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SCREENDOOR HAS NEW OWNER


PICTURED LEFT TO RIGHT ARE: MONEA MECK, MANAGER \& KATHY BADER, OWNER

Dear Friends,

This letter is to announce that the Screendoor Nursery has changed ownership. Dave Bixby has retired for the third time and $I$ am taking over the nursery which is now named the Sunshine Garden Center. Dave is taking an extended vacation and will then be looking for something new to retire from in the future. Luckily for all of us, he will be around for awhile as our resident advisor and chief coffee drinker. Monea L. Meck, formerly with the Wool \& Mohair, will be the new manager. Monea majored in Landscape Architecture at Penn State University and is
looking forward to working in the field again.

We have some exciting plans for the nursery and we would also like to accept any suggestions for improving our service to the community. Some of the ideas we are exploring include:

1. We would like to provide a tree delivery and planting service; where we would help to plant the trees our customers purchase. (Charges would be determined by the number of trees involved.)
2. We wish to begin a mailing list to inform

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## ALVIN HALL ATTENDS JP SCHOOL

Ninety-four justices of the peace attended a $40-$ hour seminar January $25-30$ in Austin conducted by the Texas Justice Court Training Center headquartered at Southwest Texas State University in San Morcos. The seminars are held in compliance with Article 5972. Section B, of the Texas Revised Civil Statues. Topics covered include a review of the newly published revision of the Justice Court Deskbook, Civil Law, Code of Judicial Conduct, Attorney General's Opinions, the Texas Property Code, Disposition of Stolen Property, the Penal Code, Probable Cause, the new Criminal Rules of Evidence and Bond Setting. Attending were Alvin F. Hall of Brackettville, Kinney County. Precinct 1: Marjorie Merritt of Rocksprings, Edwards County. Precinct 1: Carlos A. Garcia of Pearsall, Frio County. Precinct 1: Patricia E. Knox of Kerrville, Kerr County. Precinct 1: Oscar Martinez of Crystal City, Zavala County, precinct 3 place 5.


Left to right: Alvin Hall, Marjorie Merritt, Carlos Garcia and Patricia Knox.


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## OBITUARIES



## DOVER DOYLE SPROTT

Dover Doyle Sprott, 63, entered into rest Friday, February 27, 1987. He was a member of the Church of Christ, a Veteran of WWII, serving in the Marine Corps, and a retired Signal Maintainer for Southern Pacific Railroad. Survivors include his wife, Patsy Sprott of Brackettville; daughter, Martha Elizabeth Schmidt of McAllen; Son, David Doyle Sprott of Sabinal; sisters: Clara Smith of Easley S.Carolina, Ruby Franklin of Phoenix, Arizona, Pearl Sharp of Little Rock, Arkansas; Brothers: Garland Sprott of Alpine, Texas, Troy Sprott of Abilene, Texas; Aunt: Arlene McDaniel of Brackettville; Four (4) Grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews. Services were held Monday, March 2, at the Church of Christ in Brackettville with Mr. Joe Brockman officiating. Interment was in Kinney County Cemetery under the direction of Rice Funeral Chapel.

EDITH MARIE O'NEAL

Edith Marie O'Neal, 57, entered into rest Friday, February 27, 1987. A former Brackettville resident and widow of Charles Behrens. She was residing in Seguin at the time of her death. Services were held in Seguin at 1:30 a.m. Monday with a graveside service and interment at 5:00 p.m. Monday in the St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Cemetery, with the Rev. McGraff from Del Rio officiating. Services were under the direction of Palmer Mortuary of Seguin.


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Writing this column every week sometimes seems to become a heavy load. I have to have my copy ready for deadline so the editor has time to get it into print and often I will be involved in a criminal investigation (or 2 or 3) or some other matter during that particular time and have to put in some extra time and late hours to get everything done.

And, in spite of what some folks might tend to believe, I try to shoot straight from the hip, without bias or prejudice, in reporting to you some of the activities that the Sheriff's Department has been involved in during the preceding week. I started this column over 6 years ago and made a promise then that I would try to keep you informed of criminal activities, investigations, and other related matters under my jurisdiction, and I sometimes receive criticism, both good and bad, for my efforts. Sometimes the load becomes such that I have considered discontinuing the column, but then again I feel that you, the taxpaying, voting public of this community and this county, have the right to be kept informed of what is going on in your community and the general activities of your Sheriff and the Sheriff's Department so I keep plugging along in my own peculiar way trying to keep you informed. The choice is yours, if you don't like what you read in "The Sheriff's Corner", then turn the page and read something else, or if you do read it and want to voice your opinion about an error I might have made or about something I might have reported on, let me hear from you and if indeed an error has been made I will attempt to correct it, or explain to the best of my ability why a certain report was or was not made.

