



Sheriff Norman Hooten stands with the recovered merchandise from two different felony cases.

Estimated value of the merchandise is over \$1,000. (See Sheriff's Corner on page 2.)

Felons Apprehended

by Jennifer Pasanski

Three young Anglo teens turned themselves in Friday morning, April 28, for the senseless vandalism of a trailer, travel trailer and 4 pick-up trucks, all of which belonged to Bay City resident, Leon Gentry.

All of the teens had consumed alcohol on the night of the crime. Sheriff Norman Hooten stated, "90% of all crimes committed by teens are alcohol related."

The three boys were all suspects in a hit and run incident that involved a parked vehicle, resulting in \$1,100 worth of damage. The car was side swiped on Saturday evening, April 16. Six days later, the vandalism of the Gentry hunting camp was discovered. It was later disclosed that both incidents took place on the same date.

Sheriff Hooten questioned the suspects on the hit and run incident. After this questioning, two of them

traveled to New Mexico. The realization of the seriousness of the crime lead the suspects to a confession to their parents. The parents then returned the boys to Kinney County to make a formal confession to Sheriff Hooten.

Two of the boys spent 3 nights in the Kinney County jail and were later released on a \$5,000 bond. The third boy, a 16 year old juvenile, was sent to Juvenile Detention in Del Rio, where he spent three nights and was then released in the custody of his parents. All three offenders will be required to make restitution to camp owner Leon Gentry.

The older boys, age 19 and 17, were charged with a 3rd degree felon with penalties of not less than 2 years or more than 10. The oldest and the driver of the vehicle is pending additional charges of reckless driving and leaving the scene of an accident.



The charred remains of a home that caught on fire Saturday night.

Fire Destroys Home

by Jennifer Pasanski

Flames roared through the home of Juanita Morin located on West Thorn Street, Saturday evening. Nothing was left but charred remains of the building and the family's possessions.

Juanita and her five children were away for the evening and grateful that no one was hurt.

Mayor Vito La Gioia helped Juanita gain access to one of the apartments provided by the Housing Authority.

Some clothing and furniture has been donated, and many more items are needed. If you have some items you'd like to donate to the family, you may contact Juanita's mother, Petra Morin, at 563-2965. The children are age 9 years to 11 months.

Energy Designed Service

Governor Bill Clements today announced a new program designed to eliminate thousands of dollars in wasted utility costs to increase the amount of taxpayer money available for public school academics.

The new service, offered at no cost by the Governor's Energy Management Center, offers energy design assistance for school districts planning to construct new facilities.

"Our children are our most precious resource," Clements said. "We must ensure that taxpayer money is spent on quality academic programs, not wasteful energy practices."

Clements said effective energy management programs are a vital part of that effort, and must begin at the building design phase.

The new Energy Efficient School Design Program will help Texas public school districts control lifetime operating costs and stretch local revenues by identifying cost-effective energy related design improvements. Many of the recommended energy

improvements will cut construction costs as well as lifetime operating costs.

The Energy Management Center anticipates that school districts that have requested waivers from the Texas Education Agency, or passed bonds in the past 12 months, will take advantage of this service.

The energy design assistance service includes a computerized analysis of design drawings for proposed new facilities, an evaluation of energy related design strategies to identify cost-effective energy improvements, and follow-up technical assistance to help the school's design team incorporate recommended modifications into final construction documents.

(More information on the Energy Efficient School Design Program, or other energy assistance programs offered by the Governor's Energy Management Center, can be obtained by contacting Judith Carroll at the center, 512-463-1871.)

Rev. Phil Bell Named Citizen of the Year

Rev. Phillip Bell was named Citizen of the Year at the Chamber of Commerce dinner that was held Thursday evening, April 27.

Phil stated, "I was very shocked and surprised. Mary Seavers had called and asked me if I would do the innovation for the dinner. I wasn't even aware they were going to pick a Citizen of the Year!" Rev. Phil Bell went on to add, "I feel grateful for this recognition because the indicator to me is that there are other people in the community that share my dream for a better quality of life."

"I sense an affirmation for much of what I believe in and have committed myself to."

Rev. Bell was first appointed to serve the United Methodist Church in 1986 and he and his son, Bryan, reside on Fort Clark.

One of the qualities that Phil projects can be realized in this sentence. He stated, "You will have meaning in your life if you find others needs around you and commit yourself to do what you can to fill those needs. God doesn't ask us to do what we want to do, rather what we can do for him."

High School student Maria Del Pilar Lozano received a \$500

scholarship from the Chamber of Commerce on the same evening.

Pilar stated, "I feel this is a great honor. The competition was really tough. The others that were trying with me were very well qualified."

Pilar plans on attending the Junior College in Del Rio this summer. Then she will enroll at the University of Texas at Austin, this fall, majoring in Speech Communication. Pilar will work towards a degree in Speech Pathology, enabling her to work with children with speech impairments.

"I remember when I first moved to Brackettville. I was seven years old and could not speak a word of English. It was very frustrating trying to communicate, so I want to help others because I know how it feels," stated Pilar.

Pilar has advise for other students. It is, "Be active and participate and get involved in the school. That way you can find what your interests are and become a more well-rounded person."

Pilar is presently President of the Student Council, Vice-President of the National Honor Society and Vice-President of the Senior Class.



Citizen of the Year Rev. Phil Bell.

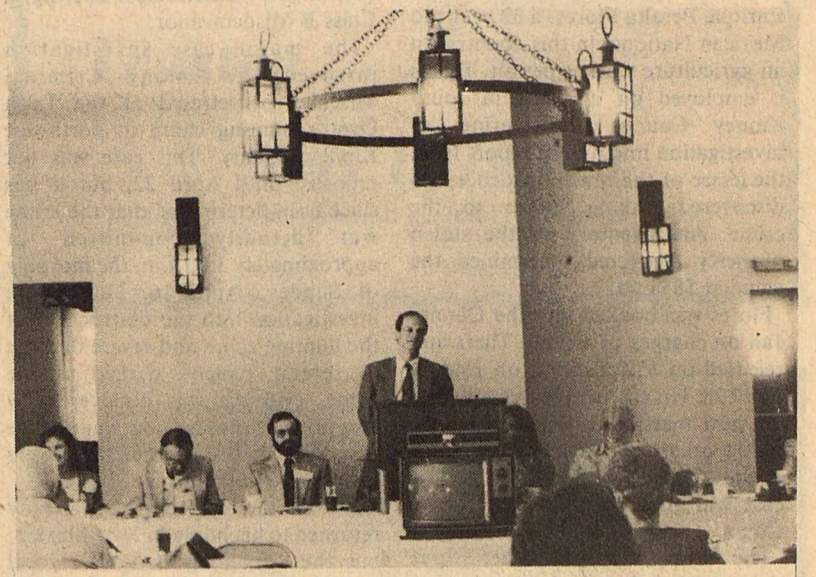


Maria Del Pilar Lozano receives \$500 scholarship from the Chamber of Commerce.



Bravo! Bravo! A standing ovation was well received by the cast of the Broadway play "The Curious Savage." Julia Hatch (center stage) takes a bow after an excellent performance. Close to 200 people attended the event. The proceeds from the

play will go towards the purchase of 2 1/2 to 3 full fire protection uniforms for the Brackettville V.F.W. All of the cast gave an excellent and entertaining performance and a delicious Mexican food meal was served by the Ladies Auxiliary.



Pictured above are some of the top State officials and experts that met with local officials at Fort Clark Springs for an Industrial attraction seminar. From left to right are: Joyce Wallis, Charles Trost, Mayor

Vito La Gioia, Joe Manduro, Mary La Gioia, William Rodgers and Ruth Cedillo. Linda Dane,

Raymond Whittle and Dan Saucedo were also present but not shown in the picture.

Industrial Seminar Offers Hope For a Brighter Future

Over fifty persons from nearby cities and counties, along with top State officials and experts, met at Fort Clark Springs Friday, April 28, to discuss and learn about ways to acquire financial assistance to start up or expand new businesses, acquire grants to finance needed city improvements and to provide housing for lower income families.

Mayor La Gioia was host to seminar which was sponsored by the Mayor in cooperation with Mr. Dan Saucedo of the Inman Christian Center of San Antonio. Coordinators for the meeting, which was the second of its kind in Texas, were Charles Trost of Del Rio and Joyce Wallis, grants coordinator and consultant of San Antonio.

The purpose of the seminar was to bring the experts to Brackettville so local leaders and business persons, and those from nearby cities, could learn of the new State programs and the ways to improve our economies and our cities. Persons attended from as far away as Dilley and Camp Wood.

The Texas Department of Commerce is the State Agency responsible for administering the grant and loan programs aimed at helping new business get started or established businesses to expand. They also make grants to cities and counties for housing assistance and public works projects. That agency has just revised several of its programs, so this meeting gave everyone in this area a running start on knowing how to benefit from the programs offered by the Texas Department of Commerce.

Ms. Linda Dane was the first presenter. She is the manager of the division of the Texas Department of Commerce that provides grants to cities and counties so that loans up to \$500,000 can be made to local businesses when other sources of financing are unavailable. Ms. Dane was followed by Ms. Ruth Cedillo, Manager of the Finance Division of the Texas Department of Commerce. She explained the new 1989-1990 program for grants to cities and counties for public works and housing projects. This is the program that financed Brackettville's new water tanks and the expansion of our clinic building. This year the County will receive a grant from this fund to construct a new Senior Citizens Center.

Mr. Joe Midura, senior planner in

charge of the planning grant program of the Texas Department of Commerce provided information of that program. The City of Brackettville will most likely apply for and receive a grant for planning purposes this Fall.

Mr. Raymond Whitley of the Texas State Department of Health, Uvalde Office, then told the audience about the importance of environmental health and education as a continuing objective in all communities - and that these matters should always have equal importance with economic growth and other local improvement projects. Mr. Whitley placed special emphasis on the Texas legacy and history to explain the importance of these matters in our State.

The importance of these programs and the dedication of the Federal Government and our State Government to make this area a better place to live and earn a living was explained by Mr. William Rogers of Austin. Mr. Rogers has spent over 20 years as an executive in the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. He served in both Texas and Washington. He also explained the tax advantages for those who restore historical structures and place them back into commercial or residential use.

Mr. Trost, who helped us with the water tank projects and our clinic expansion, former professor of Planning in the graduate school of the University of Texas and director planning for the Houston-Galveston area Council of Governments, closed the meeting stressing the need to decide who you are, as a city, and what you want your city to be and then do it. He said, as an example, two cities have made that decision, one is Camp Wood - they have mostly accomplished their objectives, and the other is Brackettville, whose citizens have a firm grasp on the future and are on their way to accomplishing their objectives. Mr. Trost also stressed the importance of the image of the city as it appears to and makes its first impression on the visitor who may be seeking a new location for a business or industry.

