

He Will Officially Be An Adult!
Lynn Floyd Will Be 18 Years Old
Friday, November 6, 1992
Happy Birthday Lynn
From your co-workers at *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."



Veteran's Day A Time To Celebrate Courage

By JUDITH ZAFFIRINI, State Senator, District 21

"Freedom is a system based on courage." These words by Charles Peguy are especially meaningful as we celebrate Veteran's Day on Nov. 11, for our freedom is maintained largely because of the courage of the men and women in our armed services.

First celebrated in 1918 as Armistice Day, Veteran's Day affords another opportunity to thank and honor Americans who served their country in times of war and in times of peace.

To increase access to assistance programs, Texas has 13 Veteran Centers. Services offered include readjustment counseling; group, individual, family and marriage counseling; substance abuse treatment; post traumatic stress disorder treatment; employment counseling; medical and benefit counseling; and referrals to appropriate local, state and federal agencies.

The Texas Veteran's Commission gathers and disseminates information, acting as an advocate for Texas veterans, and assisting them and their dependents and survivors in filing compensation claims with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. Wartime veterans who were Texas citizens at the time of their enlistment are entitled to free tuition

and fees at state-supported colleges and universities when they exhaust education benefits available through the G.I. Bill and other federal entitlements.

State law requires that veterans comprise at least 40 percent of each state agency's personnel force. Federal and state laws provide for reemploying veterans after their military duty, if their absences were for no longer than four years.

Disabled veterans are entitled to a fee waiver for their driver's licenses and are eligible for property tax exemptions on the appraised value of their property. The Texas Veterans Land Program enables veterans to purchase at least five acres of land with loans at below market interest rates. A Home Improvement Program provides assistance in financing substantial repairs and improvements to veterans' homes.

These and other programs underscore the high regard for and deep appreciation of veterans in Texas.

"To be born free is an accident, to live free is a responsibility, to die free is an obligation." To the veterans we honor on this special day, these words by John Ben Shepherd reflect their love of country and their dedication to freedom for us all.

Salinas Kicks Off Celebration

Country singer Sergio Salinas premiered his song *Houston For The People* at the kick-off bicentennial birthday celebration of Sam Houston during Sam Houston State University's homecoming festivities in Huntsville, Texas, last week.

Sam Houston State is preparing for a grand celebration to honor a man whose life and decisions left indelible historic marks not only on Texas, but on the Nation, as well. On March 2, 1993, the Nation will pause to recognize the 200th anniversary of the birth of Sam Houston, truly Texas' greatest hero and a national leader in his own right.

When developing the activities

for the celebration, it was decided that a song was needed. A contest was held and Salinas wrote the song with manager Happy Shahan and songwriter friend, Gene Poag of Kingsport, TN. "The song describes great things about Sam Houston in a concise way; his beliefs, his dreams, his destiny," said Salinas.

Salinas, Shahan and Poag describe Houston's life in colorful, historical fashion; "Duty, honor, country, a dream of liberty, looking to the future, the man from Tennessee, heard the call from Texas and knew his destiny, Houston for the people, went down in history." The song goes:

Houston For The People

Virginia Was His Birthplace, Then Came Tennessee,
We Mark His Path To Glory, "Seventeen And Ninety Three,
He Lived Among The Indians, "Raven" Was His Name,
Houston For The People, Bound For Lasting Fame;

There Was Andy Jackson, Wanting Him To Go,
Across The Old Red River, To Land We Love So,
Alamo...San Jacinto, Names In History,
Houston For The People, Knew His Destiny;

(Chorus)
Duty, Honor, Country, A Dream Of Liberty,
Looking To The Future, The Man From Tennessee,
He Heard The Call From Texas, And Knew His Destiny,
Houston For The People, Went Down In History;

"Remember The Alamo", Became The Battle Cry,
They Fought For Independence, The Right To Live Or Die,
Mighty Santa Anna, In "Thirty Six" Would See,
Houston For The People, And The Fight For Liberty;

Commander Of The Army, Folks Like You and Me,
Servant Of The People, Till Eighteen Sixty Three,
Houston Names A City, A University,
Houston For The People, Living Proud and Free;



Helen Smith and Mildred Murphy

Sisters Reunited After 39 Years

For thirty-nine years Helen Smith quietly went about her business of being a homemaker and raising her children in the Brackettville area. All that time she thought her older sister, Mildred, had deserted her own children, and then died.

Why wouldn't Helen think so? Mildred's husband, the father of the children, had told the family that Mildred had abandoned him and the children, her whereabouts were unknown for a while, then she had died.

In September of 1992, Helen learned the real truth when her son, Sammy, after twelve years of searching, located Mildred and wrote her a letter. Mildred called Brackettville as soon as she received Sammy's letter, and was able to say to Helen, "Happy Birthday, Sister." What a good day to call, and what a marvelous birthday gift for Helen.

Helen and Mildred were part of a family that grew up in the heart of Texas. They lived at Junction and at Campwood. They each married. Helen Smith was 23 and Mildred Murphy was 25. They each had children. Mildred was living in the Sweetwater area when she disappeared. The real truth is that her former husband drove off leaving her stranded on a stretch of highway 60 miles from Big Spring. When Mildred made her way home, she found an empty house. The husband, the children, and all the family possessions were gone.

The children were left in the care of a Dallas-area children's home, then placed in foster homes but were never released for adoption. They grew up as strangers to each other, and still are.

Mildred's life took many turns. After trying unsuccessfully to locate her children, she finally ventured to California. She eventually added a new man to her life, and together they had two children.

Now, our story shifts back to Brackettville. Helen's youngest son, Sammy, became obsessed with finding his Aunt Mildred. He was only nineteen years old when his quest began. He tried police departments, sheriff departments, Department of

Public Safety, even "Unsolved Mysteries." After 12 years of frustrating dead-ends, through assistance from Social Security, he learned his aunt was alive and in California.

During the September telephone conversation between Helen and Mildred, plans were made for Mildred to come to Texas. Helen with Sammy, his wife Donna, and brothers Johnny and James, met Mildred at the San Antonio Airport on October 5. Mildred was their guest until October 30 when she returned to her California home. Already tentative plans are for her to return to Texas for Sammy's birthday, May 1.

Years of false beliefs and heartaches melted away as Helen and Mildred got reacquainted. The gap of thirty-nine years became as nothing as they talked, and laughed, and drank coffee, and "caught each other up" on their activities. Sammy's name was fondly mentioned frequently for his perseverance in bringing them together.

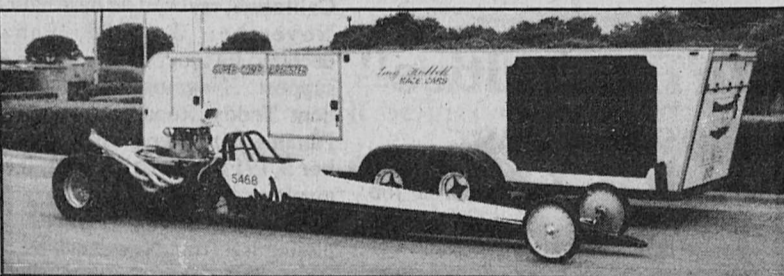
Mildred's family includes the children from her first marriage (children who always believed their mother was dead): Calvin Samson who lives in Houston with his wife and two children; Ollie Fay Samson who is an LVN in the Houston area; and Vera Jo Samson, last known address in San Antonio. Then, there are the two children by her second marriage who live in California.

Helen's children include Sammy Smith, Johnny Smith, Jake Smith, and Patricia Gass all of Brackettville, and James Smith of San Antonio. Helen is employed through the Texas Senior Citizen Program and is well-known for her cheerful, outgoing personality as she performs her duties at the Kinney County Aging Center.

This is a story of Helen and Mildred, but it is also a story of Sammy Smith because it was he who had the burning desire to find his aunt, it was he who did the research and the leg-work, it was he who finally was able to make contact with Mildred, and to bring the two sisters together, and it was he who first shared the story with *The Brackett News*.



Tidwell's Propane-Powered Dragster On Display



From November 2 - 6, Jon Tidwell's propane powered, rear-engine dragster will be on display in the lobby of NationsBank, Uvalde. On November 7, it will be in the car show. Rio Grande Exterminators and Ward & Sons are sponsors.

Jon is no stranger to Brackettville. He has been at Fort Clark's Labor Day Car Show, and has even won the Carberator Toss. He has both friends and relatives in Kinney County. He makes his home in Uvalde.

Tidwell rebuilt the unique dragster that has been shown as part of the Railroad Commission's alternative fuels education division exhibit at the Dallas State Fair. He has owned the racing car for about ten years and spent about three of those years rebuilding it. He did all the work himself. He built the engine, and painted it. He has about \$7,000 invested in the car.

When he first started racing, the dragster ran on gasoline. Fuel got to costing about \$20 a week-end to race, so he started thinking about converting to propane. He was told he would lose power on propane, so he set out to prove the charge untrue. Not only did Tidwell and his racing machine maintain power, it only costs about \$3 a week-end in fuel to race.

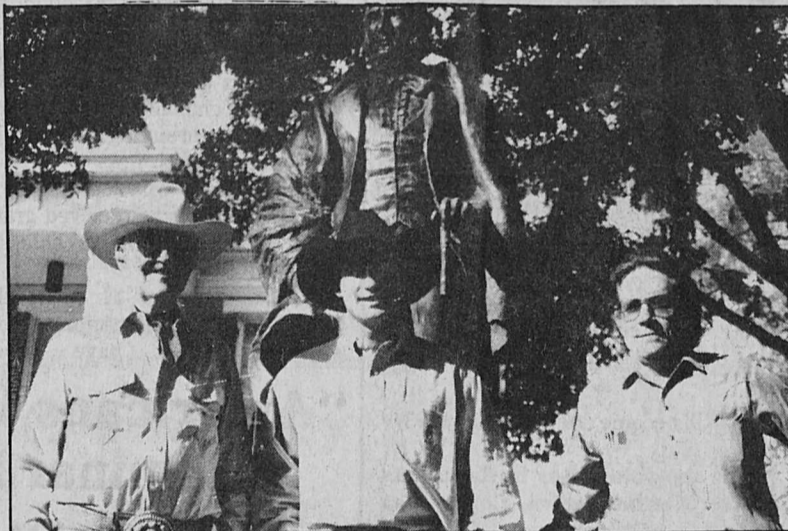
He accelerates the car up to 150 mph in 8.95 seconds - only 5 mph off the national record for propane-powered dragsters. As far as he

knows, his dragster is the only propane-fueled race car of this type in the state of Texas, and he only knows of two others in the United States.

Propane is a real clean burning fuel and the sparkplugs last longer, the car is easier to drive, and it runs smoother according to Tidwell.

He has even converted his pick up and his wife's vehicle to propane. He thinks more people would do the same if they understood propane better; a car can be put on propane for about \$450 and a 100-gallon tank of propane will last about 1,000 miles.

Tidwell races regularly in San Antonio, Temple, and San Angelo. He won first-place last year in a San Antonio race. "I've been into cars since I was a kid. I always had cars that were hot rods. I guess I have a wild hair to go faster," he said. Tidwell also says street racing is a dangerous thing to do and racing should be confined to tracks. Drag racing is controlled with rules that must be followed.



Happy Shahan, Sergio Salinas, and Gene Poag stand in front of Houston's statue on the Sam Houston State University campus immediately after Salinas performed at the bicentennial birthday kick-off.

Dyer Retires

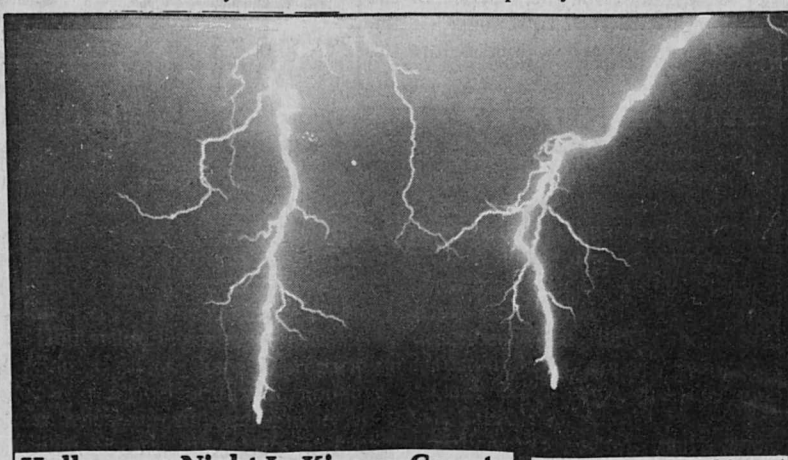


Helen Seargeant, right, presents certificate to Fern Dyer.

Fern Dyer officially left the United States Postal Service on October 2, 1992, after twenty-two years service in the Brackettville Post Office. She was presented a certificate of appreciation and a pin by Officer-in-Charge Helen Seargeant Friday, October 30.