Speaking of errors, I was informed that I made one last week when giving credit to those that provided the outstanding service at the Ft. Clark Restuarant for the meeting of the Southwest Texas Law Enforcement Officers Association. I thought I was doing a good thing in recognizing the efforts of those involved, but through an honest mistake I indicated that Joy

Ralston was manager of the restaurant and thanked her and her staff for the service and good food. Well, I have been informed that Jean Kohler is the manager of the restaurant and I failed to mention her name in the credits. I assure all those responsible that I intended no slight to anyone and to all those responsible, I again extend my thanks and gratitude for a job well done. Hope this satisfies everyone!

The "anonymous letter" to the editor a couple of weeks back seemed to touch a nerve or two judging from the response in last week's paper. Personally I think this is good for the community, gets people stirred up and thinking.

Ironically, the general theme of the letter (local minors in possession of and/or consuming alcohol) came home to roost with so $e$ of our local youths and their parents the night of Friday, February 27 th and again the night of Saturday, February 28 th . In the first incident we received a complaint through Ft. Clark Security of a loud party going on in one of the motel rooms. Upon investigation it was determined that a beer party was in progress attended by several local young people, all of them under the legal drinking age being from 15 to 20 years old. We handled the situation the way we usually do by confiscating the alcohol (in this case a keg of beer), and taking the names, ages, and home phone numbers of all those involved and then calling their parents.

In the second incident on
Saturday night, the local minors involved weren't quite as lucky. A Texas Liquor Control Board Agent from Del Rio apprehended several youths consuming alcohol (beer) on the premises of a local business that has an off-premise beer and wine license. (This means that though the business can legally sell beer or wine, the beer or wine cannot legally be consumed on the property, ie; a grocery store, etc.) The youths involved received citations issued by the LCB Agent and will have to appear before the Justice of the Peace and will most likely have to pay fines for the violations.

As usual, the incidents sparked response from the parents of those involved, both positive and negative, though I am pleased to report that the positive responses far outnumbered the negative. And I want to say this on behalf of the young people involved, with the
exception of only one, ALL of them were extremely well-mannered, polite, and respectful towards the peace officers handling the incidents. I think this demonstrates that even though they were in violation of the state liquor laws, the training and guidance they must have received at home carried them through what must have been a frustrating and embarrassing situation.

I will repeat what I told several concerned parents: We, and I am speaking for the Sheriff's Department only, are not, and will not be, involved in a witch hunt for minors in possession of and/or consuming alcohol. We will, however, investigate each and every complaint or report we receive about this matter and each case will be handled to the best of our ability and judgement based on the merits of each case. I still firmly believe that the ultimate responsibility for the control of the actions of our local young people lies with the parents, NOT
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In the shaping of Texas after San Jacinto, the rangers were organized into a force during the Texas Revolution. Seldom numbering more than five hundred men, they were both lawmen and soldiers on the frontier.

One of them was "Bigfoot Wallace" a descendant of Scottish Highlanders, born in Lerington, Rockridge County, Virginia. Wallace stood 6 ft . 2 in . in his moccasins, weighed two hundred pounds and lived and breathed the Ranger Spirit. Bigfoot and his fellow rangers were the enemy of lawbreakers. Wallace was called "Bigfoot" because of his boxcar feet and some say he could have been named Bigfoot because of confusion with a well known Indian who was also called Bigfoot.

In one incident Wallace tracked down a particular renowned horse thief named Antonio Corao and using the usual remedy for horse thievery executed him on the spot. Sometime later in a San Antonio cantina, a mean looking hombre burst into the Cantina and announced he was a friend of Corao and was hunting for the dirty so and so who killed his friend. Whereupon Wallace drew his Bowie knife and roared that he aimed to kill all Corao's friends too. The avenging hunter outlaw took one good look at Bigfoot and his Bowie knife and immediately left town.

Wallace fought in Meir under Hays Co. of Rangers and was a private in Co. K, C.S.A. When Bigfoot, Neighbors and other Texans were captured and taken to Mexico as prisoners another incident of interest occured. Every morning Neighbors, Bigfoot and four other companions were hitched by their prisoners to a cart and escorted to the city market to produce supplies for the day.

The "off lead man" of this six man team seemed unable to resist playing a practical joke upon their simple minded guards. So one morning when they were driven into the market, and were passing the stall of a very old Mexican woman, whose peculiarly fantastic costume, and shriveled haggard face gave her more the appearance of a fiend than a human being. As soon as the off
leader caught a glimpse of this hideous old woman, he cast a wink back at his comrades. Suddenly he raised his head and snorting like a horse, started off in a trot, sheering around her, gradually turning his head in imitation of a horse who shuns a suspicious looking object.
The whole team ran a mile before the astonished guard could head them off. The "leaders" claimed they were frightened at the sight of the old woman. The officers were asked if they themselves had been frightened. On the return trip the leaders were led by the soldiers around the old hag. The Mexican officers told their superiors that the Texans were not so brave after all.
Bigfoot drove for the "Jackass Express" on the southern route and had many experiences with the Lipans and others.
He died Jan. 7, 1899 and was buried in the Divine, Texas Cemetery. Shortly after his remains were moved to the State Cemetery in Austin.