The meeting ended about 4:00 p.m. with considerable floor discussion and comments as to the success of the seminar. We are to compliment Mayor La Gioia for his initiative in setting up this seminar and for bringing the top people from the Texas Department of Commerce to us.

Swanson Honored

by Penny Nixon

Museum Curator Don Swanson was officially adopted last weekend by the Silver Eagles during their reunion at Fort Clark Springs. The Silver Eagles are men who enlisted in the Navy and Marines, and went on to become pilots during World War II.

All pilots now must be officers, which means these enlisted pilots are the last of their kind. Swanson, a former Navy aviator and officer, joined the group at the insistence of friend Joe Schoenfeld of Arlington. Swanson and Schoenfeld served together at four Naval Bases on both

the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans.

"I was so glad to see the Navy invade!" said Fran Swanson at being reunited with Gladys Schoenfeld, and meeting other Navy retirees.

The group of 57 enjoyed a long, lazy weekend that included golf, swimming, a party at the Sartwell house, and a banquet at the Las Moras Inn Restaurant on Saturday night. Local Fort Clark Springs members and fellow Silver Eagles Mr. and Mrs. Earl Love, and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Herron helped organize the reunion under the guidance of Com. Bill Dever of San Antonio.



Felons Apprehended

Three separate criminal investigations, being conducted by the Sheriff's Department over the past couple of weeks, culminated with the arrests of four suspects last week. One on Wednesday, April 26, and three on Friday, April 28. All four were charged with 3rd degree felony offenses.

The first suspect arrested was Enrique Peralta Flores, a 32 year old Mexican National in this country on an agriculture worker permit. Flores is employed on a ranch in south Kinney County and during an investigation into a theft report from the lessee of the ranch, evidence was discovered linking Flores to the crime. An inventory of the stolen property recovered determined the value at \$858.60.

Flores was booked into the County Jail on charges of Felony Theft and released on \$5,000 bond on Friday, April 28. His case will be presented to the next meeting of the Grand Jury unless other arrangements are made to waive those proceedings. If so, the case will go directly to the District Court.

The arrests of the other three suspects ended a dual investigation into two separate criminal cases involving the same three suspects. The first investigation began early Sunday morning, April 16, with a report of a hit and run accident involving a parked car belonging to Sheri White of East 3rd Street in Brackettville.

Miss White reported that someone had side-swiped her car, a 1988 Cougar, sometime between 12:30 a.m. and 7:30 a.m. Estimated damage to the car was \$1,104. Shortly after the investigation into the case evidence was discovered linking three suspects and their vehicle to the hit and run.

When first questioned by this writer about the case, all three denied having any knowledge of the

incident, but overwhelming evidence outweighed their denials. On Friday, April 28, statements from the three suspects were obtained admitting their part in the incident.

Charges against the driver of the suspect vehicle, 19 year old Rodger Clayton Jones of Uvalde, Texas, are being processed at this time. We will be charged with Reckless Driving, a Class B Misdemeanor.

The major case investigation involved the Felony Criminal Mischief perpetrated at the Leon Gentry hunting camp in northwest Kinney County. This case was not reported until April 22, but it has since been determined that the crime was actually committed at approximately 3:00 a.m. the morning of Sunday, April 16. During the investigation into the destruction of the hunting camp and severe damage to several vehicles parked at the scene, evidence was discovered by investigators linking the same three suspects to the crime that were involved with the hit and run case.

One of the suspects had already returned to his home in New Mexico, but the remaining two were local residents and were called in for questioning in this matter. They then fled to New Mexico to join their accomplice. The parent of one of the suspects traveled to New Mexico and returned the three to the Sheriff's Office on Friday, April 28. From that point on, all three suspects cooperated fully with investigators and statements were obtained from the three admitting their part in the two crimes.

At that point, Rodger Clayton Jones, 19, of Uvalde, Texas, William Allen Risinger, 17, currently of Silver City, New Mexico, and a 16 year old Brackettville juvenile were arrested on charges of Felony Criminal Mischief. The two adults were placed in the County Jail in lieu of \$5,000 bond each, and the 16 year old

juvenile was transported to the Del Rio Juvenile Detention Center for incarceration there. Jones and Risinger were released on Monday, May 1, after bonds were posted, the juvenile was released into the custody of his parents.

Preliminary damage estimates to the hunting camp have been set at over \$3,500 to the structure alone. At the time of this writing, we have not received completed damage estimates to the contents or the vehicles. It is anticipated that the total amount will be in the neighborhood of 7 to 8 thousand dollars. All three suspects will be handled through the district court system, though the juvenile, unless certified as an adult, will be handled through the juvenile system.

I would like to take this opportunity to commend the parents of the three youthful suspects for their cooperation and assistance in these matters. Though it must be extremely painful to those parents, they all wish to see justice done and the guilty ones punished for their crimes against their friends and neighbors.

When asked for their motives in the crimes, all three suspects replied, "We were drunk." Ironically, not one of the three was of the legal age to purchase or consume alcohol. While wrapping up this case, I was thinking back to all the criminal cases I have investigated over the years involving young people under the age of 20. An estimated 90% of those criminal acts were directly linked to the consumption of alcohol by the suspect prior to or during the commission of his or her criminal actions.

Kind of depressing to think of how many young lives are ruined and reputations permanently damaged by the actions of youngsters committing criminal acts while under the influence of alcohol and other drugs. Please, parents, discourage the use (and abuse) of alcohol by your minor

children. They have their lives ahead of them with plenty of time to make their own decisions about alcohol after they have left home.

While they are still under your supervision, all efforts should be made to educate them to the dangers of alcohol abuse. The sad case disclosed in this week's column should stand as a prime example of the fruits of alcohol abuse by youngsters not able to control their actions while under the influence of that most dangerous drug, alcohol.

Due to our busy schedule last week related to the criminal investigations we were involved in, I was unable to find the time to bring you up to date on other law enforcement activities of the week before. So, to bring you up to date on some of the more important activities I have added the following reports.

On Wednesday, April 19, we received a report of a stolen tractor from Mr. Charles Foust, who ranches and farms south of Brackettville off Ranch Road 693. Quick response and "heads-up" law enforcement by Chief Deputy David Luna led to the quick recovery of the tractor and the arrests of six illegal Mexican National suspects.

Deputy Luna put his tracking skills to test in the recovery of the tractor as he had to follow the winding trail up and down several dirt roads before finally unwinding the twisted trail and determining the direction of travel used by the tractor thieves, which was east along Standard Lane, west of Spofford. He finally caught up with the tractor, finding it abandoned approximately 1 mile west of Spofford.

The suspects had fled into the heavy brush along the roadway and Deputy Luna enlisted the assistance of local Border Patrol Agents in tracking down and apprehending them. Prosecution was eventually declined due to the expense to the county in

holding the six suspects for several months and having to furnish them each with an attorney. The six illegal aliens were processed and deported by the U.S. Border Patrol.

District Court convened on Monday, April 24, with several criminal cases being heard before District Judge George Thurmond. The Petit Jury panel was called in for the second time this month but released after roll call, due to the criminal case scheduled for jury trial being settled on a plea bargain agreement.

The cases heard before the court on that day are as follows:

Cause #1715 - Mario Alberto Sanchez - a twice before convicted drug dealer received a 17 year prison term and a \$500 fine. He was apprehended transporting approximately 245 pounds of marihuana. Sanchez will be transported to TDC as soon as we receive authorization from TDC. We and all other Texas law enforcement agencies are currently refused admittance to TDC with sentenced

prisoners due to a court order because of overcrowding at the prison.

Cause #2709 - a civil case involving the vehicle used by Sanchez in his illegal drug activities. The vehicle was seized by the Sheriff's Department, awarded to the S.O. by the court and will be sold at public auction later this month.

Cause #1721 - Ruben Manzano Reyes - charged with a 3rd Degree Felony for possession of a handgun on a premise licensed to sell beer and wine. Reyes received a 2 year probated sentence upon his plea of guilty in a plea bargain agreement between his attorney and the D.A.'s Office. He was released from jail that same day.

Cause #1718 - John Ray Rodriguez - charged with Involuntary Manslaughter in the death of Larry Estrada on Christmas Day 1988. Rodriguez was ordered to appear on May 10, with an attorney and ready for trial.

THAT'S ALL!



After commuting between Midland and Ft. Clark Springs for several years, Batch and Marg Bachelor have moved to Ft. Clark to stay. They have purchased a lovely double wide mobile home in Unit 31. Son, Roger, from Midland, came in over the weekend to help with the move. Welcome to your new home.

Happy Birthday to Nicole Rhanes on her sixth birthday. Mom, De, had a birthday party for Nicole and her friends at the Ft. Clark swim park Sunday, April 30. After a picnic lunch and cake, the children had a great time trying to break the pinata. Grandpa, Billy Joe Walker, was on hand to oversee the festivity.

Mr. and Mrs. John Starzel enjoyed a few days' visit from their son, Louis who now resides in Brownwood. After visiting with numerous

A great time was had by everyone who attended the dinner show "The Curious Savage", Saturday, April 29, at the Civic Center. A delicious meal was served and the play outstanding. We are looking forward to a repeat performance.

Visiting Marita Reschman and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Pena for the weekend were: Boly Davalos, daughter of Mrs. Mary Davalos and the late Carlos Davalos from Port Arthur, Texas, and Mr. and Mrs. Rod Rodriguez, Bobby Schafer and Ernest Hines, son of the late Edward Hines all from El Paso, Texas. From California were Otis and Ora Evans, Johnny Henry with his wife and their son also Mr. and Mrs. Charles Converse from Dallas.

EDITORIAL



Now some of you may say, "Oh, mother's pride, of that's just like a mother", but I can't resist.

Tuesday afternoon my daughter tried out for cheerleader. She is 11 years old and in the 6th grade. For weeks now I have heard the cheers and seen the moves until I hear them in my sleep and find myself walking around with "Go Team Go" playing in my head. I'd always say, "Very good honey. Oh, that was really good." Then I'd go find a place to hide to get a moments peace and here she'd come again.

The night before tryouts she was so nervous she could hardly sleep. She got up to get a drink of water at least 6 times and then tossed and turned until sleep finally gave her rest.

After she finally drifted off, I sat looking at her and thinking how it would feel to be in her shoes, then wondering what I could do to make things lighter for her. Should I have bought her a new outfit? What will I say if she doesn't make it?

Then I found myself tossing and turning. After my sixth glass of water, my husband threatened to

make me sleep on the couch if I didn't stop getting up.

Well, the eventful day finally arrived. I went to the school gym - naturally to cover the event. Twelve girls stood on the sidelines. I watched them as they talked to one another and practiced their moves, their sweet young faces so hopeful, so innocent and so brave. Then one by one, they bounced into the middle of the gym in front of all their classmates, their teachers, their parents and the judges and recited the cheers and chants that they had come to perform.

Votes were collected and taken to

the library to be tallied. It was a two hour wait until the names were posted on the window. Her's was not on it.

