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BRACKETTVILLE, TEXAS

## LOCAL MURDER UNSOLVED



### THE SHERIFF'S CORNER

By Norman H. Hooten, Sheriff

Violence erupted in Kinney County this past week. One homicide and two shooting incidents are being investigated at this time.

The homicide was a brutal act committed on the person of an unidentified Mexican National. His body was found in the bathroom of an apartment in the old Hilltop Motel on Highway 90 near the intersection of Highway 131 on the East side of town.

The man had been bound with approx. 40 feet of 3/4 inch rope, hands and feet tied behind his back with the rope wound around his neck and tied back to his feet. An autopsy performed by the Bexar County Medical Examiners Office determined the cause of death as strangulation and it is believed the man died a slow, painful death perhaps as long as 24 hours after being tied up and left by his attackers.

Two unidentified companions, both Mexican Nationals, are prime suspects in the case. I am being assisted in the investigation by Texas ranger Tol Dawson of Del Rio. All available efforts are being made to identify the victim so that next of kin can be notified. This case is extremely difficult in that the identity of the victim as well as the suspects is unknown. It is believed from

the few facts known at this time that the assault occurred Tuesday night, November 27th.

The first of two shooting incidents occurred on Highway 1572 East of Spofford Saturday night, Dec. 1st, when a Westbound Southern Pacific train reported that it had been fired upon several times as it passed mile post 328 on the railroad. Incorrect information as to the direction from which the shots were fired confused the investigation and we were unable to locate any suspects that night.

The following morning at approx. 9.45 a.m. an eastbound train was fired upon in the same area and a brakeman riding in the caboose received minor injuries when bullet fragments believed to have been fired from a high powered rifle struck him in the leg. Investigation of the area led to the discovery of a hunting camp near the railroad on a small ranch on Ranch Road 1572. There were several empty shell casings around the camp and near a gate directly across from the railroad track where the shooting took place. Railroad detectives are assisting in the investigation and we believe to have two teenage suspects linked to both incidents. They will be interviewed later this week and hopefully we will have this case cleared. The brakeman who was injured in the second incident is in good condition with no serious or permanent damage to his leg. I would like to note that none of the persons involved in the crimes are

permanent residents of Kinney County.

I had planned to discuss the serious and growing problem of Abducted and Missing Children in this week's column, but due to the serious crimes listed above I will try to present some information on this subject in next week's column. The problem is most serious and from case histories it is a growing problem and is affecting people from all walks of life and all locations, both rural and city. Children of all ages, race, and family backgrounds, are being abducted at an increasing rate every year. In most cases the abduction is not made for ransom and does not fit the usual "Kidnap for money" style. These children simply disappear and are never seen or heard from again. I will discuss several case histories in next week's issue.

### VOICES OF FT CLARK

The VOICES of FT CLARK will present their annual Christmas program Sun. evening, Dec. 16, 1984 - 7:30 p.m., at the Town Hall. Narration by Charles Downing - directed by Judy Burks - accompanied by Cathie Conrey. Solos by Judy Burks, Lori Osburn and Rose Marie Giffin. Santa Claus will come and refreshments will be served by the VOICES following the program. A piano duet, with Cathie Conrey and Marcie LanCelle at the piano, will precede the program. **EVERYONE WELCOME!**

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## LIBRARY NOTES

The library has recently purchased two 16MM filmstrips which are available to the community to be checked out any time. They are:

My Side of the Mountain a 37 min. film for children of all ages.

Watercolor a 14 min. film which introduces the novice painter to watercolor painting.

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## SOCIAL SECURITY NEWS

SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS MAY BE SUBJECT TO TAX FOR FIRST TIME.

People may owe income tax on part of their Social Security benefits if they had substantial income in 1984 in addition to Social Security. It is estimated that only one out of 10 Social Security beneficiaries will owe tax on their benefits, and in no case will more than one-half of annual benefits be subject to tax.

According to Elvia F. Fuentes, Branch Manager of the Eagle Pass Social Security Office, this new tax provision is one part of the 1983 law passed to put the Social Security system on a sound financial footing. Miss Fuentes said taxes collected under the new law will be returned to the Social Security trust funds, providing new revenue to help assure the ability of the system to pay future benefits.

In January, all those who received Social Security payments in 1984 will be sent a statement showing the amount of benefits received that year. Retired and disabled workers, eligible spouses, widows and the caretakers of child beneficiaries will get Form SSA-1099 sometime in January, 1985, Miss Fuentes said. The information on the Form SSA-1099 is also provided to the Internal Revenue Service.

Like an annual statement from a bank showing the amount of interest earned in a year, Form SSA-1099 is a record of income which may be subject to federal income tax, and it should be kept with other tax records. The form should not be returned to Social Security, nor be sent to IRS with a person's tax returns. The Form SSA-1099 includes an explanation of the figures

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shown and a toll-free number to call for more information, Miss Fuentes said.

Along with the Form SSA-1099, Social Security beneficiaries will receive a worksheet, IRS notice 703, to help them find out quickly if part of their benefits may be subject to tax. Most people will not owe any tax on their benefits, Miss Fuentes stressed. If more information is needed, a free booklet publication 915, Tax Information on Social Security and Railroad Retirement Benefits-- is available at any Social Security or Internal revenue Service Office, Miss Fuentes said. She also suggested watching for more articles in the newspaper about the income amounts which determine whether or not Social Security benefits are subject to tax, and the amount of benefits subject to tax. Miss Fuentes estimates that only one in 10 persons who received Social Security benefits in 1984 will actually owe any taxes on the benefits.

To determine if any tax is owed on Social Security benefits the first step is to figure "Countable income," Miss Fuentes explained. Countable income includes all taxable income, plus non taxable interest, plus one half of 1984 Social Security benefits. Couples filing a joint return should be sure to include their combined income and benefits, even if only one of them gets Social Security.

According to Miss Fuentes, if the total countable income is less than the base amounts shown below for a person's tax filing status, Social Security benefits are not subject to tax.

