrix is 110 Fort Street, Brackettville, Kinney County, Texas; the post office address is: Dimple Henry c/o: Tully Shahan, Attorney at Law, Post Office Box 367, Brackettville, Texas, 78832-0367.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the man-

ner prescribed by law.
Dated the 20th day of December, 1999. Tully Shahan, Attorney at Law, Post Office Box 367, 401 South Ann, Brackettville, Texas 78832. Telephone: 830/563-2462. Facsimile: 830/563-9240. By: Tully Shahan, Attorney for the Estate, State Bar No.18087500.

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