I knew she was trying to conceal her disappointment and to keep her composure I asked her if she wanted to get a soda. As she got in the car a few tears rolled down her face.

Then she said, "Well there is still Flag Corp tryouts." I have never been so proud of her. To me she has learned the most priceless of lessons. "When life hands you a thorn, look for the roses." Then I told her, "You and all of the girls that tried are winners, because you tried."

Unsung Hero

For many years Kinney County had a strictly volunteer ambulance service. When Mr. Nat Mendelsohn gave the money for a sophisticated ambulance, the service took on an entirely different complexion. A number of attendants underwent training and a more formal type service followed.

From the beginning there was a young man who demonstrated loyalty and dedication being always ready to serve. While some others on

the list marked they were not to be called, it was always known this man would go. He made more trips than any of the many who claimed to be attendants.

Many times he was delayed in response because it was difficult to find a second attendant. Never did he refuse to make himself available.

Few have given as many hours of time to a cause serving his fellow man as has "Smiley" Goodloe. Surely, "Smiley" is an Unsung Hero.

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From the Mayor's Desk

by Vito La Gioia

PUBLIC QUESTION NUMBER ONE:

Why did the Mayor promise not to raise taxes and then turn around and charge utility customers \$2.00 just to give it to the fire department?

PUBLIC ANSWER NUMBER ONE:

As promised, taxes were not raised. The \$1.00 fire and \$1.00 police charge was added to your utility bill to help cover the cost to install new fire hydrants, repair leaking or nonfunctional fire hydrants and defray the operational costs of the fire and police departments. This indirectly benefits these departments.

If taxes had been raised, the additional charges would be permanently collected and would probably be much more. Years of neglect are to blame for the poor condition of our hydrants, sewer lines, water lines, sewer pumps, drainage, streets, lots and creeks. It takes money to make possible these

desperately needed repairs and maintenance.

We have all heard the cliché, what goes around comes around, and it holds true in this example. By repairing leaks or replacing fire hydrants, we in turn lower our consumption of water pumped which lowers electrical power required to operate the pump which lowers your surcharge which lowers your bill. By repairing chug holes in the city streets, we prevent damage to city, county, emergency, law enforcement and privately owned vehicles. We MUST start somewhere!

MAYOR VITO WANTS TO KNOW:

Is \$2.00 too much to pay for the many benefits each and everyone of us will receive in return?

Please feel free to contact me either at home (563-2673) or at my office (563-2412) and I will be happy to discuss any problems or solutions involving the city of Brackettville.

Resolution

WHEREAS, it has pleased Divine Providence in its omnipotent wisdom to remove from our midst our friend and faithful servant, William M. Thurber, bringing to an untimely end a life filled with kindness and courtesy; and

WHEREAS, throughout a long career of public service, William M. Thurber earned the respect, admiration and high regard of all those with whom he came into contact and the love and affection of all of high and low degree, who were proud to call him friend;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Honorable Mayor and City Council take public and official

recognition of his long and faithful service to the citizens of this CITY, and express to his sorrowing family our sincere appreciation of his dedicated performance of the duties of his office and our deep realization of the loss we have sustained;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this RESOLUTION be spread upon the record and that a copy hereof, properly embossed and inscribed, be transmitted with our heartfelt sympathy to his bereaved family.

Vito La Gioia
Mayor of Brackettville
April 28, 1989



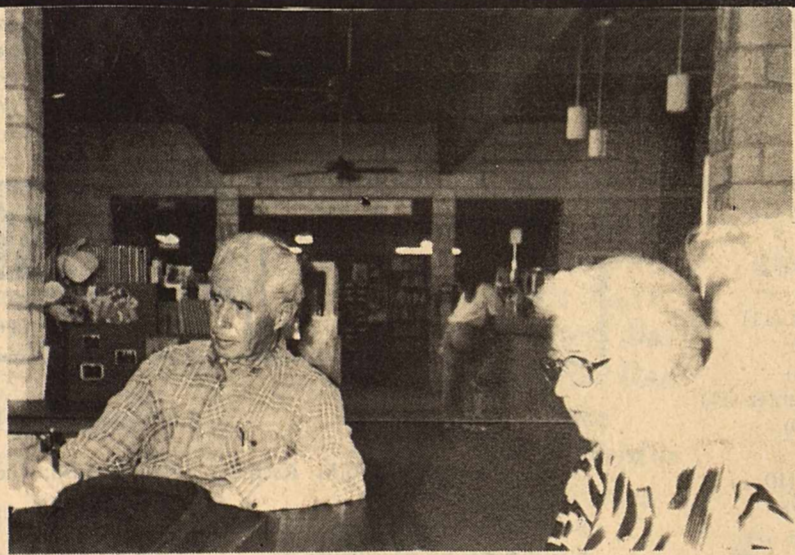
OBITUARY

William M. "Bill" Thurber

William M. "Bill" Thurber, Lt. Col. USMC Ret., Municipal Judge of Brackettville, passed away on April 28, 1989, at Brooke Army Hospital, San Antonio, Texas.

Judge Thurber was born in St. Paul, Minnesota, and retired from the U.S. Marine Corps in 1970. He is survived by his wife, Earlene, his daughter,

Earlene Newhart, his grandson, Richard Newhart, his great-grandchildren, Nicole Earlene Newhart and Jonathan Gray Newhart, one brother, R.J. Thurber, Col., USAF/Ret. and one sister, Dorothy Martin. Judge Thurber is to be cremated and there will be no memorial service.



Gary Watson Brackett meets with local residents while researching his heritage and

composing a thesis. Pictured above is Brackett, Else Sauer and J. Lee Ballantyne.

Brackett Searches For Heritage

by Jennifer Pasanski

Gary Watson Brackett visited Brackettville in search of his heritage. He arrived Friday morning, April 28, and began by contacting local historians. Helping him in his search was Agnes Vondy, J. Lee Ballantyne, Else Sauer, Zack Davis, Mrs. Charles Wilson, Marge Moore and Don Swanson.

Mr. Brackett, 74, is a student of Tarleton State University, and is presently working on his masters degree in Texas History. In 1988,

while reviewing one of the history books he ran across the town of Brackettville.

"Hey, that's my name," he stated. He then thought he'd like to someday visit and try to trace his family tree.

Brackett's parents had divorced around 1923 and it wasn't until 1950 that he was reunited with his father, Robert G. Brackett, but that is as far as he was able to trace his heritage.

"There are some clues," Gary indicated, "that lead me to believe that another Brackett, a Tom Brackett was in this area in 1861. All of the Brackett's come from the New England area. My family was of Scottish descent," added Gary.

Gary is presently working on his thesis in college and decided to do it on the history of Brackettville, thus

trying to get two things accomplished at once.

"My father Robert G. Brackett was a World War veteran. He was in a fall out shelter with 200 men when a bomb landed on them. My father was the only one that came out alive. Since then he has been shaky and disabled, yet he enjoyed and worked on wood sculpting and painting," stated Brackett.

Robert G. passed away in 1975, and left all his possessions to Gary. Gary decided that he would like to donate all the sculptures and paintings to the Citizens of Brackettville.

"As soon as I find out if I am in fact a descendant of Oscar Brackett I will let you know," he replied. He also mentioned thanks to the friendly and helpful citizens of Brackettville.

De La Rosa Attends Seminar

CARLOTTA S. DE LA ROSA ATTENDS STATE CONFERENCE COLLEGE STATION - Carlotta S. De La Rosa, Kinney County Treasurer, joined some 200 other elected officials for the 17th Annual County Treasurers' Continuing Education Seminar at Texas A&M University, April 17 - 20.

The seminar provides county treasurers training on a wide range of responsibilities, including investments, cash management, record keeping, reporting and disbursements of county funds. Participation in the seminar applies toward certification as required by state law. De La Rosa also received updates on the 71st Legislative Session and new

computer software applications for county treasurers.

"County treasurers have the major responsibility for handling and investing county funds," said De La Rosa. "It's an ever - changing - business that requires staying up on the latest in money management and legal requirements for government fiscal accountability." Concurrent sessions at the seminar provided customized training based on population and government structure of the counties where the treasurers serve.

The annual conference is one of the educational programs sponsored by the V.G. Young Institute of County Government, a part of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Thank You

Dear Ms. Nancy Hagy,

As Mayor I would like to express my deep appreciation for your cooperation and assistance with the reception last week. My guests were very pleased with the friendliness and hospitality extended to them, and the courtesies you extended to them meant a great deal. The food was

delicious, and the service was excellent. We have had nothing but compliments for the whole affair. We are happy to pass along the good word to others.

Please extend my sincere thanks to your staff for their help.

Sincerely,
Vito La Gioia
Mayor of Brackettville

LSD is Readily Available, Warn Your Children!

EDITORS: NOTE

[The following article is a reprint from an April 2, Galveston Church bulletin and from the April 21, issue of The Texas Mohair Weekly.]

Police authorities have released information that a form of tattoo called "Blue Star" is readily available in some areas of the United States. In appearance, this is a small sheet of white paper containing blue stars the size of a pencil eraser. Each star is impregnated with LSD and can be removed from the paper and placed in the mouth. Absorption can occur through the skin also, simply by handling the paper.

There are also brightly colored paper tabs, resembling postage stamps in size, which have pictures such as Superman, Mickey Mouse, and other Disney characters, butterflies, etc. These stamps are packed in a red cardboard box with a picture of Mickey Mouse wrapped in foil in a clear lock-type bag. The package usually contains five one-inch square stamps. This is a new way of selling acid and is designed to promote new addicts through appeal and enslavement of children.

A child could happen upon these

items by accident and have a fatal "trip". It is also known that very young children could be given a free "tattoo" by older children who want merely to have some fun or by others who are interested in cultivating new customers.

The Drug Squad of Johnson County, Kansas, advises that there is a red stamp called "red pyramid" being distributed in the Kansas City area. Also being passed around in this area are "micro-dots" in various colors, as small as a pin head. Another kind, called "window pane", is a grid that can be cut out to be absorbed. These items are laced with drugs.

Everyone is cautioned that if you see any of the above described items, DO NOT HANDLE! These drugs are absorbed very quickly into the body and some are laced with strychnine. Symptoms are: hallucinations, mood change and severe vomiting. WARN YOUR CHILDREN.