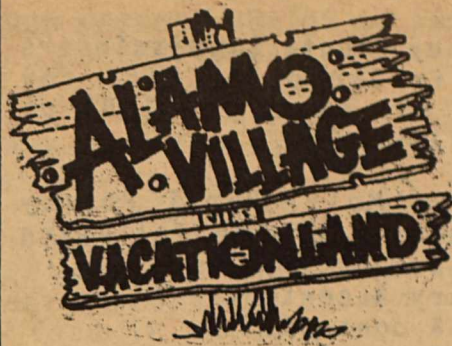
\$25,000.00 - if a person files as a single taxpayer.

\$32,000.00 - combined income of a married couple filing a joint tax return (note: This may include people recently Widowed.)

One-half of the Social Security benefits of married people who file separate returns, and who lived together during some part of 1984 is subject to tax. (the base amount is \$0.00.)

If countable income is more than these base amounts, the amount of benefits subject to tax is the smaller of:

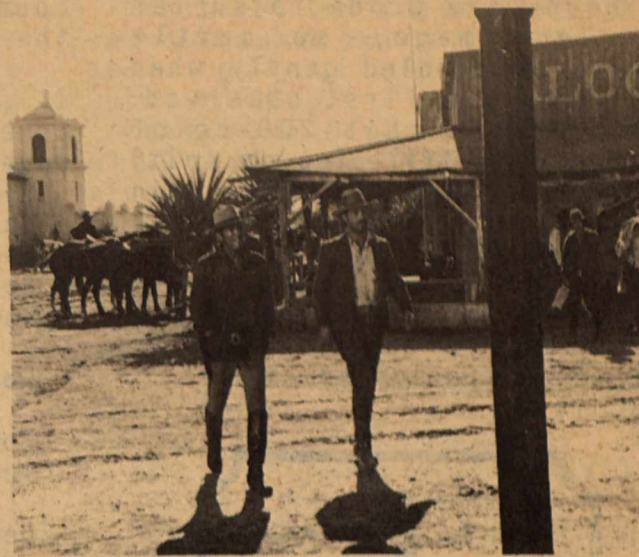
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one-half of the annual Social Security benefits. Thus, never more than one-half of Social Security benefits is subject to tax, Miss Fuentes pointed out.

If publication 915 doesn't provide the answer to taxable income or tax liability questions, Miss Fuentes suggested people contact local tax assistance volunteers or call the toll free IRS number for their area provided on the back of the Notice 703.

**CATTLEMEN NEED TO BE ALERT  
FOR SYMPTOMS OF  
GRASS TETANY**

UVALDE, Texas -- Producers who graze cattle on wheat pastures should be alert for symptoms of grass tetany.

Dr. Tom Troxel, Extension livestock specialist with the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center in Uvalde, said grass tetany usually occurs in April and May, but cases can occur in fall and winter.

"When the weather is abnormally cloudy, wet and windy, and the daytime temperatures remain in the 40 to 50 degree range, the probability of tetany increases," Troxel said recently.

Tetany, which is a metabolic disease caused by low magnesium levels, occurs more often in beef cattle than dairy cattle, and occurs most frequently in older cows which are nursing calves under two months of age, he said.

"Cows grazing grass pasture or that are consuming grass

account for most of the tetany cases," Troxel explained. Tetany seldom occurs when cows are fed legumes or legume-grass hay." Legumes contain twice as much or more magnesium, he said.

Clinical signs vary, ranging from cattle being excitable (wild stares and erect ears): muscle contractions: teeth grinding: violent convulsions: deep comas: to even death, Troxel said. Tetany is caused by low serum magnesium levels, but often calcium levels are also lowered.

Troxel said that prevention includes having a magnesium mineral block available free choice to cattle. Mineral mixes should contain at least 10 percent magnesium to be effective, he said.

"Don't graze pastures too early. Magnesium is more available in mature grass plants than in young plants," he said.

To minimize the incidence of grass tetany, cattle should be grazed on legume pastures or fed legumes first, the livestock specialist said. Less susceptible animals, such as heifers or stocker steers, should be allowed to graze on high risk pastures before others, he said.

Animals that suffer from grass tetany one year will likely suffer the metabolic disease from year to year, Troxel said.

Pastures can be fertilized with magnesium (Dolomitic Limestone), he said, to lower incidence of the disease. Pastures also can be dusted at

a rate of 25-30 pounds per acre.

Cattle that are stricken with the disease for more than 12 hours are prone to suffer muscle damage, so cattle should be handled gently when symptoms are first observed. Troxel said that 200 cc of magnesium sulfate (epsom salt) may be injected under the skin during early stages of the disease, at a rate of 50 cc at four injection sites. The veterinarian should be contacted in all cases, the livestock specialist said.



Municipal Court Judge Darrell Paul Franks has resigned his position with the City effective December 1, 1984. Mr. Franks in his letter of resignation stated he was moving from Brackettville and thanked the Mayor and Council for the opportunity to have served as the Municipal Court Judge.

The Mayor has designated the City Manager to be the acting Judge until a permanent appointment can be made.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**DATE CORRECTION**

The Public hearing published in last weeks edition of this paper and included on official letters to property owners and Zoning Board Members erroneously listed Tuesday as the 9th of December. Notice should have read Tuesday, December 11, 1984.

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**NOTICE FOR BIDS**

Kinney County Commissioners Court is accepting bids for county insurance for 1985 on the following:

I. Texas Multi-Peril Policy covering all of the following county property:

- Library & contents
- Jail & contents
- Bath House & Swimming Pool
- Courthouse & contents
- Radio Transmitter House & contents
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II. Liability Insurance on all county locations and operations, Public Liability for County of Kinney, elected officials and employees, and County & District Clerk's Errors & Omissions.

III. Public Official Bonds

IV. Auto Fleet Policy

Current policies may be inspected at the county auditor's office.

Bids may be addressed to:  
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**Holiday Hints**

When the rolling pin and cookie cutters emerge from storage, it is a good bet that a festive occasion is approaching. Rolled sugar cookies have always been a favorite for celebrating Christmas and other holidays. Children love the special shapes and enjoy cutting out little Christmas trees and stars. If you prefer soft cookies, roll the dough out to the thicker measurement; for crisper cookies, make them thin.