Mrs. Dyer chose an early-out option, an incentive program offered by USPS. She will be missed by postal patrons but is wished only good things in her future career of "retirement."

Wyatt Heard of Uvalde has been transferred from the Leakey Post Office to Brackettville as a clerk, and David Esparza will again serve on a temporary basis.



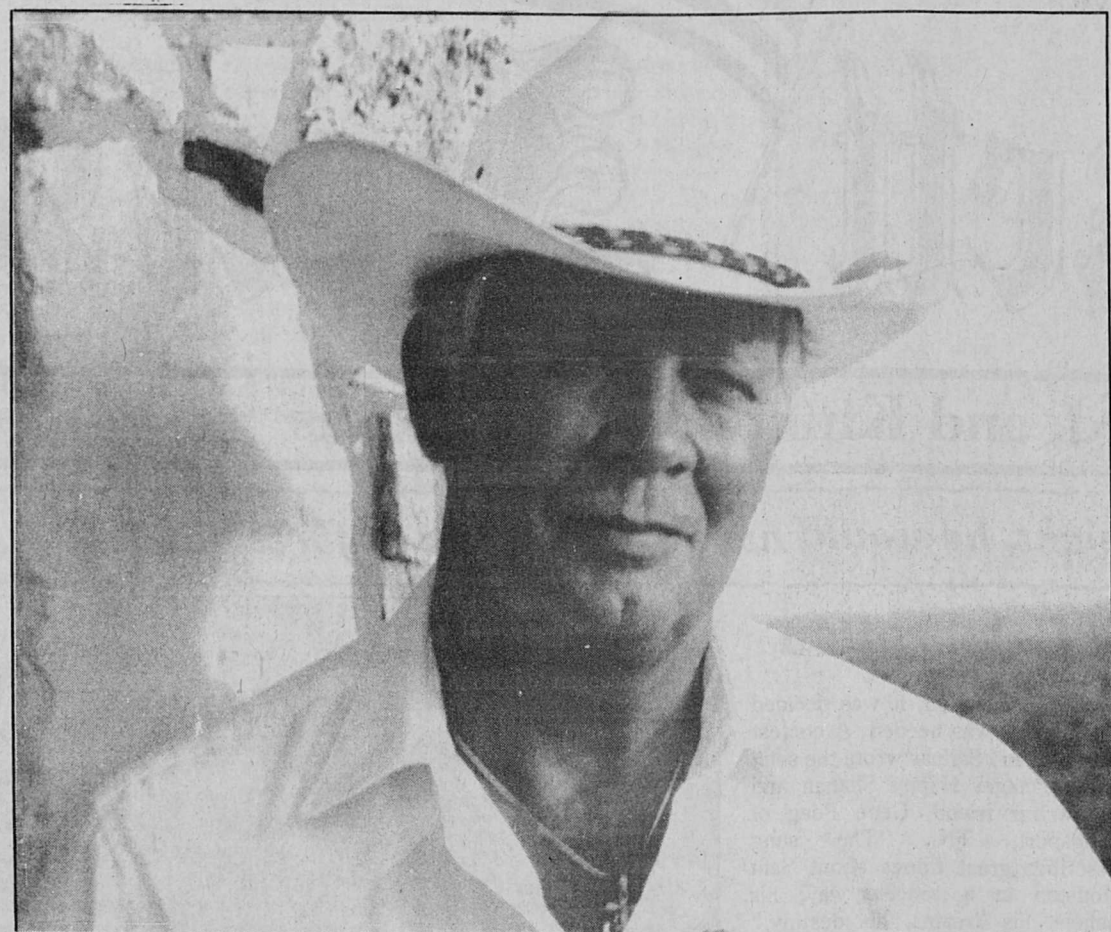
Halloween Night in Kinney County Photo by Wes Robinson



New Dump Truck: Road Administer Cliff Fritter, right, and Judge Tim Ward went to Fort Worth late last week and purchased this 1985 Ford 8000 dump truck, 14 yard bed, for the county road department. With Fritter are road department employees Armando Sanchez and Caesar Daniels. This truck will more than double the load capacity of the two old trucks.

Sheriff's Corner

By Sheriff Norman H. Hooten



Thank You!

To all my friends, supporters, and Kinney County voters who stood by me so firmly with their time, money, patience, compassion, and votes through the past 10 months and two Sheriff's Elections!

I accept your trust and belief in me and my ability with humbleness and humility!

I pledge to fulfill that trust by striving to do an ever better job for you and all the people of Kinney County as your Sheriff!

That's All!

Big Mama Sez!



People change, but seldom.

PLEASE REMEMBER that we attempt to include something for everyone within the pages of our paper. We realize that that some folks enjoy finding fault and for those readers we thoughtfully include a socially acceptable number of errors within our publication.



MEMBER 1992

The Brackett News welcomes letters to the Editor. The Editor reserves the right to edit all letters submitted for length and context. Letters will be edited to avoid the use of profanity or libelous statements pertaining to the rights of citizens. Letters published and columnist's viewpoints do not necessarily reflect the beliefs of this newspaper. All letters must be signed and include an address and phone number. Thank You!

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Election Results

(Unofficial Returns)

Complete election results are available at the County Clerk's office (The Brackett News also has a copy). Results of major interest to Kinney County are being printed, and in all cases the figures indicate only how Kinney County voted.

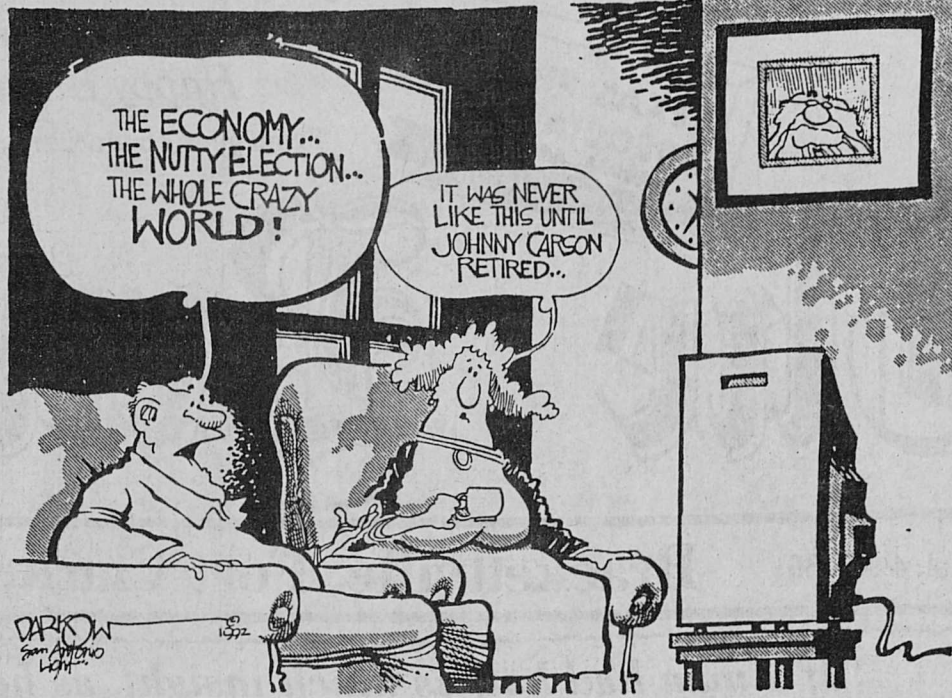
President	
Clinton/Gore	598
Bush/Quayle	634
Perot/Stockdale	299
US Rep., Dist 23	
Bustamante	432
Bonilla	1018
Railroad Commissioner	
Guerrero	543
Williamson	753
Sheriff	
Hooten	904
Luna	648
Prop. 1 (Tax Reduction)	
For	667
Against	548
Prop. 2 (Health Services)	
For	640
Against	550

(Will become effective Oct. 1993)
The top vote getter in the county was Martha Hooten, County Tax Assessor-Collector.

FREE HEARING TESTS
Mon.-Thurs. 10-5
PLAZA DEL SOL MALL
Next to JCPenney
774-1272
DEL RIO

Change In Print Date

November's fourth issue of The Brackett News will be printed one day early... **Wednesday, November 25.** Deadline for news items and advertising will also be one day early that week... **Monday noon, November 23.** The office will be closed on Thanksgiving Day, November 26. Deadlines for the balance of the month will remain unchanged... **Tuesday noon** before the Thursday printing.



Between Us

By Joe Townsend



After all the lies and political rhetoric, it's good to turn our attention for awhile to things that are more palatable and enjoyable.

Oh the raucous, onerous grackle. Both a loud sounding pest and a great benefactor.

There are few things in nature more disturbing than a tree full of grackles with their screeching and fluttering. There are few birds more inimical to other winged creatures than the grackle.

They will confiscate another nest. They will eat another's birds eggs. They will kill another's young. Their size makes for bullying.

However, in some ways they are the most fascinating of winged creatures. I know of no bird that can compare to the mating dance of the grackle. The spreading of his wings, the ruffling of his feathers, the dancing before an apparently totally indifferent female is a sight to enjoy and never forget.

One day at mid-afternoon I sat near the water trough in the pasture. The grasshoppers were on the terrible side, big voracious creatures. There was a steady stream of grackles both male and female. They were fluttering to alight on the edge of the trough. Each had a large grasshopper clasped firmly in his beak. They stood on the edge of the trough and somewhat dipped their heads and got a drink, never releasing the grasshopper.

When the bird had enough of the thirst quencher, he suddenly flew off down to a creek with large trees about three hundred yards away. I sat and watched with amazement for the better part of an hour the steady stream of grackles.

Right then and there the grackle won his way into my heart. Then suddenly a strong wonderment struck me.

Could it be possible they were feasting on an "endangered species"? If so and some member of the Sierra Club should see it, could they haul me into court for "aiding and abetting"?

Oh well that's the risk we take for being compassionate and caring for those things of importance in life which are not "endangered".

Drop In Legal Services Fund

AUSTIN--More than 60 legal service providers in Texas will lose

up to \$3 million a year in funding due to declining interest rates. For several years, Texas' 3.9 million indigents have benefitted from a program that channels Interest On Lawyers Trust Accounts into a fund (the IOLTA fund) that provides grants to serve poor Texans. This year, for the first time since the program began, there will be a decrease in the amount of money available.

Since 1982, the State Bar has had a formal program to address legal needs of indigents in Texas. Texas Lawyers Care coordinates with legal service providers in the state to serve poor Texans. In 1985, with the Bar's support, the Supreme Court of Texas created the Texas Equal Access to Justice Foundation to manage the fund. Since then, IOLTA has garnered millions each year that is channeled back to serve poor Texans through grants to legal services providers.

Last year, 61 legal service operations in Texas received grants from the \$9.7 million collected through IOLTA.

Texas is one of 21 states that require lawyers to participate, of the 49 states that have similar

programs. In Texas, IOLTA began as a voluntary program. By 1987, \$500,000 was available for grants. In mid-1989 the program became mandatory, generating a 10-fold leap in revenue by 1990.

By the end of 1991, at 4 to 5 percent interest, the funds collected through the program totaled nearly \$10 million. But when interest rates dropped to 2 to 3 percent in 1992, IOLTA's board of directors began realizing hard times were ahead.

"The drop in funds hits Texas at a particularly bad time," said W. Frank Newton of Lubbock, who chairs the foundation. "The 1990 census figures show that Texas' poverty population increased three times more (47 percent) than the national average (16 percent) since 1980. Now we're forced to tell our legal service providers that we will have only 70 percent of the money we had last year available for grants."

Newton said the foundation receives about two requests for money each year for every grant IOLTA issues. The money goes to fund legal assistance programs that serve poor Texans who need help with consumer problems, divorce or child support cases, or landlord/tenant problems, among others.

"Americans With Disabilities" Seminar In Eagle Pass

The Eagle Pass Chamber of Commerce and Middle Rio Grande Development Council Small Business Development Center are co-sponsors of a seminar on "Making The Americans With Disabilities Act Work For You" to be held Tuesday, November 10, 1992, from 8:30 a.m. - 12 noon, at the City of Eagle Pass Chamber of Commerce Office, 400 Garrison Street.

Ron Trull, Director of the ADA Office, Texas Rehabilitation Commission (TRC) will be the speaker. Mr. Trull holds a B.A. from Texas Lutheran College and a M.S. from Indiana University. His responsibilities include training, technical assistance and resource coordination on ADA for the Texas Rehabilitation Commission. Mr. Trull is recognized as a leader in the supported employment movement

in Texas. He has co-authored Job Placement Success for Counselors and Clients, a training manual for counselors and others in working with employers to successfully place people with disabilities.

"The American With Disabilities Act (ADA) is the most significant civil rights legislation since the passage of the Civil Rights Act of 1964," said Raul Zamora, SBDC Director. Employers will gain practical and accurate information and will learn how ADA is one law that can work for, not against employers.