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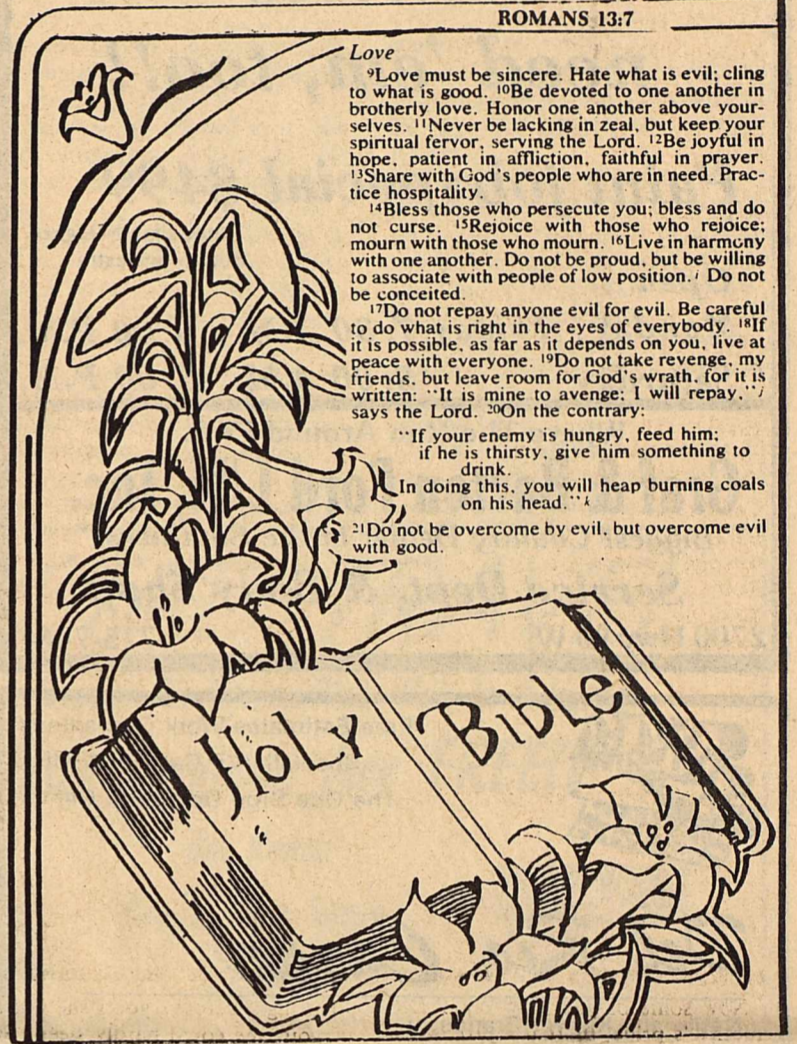


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"Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves. Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with God's people who are in need. Practice hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn. Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited. Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everybody. If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone. Do not take revenge, my friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: 'It is mine to avenge; I will repay.' says the Lord. On the contrary: If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink. In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.



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an American U2 reconnaissance plane was shot down over the Soviet Union on May 1...In 1968, a Braniff International Electra crashed in a storm near Dawson, Texas, killing 85 people on May 3...In 1970, four students from Kent State University were killed by the National Guard during a protest against the Vietnam War on May 4...In 1984, American veterans of the Vietnam war reached an out-of-court settlement with chemical companies in their class-action suit relating to Agent Orange on May 7...In 1985, three members of the Walker family were arrested for espionage on May 3.

Little Leaguers of Yesterday

Pictured below are the RAMS of 1965. Try your hand at recognizing the team members.



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Ear Wright (12)
Juan Hernandez, Jr. (11)
Rebecca Payne (11)
Rene Rodriguez (11)
Roberto Aguirre (10)
Rolando Aguirre (10)
Sandra Hernandez (10)
Brandy Meeks (10)
Jorge Rodriguez (10)
Hubert Williams (10)
Luis Guajardo (9)
Susie Hernandez (9)
Graciela Morin (9)

CUBS

Patrick Joe Conlin (12)
Manuel Ramon (12)
Frank Valenzuela (12)
Domingo Villarreal (12)
Santos De Hoyos (11)
Jason Antillon (10)
Francisca Garza (10)
Leilani Williams (10)
Joey Avila (9)
Angie Castillo (9)
Windy Goodloe (9)
Michael Meyer (9)
Candice Riddlehuber (9)
Alfred Rodriguez (9)
Nat Terrazas (9)

LIONS

Gerardo Cedillo (12)
Chris Mulligan (12)
Ruben Terrazas, Jr. (12)
Ignacio Aguirre, Jr. (11)
David Broderick (11)
Ramon De Leon (11)
John Smith (11)
Miguel Aguirre (10)
Amy Bader (10)
Courtney Harrison (10)
Beau Smallwood (10)
Jose Luis Aguirre (9)
J. Wayne Ballew (9)
Simon Smith (9)
Ryan Spring (9)

RAMS

Chris Hale (12)
Damien Martinez (12)
Michael Munoz (12)
Jason Sciba (12)
Margaret Edwina Banta (11)
Lily Crowder (10)
Tim Hale (10)
Ignacio Lopez (10)
Eric Martinez (10)
Melissa Terrazas (10)
Jon Wayne Banta (9)
Jose Juan Garcia (9)
Joe Luis Gonzales (9)
Ryan Guidry (9)
Jo Lee Jones (9)
Patrick Munoz (9)

COWBOYS

Kelly Henrich (12)
Patrick Melancon (12)
Joe Pena (12)
Anthony Rubino (12)
Wil Shahan (12)
Moses Hernandez (11)
Saul Hidalgo (11)
Jared Shahan (11)
Raymond Talamantez (11)
Josh Crumley (10)
Juan Falcon (10)
David Melancon (10)
Caleb Crumley (9)
Rene Luna (9)
Brent Smith (9)

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Jump Ship to Freedom
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Ruby in the Smoke
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A Penguin Year

Bridge, Anyone?

by Dot Burrow

Is bridge your game? If so, you are invited to join the duplicate group at the NCO at Fort Clark Springs. Sessions begin at 1:30 on Sunday afternoons and 7:00 on Tuesday evenings. Come on out.

On Sunday, April 30, three and one-half tables were in play. The Howell movement was used. First place honors went to Norma Gould and Trudy Harber. Gene and Mary Britton placed second.

Tuesday, May 2, five and one-half tables used the Mitchell movement. Tina Bauguess and her partner Anita Korbel of Del Rio took first place among North-South pairs, with Ben Pingnot and Molly Schroeder coming in second. East-West pairs were led by Eileen Voracek and Flo Stafford. Alice Seargeant and Dot Burrow took second place honors.

Question of the Week

A concerned citizen asks, "Why, after last week's baseball game, was so much trash left lying around the park? Shouldn't someone be responsible for the clean-up? And why aren't there any trash cans out there?"

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Mariana Rivas
Michael Garcia
Julie Juarez
Savannah Massingill
April Crumley
Javier De Leon
Vanessa Terrazas

1ST GRADE

Jamie Bader
Lucas Lumbreras
Kermit Gomez

Daniel Hernandez
Samantha Payne

PRE-KINDERGARTEN
Stephanie Gomez
Migdalia Gonzales

KINDERGARTEN

Miguel De Leon
Anthony Huffman
Chase Ward
Enriqueta Garza
David Lopez
Angelica Cervantes
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1989-1990

Cheerleaders

Selected

Stephanie Ahrens shows real team spirit at the cheerleader tryouts.

by Jennifer Pasanski
High School and Junior High cheerleader tryouts were held Tuesday afternoon at the school auditorium. The students performed their routines in front of their classmates, teachers, parents and judges.

Judges for the cheerleader tryouts were Becky Owndy and Liz Crissey. Becky is a cheerleader sponsor at Cole High School in San Antonio, Crissey is a cheerleader's Mom with 15 years of experience with cheerleaders. Both are from San Antonio. Students were also judged by their classmates. The scores from the judges and from the classmates was tallied together.

High School students participating were: Michelle Brandt, Lorina Avila, Shelley McDaniel, Valerie Talamantez, Dee Ann Frerich,

Theresa Terrazas, Yvonne Luna, Wendy McDaniel, Lisa Frerich, Stephanie Ahrens and Lee Ann Carle. After two hours of counting the votes, students chosen were: Lorina Avila, Shelley McDaniel, Valerie Talamantez, Theresa Terrazas, Yvonne Luna, Wendy McDaniel, Lisa Frerich and Stephanie Ahrens.

Junior High students that participated in tryouts were: Cookie Hough, Teresa Perez, Debbie Buantello, Kim Ahrens, Zoila Herrera, Olga Aguirre, Jennifer Terrazas, Jessica Williams, Tiffany Bryan, Charlie Hall, Flor Flores and Sandra Samaniego. Students chosen were: Cookie Hough, Teresa Perez, Debbie Buantello, Kim Ahrens, Jennifer Terrazas and Tiffany Bryan.

Congratulations to the students for a job well done.

THE GRAPEVINE



BY GUS GARCIA

Congratulations to our new 1989-90 varsity cheerleaders! Yvonne Luna, Lisa Frerich, Lorina Avila, Stephanie Ahrens, Shelley McDaniel, Valerie Talamantez, Wendy McDaniel and Theresa Terrazas.

Congratulations to the new 1989-90 Jr. High Cub cheerleaders! Debbie Buantello, Tiffany Bryan, Jennifer Terrazas, Cookie Hough, Kimberley Ahrens and Teresa Perez.

Congratulations to the Tiger Band Drum Major for 1989-90, Eben Hatch, and Varsity twirler Rosemary Rubino. Also Jr. High twirlers, Hannah Reschman (Head), Cecilia Aguirre and Jennifer Miers. And last but not least to the Flag Corps, Maria Duran (Captain), Cecilia Foster, Jessica Williams, Misty Cortez, Pamela Potter, Maria

Terrazas, Diana Castillo and Cookie Hough.

Prom is this weekend. Let's be careful, have fun and stay chemical free. (I still want you to read my column in the future.)

Happy Birthday Rosemary Rubino. (Hi Sandi)

A special thanks goes to those who showed up Sunday afternoon, to help put decorations together for the Prom. Thanks Lee Anne Carle, Lisa Frerich, Gus Garcia, Yvonne Luna, Stephanie Ahrens, Terry Castillo, Armando Talamantez, Norman Luna, Michelle Munoz, Bonnie Frerich, Audie Hill and a special than you to Mrs. Gladys Frerich, Mr. Jack Frerich and Mrs. Merry Beth Mills.

