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# The Brackett News

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"If a man had half as much insight, as he has hindsight, he would have twice as much foresight"

## Sovereign Fund Award Received For Unique Approach To Education

Tracy Gilbreth of Hunt and Fort Clark Springs was recognized in Texas Senate Proclamation No. 952 for his contributions in teaching the Free Enterprise System. Senator Bill Sims, D-San Angelo, presented the proclamation to the senate for adoption after Mr. Gilbreth received the 1991 Sovereign Fund Award.

Mr. Gilbreth, as a teacher, was the founder of the Hunt (Texas) 5th and 6th grade Free Enterprise Program. Gilbreth said he was surprised at the honor and the \$5,000 cash award that accompanied it. The award is given annually to a person who has made exceptional contributions to the cause of individual freedom in the United States.

The Sovereign Fund was founded by West Coast businessman Kurt W. Simon who also is president of the group. Notification stated that "an additional sum of money" will be provided to Gilbreth to be used to help publicize his "unique approach to education."

The Sovereign Fund board of directors learned about the success of Gilbreth's teaching method and, upon follow-up research, discovered that it already had benefited more than 2,000 youngsters.

Gilbreth, who began teaching the free enterprise program to his



Tracy Gilbreth

students in 1958, said he had no idea he was in the running for the award until a call came from Mr. Simon last spring saying he had heard about the program and asked permission to come by and visit.

Simon spent a half-day observing the class and meeting the students. No more was heard from him until notice of the award came. Mr. Gilbreth said, "I'm truly ecstatic

that someone would think that much of us to honor us so. What makes it especially nice is that it was strictly their doing. We didn't ask to be considered for anything. To get something that's unsolicited - to get that kind of reward - it really is wonderful."

Gilbreth and his wife, Kay, own a home on Fort Clark Springs where they spend much of their time.



National Honor Society Members, (L-R Back Row): Javier Solis, Wendy McDaniel, Scott Sims, Charles Frerich, Luis Gonzales, Dee Ann Frerich, Michelle Brandt, Mary Falcon, Selina Ramon and Jenifer Shahan.

## BHS National Honor Society

By LYNN FLOYD  
Brackett News School Writer

The National Honor Society held their annual induction ceremonies last Friday at the high school auditorium.

New members inducted include Mary Falcon, Charles Frerich, Wendy McDaniel, and Dee Ann Frerich. To be eligible for induction, a student must be a junior or senior, maintain a grade average of 87 from first entry in the ninth grade and exhibit character, leadership, and service.

National Honor Society members are Jenifer Shahan - president, Scott Sims - vice president, Michelle Brandt - treasurer, Luis Gonzales - secretary, Selina Ramon and Javier Solis.

Luis Gonzalez introduced guest speaker Jean Faulkenberry who stressed the importance and values of the principles of the National Honor Society.

Sponsor Sue Sims presented new inductees membership certificates and recognized probationary members Bernie Allemeier, Amanda Davis, and Josephina Talamantez. Probationary students are

Superintendent Bob McCall closed the ceremony by praising all members for their hard work and leadership.

Congratulations, National Honor Society members! You have earned the distinction of National Honor Society!

sophomores and if they maintain all criteria will be new members next school year.

Principal Don Sims gave congratulatory remarks to all members and challenged the student body to meet the requirements of National Honor Society.



National Honor Society Probationary Members, (L-R): Amanda Davis, Bernie Allemeier and Josephina Talamantez.

## Sofia Gomez Celebrated 90th



Sofia Gomez, holding flowers, is surrounded by family members following the mass said in honor of her 90th Birthday.

Sofia Gomez celebrated her 90th birthday anniversary on February 19, 1992, with a mass at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church in Brackettville. Father David Zumaya officiated.

She has lived in Brackettville all of her ninety years. She has had a Life Membership with P.T.A. since

January 30, 1962.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ignacio, and their oldest son, Henry.

Attending Mass were eight of her children: Elvidia, Ora, Arnold, Delia, Ernest, Mary, Narciso, and Chris. Those not able to attend were: Virginia, Grace, and Alfred.

Other family members present were: Alice, Eleanor and Jane Gomez; Horace Smith, James Hinds, Flavio Talamantez and several grandchildren.

Mrs. Gomez expresses her deepest thanks to Father David, The Spanish Choir, the Altar Boys, and Mrs. Payne.

## Leisurely Paced Vacation

Lillian Palmer is a teacher. She is attractive, charming, energetic with a real zest for living. She is also taking a leisurely paced vacation - right in the middle of a school term.

When she came into *The Brackett News* office, she was on her way home from the Westminster Dog Show at Madison Square Garden...New York! And home is Sault Ste. Marie, Canada (where it is 20 degrees below zero right now). If coming through Fort Clark Springs on her way from New York to Canada seems a little unusual, well, this lady is unusual, besides she had good reason to come here.

Ms. Palmer teaches Family Studies (Homemaking) at Sault Ste. Marie High School...grades 9 through 13 (that's right, five years in high school) Her school has a plan that will withhold 20% of her salary for four consecutive semesters of teaching. That money goes into an interest bearing escrow account. Then, the fifth semester, the teacher can take a leave of absence, draw regular salary from the escrow fund, and be guaranteed a job for the next semester. It's called the 4/5 plan.

In her leisure time, she raises West Highland White Terriers and has been very successful showing them.

Lillian (after a few minutes we were on first name basis with this



Lillian Palmer (right) drops in for a chat with Mary Batey and Jewel Robinson on her way to Canada from New York.

warm, friendly, outgoing lady) came to Fort Clark Springs to visit Mary Batey, a congenial, community-oriented Winter Texan who has spent the past four winters at Fort Clark Springs.

Lillian and Mary (now retired) taught together, both in Family

Studies, at Sault Ste. Marie. This is Lillian's first trip to Texas and she has been very favorably impressed with our area.

A parting word about Mary Batey - teaching can't be too hard if one can do it for 40 years like Mary did and still look like she does.

## Palisado Building On FCS

### Ear-Marked For Restoration

The Palisado Building on Fort Clark Springs has been ear-marked for restoration in 1992. The Fort Clark Board of Directors appropriated \$15,000 toward the work and the Fort Clark Historical Society has pledged \$2,000. The Community Council plans to donate any proceeds realized from Fort Clark Springs Days.

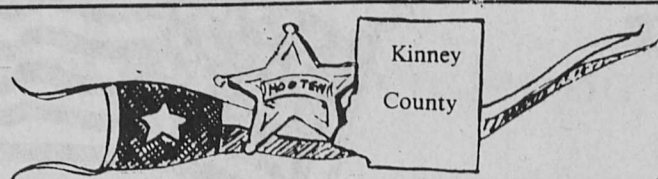


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# Sheriff's Corner

By Sheriff Norman H. Hooten



February 20th was the date set by the Texas Commission on Jail Standards for our annual jail inspection and we looked forward to passing it, thereby receiving the coveted "Gold Certificate" certifying five (5) consecutive years of inspections and compliance with the strict standards set by the Commission for the operations of county jails in Texas. We have been within one inspection of achieving this lofty status a few years ago but failed due to a faulty cell door and lock system that had been installed years before by a company that ultimately went bankrupt and was therefore unavailable to make repairs and keep the system working correctly. We lost our certification and came close to being shut down by TJC but averted this calamity by installing a new cell door and lock system at a cost of close to \$100,000.00. But, even though we were allowed to stay in operation we had to start all over again working towards the five year status.

Well, it seems like the TJC just doesn't want us to receive the "Gold Certificate" as we endured the most in-depth and strict inspection I have witnessed in the 10 years I have been Sheriff. The inspector arrived at 9:00 am on the 20th and went through every facet of our operation from roof to foundation. He went through our Rules & Regulations manual word for word, he went through our booking and records system item by item, he checked every current inmate's record looking for any mistake or deletion in the records (finding none). He checked our operational procedures from A to Z and tested the on-duty jailers for their knowledge and implementation of rules and regulations mandated by the Sheriff (me) and TJC. He

checked the kitchen and storage areas, he double checked the requirements for records on menus for inmate meals (which have to be prepared a week in advance). He checked the plumbing, lighting, and related fixtures. He checked all smoke alarms (required in each cell and dayroom), also checking to see if the individual cells had the proper square footage of living space for each prisoner. And, he checked a multitude of other items and procedures too numerous to list in the space here.

After a six (6) hour, non-stop inspection (not even breaking for lunch) he advised me of his findings. We had two faulty cell intercoms and had failed to properly log the names of all jailers who had participated in quarterly fire drills at the jail. Therefore, after passing all other super strict requirements for county jails as mandated by TJC he wrote us up for non-compliance on the two faulty intercoms and the fire drill records. Kinda like an inspection of a 747 from nose to tail and finding two screws loose on a soapdish in the restroom and grounding the jet for the infraction. He did, however, promise us the "Gold Certificate" if we would take corrective action on the items of non-compliance within thirty days and you can bet your bottom dollar we will have those items corrected within that time frame.

Why is the "Gold Certificate" so important you ask? Well, first of all there are very few county jails in Texas that have achieved that status and it is a highly desired symbol of jail operations that have passed strict inspections and remained in compliance for five (5) successive years. Another benefit is that once the

"Gold Certificate" status has been achieved we would be inspected only once every five years. I am extremely proud of our county jail operation, especially my fine staff of Jailer/Dispatchers and Dietician, especially so since the Kinney County Jail was brought into compliance with state law for the first time in 1984 (2 years after I took office) and, as the old saying goes, "We've come a long way, Baby!"

In closing, I want to express my sincere gratitude and appreciation to the following Sheriff's Department Staff Members for their undying dedication, loyalty, and professionalism. Without their steadfast support it would be impossible for me to do my job.

**THANKS TO:**

David Luna, Chief Deputy Sheriff  
Vito LaGioia, Deputy Sheriff

Jay R. Smith, Deputy Sheriff  
Warren Outlaw, Deputy Sheriff (reserve)

Matt Sandoval, Records Officer

Elida Estrada, Jailer/Dispatcher

Jesse Garcia, Jailer/Dispatcher

Manny Pena, Jr., Jailer/Dispatcher

Tom Justice, Jailer/Dispatcher

Calvin Oliver, Jailer/Dispatcher

Frank Gutierrez, Jr., Jailer/Dispatcher

Marie Gomez Medina, Dietician

I also want to extend my gratitude and appreciation to my wife, Tax Assessor-Collector Martha Pena Hooten and her Deputy TAC Rachel Clementz for their assistance in certain important duties of the Sheriff's Department that would otherwise require at least one full time employee at an added cost to the taxpayer.

All of the above make my job so much easier and by all of us working together for the common good of the Sheriff's Department we are able to provide a professional service to the people of Kinney County of which I am extremely proud.  
That's All!

## Texas Masons Are Proud Supporters Of Public Schools

The Masons of Texas have long supported the public school system. In the early days, most Masonic Lodges were two-story buildings. The lodge met on the second floor and encouraged the local churches and schools to meet on the ground floor. Many lodges started public schools themselves in their lodge buildings and paid the teachers' salaries.

The second president of the Republic of Texas, Mirabeau B. Lamar, was a Mason and is known as "The Father of the Texas Public School System", because it was through his efforts that the State of Texas set up the Public School System.

Masons of today continue the tradition set by our forefathers of supporting our public schools. Annually the Texas Grand Lodge sponsors "Texas Public Schools Week" the first full week of March.

Bruce Clements is Worshipful Master of Las Moras Masonic Lodge #444, and encourages all Masons to visit Brackett's schools.

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**Supper**  
**Thursday**  
**Night**

## From the Editor's desk

In a conversation with City Councilman Ralph Gonzalez Tuesday, he asked that he be quoted as saying that at the last council meeting his comments concerning finding funds to purchase safety equipment for the fire department was not intended to take away anything, especially workers comp, from the firemen. It was simply exploring every avenue to help.

Mr. Gonzalez also said he was on the agenda as an individual Councilman and was not speaking as an official city council spokesman.



## Between Us

By Joe Townsend



Last week I saw a flight of purple finches going through. Several different birds have been noted in their annual spring migration.

The mocking birds have begun their spring serenades.

Aside from the enjoyment of the birds and their songs, the real joy is in the fact they are the harbingers of spring.

I'm so glad I live in Brackettville because spring comes so early here. We never have much real wintry weather but this year winter has been characterized by cloudy, rainy weather rather than cold.

Now, the Redbud is aflame; the Laurel is decked with clusters of beautiful blue blossoms; the Spanish Dagger stands proudly against its neighbors with its great head of white and even the ground flowers are beginning to show their colors.

The dandelions and an occasional buttercup tell us a beautiful display of Mother Nature's finery is soon to line the highways and cover the pastures. The ground is beginning to show a carpet of green and trees are leafing out.

The general attitude of people has changed. There's something about dreary, cloudy days that dampens

spirits. Then, comes the sun and spirits reflect the beauty of the clear sky.

There comes a renewal of determination and enthusiasm and people enjoy getting out and enjoying the out-of-doors.

This reminds us that another year with new challenges and new opportunities is before us. It should challenge us to make this year the best year of our lives.

God gives the opportunity. If it is not profitable to us and the world, it is because we fail. Each one can make the year ahead a great year; it's up to the individual.

## Days Past

by Dorothy Payne



**February 3, 1858** - President Buchanan recommended to Congress admission of the territory of Kansas as a state under the unpopular Lecompton Constitution.

**February 14, 1859** - Oregon was admitted to the Union as the 33rd state, the 18th non-slave state. The state had 50,000 inhabitants and elected as its first governor Democrat John Whiteaker.