## FORT CLARK VFW LADIES AUXILIARY

The Ft. Clark VFW Ladies Auxiliary Post 8360 held their regular meeting Feb. 25th, at 7:00 p.m., at the N.C.O. Club. Discussion for new projects were in full swing.
Betty Warden, District 11, Junior Vice President from Del Rio visited with the Ladies Auxiliary.

The Ladies Auxiliary joined the mens Post \#8360 to welcome and hear guest speakers: Bo McCarty and Bill Haynes of the D.P.S. in Del Rio-Narcotic Division. They were introduced by Sheriff Norman Hooten of Brackettville. After their presentation on Drug Abuse, there was a very informative question and answer session.

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Ann Sciba, Chairman of the Hospital Committee visits the V.A. Hospital in Kerrville twice monthly. On her last trip she returned with a request for our Auxiliary to make bibs for the patients at the hospital, she brought the material and pattern, the ladies will cut and sew these bibs and return them promptly as they are continually needed. Also, Ann will collect and deliver much needed coat hangers and magazines which the ladies will donate.

There is a covered box next to the NCO Building for anyone wishing to donate recent issue magazines that the patients at the V.A. Hospital can enjoy.

The District 11 V.F.W. meeting was held in Eagle Pass, Feb. 8th, representing Ft. Clark Ladies Auxiliary Post $\# 8360$ were: Dorothy and James Haga, Wilma and Clifford Lewis and Dot and Walt Fithian.

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Refreshments were served following the meeting.

has assembled the evidence, providing full coverage of each "Marian" sighting starting with La Salette. France and including the "visions" at Lourdes and Fatima where after several apparitions by the Virgin Ma a crowd of thirty thousand assembled to witness the event.
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## FISH STOCKING PROGRAM OFFERED

Well it's that time of year, Spring. It's time for new lambs, kid goats, baby calves, and the fish stocking program. Yes, the West Nueces-Las Moras Soil and Water Conservation District is offering its fish stocking program again this year.

The local district will be taking orders for fish from now until close of business April 18, 1987. Fish will be delivered beginning at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, April 29, 1987, at the Kinney County Civic Center. Order blanks for the fish are available by calling (512) 5632414 or by coming by the Soil Conservation Service office upstairs at the Courthouse in Brackettville. Also look at local stores for order blanks, some stores will have them.

The district was pleased last year to be able to offer this service to the local land-owners and operators. To say the least it worked better than we hoped and many people asked if we would do it again. This program has allowed ranchers to get just the fish or
forage fish they need and have the fish delivered to them.
Fish offered this year include channel catfish 4-6 inches, channel catfish 6-8 inches, largemouth bass 1-2 inches, bluegill sunfish 1-3 inches and fathead minnows. The minimum order is 50 of one species of fish or 1 pound of minnows. For further information you can pick up an order blank or call the local Soll Conservation Service office.

This year the district will have something new. We have invited some of the fellows from Aquaculture Enterprises, a commercial fish hatchery to come and talk about managing a farm pond for fish, fish stocking, and just about anything related to the subject of fish. This fish seminar will be April 8, 1987 at 1:00 p.m., at the Kinney County Civic Center. It is open to the public and anyone who wants to know more about fish and their management is invited to attend. A slide show will be presented and questions answered. Be sure and mark it on your calender and plan to attend.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO CLARA BONNER FROM THE GANG AT B \& S GROCERY MANY HAPPY RETURNS ON THE 6TH OF MARCH, 1987


One way the body adapts to cold weather is to induce shivering-an involuntary muscle activity which increases metabolic heat production.

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decline certain amounts of food that they do not intend to eat, while still maintaining a nutritional meal. Some food portions are adjusted size-wise as a part of the program.

This process is necessary in order to receive reimbursement for each lunch under the United States Department of Agriculture School Lunch and Breakfast Program. All lunches served in any public school
lunch program are eligible for reimbursement through this program when guidelines are met.
More specific information on lunch reimbursement and the "Offer vs. Serve" method is available from Mrs. Crowder at the school cafeteria.

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New Immigration Law

The Kinney County Farm and Ranch Club and the Texas Agriculture Extension Service is sponsoring a public meeting on the new immigration law. The Immigration and Naturalization Service will have a group of men to explain the details of the new law and how it will affect you as one who hires employees. The meeting is scheduled for Tuesday afternoon, March 17, at 1:30 p.m., at the Kinney County Civic Center. Everyone is welcomed to attend.