The heirloom recipe for Sugar Cookies is one of more than 500 of the best-loved recipes from Colonial times to the present featured in a new treasury of regional and national favorites. Called "Campbell's Great American Cookbook," it will interest both the beginning and experienced cook with its diversity and culinary lore.

The famous food company has drawn upon its 100 plus years of American food experience to produce the cookbook which is published by Random House and available at book and department stores for \$16.95.

**SUGAR COOKIES**

- 3/4 cup butter or margarine, softened
- 1 cup confectioners' sugar
- 1 egg
- 2 tablespoons milk
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1/2 teaspoon almond extract
- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder



**Sugar cookies help make Christmas and other holidays even more special.**

1/2 teaspoon salt  
Sugar

In large bowl with mixer at medium speed, cream butter and confectioners' sugar. Beat in egg, milk, vanilla and almond extract until well mixed, occasionally scraping bowl. Stir in flour, baking powder and salt until well mixed. Cover with plastic wrap; chill several hours or overnight.

Preheat oven to 375°F. On lightly floured surface, with floured rolling pin, roll chilled dough 1/8 inch to 1/4 inch thick. With floured 2 1/2-inch cookie cutters, cut dough into desired shapes. Sprinkle with sugar. Reroll trimmings and cut more cookies. Place cookies 1 inch apart on cookie sheets.

Bake 8 to 10 minutes until cookies are lightly browned. Immediately remove cookies to wire racks; cool.

Tip: Shape dough into 1 1/2-inch balls instead of rolling it out. Using a flat-bottomed glass dipped in sugar, flatten balls on cookie sheets.

36 Cookies



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**INDIGESTION MAY INVOLVE MORE THAN OVEREATING**

"Tis the season for indigestion.

This will never make it as a lyric for a Christmas carol, but we do tend to overindulge in food and drink during the holidays.

Although the average person is probably more likely to exceed his stomach's limitations during the holidays, indigestion for some people is a problem for all seasons.

The Texas Medical Assn. notes that indigestion can be caused not only by overeating or eating something that doesn't agree with you but by digestive problems like ulcers, irritable bowel syndrome, or gastritis.

Sometimes indigestion results from a disruption in the delicate mechanisms that control the movements of the digestive tract. In many cases, the cause is hard to determine.

Indigestion is a general term for a group of problems including heartburn, nausea, bloating, pain, and early fullness. A growing pain in the chest, an acid taste in the mouth, and the need to belch or pass gas may occur.

Although indigestion is nearly universal, it is usually not a serious problem. Many people have it on and off throughout life without further problems.

But if indigestion begins to interfere with your daily routine, you should see a doctor. This is also true if the pattern of symptoms changes, such as nausea after eating that becomes actual vomiting. Other changes can include a significant increase in the frequency of attacks and loss of weight or appetite.

If the doctor has ruled out a specific illness as the cause of indigestion, it often can be controlled by trying the following:

- (1) Adjust your eating and drinking habits to suit your stomach. Avoid greasy foods.
- (2) Avoid eating quickly, and try to relax for half an hour after a meal.
- (3) Try to avoid losing your temper or becoming overly excited during meals.
- (4) An antacid may help relieve symptoms.
- (5) Do not smoke.

**FOOD CHOKING DEATHS IN TOTS PREVENTABLE**

Children in their first years of life require constant watching. This is particularly true when the child is eating.

Between 60 and 70 children under 5 years die from choking on food in this country each year, according to the Texas Medical Assn. This is comparable to the number of deaths from poisoning.

A recent report in the Journal of the American Medical Assn. notes that the largest number of choking deaths from food occurs in 1-year-olds.

Although children can choke on almost any food, they have the most trouble with smooth, slippery, hard foods that are the right size for plugging the throat. When this occurs, the plug prevents the protective coughing mechanism from expelling the food. Even worse, a parent in another room will hear nothing and not know the child is in danger.

Over 40 percent of childhood choking deaths are caused by candy, nuts, grapes, and hot dogs, the biggest problem. Other foods that cause problems are sausage shaped meats, hard pieces of fruits and vegetables, popcorn, cookies, biscuits, and peanut butter.

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Don't let the child eat in a car because you may not be able to take quick action while driving.

Make sure foods are cooked well and cut into small pieces. If you are not sure a child can safely eat a particular food, don't serve it.

Make sure the child is sitting up while eating or drinking. Baby bottles should be held by a responsible person and not propped up.

Ask your pediatrician what to do if choking occurs.

Don't worry needlessly about the possibility of choking. Just be sure to stay in the room when the child is eating.

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**QUICK QUIZ**

You may find some surprising answers in this quick quiz about natural gas exploration.

1. Offshore drilling costs up to (a) \$25,000 a day (b) \$50,000 a day (c) \$100,000 a day?

2. Over the last few years drilling for natural gas has been (a) rising (b) declining (c) steady?

3. The number of gas wells drilled in the United States this year was (a) 20,238 (b) 10,200 (c) 7,535?



4. A good way to ensure we have natural gas in the future is to encourage the exploration of it now (a) True (b) False?

ANSWERS: 1. (c) It is not uncommon for drilling in offshore areas to cost up to \$100,000 a day for a three or four month period. 2. (b) Declining. Drilling for natural gas has been declining over the last few years, in part, because of the effect of federal regulations, points out Nicholas J. Bush, President of the Natural Gas Supply Association. 3. (c) According to the most current U.S. Energy Information Administration figures, only 7,535 natural gas wells have been drilled in the United States, compared to some 20,238 exploratory oil wells. 4. (a) True, and the best way to do that is to free the natural gas production industry from federal regulation, experts say.

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They specialize in original long gowns and formal wear. They also have jewelry and accessories, sportswear and lingerie. They are open Monday through Saturday.

Join the prominent and best dressed ladies of this community and start shopping where style reigns supreme: THE FRONTIER DRESS SHOP!

Whether it's a new cocktail dress, a perky party outfit or a dignified suit for the business lady . . . this is the store where fashion begins! The editors of this 1984 Holiday Business Review urge ALL ladies to stop in and see what's happening NOW in the world of fashion at THE FRONTIER DRESS SHOP in Del Rio!