**February 13 - 14, 1861** - The nation's first Medal of Honor action took place at Apache Pass in New Mexico Territory (present day Arizona), when Colonel Bernard John Dowling Irwin, an assistant surgeon, "voluntarily" took command of troops, attacked and defeated, the hostile Indians (Chiricahua) he met on the way. The action actually occurred before the medal was authorized by Congress on July 12, 1894.

**February 23, 1861** - A referendum in Texas formally ratified the ordinance of secession adopted by a state convention on February 1, 1861, and Texas left the Union. The day before, President elect Abraham Lincoln had been warned of a plot on his life.

**February 24, 1863** - Congress created the Territory of Arizona from the western section of New Mexico Territory. The action was taken mainly to reward local union support and to follow up the reconquest and occupation of the Southwest by the California Column.

**February 2, 1869** - James Oliver patented a chilled-iron plow equipped with a smooth surfaced moldboard that could slip through the hardened prairie soil without clogging. Other inventors would improve on his basic implement by covering the blade with an edge of tempered steel which could be removed for sharpening. By 1877, completely modern plows would be in use.

**February 2, 1870** - After Wyoming, Utah Territory became the second territory to grant full suffrage to women.

**February 12, 1873** - Congress passed the Coinage Act of 1873. Silver was demonetized and dropped as a coin; gold was made the sole monetary standard. Advocates

of silver, particularly Western mine operators, referred to the action as the "Crime of '73" for decades.

**February 12, 1880** - President Hayes issued a warning to illegal settlers, ranchers, and trespassers who had been stealing lands in Indian Territory.



Early last Friday morning around 3:30 or 4:00 a.m. the driver of this truck somehow lost control of his vehicle, hitting a culvert between Brackettville and Uvalde.

There was heavy fog that morning and driving conditions were not optimum, but Rigoberto Esparza of Eagle Pass survived, thanks to his safety belt, and is at home resting with his family. Officers Wayne Whiteaker, Charlie Mendeke and Prajedes Flores of Uvalde investigated the accident.

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## Big Mama Sez!



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**Quilting Quorum Gets Slim And Trim**

The other morning there was an exhibition of fit throwing like I had never seen before in my life. It was caused by Garlan and he caused it on purpose. And I must say he did one fine job.

You see most of the ladies of the Quilting Quorum was in the Post Office at the same time, and after getting their mail they went into the Mostly General Store to drink some coffee or diet coke while stuffing their faces full of twinkies or snickers bars. And once settled in, they commenced their usual character assassination on the ones that wasn't present.

Now before this goes much farther, I feel as though I need to describe 98% of the membership of the Querecho Flats Quilting Quorum. Most of the ladies are some what over weight. I personally have nominated 6 of them (secretly of course) for the poster child of the SAVE THE WHALES CAMPAIGN.

They are all pretty women, but they all have this problem concerning exercise. Seven of the ladies have developed, over the years, the perfect program for not only gaining weight, but for keeping it as well. It is really quite a simple training program.

Each one gets up and gets their oilie husbands off to work and then they get into their training routine. Equal parts of caffeine, nicotine and sugar make up their well balanced breakfast. And while they are forciag down this nutritious breakfast, they are in the first phase of exercise. A really strenuous sit. From there they manage to make it to the post office and take on some more energy giving liquids and snacks. And from there the day just gets worse.

Now I'm not telling you people anything that these old gals haven't already said, I'm just wording it a little different.

Most of these ladies are basically pretty good people, but every now and then, they get vicious in their attacks on other people. Mostly some of the other ladies around the community. And that's why Garlan got into the conversation that morning.

They were talking about a girl that had just gone thru some really bad times, and when she got nervous, she snacked. This girl had never to my knowledge said anything bad about any one and she was always one of the first to try and help out when some one was in a bind. But she had gained some weight and now she was the mainest topic of character assassination.

I was fixing to get in on the conversation and mention to these old gals that should Margie gain 107 more pounds, she would still be a way yonder smaller than any of them, when Garlan had listened to all he could stand.

When Garlan stood up and asked the ring leader, Nellie Loosejau, if she was pregnant again or just gaining weight. And from there things kinda went to hell.

One of the others blew smooth up and reminded old Garlan of his inability to keep his mouth shut and that he was pretty rude.

Garlan agreed with her and then asked when she was gonna have her triplets.

The ladies left. But not till they had threatened Garlan and me with pure death. Garlan for mouthing off, and me for laughing.

Well, there was some good come from Garlan's blowing up.

The Querecho Flats Quilting Quorum purchased some exercise equipment. And for the first week or so, it was used regularly. But one fateful morning, things went a little wrong and now most of the equipment is just laying there waiting for it's next victim.

It wasn't fancy equipment, a couple of exercise bikes, a few jump ropes, and a half dozen of them springy things that you put your feet into on one end and pull on the handles on the other. I had never seen one up close till that day the Querecho Flats Volunteer Fire Department was called on to rescue and administer first aid to a bunch of sweaty and tangled up fluffly women.

Yep, we got the call about 8:45 that morning, and my opinion of the female body has never been the same since.

You may not believe this, but there are a lot of women that ain't what they look like they are.

Garlan and Karl and me got to the community center about the same time. At first, we thought a semi-truck had run through the building. But close observation of the walls told us that didn't happen.

Then the ladies that was still standing started trying to talk all at once. There was four ladies down, and after we saw that no one was seriously hurt, we had a tough time trying not to laugh.

It seems that two ladies were using them spring loaded things to simulate situps, two was on the exercise bikes and the rest was trying to jump rope.

Well one of the ladies jumping rope, got too close to one of the ladies using the spring thing and whacked her on the head. Her timing was awful, cause she hit her right when she had the spring stretched to the limit. This caused the spring user to flinch and lose control of her leg muscles long enough to let the peddles fly off of her feet. I guess that spring was pretty powerful, cause on it's way past her head it hit the other spring user in the ear which caused another spring reaction similar to that of the first.

By now there is some major screaming going on.

The second renegade spring hit one of the rope jumpers on the knee causing a scream similar to that of a gut shot werewolf which broke the concentration of the bikers. One of the bikers turned just in time to get mowed down by a crippled rope jumper that was trying to stampepe on one foot. She fell into the second biker getting her hair tangled in the spokes, and the other biker on top of her.

The one with her hair in the spokes was Annie Fykicker, and to say she can get verbal would be some what of an understatement.

When we got a look at what was going on, I saw some really strange sights. At first I thought the bike had some how managed to scalp old Annie. It's tough to keep a straight face when you're being cussed out by a bald headed fluffly woman that won't take her wig back.

Yep, it was awful. There was false finger nails, eye brows, hair and a couple of other things I couldn't get anyone to admit owning much less tell what they were, laying all over the floor of the community center.

Yes there was women screaming, babies crying and dogs barking in the street, but we got 'em all rescued. The injuries were all minor. One black eye, one bruised knee, one cauliflower ear and one hair-less woman.

The next morning at the post office, I heard one of the ladies say that she was giving up all that exercise stuff cause she was looking just like her husband wanted her to.

I haven't thought too much about it but I guess that's the way all them other husbands think too. At least that's what it looks like from all the dust that's covering up all that exercise equipment.

**Bar-B-Que Benefit**  
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Bernard and Joyce Preece of Sarnia, Ontario, Canada, came into *The Brackett News* office Friday of last week to get a copy of the Hunter's Guide. They wanted to take a copy of the story and picture of deer running over Patrick Conlin (on Fort Clark) and show it to friends. This delightful couple were looking for a place to spend future winters - become Winter Texans if you will.

They had already visited Brownsville and McAllen and then decided to come this way.

Most of Friday had been spent at Alamo Village with Happy Shahan chauffeuring them around the Shahan Ranch so they could take pictures of Longhorns and wildlife.

They said they liked Kinney County better than any place they had visited while looking for a home away from home and they had already been to Arizona and New Mexico.

It just so happened this was the same day that Lillian Palmer, from Canada, was in for a visit.

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*Beyond The*  
*Horizon*

By Dorothy Payne

Texas at one time had 90,000 square miles of Prairie Dog towns. This little pest is a creature of the prairies, and the most famous plainsman of all. He is really a large rodent and eats much valuable grain crops each year. The government now has more control.

This animal is called a prairie dog because he has a distinct little bark. He is related to the ground hog and classed as a large ground squirrel or a marmot. They have roly-poly bodies, short ears, and short flat tails. He is brown above, mixed with gray and black hairs, and his belly is almost white. They are 12 to 16 inches long.

The biggest town on record was in West Texas, and until hunters attacked it was a 250 mile town. Their burrows are sometimes 12 feet deep. The bigger animals sit on top of the higher mounds and act as guards. At their signal bark, all the dogs will disappear into their holes.

Prairie dogs have many enemies; snakes, foxes, wolves, owls, eagles, hawks, but their worst enemy is the coyote.

Coyotes often work in pairs. One attacks the dog who dives into his burrow. When the dog sees the coyote leaving, he comes out only to be caught by the second coyote who is lying behind a bush in wait.

There are many strange tales about prairie dogs. One story claims, owls, dogs and snakes live in the same hole, but you can bet your bot-

tom dollar that if a snake ever goes into a dog hole, the dog goes out. Some cowboys say a dog will trap a rattler, when they find a snake crawling into a hole, they bury him there. They stop up every hole and bury him alive. It could be true, dogs are smart and they hate and fear a rattler. The little burrowing owl sometimes hides in a burrow, but the dog usually runs him out, too.

Many good cow ponies have stepped in prairie dog holes and broken legs in the fall.

Some parks have prairie dog towns but the dogs cannot be kept from spreading out all over the area.

Because they multiply so fast, the United States Department of Agriculture has spent many years to combat this situation.

Don't ever try to dig a prairie dog out of his burrow, because it is a losing battle. Somewhere in those underground mansions the baby marmots are born, in nests lined with dried grass, and there the food for the family is stored. It's usually all the vegetables and hay they can steal.

Certainly the dogs are not good pets. They steal, usually paper, and hide it. Probably instinct causes them to store things for the future. They are playful as pups and play much like puppies do. If you are quiet and don't make sudden moves, you can watch their activities. Even if they see you they won't be alarmed if no threatening movements are made.

**Texas Independence Day**  
**March 2, 1992**

By DORTHY PAYNE  
 Brackett News-Writer

Texas declared its independence from Mexico; the Alamo fell to Mexican forces; Sam Houston defeated the Mexicans in the Battle of San Jacinto; Texas became the independent Republic of Texas; all in 1836. March 2 has ever since been observed as Texas Independence Day.

The state flag known as "The Lone Star Flag" was adopted in

1839. The red stands for bravery, the white represents purity, and the blue is for loyalty.

The front of the state seal, adopted in 1845, also has a lone star. The oak branch on the left symbolizes strength, and the olive branch on the right stands for peace. The reverse side of the seal was adopted in 1961. It displays the six flags that have flown over Texas.

The state bird is the Mockingbird. The state flower is the Bluebonnet, and the Pecan is the state tree.

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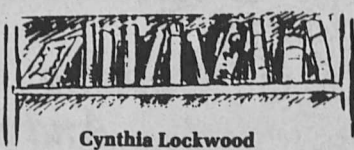
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The foundation has finally been laid for the Library addition and it is exciting to see at least that much of the project completed. Thus far the weather has been too erratic to get much construction done on the addition. With patience and better weather, we will be shelving books in the new building before you know it.

One of the new books in the Library this week is *Fried Green Tomatoes at The Whistle Stop Cafe* by Fannie Flagg. This book has been adapted to the big screen in the Oscar nominated movie starring Kathy Bates and Jessica Tandy. Be sure to get on the waiting list for this one.

Another new book on the shelves is Ed McBain's *Kiss: A Novel of the 87th Precinct*. If you like police stories, you'll want to read this one.

*Will I Ever Be A Mother?* by Merrilyn McDonald-Grandin is a book about one couple's struggle with childlessness. The author gives helpful advice on choosing a doctor, handling the emotional aspects of miscarriages, and viewpoints on fertility tests.

Today and tomorrow are the final days of the Library's Book Sale. All books are only a dime and we'd like to see them all sold. There are plenty of good condition fiction and non-fiction books still remaining.

Many thanks to those who donated books and magazines this past week: Mr. and Mrs. Garberick, Georgia

Collins, and all those generous individuals who keep the Library in mind when it comes to making donations.

The Library receives many magazines through donations from our patrons each week. This provides us with surplus material that we gladly offer back to our patrons in the form of a magazine Give-Away stack. If you do not know where in the Library these are located, we would be happy to point them out.

Library hours are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. Wednesday's hours are 10:00 am to 6:00 pm.

As always, we invite you to visit the warmest, friendliest little library in Kinney County.

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## Book Review



By Mary Mitchell

### IN THE SEASON OF THE WILD ROSE

By Clara Rising

Margaret Mitchell took ten years to write the classic *"Gone With The Wind."* Ms. Rising has taken eight years to write this historical novel which also covers the Civil War Years. This too, like Ms. Mitchell's novel is epic in length and would adapt beautifully to the screen.

However, where Ms. Mitchell's novel though thoroughly researched, gives us the war from the Southern characters' point of view, Ms. Rising has provided us with a novel written with strong Southern central figures, but with facts about their culture and beliefs. The book provided full detail as to the military aspects of the war. Further, we see, through her characters and the strong historical bent, the futile attempt of a loosely associated coalition of Southern States against a well-organized structured government. We are able to see why the Southern States were opposed to various actions and persons in the government of the United States at that time. But, we are also able to see that the Confederacy was destined to be defeated through its actions (or lack thereof) even more so than by those of the Union.