Local Residents

View Sabers

by Don Swanson

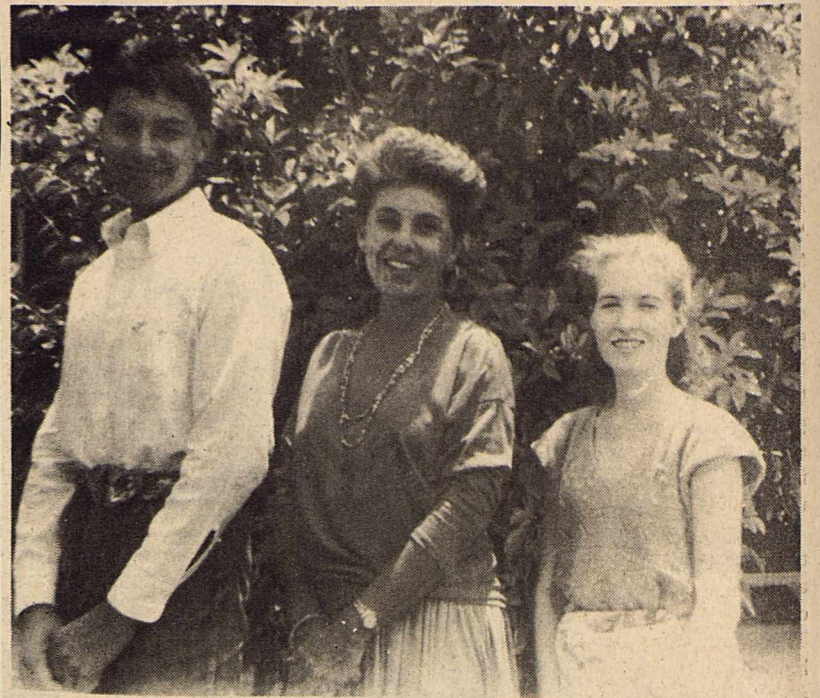
On April 22, 1989, when John L. Bullis' Swords were on display at the Old Guardhouse Museum, Fort Clark Springs, Mrs. J. Lee Ballantyne, an aficionado of the swords, came accompanied by several members of the Fritter family to view the swords.

During a conversation with the museum curator, it was revealed that Stafford Fritter had a trunk which belonged to his father, James Edward Fritter, which of all things possessed his Spanish - American Army uniform and other artifacts of his service during this historical period. Due to the interest it created, Stafford donated the uniform and unidentified medal which is most probably the marksmanship medal of that period. Since a Soldier's Memorial Certificate was also in this trunk of valuable artifacts, a copy of it was made and also donated to the Old Guardhouse Museum by Mr. Fritter. This Memorial Certificate lists all the personnel in Company

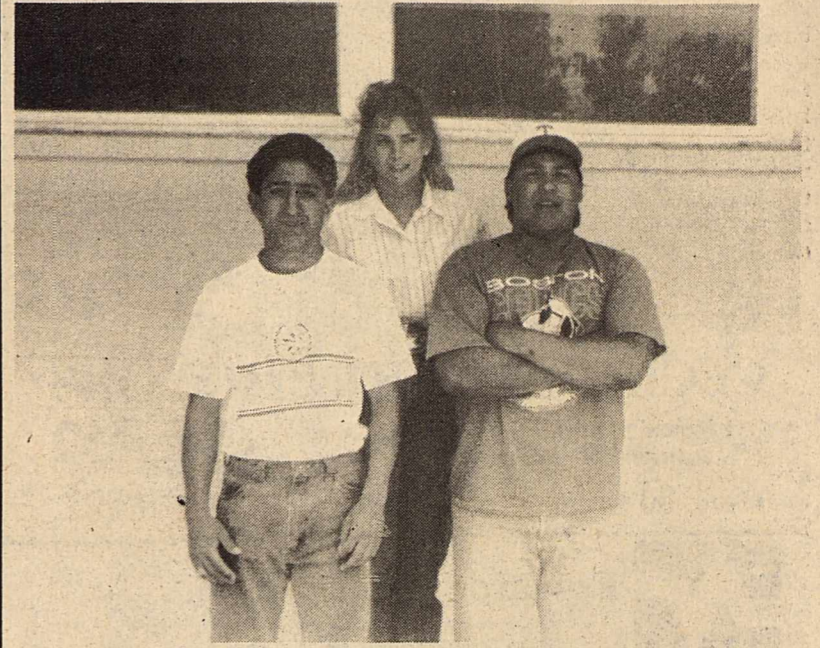
23rd U.S. Army Infantry Regiment. Of primary interest in the list is the most prominent names of the older Bracketville families; James Edward Fritter, Walter S. Ballantyne and Arthur J. Veltman. Of the 118 names on this list, there may well be others from Bracketville and surrounding territory as this Company L of the 23rd Infantry was recruited to bring the regiment to a wartime strength while the 23rd Infantry was garrisoned at Fort Clark.

On June 21, 1894, the 23rd Infantry Regiment arrived at Fort Clark primarily from Fort Sam Houston (San Antonio). Arriving at Fort Clark was the Field, Staff, Band and Companies C, E, G, H, I, K. Companies B and D arrived from Fort Bliss (El Paso). Colonel J.J. Coppinger was promoted to the rank of Brigadier General and transferred to another command. Replacing him as Commanding Officer of the Regiment and Post was Colonel Samuel Owenshine. Colonel Owenshine remained the commanding officer of Fort Clark until May 16, 1898, when the 23rd Infantry Regiment departed Fort Clark for New Orleans and wartime duty overseas in the Philippines. Prior to the departure of the regiment, the 23rd Infantry was recruited to wartime compliment by the addition of two more companies and Colonel Owenshine was given a wartime promotion to Brigadier General, United States Volunteers.

Evidently, with the impending departure of the 23rd Infantry Regiment they must also have a severe shortage of officers, as Chaplain J.A. Potter, the senior officer, became the commanding officer of post, something that seldom was repeated in the history of the Army. The population of Fort Clark as a garrison dropped from 490 to 134 or less. On June 10, 1898, the 3rd Texas Volunteer Infantry reported to Fort Clark and the 3rd's commanding officer, Colonel Rawleigh P. Smyth, relieved Chaplain Potter as the commanding officer of Fort Clark. The 3rd Texas Volunteer Infantry remained at Fort Clark until February 22, 1899 when they were mustered out of Federal Service and replaced by 10th Cavalry Regiment.



Left to Right: Fidel Hernandez, sponsor Kathy Adams and Kelly Hall will participate in State competition. (See sports column page 8.)



Left to Right: Manny Pena, Sheri White, Placido Samaniego and Armando Talamantez (not pictured) competed at Victoria during Region IV 2A track meet. (See sports column page 8.)



BETWEEN US

BY JOE TOWNSEND

No thinking person would live in a town without a church or churches. When a person dies, generally the survivors turn to the church. Most parents like for their children to be at least exposed to church through Sunday School or Vacation Bible School. When it's time for a wedding, the church comes into focus. When help is needed, most people turn to the church.

When asked, most people will somewhat identify with some church.

seventy-four percent nationwide. Isn't it amazing then that so many people are taken into the church for their funeral for the first time in church in years.

Churches are kept alive by those who attend and support the church. The rest of the people ride religious piggy-back. They want the benefits but want someone else to provide them. Do they think God doesn't know?

Bullis Swords

Featured in Texas Monthly

Kinney County made the news. The Texas Monthly Magazine ran an article on the Bullis Swords dilemma in the May 1989 issue.

Local resident J. Lee Ballantyne and Charles G. Downing are mentioned. Be sure and get a copy. Also shown in the May issue of Texas Monthly are some of the bathroom door decor from around Texas. Haby's Hot Pit BBQ from Uvalde was one of them.

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Del Rio Goes Western

by Penny Nixon

Grab your boots and hat and head for the Wild West Fest in Del Rio this weekend! Action begins at 1 p.m. on Saturday, May 6, at the fairgrounds, now called the Del Rio Downs. Saturday's Wild West Fest will feature top bullriders in an exhibition bullriding, a cowboy monkey and sheepdog show, Cowboy Polo Games, Jerry Diaz and Girls singing and roping with trained horses, and the Paso De La Muerte, the Mexican-Cowboy style "Pass of Death."

Saturday's events will also include American Freestyle Bullfighting, as featured at the National Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas. Arts and Crafts booths will add to the festive day. A bucking horse contest has also been added.

On Sunday, May 7, the bullriders take over the Del Rio Downs for the world's largest and greatest one-day bullriding event. Some 60 top bulls and riders will test their will for the riches that await the winner. Del Rioan Mac Altheiser's Bad Company bulls provide the thrills and spills that have put this event in the top of its kind in the Nation.

Tickets for Saturday's Wild West Fest are \$8 in advance, \$10 at the gate. Box seats and VIP parking are available.

Tickets for Sunday's 3 p.m. George Paul Memorial Bullriding Contest are \$10 for general admission, \$15 for reserved bleachers and \$18.50 for reserved grandstand seating. For more information call Elaine Wardlaw at Del Rio Downs Office - (512) 775-9595.

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SAN ANTONIO - Sea World of Texas will celebrate Cinco de Mayo (Mexican Independence Day) with three full days - Friday through Sunday, May 5-7 - of arts and crafts displays, traditional Mexican food, pinatas for the kids and live music.

Special musical entertainment along with Sea World of Texas' exciting shows, educational exhibits and attractions will provide a fun weekend for the entire family. While enjoying the 250-acre marine life park and Cinco de Mayo activities, guests will have a chance to see Texas' newest star, killer whale Baby Shamu, born November 26, 1988. Since her birth, Baby Shamu has grown to more than 900 pounds and has begun to steal the show at Shamu Stadium with her playful antics.

More than 140 artisans will display and sell their wares in the park on all three days of Cinco de Mayo weekend. Guests can view or purchase handcrafts such as hair bows, apparel, watercolors, pottery, sea shell kaleidoscopes and unusually decorated hats. The San Antonio area artisans will be situated at "The Oaks" entertainment area adjacent to New Friends Stadium and along the main parade route. From 2 to 6 p.m. each day between

regularly scheduled shows, younger children can try their hand at breaking pinatas full of special treats at Cap'n Kid's World. This four-acre, water-themed playground features 16 elements that combine play and learning for youngsters up to age 14.

In preparation for the summer season, Coppertone will have its Sun Fun Weekend Booth set up so guests can sample Coppertone sunscreen products or purchase sunglasses and hats. At 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. daily, guests of all ages will be invited to participate in a "Zinka" face-painting contest. Prizes such as Coppertone sun care products and inflatable Shamu poolriders will be awarded in different categories.

In conjunction with the Sun Fun Weekend Booth, representatives of the San Antonio Branch of the Texas Association of Occupational Health Nurses will provide information on skin cancer prevention. Nurses will be available to discuss skin cancer warning signs.

At noon Saturday, May 6, the "Johnny Canales Show" will be videotaped at the U.S. Map. This lively Spanish-language variety show from South Texas will be broadcast locally on KWEX-TV, Channel 41, at a later date. Entertainers

scheduled to appear are Esteban Jordan, Los Chamacos de Jaime de Anda, Los Dos Gilbertos, Los Fantamas del Valle, El Conjunto Villarreal and others.

To add a South-of-the-Border flavor to the weekend's activities, Cypress Restaurant will serve a Mexican-style, all-you-can-eat buffet. The wide range of specialists will be available 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday. Prices will be \$7.95 for adults and \$5.95 for children.

Sea World of Texas will open at 10 a.m. daily during Cinco de Mayo weekend. On Friday and Saturday, the park will remain open until 9 p.m. On Sunday, gates will close at 7 p.m.

Additional information on Sea World of Texas and Cinco de Mayo is available by calling toll free (800) 422-SWTX or - in the San Antonio area - 523-3611.

Sea World of Texas is located 16 miles northwest of downtown San Antonio at the intersection of Westover Hills Boulevard and Ellison Drive, just off State Highway 151. The recent completion of Highway 151 frontage roads makes it an easy drive from the center city to Sea World via U.S. 90 - State Highway 151 West.