## LA GITANA TORTILLERIA

Fred Lozano - Owner

Genoveva Lozano - Manager

Here in the United States, we have developed a taste for all types of "imported" foods, and the famous tortilla is no exception. Made from rough ground corn meal, this is a staple of the Mexican diet, much the same as bread is in American meals. Today, we don't have to go to gourmet shops to find the finest Mexican foods, and a prime example of this is LA GITANA TORTILLERIA!

Located at 107 Goldbeck in Uvalde, phone 278-9061, this tortilla bake shop provides authentic Mexican corn and flour tortillas, and a number of other products for fine Mexican dining.

Look for LA GITANA TORTILLERIA's tortillas, taco shells, and other products in your favorite store, or stop in and get them fresh from the oven. You'll agree that authentic Mexican quality is built into every bite!

If you own a store, grocery, restaurant or other retail outlet, call about regular deliveries.

The editors of this 1984 Holiday Business Review would like to make special mention of this fine independent business. The management and employees of LA GITANA TORTILLERIA wish everyone "Felis Navidad"!

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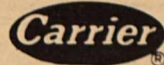
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Oscar Tamez - Owner

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## WESTERN AIR CONDITIONING OF DEL RIO INC.



Joe Montgomery - President

Mike O'Neal - Vice President

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WESTERN AIR CONDITIONING OF DEL RIO INC. also specializes in all manner of repair work on heating and air conditioning units. Their team of skilled experts stands ready to assist you in every possible way.

The editors of this 1984 Holiday Business Review suggest that you contact this full service firm for all of your needs in regard to heating and air conditioning.

The management and employees of WESTERN AIR CONDITIONING OF DEL RIO wish everyone a Safe and Happy Holiday Season!

## DISCOUNT BUILDING SUPPLY

"Your Do-It-Yourself Home Center"

In the Eagle Pass area, people have had to go to several different places to find the materials and tools they need to complete a building or remodeling project. When you stop at the DISCOUNT BUILDING SUPPLY at 425 S. Monroe in Eagle Pass, phone 773-5109, this is no longer necessary because this fine firm carries everything you need.

They are now open 7 days a week: Monday thru Friday 8 a.m. - 6 p.m., Saturday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Sunday 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

DISCOUNT BUILDING SUPPLY has one of the area's largest assortments of pre-finished paneling in a wide selection of colors, styles, and price ranges. Cut lumber is available, too, and it comes in every size and grade imaginable. Builders hardware, paint, electrical and plumbing fixtures can also be found at this outstanding merchant.

For the inexperienced builder, they offer books that spell out just how to do any particular project! Free advice is always available, too!

So, no matter if you're building a house for your dog, or a new home for your family, the editors of this 1984 Holiday Business Review would like to recommend this quality-conscious firm for their efforts in making building an easier chore for everyone: DISCOUNT BUILDING SUPPLY in Eagle Pass! They also wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

## DAYTONA TIRE & MUFFLER

Gil Ash - Owner

Where can you get the finest tires and auto service and save LOTS of money doing it? In Del Rio people are now going to DAYTONA TIRE & MUFFLER at 503 Ave. F (next to Churches Fried Chicken), phone 775-9593. Here the selection is larger, the service better and because they buy in volume, the prices are much, much lower!

As your dealers for famous Michelin and Muti-Mile tires, this reliable firm is in the tire business to serve! And they serve you with the best tires at the area's best prices. There are tires for cars, trucks, tractors, industrial equipment, motorcycles, and recreational vehicles. Their selection is large so that you can be assured of finding just what you want every time!

DAYTONA TIRE & MUFFLER offers fast service on muffler exchange and complete exhaust systems.

They offer complete brake service, front end alignment, wheels packed and shock absorbers installed. Their shocks are products of Monroe and carry a lifetime warranty.

DAYTONA TIRE & MUFFLER also offers complete tire service for their customers. Mounting, computer or bubble balancing, tubes, repairs, and a host of other conveniences are featured to make this the area's most complete tire center.

The editors of this 1984 Holiday Business Review suggest that you check with this fine firm first when it comes to tires: DAYTONA TIRE & MUFFLER in Del Rio!

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## DEL RIO MONUMENT CO.

Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Riggs - Owners

"The Best in Sandblasting"

Creating masterpieces in stone and fine metal is the full time job of the DEL RIO MONUMENT CO. at 1918 Avenue F in Del Rio, phone 775-8596. They are considered one of the region's most highly regarded monument makers and sandblasting specialists.

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It's a beautiful final tribute when your family selects one of the many fine designs in granite, marble or bronze that this experienced craftsman has to offer. There's one of the area's largest selections to choose from and every stone has the touch of the master on it. Artistic quality and eternal beauty is what you get when you choose your monument from the outstanding collection available here.

The DEL RIO MONUMENT CO. is always available to help you select the monument or marker which best suits your needs and desires. Their prices are exceptionally reasonable and their work is among the very best! As the editors of this 1984 Holiday Business Review, we urge all area residents to make this fine monument works their first choice when it comes to investing in an eternal tribute. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Riggs wish everyone a Safe and Happy Holiday Season!

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## UVALDE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Ben Durr - Administrator

UVALDE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL has become an integral part of the health care delivery system in this part of Texas.

This family oriented facility offers a personalized frame work of health care centered around each individual patient's needs. In their endeavor to be sensitive and responsive to the complex and continually changing demands, UVALDE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL has been successful in providing a mix of services tailored to the community requirements.

This full service acute care general hospital has a physician on duty in their Emergency Room 24 hours a day everyday of the year.

UVALDE MEMORIAL continuously seeks to improve itself. The hospital's success extends much deeper than the bricks and mortar. It goes much further than the sophisticated equipment. It highlights the intellect, the dedication and the untiring contributions of a group of people co-ordinating efforts to make the spokes of this hospital revolve in a smooth running manner.

Each employee feels a great deal of pride in knowing that they are a part of a health success story which has, to significant degrees, accomplished the commitments of rendering and developing a compassionate and competent courtesy toward the customer.

