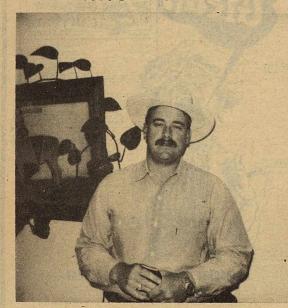


NEW COUNTY AGENT HAS ARRIVED



ALAN MCWILLIAMS

The new Kinney County Extension Agent has been in and out of his office getting set up to start work on May 22nd.

Alan McWilliams 30, from Crane, Texas has been in the extension service for 6 years in two other counties. He graduated Del Rio High School in 1977 and continued his education at Texas Tech graduating with a Batchelors Degree in Animal Science.

He and his two children, Megan and Mason, are moving to Fort Clark Springs and will set up meetings with the groups he will be working with to start after May 22.

This week was to have an open house at the extension offices around the State to celebrate the 75th Anniversary of the Smith Lever act which established the extension offices, but could not be held here as our new agent was in transit.

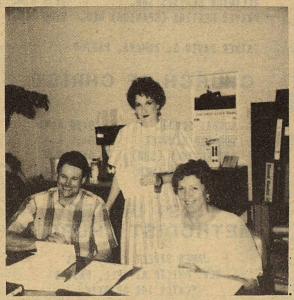
Welcome to Kinney County Alan!



ONE NEW & ONE RE-ELECTED ALDERMAN TO JOIN CITY COUNCIL



Mayor Vito LaGioia swears in New Alderman, Dave Broderick.



Pictured above from left to right is reelected School Board Member, Zack Davis, and Beth Ann Smith, and Newly elected School Board Member, Jewel Robinson.

The following is the official count of the votes that were cast for the School Board Election, Saturday, May 6, 1989.

Zack Davis	253	Tony Frerich	116
Beth Ann Smith	169	Clyde Justice	66
Jewel Robinson	136	Larry Moore	1
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Mr. Louis Dimery, pictured above being sworn in by Mayor LaGioia has made it for his third time as City Alderman.

The results of the City election held Saturday, May 6, 1989 were as follows:

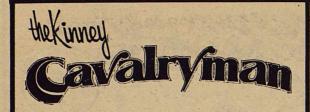
Louis Dimery 192
Ralph Gonzales 110
David Broderick 177
Ray Robinson 115

PRIVATE WATER WELL CONTAMINATED

Last January, Lenny Mahefky had a 60 foot well drilled so that he could water his apple trees to his hearts content. When he started to use the water he noted a strange smell and a film if the water was put in a barrel. He contacted San Antonio Testing Laboratory in March and requested that the water be tested. The report came back with all the levels of chemicals and their milligrams per liter listed. On the bottom was petroleum hydrocarbons—present. It takes another test, more expensive to show how much and what type of hydrocarbons are present.

As Mr. Mahefky hasn't received results from the Texas Water Commission, he is still using city water in place of well water to irrigate his apple trees. He reported the contaminated well water to Mayor LaGioia

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SPOFFORD SPECIAL MEETING

On May 4, 1989, at 7:00 p.m., the City of Spofford called a meeting at the request of Mayor Vito La Gioia. Present were some of the citizens of Spofford, Aldermen, and Mayor Herndon and his wife. Also present at the meeting were representative of both local newspapers and two members from Care that reside in Brackettville.

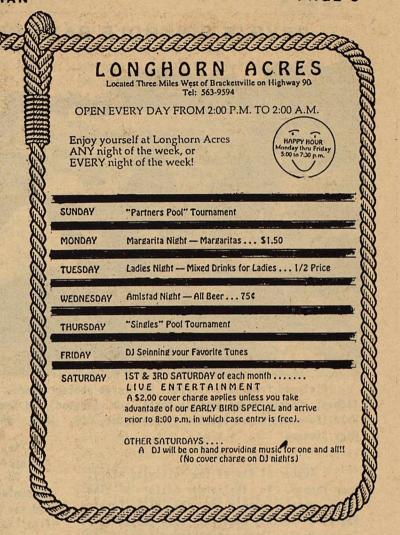
The issues discussed concerned the grant applications that were submitted by Middle Rio Grande for Spofford to obtained new water lines in the City of Spofford and a water line to Brackettville for a water supply.

Spofford applied for a grant last year from Texas Department of Commerce to pay for new water lines in the City limits. They also applied for a grant and loan from the Texas Farmers Home Administration to pay for a line to Brackettville for water.

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DEVIL'S SINKHOLE BATS CENTER OF MEDIA FOCUS IN OCTOBER, 1988

By Lou Thomas, Barksdale Resident



Pictured from left to right is 2 area photographers, Author, Lou Thomas, County Judge Neville Smart, Jr. (seated) and Texas Parks and Wildlife employee at Devil's Sinkhole Oct. 23, 1988. Photo taken by Mary Simone.

Author of the of the following story, Lou Thomas, is the former editor of The Texas Mohair Weekly and the Hill Country Rustler, monthly magazine, both published in Rocksprings. Thomas spearheaded a group for two years trying to encourage the opening of the two state-owned parks in Kinney and Edwards Counties, the Devil's Sinkhole, located seven miles east of Rocksprings and Kickapoo Caverns, twenty miles north of Brackettville and forty miles southwest of Rocksprings. Citizen's petitions, letters, and letters to area chambers of commerce were mailed, realizing that all towns and outlying towns from Brackettville and Rocksprings would benefit from the more than 45,000 summer tourists expected to come into the area, once the two parks are opened to the public. Currently, Thomas has given the entire file to Nueces Canyon Chamber of Commerce director L.J. Dean in Camp Wood.

Last fall, on October 23, a group of Texas Parks & Wildlife personnel, news media from Houston, Austin, Kerrville, San Antonio met with Edwards County Judge Neville Smart, Jr., Mayor Mary Simone, County Clerk Dorothy Hatley and myself at the Springs Inn Hotel in Rocksprings....for the purpose of driving out seven miles east to the Devil's Sinkhole to watch the purportedly eight million bats fly from the sinkhole around dusk.

Several days prior to the gathering, Texas Parks & Wildlife Public Affairs Coordinator David Cottom called me at the Texas Mohair Weekly office and asked if I'd like to get a group of four to five together and go out to the sinkhole. Cottom asked if I'd agree to be interviewed and I told him I'd forego that honor and let our able county judge have the honors. Cottom said this would be the first in a series of publicizing the sinkhole, and that nothing definite has been established to date. Cottom added that he looked forward to meeting with the citizens, as the project continues.

After contacting Smart, Simone and Hatley, I could feel the old adrenalin pulsating, as I was most excited at the prospect of even seeing the sinkhole and more so about the millions of bats.