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Mosquitoes and the AIDS Virus: According to an article in "American Health Consultants Newsletters, March 1989," mosquitoes can carry the AIDS Virus, but the chance that they can spread the disease from one human to another, according to the Newsletter, is almost zero. Apparently, the AIDS virus does not reproduce in the mosquito's body. This means the mosquito cannot become infected, therefore, there is no infection to pass on.

The pill after 40: Studies indicate that post-menopausal women may be able to use the newer, low-dose oral contraceptives with relative safety. These OC's are already being used to help relieve premenstrual syndrome and to improve the menstrual cycle. (There's also some indication that they're effective in reducing the risk of breast disease.)

For women over 40, the best candidates for OC use are non-smokers in good health - with no history of heart and/or liver disease or breast cancer - and who are 20 percent of their ideal weight.

Bar soaps and germs: Many of us have come across bar soaps in public washrooms and have wondered if they're safe to use when we wash our hands. Apparently, they are. It seems that although the soaps may contain microorganisms, there's no evidence that even the "smudgiest" of them actually transmit these germs to humans.

Best advice: Public washrooms

should, ideally, provide liquid soap dispensers. But even if they offer only bar soaps, it's far safer to use them (and rinse well) than not to wash one's hands after using the toilet.

Consider your apple's source: If you have children and are concerned about the use of the product Alar in commercial apple products, such as juice or sauce, health authorities offer the following advice:

Avoid using applesauce and juice for the time being until your favorite brands can state with absolute certainty that they are made of Alar-free apples.

Limit yourself to green apples, such as Granny Smiths, which are not sprayed with this product. Incidentally, green apples can be used to make a very tasty applesauce.

Shop at grocers who are now stocking Alar-free red apples.

Scam slammed: "Nutrition Forum" reports that the Iowa Attorney General has secured a consent judgment which will lead to the return of almost \$1 million to 28,000 consumers who responded to a mailer for Neutralizer G.H. diet pills. These pills were sold via a four-page solicitation entitled "Obesity Eliminated in 1988." The pills were touted as effective in causing easy and permanent weight loss. Until the law stepped in, the only weight loss that could have been permanent would have been in the buyers' pocketbooks.

Titan Ramsey Peale was the first painter of the Rocky Mountains as a member of an 1819-1820 Army expedition to the west. About the same time, George Catlin showed and painted a complete record of Indian life.

In 1850, John Russell Bartlett came to the Southwest as U.S. Commissioner in Mexican boundary negotiations. He messed up his job so bad, a complete new survey had to be made. But through his art, he brought to Easterners their first real look at the great rolling country of the Southwest.

Photographers roamed the country, taking pictures that further interested and encouraged people to come west and see it for themselves.

After the turn of the century, Frederick Remington and Charles Russell came to personify the southwest in their art. Remington was a specialist in painting the Cavalry and the Indian.

Russell was at first a penniless cowboy who lived with the Indian tribes and bartered painting and sculpture for food, drink and supplies and became famous for his realism.

There are too many names to write about them all. In 1965, the Cowboy Artists Association of America was founded. Each year their best work is shown in the Cowboy Hall of Fame in Oklahoma City. If you ever



wander up that way, try to stop by the Hall of Fame. It's an excellent display of cowboy art gathered in one place.

Cowboy artists come from every part of the country. William Moyers was born in 1916 in Atlanta, Georgia. Later his lawyer father moved the family to Alamosa, Colorado. There, Bill became an illustrator. While he was a World War II lieutenant, his drawings won a competition to illustrate a limited edition of Owen Wister's "The Virginian." After the war, Bill devoted his full time to painting and sculpture. He finally settled on Albuquerque, New Mexico, as his base of operations.

Another painter, George Marks,

living in Conrad, Iowa, began to sketch at an early age. After his service as a Marine Corp airman in World War II, he studied art at the University of Iowa. When on a summer job in Yellowstone Park, he saw an exhibit of Charles Russell's paintings and was hooked. When he won the Purchase Prize at the 1964 New Mexico Fair, he was off and running. He established a studio in Albuquerque, New Mexico, and his works are greatly in demand.

Gordon Snidow was born in Missouri, went to school in Texas and Oklahoma, to the Art Center School in Los Angeles. He finally drifted into New Mexico and settled down in an hacienda in Belen. He is best known for his painting of the

San Agustian Plains country in New Mexico.

Probably the dean and best known of the early cowboy artists was Fred Harmon, Jr. who dreamed up "Red Ryder and Little Beaver" in the latter part of his career. He became an overnight success. His comic strips appeared in 750 newspapers all over the country.

Cowboy artist's first objective is keeping alive the Great West and in doing this they provide us with a great heritage.

We have a talented cowboy artist in our town who paints realistic and authentic pictures of the Southwest, Cavalry and Indians. I'm proud to have one of Bud Breen's paintings in my abode.

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Editor's Note:

[Following are representative questions answered daily by VA counselors. Full information is available at any VA office.]

Q - I was honorably discharged from the Navy after serving from March 3, 1956, until March 3, 1960. I am 10 percent service-connected for a knee injury and now my doctor says I am totally unable to work because of a heart condition. Am I entitled to a VA pension?

A - No. Since you were not on active duty during a period of war, you are not eligible for a VA pension.

Q - I am the widow of a veteran who had no service-connected disabilities.

I am seeking work with a Federal Government agency. Am I entitled to Civil Service Preference?

A - Yes. You are entitled to a Civil Service Preference Letter as the widow of an honorably discharged veteran.

Q - I receive compensation for a service - connected disability evaluated at 30 percent. Will the VA pay me additional money for my wife and four children?

A - Yes. A veteran evaluated at 30 percent or more for his service-connected disability is entitled to additional money for dependents.

Q - Can a veteran get a VA-guaranteed loan to purchase a

condominium unit?

A - Yes, provided the unit is located in a condominium complex approved by the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Q - I have been receiving a widow's pension from the VA for the past 20 years. If I remarry will I be able to continue to receive the pension?

A - No. When a widow remarries, her pension terminates.

Q - For training by correspondence under the Montgomery GI Bill, how much will the participant be reimbursed?

A - Reimbursement will be for 55 percent of the approved established charges for the course.

Mosquito Control Is Simple

If you're one of those people who have wasted time and money trying to control mosquitoes after they've reached the flying stage, it's time for you to take a closer look at the situation.

When you think about it, the real source of your mosquito problem isn't the hordes of adult mosquitoes hovering around your patio. It's the standing water where mosquitoes breed around your house and in your neighborhood.

Look carefully at the water in your birdbath or rain gauge. You may see hundreds of "wrigglers," the larval stage of the mosquito. It doesn't hurt to state the obvious. Empty standing water regularly, and you'll keep mosquitoes from reaching adulthood, the stage of their lives when they fly and bite.

The Solution Is Near at Hand. Chances are very good that the mosquitoes biting you were born within a few yards of where you were bitten. Watering cans, buckets, clogged roof gutters, saucers under potted plants, old tires and plastic wading pools are just a few of the potential mosquito maternity wards around your home. Even such minute sources as water in vases provide safe places for female mosquitoes to lay their eggs.

Once found, these seemingly harmless water collectors should be emptied, removed or turned upside down. Cut old tires in half or puncture them to let water drain out. Remove standing water as often as possible, since it only takes from 5 to 10 days for a mosquito egg to turn into a hungry adult. (Even then, only the females go looking for blood, to get the protein needed to produce eggs.)

Community Actions. What works in your backyard can also work throughout your neighborhood. You may want to consider lowering the mosquito population over several square blocks by organizing a neighborhood survey of mosquito breeding sites.

People are always surprised at how many previously unnoticed pools and puddles of standing water, such as water in tree holes, these surveys turn up.

Denying Entry. Keeping mosquitoes out of your house is as simple as closing all the "mosquito doors." Make sure your window and door screens are in good repair. Small holes or tears can be mended with clear caulk. Screens should fit tightly and be inspected once a year. Soft, removable caulk closes gaps around windows, and weather stripping seals around doors.

If you have an ornamental pond, there are a couple of ways you can enjoy it without contributing to a

mosquito population explosion.

The first, most natural way is to add to the pond a few mosquito-eating fish, such as Gambusia or goldfish. Another non-toxic mosquito control that works both in man-made and natural ponds is a parasite called *Bacillus thuringiensis israelensis*, or BTI for short. BTI is lethal to mosquitoes, but harmless to most other aquatic species. It is commercially available at agricultural supply stores under the names Tecknar, Bactimos, Vectoba and Mosquito Attack. BTI is more expensive than other products, but it is less toxic and more selective, so it

damages the environment less.

Repellents are the final line of defense against mosquitoes. The most widely sold repellents contain "Deet" (short for diethyltoluamide), which works well. Whenever possible, apply repellents to your clothing instead of directly onto your skin, to minimize absorption into your body.

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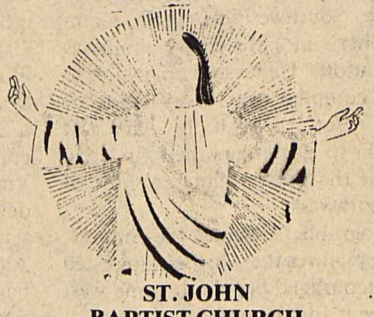
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Organizers of last weekend's Brackettville Bash are Border Patrolmen from left: Tony Molinar, Cash Letsinger, David Alexander (Golf Tournament) and Co-coordinators Steve La Mascus and Brad Coe. Coe's daughter, Ashley, adds a touch of beauty to the group. More than 400 people gathered for the barbeque and outdoor activities near the giant 1.5 million gallon swimming pool at Fort Clark Springs. The Brackettville Border Patrol station's athletic team's did very well in the day's events by winning the softball tournament and placing high in the golf tournament. (Photo by Penny Nixon)

Watson Celebrates 75th Birthday

by Penny Nixon

Jim Watson of the Fort Clark Springs RV Park, celebrated his 75th birthday May 2, by having the first party in the newly remodeled and screened group room converted from an empty building at the park.

The group enjoyed a barbeque dinner cooked in the original brick barbeque pit then birthday tips were offered to Jim and Lorraine. The Watsons are the hardworking couple who are responsible for cleaning the RV Park facilities, and the Las Moras Inn Restaurant.

Guests at Jim Watson's birthday barbeque included: Henry and Patsy Holguin of Odessa, Falba and Charles Evans, Pete and Elene Warren of Colorado City, Jeri and Berkeley Garrett, Milton and Naomi Gerhart, Cab and Vicki Cabiness, Ken and Juanita Robertson, Brent Maykuth of San Antonio and Lorraine Watson.

Many of the guests are Fort Clark Springs members who "got their start" in the RV Park, and have since moved off to other areas on the Fort, especially the new Units 34 and 35. They enjoyed the opportunity to come back for Jim's birthday celebration, and to see the progress and improvements being made at the RV Park.