UVALDE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL is located on Garner Field Road, phone 278-6251. They are becoming more important each day to the people of this vicinity.

The editors of this 1984 Holiday Business Review take this opportunity to compliment the Administration and people who work at UVALDE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL. They wish everyone a Safe and Happy Holiday Season!

## RETAMA MANOR

Darrell Breckenridge - Administrator

One of the finest atmospheres of this entire area is available at the RETAMA MANOR in Del Rio at 100 Herrmann, phone 775-7477. The trained personnel here are always striving to excell in the daily care and supervision of their residents and their needs.

This modern and custom equipped facility is designed for only one purpose. That purpose is to provide the residents a relaxed and happy existence. The rooms are large and airy, well lighted and exceptionally clean. The meals are prepared to suit the individual's personal likes or requirements as prescribed by their condition.

They offer 24 hour supervision by a competent and congenial staff. The family atmosphere that always prevails here is second to none, and the warm and friendly surroundings will please the most discriminating.

Physical and recreational facilities are available to each and every one of their residents. All of the residents are put on a planned daily schedule to assure them of getting the proper medication, correct diet, daily exercise, and plenty of rest.

The RETAMA MANOR is highly praised by the editors of this 1984 Holiday Business Review. Their doors are open to all. The staff at RETAMA MANOR wishes everyone a Safe and Happy Holiday Season!

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## TIPTON-CARSON DISTRIBUTING CO. INC.

Bill Tipton - President

Distributors in this area for the popular Miller Beer, Miller Lite, Lowenbrau, Meisterbrau and the new Milwaukee's Best is the TIPTON-CARSON DISTRIBUTING CO. INC., located at 4917 Highway 90 East in Del Rio, phone 774-4626.

Through the efforts of the management of this company to serve the people of this area with the best beers available, they are appreciated widely, and their beers are favorites among people who know the best when they taste it.

If you own a tavern, night club, or grocery store and aren't letting your customers enjoy these fine beers, contact them anytime for information about regular delivery. You will appreciate the professional friendly manner in which they do business.

If you are just a beer lover, remember to pick up a six pack or two the next time you're shopping and always call for these brands at your favorite tavern or night spot.

The editors of this 1984 Holiday Business Review endorse the policies and products of this distributor and commend them on their community minded efforts. The management and employees of TIPTON-CARSON DISTRIBUTING CO. wish everyone in Kinney County a Safe and Happy Holiday Season!

## MARVIN VICK & SONS GARAGE

Marvin Vick - Owner & Operator

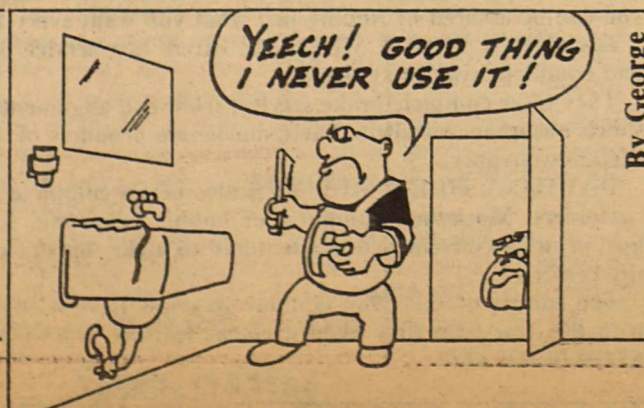
Featuring complete repair service on all types of automobiles, trucks, heavy equipment and farm equipment, MARVIN VICK & SONS GARAGE is located at 1000 Highway 90 East in Del Rio, phone 775-5712. In addition to performing some of the finest repair work in the area, this community leader also offers their years of experience when it comes to advice on all of your mechanical problems.

They do all kinds of general auto repairs, motor overhaul, tune-ups, brake service and hydraulic service. They do road service and pick up and delivery if your vehicle is not running.

An automobile will not run forever without regular attention and an occasional repair. Every car owner should see a reliable repairman regularly to put his auto into first class shape. When you drive into this full service garage, you can rest assured that your car will be repaired in the shortest possible time and at the least possible expense. You must be satisfied with every job that comes out of MARVIN VICK & SONS GARAGE!

While working on this 1984 Holiday Business Review, we, the editors, wish to compliment this firm for their high level of service: MARVIN VICK & SONS GARAGE in Del Rio! The Marvin Vick family wishes everyone in the Brackettville area a Safe and Happy Holiday!

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## DEL RIO HOME & AUTO SUPPLY

Ray Patuel - Manager

Your local Firestone store, DEL RIO HOME & AUTO SUPPLY, located at 630 S. Main in Downtown Del Rio, phone 775-3453, has more than just world famous Firestone tires. This reliable firm also carries household appliances, televisions, and stereos, and, of course, Firestone tires for EVERY car and truck on the road!

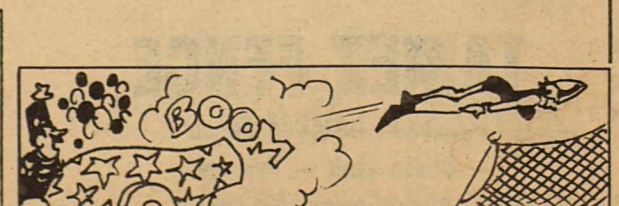
When you want quality, value and service after the sale in electric appliances, come to DEL RIO HOME & AUTO SUPPLY, your Whirlpool and RCA Television and Stereo dealer. This well known and respected firm specializes in providing their customers with nothing but the finest major appliances and backing them up with their own factory-authorized service department. That's the way they've been doing business for years!

This leading appliance center and Firestone Tire Store features every modern convenience available for your home. There are ranges, dishwashers, dryers, washers, disposals, trash compactors, refrigerators, freezers, microwave ovens, and much, much more. You'll find the perfect gift for that very special lady who spends so much of her time in the kitchen, too!

For the best in home appliances and the finest tires on the road you can do no better than to see this qualified firm.

In compiling this 1984 Holiday Business Review of leading businesses in the area, we, the editors, are proud to be able to recommend DEL RIO HOME & AUTO SUPPLY. The management and employees here would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

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The first human cannonball act was performed in London back in 1877 by Zazel, billed as "the beautiful lady fired from a monstrous cannon." She did her act every day for two years without mishap and earned about \$600 a week.