We drove out of Rocksprings about 5 p.m....we looked like a regular convoy, with eight to ten vehicles, As we entered the gate, I looked around at the landscape, and remembering stories of how the sinkhole was discovered, I could imagine the downright fear and astonishment the discoverer must have felt in finding a hole of such magnitude in a somewhat flat area.

We got out of cars, pickups and vans and stooped under a wire with a sign proclaiming ¶NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC'. As we approached the sinkhole, the surrounding terrain was indentical to that viewed from driving off the main highway...it was simply hard to believe that, all of a sudden, it seemed, here's this gigantic hole in the ground.

After about 21 people milled around and started into the sinkhole, with news media peering into the sinkhole...dangerously close...the photographers began setting up their equipment.

Some of the braver media lay flat and peered into the sinkhole. I desperately wanted to get closer, but after looking into the opposite side of the hole, seeing rocks jutting out for 5 to 10 feet, all I could think of was: with IP&W staff milling around in the last two years, could it not be possible for some of the huge, jutting rocks to break loose?

So, the closest I got to the edge was probably about 4 feet.. same for Smart, Simone and

Hatley.

On the south side of the sinkhole was a large round hole, probably three feet in circumference and Regional Maintenance Specialist Roy Inks with TP&W insisted that I come over and see it. It was cloudy and though visibility was low, one could see how deep the hole was from that angle.

Judge Smart began videotaping initials carved into a huge rock... put there in 1926 by his father. Many others had carved initials into the rocks, through the years.

Some of the group not included above was

Rex Teter and Yolanda Graham of KENS-TV, chanel, 5 of San Antonio, Michael Jenkins of the Kerrville Daily Times; Nathan

Kvinge, KHOU-TV of Houston, Keith Brunson, KTBC-TV of Austin, Norma Rabago, Production Assistant, Longhorn Network of Austin, Park Superintendent, Kickapoo Caverns State Park and Resource Management Specialist David Riskind, with TP&W staff. Being close to sundown, talk of seeing a rattler was heard and I was reluctant to get other names.

A TP&W staff member mentioned that they were anxious to see if the bats would fly out, with that many people milling around. About 6:15, what looked like a million swallows began circling the sinkhole with chirping, tweeting, etc. and Rabago sat close to the edge, trying to record the sounds, as the swallows seemingly "dropped into the sinkhole".



Millions of bats flying out of the Devil's Sinkhole. Sinkhole is at bottom center and right.

THE KINNEY CAVALRYMAN

10 MILE WALK-A-THON

Friends and supporters of Community Council are encouraged to participate in the agency's first annual fund raising event. Scheduled activities for Saturday, May 20 are a 10 mile Walk-A-Thon and BBQ chicken sale.

The walk-a-thon will begin at 8:00 a.m. in the southwest parking lot of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church. From there, the route will take the walkers north on Grove to front St., and past Frio Foods to FM 1403. Particpants will then proceed north to Hwy. 55 and circle back into town. Part St. will lead the group south through town to Leona St., which they will take back to the Catholic Church.

Each mile of the route will be marked with balloons, and there will be water stations every two miles. No one is required to walk the entire route. For those who wish to walk only a portion of the 10 miles, there will be transportation provided back to the church. Local Emergency Medical Service (EMS) staff will be on hand throughout the walk-a-thon.

Carry out BBQ chicken plates will be sold at the church for \$3.00 each. Serving time is from 11-2, so those picking up plates can cheer in the walk-a-thon finishers.

Proceeds from the events will be used for providing direct emergency assistance with food, shelter, medication, clothing and transportation in the agency's service area. A portion of the funds raised will be used for local non-federal matches. The State will match one dollar for each dollar raised under the category of utility assistance.

Community Council of Southwest Texas, Inc. is a non-profit agency chartered in 1965 to provide services to the needy. In addition to the emergency services noted above, the agency also offers the more specialized services of Head Start, Family Planning, Weatherization and Elderly Nutrition. Counties in the agency's service area are Uvalde, Edwards, Kinney, Real, Val Verde and Zavala.

Volunteers are needed to help with the water stations and other various tasks. If you would like to walk, offer a donation or help with any part of the day's events, please call 278-6268 or 1-800-444-6268, or contact any of the agency's neighborhood centers.

FUND RAISING

The Little League Program is a true asset to any community. Young boy and girls are provided an opportunity to excell or just participate according to their own desires. This opportunity is given regardless of ability. In Brackettville there is a strong desire exhibited by our young people to participate in organized Baseball activities. There are currently 48, six to eight year old children enrolled in I-Ball and 77, nine to twelve year old children enrolled in llittle League. Plans are also under way to establish a Senior League in Brackettville for the 1990 Season. This could involve another 30-50 children.

The men and women involved in managing and coaching these children are dedicated to

teaching the skills needed to play the game and also the basics of good sportsmanship. Their time and energy is vital to these young people and very much appreciated. There are 10-20 other people involved in the management and organization of the league.

All these numbers are a good indication of the "NEED" in this community for a program of this type. HOWEVER, this type of program cannot exist without the support of ALL the community. Your support can come in many ways. The primary need facing theleague now isFUNDS. Fund raising is currently under way and any amount will be deeply appreciated. DONATIONS can be mailed to KINNEY COUNTY LITTLE LEAGUE, P.O. BOX 1392, BRACKETTVILLE. TEXAS 78832. There are many other ways to help your local league: Pay your childs \$5.00 registration fee, Volunteer to help in the concession stand, Volunteer to be a fund raiser, Volunteer to help clean the field, Volunteer to assist in the coaching, bake cookies or cakes to sell in the concession stand or just come and watch the kids play.

There are many good, young people in this community. Help give them an outlet for their energy and drive.

GILBERT MEYER, JR.



Gilbert Meyer Jr. has just graduated Boot Camp at Fort Bliss, El Paso, Texas and will be coming home May 12, 1989. He had 8 weeks of basic training and 6 weeks of AIT.

He will be stationed at Fort Polk, Louisiana. His 21st birthday is May 12th, the day he comes home. He will be here for 6 days before leaving for Louisiana.

Gilbert is a 1986 graduate of Brackett H.S. and is married to Melissa Perry Meyer, formerly of Del Rio.

Welcome Home Gilbert!

3RD GRADE TAKES A TRIP

The Southern Pacific Transportation Company has a program that teaches railroad crossing safety to elementary students which is called Operation Lifesavers.

On Thursday, April 27th, the third grade classes of Jones Elementary were taken to Fort Clark Springs where they were shown a video on crossing safety. Rob Henderson, engineer, then invited the class to Spofford to see 2 locomotives parked there. Lt. R.N. Skelton and Don DeVille, Road Foreman of Engines took the children 4 and 5 at a time

into the locomotives and let them sit in the engineers seat. Mr. DeVille reported that the children asked thousands of questions.

The teachers sponsoring this were Mrs. Judy Burks and Mrs. Candance LaMascus.