Spring Dance Recital

The local students of the Beverly School of Dance will be presented in their spring dance recital, Friday, May 5, at 7:30 in the evening, in the high school auditorium! The theme of this year's recital will be "Babes in Toyland."

The young dancers which include twenty-four boys and girls from ages three to eleven, have been attending weekly classes since September. Mrs. Beverly Matzig and Mrs. Janice Foster of Del Rio, have instructed them in combinations of ballet, tap, and tumbling at the St. Andrews Episcopal parish hall. Some of Mrs. Matzig's older students from Del Rio will also be here to perform in portions of the recital.

The dancers, their teachers and their parents would like to invite everyone from Brackettville, Fort Clark and the surrounding area to attend the recital. Having the opportunity to perform on the stage is a wonderful experience for these children. There will be a reception honoring the dancers and their teachers, immediately following the recital, to which all in attendance are invited.

SPORTS



At Victoria during the Region IV 2A track meet last weekend, Manny Pena made the finals, but placed 7th with a time of 41.56 in the 100m.

Armando Talamantez placed 9th in the 110 hurdles with a time of 15.23. In the shot put category, Placido Samaniego placed 9th.

Brackett High has set a new record

by sending six students to a State competition.

Fidel Hernandez, a junior, will attend State competition in the Shorthand category. Kelly Hall, a senior, a two-time State contender, will compete in the Accounting category.

Rosemary Rubino, a sophomore, will attend State for a twirling competition. Wendy Hooten and Allyson Potter, both seniors, will compete in a State flute trio along with an unnamed partner. Wendy will also compete in the State flute solo competition. (See pictures page 6.)

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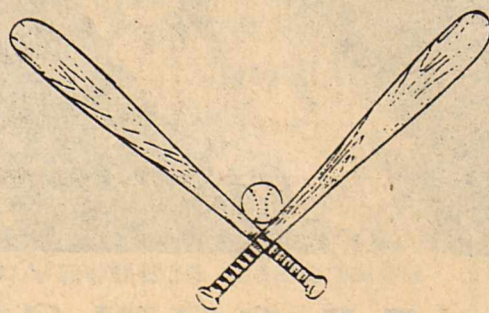
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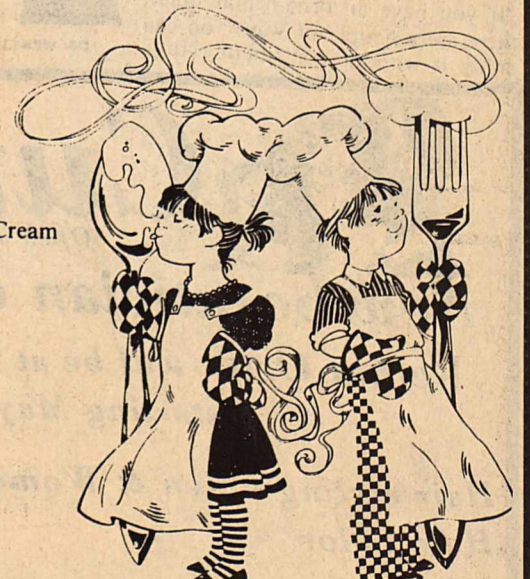
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Tuesday 9,	Tuesday 9,	Thursday 11,
Spaghetti Garden Salad Corn Garlic Bread Milk	Hamburger Hamb Salad Fruit Milk	Sausage Pattie Biscuits Fruit Milk
Wednesday 10,	Wednesday 10,	Friday 12,
Peanutty Sand Veg. Soup Fresh Veg. Stix Frozen Fruit Bar Milk	Taco Taco Salad Fruit Milk	Pancakes Fruit Milk
Thursday 11,	Thursday 11,	
Enchiladas Pinto Beans Fruit Cornbread Milk	Baked Potato Bacon & Sour Cream Cheese Chunks Fruit Hot Roll Milk	
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by Joe Townsend

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Lord's Supper will be observed. The public is invited to enjoy worship and fellowship at Frontier Baptist Church. Special emphasis for the day will be the work of the Gideons. Frank Eckenroth will be guest speaker representing the Gideons.

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**Information
For Community
Calendar.**

**REWARD: Higher attendance
at meetings and events!**

Please leave event schedules at *The Brackett News* office (507 S. Ann St.) so we can publish a calendar.

**Theatre Workshop
Modernized**

by Marge Love

Our Theatre Workshop is being conducted more toward the "modern" methods, to allow our group full experience in all facets of producing a play. Most young aspiring actors feel that to have a part in a play will send them on the road to stardom. Not so. The movie and TV and other medias generally are on the lookout for fresh, high profile young people with talent, but are more interested when they can be molded easily into characters needed for their programs. They are in the business of making money.

There are thousands of young people in the California and New York areas looking to become an instant star. This is very rare. When you study the backgrounds of most actors, singers, etc., you will discover that they have paid their dues. They have many years of dancing, theatre drama and craft, and singing, behind them. They have taken menial jobs at anything just to survive, and audition for everything available just to get the experience. Many, unfortunately end up in the drug situation, and they fail before they can even begin. Surprisingly, most agents are out scouting small town theatre groups that they hear about, to find the stars.

We are blessed here in Brackett-

ville/Fort Clark Springs, because of the dreams and efforts of a lover of the theatre in the person of Marie Curcio, now living in San Diego, California. She, along with other interested persons, worked hard and diligently to form the "Old Quarry Theatre," and her legacy should continue on at full speed. We have the years of experience of many here in the area who have acted, sang, danced, performed, and directed and produced, in the theatre, movies, and TV So let's get busy and use this talent.

Those of us with an interest in theatre production, have a goal, and that is to put Brackettville/Fort Clark Springs, on the map with the reputation of having the "Best theatre group in West Texas." We can do just that, because we have the experience, and the talent at our doorstep. Things are slow when getting started, but when we all pull together toward the same goal, our dreams and the dreams of our founders can be fulfilled. What will you gain? Confidence, poise, the ability to express yourself more freely, theatre knowledge, and the best in fun and friendship. So, join us each Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m. till 9:00 p.m. at the Town Hall on Fort Clark Springs or where posted if location is changed. Ya'll come, ya hear? All ages welcome.



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| Thursday, May 4 - 6:30 p.m.
Lions Club - Las Moras Inn | Monday, May 8 - 8:00 p.m.
A-A
Slaton Hall, James St. |
| Thursday, May 4 - 7:00 p.m.
Theater Workshop - all ages
Ft. Clark Town hall
(See story this page) | Monday, May 8 - 8:00 p.m.
Al-Anon
St. Andrews Episcopal Parish Hall |
| Thursday, May 4 - 7:00 p.m.
Civil Air Patrol - Cadets (13-21 yrs.)
Tower building east side of Uvalde airport
Call George Fear at 278-8192 for info | Tuesday, May 9 - 7:00 p.m.
Duplicate Bridge
Ft. Clark NCO Club |
| Friday, May 5 - 9:00-4:00 p.m.
Driver's license renewal
Kinney County Courthouse - upstairs | Tuesday, May 9 - 7:00 p.m.
Masonic Lodge - Lodge Building |
| Friday, May 5 - 7:30 p.m.
Spring Dance Recital
Bevery School of Dance will perform "Babes in Toyland"
High School Auditorium
(See story page 8.) | Thursday, May 11 - 12:00 noon
Rotary Club - Las Moras Inn |
| Saturday, May 6 - 7a.m.-7p.m.
Election Day! | Thursday, May 11 - 6:00 p.m.
Powder Puff Football Game
Tiger Stadium
(See story page 2.) |
| Saturday, May 6 - 12:00 noon
Seminole Indian Scout Cemetery
Barbeque Carver School Grounds
(See ad page 2.) | Thursday, May 11 - 7:00 p.m.
Civil Air Patrol - Cadets (13-21 yrs.)
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| Sunday, May 7 - 11:00 a.m.
Children's Church
First Baptist Church | Thursday, May 11 - 7:30 p.m.
Kinney County Kickers - square dancing
Ft. Clark NCO Club |
| Sunday, May 7 - 12:00 noon
Fellowship dinner-covered dish
Frontier Baptist Church
(See story this page.) | Monday, May 15
Preceptor Theta Sigma Chapter of the Beta Sigma Phi meeting
Fort Clark Springs |
| Sunday, May 7 - 1:30 p.m.
Duplicate Bridge
Ft. Clark NCO Club | Tuesday, May 22 - 6:30 p.m.
Shriners - social hour followed by meeting at 7:30 p.m. - Las Moras Inn |
| Monday, May 8 - 9:00 a.m.
Commissioners Court
Kinney County Courthouse | Wednesday, May 24 - 7:00 p.m.
VFW & Ladies Auxiliary
Post 8360, Fort Clark Springs
NCO Club - covered dish supper at 6:00 p.m. |
| Monday, May 8 - 4:30 p.m.
City Council Meeting
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SMOKE FROM NAKAI



Se-Oh

Readers I will tell you how the butterfly came to be and why Our Creator made them.

It was said by the story teller that when winter was starting to set in, the leaves turned golden colors of bronze red, golden yellow, tinge of green and red. The Creator said all of Mother Earth is preparing for a long sleep. But what about the little children, they don't go to sleep. They still play even when the big snows come.

But they don't have the laughter in their hearts as when spring is here. So he picked up a large pouch and he began to pick. He grabbed a glint of sunshine, a handful of blue from the

sky, the whiteness of the cornmeal, the shadow of the children, the black of their eyes, the yellow of the falling leaves, the green of the pine needles, the red, purple and orange of the rainbow.

All this he put inside the pouch, then he started to shake it and then he opened the pouch and inside the pouch was silent. So he took a song from a bird and put it in. Then he called the little children and told them, "I have a gift for you all. Open the pouch and see what comes out."

So the children opened the pouch and hundreds of beautiful butterflies came out and the children were very happy chasing the butterflies. Then the butterflies started to sing very beautiful and they made the children

happier.

But then the birds asked the Creator, "Why did you give those pretty things our songs? You told us even the dull in color will have a song, but those pretty things are beautiful in color and they are prettier with a song." So the Creator told the birds, "That is true. I told you all that even the dull in color would have a beautiful song." So he called the butterflies and he took the song away.

That is why the butterfly is silent and flies from flower to flower trying to find a song. That is also why the bird tries to eat the butterfly. So he can turn pretty like the butterfly.

Ahoie Nakai

GREEN THUMB



Do you have problems in your lawn of carpet grass? Some yards already show yellow and brown spots in the grass. If you have a spot that seems dead, try to pull up some of the dead. If it peels off the ground, you most likely have "grubs" which have eaten off the roots.

These grubs live in the ground for three years before springing forth into a beetle. A good sprinkling of insecticide granules is a must. Peel off all the dead grass and remove. Dyzinon or Dursbau are good insecticides.