Cost of the Seminar will be \$10.00 per person, the registration deadline is November 5, 1992. All SBDC programs are nondiscriminatory and open to the public. For additional information call Raul Zamora at 210-278-2527/4151, Middle Rio Grande SBDC or the Eagle Pass Chamber of Commerce at 773-6166.

Kinney County Bridge Widening Underway

SAN ANGELO--The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) has announced that work has begun on widening structures and approaches on two bridges in the Del Rio area, according to Area Engineer Robert C. Parker, P.E.

E. E. Hood & Sons, Inc., and Acme Bridge Company, Inc., have started work at Camp Wood Creek on S.H. 55 in Real County, and at the Southern Pacific Railroad Overpass on U.S. 90 in Kinney County

1.4 miles west of the Uvalde County Line.

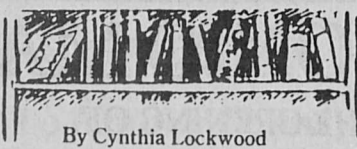
Resident Engineer John R. DeWitt, Jr., P.E. is in charge of construction for the department. Jose G. Antu will be chief inspector on these projects, which should be completed early next year.

Traffic will be routed through both projects. Motorists are urged to slow down and be alert for workers and equipment in the construction areas.

This Week In History

On November 3, 1783, George Washington ordered his army to disband... **November 7, 1811**, William Henry Harrison, governor of Indiana, defeated the Indians under the Prophet in the battle of Tippecanoe... **November 4, 1825**, the first boat to use the Erie Canal reached New York City... **November 2-4, 1835**, Texas proclaimed its right to secede from Mexico, and Sam Houston was put in command of the Texas army... **November 4, 1841**, the first emigrant wagon train bound for California, reached its destination... **November 3, 1903**, Panama declared its independence with U.S. support... **November 6, 1903**, President Teddy Roosevelt recognized Panama's independence... **November 5, 1911**, the first transcontinental airplane flight, executed by C.P. Rodgers, touched down in Pasadena, having left from New York on Sept. 17... **November 2, 1926**, the Air Commerce Act was passed, providing federal aid for airlines and airports... **November 8, 1942**, the U.S. and Britain invaded North Africa... **November 2, 1962**, President John Kennedy announced that the Soviet missile bases in Cuba were being dismantled... **November 2, 1963**, South Vietnam President Ngo Dinh Diem was assassinated... **November 8, 1966**, Edward Brooke (R.-Mass.), the first black U.S. senator in 85 years, was elected... **November 7, 1967**, Carl B. Stokes (D.-Cleveland) and Richard G. Hatcher (D.-Gary, Ind.) were elected the first black mayors of major U.S. cities... **November 3, 1969**, President Richard Nixon set Vietnamization policy... **November 7, 1973**, Congress overrode President Nixon's veto of the war powers bill which curbed the president's power to commit armed forces to hostilities abroad without Congressional approval... **November 4, 1979**, 90 people, including 63 Americans, were taken hostage at the American embassy in Teheran, Iran, by militant student followers of Ayatollah Khomeini, who demanded the return of former Shah Mohammad Reza Pahlavi, who was undergoing medical treatment in New York City... **November 4, 1980**, in a sweeping victory, Ronald Wilson Reagan was elected 40th President of the United States, defeating incumbent Jimmy Carter... **November 5, 1982**, the highest unemployment rate since 1940, 10.4 percent, was reported.

Library Notes



Library Hours 9:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.
Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday
Closed Tuesday

The dedication of the Library's new addition will be this Saturday, November 7th at 2:00 pm. Formal invitations are not being sent in order to keep the cost down, but everyone is encouraged to attend. Refreshments will be served, so see you at the ceremonies.

We have a new assortment of juvenile non-fiction books that any youngster might enjoy. The sports fans would like our biographies of Michael Jordan and David Robinson, and the history readers might enjoy reading about Eleanor Roosevelt, Nelson Mandela, or Raoul Waldenberg.

Also new in the juvenile section is the series *Outlaws & Lawmen Of The Old West*. Read about the exploits of Belle Starr, Wild Bill Hickok, and Wyatt Earp. Discover the dark side of Jesse James, Bat Masterson, and the infamous Bill The Kid.

We also have some new animal books for our young naturalists. You can find out about the Bald Eagle, Black Bears, Wolves, Apes, and Small Cats.

For adults, we have V.C. Andrews' latest *Midnight Whispers*, Douglas Adams' *Mostly Harmless* is the latest from *The Hitchhiker's Guide To The Galaxy*, and *The American Wildflower Florilegium* by Jean Andrews.

The book sale is still going strong and I've been putting out new books every day. We'll keep selling until every last book is sold.

The library will be closed on Wednesday, November 11, in observance of Veteran's Day.

Many thanks to those who donated books and magazines to the library this past week.

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

Kinney County Library
 Staff & Volunteers

Book Review

By Mary Mitchell

Sierra Triumph

By DANA FULLER ROSS

This book is the sixth in this author's *The Holts, An American Dynasty* series. Dana Fuller Ross has the ability to create a strong story line while preserving historical accuracy.

This author writes in series generally and while many men have read one or more of the "Wagons West" series dealing with the historical settlement of our nation, most women have avoided them as being "Westerns." Please, if you remember reading and enjoying Janet Dailey's series of the Counter family, you will certainly enjoy the *Holts, An American Dynasty* series by the extremely talented author who specialized in historical novels set in America.

Your library has most of the *Wagons West* series in large print. They are a must read!

Bridge Anyone

By NORMA GOULD



Six tables were in play at Duplicate Bridge October 27 in the Saber Room at Fort Clark Springs. A Mitchell Movement was used.

Rozetta Pingnot and Joan Lindley came in first North/South. Lamont and Marie McCandless were in second place.

Evelyn Whitley and Ray Kurtz were in first place East/West with an unusually high score. Walt Geeze and Martin Sheets came in second.

Unsung Hero

by Joe Townsend



After spending most of her life in Eagle Pass, a fine lady and her husband moved to Fort Clark Springs in the very early days of the development.

She has spent much of her time in efforts to make the Springs a better place to live and enjoy life.

She is devoted to her husband and to true family values that never change.

She is capable, outspoken when right is challenged, reserved but with a big heart and a warm friendly smile.

Surely Rosetta Pingnot is an "Unsung Hero!"

PHUMBLIAN PHILOSOPHY:

If you have too many opinions when you're young you'll use them all up and not have any left for your middle and later years.

Las Moras Inn Restaurant
Fort Clark Springs

Saturday Night, November 7, 1992
5:00 - 10:00 P.M.

PRIME TIME

Our **PRIME RIB** is hand trimmed and rubbed with seasoning, then slowly stage-roasted retaining and enhancing the natural flavor and ensuring consistent appearance with every cut!

\$8.95

Choice of Potato
 Salad & Dessert Bar

Mark Your Calendar
 The First Saturday Of Each Month

WELCOME HUNTERS

★ Congratulation ★
Norman H. Hooten

Where were you born: Cleburne, Texas.
When is your birthday: April 10.
What is your favorite food: Mexican.
What is your favorite movie: *Thornbird*.
What is your favorite book: *Alaska*.
What are your hobbies: Reading and travel.
How do your friends describe you: Sociable.
Describe yourself: Friendly.
How long have you lived in Kinney County: Over 50 years.
If you could go anywhere, where would you go: Australia.
If you could change Brackettville (Kinney County), how would you change it: I think we are a wonderful community and always getting better.
What would you like to be if you could change your life: A traveling spelunker.

Just For The Fun Of It



Lily Schwandner

Community Calender

- AA:** Mondays, 8 p.m., Slator Hall, 109 W. James St.
- Al-Anon:** CAN HELP. Call 563-9205 for time & location of meetings.
- 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.
- BISD School Board:** 2nd Monday, 6:30 p.m., School Board Room.
- Chamber of Commerce:** 2nd Thursday, 7:30 p.m., Cavalry Room.
- City Council:** 2nd Tuesday, 7 p.m., Slator 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., 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.
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Charles Shaw Exhibition

A reception at the Live Oak Art Center, 1014 Milan, Columbus, Texas, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. will open the Charles Shaw Exhibition of "Texas History Illustrations and Other Works." The Exhibition may be visited at the Live Oak Art Center from December 4 through January 15. The Center's hours are Wednesday through Saturday, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Mr. Shaw is an Austin, Texas, born artist. He has recently been recognized for his historic illustrations shown in color in the Smithsonian Magazine. He was commissioned by the San Jacinto Museum Association to produce 42 paintings depicting scenes from the revolutionary period and the Battle of San Jacinto. His illustrations appeared in the April 1992 issue of Texas Parks and Wildlife and the Texas Highways. The May issue of Texas Highways contained his illustration for an article "Frontier Doctors."

This one person exhibition consists of watercolors, oils and prints, the bulk of which depict scenes of Texas history and also includes contemporary art by the artist.



Grandkids Can Be Fun

(At Times)

I have been told several times that I need to watch how I handle myself when it comes to educating the grandkids. For some reason the Little Woman thinks that I am teaching them the right things, just going about it the wrong way.

Example...
The Little Woman has always been one to bake things for the kids and grandkids. When we first got married, she had pies, cakes, cookies, and all kinds of puddings for me. That's what finally put all this excess weight on my little frame.

The Little Woman is one damn good cook. Very seldom has she ever messed up a meal and hardly ever has she messed up any of her baked goods. But when she does make a minor mistake (I found out the hard way) you don't mention it. She takes it plumb personal and has a tendency to refuse to do any more baking or cooking for quite awhile.

One time in 1970 she baked four chocolate pies, complete with all that gooey white stuff on 'em. I call it calf slobbers just to bother the Little Woman.

I came in from the pasture, and as usual I was starved pert-near to death. The pies were cooling on the counter and I just naturally attacked one. Sort of a pre-supper dessert.

I grabbed a fork and one pie, set down at the table and commenced the proceedings of devouring a pie. (Bad move).

I pert-near bent the fork double when I tried to cut through the calf slobbers. It was so tough I had to get a knife just to get through the chocolate to the crust. I don't want to be one to continually gripe, but the only thing tender about that pie was the pan it was in.

I mentioned that fact to the Little Woman. (Another bad move).

I'm not saying they were completely ruined, cause I did use 'em to place salt blocks on in my horse pens. They each out lasted 4 salt blocks, and then I used 2 of 'em to prop up the corner of the front porch.

The mere fact that I brought up the subject of pretty tough pies cost me the pleasure of having chocolate pies for damn near 10 years. Like I said, she took it personal.

Well, the grandkids came along in due time and once again the Little Woman kinda goes back to baking.

The grandson (number 1) gets pretty much what he wants in the way of baked goods. All the little snot has to do is give Mammy a hug and suggest cookies or cake, but one time he suggested doughnuts.

Mammy didn't really have enough time to make doughnuts like she could, so she picked up some canned biscuits the next time she was in town.

I'm not sure how she did the doughnut thing with the biscuits, but they came out fairly decent. I think she deep fried 'em or smoked 'em or something, but the finished product was pretty good. She sugared some and she glazed some.

The canned doughnuts were a hit with the grandson.

A couple of days later, he asked for some more. (No problem).

This time, there was a little problem, she kinda got 'em a little over done. They weren't plumb burnt, just a little darker than your usual piece of charcoal. But she sugared 'em and glazed 'em and poor old Joe ate 'em.

He asked dear old Mammy if she would fix some more. (No problem).

She did just about the same thing with the third batch of canned doughnuts. This time she added a little more sugar and a little more glaze. (Didn't help).

Joe came in from school, came over to help with the chores, and headed for the doughnut bowl. He saw the crispy little morsels and pert-near balked, but only for a second. He took a couple and came outside with me.

Mammy was pretty disappointed about the way things had turned out and had threatened to throw the little briquets out to the dogs, but I talked her into keeping 'em and feeding them to the kids. I didn't want my chickens breaking their little beaks on them over done rocks with sugar on 'em.

This is one of the first times I can remember trying to teach Joe anything about not making the cook mad. It was a harsh and cruel way to treat a little kid, but experience is 10 times better than all the talking in the world.

Poor little Joe came out of the saddle house examining the burnt offerings he held in each hand. He looked at me and said, "You know, Pa, I sure wish Mammy would quit burning these doughnuts. I really like doughnuts, but I don't think I can eat many more of these things."

I don't know why I say things sometimes, but on occasion, it just happens. It's like I had been practicing for months or something, but when I say it, it seems like a pretty good idea at the time.

I acted plumb shocked. Then I told 'im, "Joe, you might ought to go in there and tell Dear Old Mammy that you don't like burnt doughnuts, cause she fixes them that way just for you. She thinks you really like burnt doughnuts. She has to think that or she wouldn't be burning every batch she makes. She's just trying to please you, and I think she would appreciate it if you just told her you didn't like burnt doughnuts or anything else."

He looked at me, said he'd just do that, and headed back to the kitchen.