LOU HAZELTON TO SPEAK

The public is invited to hear Lou Hazelton at 7:00 p.m. o'clock this Sunday night at the First Baptist Church.

Lou will speak about the "New Age Movement, The Occult, Astrology, and related themes."

The Children's Church for those from 10 years and under at the First Baptist Church is going full swing with three and four workers each Sunday at 11:00 o'clock. The "kids" have a "blast" each week.

The children sing, learn Scripture verses, enjoy refreshments, and have a vacation-like Bible School every Sunday. They are all excited about their Children's Church with puppets added to make this event one they will remember all their lives. Every child may attend free each Sunday morning in the fellowship hall of the church building.

The members of the First Baptist extend a Happy Mother's Day to all the ladiesof the area. MAY GOD BLESS YOU ALL!

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REV. PRESTON TAYLOR

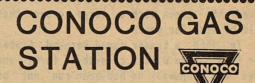


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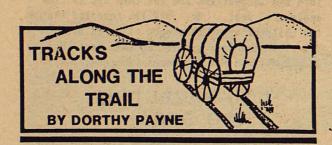
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It is called "La Jarnada del muerto," or "Journey of Death," but I think the correct translation would be "Dead Mans Route." It was part of the trail between Guadalupe del Paso, (El Paso) and Sante Fe ever since Onate settled New Mexico in the year 1598.

Originally the Spanish "Jornada" meant a days journey, then it became known as a journey of any number of days.

"Muerto" in Spanish means anything dead, especially a corpse or skeleton that hasn't received a proper burial.

The New Mexico Jornada del Muerto got its name in 1670 from a German Trader who died on the trail. The place names of little settlements sprang up along this trail.

The German Trader perished near a little spot called, "El Perrillo," (Little Dog). El Perrillo got its name when Onate and his thirsty men met up with a little stray dog that led them to a welcome spring in the desert. You can see why a journey across the La Jornada del Muerto was only undertaken by either a very brave man or a foolish one. Other place names appeared as time went by, named for unforseen tragedies along the Trail.

At the routes northern end a Friar Christopher died and was buried there. Soon this little place became known as "El Paraje de Fray Christobal. Here the trail goes across a barren stone range.

Another Friar Diego died at the southern end and was buried properly. This place was "El Rincon de Fray Diego, and is still called "Rincon."

Within a few years a place sprang up which was called La Cruz de Anya where a settler of that name died, and his friends marked his grave with a large cross that could be seen for years.

In 1668 a trader named Bernard Gruber came from Sonora with a caravan of forty one mules and horses. He had been run out of Sante Fe, because he practiced the black arts like Faust. He and a cellmate escaped from the Sante Fe caboose. In September of that same year a Captain Peralta found his bones and scattered clothing in the desert. This spot bacame called "El Aleman".

Because of all the tragic incidents the trail became known as "La Jornada del Muerto, after the bones of a German stranger who had not received a proper burial.

On this route a railway was later built, but to this day some of the place names have remained. The route is still called "La Jornada del Muerto". No one seems to know or no one has ever managed to find out who named it "La Jornada del Muerto."

"Truly absurd is the man who never changes."

Auguste Barthelmy

REFLECTIONS

BY PRESTON TAYLOR, PASTOR FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

One of the big problems in America and a great part of the world is alcoholism. More and more young people and adults are "hooked" on beer, whiskey, and other addicting drugs.

Half of the automobile deaths come about because of drunk drivers. More people have died of drink than in all the wars in human history — that's what the statisticians say.

Is drinking a sickness, a disease? No it is not. The Bible says that drinking is a sin, NOT a sickness.

Drinking a sickness? Then this is the only disease which is bottled and sold.

A sickness? Then alcoholism would be the only disease or sickness which requires outlets to spread that disease.

Is alcoholism a disease? Then it would be the only disease or sickness which produces revenue for the government.

Is alcoholism a disease? Then it would be the only disease which produces fights and brawls in the homes of its victims and slaughter on the highways and crimes from countless other areas.

Is alcoholism a disease? Then this would be the only disease which we spread by advertising the propaganda.

Is alcoholism a disease? If so, this is the only infirmity or sickness which is contracted by the will of man who takes it into his system.

To sell alcoholic beverages one must obtain a license. We don't make it legal for a person to sell diseases.

Come now! Over and over again the Holy Bible says "woe" to the one who drinks and "woe" to the one who puts the bottle to his neighbors' mouth.

What's the reason for alcoholism and millions of lives devasted and ruined by drink year after year? One answer: Alcohol.

HUNGER INCREASING AMONG TEXANS

In modern America, where the abundance of food has created an entire industry aimed at helping overeaters to loose unwanted pounds, it is ironic to think that a growing number of people in Texas are actually going hungry.

But according to a 1988 survey by the Texas Department of Health, increasingly more women and children, even those receiving public assistance, are force to eat less than they need, or to skip meals altogether.

The survey, compiled from 4,194 voluntary responses by public health clinic clients, confirmed results of similar surveys in 1984 and 1986, that hunger in Texas has risen sharply in this decade.

Nancy Robinett, director of the TDH Public Health Nutrition program, said, "Since the cause of hunger, more often than not, is insufficient income or a lack of other resources, the rise in the number of people going hungry is tied directly to the growing number of people in poverty."

Since 1980, Robinett said, the number of Texans living in poverty has increased by about 50 percent, from two million recorded in the 1980 census to three million estimated in 1987.

"For the purposes of the survey," Robinett explained, "we defined hunger as having to skip meals, or having to eat less because the family did not have enough food".

The survey reveals that:

* In nearly one third (27.9 percent) of the 4,194 reporting families from 83 counties, the mother had skipped one or more meals, or had eaten less, in the previous month because the family lacked. Food. In 12.3 percent of these families, the children also had gone bungry.

* The incidence of skipping meals and eating less increases as the families' incomes decreased. Some 32.5 percent of mothers and 15.3 percent of children in families with annual incomes less than \$5,000 suffered hunger during the previous month.

* While the 1988 federal poverty index was \$11,650 a year for a family of four, some 58.8 percent of respondents to the IDH survey had family incomes less than \$10,000, including 42.7 percent of respondents with incomes less than \$5,000 for the family of four.

* Participation in food assistance programs, such as the federal Food Stamp program or the TDH's Supplement Food Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) did not eliminate the problems of hunger. Families in the programs include those with incomes too low to pay for needed food not provided by the government.

Robinett said, "This survey confirms not only that the less money you have, the more likely you are to have to go hungry—it shows that even with current government assistnace, some people still have to go without food."

"Ultimately, these conditions all but guarantee future health problems for some of these low-income families," she added.

(For more information, contact Nancy Robinett, Director, Public Health Nutrition, at 512/458-7785, or Margaret Wilson, Public Information Coordinator, Public Health Promotion Division, at 512/458-7405.)