For Civil War history buffs, this work is one of the most concise and yet objective I have ever read. For once, we read a book which allows us to see that the reasons for the Civil War were numerous and were based upon political, economic, cultural and ethnic differences so evident at that time.

Unlike Ms. Mitchell's novel, romance does not play an important part in this book. However, Ms. Rising has made her book entertaining and her characters real enough to carry the military and historical aspects easily even for the casual reader.

# Help Your Heart

American Heart Association

## Be Winter Wise—Exercise

Hibernation can be a heart hazard. In fact, physical inactivity—especially coupled with extra eating during winter holiday months—can lead to obesity and high blood cholesterol, which are risk factors for heart disease.

So one word of winter wisdom: Exercise.

Exercise alone can't prevent or cure a heart attack or stroke. But it can help reduce your risk of developing them and improve your chance of surviving them. It can help decrease your blood pressure, weight and triglyceride level. And it can increase your level of high-density lipoproteins, known as "good" cholesterol, which may carry cholesterol out of blood vessels.

Exercise also can help you feel, look and work better. It can improve your circulation and your ability to breathe. And you can better fight anxiety, stress and depression related to winter weather and holidays.

These are some of the reasons why the American Heart Association suggests you exercise aerobically at least 30 to 60 minutes three times a week. Your workout should be at moderate intensity over a continuous period, though levels vary according to condition and health.

You may want to get a physical checkup before you start working out. Tests can help determine how long, hard and often your workouts should be. You definitely should see a doctor first if you're already at risk for heart disease or you're older than 40 and haven't exercised in recent years.

Warm up for at least five minutes before and cool down for five minutes after each workout. A low-intensity warm-up increases circulation, body temperature and respiration, and stretches muscles, tendons and tissues. A low-intensity cool-down safely brings your heart rate back to normal.

Aerobic, or dynamic, exercises include bicycling, jogging, swimming, even walking. These kinds of exercises work large muscle groups and help you get in shape by raising blood flow to the working muscles for an extended time.

So don't let Old Man Winter put your physical activity on ice.

When it's cold outside, an indoor health club or gym can be an ideal refuge. Most include swimming pools, tracks and aerobic equipment such as treadmills and stationary bicycles.



But you don't need fancy gyms to work out. Just be creative.

For example, you can exercise in your garage or in a room in your house. If you live in a small apartment, ask your manager to let you use the clubhouse for an aerobic exercise class. You can skate at a rink. Walk in a mall. Or walk the stairs at work.

Indoors, you can use almost any size room to do exercises such as push-ups and sit-ups. You can jog in place or jump rope while watching television or listening to music. And you can rent or buy VCR exercise tapes or follow fitness programs on television.

Outdoors, remember to dress properly. Wear several layers of clothing rather than one heavy layer. Cover your face. And put on a hood or hat.

Indoors or outdoors, cold or hot, don't forget these AHA tips:

- Work out only when you feel well.
- Wait at least two hours after eating before exercising hard.
- Adjust to the weather; for example, summer weather can cause you to overheat and strong winds, snow, freezing rain and cold temperatures can take away your body's heat.
- Slow down for hills to avoid working too hard.
- Be aware of symptoms such as discomfort in the upper body, bones and joints, and fainting and shortness of breath while exercising.
- Watch for signs of overdoing it such as inability to finish, nausea and trouble sleeping.
- Start slowly and progress gradually.

In short, bundle up, but don't hibernate. Exercise for your heart's sake.

## HELP YOUR HEART RECIPES

American Heart Association

This recipe is intended to be part of an overall healthful eating plan that would not include more than 30 percent of daily calories from fat.

### Herbed Fillet of Beef

Want real beef? Here it is — without too much fat.

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|----------|--|----------|-------------------------|
| 1        | fillet of beef (about 1 1/4 lbs.), all visible fat removed | 1 Tbsp.  | olive oil               |
| 3        | cloves garlic, crushed                                     | 1        | onion, sliced           |
| 1/4 tsp. | freshly ground black pepper, or to taste                   | 2        | carrots, finely diced   |
| 4 to 5   | sprigs fresh thyme or 1 tsp. dried thyme                   | 1/4 tsp. | salt                    |
|          |  |          | Garnish: Parsley sprigs |

Preheat oven to 400 F. Tie beef fillet in 3 or 4 places. Rub garlic on all sides of meat and sprinkle pepper over all. Place in heavy nonstick roasting pan. Lay thyme across meat. Pour olive oil over entire roast. Scatter onions and carrots around and over roast.

Cook 14 minutes per pound for medium-rare. Remove from oven, sprinkle with salt and cover with foil. Let sit for 10 to 15 minutes before serving.

Makes 6 servings.

### Nutritional Analysis per Serving

229	Calories	70 mg	Cholesterol	4 gm	Saturated Fat
27 gm	Protein	168 mg	Sodium	1 gm	Polyunsaturated Fat
4 gm	Carbohydrates	11 mg	Total Fat	5 gm	Monounsaturated Fat

This Help Your Heart Recipe is from the *American Heart Association Cookbook, 5th Edition*. Copyright 1991 by the American Heart Association, Inc. Published by Times Books (a division of Random House, Inc.), New York.

## Bridge Anyone?

By NORMA GOULD



The Fort Clark Duplicate Bridge Club met Tuesday, February 18th with 7 1/2 tables in play.

Coming in first in the North/South direction was Lamont and Marie McCandles with Fred and Nita Clayton of Del Rio winning second place.

Tina Bauguess and Norma Gould won first place in the East/West direction with Mona Miller and Lorraine Kennedy winning second place.

A new player, Peg Woolston, was welcomed.

Dorothy Redland

## Water Color Workshop

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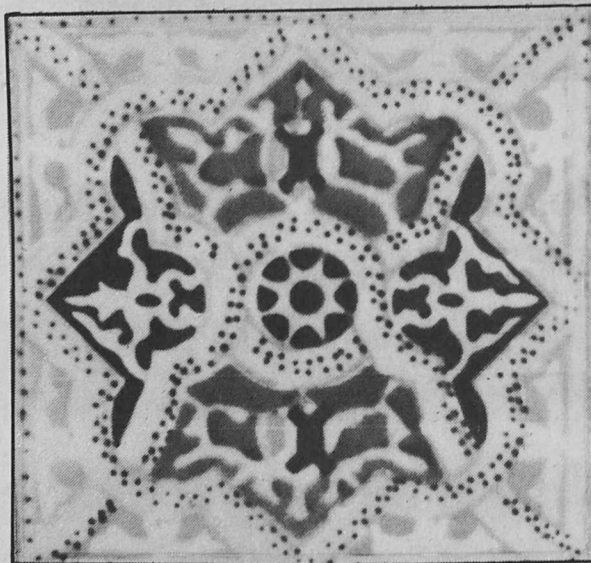
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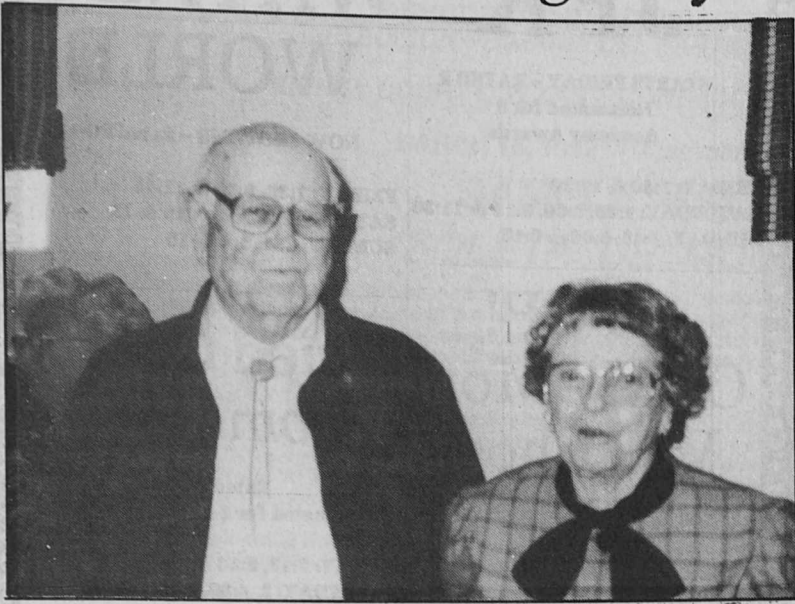
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Altar Society: 1st Monday, 5:30 p.m., Parish Hall.  
Band Booster Club: 1st Tuesday, 7 p.m., High School Band Hall.  
Bass Club: Last Thursday, 7 p.m.  
Chamber of Commerce: 2nd Thursday, 7 p.m., Court House  
City Council: 2nd Monday, 6:30 p.m., City Hall.  
Commissioners Court: 2nd Monday, 9 a.m., Court House.  
Del Rio Christian Women's Club: 1st Wednesday, 12 noon, Laughlin AFB. Reservations required.  
FCS Pot Luck Supper: 3rd Wednesday, 6:30 p.m., NCO Club. Bring covered dish, plates and utensils.  
Drivers License: 1st, 3rd & Last Thursdays, 9 a.m.-12 noon; 1 - 3 p.m., 2nd floor, Court House.  
Duplicate Bridge: Tuesday, 7 p.m., Sabre Room  
FCS Art Club: Work days Monday and Saturday 11 a.m., Meeting 1st Monday, 1 p.m., Art Studio.  
FCS Community Council: 2nd Saturday, 9 a.m., Shafter Hall.  
FCS Board of Directors: 3rd Saturday, 9 a.m., Board Room.  
FCS Historical Society: 4th Saturday, 10 a.m., Sabre Room.  
FCS Museum/Sutler's Store: Saturday & Sunday, 1 - 4 p.m.  
FCS Ladies Luncheon: 2nd Wednesday, noon, Las Moras Restaurant. Make reservations at Adult Center.  
FCS VFW & Auxiliary Post #8360: 4th Wednesday, 7 p.m., NCO Club. Pot Luck Dinner at 6 p.m.  
FCS Bingo: Friday, 8 p.m., Shafter Hall.  
FCS Las Vegas Night: 4th Saturday, 8 p.m., Las Moras Restaurant.  
FCS Old Quarry Society: 1st Monday, 7 p.m., Sabre Room.  
Friends of Library: No regular schedule. Call Library for information.  
KC Historical Preservation Society: 4th Thursday, 7 p.m., Court House.  
KC Kickers: 2nd and 4th Thursday, 7:30 p.m., NCO Club.  
Knights of Columbus: 1st Sunday, 12 noon, Parish Hall.  
Lions Club: 1st and 3rd Thursday, 6:30 p.m., Las Moras Restaurant.  
Masonic Lodge #444: 2nd Tuesday, 7 p.m., Lodge Hall, Ann St.  
Order of Eastern Star #204: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Hall, 407 Bedell St., Del Rio.  
Shriners: 4th Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., Las Moras Restaurant.  
Rotary Club: Every Thursday, 12 noon, Las Moras Restaurant.  
Methodist Ladies Luncheon: 3rd Wednesday, noon, Slator Hall. Please make reservations.  
BISD School Board: 2nd Monday, 6:30 p.m., Board Room.  
Preceptor Theta Sigma Sorority: 3rd Monday, 7:00 p.m.  
NA: Thursdays, 7 p.m., St. Andrews Episcopal Church Parish Hall.



## Society Hears Daughtery



Robuck Daughtery accompanied his wife, Elizabeth, to Fort Clark Springs Saturday morning, February 22, 1992, when she was guest speaker at the Fort Clark Springs Historical Society. Her topic was "Early Del Rio." She related that Del Rio (formerly San Felipe Del Rio) was a part of Kinney County until Val Verde County was carved from parts of Kinney, Terrell, and Edwards County. Del Rio was established as a town in 1865.

Mrs. Daughtery was born in what is now Val Verde County, was graduated from Del Rio High School in 1929, and Baylor University in 1933, and taught school for many

years. She is active in the Val Verde Historical Commission and other clubs and organizations.

President Ben Pingnot conducted the business meeting. Museum curator Don Swanson recognized Charles Downing for a gift of books valued at over \$600. Mr. Swanson reported that 87 people visited the museum in January.

Molly Schroeder reported that over 100 people attended Sutler's Store Open House last week-end. Emert Huntsman reported that plans are underway for the Troopers Reunion scheduled for the last week-end in April.



Mrs. Piper and Detective Chief Baxter.

## "Busybody" gets Busy

A local cast of eight actors is hard at work rehearsing to entertain the community with the comedy-mystery *Busybody* on March 13 and 14 at the Town Hall, Fort Clark Springs.

Audiences will enjoy this play as they attempt to learn who was murdered and why, or whether there really is a body, and if there was where is it now, and what about the cleaning lady and the detective? These and many other questions will be answered in hilarious fashion as the story unfolds.

This production by The Old Quarry Society For The Performing Arts promises an evening of amusing entertainment. The cast is experienced, as are the many technical workers who build sets,

operate sound and light equipment, obtain and manage props and costumes, and provide over-all production coordination.

The Old Quarry Society has a long record of success in presenting audiences with a variety of productions, and we are confident that *Busybody* will uphold that proud tradition.

The cast, in order of appearance, is:

Mrs. Piper	Lynn McNew
Richard Marshall	Pat Melancon
Det. Goddard	Matthew Benacci
Det. Chief Baxter	Bob Barnett
Claire Marshall	Jewel Robinson
Marian Selby	Betty Inman
Robert Westerby	Michael Benacci
Vickie Reynolds	Tami McNew



Emert Huntsman and Jeanne Downing at Troopers Reunion Planning Meeting.