If a large area is affected, you may need to resprinkle the area. Keep this well watered and eventually you will have the dead spot covered with good green grass. If you have areas that are yellow and the grass doesn't come

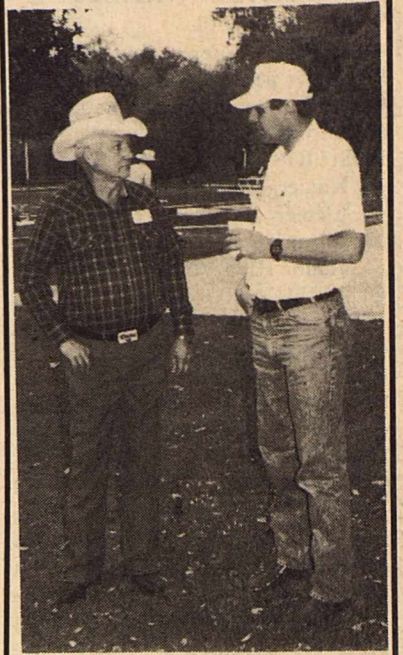
loose when pulled, you likely have a fungus. If left untreated it will destroy the lawn.

The cheapest and one of the best treatments is simply to dust heavily the area and surrounding lawn with wettable powdered sulfur. Keep well watered and grass will soon take on life. Remember, our soil is generally iron poor. To assist the lawn to remain green, some extra iron should be added.

This can be done by using fertilizer with iron added. Another method is to apply Copperas. Be very careful about getting Copperas on anything. It will stain anything brown, especially concrete. Carpet grass can make a beautiful lawn, but it demands much care.

Border Patrol

Big-Wigs



Hail to the Chiefs! Some of the U.S. Border Patrol's top brass visited Fort Clark Springs April 28, for the "Brackettville Bash" sponsored by the local patrol office. Bill Gibson (left), is the Chief Patrol Agent for the Del Rio sector, which includes 58,000 square miles of borderland country in 41 counties. Paul Berg (right), is Assistant Regional Commissioner in Dallas. Berg oversees Border Patrol activity in a 13-state region from New Mexico to Florida. He served as Assistant Chief in Del Rio from 1986 through 1987.

(Photo by Penny Nixon)

Grandma's Kitchen

Hi - today I want to tell you the comparison between one of our favorite foods which is good, but not so healthy, and what is good for us. Suppose you go out and buy yourself a Big Mac. You have just eaten 31.4 grams, or a little more than an ounce, of pure fat.

Now let's compare: here's a list of healthy foods that would equal the fat in that Big Mac. Half a pound of broiled chicken (skinned), one halibut fillet, a whole head of Bibb lettuce, one onion, six scallops, a cup of cooked kidney beans, a cup of brown rice, one pound of green beans, one sweet potato, an ear of corn, a cup of raisins, an orange, two red beets, four asparagus spears, half a pound of green peas in their pods, a cup of popcorn, a cup of cooked spaghetti and two slices of whole wheat bread.

Now don't think I'm picking on the Big Mac, compared to other processed foods, two hot dogs have just as much fat, so do a couple of danish.

By eating healthy foods, we stay filled up and feel good while doing it.

Nature made it very difficult for us to get too much fat in our diets, so let's outsmart her and ourselves at the same time.

Here's another bit of healthy news: Vegetable products contain no cholesterol at all, and most have very little saturated fat, with the exception of avocados and coconuts. Coconuts, particularly, are bad news. In animal experiments, coconut oil produces atherosclerosis more efficiently than any other kind of fat. Even the meat of the coconut is very high in fat and for that reason. I love it, but won't use it in any recipe.

Incidentally, when the label of a packaged food says it contains "vegetable oil", it's more than likely to be coconut oil, so always read the labels.

Here's a few tips for all us travelers out there that have a go bug in us. If you have to get your hands greasy when looking under the hood, rub a thin coat of petroleum jelly over your hands before you start so grease can't get into the pores. Cleaning up will be a breeze.

If your hands are just dirty, shaving cream is great for an on-the-road cleaner. Your car antenna will go up and down real easy if you occasionally rub it with wax paper.

When you know you'll be parked in snow and icy conditions for an hour or so, rub a slice of onion over your windshield. The glass will remain fairly clear, and any precipitation that does stick can easily be scraped off.

I've been yapping so much about staying healthy, I think all I'll give you from now on are recipes that are good for you.

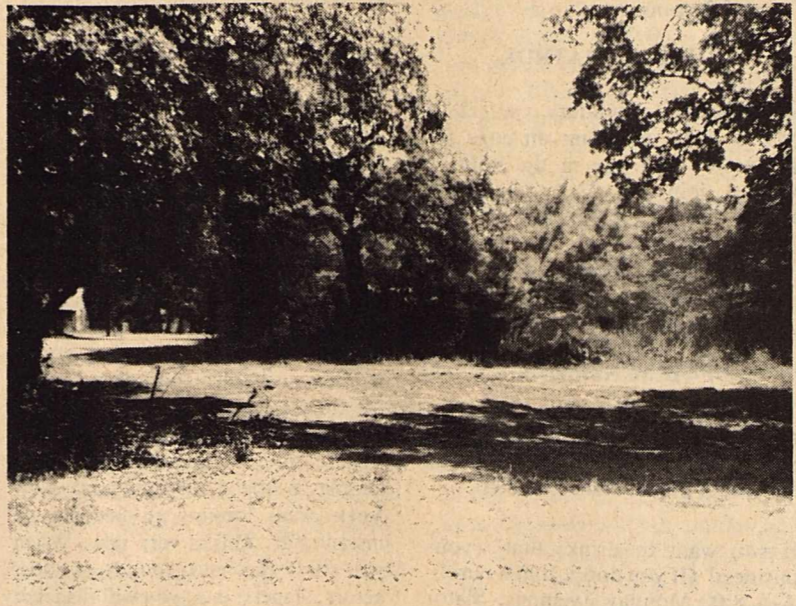
CURRIED CHICKEN & PEAS
 1 whole chicken breast (skinned and boned)
 6 TBS orange juice
 1 cup chopped mushrooms
 1/2 cup chopped green peppers
 1/4 cup chopped scallions
 1 clove garlic, crushed
 1/2 cup freshly shelled peas
 1/2 cup chopped tomatoes
 1 tsp lemon juice
 1 tsp tamari
 and 2 tsp curry

Cut chicken into small thin strips. Put 2 TBS of the orange juice into hot skillet or wok. When hot, add mushrooms and cook over medium heat for about 5 minutes. Add green peppers, scallions and garlic and cook 3 minutes more. Finally add the peas and tomatoes and cook for 1 minute. Now pour all this into a larger pan. Pour lemon juice, remaining orange juice and the tamari into the original skillet or wok and turn the heat up high.

When steaming, add chicken strips and curry. Stir vigorously. If necessary, pour some liquid from the vegetables into the chicken. The chicken will be done very quickly, in 2 or 3 minutes, do not overcook. When just barely done, add the vegetables to the chicken, stir vigorously for about 20 seconds, or until you are sure the vegetables are hot. Serve this over rice. It's delicious. Serves two.

My thought for this week is - Most people tend to fight harder for their rights than they do for their responsibilities.

Big Hugs & Special Love Grandma



This is a recent photo of the lot that was covered with debris that appeared in the April 27, issue of The Brackett News. According to Mayor La Gioia, City workers began clearing the lot on Wednesday, April 26.

FROM TEE TO GREEN



The monthly Fort Clark Springs Golf and Country Club committee meeting was held Wednesday, April 26. President Bill Bizzell called the meeting to order and the main topic was the proposed construction of a combined restroom and shelter building on the golf course. Bill presented a floor plan for the building and list of materials needed. He estimated the cost of the project between \$4,500 and \$5,000.

The ladies golf association was asked to donate \$1,000 contingent upon matching funds from the golf committee and N.A.T.T. The balance of the needed money is to be derived from tournaments sponsored by the golf committee. Male members of the golf club will be asked to volunteer labor in lieu of their lack of matching funds. The volunteer labor force will be

recruited upon approval from N.A.T.T.

 The P.B.G.A. met at the clubhouse Sunday evening, April 30. Jim Bussey was declared the "Hat Pin Winner" for April. He won five pins from other members and will have his name added to the association plaque with previous winners.

A plan to start a summer golf league for members was approved. The league is to provide recreational competition for the summer resident P.B.G.A. members and to provide input for the formation of a larger winter league when the "Winter Texans" return. See Karl Chism for information and sign up details.

A discussion with regard to benches for the golf course was held and Les Roper was appointed and accepted the responsibility of providing options and cost in this regard at the next meeting.

 April 24, 1989, a good turnout of thirty-one golfers enjoyed a "Florida Scramble" on the par 3 course. Keen competition saw three teams tie for first place with par scores of 27. They were:

- Mark Johnson
- Harold Kauffman
- Ward Pomeroy
- Paul Schult

- Gerald Gallion
- Walt Geezee
- Eleanor Herron
- Ray Kurtz

- Don Herron
- Dave Blair
- Frank Eckenroth
- Ernie Hall

Don's team had a bonus birdie on hole number two.

 Players from the pink tees played a four lady scramble on Tuesday, April 25. Emerging as winners in that event were:

- 1st Place (72)
 Marty Isenberg
 Evelyn Whitley
 Willie Null
 Mae Roper

- 2nd Place (73)
 Chick Cruse
 Rosemary Lovell
 Eileen Voracek
 Barbara Miller

Second place (tie) was won by a playoff on the scorecard.

- 3rd Place (73)
 Betty Matheson
 Alice Seargeant
 Betty Inman
 Mary Lee Trollinger

 Men's club action "saw" the following winners in a "blind" draw.

- 1st Place (428)
 Harold Kauffman
 P.M. Moore

- 2nd Place (130)
 Bill Bizzell
 Dave Russell

- 3rd Place (131)
 Jack Wood
 Hoagy Nelson

 The couples league has changed schedules for the summer wedding. They are now teeing off at 9:00 a.m. on Friday mornings. Last Friday a four person two best ball event was held and produced the following winners.

- 1st Place (114)
 Charlie Smith
 Luella Johnson
 Les and Mae Roper

- 2nd Place (119)
 Jim Bussey
 Willie Null
 Harlan Hunter
 Jan Chism

- 3rd Place (122)
 Bill and Odette Mills
 Gordon and Lorraine Lundquist

 "Golfers Want To Know" if the doors on the new proposed restrooms will be locked as long as the outside doors to the restrooms in the clubhouse have been.

 This will be my last column for the summer. Mary Lee Trollinger is going to write a summer golf column which will be interesting, informative and good entertainment for all of you golf fans.

 Thanks to all of you who have mentioned your enjoyment of the column. To those who have not enjoyed all or part of the articles, they were submitted as constructive criticism and no maliciousness was intended.

 Ya'll stay cool this summer. Try to play golf in the shade and have a little more than enough on hand to drink for thirst is a dangerous thing.

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