**RINGING IN THE EAR CAN BE PERSISTENT**

Almost everyone has experienced brief periods of "ringing in the ear," but millions of people endure this problem constantly or repeatedly.

Known technically as "Tinnitus," the noises can include clicking, buzzing, ringing, whistling, hissing, or roaring sounds, according to the Texas Medical Assn.

These ear noises sometimes are caused by built up ear wax, an infection, or fluid behind the ear drum. In these cases, corrective measures often can relieve the noises.

Certain drugs taken in high doses--particularly aspirin--may cause the annoying sounds. A serious blow to the head can produce life long tinnitus. And continual loud noises such as stereos can cause not only tinnitus but hearing loss.

Tinnitus also may occur as a symptom of nearly any ear disorder, but most often it results from a defect in the hearing nerve as part of the aging process. As time passes, distortions begin to occur within the delicate mechanisms of the ear.

People with persistent tinnitus often seek medical attention from an otolaryngologist, a physician who specializes in ear, nose, and throat problems. Some medications may provide relief, but many times there is no simple answer or cure.

Some measures may be recommended to reduce the tension and anxiety caused by tinnitus, and biofeedback exercises may help a person live more comfortable with it.

Many patients find relief by playing background music to mask the unwanted sounds.

White noise, such as low volume static between FM stations, also can provide considerable relief.

Small electronic devices that produce white noise can be used on desk tops or miniaturized to fit into hearing aid shells (tinnitus maskers). Combined with a hearing aid, they are called tinnitus instruments.

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"Nature never breaks her own laws."

Leonardo Da Vinci

**Christmas in Texas**

The following events, selected by Mari Schnell of the Texas Tourist Development Agency, are but a few of the many excellent recreational opportunities offered by communities across the state.



- Parades**
- 1 Breckenridge, Cameron
  - Corsicana, Crockett, Denison, Mexia, Mineral Wells, Muleshoe, Port Lavaca, Rockwall, Terrell
  - 4 Mount Pleasant
  - 6 Grapevine
  - 7 Center
  - 8 Fort Stockton, Jasper
  - 15 Mercedes

- Home Tours**
- 1 Bryan, Cleburne, Granbury
  - 1-2 Hamilton, Palestine, Waco
  - 2 Crockett
  - 5 Wichita Falls
  - 6 Brownfield, Tyler
  - 6-8 Jefferson
  - 8 Fredericksburg, Henderson, Montgomery
  - 9 Fairfield

- Music and Dance**
- 1-2 "Nutcracker" - Fort Worth
  - 2 "A Christmas Carol" - El Paso
  - 7-8 "Nutcracker" - Midland
  - 9 "Messiah" - Corpus Christi
  - 11,18 Symphony Concert - Abilene
  - 14-16 "Nutcracker" - Amarillo
  - 14-16 Folkloric Dances - Edinburg
  - 15 Choral Concert - Kingsville

- Other**
- 1 Christmas Stroll - Salado
  - 1 Boat Parade - Seabrook, Kemah
  - 1-2 Christmas at Fort Concho - San Angelo
  - 1-30 Coca Cola's Santa (Paintings) - Abilene Museum
  - 1-31 Christmas on Sundance Square - Fort Worth
  - 4-16 Children's Show - Granbury Opera House
  - 5-6 Candlelight Tour at Ranching Heritage Center - Lubbock
  - 5-8 Candlelight Tour of Houston Park - Houston
  - 6-9 Candlelight Tour of Old City Park - Dallas
  - 6,13 Christmas-on-the-Square - Denton
  - 6-22 Christmas Tree Forest - Corpus Christi
  - 7 Shopper's Jubilee - Bandera
  - 7 Christmas Stroll - Georgetown
  - 7-8 Poinsettia Show - Mission
  - 8 Lighting of Boats - Port Aransas
  - 8 Boat Parade - South Padre Island, Port Isabel
  - 14-20 Yulefest - Austin
  - 15-16 Party & Antique Show - Ballinger
  - 16 Winedale Open House - Round Top
  - 24 Lighting of Luminarias - El Paso

*(Editor's note: Credit is a way of life in America today, but sources of loans for middle class Americans are changing. This article is the third in a series of four explaining what options are available, when you should seek credit and how to go about it.)*

One of the least understood factors in the entire credit process is collateral, yet it is a simple and essential part of most lending.

Individuals or families in almost all income ranges often are confronted with the word "collateral" when they decide to borrow.

When consumers are asked to pledge their home or car against the loan, they may have fears of their most valued possession being taken over by the lender. In fact, repossession is what the lender least desires. Repossession or foreclosure usually means the lender loses money.

Collateral's negative image is unfortunate because collateral is an asset (something of value) you can use to secure a larger loan than you could without collateral. Wealthy people routinely leverage their assets to gain more wealth. Their assets may be stocks, bonds or commercial real estate holdings, but they represent the same thing homes and cars do for average income families.

When you use such an asset as collateral to secure a loan, you're going through the

**Collateral Represents A Way To Use Financial Leverage**



same process as the wealthy. You're gaining financial leverage from an asset.

You may not realize it, but when you buy a car or home appliance with installment payments, the auto or appliance actually is serving as collateral and you are paying off a loan based on that collateral.

For small loans, under \$1,000 or sometimes a little more, you may not be asked for collateral.

But, often you will be requested to provide collateral for large amounts. Generally, the greater the value of the asset, the more money you can borrow. Such collateral may include mobile homes or household goods as well as homes or cars.

You do not have to own such assets outright, of course. The more payments you've made, the more you can borrow on an asset.

If you are a homeowner and intend to borrow larger amounts, you may want to consider establishing a revolving line of credit based on home equity.

Equity is the market value of your home minus your first mortgage balance. Some lenders allow you to use this equity as collateral for a large line of credit. You can write your own loan against this line with a check or credit card.

Use is limited to major purchases--such as a car, home improvement or tuition--because the minimum amount that can be borrowed is high, usually \$3,000.