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## Beta Sigma Rush Party

Theta Sigma chapter of Beta Sigma Phi had their first Rush Party of the Spring season on Monday night, February 17, in the home of Pat Parks using the theme "dessert."

Following the dessert theme, the ice breaker was guessing how many pieces of hard candy were in a covered candy dish. Just one piece away from being exactly right was who won it as a prize.

Members and eleven prospective pledges were welcomed by Pat McKelvy, president of the local chapter. Shirley Hadsell then presented "What Beta Sigma Phi Means To Me" with members adding comments and their own personal observations.

The second game was a scrambling of the spelling of names of several desserts. This was won by Jean Somers and her prize was a homemade pie.

A display table held mementoes of Beta Sigma Phi from various chapters where members had belonged as well as scrapbooks from the local chapter. The hearts and stars on bracelets were explained as well as many significant charms.

The serving table was beautifully laid with a white cloth and sterling silver. Candles and napkins in shades of pink blended with a centerpiece of roses. Hot apple cider and coffee were served along with mints and nuts. Lemon icebox pie was served on heirloom china. A copy of the recipe was given to all.

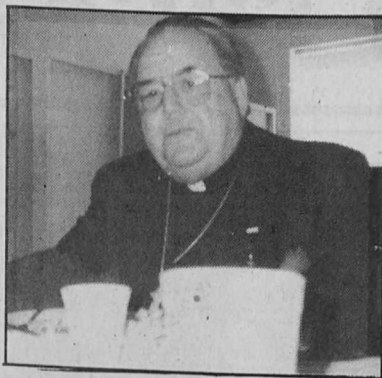
Those present were Mildred Borden, Shirley Hadsell, Betty Ebert, Sue Sims, Pat McKelvy, Rosie Fuentes, Mary Mitchell, Marge Geeze, Orlean Riley, Dottie Gore, Cordy Barlow, Oleta Townsend, Delia Curry, Wilma Lewis, Dee Moore, Jean Somers, Lily Schwander, Opal Groce, Betty Mathison, Betty Schlatterer, Pat Callnan, and hostess Pat Parks.

**THE NUMBERS GAMES:** Some veterans may be confused about their VA claim numbers. Although many are able to use their social security numbers to file claims for benefits, this is not always the case.

According to the Department of Veterans Affairs, vets who filed an initial benefit claim before 1974 should have a VA claim number. Veterans filing after 1974 will be identified by his or her social security number. But this is the military, friends, so expect exceptions. For example: Vets filing for vocational rehabilitation will get a VA claim number. Also, applicants for a VA home loan guaranty will receive a home loan application number separate from either the claim or social security number.

About 25 years ago, it was suggested that all claims relating to benefits, either military or civilian, use the social security number of the applicant, maybe with a code suffix to identify the claims. It would simplify lives and cut down on bureaucracy, so maybe that's why it hasn't happened yet.

## Monsignor Brasley Speaks At Luncheon



Monsignor Lucian Brasley was the speaker for the Methodist Ladies Luncheon last Wednesday. His topic emphasized that the fears and dangers to America are from within rather than without, as from another nation, and they include low morals, drugs and alcohol abuse, breakdown of family and promiscuousness.

Monsignor Brasley holds a Masters Degree from the University

of Wisconsin in Psychology, a Masters Degree in Marriage Counseling from the University of Pennsylvania, and a Master of Theology from St. Louis University. He served twenty-five years as a U. S. Navy Chaplain, part of that time on a Nuclear Submarine.

He is retired and lives at Fort Clark Springs. He relieves Father David at times by conducting Mass at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church.

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# Tiger Tracks



BHS 1991-92 Girls Basketball team (Back Row L-R): Amanda Davis, Michelle Brandt, Dee Ann Frerich, Wendy McDaniel. (Front Row L-R): Jennifer Terrazas, Theresa Terrazas, Valerio Talamantez, Tanya Frerich, Nina Gonzales and their coach Greg Nowlin.

## Nowlin Sad To See It End

Another Tigerette chapter came to an end last Saturday night after a tough 70 - 29 loss to the Poth Lady Pirates. The Tigerettes faced this tough aggressive team who took control of the game after miscommunications and turnovers from Brackett.

The Lady Pirates went into half-time with a 37 - 9 lead. At times in the second half, it looked as if the

Tigerettes were getting in sync but as soon as that happened everything went wrong.

Theresa Terrazas hit seven out of eight free throws to lead the team with a total of 11 points. Wendy McDaniel scored 8 points, had 13 rebounds, and 3 blocked shots.

Tanya Frerich scored 8 points, Dee Ann Frerich added 2 points and 10 rebounds with Kim Ahrens ad-

ding a free throw.

"I am sad to see it end," Coach Greg Nowlin said with disappointment. "We had a good season." This is the third Tigerette team in four years that Nowlin has taken to the playoffs. He has accumulated three district championships with one Bi-district championship.

Anyone who has watched the Tigerettes this year has seen some

exciting and thrilling basketball games. They had a perfect 12 - 0 district record and an overall record of 22 - 5. Two school records were broken this year for the most points in one game with 95 against Asherton, and highest free throw percentage in a season for Theresa Terrazas which was 70%.

Our hats are off to these ladies and to Coach Nowlin for another unforgettable year.

## Band Students Win UIL Medals



Band Director Lynette Crane (center) is very pleased with the performances of UIL medal winners, Michael Benacci, Michael Pena, Lisa Dalton, Jennifer Mears and Myrna Gonzalez (not pictured).

Five Brackett High School Band students won University Interscholastic League Solo and Ensemble medals Saturday, February 22, 1992, in Eagle Pass. Each band student was judged on style, technique, tone, musical interpretation, rhythmic accuracy, and other musical elements.

Brackett Tiger Band medal winners are: Jennifer Mears for flute solo; Lisa Dalton for clarinet solo; Michael Benacci for baritone solo; Myrna Gonzalez for alto sax solo; and Michael Pena for trumpet solo.

Each student should be congratulated on their fine accomplishment. Along with preparing the music for U.I.L. Concert and Sightreading contest to be held in late April at Marshall High School, San Antonio, solo and ensemble music had to be learned also.

Junior high solo and ensemble will be held at Nixon High School, Laredo, February 29, 1992. The Tiger Band will send several band members to compete hoping to earn more medals.

Band Director Lynette Crane was very pleased with the performances of her soloists. She stated "many young musicians try to let their mouth do the talking about how good they are, well, when it comes down to one on one with a judge, many find out otherwise." It doesn't matter what school you come from,

or what brand of instrument you play, you have to be well prepared when you enter U.I.L. events.

The Tiger Band members will be announcing the upcoming date and time for their annual spring concert.

If you remember the *All Brackett Christmas* concert, you won't want to miss this one.

A great big thank you to Mrs. Merry Beth Mills for playing piano for our soloists.

## SWTJC To Begin Technical Vocational Program

Southwest Texas Junior College recently received a \$375,000 grant to begin implementation of a new technical/vocational program, Tech-Prep.

SWTJC Tech-Prep Coordinator, Dick Whipple, indicated that the grant was awarded to a consortium consisting of SWTJC, area independent school districts and non-educational participants.

Tech-Prep is a national initiative to reform technical/vocational education at the high school and college level.

"In the new high performance educational scheme, SWTJC will cooperate with many area high schools and businesses to design four-year programs of study beginning in the eleventh grade and ending with an Associate in Applied Science Degree.

Initial programs will include Agri-

business and Office Occupations.

Other features of the program will be the opportunity to earn college credit for courses taken in high school and later to take more advanced technical courses at SWTJC.

The independent school district members of the Tech-Prep Consortium include Asherton, Brackett, Carrizo Springs, Comstock, Crystal City, Del Rio, Devine, Eagle Pass, Hondo, La Pryor, Pearsall, Sabinal and Uvalde.

Among the non-educational participants are Southwestern Bell Telephone, Central Power and Light, and the Middle Rio Grande Development Council, Quality Workforce Council and Private Industry Council.

Persons interested in finding out more about Tech-Prep should contact Whipple at (512) 278-4401, Ext. 264.

## Out-Of-School Testing Available

Registration packets for the exit level TEAMS and TAAS tests for those students who are no longer enrolled in school and who have not previously passed all sections of one of the two tests, but have met all other requirements for graduation are available at the Brackett High School Counselor's Office.

Tests dates are March 31 for TAAS Writing, April 1 for TEAMS Language Arts and TAAS Reading, and April 2 for TEAMS and TAAS Math.

Persons who are no longer in a Texas public school and wish to register to re-take the exit level TEAMS or TAAS may pick up a registration packet, complete the forms, and return in the pre-addressed envelope to Iowa City, Iowa, no later than 5:00 P.M. March 11, 1992.

It is suggested that individuals registering for the test make arrangements with the appropriate postal agent for a proof of delivery notice.

Questions concerning out-of-school examinee testing should be directed to the Texas Education Agency, Division of Instructional Outcomes Assessment, 512-463-9536.



## Senior Day At SWTJC

Southwest Texas Junior College's annual Senior Day is scheduled for Thursday, March 5 in the Matthews Student Center.

Senior Day is SWTJC's way of providing seniors an opportunity to visit the campus and learn about financial aid, admissions, housing, campus life, and the Texas Academic Skills Program.

Special guest speaker will be Dr. Rosario Martinez, Director of Educational Support Services at Palo Alto College. Martinez will address the topic, "The Year 2000 and Beyond--A Snapshot of Your Future."

### JFK

STARTS FRIDAY - RATED R  
Nominated for 8 Academy Awards

FRIDAY: 7:30 & 11:30  
SATURDAY: 1:45, 5:00, 8:15 & 11:30  
SUNDAY: 1:45, 5:00 & 8:15

### WAYNE'S WORLD

NOW SHOWING - Rated PG-13

FRIDAY: 7:30, 9:30 & 11:45  
SATURDAY 2, 4, 6, 8, 10 & 12  
SUNDAY: 2, 4, 6, 8 & 10

### STOP! Or My Mom Will Shoot

NOW SHOWING - RATED PG-13

FRIDAY: 7:30, 9:30 & 11:45  
SATURDAY: 2, 4, 6, 8, 10 & 12  
SUNDAY: 2, 4, 6, 8 & 10

### Fried Green Tomatoes

Rated PG-13  
Nominated for 2 Academy Awards

FRIDAY: 7:15, 9:30 & 11:45  
SATURDAY: 2, 4:30, 7:15, 9:45 & 12:00  
SUNDAY: 2, 4:30, 7:15 & 9:45

## FORUM 4 THEATRES

Uvalde, Texas (512) 278-8618

## Junior High Students To MATHCOUNTS Contest

For several months, Mary Petrosky, MATHCOUNTS coach, has been hearing the steady cadence of ciphering in the classroom. Other teachers at Brackett Junior High School have noticed it too, and the commotion is not isolated to Brackettville. In fact, the phenomenon is being noted throughout the 50 states, in four U.S. territories and even overseas in American schools for children of diplomats and military personnel. Everywhere, students are working out for the brain sport called MATHCOUNTS.

"Mathletes" all over America will soon provide pencil-and-paper evidence of what their teachers have suspected -- that mathematics can be fun. Innovative problem-solving methods, enjoyable team-centered practice sessions, and spirited "countdown" rounds are some of the aspects of the national MATHCOUNTS program that have made it a success. Students relish the chance to represent their school at a MATHCOUNTS contest, and teacher/coaches don't mind a bit that while their seventh and eighth graders are enjoying the competition phase of the program, they are also raising the prestige of mathematics achievement

among their peers. Brackett Junior High School Mathletes will compete against 32 other schools on February 29 at the regional MATHCOUNTS contest at the University of Texas at San Antonio. That competition is sponsored by the Bexar Chapter of the Texas Society of Professional Engineers (TSPE). Members of TSPE organize the regional and state competitions in Texas each year. They are supported by volunteers and a generous grant from Nations-Bank.

Several top teams from each regional contest will advance to the MATHCOUNTS State Competition in Austin, March 28. The top ten individual scorers will each earn a \$1000 scholarship to the University of Texas at Austin. Teacher/coaches of the top six teams at state will receive gifts of \$1000 each from an anonymous Texas MATHCOUNTS donor.

In addition, the top four individual students and top team coach at the state contest will represent Texas at the National MATHCOUNTS Competition in Washington, D.C. May 14-17.

## Region-Wide Job Fair

The Carrizo Springs Jr. High School cafeteria will be the site for a region-wide Job Fair scheduled March 5, 1992, at 7:00 P.M. Individuals who are interested in employment opportunities with the Texas Department of Criminal Justice are urged to attend.

Since the State of Texas has begun to expand the number of detention facilities, there has been an increase in the demand for related job positions. "The event will afford individuals with an opportunity to learn about the various jobs available through the Texas Department of Criminal Justice," said Jim Danner, Dimmit County Industrial Development Corporation Chairman.

The event is co-sponsored by Middle Rio Grande Development Council and Texas Employment Commission in cooperation with DCJDC.

Individuals who are unemployed or underemployed will find assis-

tance through various employment agencies.

For more information regarding this event contact JTPA at 512-563-2021 or Texas Employment Commission at 512-278-4507.

## OOPS!

In last week's paper, page 8, "somehow" the pictures got switched over a couple of cutlines. We know that W. T. Hunt wore basketball number 32, and that Scott Sims wore number 44. Sorry, fellows, and congratulations to you both, as well as the whole team, on a season well played.