Annual Sonora Experiment Station Ram Test Field Day
The Annual Rambouillet Ram Test Field Day is scheduled for Thursday, March 19, at the Sonora Experiment Station. Some 300 rambouillet rams have completed a 140 day performance test and will be on exhibit that day for producers to examine plus the certified rams will be offered for sale that afternoon. Many good rams are on test this year and will give producers an opportunity to purchase some outstanding rams for their sheep improvement programs.

Landscape Horticulture Clinic
A landscape horticulture clinic sponsored by the Texas Agriculture Extension Service is scheduled for Tuesday, March 24, at Town Hall at Ft. Clark Springs. The Clinic will begin at $1: 30$ p.m. Homeowners and businesses will have an opportunity to learn more about landscaping with native plants, water conservation in relation to using native plants, maintenance of turfgrass and lawns, and insects and diseases with approved insecticides and fungicides. This program, sponsored by the county extension agents office, is open to the public and is free of charge.

## District III Texas Sheep \& Goat Raisers

Sheep and Goat producers from Val Verde, Kinney and Edwards counties will meet Friday, March 27, at the Ft. Clark Springs Restaurant for their district meeting. Senator Bill Sims, Executive Secretary of the TSGRA, and F.H. Whitehead, Jr., President of the TSGRA, will be present on the program. A noon meal of United States \#1 lamb and goat will be served to all participants. Make plans to attend and support your sheep and goat industry organization.


Houston and San Angelo Livestock Shows

4-H Club members from Kinney County will be exhibiting lambs at the Houston and San Angelo Livestock Shows the first two weeks of March. All of these lambs have come from sheep breeding programs here in Kinney County. As I stated in my last letter, it is always a pleasure to go to these shows and not only. see our youth in action but also observe many of the sheep breeding programs in progress. Maybe I'll see you there.

For any further information on any of these programs sponsored by the Texas Agriculture Extension Service, contact your county extension office at 563-2442.

Remember all programs of the TAEX
serve people of all ages, regardless of socio-economic level, race, color, sex, religion, or natural origin.
Carl R. Esser
County Extension Agent


## TIGER TRACK

The Brackett Tiger boys and girls track teams have 6 meets scheduled for this season. The first meet is scheduled in Utopia on March 7 th and there will be a meet each Saturday thru April llth which is the date of the district meet. The Brackett relays will be held on the 27 th and 28 th of March. The jr. high meet will be on the 27th.

The cubs will join the Tigers in Utopia and will run in the Del Rio jr. high meet March 20th.

Coach Doug Spring will be the boys coach this year and coach Stoney Burks will guide the Tigerettes. Coach Ron Green will take the reins for the Cubs and Cubettes.

## TIGER GOLF IN FULL SWING

Both the boys and girls will have golf teams for the first time. The boys team consists of Jack Baker, Steve Boutwell, Mike Cervantez, Lee Floyd, Mitch Frerich, Ken Mulligan Jr., and Sean Mulligan. The girl's team is comprised of Jeanette Avila, Tammy Frerich, Melinda Meyer, Travis Smith, and Sheri White.

The TIGERS will travel to Hondo on Friday March 6th for their first tournament of the year. Making the trip on the 5 man team will be Mike Cervantez, Lee Floyd, Ken Mulligan Jr., Sean Mulligan and Mitch Frerich.

The second tournament of the season, which will be here at the first annual Tiger Invitational Tournament, will include both the boys and the girls teams and will be held on March l6th at the Fort Clark Springs Golf and Tennis Club. Lackland High School has tentatively scheduled a boys tournament for March 30 th and will host the district tournament on April 6th.

I will be coaching the golf teams, so if you have any questions on our team or our tournament, please let me know.

## AIDS RISK REDUCED BY EXCLUSION OF HIGH RISK DONATIONS

A confidential system where donors indicate that their blood should be used only for laboratory studies has proved effective in reducing the incidence of high risk donor blood entering the blood supply, according to the February issue of Texas Medicine.
The safety of the nation's blood supply became a critical issue when it was discovered that acquired immune deficiency (AIDS) could be transmitted by blood transfusion. In 1983, concern about this disease led to AIDS blood donor screening recommendations from the Food and Drug Administration. The Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center, Houston, the site of this confidential system, implemented the FDA recommendations immediately. However, in 1984, it expanded upon the FDA recommendations and began requiring donors to apply a pressuresensitive bar-coded label to a donor card that indicates whether the donor's blood should be used "for laboratory studies only" or "for transfusion". The blood center believed the risk of contracting AIDS through blood transfusion could be further reduced by going beyond the FDA
recommendations and eliminating donations from persons at high risk for AIDS, according to the official journal of the Texas Medical Association.
"The hypothesis depended on the confidentiality of the system developed to protect individual rights," according to authors Bill T. Teague, Pablo J. Fortes, John Drury, and Ronald Phillips. All of the authors are with the Gulf Regional Blood Center.
The blood center tests all donations, regardless of designation, for the HTLV-111 antibody. From the period of June 1 through November 1985, the center found that. 19 percent of the "for transfusion" donations were repeatedly reactive to the AIDS antibody testing. Only .07 percent were positive for the Western blot test which generally is accepted as a reliable test to confirm the presence of the antibody.
"The extremely low number of "for transfusion" donors who test repeatable positive for the HTLV111 antibody suggest that these donors are, in fact, very low risk and/or did not feel they were at high risk at the time of donation," according to the authors.