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WEDDING



Mr. Teodoro, 87, and Tomasa, 85, Avila have been married since 1927. But on May 7, 1989 had decided to marry by the church. They were asked by Father David Zumaya if they would consider being married by the Church as they are both catholics. They agreed.

On Sunday, May 7 at 2p.m. the marriage took place at the home of the newly wed. Sponsors were Mr. & Mrs. Agapito Saenz. A small reception took place after the wedding. The couple were accompanied by a few friends and by the Catholic Spanish Choir which assisted Father David in performing the ceremony.

The couple have a son (deceased) and 10 grandchildren and a great number of great-grandchildren. Some live in San Antonio, others in Tulsa, Oklahoma. The majority live in Saiginow, Michigan.

SEPTIC SYSTEM FACTS

Through research, soil scientists have documented what every gardener knew about the activity in a compost pile for a garden. The first three or four feet of soil on the surface of the world is a giant chemical factory that uses a bacteria for it's machinery to renew itself.

Soil that will retard the flow of wastewater long enough to allow beneficial bacteria to feed on harmful germs is the basic function of a drainfield system, a balancing act that requires the cooperation of mother nature and all her wisdom.

If the soil retards the flow of wastewater from a drainfield too long, it will become septic and will rise to the surface. This condition is where the distinctive foul odor of a failing septic system comes from.

When the soil is to thin over porous rock or is course sand and bacteria and leave the harmfull germs alive. The same thing occurs when a drain field is placed in an area where a water table stays wet just under the surface of the soil. Germs have been detected under ground as far down as one hundred feet in porus bedrock. If germs are allowed to get by the first three or four feet of oxygen rich soil where the protective

bacteria work, they could lie dormant for months or years in the water table before being brought back to the surface through a well pump or a natural spring.

It takes a lot of room with the right soil to perform the balancing act mother nature does in the first four feet of soil. It takes one day on the average for one half gallon of water to soak through one square foot of the ideal soil. With a normal household using about three hundred gallons of water a day, it takes six hundred square feet to get rid of it. Lines and Foundations, gives another four thousand square feet needed unobstructed. This adds up to almost 5000 square feet or a little over on tenth of an acre for the installation. The new rules by the state go on to recommend the property owner to set aside an equal area for future installation of a backup system, and now we are talking about a quarter of an acre just for a septic system. A drain field needs a lot of room for it to work properly and this is the reason for the new state rule for one acre for the smallest lot for a home.

Buying a piece of land and building the house on the best soil without considering the location of the septic system is a mistake made by many un-informed home builders in the past. Public awareness is bringing more light to the need for redesigning and positioning the house in harmony with the septic system, those that do not, risk a failing septic system.

Local ordianances that regulate septic system installation can not by themselves prevent all septic system failures. Public education and serious property damage, health hazards, or dinking water contamination in the future. Protecting the future drinking water supply is the bottom line for the rules and regulations for septic systems.

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CENTRAL POWER & LIGHT

Central Power and Light Co. has started a special sevice designed to assist elderly and handicapped customerrs who live alone. The service, Third Party Notification, provides these customers with an additional reminder when their electric service may be disconnected.

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"If you have a friend or relative who lives alone and for some reason has trouble keeping up with all the details of operating a household, Third Party Notification can help," said Kevin McMahon, CPL area manager. "Sometimes well-meaning customerrs will fail to pay their bills. After a certain nu;mber of days, service may be disconnected. Under the Third Party Notification program, whenever a disconnection notice is sent to a customer who has signed up, CPL also will send a notice to the person they selected as their Third Party. The third party can then determine if there is a problem or if the customer simply needs to be reminded to pay the bill."

The third party can be a relative, friend, neighbor, clergy or private agency. To participate in the program the CPL customer and the third party sign an enrollment form available at any CPL area office.

The third party is not obligated to take action or to pay any part of the customer's bill, but may help clear up the situation by relaying information to CPL or helping the customer understand what needs to be done.

The service is useful to those CPL customers who live alone and are elderly, disabled or ill. Customers who spend a great deal of time away from home may also find it practical.

"The Third Party Notification program, by itself, does not prevent disconnecton of electric service. But it does bring in a helping hand to help resolve a problem or find a way to pay the bill," McMahon said.

There is no charge for CPL's Third Party Notification service.

NOTICE

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*** GUEST SPEAKER ***

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MS. STARZEL & MARGARET REYES

Mrs. Margaret Starzel Reyes, Eligibility Specialist with the Department of Human Services explained how much she appreciates her mother, Mrs. Enemencia Starzel. Mrs. Starzel, 1982 Citizen of the Year has encouraged not only Margaret, but her son Louis as well to proceed with their educations and to do the best that they can in everything they do.

Mrs. Starzel stated she made sure her children always went to Church. Margaret says the quality she admires in her mother is her willingness to give to anyone who needs help.



AHRENS GIRLS

Miss Kinney County, Stephanie Ahrens, a Junior at Brackett High School admires her mom, Vicky for encouraging her to be the best she can. Her sister, Kim, with her devilish grin, she was almost to shy to show said, 'Mom is always there."

Stephanie, will be doing the usual Senior things like studying and into lots of extracurricular activities, like cheerleading, volleyball, track and basketball. Kim, who will be in Junior High next year is also into cheerleading.

Mom, Vickie, teaches First Grade at Jones Elementary.

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GOODLOE FAMILY

When asked what quality or what he admired about his mother, Sterling (Smiley) Goodloe said her cooking. Other family members gathered to tell me that Mrs. Dora Goodloe taught all 11 of her children the right way, to love each other as brothers and sisters. Each agreed that Mom is always there when one of them needs her and she will help in any way she can. She taught all to follow this quality.

When the grandchildren showed up, the smiles they had for this patient, loving Mom and Grandmother were big and wide and carefree.

Elton, Carol, Darnett, GiGi, Smiley stand in back of Rudy, Josh sitting on Mrs. Goodloe's lap and Kelly,the new baseball star.

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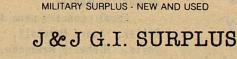
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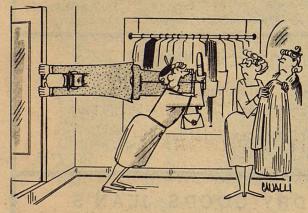
1989-90 VARSITY CHEERLEADERS



PHOTO & STORY BY J.J. GUIDRY

The recently elected Brackettville cheerleaders and Miss Belinda Harrington, their sponser, held a meeting this last week and voted on the Head Cheerleaders. Yvonne Luna is the High School Head Cheerleader, while Tiffiny Bryan made it for Junior High. The Tiger Cheerleaders have many responsabilities throughout the year. They attend camp in the summer, perform at numerous pep-rallies and Tiger Varsity and Junior Varsity football games, and Baskettball playoff games. The Varsity Cheerleaders are pictured above.