Hey, Guys, Buy your wife, or girl friend, a new mop and broom at the Lions Club Sale on March 10.

## Church Directory



**St. Andrews Episcopal Church:** Henderson & Fort, Sunday Church Service 10:30 A.M. Vicar: Rev. Bill Koons, 512-563-2071.

**Frontier Baptist Church (A Southern Baptist Church):** Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 A.M., Sunday Evening Service 6:00 P.M. Joe Townsend, Pastor, 512-563-2158.

**First Baptist Church (A Southern Baptist Church):** 307 N. Ann Street. Sunday School 9:45 A.M., Sunday Worship Services 11:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M. Wednesday Worship 7:00 P.M. Gil Ash, Interim Pastor.

**Church of Christ:** Sunday School 9:30 A.M., Worship Service 10:30 A.M., Bible Study, Sunday 6:30 P.M., and Wednesday 7:00 P.M.

**St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church:** Masses Mon. & Fri. 7:00 A.M. Wed. & Sat. 6:30 P.M., Sunday (Spanish) 8:00 A.M. regular 10:30 A.M. Confessions Wed. & Sat. 6:00 P.M. Religion Classes P.M. Father David G. Zumaya, Pastor.

**First United Methodist Church:** "Celebrate and Witness" Morning Fellowship 9:30 A.M. Church School Classes 9:45 A.M. Service of Worship 11:00 A.M. Choir Rehearsal Wed. 5:00 P.M. Gordon Miller Pastor.

Put Some Jingle In Your Pockets  
in the Classifieds  
Call 512-563-2852



**DEMOCRATIC PARTY PRIMARY ELECTION**  
(ELECCION PRIMARIA DEL PARTIDO DEMOCRATICO)

KINNEY COUNTY, TEXAS (CONDADO DE KINNEY, TEXAS)

MARCH 10, 1992 (10 de marzo de 1992)

**SAMPLE BALLOT**  
(BOLETA DE MUESTRA)



**INSTRUCTION NOTE:**

Vote for the candidate of your choice in each race by placing an "X" in the square beside the candidate's name. You may vote for a write-in candidate by writing in the name of the candidate on the line provided and placing an "X" in the square beside the line. You may vote for one presidential candidate whose name appears on the ballot by placing an "X" in the square beside the candidate's name. "I am a Democrat and understand that I am ineligible to vote or participate in another political party's primary election or convention during this voting year."

**(NOTA DE INSTRUCCION):**

Vote por el candidato de su preferencia por marcar con una "X" el cuadro al lado del nombre del candidato. Usted puede votar por un candidato que está elegible para recibir votos por inserción escrita por escribir el nombre del candidato en la línea provista y marcando con una "X" el cuadro al lado de la línea. Usted puede votar por un candidato para presidente cuyo nombre aparece en la boleta por marcar con una "X" el cuadro al lado del nombre del candidato o usted puede votar como votante no comprometido por marcar con una "X" el cuadro al lado de las palabras no comprometido. Haga solamente una selección. "Yo soy Demócrata y comprendo que no estoy elegible para votar o participar en la elección primaria o la convención de algún otro partido político durante este año electoral."

**Preference for Presidential Nominee**  
(Preferencia para un candidato nombrado para presidente)

- Bob Kerrey
- J. Louis McAlpine
- Bill Clinton
- Edmund G. Brown, Jr.
- Tom Harkin
- Tod Howard Hawks
- Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr.
- Paul E. Tsongas
- Charles Woods
- Rufus Higginbotham
- George W. Bennis

**State Senator, District 21**  
(Senador Estatal, Distrito Núm. 21)

- Judith Zaffirini

**State Representative, District 74**  
(Representante Estatal, Distrito Núm. 74)

- Pete P. Gallego

**Justice, 4th Court of Appeals District**  
(Juez, Corte de Apelaciones, Distrito Núm. 4)

- Ron Carr

**District Judge, 63rd Judicial District**  
(Juez del Distrito, Distrito Judicial Núm. 63)

- George M. Thurmond

**District Attorney, 63rd Judicial District**  
(Procurador del Distrito, Distrito Judicial Núm. 63)

- Tom Lee

**County Attorney**  
(Procurador del Condado)

- Tully Shahan

**Sheriff**  
(Sherife)

- Norman H. Hooten
- Paul F. Shepard

**County Tax Assessor-Collector**  
(Asesor-Collector de Impuestos del Condado)

- Martha Peña Hooten

**County Commissioner, Precinct No. 1**  
(Comisionado del Condado, Precincto Núm. 1)

- Diane Garza Bravo
- Freddie Frerich
- Earlene Thurber

**Constable**  
(Condestable)

- Bill Lindeman

**County Chairman**  
(Presidente del Condado)

- \_\_\_\_\_ (Write-In)  
(Voto Escrito)

**Precinct Chairman, Precinct No. 1**  
(Presidente del Precincto, Precincto Núm. 1)

- \_\_\_\_\_ (Write-In)  
(Voto Escrito)

**County Commissioner, Precinct No. 3**  
(Comisionado del Condado, Precincto Núm. 3)

- Ruben Fuentes
- Cordelia Mendeke

**Precinct Chairman, Precinct No. 3**  
(Presidente del Precincto, Precincto Núm. 3)

- Juanita Aguilar
- \_\_\_\_\_ (Write-In)  
(Voto Escrito)

**Absentee Voting by personal appearance.**  
February 19, 1992 through March 6, 1992  
Between 8 AM and 5 PM (closed 12:00 to 1:00)  
Monday through Friday  
County Clerk's Office

**United States Representative, District 23**  
(Representante de los Estados Unidos, Distrito Núm. 23)

- Clayton H. Mulvaney Jr.
- Albert G. Bustamante

**Railroad Commissioner**  
(Comisionado de Ferrocarriles)

- Lena Guerrero
- David Young

**Justice, Supreme Court, Place 1**  
(Juez, Corte Suprema, Lugar Núm. 1)

- Oscar H. Mauzy

**Justice, Supreme Court, Place 2**  
(Juez, Corte Suprema, Lugar Núm. 2)

- Rose Spector

**Justice, Supreme Court, Place 3**  
(Juez, Corte Suprema, Lugar Núm. 3)

- Paul Banner
- Jack Hightower

**Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 1**  
(Juez, Corte de Apelaciones Criminales, Lugar Núm. 1)

- Sam Paxson
- Charles F. (Charlie) Baird

**Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 2**  
(Juez, Corte de Apelaciones Criminales, Lugar Núm. 2)

- Gene Kelly
- Morris L. Overstreet

**Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 3**  
(Juez, Corte de Apelaciones Criminales, Lugar Núm. 3)

- Pete Benavides

**Member, State Board of Education, District 1**  
(Miembro de la Junta Estatal de Instrucción Pública, Distrito Núm. 1)

- Rene Nunez

**Precincts 2 and 4 will not ballot for commissioner nor precinct chairmen in 1992.**  
Precinct 1 will have a separate ballot from Precinct 3.

**Vote**

**NOTICE OF THE GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION**  
**KINNEY COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY**

The General Primary Election will be held March 10, 1992.  
The polls will be open from 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.  
Locations of the Polling Places

- Precinct One (1) Slaton Hall - Methodist Church
- Precinct Two (2) High School Auditorium
- Precinct Three (3) First Baptist Church Annex
- Precinct Four (4) Civic Center

Dated February 10, 1992

/s/Earlene Thurber  
Kinney County Democratic Chair

**ASCS Disaster Applications**

The Kinney County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service is in the process of taking disaster applications through March 13, 1992. Producers who suffered crop losses in 1990 or 1991 because of drought, flood, or other natural disasters, may be eligible for compensation under the 1990-91 Crop Disaster Payment Program.

Jan Wanoreck, County Executive Director of the Kinney County ASCS, says the program authorizes cash payments and covers losses on wheat, feed grains, upland cotton, extra long staple cotton and other commercial nonprogram crops.

To qualify, producers with crop insurance must have had losses greater than 35 percent. Producers without crop insurance must have had losses greater than 40 percent.

Producers are advised to assemble their production records and evidence before they come to the office to expedite the application filing procedures.

Wanoreck said that a producer may not file on one crop on a farm for one year and a different crop on the same farm for the other. However, the producer may request benefits for 1990 on one farm, and for 1991 on another farm.



**Seeks Career-Minded Youth**

UVALDE--Career-minded youth are being sought for the Texas Sheep and Goat Youth Leadership Workshop in June.

The program will identify outstanding youth in the sheep and goat industry and help those young people in making career decisions, according to Dr. Frank Craddock, sheep and goat specialist with the Texas Agricultural Service.

The workshop is scheduled for June 21-26 in San Angelo and College Station. The deadline for applications is March 31. Enrollment is limited to 20 to 30.

Workshop topics include breeding, industry association, health, marketing, nutrition, reproduction, environmental issues, meats, feedlot, politics, banking, computer, and fiber.

The group will visit the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center, Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association, Mohair Council of America, a slaughtering facility, feedlot, skin and pelt company, wool and mohair warehouse, scouring plant, mohair processing plant, and visit

sheep and Angora and Spanish goat operations in the San Angelo area. They also will visit with local bankers.

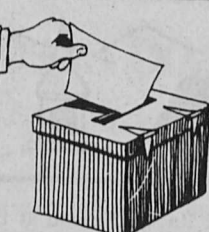
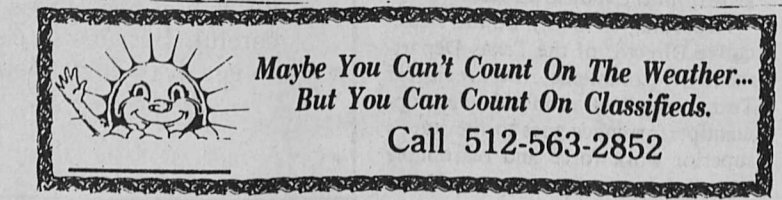
In College Station, the group will visit the Texas A&M University animal science department, sheep and goat center, and the Rosenthal meat laboratory. Additionally, lectures on animal rights/welfare, computers, and human nutrition will be given.

Applicants must be entering their junior or senior years in high school, and actively involved in some aspect of sheep or goat production.

The Mohair Council of America and the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association are co-sponsors of this program.

Applications are available from county Extension agents or vocational agriculture teachers throughout the state, or from Dr. Frank Craddock, Texas Agricultural Extension Service, P.O. Box 1849, Uvalde, TX 78802-1849.

Contact: Dr. Frank Craddock, (512) 278-9151.



**REPUBLICAN PARTY PRIMARY ELECTION**  
(ELECCION PRIMARIA DEL PARTIDO REPUBLICANO)

KINNEY COUNTY, TEXAS (CONDADO DE KINNEY, TEXAS)

MARCH 10, 1992 (10 de marzo de 1992)

**SAMPLE BALLOT**  
(BOLETA DE MUESTRA)

**INSTRUCTION NOTE:**

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**(NOTA DE INSTRUCCION):**

Vote por el candidato de su preferencia por marcar con una "X" el cuadro al lado del nombre del candidato. Usted puede votar por un candidato que está elegible para recibir votos por inserción escrita por escribir el nombre del candidato en la línea provista y marcando con una "X" el cuadro al lado de la línea. Usted puede votar por un candidato para presidente cuyo nombre aparece en la boleta por marcar con una "X" el cuadro al lado del nombre del candidato o usted puede votar como votante no comprometido por marcar con una "X" el cuadro al lado de las palabras no comprometido. Haga solamente una selección. "Yo soy Republicano y comprendo que no estoy elegible para votar o participar en la elección primaria o la convención de algún otro partido político durante este año electoral."

**Preference for Presidential Nominee**  
(Preferencia para un candidato nombrado para presidente)

- George Bush
- Patrick J. Buchanan
- David Duke
- George A. Zimmermann
- Tennie Rogers
- Uncommitted (No Comprometido)

**County Chairman**  
(Presidente del Condado)

- \_\_\_\_\_ (Write-In)  
(Voto Escrito)

**Precinct Chairman, Precinct No. \_\_\_\_\_**  
(Presidente del Precincto, Precincto Núm. \_\_\_\_\_)

- \_\_\_\_\_ (Write-In)  
(Voto Escrito)

**United States Representative, District 23**  
(Representante de los Estados Unidos, Distrito Núm. 23)

- Henry Bonilla
- Dick Bowen

**Instruction Note: Place an "X" in the square beside the statement indicating the way you wish to vote.**  
(Nota de Instrucción: Marque con una "X" el cuadro al lado de la frase que indica la manera en que quiere usted votar.)

**PROPOSITION**  
(PROPOSICION)

"That an amendment to the Texas Constitution be submitted to the voters of Texas for approval, the terms to be limited in the following manner: (1) Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, Comptroller of Public Accounts, Treasurer, Commissioner of the General Land Office - two, four-year terms, (2) members of the Texas Railroad Commission - one, six-year term, (3) members of the Texas Senate - two, four-year terms, (4) members of the Texas House of Representatives - four, two-year terms, (5) Texas members of the U.S. Senate - two, six-year terms and (6) Texas members of the U.S. House of Representatives - four, two-year terms."

"Que una enmienda a la Constitución de Texas sea sometida para que la aprueban los votantes de Texas, la limitación de los plazos de poder en la siguiente manera: (1) Gobernador, Teniente Gobernador, Procurador General, Administrador de Cuentas Públicas, Tesorero, Comisionado de la Oficina General de Terrenos - dos plazos de cuatro años, (2) miembros de la Comisión de Ferrocarril - un plazo de seis años, (3) miembros del Senado de Texas - dos plazos de cuatro años, (4) miembros de la Cámara de Representantes de Texas - cuatro plazos de dos años, y (5) miembros Texanos del Senado de los Estados Unidos - dos plazos de seis años y (6) los miembros de la Cámara de Representantes de los Estados Unidos - cuatro plazos de dos años."