## SUL ROSS PROFESSOR PUBLISHES ARTICLE

Dr. Donald Smith, Professor of Education at the Uvalde Area Study Center, had his article, "The Christian Assessment Scales: Christian Self-Perception," published in the fall volume of the Journal of Psychology and Christianity. The article examines the Christian Life Assessment Scales as an instrument for counselors and researchers to use in measuring personality traits. One hundred twenty eight subjects were used in the research for the project. Each took the CLAS and the results, said Smith, indicated that significant differences were found among the five major groups of subjects.

The CLAS requires those taking it to sort descriptions of characteristics of individuals into different. categories from "least like me" to "most like me," and into a separate sort category of how they perceived God would want them to be. From the research,

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## ARSON FIRES <br> INCREASE IN TEXAS

The crime of arson apparently is becoming more profitable in Texas. The number of set fires increased 31.5 percent in the first six months of 1986, compared with the same period in 1985, according to statistics recently compiled through the Texas Fire Incident Reporting System (TEXFIRS).

TEXFIRS is an automated system operated by The State Board of Insurance, State Fire Marshal's Office, to document the number, nature and causes of fires in Texas. Three hundred and ten fire departments protecting 71 percent of the state population report fires to the system.

During the first six months of 1986, fire departments reported a total of 9,045 incendiary of suspicious fires which resulted in at least 11 fatalities, 53 injuries and an estimated $\$ 39.2$ million in property loss.

The amount of property loss decreased 12 percent from the same period for 1985, but injuries increased 17.8 percent and fatalities increased 22.2 percent. The dollar loss from these fires amounted to 22 percent of the total dollar loss from all fires.
"Incendiary" or "suspicious" were among the top five fire causes in every major building category. Residential properties were hit the hardest by arsonists during the first six months of 1986. More than 1,400 incendiary/suspicious residential fires resulted in 39 injuries, 10 fatalities and $\$ 19.7$ million in property damage.

Fires caused by children playing with fire increased 44.8 percent in the first half of 1986, to more than 1,800. They resulted in 49 injuries, six fatalities and $\$ 3.7$ million in property loss.

Statistics from the TEXFIRS are made available to the public in an effort to decrease the number and severity of fires through increased public awareness of fire problems, said State Board of Insurance Chairman Lyndon L. Olson, Jr.


Children can glue macaroni to cardboard. Makes great bumpy designs.


Some people say putting a bay leaf in flour tins discourages weevils.

## SHRINE CLUB PARTICIPATES IN CELEBRATION

On February 20th Jack and Marjorie Taunt, John and Marcia Clasen, Bruce and Dorothea Clements, Jim Haga and Lenny Mahefky, all members of the Fort Clark Shrine Club Scooters, travelled to Laredo to participate in the Washingtons Birthday Celebration.

Upon our arrival in Laredo we checked in at our Motel then went as a group to Nuevo Laredo on a shopping spree and a delicious Mexican Dinner, arriving back in Laredo in time to attend a Western Dance sponsored by the Laredo Shrine Club.

Saturday morning dawned cloudy, damp and cold, and not realizing how far we were from the place the parade was to assemble, we unloaded our scooters at the motel and rode them to the assembly point. After asking directions several times and riding down rough gravel streets, we finally arrived cold and
shaking, but still able to sit on our scooters at the assembly point. Our fearless leader, Colonel Jack Taunt, with his teeth chattering said, "See I told you I would lead you here safe". Soon after arrival the parade began and the cold was forgotten as we began performing in front of a very large enthusiastic crowd. In all about 300 Shriners participated in the parade and a wonderful time was shown us by the Laredo Shrine Club and the citizens of Laredo.

Sunday morning we departed Laredo travelling our separate ways, looking forward to our next meeting which will be in Eagle Pass on March 28th to ride in their Friendship Parade.
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Texans spend millions of dollars every year beautifying their homes with trees, shrubs, vines and flowers. With proper planning, many of those dollars can be recovered through reduced utility bills. Studies have shown that shading walls from direct sunlight in the summer can reduce wall surface temperatures by as much as 29 degrees. This can make a big difference in the cost of air conditioning the home. And while it may take many years for trees and hedges to mature, certain vines planted now may be trained on trellises to provide relief from the heat, and from high utility bills, this summer.