Top Row, L to R: Belinda Harrington, sponser; Wendy McDaniel, Freshman; Lorina Avila, Senior; and Stephanie Ahrens, Senior. Bottom Row: Shelley McDaniel, Junior; Yvonne Luna (Head) Senior; Valerie Talamantez, Sophmore, and Lisa Frerich, Senior. Theresa Terrazas, Freshman is not shown.



"MY HUSBAND WOULD LIKE TO SEE THAT FUR COAT YOU SHOWED ME YESTERDAY."

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT



STORY BY J.J. GUIDRY

Senior Spotlight is a portion of the Sports section, which will highlight a Brackettville Senior, who has contributed in our Athletic program. In the "Spotlight" this week are Sheri White and Placido Samaniego.

Sheri White is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Russ White and the sister of one brother, Westley, who is attending ASU.

Sheri has actively participated in Tigerette sports. She's been on the Varsity Basketball team for four years, two of those years she was captain. Her Sophmore year she made All-District second team, while her Junior and Senior year she made first team. She has also participated in track and golf three of her high school years and traveled to Regional in both sports every year. Besides sports she's been active in FFA and 4-H, which she's been a part of for ten years. She has been the Vice President of the 4-H for the last two years and has won awards such as the Showmanship award and the Gold Star award.

Sheri plans to attend Angelo State University (ASU) for four years and major in Accounting. She's recieved scholarship offers from small schools, such as Schreiner in Kerrville, but plans to be a "walk-on" for ASU's basketball team.

Placido Samaniego has been on the Fighting Tigers football team for the last four years. His junior year he earned All-District Honarable mention as an Offensive and Defensive Lineman. His Senior year he

made first team All-District on offense and second team on district. He was also chosen to the Southwest Texas Area Football team as a gaurd. He has participated in track four years. The last two years he has traveled to Regional in the shotput. Placido is also a member of the FFA and the FHA. He was also Brackett High School's first Homecoming King.

Placido plans to go to summer school at SWIJC in Uvalde, then in the fall he will go to Navarro College where he'll play football and major in either Criminal Justice or Physical Education. Good luck to both Sheri and Placido in their careers!!!

BABES IN TOYLAND

The dancers of the Beverly School of Dance presented their recital last Friday evening entitled "Babes of Toyland." The show starred Shay Bolner of Del Rio, who is a graduating senior.

Local dancers were Ashley Smith, Beth Ballew, Laura Marshall, Amanda Ward, Amanda Davis, Michelle Melancon, Laura Lee Ballew, Jamie Bader, Lisa Marshall, Jessica York, Patricia Lopez, Sunni Jones, Molly Montalvo, Samantha Perez, Katy Hagler, Heather Cory, Lindy LaMascus, Brandy Meeks, JoLee Jones, Savannah Massingill, Brandy Wilson, Duquesa Hunt, Susannah Davis, and James Burks.

The choreographer was Beverly Matzig.
Ms. Matzig and Janice Foster tought the children. Scenery was done by Mona Meck, Kathy Bader, and Mrs. Corey. All the kids did a good job!

STORY BY J.J. GUIDRY

BHS TO SPONSOR BLOOD DRIVE

Brackettville community residents are invited to "Roll Up Their Sleeves" at the Brackett High School blood drive Tuesday, May 23, from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the Home Economics Cottage at the High School.

All blood donors will receive a free mini-physical. Blood pressure, pulse, temperature and iron level are checked and a brief medical history is taken during the screening procedure. The screening helps protect both the donor and recipient. The donor then lies down on a donor bed for the actual donation, which takes approximately 8 minutes. Following the donation, the donor relaxes for a few minutes and enjoys refreshments. Because the blood is replenished quickly, most activities can be resumed soon after a blood donation.

The blood bank needs 300 blood donations daily for hospital patients in 59 hospitals in a 35-county area. It takes approximately 30 minutes to give a pint of blood, and because a sterile needle is used, donors cannot get AIDS from giving their "gift of life" donation.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

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POSITION VACANCY

Brackett Independent School District is accepting applications for the teaching positions for the 1989-90 school year.

POSITION VACANCIES

- 1. Kindergarten teacher (1)
- 2. Elementary teacher (3)
- 3. Librarian (1)
- 4. Junior High Volleyball Coach (1)

QUALIFICATIONS

- 1. Texas Teacher Certification with evidence of successful completion of TECAT or EXCET
- 2. ESL and/or Bilingual certification is a plus, but not necessary

PAY

Brackett Independent School District pays \$1,200/1,500 above state base for certified professional employees. Librarians receive a minimum of \$1,500 above the standard local increment ranging \$1,500 to \$2,000.

Interested persons may contact Brackett Independent School District Central Office for an application at the address below:

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PUBLIC HEARING

The Public Utility Commission of Texas will hold four regional public comment hearings in connection with the \$125 million rate increase request of Central Power and Light Company (CP&L). The regional hearing schedule was finalized by the Commission on March 22, 1989.

The schedule is as follows:

DATE	LOCATION	TIME
June 5, 1989	Bayfront Plaza Convention Center 1901 N. Shoreline Blvd.	6:30 - 9:00 p.m.
	Corpus Christi, Texas	NEW DE SER OF
June 6, 1989	Harlingen Municipal Auditorium Fair Park Blvd. Harlingen, Texas	2:00 - 5:00 p.m. 6:30 - 9:00 p.m.
June 7, 1989	Multi-purpose Center 480 S. Adams Street Eagle Pass, Texas	6:30 - 9:00p.m.

In response to the strong public interest in the CP&L rate case, members of the Commission and PUC staff respresentatives will take public comments, and be available to answer questions regarding the company's rate request and Commission operations and procedures.

Consumers who wish to comment at one of the hearings do not need to preregister to do so. A sign-in sheet will be available at each hearing for those who do wish to speak.

PUBLIC AUCTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FOLLOWING VEHICLES WILL BE SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION ON TUESDAY, MAY 16, 1989 AT 10:00 A.M.. SALE WILL BE HELD IN COUNTY PARKING LOT ACROSS STREET FROM COUNTY JAIL, CORNER OF NORTH STREET AND FRITTER STREET, BRACKETTVILLE, TEXAS

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S/S NORMAN H. HOOTEN SHERIFF, KINNEY COUNTY

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The Community Council of Southwest Texas, Inc., will be distributing commodites on Tuesday and Wednesday, May 16 & 17, 1989 at the Community Council Office at 310-A East North street. (Sunshine Food Co-op., Bldg.) down the street from Ray's Grocery Store in Brackettville.

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JTPA PROGRAM

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CITY COUNCIL HOLDS REGULAR MEETING

Mayor La Gioia ask Mayor Pro-Tem Burks to read Resolution 3-89 to the Council and Public present. Mayor La Gioia commented that the Resolution had been put in both papers last week. Resolution was written for City's Municipal Judge William (Bill) Thurber who had passed away several weeks ago. The resolution was passed by Council unamiously. All members of City Council were asked to look at the election results and the voters list. The signatures and materials were approved. The results were as follows:

For Place 1 - Mr. Louis Dimery 192 votes and write-in candidate Mr. Ralph Gonzalez 110 votes. For Place 3 - Mr. David Broderick 177 votes and Mr. Raymond Robinson 115 votes.