Typically, the interest rate is variable, most commonly set a few percentage points over the prime rate (the rate charged by banks to their most credit-worthy corporate borrowers.) Thus, your interest rate rises or falls with the prime rate.

As with credit cards, the revolving line of credit requires a minimum monthly payment when it is used.

A revolving line of credit based on home equity is a particularly convenient way to borrow larger amounts and it may sound rather sophisticated. But, it is simply the use of collateral.



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Dec. 1-2, 7-9, 14-16, 19 -- Christmas Festivities, San Antonio.

On December 7-9, dancing, drama, music and traditional Mexican holiday foods highlight pinata parties, blessing of the pets and a visit from Pancho Claus during Fiesta Navidena. On December 7-9 and 14-16, Fiesta de las Luminarias symbolizes with glowing candles the lighting of the way for the Holy Family. Las Posadas, on December 9, dramatizes with song and candlelight procession the Holy Family's search for lodging. Visitors are encouraged to participate. "Nutcracker" ballet will be performed on December 14-16 and a Christmas Pops Concert on December 19. For details, contact Ernest Loeffler, Convention & Visitors Bureau, Box 2277, San Antonio 78298 (512-299-8123) (1-800-292-1010).

# Chefs' Showcase

Calorie-Reduced Recipes

In response to the growing trend of white tablecloth restaurant menus to feature "spa food," Sweet 'N Low® recently challenged chefs from twelve restaurants to create a group of calorie-reduced recipes.

Called the Chefs' Showcase, these recipes reflect increasing interest in lighter, healthier foods that are lower in calories, sugar, sodium and cholesterol. Each recipe has been adapted to meet the U.S. Dietary Guidelines.

For over 25 years, the No.1 sugar substitute has offered health-conscious Americans an alternative to sugar. Unlike aspartame-based diet sweeteners such as Equal®, you can cook and bake with Sweet 'N Low since it keeps its sweetness at hot and cold temperatures and does not break down.

One of the recipes from the collection is this impressive-tasting orange souffle created by the chef at Charley Brown's in Marina Del Rey, California. By using Sweet 'N Low granulated sugar substitute, you save about 315 calories per serving.

## CHARLEY'S ORANGE SOUFFLE

- 1 envelope unflavored gelatin
- 1/2 cup orange juice
- 3 eggs, separated
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 4 packets (1-1/4 teaspoons) Sweet 'N Low granulated sugar substitute
- 2/3 cup skim milk
- 1/4 cup orange liqueur
- 1/3 cup evaporated skim milk
- 1 teaspoon lemon juice



6 large oranges, optional\*  
Mint leaves

In saucepan, sprinkle gelatin over orange juice; set aside about 5 minutes.

In bowl, beat egg yolks, sugar, Sweet 'N Low, milk and orange liqueur; add to gelatin mixture. Heat and stir until slightly thickened; cool. Cover; chill about 30 minutes or until mixture coats a spoon thickly.

In shallow pan, freeze evaporated skim milk until ice crystals form, about 15 minutes.

With chilled bowl and beaters, beat milk and lemon juice until stiff. In another bowl, beat egg whites until stiff. Fold whipped milk and egg whites into gelatin mix-

ture. Spoon into prepared orange shells\*; refrigerate about 1 hour or until set. Garnish with mint leaves.

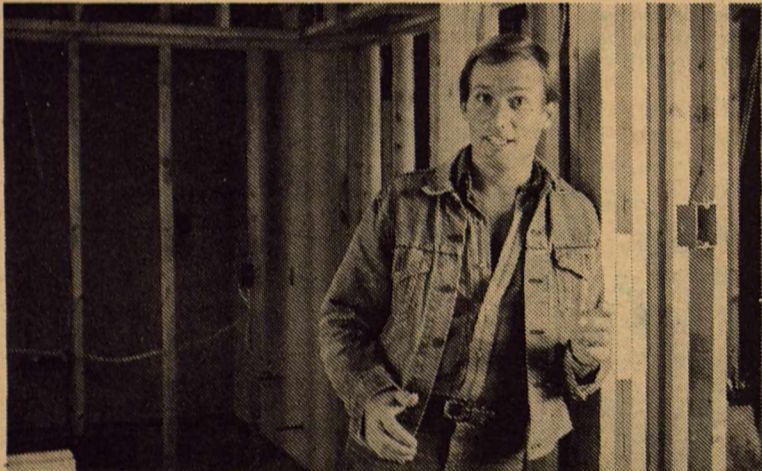
\*To prepare orange shells, cut 3/4 inch off tops of oranges. Cut thin sliver off bottoms so shells will not roll. Scoop out orange pulp, reserving for another use.

Makes 6 2/3-cup servings. Approximate calories per serving: 140.

To receive this exclusive collection of Chefs' Showcase recipes, along with two coupons for Sweet 'N Low, send \$2.00 to: Chefs' Showcase, 60 Flushing Avenue, Dept. SM, Brooklyn, NY 11205.

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"CPL sponsors Good Cents, and they send people out to check on our work. Of course, I do my job right anyway, but it's nice to know CPL cares.

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## INGENIOUS IDEAS DEPT.

Safety Checks

Over a hundred years ago, a former high-school principal with a good idea devised a product that's saving millions of people untold amounts of money today.

The inventor was named George La Monte and he had become a paper salesman. He considered the need for a safe, dependable way of transferring funds without transporting large unprotected amounts of cash. What he came up with was the idea of checks printed on a special kind of paper treated with dyes and chemicals to make erasure and alteration of checks difficult and exact duplication virtually impossible. The dyes are sensitive to the same solutions that remove writing inks from paper, so any attempt at alteration removes the paper's color and design or produces a stain.

Today, the nation's leading producer of safety paper for checks is Georgia-Pacific Corp's LaMonte Safety Paper Division, with plants at Burlington, Iowa and Warwick, New York. The paper made there must pass a variety of

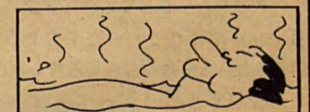


tests to determine its suitability. Color uniformity is an important control feature. The design is in perfect registration from front to back. Moisture content is also important as it will vary, depending upon the region and conditions in which the checks will be produced. The paper is also tested to determine its resistance to feathering of writing inks and to determine its strength and resistance to folding and tearing. And finally, waste paper disposal is strictly controlled. No piece of paper large enough for a check to be printed on gets outside the plant. It is returned to the paper mill and recycled.