When planting trees, homeowners
should also consider the potential for saving on heating bills in the winter. For the east, west, and especially the south side of the house, choose trees that will lose their leaves in the fall, allowing the sun to strike walls and windows. The sun is too often ignored as a source of free light and heat on cold days. On the north side of the house, plant evergreen trees and bushes that can act as windbreaks, diverting blasts of cold air away from doors and windows.

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1 assist - DPS

From Section 22.10, Texas Penal Code:

> LEAVING A CHILD IN A VEHICLE. (a) A person commits an offense if he, or she, intentionally or knowingly leaves a child in a motor vehicle for longer than 5 minutes, knowing the child is: (1) younger than 7 years of age; and (2) not attended by an individual in the vehicle who is 14 years of age or older. (b) An offense under this section is a Class C Misdemeanor.
> I have much to say to this law. As a caring father, I am appalled to see children, some still infants, left in cars at local businesses. If a child is taken somewhere, why not take them inside? Or still, leave them at home with an adult or older juvenile (babysitter). And with hot weather coming, leaving a child


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unattended in a car can be fatal. I am reminded of a time while I was an SP in the Air Force, when I happened on such a situation at the base store. The outside temperature was 95 degrees, and even with the windows cracked, the temperature in the car reached about 125. We did not have time to look for the parents, as the child was already showing signs of the heat getting to him, so we shattered a window, and took the child out. When the mother arrived, she was more concerned about the broken window, insisting that we would have to pay for it. We didn't, but she did...in more ways than one.

If these types of circumstances arise, it will be more than a Class C Misdemeanor. The State of Texas may pursue the matter as a criminal case. And I applaud it.
Also, in the case of child restraint, the law is that if the child is under 2 years old, they must be in a child safety seat; and if . 2-4 years old, must be seatbelted in, REGARDLESS of where they are sitting in the car. I don't hesitate to issue citations on this offense. It doesn't matter if the parents don't like it, or agree with this law, or what may happen to the current seatbelt law. I don't think that the part of the law concerning children will ever be repealed. And it shouldn't. Not only are the children safer, but there is less distraction to the driver, and the children are more controlled.
But I'm not preaching; just giving friendly, concerned advice, one loving parent to another.


BY. RORY WOODSON

Hi, This weeks Video Reviews will begin with "Manhunter". I thought it was an exceptional movie! Its based on the novel the "Red Dragon" which by the way is a good book. Bill Peterson gives a stunning portrayal as a super detective who has the uncanny ability to think like which ever killer he is after. Bill Peterson can also be seen in another good video called "To Live and Die in L.A.".
"Ruthless People" is my pick for a good comedy this week! Its a cute story about a man, (Danny Devito) trying to kill his wife, (Bette Midler), but is saved the trouble by a pair of kidnappers (Judge Reinhold \& Helen Slator), who after after kidnapping her would like to give her back but her husband doesn't want her back!

Well any way the movie is very funny! Its put out by a new production company called Touchstone Home Video which is a subsidary of Disney films. Two more good videos to come out this summer by Touchstone are "Color of Money" starring Tom Cruise and Paul Newman, a sequel to "The Hustler". The second film is "Tough Guys" starring two veteran actors Burt Lancaster and Kirk Douglas.

Well good watching till next week.

## PROFESSOR

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Smith found five groupings ranging from those in which the two sorts were not very different to those for whom the differences in the sorts was quite significant. Smith warned that care should be taken not to overgeneralize the results of the study. While the five groups existed, the implications of the differences between the groups was not clear, and further study was needed to show the scales could be used in effective counseling programs.

Smith, a member of the faculty at Sul Ross State University since 1974, earned his Bachelor of Science and Master of Education from the University of Illinois, and his Ed.D. from Illinois State University. He has also served in the Center as acting Dean and as Chair of the Program Area of Teacher Education.

## THANK

## YOU!

The cooks and loyal workers want to thank the members of our community for coming out and making the Pancake Supper held at St. Andrew's Church such a big success. We promise to have another grill for next year to help speed up serving.

Thank You All!
Mary Louise Veltman

## SUNSHINE

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interested customers of special sales, seminars programs and other opportunities or activities that may arise.
3. We plan to provide a landscaping service; starting on a small scale and developing as we go along. 'Zaire-scaping' is the newest movement in landscaping. It concerns the use of native plants which promote water conservation, natural landscaping and low maintenance. (It will also help with the deer situation, particularly on Fort Clark Springs.) We're very interested in this form of landscaping and will be providing additional information.