- FOR (A FAVOR DE)
- AGAINST (EN CONTRA DE)

**Railroad Commissioner**  
(Comisionado de Ferrocarriles)

- Barry Williamson
- Carole Keeton Rylander

**Justice, Supreme Court, Place 1**  
(Juez, Corte Suprema, Lugar Núm. 1)

- Charles Ben Howell
- Craig Enoch

**Justice, Supreme Court, Place 2**  
(Juez, Corte Suprema, Lugar Núm. 2)

- Eugene Cook

**Justice, Supreme Court, Place 3**  
(Juez, Corte Suprema, Lugar Núm. 3)

- George Barbary
- John D. Montgomery

**Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 1**  
(Juez, Corte de Apelaciones Criminales, Lugar Núm. 1)

- Jim Vollers
- Joseph A. (Joe) Devany

**Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 2**  
(Juez, Corte de Apelaciones Criminales, Lugar Núm. 2)

- Sue Lagarde

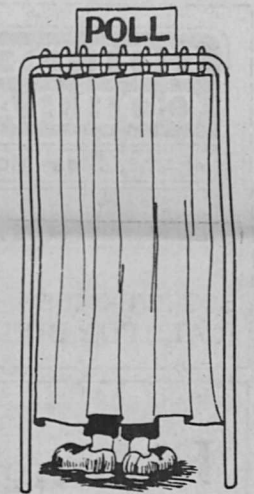
**Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 3**  
(Juez, Corte de Apelaciones Criminales, Lugar Núm. 3)

- Ed Gray
- Lawrence (Larry) Meyers

**Justice, 4th Court of Appeals District**  
(Juez, Corte de Apelaciones, Distrito Núm. 4)

- Tom Rickhoff

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**make your vote count**

**Southwest Texas Genealogical Society**

The quarterly meeting of the Southwest Texas Genealogical Society will be held Saturday, March 7, at 10:00 A.M. in the Kincaid Restaurant, Uvalde. Greg Walton of Austin will speak to the group on the history of Sabin Canyon.

Walton, the author of *Bear Meat 'N' Honey* is a descendent of an early settler in the area. His book is an oral history of Sabin Canyon.

The registration fee, which includes a meal, is \$8.00. The public is invited to attend.

**Leap Year - Bachelors Day**  
**February 29**

By DORTHY PAYNE  
Brackett News Writer

Leap year has 366 days, or one more day than an ordinary year. A leap year occurs in every year that can be divided evenly by four, except the years that mark the even hundreds, such as 1500.

The only century years that are leap years are those that can be divided evenly by 400 such as 1600 and 2000.

Leap years were added to the calendar to make the calendar year nearly the same as the solar year, which is the time it takes for the sun to pass the vernal equinox twice. The extra day is added to the end of

February and occurs as February 29 once every four years.

People born on February 29 have a little bit of a problem, as do those who get married on February 29.

February 29 is sometimes referred to as Bachelor's Day. In the southwest, the "day" is observed as "Sadie Hawkins Day" and is the day when young ladies may choose a young man to be her date for the occasion. The Young man is entertained by the lady as a date. It is also the time that a young lady may ask her chosen young man to marry her.

Only once in four years is the switch in roles "officially" observed.

**Texas Smart Jobs**

The Texas Smart Jobs Plan is a multi-agency effort by the Texas Department of Commerce, Texas Education Agency, Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, Texas Department of Human Services, Texas Employment Commission and the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Its goal is to educate and train students and adults with skills that are transferable across organizations, occupations and economies and that will facilitate higher earnings.

In a public and private sector initiative to further assist job seekers, the Texas Employment Commission and 16 corporate sponsors are conducting "Greater Texas," a series of two-day conferences to be held in 12 cities in Texas. Conferences are planned in San Antonio on April 7-8; McAllen, May 7-8; and El Paso, May 19-20.

Corporate sponsors include Southwestern Bell Telephone, Tandy Corporation/Radio Shack, 3-M, Texas Instruments, Andersen Consulting, IBM Corporation, Xerox, McLane Company, Drake Beam Morin, Inc., RGK Foundation, The Women's Foundation of Texas,

Mobil Exploration and Producing, Southwest Airlines, Conquest Airlines, Continental Airlines, and the Perot Group.

**Unsung Hero**

by Joe Townsend



Again I'm departing from the norm to highlight a couple rather than just an individual.

There came a couple to Brackettville from Colorado to fill a very important slot at Fort Clark Springs. The restaurant at Fort Clark has been a problem for many years.

From the days when the Lundquists were in the restaurant there has been a long string of people attempting to make the restaurant go. Now, at long last a couple has come to revolutionize the restaurant.

The menu is outstanding and the food is well prepared. It has now become a truly classy place to eat.

Surely Rita and Joe are Unsung Heroes.



# Golf News

By Bill Mitchell



For those of you who believe that certain events come in three's, what happened Sunday evening may reinforce that belief.

We reported two holes-in-one last week, now, we have a third. Gordon Mathison had a hole-in-one on the 129 yard par three-3 15th hole. Gordy was using a 5-iron into the wind. Luckily, his wife Betty, had just gotten hole-in-one insurance for just such an event.

It's time for all you men to ante up again for your own protection. Holes-in-one may be the fashion at Fort Clark this year even though this writer is still searching for that elusive first!

Work has started on an addition to our golf course maintenance barn. The addition will provide protection from the elements for our three most expensive pieces of equipment; two tractors and a fairway mower. A minimal expense which will pay for itself in a short period of time due to less equipment maintenance costs.

## LADIES LEAGUE

**First Flight**  
Low Gross - Carol Benfield, 85  
Low Net (tie) - Mary Stephenson and Helen Miller, 64

**2nd Flight**  
Low Gross - (tie) Vicki Nichols and Dot Greenway, 91  
Low Net - Molly Schroeder, 65

**Third Flight**  
Low Gross - Margo Kendrick, 97  
Low Net (tie) Ann Legg, Mary Butler, and Opal Moore, 70

The ladies had a long drive contest on hole #9 and this was won by Mary Stephenson

WOTTA DRIVE CLEAN OUT OF SIGHT



## Mens Golf Association

**ABCD Partnership**  
**1st at + 18**  
Vance Jones, Gordon Petaja, Clem McKelvy, and Mike Krischler

**2nd at + 9**  
Hoagy Nelson, Sam Henninger, P. M. Moore, and Dave Sharp

**3rd (Tie) at + 7**  
Julian Garza, James Stafford, Dan Isenberg, A. J. Foreman; Mary Maderich, Pat Grant, Dave Russell, and Harold Kauffman.

**5th at + 6**  
Chuck Titus, Andy Anderson, Fay Gooch, and Lou Sofaly

## COUPLES

Played on Thursdays, this event is easily the most popular as evidenced by the great participation. There were 19 foursomes again this week.

**1st (Tie)**  
Chuck Titus, Vern Ebert  
Vicki Nichols, Molly Schroeder

Clem McKelvy, Carol Benfield  
Bob Burkpile, Dot Greenway

**2nd (Tie)**  
Bill Mitchell, Shirley Stephenson,  
Frank & Doris Eckenroth

Bob & Leslie Houk  
Andy & Avis Anderson

Pat & LaVera Grant  
Lynn Ecknbrough & Wife

## MONDAY'S 3-PAR

Due to the Monday morning rains complete with thunder and lightning, this event was cancelled.

DO THE FAX THING  
The Brackett News  
512-563-9538

# Bandera Downs

The 1992 Racing Season at Bandera Downs begins Friday, February 28 and continues through Sunday, November 29 with live racing every Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Holidays.

Important facts of the 1992 Racing Season:

1) FREE ADMISSION on Opening Day, Friday, February 28.  
2) Post time each day is 1:00 p.m. - Gates open at 11:00 a.m. (Post time



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## News Briefs

### ENERGY RESOURCE DISPLAYS GIVEN TO TEXAS SCIENCE MUSEUMS

A series of elaborate energy information displays has been just completed and installed in museums across the state by the staff of the Texas Energy Extension Service at Texas A&M University.

The eleven displays, funded by the Governor's Energy Office, are a gift to ten science-related museums and will become a part of the museums' permanent collections. Three other displays will be provided on a temporary basis to museums and other education-oriented facilities.

Each display is a 15 to 22-foot, free standing wall containing energy resource information on both sides. Museums were given a choice of two themes: fossil fuels or renewable energy resources.

Museums receiving the permanent renewable resource displays include the Robert A. Vines Environmental Science Center in Houston, the Don Harrington Discovery Center in Amarillo, the Brazos Valley Museum in Bryan, the Brazosport Museum of Natural Science in Lake Jackson, the Permian Basin Petroleum Museum in Midland, Insights in El Paso, and the Houston Museum of Natural Science.

Museums receiving the permanent fossil fuel displays include the Houston Museum of Natural Science, the Wichita Falls Museum, and Art Center, the Swenson Memorial Museum in Breckenridge, and Spindletop/Gladys City Boomtown in Beaumont.

Museums planning to exhibit the displays on a temporary basis include the Science Place in Dallas, Heard Natural Science Museum in McKinney, the Texas Tech Museum in Lubbock, and the Texas Forestry Museum in Lufkin.

### FREE BROCHURE EXPLAINS NEW FRANCHISE TAX AND ITS IMPLICATIONS FOR BUSINESSES

DALLAS--The changes in the franchise tax approved by the Texas Legislature present major implications for small businesses, and a free brochure explaining the tax is now available from the Texas Society of Certified Public Accountants (TSCPA). The brochure, "It's Your Business, Texas Franchise Tax Q & A," includes valuable information on the types of businesses subject to the tax, the changes in the tax, filing requirements, deadlines and possible ways to reduce your franchise taxes.

To order your free copy write the Texas Society of CPAs, 1421 W. Mockingbird Ln., Suite 100, Dallas, TX 75247-4957.

### TEXAS RANKS # 1 IN PRODUCTION OF NEW MANUFACTURING FACILITIES

More new manufacturing facilities were built in Texas in the past three years than in any other state in the U.S., according to *Site Selection* magazine's annual scoreboard of new and expanded corporate facilities. The Lone Star State tallied 351 new sites in the period from 1989 to 1991, the national industry publication reported, reflecting significant growth in the industrial sector.

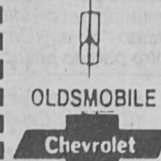
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At 7:00 p.m., March 5, 1992, agency representatives will be at the Carrizo Springs Junior High School to provide information and answer questions about how you might qualify for TDCJ positions.

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- o Correctional Officers
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Find out how you can qualify for job training benefits. Don't miss this chance. See you there!

For more information about the Job Roundup contact your local JTPA Office at (512) 563-2021 or Texas Employment Commission at (512) 278-4507

The event is co-sponsored by Middle Rio Grande Development Council and Texas Employment Commission in cooperation with Dimmit County Industrial Development Corporation.

## Fishing Report



**AMISTAD:** Water clear, 58 degrees, 8 feet above normal level; black bass are fairly good to 8 1/2 pounds on dark worms and spinners in 2-15 feet of water; striper are fair to 12 pounds on green and white Bananahead jigs; crappie are fair up the Devils River; white bass are good all over on minnows and white and chartreuse slabs; catfish are scattered in 20-100 feet of water on cheese baits.

**BRAUNIG:** Water murky, 58 degrees, normal level; black bass are excellent to 9 1/2 pounds on cranks, many good strings, on jigs, hybrid striper are fairly good to 12 pounds, a new lake record caught from the bank on shad; catfish are good to 10 pound average; redbait are good to 19 pounds on worms, Canadian night crawlers and shrimp.

**CALAVERAS:** Water murky, 60 degrees, 1 foot above normal level; black bass are good to 6 pounds, 12 ounces on artificials; striper are slow; channel catfish are good to 1 pound; blue catfish are good to 7 pounds each; yellow catfish are good to 20 pounds each; redbait are slow to 16 pounds; corvina are slow.

**CHOKE:** Water clear in the lower lake, murky from Mason Point to Highway 99 Bridge, clear from Highway 99 to San Miguel Creek, 64 degrees, 5.82 feet low; black bass are good with limits, averaging 3 pounds, along with some fish to 10 1/2 pounds in 1 to 6 feet of water on spinners and plastic worms; all areas of the lake are now producing fish; striper are good to 20 pounds, a new lake record caught by Joe Alvarado of San Antonio on a Rattle Trap while fishing for bass near the dam; crappie are fair with the best area along the river channel to Highway 99; white bass are good in San Miguel Creek and the Frio River above Highway 99, both of which have cleared, white bass are moving up river. The best area will be all the way back in San Miguel Creek on live minnows, roadrunners and Rattle Traps and white grubs; catfish are good in the 3-6 pound range around the newly flooded areas along the river channel from Greyhound Point to 99 bridge, Possum Creek and South Shore Flats, best baits are cheese baits and liver; trotline fishing is good in the river with live bait and cut bait.

**COLETO CREEK:** Water a little murky, 64 degrees, normal level; black bass are fair to 8 pounds on black worms and buzz baits; striper are good but mostly undersized; crappie are fair on minnows at night; catfish are good to 5 pounds on shrimp.