What happened next was not a pretty sight.

I heard her inform him that it would be a cold day in July before she ever fixed another doughnut for him and she sure as hell didn't burn them on purpose.

I was laying down on the back porch laughing so hard I didn't have time to avoid the broom. But after she got through beating me about the head and shoulders and chewing me out for setting Joe up, she mentioned the fact that there probably wouldn't be anything cooked unless it was burnt or I cooked it myself.

Some women just don't appreciate a little humor.

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News

By Allan McWilliams



Railroad Ties And Landscape Timbers

A year ago, the safety of used railroad ties in raised bed vegetable gardens was being looked at in respect to chemicals passed on to vegetables growing in the area.

Landscape timbers are treated by pressure-treating the wood with chromated copper arsenate. Despite the frightening-sounding chemistry, the E.P.A. has not imposed any restrictions on the use of chromated copper arsenate treated timbers in raised bed gardens.

Through research demonstrations in Bexar County, tests have shown that used railroad ties do not pose a threat to the safety of vegetables grown in the bed.

Insects are beginning to look for a place to spend the winter. Most of the insects are just looking for a place to overwinter and are not establishing permanent residence. These insects will be a nuisance and most of them do not present a great danger to the homeowner. It is not uncommon for insects to enter attics or garages through cracks in the foundation, open windows or spaces around doors.

Control can be achieved by caulking all cracks to prevent insect entry. Caulking also makes the structure more air-tight and should help lower heating costs, store firewood away from the house to help eliminate hiding places for pests. Homeowners should store firewood as far from the house as possible and take only the amount needed for immediate use into the house.

Firewood stacked beside the house may be handy but as the wood warms, spiders, scorpions and other pests may leave the wood and escape to other areas of the house.

We had an excellent Angora Goat Workshop for Kinney County ranchers on Monday, October 26. The workshop was held at the Bader Ranch. Duery Menzies with Senator Bill Sims' office addressed the participants about the sheep and goat predator referendum. Hayden Haby discussed mohair strategies and marketing from a world-wide perspective. Dr. Frank Craddock, Extension Sheep & Goat Specialist from San Angelo, addressed the problems in mohair with respect to kemp and medullated fibers. Ranchers had hands-on work with goats to identify kemp and discuss structure problems. A noon meal prepared by area families was enjoyed by all. During the meal, I covered a brief discussion on requirements for employers in filling out the I-9 forms on agricultural workers.

The afternoon session began at 4:00 p.m. for all 4-H members raising Angora goats. Dr. Craddock went through hair quality and fineness with the 4-Hers as well as structural soundness of legs and body.

I would like to thank the Baders for hosting the program, Mr. Hayden Haby for bringing the goats and shearer to do the shearing, and all those who prepared the wonderful meal. There were 32 attending the day's activities.

Kinney County Rainfall Averages

Information provided by Shahan HV Ranch and David Martinez

	1989	1990	1991	1992
Jan	1.25	.57	1.34	2.15
Feb	1.91	3.02	.57	1.18
Mar	1.07	2.77	.29	1.50
Apr	.48	6.49	1.84	1.60
May	3.68	2.35	1.12	7.85
June	1.32	0	4.12	2.84
July	0	7.95	1.60	2.81
Aug	2.22	3.20	0	1.62
Sept	0	2.75	5.69	.35
Oct	2.75	.31	.50	.02
Nov	1.76	1.35	.70	
Dec	.57	.20	7.91	
Year	17.01	30.96	25.59	

Texas Dept. Of Agriculture

By RICK PERRY
Commissioner

FROM THE TURKEY TO THE SWEET POTATO PIE, MAKE THIS A 'TOTALLY TEXAS' THANKSGIVING

AUSTIN-This Thanksgiving start a new tradition in your family by serving a "Totally Texas Menu."

From the gobble to the sweet potato pie, planning a menu of foods grown or processed in Texas is easy, affordable and wholesome.

"As Thanksgiving approaches, we Texans are truly blessed with an abundant harvest," Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry said. "We produce all the ingredients necessary for a sumptuous holiday feast right here in the Lone Star State."

Thanksgiving is an especially bountiful season in Texas. With fall vegetable harvest under way in the Rio Grande Valley and South Texas, broccoli, cauliflower, winter squash, celery and lettuce should be plentiful.

Pecan harvest has also begun, the East Texas sweet potato harvest is in and shipments of grapefruit and oranges are rolling out of the Valley to markets statewide.

As for the main course, turkey supplies are expected to be excellent this year. Whole birds will average about 95 cents a pound, but consumers will find bargains at supermarkets featuring Thanksgiving specials. Ham, which is being sold at competitive prices, is also abundant.

Perry said a "Totally Texas" Thanksgiving menu may feature this typical holiday fare, but it doesn't necessarily have to.

"The state's cultural heritage is so varied and its agricultural production so bountiful, it's possible to prepare a whole range of alternatives without straying from the Texas concept," he said.

Possible substitutes might include Hill Country ranch-raised venison or West Texas prime rib, and for dessert, instead of traditional pie, an apple strudel -- a favorite of Czech Texans -- or a creamy Mexican flan.

And don't forget to toast the holiday with a bottle of Texas wine from one of the state's 26 wineries, or glasses of chilled Texas milk or Texas bottled water.

PERRY HERALDS RESURGENCE OF VALLEY CITRUS; 3-MILLION-CARTON HARVEST ANTICIPATED

AUSTIN-Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry heralded the return of the Texas citrus industry in a Ruby Star grapefruit grove planted since the 1989 freeze dealt the industry its second major blow of the past decade.

Valley citrus producers are expected to harvest more than 3

million 40-pound cartons of grapefruit and oranges during the 1992-93 growing season -- the first significant harvest in three years.

Rio Stars, grapefruit with crimson interiors, will dominate this year's harvest, yielding an estimated 1.9 million cartons of fruit. Total grapefruit production will be about 2.4 million cartons.

Growers, forced to replant twice during the 1980s, leaned heavily toward Rio Stars, which make up 80 percent of the grapefruit crop. Rio Star is a trademarked name that includes Rio Red and Star Ruby varieties, which were developed in Texas.

Producers also raise Ruby-Sweet grapefruit, another trademark that includes Ruby Reds and two other pink grapefruit. Naturally sweet Ruby Reds, developed in Texas during the 1930s, earned the state a worldwide reputation for superior grapefruit.

Texas has 22,000 acres of citrus, down from approximately 70,000 acres before a devastating freeze in 1983. Seventy percent of the crop is planted in grapefruit and 30 percent in oranges.

PERRY PRESENTS LOAN GUARANTY TO DIMMITT VEGETABLE PROCESSOR

DIMITT - Touting the benefits of commodity processing, Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry presented a \$781,200 loan guaranty to vegetable processor, M.W. Carrot Inc. The guaranty was made possible by the Texas Agricultural Finance Authority.

"From August to December during the peak of carrot harvesting, M.W. Carrot provides jobs and incomes to 130 people," Perry said during a news conference at the company's Dimmitt plant. "But this doesn't just mean 130 paychecks worth more than \$500,000 annually. Spending by these 130 people directly impacts another 182 jobs when these workers buy groceries, pay the mortgage or rent, and purchase gas, clothing and other consumer items."

"What's more, growers who contact with M.W. Carrot to provide the company with produce, earn revenues in excess of \$750,000 dollars each year," said Perry, noting that trucking and other agriculture-related businesses, such as those in seed, chemical and fertilizer sales, also benefit from the local vegetable processor.

M.W. Carrot, based in Hereford, was able to expand its operations to Dimmitt with assistance from the finance authority.

Every fall, M.W. Carrot harvests, cleans, grades, cools and bags carrots, as well as processes turnips, cabbage, winter squash and jalapenos. In the spring, the company processes asparagus and other fresh vegetables.

Bandera Downs

Renown author and foremost authority on white-tail deer, John Stein, will be at Bandera Downs on Hunter's Weekend, November 6-8. Through years of diligent detective work, Stein has put Texas back on the map as one of North America's big buck regions. Stein has worked on his new book, *Big Rack IV* for about eight years, traveling all over the state of Texas collecting deer heads, stories and pictures and has logged over 200,000 miles on his suburban while searching for all new leads.

John is also an "official scorer" for the illustrious *Boone and Crockett Club* and has been responsible for discovering and uncovering many new deer antlers entered in their famous "Record Book." His travels have even sent him to New York City in search for the really big rack.

Stein's new book, *Big Rack IV*, includes 546 photographs, many in full color. The 576 page "Hard Cover Volume" is the "Record Book" for white-tail deer. A section on Texas freaks, locked antlers, shed antlers and giant bucks from old Mexico are also included in *Big Rack IV*. A Texas map denoting the county of origin of each of the

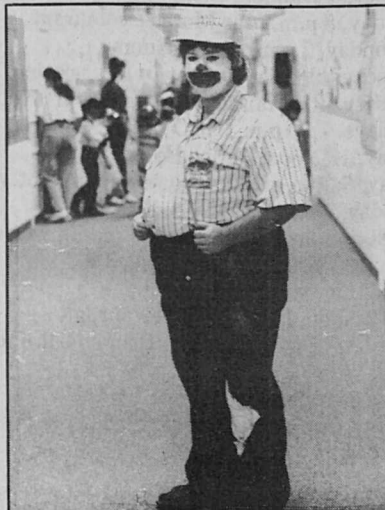
known 211 Texas Boone and Crockett ranking white-tails is displayed on a two-page spread.

Stein will be available to autograph his new book and will display some of the big racks that he has discovered in his journeys on November 6-8 at Bandera Downs. His expertise in the field of white-tail deer has been heralded throughout the United States and the world.

Racing fans, with a valid Texas hunting license, may register for Grand Prizes which include: (2) **Exotic Hunts**, (1) **Mexico Hunt** (On a ranch that has not been commercially hunted for over 2 decades), (1) **Wild Boar Hunt** and (1) **White-Tail Shoulder Mount**. Patrons may register for these prizes all three days, November 6-8, with the drawings to be held on Sunday, November 8.



Halloween In Kinney County



Kickapoo Caverns

Asset Or Liability To Kinney County

Editor's Note: This is a continuation of a previous article on possible development of Kinney County's Kickapoo Caverns.

Information has been used with permission from a report done by the Texas Cave Management Association, Editor John M. Walsh.

LOW COST DEVELOPMENT

In parks throughout the nation, both state and federal, members of the public are enjoying that special feeling of discovery through what is called a "Lantern Tour." The name comes from the tours through Mammoth Cave, Kentucky, where the visitor followed a guide, along a path, into parts of the cave that did not have regular trails and lighting. Today, the tour would be taken with a hardhat, an electric light, and a cave pack. Led by an experienced guide, the visitor would obtain a first-class educational experience while visiting the cave.

Should such a plan develop for Kickapoo, it would be necessary to take reservations since they would be limited. The first tours would be on weekends. As visitor demand developed, the tours could be expanded to weekdays. Groups of ten or more could make special arrangements. Three or four groups could be in the cave at the same time, as many as 175 - 200 visitors a day could view the cave. For a two-hour tour of this type, \$10 - \$12 per adult and \$5 - \$6 per child could be charged. There should be at least one tour each day for children under eight years old with prices adjusted.

There are three possible ways to handle the Kickapoo Cavern tours. The first would be for the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department to run the tours. This would possibly result in the best administration of the cave, but would be the most difficult. One way to handle the cave would be to hire someone to head the project as a staff member. There are people working for the Parks & Wildlife Department that would welcome working in this capacity. On the first weekend, they could leave their park and come to Kickapoo Caverns. They would assist with the tours; learn the tour, and on future weekends lead the tours.

Another way to handle the tours would be to allow a local, non-profit organization to conduct the tours. And, a third possibility would be to set up an arrangement like Longhorn Caverns State Park. They must take in sufficient revenue to pay the State, maintain the equipment, pay employees, provide services for visitors, and make a profit.

INTERIM CAVE ACCESS AND CAVE RESTORATION

Prior to implementation of the Kickapoo Caverns tours, a number of groups must request access. It is to the advantage of the Parks & Wildlife Department to require assistance in the development and restoration of the cave. Small, easily handled, projects should be defined so these groups could assist and see the cave. Kickapoo Caverns suffers from many years of neglect. There is writing on many of the walls. Soot

from torches and fires have discolored the walls and many of the formations.

A portable, high-pressure water device that is extremely effective in cleaning cave walls is available.

One project which could improve the appearance of the cave and the formations would be to bring in dirt from above the cave and plant native grasses. The cave is dry and many of the formations are dead because there is no grade to hold water after rains. Photo-documentation from various points in the cave would reveal even minor success. This project could restore the beauty to the cave and would be of interest to cave restoration experts throughout the nation.