We are looking forward to working with you and hope that if we do not have what you want or need, we can help you find it.

Our phone number will remain the same: $563-2610$, so call us or come by and see us, drink a Coke and share some ideas!

Thanks!


## Home Hints

HOME DRAIN UNCLOGGER - Instead of buying those expensive liquid drain uncloggers, try doing this:
Pour one cup of baking soda into the drain and follow with one cup of vinegar. As the soda and vinegar are foaming, pour about a quart of boiling water into the drain. In case it still drains slowly, repeat the process. This should be done every week to keep drains clear. However if you still have a problem, you may have to call a plumber. Mary V., Lexington, Kentucky.
NO-FEAR ROCKING - I love rocking chairs, but hate what they do to floors! My mother told me to glue weather stripping to the bottom of the chair and it will prevent the floor from being scratched. Lo and behold! It works. Jillian H., Osseo, Minn.
CORD CONFUSION - I have a lot of electric appliances with detachable electric cords such as frying pans, electric knives, etc. It seems they have a habit of tangling together whether in a drawer or in the closet. I found that if I fold each cord in two, then again and again - depending on how long it is, and then stick each in a cardboard paper towel or bathroom tissue tube, I prevent all the frustration of untangling these electric serpents! It also helps to mark on the cardboard roll exactly which cord it contains for faster access, Terry P Travelers Rest,

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

It seems "Anonymous" struck a nerve.
Several things strike me as interesting. In the first place I agree with every word that was said. In the second place I noticed that Wanda Schwandner did not dispute a single factual statement.

Come now Wanda, I grew up just down Washita River from where you lived in Oklahoma. True, Oklahoma was "dry", but home brew and bootleg liquor were readily available and the legal "3.2" beer was as much alcoholic as some of the "lite" beers today. The boys gathered behind the barn or in the parks and sneaked their drinking. There were the "barn" dances where some of the adults got drunk.

The big difference was that mom and dad didn't use alcoholic beverages and didn't encourage their young people to. Certainly there were people who used these things but they were in the small minority and by no means had approval of the general public.

I've seen through the hamburger stand window, and in the halls what goes on among teen agers at the Civic Center dances. Just because the parents sit at a table and drink and the young sit at another table and drink doesn't mean it is right or good for the teens to drink. One does not have to attend one of these dances to "check out my neighbors nor my neighbors actions" but I saw alcohol abuse by teen agers without looking for it.

I agree with anonymous, "these are all kids we know and love. They are our "good kids. " I'd rather my kids be --- having a couple of beers than out thieving, vandalizing, using drugs ---" is a cop out. There is no legitimate reason for doing either one. Now at least your sons can know their mother gives tacit approval to their violating the law and drinking beer.
I do not agree that the community has a responsibility to furnish activities for the young people. The parents have the major responsibility. There are many many more things for young people to do today than there has ever been.

Certainly our youth needs support but only for those things that are right, legal and helpful. To close our eyes to reality and give even acquiescence to harmful practices is no real help for youth.

There is no greater way to help youth than to lead the way in worship of God and faithfulness to Him by support of the Church. For all the hoop-la there is still no greater source of character building.

And as for peer pressure - each youth is going to be either a leader or a follower: I'd rather mine be leaders by peer pressure for the right, than followers.

Joe R. Townsend

Professor Phumble



BISD Librarian Judith Kelley reads a book to attentive elementary students. A review session on library skills follows with students participating in a question and answer period.


The week of March 8-14 is Older Worker Week in Texas. We encourage other employers to hire an Older Texan during this week. Our Nutrition and Aging Program in the past 11 years has hired 10 Older Te..ans. This has been made possible through The Senior Texans Employment Program. Headstart has also had the priviledge to work with Senior Citizens provided by STEP.

The names of people previously employed by STEP are, Teresa Luna, Hannah Daniels, now deceased, Victoria Martinez, Maria Sandoval, Lucy Williams, Virginia Cruz and Consuelo Castillo. Current employees are Agnes Vondy, Eluteria Garcia and Juanita Rivas.

Next week a proclamation will be signed honoring our STEP employees and urge other agencies to recognize our Older Worker in our community.

Labor provided by STEP has enabled many rural communities to start, operate and complete various local programs which would not have been possible without the assistance of the STEP workers. Due to the eroding tax base present in rural communities and school districts, projects such as major repair to community buildings, schools, renovation of parks or development of human service
programs must be forgotten because tax dollars have not been available to undertake the responsibility. With STEP workers leading the way, many communities are able to implement new social programs and capital programs with enrolees carrying the primary responsibility.

Additionally, the communities benefit because of the increased number of workers in day care centers, schools, hospitals, senior centers, beautification projects, transportation program drivers and nutrition programs for the elderly. By increasing and upgrading the number and quality of workers in these areas, programs are refined and can increase or expand services to more needy individuals in the service area.