The new City Aldermen were sworn in by Mayor Vito La Gioia.

The Mayor said thanks to Mr. George Burks for his help during his first year in office and that Mr. Burks had done a good job long before he (Mayor) had got into office. Mr. Burks then got up from Council's table and sat in the audience. The Mayor suggested to the Council the appointment of Alderman Dimery as the new Mayor Pro-Tem. The Council approved of the appointment. Mr. Kevin McMahon from CP&L was there to discuss the new rates for CP&L and that the there were three choices; approve the rates, deny the rates or grant the Public Utilities Commission jurisdiction.

Ordinance 259-A an ordinance dealing with the dumping of tires, appliances, metal and tin at the City dump. The only thing changed on this ordinance was the price of dumping size 13-16 tires. Council lowered the fee to \$.75 per tire instead of \$1.50 per tire. Appliances, metal/tin and wire dumping fees stayed the same. Mayor La Gioia stated there was no dumping fee for tin cans, soda/beer can and aerosol cans.

Mayor La Gioia read a recommendation from the Zoning Commission to rezone Ms. Doris Sandoval north half of her lot from residential to business. 16 letters to property owners had been sent out within 200 square feet of Ms. Sandoval property asking if they approved or disapprove of the rezoning and the City had received back 15. 14 property owners were in favor of the rezoning and 1 property owners was against the rezoning. Council approved the rezoning of Ms. Doris Sandoval's north half of her lot from residential to business. Ms. Sandoval will be calling her business "Mary's Outreach Manor"

Mayor La Gioia ask Council to give him permission to look into funding for possibly a new lift station and sewer plant. Council approved. Mayor stated that the Red Cross will be putting in an office in Brackettville and that the Red Cross had recently helped locate housing and get needed items for a family of a recent fire. Rosa Baker who recently helped in South Texas needs only one more disaster to be considered a paid employee of the Red Cross.

The Council went into an executive session to discuss the payscale for employees.

SPOFFORD MEETING CONT. FROM PAGE 3

Spofford for a very long time has had a problem of not enough water to supply the residents for everyday needs.

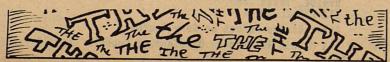
If everything goes well, for the first time ever, Spofford will have a good water supply.

A very detailed discussion was held between the Mayor of Brackettville and those present. On the outcome of the discussion, both Spofford and the Mayor La Gioia had a better understanding of some of the problems that had been brought to the surface.

There is still some wording problems in the water contract between the City of Brackettville and the City of Spofford. Both parties have agreed to sit down and work these out.

Help was offered to Spofford by Commissioner Rose Mary Slubar and Mayor Vito La Gioia.

We hope for a fast deliverance for Spofford on their water supply.



"The" is the most commonly written word in English.

PUBLIC NOTICE

ORDINANCE #259-A

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH FEES FOR THE DISPOSAL OF TIRES AND BULK METALS SUCH AS REFRIGERATORS, WATER HEATERS, STOVES AND ETC. AT THE CITY LANDFILL.

WHEREAS, a fee for disposing of tires will be \$.75 per tire from 13 inch thru 16 inch. Sizes larger than 16 inch will be \$2.75 per tire.

WHEREAS, a fee for disposing of appliances will be \$3.00 per appliance.

WHEREAS, a fee for disposing of scrap tin/metal or wire will be \$2.00 per pickup load.

WHEREAS, The City Council of the City of Brackettville has established and set fee for disposing of items listed above; THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRACKETTVILLE THAT:

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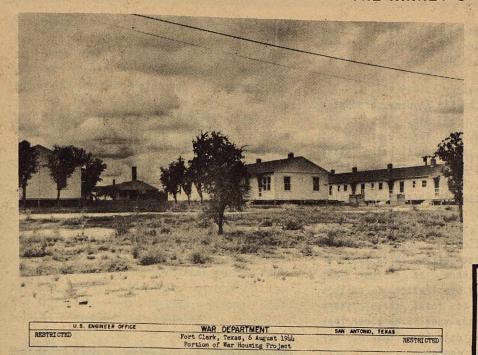
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OLD ARMY DAYS

The above scene is a portion of the war housing project. The center section of this area is now occupied by "Camper's World". These buildings were built to house unaccompanied civilian workes. From my knowledge of army world war II single story buildings of this type and having seen the original ruins prior to "Campers World" being built out of them, I believe (but am not positive) that the latrines (bathroom and shower facilities) were in separate buildings from the sleeping and dayroom buildings.

The old brick chimneys were all used in conjunction with coal heat. Incidently, remains of the post coal yard are directly east to the area that the RV's are now stored. There is still coal all over the ground in the brush. The coal came in by rail, on the spur which was on the leased part of Fort Clark, on the York Ranch.

Since these buildings were on "temporary orders" for the duration of World War II, they were not of permanent structure. They were among those torn down and the materials sold for salvage by Brown & Root Co. For some unknown reason they did not tear down some of the brick chimneys, when they tore the building down. Photograph's such as this one and many more are either on display or file at the Fort Clark Museum.

* This photo on loan from Wallace L. Morgan *

STORY BY WALLACE L. MORGAN

DEVIL'S SINKHOLE

CONT. FROM PAGE 4

Perhaps forty-five minutes later, all the swallows had dropped into the hole..someone mentioned that after swallows fly in, the bats begin their flight out. A TP&W staff member told us that a hoot owl usually grabs a bat and flies off with it. Cameramen and women wanted a picture of that,

plus another much wanted angle would be a bat silhouetted against the moon. Being no photographer, I could appreciate what a great shot that would have made.

Bats flew out very slowly at the onset, with more and more circling the hole until they painted a black picture above the hole. We had to duck to avoid being hit. The bats soaring upward and circling the sinkhole was an awesome sight to behold and I prayed silently for the nervy news media, who stepped dangerously close to the edge of the sinkhole.

I chatted briefly with the vivacious Yolanda Graham, who had a hard time keeping her bright red cumberbund buckled. She loaned me a few scraps of paper, as I had left mine in the car and with no flashlight, I wasn't about to go back that far.

Cottom mentioned that he and his staff were looking forward to working with the community, and that he was available for questions and he emphasized strongly that we make clear that the sinkhole is not open to the public. Cottom obviously failed to get the message to KEN-TV, as that night, Chris Marous stated the trip was an effort to

get the people out to view the sinkhole. Judge Smart managed to make an excellent video of the entire outing. Seeing the bats fly out is possibly "old hat", to those having been lucky enough to have seen it previously, but to one who found it hard to believe stories I had read of the number of bats, it was all "new hat" to me and is an experience not soon to be forgotten.