BATS OF GREEN CAVE

This large cave is one of the more important bat caves in Texas. The Mexican free-tail population fluctuates greatly, ranging from 200,220 bats on May 23, 1987, to only 4,500 bats on June 22, 1987. At that time, it was not considered a nursery colony. Since the Parks & Wildlife Department covered the back entrance, the temperature of the cave has gone up and more pregnant females are now using the cave. Green Cave may be an overflow or stopover colony for bats from the Devil's Sinkhole and other major roosts. Bats flights from Green Cave last 15 to 20 minutes.

PUBLIC VIEWING AND PROTECTION

Of the three caves - Devil's Sinkhole - Kickapoo Caverns - Green Cave, this is the one that could be available for public use. It is located midway between the current park entrance and the fieldhouse-headquarters.

Each Friday or Saturday evening, after the bats return in 1992, the public could view the bat flight. A high-quality interpretive program should be developed for this activity.

The public would be interested in the history of the area, the resources of the park, and the bats. The public now has some access to the cave, so a chain-link fence should be erected as soon as possible.

Signs should be posted giving the hours of access and informing the visitor about bat protection. The National Speleological Society will pay a reward of at least \$250 and up to \$1,000 for information that leads to the conviction of a person committing cave vandalism or harming cave life. This sign should be posted at both Green and Kickapoo Caverns.

As the visitor interest grows, benches, toilets, and parking areas will need to be provided. A day entrance fee could be charged for the bat flight and interpretive program. Special arrangements could be made for large groups.

Only scientific research people should be allowed to enter the cave when the bats are present.

Has this report caused you to think about the possibility of developing Kinney County's cavern network? In its natural state, it has caused the large group to select Brackettville, Fort Clark Springs, and Alamo Village as a convention location.

Why Buy New Park Land When Current Parks Are Being Closed

Why is the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department hoarding money to buy more property when it pleads poverty and closes parks it already owns?

If the department can not maintain the parks that they have now, why should they spend more money acquiring more land that they're not going to be able to maintain in the future?

The agency recently announced that it would lock the gates on more than half a dozen state parks and trim back hours, services, or access at numerous others, all because it can not afford to operate them.

The Texas Farm Bureau has reported that roughly 74% of the capital expenditures that the TPWD expects to make over the next five

years is earmarked to acquire new parkland.

That figure makes a mockery of the agency's two-year "planning" process which sought and then apparently ignored input from Texans on priorities for the next five years. One clear message emerged from the lengthy and costly series of meetings and hearings. Texans said they wanted TPWD to stop buying more land and put the money into managing the parks it already owns.

Some of the loudest critics of current department policy are urbanites who see parks near them closing while acres of land are gobbled up. The new trend seems to be "buy parkland and keep it locked" creating preserves that benefit only a privileged few insiders...this at taxpayer expense.

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EPA Requires Recovering And Recycling Of Refrigerant In Autos

A new regulation recently signed by the administrator of The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) requires that motor vehicle air conditioning refrigerant (R-12) be recovered and recycled. Previous practices of venting refrigerant (sometimes called Freon) from motor vehicle air conditioners is no longer permitted by law.

The stratospheric ozone layer, high above the earth, shields this world from harmful ultraviolet (UV) radiation. Scientists worldwide believe that synthetic chemicals such as chlorofluorocarbons (CFC's, also known as Freon) are rapidly destroying this layer of gas 10 to 30 miles above the earth's surface. Ozone loss of 3.5% globally has already been recorded. Ozone loss is believed to lead to an increase in skin cancer, cataracts and weaken the human immune system. Plant and animal life may also be dramatically affected.

One of the single largest uses of CFC's in the United States is as a refrigerant in automobile air conditioning systems. CFC 12 accounts for over 20% of all CFC use in this country. CFC's, when released, rise to the stratosphere where they can remain active for up to 120 years.

The United States joined 75 other countries in a global effort to protect the ozone layer as a party to the International Treaty known as The Montreal Protocol. The 1990 Clean Air Act Amendments require the phase out of CFC 12 by the year 2000. President Bush later pledged to halt almost all United States production of CFC's by the end of 1995.

Section 609 of The 1990 Clean Air Act Amendments gives the EPA authority to establish requirements to prevent the release of refrigerants during the servicing of mobile air conditioners. EPA developed two major requirements to implement this:

1. Recover refrigerant from air conditioning systems, rather than release it to the atmosphere, and
2. Certification on each individual repairing or servicing the refrigerant system.

Recovery of refrigerant requires the use of either recover/recycle or recover only equipment approved by EPA. Recover/recycle equipment must meet specifications of SAE Standard J-1990 and have the capacity to purify used refrigerant to SAE Standard J-1991, for subsequent reuse. Recover-only equipment must meet SAE Standard J-2209 and then the refrigerant must be sent to a reclamation facility that can restore the purity of CFC-12 to ARI Standard 700-88.

Technicians who repair or service motor vehicle air conditioners must be trained and certified by an EPA approved organization. Training

programs must cover the use of recycling equipment in compliance with SAE Standard J-1989, the regulatory requirements, the importance of refrigerant containment, and the effects on ozone depletion. To be certified, technicians must pass a test demonstrating their knowledge in these areas. One of the leaders in industry providing this certification program is The International Mobile Air Conditioning Association (IMACA). IMACA is a non-profit organization catering to the interests of mobile air conditioning and protection of the ozone layer. More information on the certification program can be obtained by calling 713/867-9008 or writing to: Refrigerant Recovery/Recycling Certification Program, P.O. Box 684, Pearland, Texas 77588-0684.

Automobile repair facilities that performed over 100 service/repair jobs involving refrigerant in 1990, must already require that only certified technicians service/repair refrigerant systems and use only approved equipment. Smaller repair shops who repaired/serviced fewer than 100 jobs in 1990 or "service their own" do not face this restriction until January 1, 1993. However, to discourage "do-it-yourselfers" who typically do not own recovery equipment, an additional restriction on the sale of small containers goes into effect on November 15, 1992. After this date, the sale of CFC containers under 20 pounds is prohibited to anyone other than certified technicians.

Because of the planned CFC phaseout and tax on CFC's, the price of CFC-12 will increase and its availability decreased. Refrigerant recycling could substantially reduce the need for new CFC-12 and thus help keep costs down.

Several substitute refrigerants are being tested for use in motor vehicle air conditioning and research is being done to see if cars can be retrofitted for these alternatives. Possible replacements include HFC-134a (which will be used in some cars in model year 1992) and other blends of HCFC's. These substitutes cost more than CFC-12, making recycling more economical. By November 15, 1995, all substitute refrigerants will also have to be recycled.

By complying with new regulations, you will help preserve the ozone layer for future generations.

Further information on recovery or recycling/recycling equipment can be obtained from auto parts suppliers and major automotive air conditioning companies. Information on the certification program can be obtained by calling 713/867-9008 or writing to: Refrigerant Recovery/Recycling Certification Program, P.O. Box 684, Pearland, Texas 77588-0684.

Institute Of Texan Cultures Introduces "Lifetimes: The Texas Experience" Radio Program

SAN ANTONIO - From phantom camels and sheep drives to enterprising immigrants and illustrious chefs, the stories of Texas weave a fascinating history of adventure, humor, and poignancy.

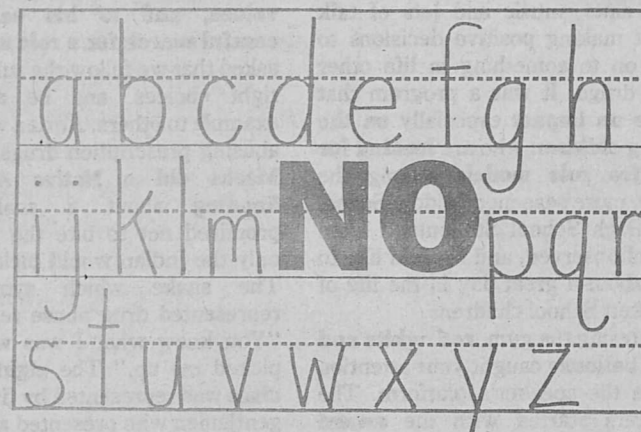
The University of Texas Institute of Texan Cultures at San Antonio invites you to step into the past and rediscover Texas, its history and people, as you listen to the Institute's new radio feature, "Lifetimes: The Texas Experience."

You'll hear about Eva Camunez's first day in 1937 as a teacher in Ballinger, when 200 Mexican children appeared in a room prepared for 40; you'll listen to the reactions of common Texas folks at the onset of such modern conveniences as ice and bathtubs; you'll smile when hearing stories

about the not so common, such as Martin Luther King and Lyndon B. Johnson; and you'll sense the personal struggles and ironies experienced by Texas immigrants from all over the world: the Polish, Italians, and Louisiana Cajuns.

"Lifetimes: The Texas Experience" is produced by the Institute of Texan Cultures, recorded at KUT-FM studios at the University of Texas at Austin, and distributed through the Longhorn Radio Network. The 90-second vignettes can be heard each weekday on radio stations across the state beginning January 1, 1993.

For more information about the Institute or the radio program, contact Lynn Catalina, Department Head of Communications and Marketing, at 226-7651, Ext. 235.



THE MOST IMPORTANT LETTERS WHEN IT COMES TO DRUGS!!

New Process For Spent Oil Filter Recycling

SPRINGTOWN, TX.-Pro-M-Cycle Recycling Plant, the nation's first facility to totally recycle oil filters without any hazardous by-products or toxic air emissions began full operations simultaneously revolutionizing the fledgling industry and protecting the environment.

Owned by ProCycle Metals, the new plant utilizes the patented eight-step, Pro-M-Cycle Oil Filter Recycling Process. This closed loop system turns spent oil filters into reusable fuel and clean steel. In addition, the inert ash from paper, rubber gaskets, plastics and epoxy is used by ProCycle Metals on-site in the manufacturing of concrete products for the landscaping and patio industries.

"We turn environmentally nasty old oil filters into clean, attractive concrete bird baths," explained Jeff

Singleton, chief executive officer of ProCycle Metals. "Nothing goes to the landfill and unlike with other processes such as steel mill smelting, there are no potentially harmful emissions or hazardous waste by-products."

The opening of the plant coincides with the enactment of new state legislation governing spent oil filters and achieves the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's goal to recycle complete components and eliminate hazardous by-products.

As of August of this year, the state prohibits spent oil filter generators in Dallas, Tarrant, Bexar and Harris Counties from disposing of spent oil filters in landfills. The other counties will be phased-in on a size and location basis through October 1993.

Information may be obtained by calling 817-429-0062.

Tips To Winterize Your Home

The weather outside is still warm, and protecting your house from heat loss and cold air gain may be the last thing on your mind. But cold winter weather will be here before you know it, so why not take advantage of the pleasant autumn temperatures to make your house snug for the winter? The Texas Energy Extension Service offers the following energy-saving tips.

Survey your house for ways to save energy by checking for air leaks. Start with windows and doors, but also check for some less obvious but potential leak sites such as wall outlets, switch plates, recessed ceiling fixtures and attic doors.

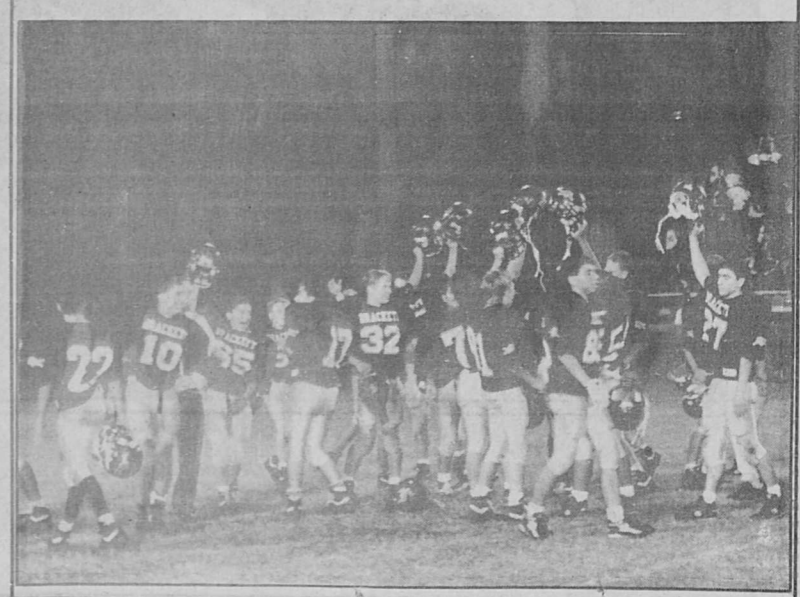
Although closing up air leaks will help control air going in and out of your house, you need to make sure your attic has proper ventilation. In other words, do not block or close off turbine ventilators with plastic

bags or plugs. This is important because proper ventilation is necessary for adequate moisture control in the attic where the insulation must stay dry. Blocking or closing off turbine ventilators has not been shown to significantly reduce heat loss when an attic's ceiling is adequately insulated.

Next, check your heating equipment. Arrange for a maintenance check of your heating equipment by a heating and cooling contractor or repair service. In addition, your air filter should be changed once a month regardless of the season to ensure the most efficient operation.