**CORPUS CHRISTI:** Water clearing in the lower half of the lake, stained in the upper half, 62 degrees, lake full; black bass are improving to 7 1/2 pounds on strawberry lizards, good numbers of bass in 3-4 pounds on white spinners in 3-5 feet of water, bass are full of eggs; striper are slow; crappie are improving in the coves on minnows, a single limit caught last weekend for the CrappieThon tagging tournament which opens Feb. 22; white bass are fair on minnows and jigs all over the lake, some whites are caught up river despite the murky water; blue catfish are good to 32 pounds in 3-5 feet of water on trotlines baited with cut shad and lye soap; good numbers of pansized fish with rod and reel baited with shad; catfish continues to be good to 20 pounds on cut shad below the dam.

**FALCON:** Water clear, 63 degrees, 18 inches high; black bass are good to 9 1/2 pounds on DB#3s and worms; striper are good in the river on chrome Rattle Traps; crappie are slow; white bass are good up the Rio Grande; white bass are good up the river; catfish are good on rod and reel to 6 pounds baited with shrimp.

**MEDINA:** Water clearing, 1 foot above normal level; black bass are fair to 6 pounds on long As; striper are slow; crappie are slow; white bass are fair to 1 1/2 pounds, no limits, on Castmasters spoons; catfish are fair to 4 pounds on nightcrawlers and shrimp.

**TEXANA:** Water muddy, 63 degrees, normal level; black bass, crappie and striper are very slow; catfish are excellent to 25 pounds on trotlines baited with live perch.



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I would especially like to thank *The Brackett News* for the nice article that was published in the paper. Thank you, Wes, for the pictures. They are very special.

Thanks again,  
Tony Frerich

## Health Care Costs Soar

### SECOND CLASS CITIZENS

Health care costs are going through the roof. You go to the doctor for a sore throat or a pulled muscle, and by the time you've had the lab test and x-rays and consultation with the specialist, it's cost \$400 and more for a simple medical problem. At least, it seemed simple in the "old days" when the family doctor looked you over and decided that a gargle with salt water or an ace bandage would do the trick.

Medicine is much more scientific than that now, and we're paying the cost through the nose. A painful stomach is worth a gastroscopy (\$400 or so) to make sure of the diagnosis and a follow-up of the same several times over the next bunch of months to make sure the ulcer is healing. Lots of bucks.

Psychiatrists charge by the hour, and we don't have those tests to do that make all the money, so we're among the lowest paid doctors. And the insurance companies pay very little for visits to a psychiatrist, so patients are more careful about incurring the expense, no matter how desperate their need for help.

The ridiculousness of it all is illustrated by the following true story.

I treated a young woman for depression, serious depression. She could barely get out of bed, didn't shower or comb her hair, and wanted to die. When I put her in the hospital because she was suicidal, the insurance company paid many thousands for her care — 100 percent of the enormous bill.

When she was an outpatient, coming to my office, the insurance company paid \$25 a visit up to \$1000 a year maximum! They paid \$700 a day for hospital charges, but practically nothing when I did my best to treat her outside of a hospital. And to add to my frustration, this young lady would cut herself on the wrists, enough to require sutures at the local emergency room, but not life threatening.

The surgeon in the ER would spend 15 minutes putting three or four sutures in her skin, and collect \$450 from the insurance company for his efforts. Every time she cut herself, the surgeon put in his sutures and the insurance company paid up, without question. This happened three times in one month. But for my time — 50 minutes — treating this patient's depression, they paid \$25.

Insurance companies have decided that the people who visit psychiatrists, psychologists, social workers, counselors, aren't really sick; they're bored and lonely people who just want someone to talk to. What nonsense. I look over my appointment schedule and see people with serious and debilitating illnesses, who are suffering and have impaired functioning in their work and social lives and families — no trivial problems in my office.

What a frustrating and demoralization situation. I have to fight for my patients to get the treatment they need. Shape up, insurance companies. Support people's efforts to function in the world.

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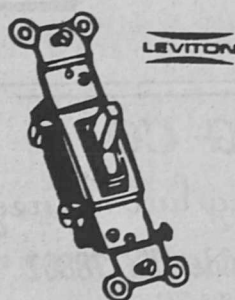
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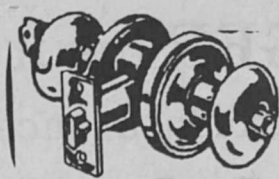
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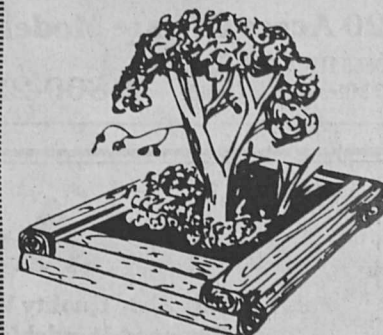
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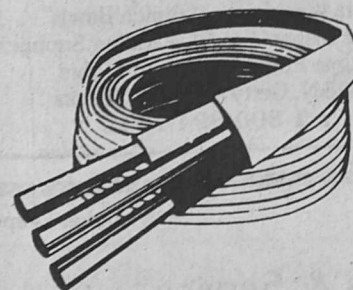
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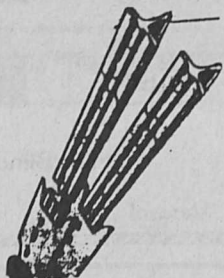


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**Natasha's Stars**

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19) This week, take another look at someone you've put on a pedestal. Rumors fly, and you may be intrigued. Stop by the travel agent and pick up a couple of brochures to flip through. It may be time to plan that fantasy trip. Expect to end the weekend on a high note.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) Get into a partner's ideas and relish getting to know this person more closely. You discover you have a treasure trove. Before making this general announcement explore your options ... please. Wherever you are this weekend, you are proud as a peacock.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) You may have a difficult time staying focused this week since there are plenty of distractions. Make the most of this high-energy cycle. Cupid, perhaps a little late, strikes with his arrow and you walk into a heavenly weekend. Others may find you distracted, but you enjoy for now.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22) You can get a lot accomplished this week if you're organized. However, you may want to take an early weekend or get into the social circuit at work. Whatever way you go, you spread your wings and become the proverbial social butterfly. You may not even land till next week.

**LEO** (July 23-August 22) Creativity blends into your work this week and so, perhaps, does play. The end result is, you like this balance — the boss does not. Expect to work part of the weekend when you finally decide enough is enough. Oh dear, it seems as if you have an early case of Spring Fever.

**VRGO** (August 23-September 22) The star energy hits you hard and you just can't seem to work — especially as the weekend looms on the horizon. There are just so many better things to do. However, practical you burns the candle at both ends, only to understand by the week's end the true meaning of exhaustion.

**LIBRA** (September 23-October 22) Communications mix with security and a little romance, this week. You like how it feels. You may even make some resolutions about it. By mid-weekend, however, the wilder side of Libra comes out. Wherever you are, you are blazing a trail of memories right now.

**SCORPIO** (October 23-November 21) Your ability to communicate is unusually strong this week. If you have to talk a partner into your way of thinking, NOW is the moment. In fact, you could talk anyone into nearly anything. Spend the weekend close to the pad, and exclusively with loved ones.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22-December 21) Your magnetism is at an all-time peak this week, so put it to good use. It's your choice, of course, as to what area of your life you would like to use it on. Stay focused and don't scatter. You discover how easy it really is, as the weekend rolls in.

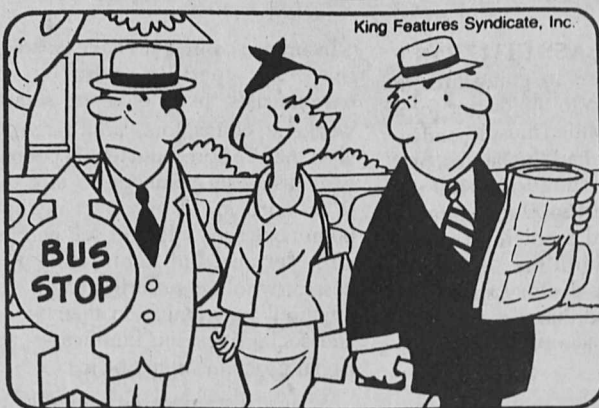
**CAPRICORN** (December 22-January 19) As the week gets older, you get better. In fact you feel as if you are on a steady uphill ascent, until the weekend, when you hit a plateau. Do yourself a big favor. Even if you do get bored, don't cause any unnecessary uproar. You need to rest before you plunge onward.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20-February 18) Count on being on a roller coaster ride — and on a great adventure — this week and you won't be disappointed. Do remember, where there are highs, there are also lows. However, the lows don't have to last long. By the weekend you peak. The world is your oyster — for now.

**PISCES** (February 19-March 20) You are focused this week and get much accomplished. (Pat yourself on the back.) In fact, one of your most important projects rolls to completion. Not only do you need to reflect this weekend, but you also need to recharge those batteries. Do it with a favorite person.

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**Vision Teaser**



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Sign is smaller. 2. Fence holds stone is missing. 3. The design is reversed. 4. Sign is different. 5. Glasses are added. 6. Newspaper is larger.

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- Endicott Franklin Gage Hancock
- Henry Howe Penn Standish
- Stuyvesant Washington Winthrop

**Super Crossword**

- ACROSS**
- 1 Make bread
  - 5 Folklore monsters
  - 10 Strong impulses
  - 15 Bedouin
  - 19 Inter — (among other things)
  - 20 "The — of Anne Frank"
  - 21 Positive-thinking clergyman
  - 22 Star of "Jungle Book"
  - 23 She was Jazzebel
  - 25 One of "The Snop Sisters"
  - 27 Still
  - 28 Descartes
  - 29 Juan's uncle
  - 31 Yearn for
  - 32 Ural and
  - 35 Andes: abbr.
  - 37 Japanese gateway
  - 39 Most secure
  - 41 Picnic grounds shelters
  - 43 Moved on wheels
  - 46 Soap plant
  - 47 Conifers
  - 48 Ark passenger
  - 50 Role for Barbara Hale
  - 51 Baseball star Willie
  - 52 Scorch
  - 53 Toward the mouth
  - 55 Persian poet
  - 56 Concern of OPEC
  - 57 Jewish greeting
  - 59 More illustrious
  - 61 Saul's relative
  - 62 Gym shoe
  - 64 Desert havens
  - 66 Room with a washer and dryer
  - 68 Narrow inlet
  - 69 Race the engine
  - 70 Golf ball position
  - 71 Spirted horse
  - 77 American Indians
  - 81 Pierre's friend
  - 82 Concern of a certain broker
  - 84 Alludes
  - 86 One of the media: abbr.
  - 87 Call on the phone, with "up"
  - 89 Whale oil cask
  - 90 Opera star Lily
  - 91 On the ocean
  - 92 Actor Richard and family
  - 94 Strongly audible
  - 96 Pessimist's word?
  - 97 Chip of stone
  - 98 Instrumental composition
  - 100 Star of "Harvey"
  - 102 "Come to the —"
  - 103 Thrashes
  - 105 Special point of view
  - 106 Farm laborer
  - 107 Clerical vestment
  - 109 — creature was stirring...
  - 111 Brazilian macaw
  - 112 First Arabic letter
  - 113 Opponent of DDE
  - 116 Bing Crosby classic
  - 119 Star of "Sunday, Bloody Sunday"
  - 122 Confederate
  - 123 Without equal
  - 124 One of the Lauder's
  - 125 Farmer's field
  - 126 Chest sound
  - 127 Firm
  - 128 Saturates
  - 129 Praise highly
- DOWN**
- 1 "Bringing Up —"
  - 2 On the sheltered side
  - 3 Role for Ginger Rogers
  - 4 Raid the ice box?
  - 5 Most peculiar
  - 6 Edna Ferber film hit
  - 7 Talk wildly
  - 8 Son of Gad
  - 9 Methods
  - 10 Gives moral support
  - 11 Female ruff
  - 12 Festive event
  - 13 Choose
  - 14 Portuguese gentleman
  - 15 Cool — cucumber
  - 16 He made "The Lost Weekend"
  - 17 Incite
  - 18 Playful kiss
  - 24 Wipe clean
  - 26 King of Judea
  - 30 Labor org.
  - 34 Deep-sea shockers
  - 35 South African tableland
  - 36 Creatures in "Gulliver's Travels"
  - 38 Seine sights
  - 39 Greek island
  - 40 With force
  - 41 Coin of Iran
  - 42 Slav
  - 44 "The Sons of Katie —"
  - 45 Store selling milk products
  - 47 Feeling of apprehension
  - 49 Shopping center
  - 52 Star of "Smilin' Through"
  - 54 Casino employees
  - 57 Aspen patron
  - 58 Role for Ernest Borgnine
  - 59 — on "Sunday"
  - 60 Tourists' attractions in Greece
  - 63 French painter
  - 65 "It — You in My Dreams"
  - 67 Society-page word
  - 71 Leverets
  - 72 Pedro's pal
  - 73 Dressier!
  - 75 Beery classic
  - 74 Navigate
  - 75 Walks pompously
  - 76 Leav's
  - 77 Dispatched
  - 78 Bogart/Bergman
  - 79 " — for Adano"
  - 80 It begins, "Do, re, mi..."
  - 83 Carroll and Gorcey
  - 85 Type case
  - 88 Snarl
  - 91 — par (equivalent to)
  - 93 Over-charged?
  - 95 Postponed
  - 96 Parly goodies
  - 97 Fill too full
  - 99 Crushing snakes
  - 101 Desert, for one
  - 102 English counties
  - 104 Bate or graph lead-in
  - 106 Golf club
  - 107 Culture medium
  - 108 She gets what she wants
  - 110 On French leave?
  - 112 " — boy!"
  - 114 Beige
  - 115 Lean-to
  - 117 American humorist
  - 118 Cuckoo
  - 120 Within: comb. form
  - 121 Suffix for reverent or resident

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## REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

The Middle Rio Grande Development Council (MRGDC) is requesting proposals from service providers for the provision of staff training to be conducted in March through June 1992. Training is to be provided in two day increments to two different groups (four days training total in each training subject). Service providers are invited to respond to one or more of the following subject areas of training.