One conclusion I drew, riding back into town: it is doubtful if this writer would ever summon enough coruage to actually go down into that dark, mysterious, deep hole in the ground, though in years past, many, many people have had the courage to do so.

There is one certainty on the opening of the two state parks, Rocksprings and Brackettville and surrounding towns will be blessed with many tourists, wanting lodging, gas, food, clothing, gifts, etc. That is a blessing we could all use, as we are classified as depressed economy areas.

PUBLIC NOTICES

COMMISSIONERS COURT OF KINNEY COUNTY, TEXAS

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court of Kinney County voted to join legislation to be included in the Edwards-Real Reclaimation and Conservation District; and,

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court agree herewith unanimously to withdraw the resolution passed by this court on February 13, 1989, to join the Edwards-Real Reclaimation District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Commissioners Court of Kinney County hereby revokes the original resolution passed on February 13, 1989, thereby withdrawing from the Edwards-Real Reclaimation and Conservation District proposed legislation.

Passed this the day of May, 1989.

Tommy Seargeant, Kinney County Julge

COMMISSIONERS COURT OF KINNEY COUNTY, TEXAS

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Kinney County has approximately 5,000 acres of land that is irrigated; and,

WHEREAS, Kinney County only has a small fraction of the Edwards Underground Aquifer in its boundary; and,

WHEREAS, Kinney County does not want to be included in any underground water management plan other than its own.

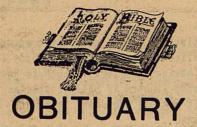
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Kinney County strongly opposes House Bill 2771 and any amendments that include Kinney County within said bill.

Entered this the Pt day of May, 1989.

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Commissioner, Pct.

Tommy Seargeant, Linney County Judge



LENORA HETHERINGTON

Lenora Hetherington, age 83, passed away April 28, 1989 at Amistad Nursing Home. She was born in Iowa City, Iowa in 1905. She resided with her daughters, Joan Boutwell of Fort Clark Springs and Dorothy Pollard of Corpus Christi, Tx.

She is also survived by daughters Betty Palmer of Corpus Christi and Mary Hemmerton of Eugene, Oregon, 20 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren.

She was buried at Rockport, Tx.

A memorial Mass was held Wednesday May 10th, at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church.

FIDDLERS

Top fiddlers from throughout the country will converge on Crockett, Texas, June 9-10 for the 53rd Annual World Champion Fiddlers Festival.

The two day event, sponsored by the Houston County Chamber of Commerce, will include competition in five divisions for all age fiddlers.

Class competition will be held first, and then the festival will end with the world championship fiddle-off.

For information contact: World Champion Fiddlers Festival, Houston County Chamber of Commerce, Crockett, Texas 75835.

STATE U.I.L. CONTEST

Brackett was well represented at the State U.I.L. Literary Meet in Austin last week. The buisness department, under the direction of Mrs. Kathy Adams, had two state finalists at the meet.

Fidel Hernandez, a local junior, placed fourth in Shorthand and Kelly Hall, a senior, placed seventh in Accounting. There were 60 contestants in each of the events held at the State meet.

Lee Schermerhorn, the principal, and Belinda Harrington, the Tiger cheerleader sponser, put together a pep-rally on short notice as Kelley, Fidel, and Mrs. Adams were preparing to leave on Friday afternoon. Mrs. Adams stated that, "even though we didn't bring home any medals, we brought back two winners." Congratulations on a job done well done!

STORY BY J.J. GUIDRY

WOMEN AND MINORITIES APPLY

The Federal Aviation Administration is conducting a special program in the southwest region aimed at recruiting women and minorities to become air traffic controllers. Although air traffice control work has been viewed as a traditionally male profession, the FAA is taking steps to raisethe number of

women and minorities in this field. From April through the end of September, 1989, the FAA plans to hire 1,944 new air traffic

control specialists.

The starting salary is \$19,493 (GS-7).

Upon completion of the FAA Academy, graduates are promoted to GS-9, \$23,846. Air traffic control specialists can earn as much as

\$63,000 a year, and additional salary benefits, differentials and overtime result in even higher pay. As government employees, they are also entitled to vacation and sick leave, and a liberal retirement plan.

In addition to passing a written examination, applicants must be U.S. Citizens, and must have either three years of general work experience, or a four year college degree, or a combination of college credits and work to total three years experience. Applicants must be no older than age 30 when entering duty in a tower or air route traffic control center.

To help explain the requirements, intensive testing and training program, and excellent benefits, air traffic controllers from Stinson Tower and San Antonio Tower will be holding a series of informational workshops in Uvalde,

Representatives will be available May 13, 11:00 am - 4:00 pm at Texas Employment Commission in the Reading Room. The orientation will be May 22, 6:00p.m. - 9:00 pm and the exam May 31, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm, also at TEC.

A 24-page career information booklet, "Air Traffic Control Specialist," may be obtained by writing to: Southwest Region, 4400 Blue Mound Road, Ft. Worth, Texas 76193-0000

For more information, contact Elias "Eli" Elizondo, or Joni Smith, at Stinson Tower in San Antonio (512) 921-0296.

WATER WELL

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Monday, May 8th, who in turn called the Health Department after he and several others went to Mr. Mahefky's to smell the water and to look at the film present on top. The Health Department was already aware of the problem. At the time of printing, the Health Department has not gotten back with the Mayor or with Mr. Mahefky.

There are still a lot of buried tanks in abandoned and old filling stations in the city. We will follow this problem and keep you informed as it progresses.

FIRE DEPARTMENT NEWS

The Department responded to a total of (5) five fire calls this week. One was a controlled burning just north of town. Two, were on Standard Lane near Highway 693 and the Railroad crossing. The fourth was at the City Dump. And the fifth was 4 miles out of town on Highway 674 on the west side of the highway started by the lightning that passed over the town.

In the last few months, the Department has received equipment from the County (personal outer protective equipment), the

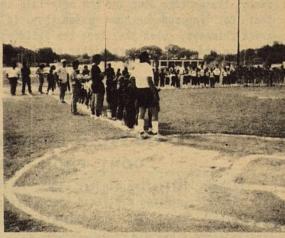
City (generator/gloves) plus the Department has purchased a rescue van, ejected fan, Jaws of Life and other equipment with donations from the Community. We've already had the opportunity to put this equipment to good use.

We're still in the process of equiping all our firemen in the "approved" NFPA personal protective equipment. With the continued support of the community we will reach this goal.

LITTLE LEAGUE



FIRST BALL THROWN THIS SEASON



TEAMS GATHER FOR OPENING CEREMONIES

Kinney County Little League had their first game Monday night. Opening ceremonies started with the National Anthem sung by Mrs. Judy Burks and Mrs. Candace LaMascus while all Little League and T-Ball players, coaches and managers were on the field.