For more ideas on how to save energy in the winter, call the Texas Energy Hotline at 1-800-643-SAVE. The hotline is operated by the Texas Energy Extension Service, which is a public service program of the Governor's Energy Office.

Victory: Tigers: 15 - Natalia: 14



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Making A Difference

By TAYLOR STEPHENSON, Curriculum Director

Brackett's Gym was an exciting place to be Monday morning, November 2. All of Brackett's students (about 571) and teaching staff met together to kick off Red Ribbon Week which is also called Texans' War on Drugs. It was an assembly that was put together and performed by students. Each group or speaker presented a strong message. The assembly had been planned and organized by the student council sponsored by Susan Harrison. Student council officers are Lynn Floyd, President; Myrna Gonzalez, Vice President; and Wendy McDaniel, Secretary. The program was packed with action, skits, music and lots of talk about making positive decisions to turn on to something in life other than drugs. It was a program that made an impact especially on the young children who are looking for positive role models among the older, more seasoned Middle School and High School Students. I liked what I observed, and I would like to talk about a great day in the life of Brackett School children.

Entering the gym, red, white and blue balloons caught your attention above the speaker's platform. The program started with the award winning band playing the Star Spangled Banner, followed by the school song led by Brackett's spirited cheerleaders, and by a prayer for awareness and guidance from Amanda Davis. Lynn Floyd talked about choosing positives to get high on rather than drugs. He saw this as a time of decision, and told us not to let others decide for us! Peer pressure is one of the strongest reasons that young people use drugs.

**RAISE YOUR HANDS!
STOMP YOUR FEET!
BEING DRUG FREE
CAN'T BE BEAT!**

Judy Burks led the kindergarten class in a class song that showed the youngest children knew what this day was about! The sixth grade gave a skit, a mock funeral for John, a fallen drug user. Friends and family talked about how they missed John and how he let them down. John, melodramatically, resurrected and cried-I'm sorry... "It's not too late for you." The message was the wasting of young, vibrant lives on drug abuse. Myrna Gonzalez helped us know that we need to be leaders, not followers. She particularly aimed her message at juniors and seniors asking that they try to be shining leaders that are drug free. Members of the science club did a skit about Mike and a Saturday night party. There were about 20 high school students in this skit. For a change of pace, the High school band performed "El Lobo" followed by a fine speech class skit that started:

"I'll be home soon...followed by the wreck scene.
I was not the guy drinking, and now I ask why?

Why was I the one to die!
There were about 150 children in grades 1, 2, 3, & 4 that did an entertaining version of "Smoke Is No Joke." The singers emphasized not to puff 'till you smoke. These children were well rehearsed and certainly presented animated reasons why smoking should not be part of our lives. Coach Nowlin starred as a tree in the speech

classes production of "Don't Drink and Drive." The cheerleaders announced their major project for the day:

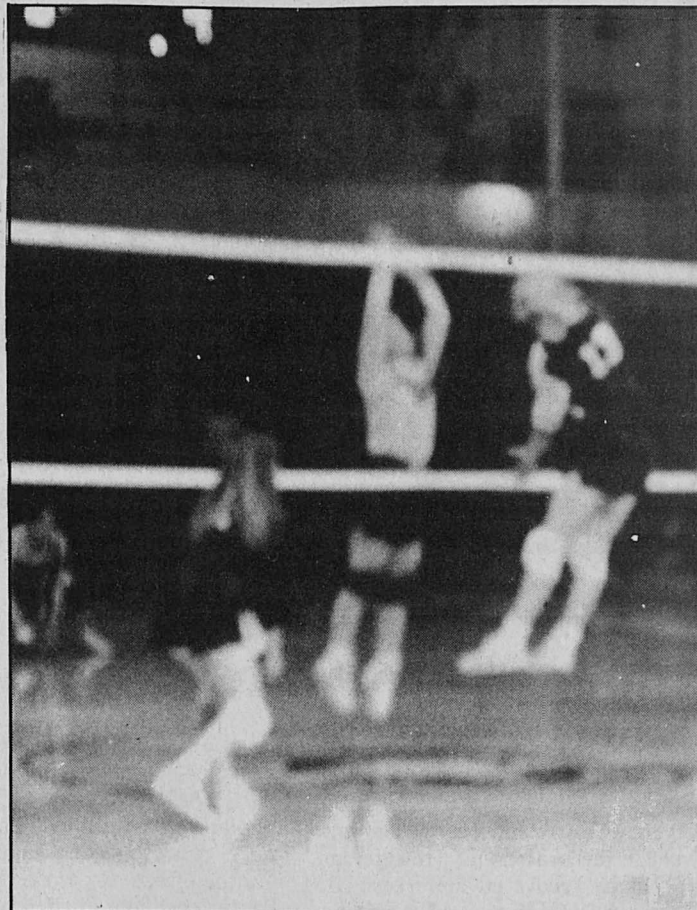
Every 20 minutes a teen dies from drinking and driving. Every 20 minutes during the day, a teen from BHS was selected to be a teen from our school that symbolically represented the national statistics. The teen selected was not to talk during the school day and represented the teen who had lost his life.

Adrian Pena discussed his reasons for remaining drug free. Adrian linked his values to the way he was raised, to his religious values, and to his early successful search for a role model. He asked that we follow the rules, make right choices, and be a special example to others. Adrian warned of abusing prescription drugs. Brandy Meeks did a Native American Reading about a snake who promised not to bite the Indian if only the Indian would pick him up. The snake which symbolically represented drug abuse responded. "You knew what I was when you picked me up." The eighth grade class was represented by five young gentlemen who presented a skit and who asked "Is death the only thing that will stop you?"

Wil Shahan, Sophomore class president, talked about Athletics and Drugs. He advised that 90% of athletics is mental and that drugs don't mix with athletics. Wil prophetically warned that drugs turn young athletes to a state of worthlessness. He called AIDS caused by an infected needle a self inflicted death. **CHEERLEADERS: WE CAN-WE KNOW WE CAN-WE MUST SEE THAT THOSE DRUGS BITE THE DUST! Mr. Hall's last speech group-Dale Smith's group did a skit of a life ruined by drugs. Innocent lives being ruined by the guilty is one of the consequences of drug abuse.**

Wendy McDaniel asked for the young children to raise their hands if they looked up to someone in high school. She asked the high schoolers to take a look at how many were watching them. "Someone is watching, don't let them down." Wendy had some great thoughts such as "What's the use of fitting in at school if you can't sleep with your own conscience? We all have a future, but drugs will keep us from getting our future done." Wendy made a plea for drug free lives and said "the last thing that our community needs is another wasted life." She closed by offering a challenge to all of Brackett's students to go seven days without drugs and to try to model the rest of their lives after those seven days. The Band closed with the playing of "Jalisco".

The amazing thing to me was how many students were involved in this program. All ages, singing, speaking, playing, decorating, with a theme of "Pledge to be Drug Free". Red Ribbon Week at the Brackett Schools. No large school could have done it any better. Our community is behind you students. We believe in you! Today somehow reinforced my belief that kids and education are better today than when I went to school. Students, thanks for a job well done!



Tigerettes Lose Championship Will Play Freer For Bi-District

Three hundred fans filed into the Uvalde Gymnasium to watch the district championship game between Brackett and Lytle.

The Lytle Lady Pirates converted on Tigerette mistakes and won the match, and the district championship.

In the opening game, Brackett allowed Lytle to take a 8 - 2 lead. With two Wendy McDaniel kills, and an Amanda Davis block, the Tigerettes pulled to within one point. Lytle took advantage on service errors to stop Brackett's

momentum and win the first game 15 - 9.

Theresa Terrazas then scored on a powerful serve to open up the second game. Lytle put four quick points on their next side out and never looked back winning 15 - 6.

The Tigerettes had a very successful and winning season and finished in second place. Now the "second season" starts. Thursday (tonight) at 7:00 p.m. against Freer in Devine.

Go Get 'Em Tigerettes!

Tigers Spook Mustangs Earn Play-Off Spot

The Tigers took to the field last Friday night with a lot at stake. A victory would assure a play-off spot, and a shot at the undefeated Dilley Wolves for the district championship.

The first half was all defense as neither team got into the end zone.

Natalia struck first early in the third period. The Mustangs drove down to the Tiger 10-yard line. After three unsuccessful tries, Natalia decided to go for the touchdown. Quarterback Augie Estrada hit Larry Hagdorn in the end zone for the score. Mario Sanchez added the extra point.

On the Tigers next drive, quarterback Lynn Floyd pitched the ball to Adrian Pena who then threw to a wide open J. J. Sandoval for a 54-yard gain. This put Brackett on the Mustang one yard line. Angel Jaso dove over the top for the score. Jaso kicked the extra point as well to tie up the game at 7 - 7.

Natalia converted again early in the final stanza when Dean Cain recovered a Jaso fumble. Two plays later tailback Adrian Balderama went in from five yards. Sanchez kicked the extra point giving the Mustangs a seven point advantage.

With just under four minutes remaining, Coach Greg Nowlin

decided to run the same play that set up the Tigers previous score. Pena found Sandoval again this time for a 68 yard touchdown pass. Jaso went in for the conversion which put the Tigers on top 15 - 14.

Natalia threatened on their final drive but Jesse Terrazas intercepted an Estrada pass with 13 seconds remaining.

Sandoval led the Tigers with 136 receiving yards. Pena rushed for 54 yards on 9 carries. Jaso rushed for 83 yards on 18 carries.

Jaso, Sandoval, Gabriel Flores, and Chris Hale combined for a total of 41 tackles for the four top tacklers. Victor Sanchez, Michael Benacci, Lupe Rodriguez, Wil Shahan, and Sean Burks each had a sack.

For the third straight year the Brackett Tigers and Dilley Wolves will meet to determine the champions of District 31AA.

Last year the Wolves slipped past Brackett 28 - 24.

Friday night, November 6, we'll find out if the Tigers can break the two year losing streak against Dilley. The winner will face Santa Rosa. The loser will take on the number one team in the state - the Freer Buckaroos.

FFA News



On Monday, November 2, 1992, FFA member Jason Ash and FFA Sponsor Leslie Hudson went to Leadership Contest at Southwest Texas University in San Marcos. Jason placed sixth in the Area VII Extemporaneous Speaking Contest.

Winners In Home Economics Competition

The Home Economics classes of Mrs. Mary Lee Haby spent three weeks on projects that proved to be challenging and rewarding. Textile painting during class period! At first, only the Apparel and Textiles Comprehensive Home Economics

were to be involved but soon the Foods classes were, too, and now the walls of the homemaking cottage at Brackett High School are adorned with really well done hangings. Projects were judged and from

the sixth period class, the winners were: 1st place Brenda Mendoza; 2nd place Caesar Castillo; and 3rd place Gabriel Flores.

Other first place winners were: from left, Vianna Pierce, Comprehensive Home Economics; John Ingram, Home Economics; Adrian Pena, Apparel; and Brenda Mendoza, Apparel.

Second and third place winners were Rene Rodriguez, Sandra Samanego, Leticia Rivas, and Gabriel Flores.



From left, Vianna Pierce, John Ingram, Adrian Pena, Brenda Mendoza.



From left, Rene Rodriguez, Gabriel Flores, Sandra Samanego, Leticia Rivas.