In addition to checks, safety paper is used for driver's licenses, wills, contracts, airline tickets and, what would probably gladden the heart of

ex-principal George La Monte, school report cards.

It seems safe to say La Monte's idea checks out as something pretty important today.



The warmest sea on earth is the Red Sea in Asia Minor. Its average temperature is 95 degrees F.



The most overworked word in English is possibly the word "set" which has 58 noun uses, 126 verbal uses and 10 uses as an adjective.



Thomas Jefferson's shoe size was 12-1/2.

## SAFETY SENSE

You needn't be left high and dry on the highway in an emergency. A first aid or highway safety kit may be a lifeline for many motorists.



**A first aid and highway safety kit can be a motorist's best friend in an emergency.**

The Youth Rescue Fund is selling first aid and highway safety kits to benefit "kids in crisis." The kits include first aid supplies and instructions, distress flag, and emergency flare. The kits are compact and fit conveniently in most glove compartments.

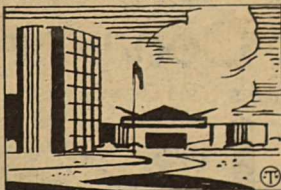
Proceeds from the sale of the kits go to the Youth Rescue Fund (YRF) Inc. which helps young people who experience drug and alcohol problems, who are abused or neglected, or who run away from home.

The kits cost \$5.95 apiece and make caring gifts. To order a kit and help a kid, send \$5.95 (includes postage and handling) to Youth Rescue Fund-Kit, 6715 Lowell Avenue, McLean, VA 22101.

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# "A Christmas Prayer"

*Lord, I'm afraid I'm running out of time,  
 So much to remember, so much to do,  
 The tree, the trimmings, the holiday dinners,  
 The buying, the wrapping, the sending.  
 What if I make the wrong choice,  
 Or leave someone out, or hurt someone's feelings?  
 So much hurrying, so much worrying.  
 I'm running out of patience, too.  
 Lord, help me remember what really counts —  
 Time to listen, time to care,  
 Moments of laughter, joy to share,  
 The gift of all gifts, highest of all,  
 The Babe newborn,  
 Love everlasting.*

## Holiday Hints

Breaking the ice can mean a holiday dinner that's twice as nice if you serve a fresh turkey instead of a frozen bird.

The traditional holiday dinner of the past usually featured a fresh bird as the focal point of the feast. In recent years, however, some Americans have tried to celebrate the holidays with a turkey from the deep freeze.

Proper defrosting tech-



**Fresh turkey can go from refrigerator to oven with no fear of too much or too little defrosting.**

niques are essential to prevent bacteria buildups in poultry that can produce salmonella poisoning. A frozen bird must be defrosted in the refrigerator, a time-consuming procedure, especially if the bird is large.

If you miscalculate defrosting time on a frozen bird, you could wind up with either a spoiled, inedible bird or one that is not cooked all the way through and comes out red in the center.

In contrast, a fresh turkey not only tastes better to most people, it can be safely kept for up to four days in the refrigerator. Then it can go directly from refrigerator to oven

with no danger of salmonella poisoning. Fresh turkey is harder to find, since care must be taken in its handling, but most turkey lovers say the taste of a fresh bird is hard to beat.

The numerous brands available give consumers a wide range of choices. Fresh turkey, such as that from Shady Brook Farms, represents a consumer trend of today: turning toward wholesome natural foods. The convenience of refrigerator-to-oven cooking without defrosting and its naturally delicious taste make fresh turkey a wise choice for today's shopper.

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**\$100 REWARD OFFERED** for return of or information leading to the return of one (1) brown metal tool box and contents belonging to John A. Sheedy. The tool box was lost in the vicinity of Bill Whitworth's home in Brackettville during the weekend of November 10 & 11. Please contact Mr. Sheedy or the Sheriff's Office at 563-2788. You can also leave a message at 563-2759.

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**MOBILE HOME FOR SALE** 1958 Michigan 10 X 45 - good condition - 2 Bedroom - 505 E. 3rd. St. - 563-2601.

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## The Active Consumer The Active Consumer

Better Quality Shoes Can Cost Less

You can save a great deal of money on future shoe purchases by spending more on the shoes you buy this year, experts agree.

Inexpensive shoes don't hold their shape and wear out fast. They end up being thrown away, because usually they cannot be repaired.

It makes good money sense to buy better quality shoes in the first place. They not only look better, feel better and fit better, but when heels or soles eventually wear out, they can be replaced easily and affordably.

According to the experts at the Shoe Service Industry Council, the soles and heels used to repair your shoes almost always wear longer than the originals and, on the average, cost only 1/3 to 1/4 the price of new shoes.

If you have good quality shoes gathering dust in your closet because the styles have



**You may be able to step out in style for years to come if you invest in a pair of quality, repairable shoes, experts say.**

changed, you can see a specialty shoe repairer to have heels replaced with a new style or change the closed toes to open. That saves on buying new shoes everytime the fashion tastes vary!

Better quality shoes that are repairable may be distinguished by a welt and a stitched- or cemented-on sole. Buying shoes with these qualities means they can be an active part of your wardrobe for years to come.

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Prayer Meeting (Wed) 7:00 pm

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Rev. Joe Townsend

Sunday School 10:00 am  
Worship Service 11:00 am  
Prayer Meeting (Sun) 7:30 pm  
Prayer Meeting (Wed) 7:30 pm

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**UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
Ron Kelly - Pastor

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Adult Fellowship 10:30 am  
Worship 11:00 am

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7:00 a.m. Believers Bible Study

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7:00 p.m. Mens Bible and Prayer  
1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Clothes Closet

#### WEDNESDAY

7:00 p.m. Prayer & Praise

#### FRIDAY

10:30a.m. Ladies Tape/Prayer  
Prayer, Counseling Assistance Available