The rural community economy has benefited by STEP workers earning their dollars in the community and spending their wages locally. STEP wages represent a significant impact on rural areas when local dollars are earned and spent at home. The Senior Texans Employment Program has become a source of pride to the enrolees, while local project sponsors have developed a renewed feeling about the ability, productivity and resourcefulness of older Texans.

## Professor Phumble




## FIRE DEPARTMENT

 NEWSby Justin berry fire chief

The Brackettville Volunteer Fire Department did not have any fires to respond to for the month of February, which is good, since we are trying to get ready for the State Firemen's and Firemarshal's Convention that will be held here the 22 of March. Everyone is invited to attend the pumper races that afternoon, they will start at 2:00 p.m. in front of the Civic Center.

The races will consist of the 3 man race, 3 women race, 6 man race, 6 women race, and water polo. We will be hosting a firemen's dance the night of the 21st, from 9:00 p.m. until 1:00 a.m. at the Civic Center. Music will be provided by Tommy Vick and the Country Gold Band. Admission will be $\$ 5.00$ per person.
The TDHPT approved the application to cut a ditch across Spring Street in order to put a fire plug in the Civic Center Parking Lot. The City and County have been working with the Fire Department the past few weeks to get the fire plug installed. Hopefully the City will be able to start on it sometime this week, so we will be able to use it for the Convention.
The Department has submitted letters to the City Council, County Commissioners, and Fort Clark Springs Association, asking them to sponsor a fireman to attend the Firemen's Training School at Texas A\&M University in July. This will be a 40 hour course, and will give those firemen that attend enough hours to be certified by the state. As I talked about before, the more firemen that we have certified through the state, the lower the key insurance rate will be for the residents in the City and County.

The Fire Department would like to thank the businesses that have donated door prizes and/or food, for the convention this month.


## PUBLIC NOTICE

## NOTICE OF CITY OFFICERS ELECTION BRACKETTVILLE

Notice is hereby given that a City Officer's election will be held on the 4 th day of April, 1987, in the above named City for the purpose of electing the following officers for said City: Two (2) Councilmembers, Place 1 (Fire and Police) and Place 3 (Budget and Finance). Said election will be held at the following polling place in said City: In election precinct number 1, at City Hall building.

The polls at each of the above designated polling place shall on said election day be open from 7:00 o'clock a.m. to 7:00 $0^{\prime}$ clock p.m.

The absentee voting for the above designated election shall be held at City Hall building, in said City, and said place of absentee voting shall remain open for at least 8 hours on each day of absentee voting which is not a Saturday, Sunday or an official state holiday, beginning on the 16 th day of March, 1987 and ending March 31, 1987. Said place of voting shall remain open between the hours of 8:00 o'clock a.m. and 5:00 o'clock p.m.

## Trustee Filing Continues

Candidates may still file for a position on the ballot for the upcoming school trustee election. There are two positions open. Qualification for school trustee are:

1. Qualified voter in the District
2. A resident of the District six months before the filing deadline
3. A resident of the state for one year prior to the deadline

The deadline for filing for the election is midnight, May 4, 1987. Applications for a place on the ballot may be picked up at the Brackett Independent School District Central Office.

## ACCEPTING BIDS

Bids accepted until April 7, 1987, 10:00 a.m., for brush work to be done on Silver Lake Ranch, Kinney County, Texas. Contact: Soil \& Water Conservation District at (512) 563-2414.

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The Unity of God's Kingdom
"Every kingdom divided against itself is laid waste, and a divided house falls."

The strength of Christianity is its oneness. There might b differences of ritual or thought, but the underlying key to
Christianity's universal appeal is the sameness of purpose. All Christians believe in the one God and in the messiah he sent to earh to guide them, his son Jesus. Men have made war for many reasons since the dawn of time, not the least being over religious ideals. Yet the fact remains that even when Christian takes arms against Christian, each in his heart holds that one faith. How utopian it would be if men could put aside their pride and pettiness and join in a true brotherhood in the name of God and Jesus. Truly then would be a heaven on earth.
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7:00 PM
PRAYER MEETING (WED)
7:00 PM
REV. JOE TOWNSEND

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SUNDAY SCHOOL
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7:00 AM WEDNESDAY \& SATURDAY 6:30 PM SUNDAY 8:00 AM (SPANISH) \& 10:30 AM CONFESSIONS WEDNESDAY \& SATURDAY 6:00 PM
RELIGIOUS CLASSES WEDNESDAY 7:00 PM RELIGIOUS CLASSES SUNDAY 9:15 AM PRAYER MEETING WEDNESDAY (SPANISH) 7:00 PM

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Ash Wednesday Services
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Imposition of Ashes
and Holy Communion


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