**1. INTERVIEWING SKILLS**  
Minimum content areas must include all facets of gathering information in the intake and subsequent interviews in the JTPA program, techniques for eliciting information, and evaluating the information obtained.

**2. COUNSELING THE JTPA PARTICIPANT**  
Proposal should address training staff in counseling of youth and adults in Job Training Partnership Act programs. Target group possesses minimal counseling skills.

**3. EDP DEVELOPMENT**  
Proposal should address the process of EDP development, relating the results to appropriate training objectives, and continuing use of the EDP as a case management tool.

**4. EFFECTIVE COUNSELING NOTE WRITING**  
Proposal should focus on ways of improving the skill of writing thoughtful and useful counseling notes.

Interested service providers may obtain a proposal packet by contacting:

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Deadline for submission of the completed proposal packet will be 5:00 p.m. on Friday, February 28th, 1992. MRGDC reserves the right to accept any or all proposals received or to negotiate with any qualified respondent.

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## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters for the Administration with Will Annexed for the Estate of Paul Leslie Williams, Deceased, were issued on February 24, 1992, in Docket No. 855, pending in the Probate Court of Kinney County, Texas, to Douglas Davis.

The residence of the Temporary Administrator is in Kinney County, Texas, the post office address is: P. O. Box 321

Brackettville, Texas 78832  
All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time in the manner prescribed by law.

Dated this 25th day of February, 1992.

/s/ Tully Shahan  
Attorney for the Estate

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Motivation Education & Training, Inc. is proposing to provide home repair services for very low-income homeowners through FmHS's Housing Preservation Grant Program.

MET invites the public to review the HPG Statement of Activities at the location indicated below beginning February 28, 1992, and will accept written comments on the proposed plan at the same address through 4:00 p.m. on March 13, 1992.

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# Lone Star Greats

## Asleep At The Wheel never tires of Texas

By Leann Phenix, Texas Department of Commerce Print Media Coordinator

Ray Benson not only sings "Miles and Miles of Texas," he's seen nearly every mile firsthand.

Benson is lead singer and founder of the Western swing band, Asleep At The Wheel. After 13 albums and touring three quarters of every year, Benson and his six-member band know the byways and highways of the Lone Star State. The tall, lanky singer has become a quintessential Texan after more than 20 years of residency here. The only thing not Texan about him is the small fact of his being from Pennsylvania.

"I tell people I'm a professional Texan. I also say that since I'm six-foot-six and sing country western music, I was recruited," Benson says.

Benson is definitely an all-star recruit. Ever since he moved his band to Texas, it's been a love affair between Texas music fans and Ray Benson. "I've been singing Texas music since I was 17. We've made a career singing the music of Bob Wills and the Texas Playboys. I've been in love with the culture and music of Texas for as long as I can remember."

Asleep At The Wheel has taken its music all over the globe. In the last two years the band has had fans be-bopping in Japan, Europe, Brazil, Canada and Czechoslovakia. "The thing about Texas music is that it's international, it's everywhere and it's every kind of music. The qualities that make it that way are its honesty and the fact that it's derivative music. You can hear a little Mexican music, a little oompah and a little bit of Buddy Holly."

Although he's seen a lot of the world, the only place he wants to live is Texas. "I live here because it's my favorite place. The physical beauty and the recreational opportunities of the Hill Country are unmatched. People should come visit Austin because it's the music capital of Texas, among other things." The other things in and around Austin that he loves include Lake Travis, Pedernales State Park and Barton Springs Pool. "Yet, even with all of these, Hamilton Pool is still my favorite place," he says. Tucked in the Hill Country 25 miles west of Austin, the grotto-like pool with 60-foot waterfalls is one of Texas' most beautiful watering holes.

In addition to all of the natural wonders, the Hill Country is filled with music. Benson loves to belt out his songs in Gruene Hall, a rustic beer hall in Gruene (40 minutes north of San Antonio) that was built in the 1880s. He also raves about Flores' Country Store that's nearly in downtown Helotes, a small town 30 miles west of San Antonio. "Flores' Country Store is the first spot where Willie Nelson and I played together. It's got homemade bread, sausages and tamales," Benson says. "These two honky tonks are great destinations with excellent support areas for recreational activities."

Benson continues, "Texas is like a whole other country (commenting on TDOC's marketing slogan). That's really so good! It's hard to improve on that. What's so great about that slogan is it's highlighting the ethnic influences. Everybody who comes to Texas and stays contributes to its mosaic, and that's why I love it. I've never called America a melting pot, I call it a great quilting bee. If it was a melting pot we'd all come out gray. I see ourselves as a tapestry with all the fabrics of the world represented."

The music of Asleep At The Wheel reflects that mosaic with songs that explore every aspect of American music. The glue that holds the band's sound together, though, is Western swing. Benson says, "Standards, blues, Western music, pop, jazz—anything can be done in Western swing mode. And, it's improvisational music, so you get to jam."

Fans of Asleep At The Wheel's freewheeling stage and recording style can look forward to many years of jamming Western swing-style because this is one band that never sleeps.

Ray Benson and his band, Asleep At The Wheel, are based in Austin. They perform over 250 nights a year in honky tonks and dance halls across the United States. This May, the band begins its "Route 66" tour and will entertain Western swing fans from Chicago to Los Angeles, including a stop in Amarillo.



Ray Benson, lead singer and founder of the Western swing band, Asleep At The Wheel, has seen "Miles and Miles" of Texas and he loves them all. Photo courtesy of Asleep At The Wheel.

It's Like A Whole Other Country.

## THANK YOU

The City of Spofford would like to thank everyone for their help in making the benefit dance held on Feb. 21 a fun evening for all. A special thank-you to all the businesses who donated prizes and goods, and to the individuals who contributed in one way or another.

The "Cactus Rose Band" from the Purple Sage in Uvalde were top notch and Penny Nixon did a fantastic job entertaining the crowd with her humor and wit.

Your concern and support is gratefully appreciated.

Sincerely,  
/s/ J.B. Herndon  
Mayor of Spofford

## NOTICE

Anyone who would like to run for the office of director of Fort Clark Municipal Utility District may sign up in the district office between now and 5:00 P.M. March 18, 1992.

The election will be held May 2, 1992. Three directors will be elected.

To be qualified to serve as a director, a person shall be at least 21 years old, a resident citizen of the State of Texas, and either own land subject to taxation in the district, or be a qualified voter within the district.

/s/ Larry Sofaly  
Manager

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**Meditations**

by Preston Taylor

In *War and Peace* Russian novelist Leo Tolstoy describes the city of Moscow as Napoleon arrived to attack it.

Much to the dismay of Napoleon, he found Moscow practically empty on that snowy, sub-zero day in the early part of the last century. Maybe twenty per cent of the Russians shivered inside their ruined, burned-out city. The fleeing inhabitants had destroyed the city, rather than surrender it to the French.

Moscow, cold and gray and ghastly-looking, had become as deserted as a dying queenless hive.

From a distance the beehive without a queen may smell like honey and some bees may still fly in and out. However, an odor of emptiness and decay, the absence of little sentinels sounding an alarm, and a disconnected buzzing from the hive clearly says the end has come.

Russia looked and smelled like that in the early 1800s. Without hope and help, the French General marched in front of Moscow's snow-covered Kammer-Kollezski rampart.

The "captured" city...burned! Napoleon's thousands of soldiers... without food...no shelter... shivering in 3 feet of snow...Napoleon felt helpless, forlorn, empty. Their own beloved France lay hundreds and hundreds of miles across the wintry and impassable forests of Europe. Death stared them in the face.

What about people with houses, automobiles, medical care, enough food, and a sense of well being? These, too, may be like a dying queenless beehive, or an army that soon stands before a Moscow-like burned and deserted city. Hope will vanish. The odor of death will settle upon them. All joyful and hilarious sounds will fade away in the cold night air of death.

Only a vital, living relationship with Jesus Christ can change the collision course which man is on. The world, the flesh, and the devil pay off in counterfeit coins. God never deceives. And the eternal God offers us life that will never end and peace that lasts.

**Frontier Baptist Church**

by Joe Townsend

Sunday will be another highlight day at Frontier Baptist Church.

Following the morning worship service of singing, praying, and preaching, the church will observe the Lord's Supper.

Jesus, Himself, established the Supper and urged His churches to continue in "remembrance" of Him. The Lord's Supper is a symbolic remembrance that Jesus gave His body and shed His blood to pay

the penalty for sin and bring eternal redemption for the soul.

In New Testament times, the churches came together for the "Agape," a covered dish lovefeast, after which they observed the memorial feast.

At Frontier Baptist Church the order is reversed and the fellowship dinner follows the Lord's Supper.

It will be a day rich in fellowship and worship. Come and see.

**The Bible Says**

"Come after me," "Take up your cross and follow me," these are the words of Jesus.

Some people labor under the impression they are pious because they seek to copy Jesus. Occasionally some religious Kook will walk highways dragging a cross or wearing long white robes and bearded face to call attention to themselves as highly religious.

In the first place Jesus said, "Take up your cross." Each person has his personal individual cross. That cross is self. Christ would have his people to first conquer self.

Greed, self-righteous pride, envy, covetousness, these traits that are self-debasing, we can overlook in ourselves.

These are the things Jesus classes under "our cross."

Some people are so busy finding fault with others they don't have time or inclination to look at their own. Jesus does not expect us to duplicate Him. He does want all to follow Him; to live as He lived among His peers; to love as He loved; to forget self; and there find the fullness of life.

**St. Andrews Episcopal Church**



The traditional Shrove Tuesday pancake supper will be held again this year at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Brackettville, according to The Rev. Bill Koons, priest-in-charge. Serving of pancakes and sausage in quantities commensurate with diners' appetites will be from 5 p.m. till 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 3, in the Parish Hall of the church at Fort and Henderson streets. Fare will be \$3.50 for adults and \$2 for children under 12. Tickets may be purchased from local Episcopians prior to March 3 or at the door on Shrove Tuesday.

became popular on this day as cooks used up fats in their houses before the rigorous fast days of Lent.

St. Andrew's Church for a number of years has used its annual pancake supper as a means of sharing this tradition with others, as an opportunity for community fellowship, and as a fund-raising effort for its building and improvements fund.

Ash Wednesday services at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church this year will be at 6 p.m., Wednesday, March 4, and will be an Ash Wednesday Liturgy and Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes, according to Koons.

The first day of the Church's 40-day penitential Lenten Season, Ash Wednesday traditionally has been a time when Christians are reminded of their mortality as the priest places ashes on their foreheads and repeats, "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return."

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**Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper**

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**St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church**

Father David Zumaya, pastor of St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church, is hospitalized in The Humana Hospital in San Antonio. Any one wishing to send cards may send them to the following address: Humana Hospital, CCU#4, 8026 Floyd Curl Drive, San Antonio TX 78246.

The Cemetery Committee will hold their annual rummage sale in the Parish Hall at St. Mary Magdalene Church on March 21. The sale will open at 9:00 a.m. and be open as long as needed.

**News from ...**

**First Baptist Church**

Interim Pastor Gil Ash is preaching a series of messages on the "Evolution of Church: The Body of Christ" at the Sunday morning services. They will include the ministry for pastor, deacons, church leaders and members.

His Sunday evening messages will be from the book of John for the next several weeks.

Tentative plans are being made for the young people to attend the Alta Frio Easter Retreat.

**Obituary**



**Darwin Crane**

Darwin "Doc" Crane, Brackettville, Texas, passed away February 23, 1992, at Val Verde Hospital in Del Rio, Texas.

Mr. Crane was born in Potter County, South Dakota, January 18, 1926. He moved with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Crane, to Spearfish, South Dakota. He graduated from Spearfish High School in 1944 and enlisted in the U. S. Navy.

He served in the Pacific Theater. Following his honorable discharge, he attended Denver University. He worked for the Burlington North Railroad in the Colorado/Nebraska/Kansas area for 37 years as an agent operator.

Mr. Crane and Elaine Schiessler were married in Denver in 1949. They came to Fort Clark Springs, Brackettville, to make their home in 1985.

He is survived by his wife and their three children, Beverly Hylen of Niniick, Alaska, Mike Crane of Ludell, Kansas, and Mark Crane of Sheridan, Wyoming, six grandchildren, two brothers and four sisters, numerous nieces and nephews.

Darwin was a member of Grace Lutheran Church, Del Rio, Border Amateur Radio Society, and the American Legion.

Services will be held at Grace Lutheran Church at 10:30 A. M., February 27, 1992 with Pastors John Feierabend of Del Rio and Dale Brand, a cousin of the deceased, San Antonio officiating. Interment will be in the Brackettville Cemetery at 1:30 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family has designated memorials go to the Grace Lutheran Church, 201 Western Drive, Del Rio.

Lions Club Mop and Broom Sale - March 10

**Supermarket Smart**

Be Supermarket Smart - How To Make The Best Food Choices For You and Your Family seminar is scheduled for Saturday, February 29, 9:00 - 10:30 a.m. at the Dink Wardlaw Agricultural Complex, 300 E. 17th St., Del Rio.

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