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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3
Pancakes - Syrup
Fruit Juice

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4
Bean Burrito
Fruit Cocktail

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5
Cheese Toast
Fruit

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6
Waffles - Syrup
Juice

Lunch

Milk served with all meals. Salad bar available everyday. "B" Line available every day.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2
Chicken Nuggets
Whipped Potatoes or Irish Potatoes
Green Beans - Roll

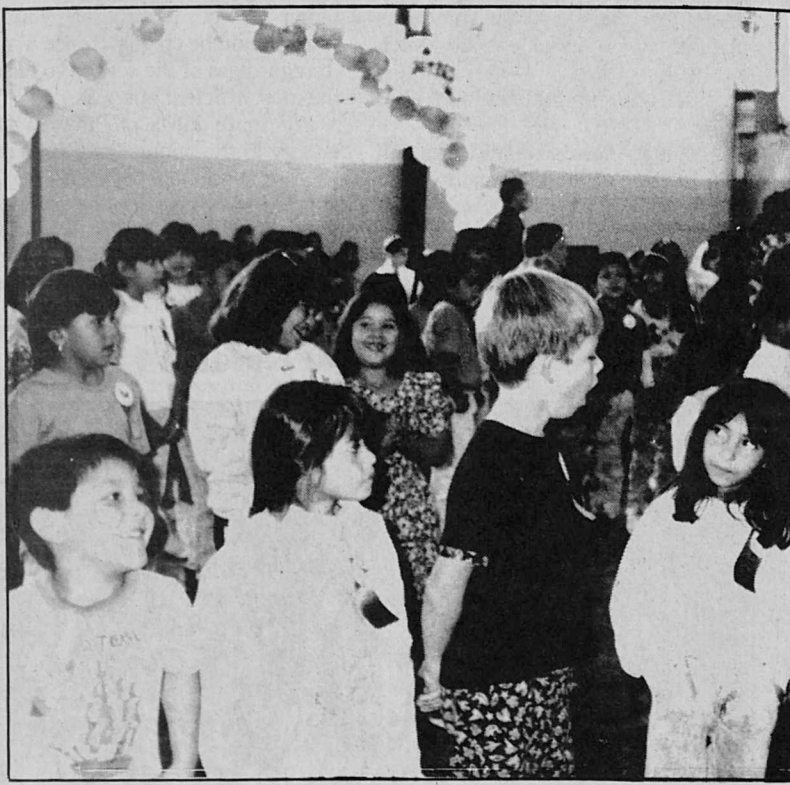
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3
Pizza - Vegetable Salad
With Dressing

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4
Seasoned Broccoli - Cobbler
Hamburger - Burger Salad
French Fries - Fruit

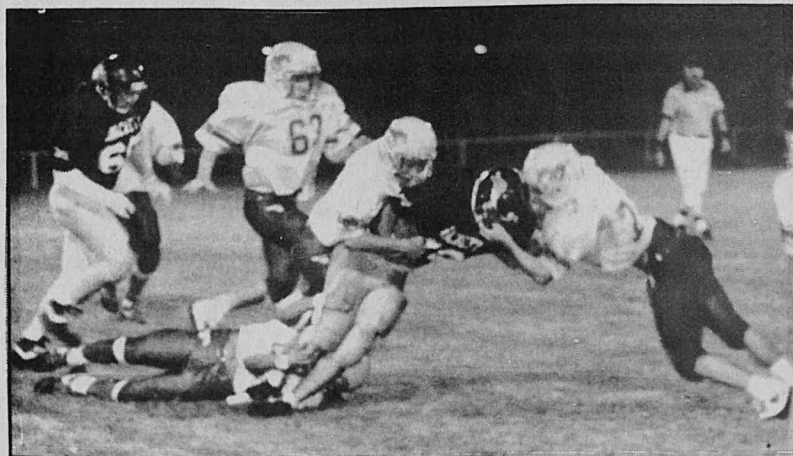
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5
School Made Burrito - Spanish Rice
Pinto Beans - Fruit

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6
Chili Cheese Dog - French Fries
Choice of Fruit

Red Ribbon Week At BISD



Go Get 'Em, Tigerettes!



Fishing Report



AMISTAD: Water clear, 70 degrees, normal level; black bass are good to 9 1/2 pounds on spinners early and worms later in the day; striper are scattered to 12 pounds on live bait and jigs with trailers; crappie are slow; white bass are good up the Pecos near the bridge on minnows; catfish are "jumping in the boat" to 5 pounds on cheese baits and stink baits in 10-50 feet of water.

BRAUNIG: Water clear, 80 degrees, normal level; black bass are fairly good but most are too small to keep on shad, shrimp, worms, catfish bait; striper are fairly slow to 6 pounds on Rattle Traps; channel catfish are fair to 1 1/2 pounds on shrimp, shad and chicken livers; blue catfish are fair to 5 pounds on chicken livers; yellow catfish are slow; redfish are good to 17 pounds on tilapia, perch, spoons, cranks and chicken livers.

CALAVERAS: Water clear, 85 degrees, normal level; black bass are fairly good to 6 pounds on topwaters, plastic worms and live bait; striper are slow trolling spoons; catfish are good in the 2 to 5-pound range on cut bait and liver; redfish are slowing down, a few to 12 pounds trolling Tony Accetta Spoons; corvina are fair to 10 pounds on Tony Accetta spoons.

CHOKO: Water clear, 76 degrees, 1.19 feet down; black bass are good to 10 pounds, 11 ounces on PopRs, topwaters and spinners in 2-8 feet of water around the grass beds, Rattle Traps, Slug-Gos and plastic worms are good in the middle of the day around the outer edge of the grass beds; striper are slow; crappie are fair to 4 pounds, the large fish was caught by Manuel Lozano on minnows in 75 feet of water; white bass are fair in number in the river above 99 bridge on Rattle Traps, minnows and Roadrunner; blue catfish are good to 51 pounds on trotlines with cut bait caught by Catfish Smit; good numbers of channel catfish limits caught on rod and reel with cheese bait.

COLETO CREEK: Water clear, 80 degrees, 1 foot low; black bass are good to 16 inches on Slug-Gos and Tiny Torpedoes; striper are slow; crappie are fair to 12 inches on minnows in 10 feet of water; catfish are fair to 1 1/2 pounds on worms and bloodbait.

CORPUS CHRISTI: Water clear, 79 degrees 3 feet low; black bass are slow to fair to 3 pounds on white willow leaf spinners in 3-5 feet of water; striper are slow; crappie are good in 10-12 feet of water around trees around mouth of coves and off state park piers on minnows and jigs; white bass are good early under the birds from midlake to the dam on L'il Georges and slabs; blue catfish are good to 17 pounds on trotlines set in 3 feet of water in KOA Cove on shad and soap; yellow catfish are good to 32 pounds on trotlines baited with Tender Chunk dog food. Fairly good numbers of ducks on the upper end of the lake; a few geese. Most geese arrive at the lake from mid to late November.

FALCON: Water clear, 76 degrees, 1 foot below normal level; black bass are picking up with several 7s caught early this week on worms, cranks and spinners; striper are fairly good in the river in the 4-6 pound range and at the state park on spoons; crappie are slow, some caught off the docks on minnows; catfish are fairly good to 4 pounds on shrimp mostly; white bass are plentiful, plenty of schooling in the river.

MEDINA: Water clear, 2 feet low; black bass are good to 4 pounds on PopRs early and Power Worms later in the day, the same pattern has hold for the last month; striper are slow; crappie are slow; white bass are fair on L'il Georges, chrome slabs but no limits caught; catfish are slow to 6 pounds on nightcrawlers.

TEXANA: Water fairly clear, 80 degrees, normal level; black bass are slow, a few under sized fish caught on worms; crappie are fair on minnows in the Navidad River; catfish are fair to 10 pounds on trotlines baited with perch.

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	Tyler Harrison	Texas A&M	71,448
	Chris Dausin	Texas A&M	71,292
	John Ellisor	Texas A&M	69,498
	Turk McDonald	Texas	63,882
Running Back	Trevor Cobb	Rice	79,742
	Greg Hill	Texas A&M	77,116
Tight End	Greg Schorp	Texas A&M	65,728
	Jason Burleson	Texas	63,596
Wide Receiver	Lloyd Hill	Texas Tech	59,722
	Brian Mitchell	Texas A&M	57,590
	Tony Harrison	Texas A&M	55,848
Placekicker	Terry Venetoulis	Texas A&M	95,914
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	Bo Robinson	Texas	69,446
	Lance Teichelman	Texas A&M	51,792
Linebacker	Jason Atkinson	Texas A&M	74,256
	Marcus Buckley	Texas A&M	69,316
	Anthony Curl	Texas	57,538
	Winfred Tubbs	Texas	46,722
Defensive Back	Patrick Bates	Texas A&M	72,852
	Lance Gunn	Texas	63,859
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Bountiful Harvest Puts Texas Winery In Step With California

FORT STOCKTON—Critics and nay-sayers have maintained that the Texas wine industry would never be able to compete with the wineries of California. Texas vineyards, it was said, could never produce enough high quality grapes to make production efficient and provide value to the consumer. The Texas climate was too harsh. But Texan perseverance and the latest technology have proved otherwise.

Ste. Genevieve Wines, the state's largest wine producer, announced this week a record harvest, yielding a "crush" of over one million gallons of wine. This year's production is Ste. Genevieve's largest ever, more than twice as much as in recent years. With over 1,000 acres under cultivation, Ste. Genevieve's per acre yield is now comparable to that of the California vineyards.

"I am excited that the 1992 wine grape harvest looks great statewide," said Rick Perry, State Commissioner of Agriculture. "This year's harvest should yield a significant increase above the 1.1 million gallons Texas wineries produced in 1991. This type of growth will bolster the state's economy and provide jobs for thousands of Texans," said Perry, "with this kind of growth, it won't be long before Texas wine is literally on everyone's lips."

Located just east of Fort Stockton, in Pecos County, the Ste. Genevieve vineyards are situated in what would seem to be the most unlikely spot in the state. Vast deserts surround the vineyards on all sides; towering red mesas provide the only breaks in the horizon.

This rugged land is part of the two million acre Permanent University Fund land grant. In 1876, a provision in the Texas Constitution called for a "university of the first class". Oil had been the primary source of income from these lands since its discovery in 1923. But in recent years, programs designed to achieve maximum productivity from the land have led to experiments in cultivation. The crop which seemed to offer the greatest potential for revenue was, surprisingly, wine grapes. By 1987, Ste. Genevieve Wines had leased 1,000 acres from the University system for what is now the Ste. Genevieve vineyard.

Pioneering viticulturists have made the desert bear fruit. "Experimentation with vine grafting, cultivation techniques, irrigation and fertigation has allowed us to amass a tremendous wealth of knowledge," says Joe Flynn, spokesman for Ste. Genevieve

Wines. Ste. Genevieve has enlisted the assistance of the University of Texas and Texas A&M University, as well as state agricultural agencies, to assist with research in the vineyards and development of new techniques. "We are continually upgrading our technology," says Flynn.

Technology at Ste. Genevieve refers in part to a sophisticated computer system unlike any in the world. The vineyards are monitored by a powerful central computer which maintains the correct moisture content and soil chemistry. Meticulously measured nutrients and minerals are introduced into the soil via the computer-controlled drip irrigation network. Conservation and planning is critical in the desert climate.

"Our systems are probably the soundest and most advanced in the world from an ecological point of view," says Flynn. Ste. Genevieve's irrigation methods produce no runoff into the water table. Moisture and nutrients are delivered directly to the roots so that virtually nothing is lost to evaporation. Techniques developed at Ste. Genevieve are now being implemented in many of the venerable vineyards of France.

The grape growers at Ste. Genevieve actually look upon the unforgiving west Texas climate as a blessing. "To some degree, we have control over the weather. The amount of moisture in the soil will directly affect the quality of the fruit, which in turn affects the quality of your wine," says Flynn. "We certainly aren't in danger of getting too much rain out here; half of what falls never makes it to the ground anyhow," says Flynn.

Advances in grafting techniques have also contributed to the bumper crop at Ste. Genevieve. Grafting allows different varieties of grapes to be grown on heartier native root stock. Established root stock can produce mature grapes in a much shorter time than planting, yielding full production in the second year rather than six to eight years for newly planted vines.

In 1988 a new method of grafting developed in California was introduced with some modification at Ste. Genevieve. The resulting increase in yield has allowed Ste. Genevieve to meet public demand for popular varieties such as Merlot, Chardonnay and Cabernet Sauvignon.

"Grafting at Ste. Genevieve is now almost complete," says Joe Flynn, "We began in '87, and our new techniques, along with the soil quality and the rapidly maturing

root stock have allowed us to produce excellent wines in a relatively short amount of time.

Sales figures at Ste. Genevieve have risen as quickly as production. "We've seen enthusiasm from the critics and excellent acceptance among consumers," says Flynn. Sales for the brand this year are expected to be over three times as much as last year. "Consumers recognize the value of our wines," continues Flynn, "We're doing what industry watchers said Texas could never do; producing excellent wine efficiently to offer value to the consumer."

"We've got the potential, the quality and the commitment," said Perry, "this surefire trio can take Texas to the top of the world-class wine competition."

Middle Rio Grande Recognized For Opportunities

The Middle Rio Grande Private Industry Council has been recognized by the Texas Association of Private Industry Councils for its efforts at providing employment opportunities to the citizens of the region. TAPIC represents an association of 24 PIC's at the state and federal level.

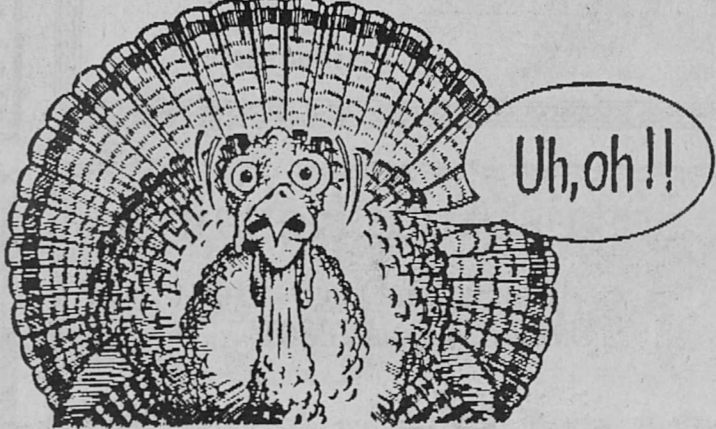
In its annual report, TAPIC applauded the Middle Rio Grande PIC and former PIC Chair Jose Luis Balderas for their tireless efforts at economic development. The statewide association noted that Middle Rio Grande Development Council and Balderas have long striven to allow Employment Generating Activities as an authorized activity of the JTPA program.