With a short warm-up for both sides while the announcers played with the microphone wire ove, first ball of the season was thrown by Steve Mills, principal of Jones Elementary School.

The game ended at approximately 8 p.m. with the Astros coached by Albert Payne, Beatrice Rocha and Randy Castillo winning over the Cubs coached by Joe Bravo and Adrian Reyes. This is the first year Little League has five teams and the Cubs are the new one.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The Chamber of Commerce meeting was held May 4th at the Board of Directors room at Fort Clark Springs.

The minutes of the April meeting were read and approved . The Frontier Fair had a loss, there were three entries for Citizen of the year and it was stated that next year the advertisement in the paper will be for nominations and the chamber will vote on those nominations. A letter of resignation was turned in by Ms. Mary Lee Trollinger.

President Jim Runyan took the floor and introduced himself to the members present. He explained that he is third generation sheep raiser. His grandfather started the business in 1872, his father carried it on. Jim decided he wanted to make a living. This brought chuckles and lightened the meeting.

He went on to express that no organization can function without teamwork. He did not want the Chamber to be considered a political organization, it's main function is to enhance business. The Kinney County Chamber of Commerce needs to put the emphasis on business and not to donating to other organizations, as it is not a charity organization, he stated. "Outgo is good if it helps the economics of the community,"

It was suggested that the dinner fee be returned to Philip Bell since he was the Citizen of the Year and had to be tricked into going to the dinner.

A discussion on delinquent and non attending board members was held. If members miss 3 meetings they are to be notified and asked if they still wish to be members or if they want to drop out. A motion was passed to send a letter notifying persons of the bylaws. It was suggested to use a soft sell. approach right now until everyone can see that the Chamber will be coming into a new business era.

Since Jim had already introduced himself he commented that there were at least three committees to establish as a chamber. One would be a membership committee with at least three chairs for right now to just get things started. The second would be an enhancement committee, also with three chairs, with it's main function to find industry for the City, County and for Spofford; and to look for and see what options we have to entice industry The third committee would be a steering committee, but after a discussion it was decided to drop a steering committee and to call the enhancement committee Commerce and Industry.

It was suggested that to make next years Fair successful plans should be started now. A suggestion for bringing in housing as new housing would be needed if new business were brought in. President Runyan stated that the Board of Directors would establish goals for the Chamber. A motion was made and passed that the committee chairpersons would hold office for a period of one year.

There was an open discussion as to whether to sign a resolution against having a NORM waste site in Kinney County with some members feeling that the Chamber should take a definite stand as the Chamber is to enhance the Community in order to bring more business

in. Others felt that the Chamber should stay neutral as it is not a political entity, it. cannot speak for all members if it should sign a resolution without all members present and if it did sign a resolution incoming business might think that if a Chamber spoke out against a business once, it may do so again, and not want to come here. It was tabled until the next meeting and hopefully all members will be there to talk it out.

Information on an industrial park was delayed until the July meeting.

Border Patrolman Steve Pastor was elected to replace Ms. Trollinger on the Board of Directors.

Sondra Meil had bad news to give to the Board and the members. The Chamber Golf Tournament which is the biggest money raiser that the Chamber has had to be cancelled as only 16 teams entered and 30 were needed to play for that size purse. Ms. Meil has been doing the Tournament since 1984 and this is the roughest time shes had trying to get one together. She is trying to find out why this happened. The foodstuffs (perishables) that were purchased for the barbeque are to be sold and the meat will be cooked and frozen until a membership drive can be held.

A fair committee was started and it will need 5 - 6 sub-committees in it. It was noted that the Kinney County Little League gave an appreciation plaque for a donation.

Sondra Meil announced that the Chamber has a storage facility loaned to them by Fort Clark Springs behind the adult center and that it has been cleared out and items are now being gathered from everyones homes and stored.

Jim Runyan asked the Treasurer to draft a few people to figure ways to stop the outgo of money and suggestions were made for new ideas for the Fair. With this the meeting ended.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

May 10, 1989

Dear Editor:

I want to add one thought to the many received by you concerning the radioactive waste dump that Texcor proposes to build at Spofford: The whole idea of DUMPING is primitive, indicating that our scientists can do nothing better than dump poisonous material wherever they are allowed to by unsuspecting citizens. What a travesty: Until our geniuses who produce radioactive waste can spend the time necessary to learn how to recycle it or neutralize it, the whole business of dumping should be put on hold. Let the promoters find another way to make

> S/S Richard Crow Ft. Clark Springs.



The Romans placed copped vessels under stone seats to improve the acoustics in their outdoor theaters.

LIBRARY NEWS BY CINDY GUILFORD FALCON

The Kinney County Public Library and the Texas State Library are co-sponsoring the 1989 Texas Reading Club. The theme this year is "Creature Features".

Participants must be a county resident age 3-12. Must register for the program and apply or update library card.

Registration dates will May 15th - June 9th from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. at the library.

DATES OF PROGRAM ----

Age group 3-5 will meet Mondays, June 12th, 19th, 26th, July 3rd, 10th, 17th, from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Age group 6 - 8 will meet Wednesdays. June 14th, 21st, 28th, July 5th, 12th, 19th from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

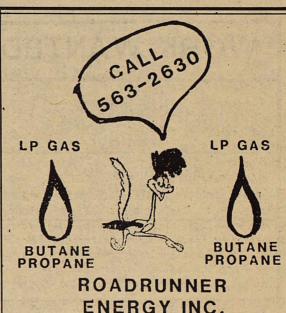
Age group 9 - 12 will meet Thursdays, June 15th, 22nd, 29th, July 6th, 13th, 20th, from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 563 - 2884

NEW BOOKS ADULT NON-FICTION

The San Antonio Missions and Their System of Land Tenure by Felix Almaraz. Pam Shriver, a Season on Tour by Pam Shriver Dead Serious; a Book for Teenagers about Teen Suicide by Jane Leder Mencken and Sara by H.L. Mencken Texas Graveyards by Terry Jordan

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Middle Rio Grande Development Council, Area Agency on Aging, hereby solicits proposals to provide Nutritional and Supportive Service (Transportation and Community Services) in support of Older Americans Act, to Senior Citizens of the MRGDC area.

Copies of the proposal may be obtained by contacting Middle Rio Grande Development Council, Ramon S. Johnston, Deputy Director, P.O. Box 1199, Carrizo Springs, Texas 78834, (512) 876-3533. Proposals must be received by May 25, 1989, 5:00 P.M.

The Middle Rio Grande Development Council reserves the right to accept and/or reject any and all proposals, and waive all formalities.

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LOCATION: Classes will be located in Uvalde.
HOW TO APPLY: Mail resume or application to:
Middle Rio Grande Development Council, c/o
Personnel Director, P.O.Box 1199, Carrizo
Springs, Texas 78834. Applications will be
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