"EGA is a component of the JTPA program which previously allowed us to attract new industry to our community," commented Balderas. "With the absence of this component we must rely on the existing employment community to provide jobs to a growing workforce."

The Middle Rio Grande PIC is the policy making body for the federally funded JTPA Training and Employment Program. Middle Rio Grande Development Council is the administrative entity of the Job Training Partnership Act. MRGDC provides JTPA services to residents of Dimmit, Edwards, Kinney, LaSalle, Maverick, Real, Uvalde, Val Verde, and Zavala Counties.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19) Once more you see the wisdom of focusing on your goals, and you know that success can be yours. The question is, do you have to have instant gratification or can you wait till the weekend? Let your personality flow all weekend long.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You go from low to high this week. Because you radiate such high energy, you feel wonderful and are able to move in many new directions. Try finding something you really care about and embrace it.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Follow through on a fantasy. You can have it all, if you're willing to break through your own limitations and just let things happen. You crash through the work week — you have so much to do, and you do it quickly. Greet the weekend with open arms.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Knock out financial and emotional agreements as soon as you can. Be in contact with people who don't reflect your own views. It will help you to "stretch" and understand more. Plan on being around home this weekend.

LEO (July 23-August 22) Get to the bottom of a problem quickly this week. It could cost you some money or a couple of heartaches, but, if handled well, you and another could both be winners. Plan on a mini-vacation this weekend — the more exotic, the better.

VIRGO (August 23-September 22) Though you start the work week well, you may discover you are rather scattered by week's end. The good news is, how you get scattered and with whom may truly be a delight. Count on plenty of intimate talks, romantic dinners and warm moments this weekend.

LIBRA (September 23-October 22) Creative forces are high, and you make headway quickly. Touch base with a

loved one who means much to you for long lengthy talks. You need to meet this person halfway if you know what is good for you. By the weekend, another's wish is your command.

SCORPIO (October 23-November 21) What to do with a family or domestic matter may distract you from work this week. However, once resolved or accepted, you move into a highly creative period where you are full of ideas and ready to experience every vestige of life to the fullest.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22-December 21) You enjoy the swift pace and the happy moments as another makes it quite clear how they feel about you. You have many choices ahead, and you are just getting a glimmer of your options. Don't get bogged down by the thought of change.

CAPRICORN (December 22-January 19) Though you may be inclined to hold on tightly to funds, you come up with more ideas, errands and ways of spending the almighty buck this week. In some way you need to trim the red tape in your life without adding extra expenses. Spend a mellow weekend at home with loved one.

AQUARIUS (January 20-February 18) The planets add extra get up and go this week into your plate. You may also notice when you aren't busily answering a call or accepting an invitation that you are getting what it is you want. You learn the power of a positive presentation. Exercise this talent all weekend long.

PISCES (February 19-March 20) Your vitality may be down this week, but at the last minute, charisma, vitality and charm exude out of you, making this not only a banner work week but also a banner weekend. Do be careful about that Piscean trait of going overboard.

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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions—forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

- 1. Aeons ago
- 2. Bygone
- 3. Long ago
- 4. Primitive
- 5. Ages ago
- 6. History
- 7. Old days
- 8. Times of old
- 9. Antiquated
- 10. Immemorial
- 11. Past
- 12. Yesterday
- 13. Antiquity
- 14. Lang syne
- 15. Prehistoric

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| ACROSS | N.J. | history | oyster farm | 43 Spring flower | oxygen |
| 1 Low-cut shoe | 54 Went at an easy gait | 92 Tapestry wall hanging | 2 Russian river | 44 Flail bird | 84 Cosmetic item |
| 5 Playground highlight | 56 Kill a dragon | 94 Mosquito genus | 3 "The — Love" (song) | 45 Theater luminary | 87 Fragrant blossom |
| 10 "The Three Musketeers" author | 57 Indian | 96 Japanese vegetable | 4 Flower of various colors | 47 Resounds Helen | 89 Ornamental plants |
| 15 Hemingway, to some | 60 Old World sandpiper | 97 Musk or water follower | 5 Bad cover | 49 Sun, talk | 91 Flowering plant of the genus |
| 19 Sandarach tree | 62 President and general | 98 Flaw high in the air | 6 Come to know | 53 — Sample | 92 Flowering plant of the genus |
| 20 Persian fairy | 63 Showy water plant | 100 Fairway turns | 7 Spring flag | 55 Ceases | 93 Red and Coral |
| 21 Ground beetle | 65 Tourist shelter | 102 Wife of Paris | 8 Continued loud noise | 58 Picnic pasts | 95 Wild plum |
| 22 Arthurian lady | 67 Marsh birds | 103 Pub project- tile | 9 Ancient ascetic | 59 Removes apple seeds | 97 Israel's Golda |
| 23 Punjab princess | 69 Goals | 105 Bullwinkle, for one | 10 Trumpetlike spring flower | 61 TV's "— Landing" | 99 Most unfruitful |
| 24 Claude of filmdom | 70 Asian makers of silk fabrics | 106 Mine entrance | 11 Japanese apricot | 64 — segno (music direction) | 101 Landed property |
| 25 Wild | 71 He sang "Runaround Sue" | 107 South African irises | 12 Playwright Connelly | 66 Campers' gear | 102 Black Sea port |
| 26 Fork's prong | 72 Spring-flowering shrub | 111 Income after expenses | 13 Palm cockatoo | 68 Code or can follower | 104 French aunt |
| 27 Some roses | 75 Dutch painter | 112 Blue-tufted border plant | 14 Drawing rooms | 70 Every movie- extra's hope | 106 Author/critic James and family |
| 29 Prankish fairy | 76 Flowering vine | 116 Banker's concern | 15 Garden annals | 71 Painter Rivera | 107 Jack or doodle lead-in |
| 31 Harbingers of spring | 77 Borodum | 117 Beasts of burden | 16 Cuckoos | 72 Chests for sacred articles | 108 Poolside garb |
| 33 Bookbinder's sheepskin | 80 Charles Dutton sitcom | 121 Celestial bear | 17 Word before cone or tar | 73 "The Mark of —" | 109 James — Jones |
| 34 Baglike hair net | 81 Roman matron's long garment | 122 Hillside dugout | 18 Summer refreshers | 74 Nest-building fish | 110 Dagger |
| 36 Presently | 83 "The — of San Francisco" | 123 Stone pillar | 28 Tree trunk | 75 Turned about a fixed point | 112 Italian wine center |
| 37 Look! | 85 Canadian prov. | 124 Convenient carryalls | 30 Actress Shelley | 76 — one's way (travels) | 113 London trolley |
| 40 Kitchen appliance | 86 Steep, rugged rock | 125 Branchlike projecting parts | 32 Monk's hood | 77 First duke of Normandy | 114 TV's "Gomer Pyle, —" |
| 42 Board or back lead-in | 88 Semirural region | 126 Chinese wax | 34 Special point of view | 78 Bulge at rear of human skull | 115 Roman goddess |
| 46 Obliterate | 89 Rola for Gene Tierney | 128 Girl's name | 35 Dedicates | 79 Make amends | 118 City on the Danube |
| 47 Kentucky bluegrass | 90 Tin Pan Alley output | 129 Man's org. DOWN | 37 Style of jazz | 82 Prefix indicating | 120 Scale member |
| 48 Yields from pressure | 91 Muse of | 1 French | 38 One of the Muses | | |
| 50 Role for Gene Tierney | 92 Commanded | | 39 Wore | | |
| 51 Neighbor of | | | 40 Pretty and glowing, to a Scotsman | | |
| | | | 41 Ward off | | |

Happy Birthday



- Nov. 2 Georgie L. Thompson
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- Nov. 4 Carlotta DelaRosa
- Nov. 5 Pat Bartkowiak
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November

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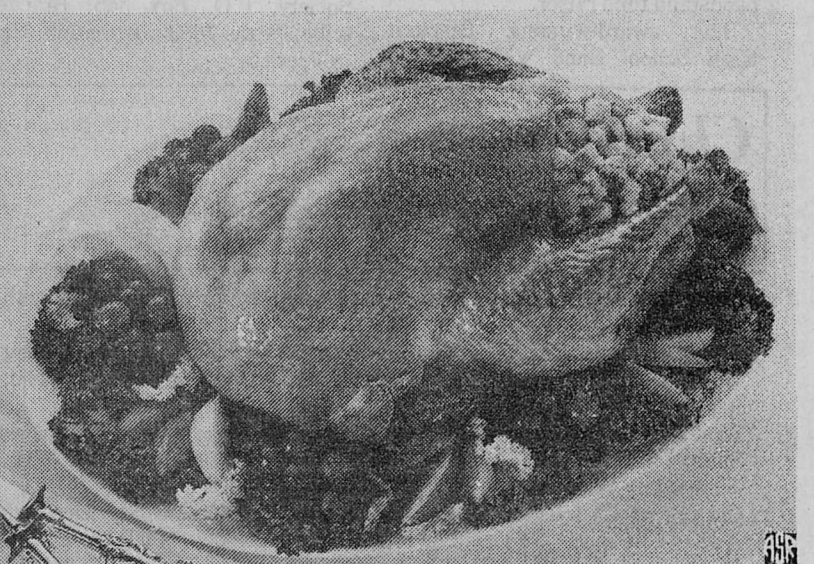
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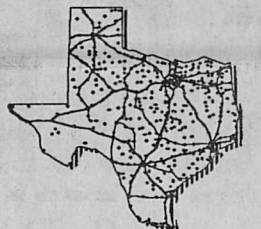
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Finland is located between Russia and Norway and Sweden. The country is less than one half the size of Texas.

Katie Yallomen of Finland recently spent one month in South Texas and says she is going to carry some "wild Texas stories" back home.

Here's a Finland challenge to our Youth. Every student must pass a comprehensive exam in physics, biology, and math, and must speak fluently three foreign languages in order to graduate from High School. Katie, the 18 year old student, speaks English, French, and German in addition to Finnish.

A person is not permitted to drive until that one reaches 18 years of age in that north European country. No one is permitted to drink alcoholic beverages until the age of 22 - very little alcoholism curses that nation. This fact alone

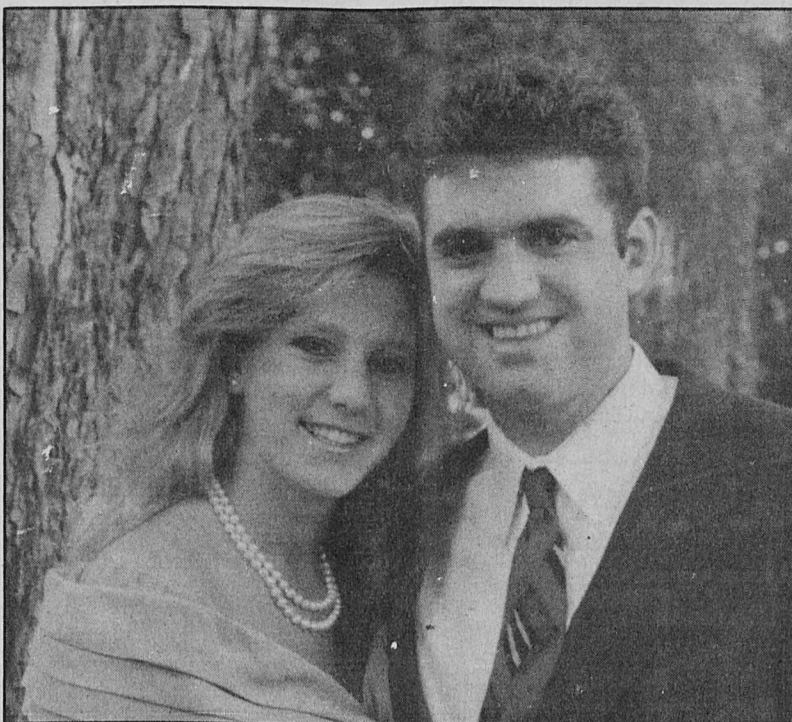
helps explain a great part of their industry and intelligence because alcohol destroys both potentials. Very little crime goes on in Finland.

Finland is an ancient country. Rauma, a small seacoast town, is now celebrating their 500th anniversary - founded the year that Columbus came to America!

The people in Finland have a deep-rooted faith in God. More than 90 percent of the people belong to the Lutheran Church which means they are "A People of the Book."

Courtesy and hard work are two more notable character traits of the healthy, handsome people of Finland. For instance, Katie Yallomen came to this country with a suitcase full of gifts for the host family. She carried a "big load" back to her parents and grandparents - strong family ties enrich the lives of the Finns.

Among the presents Katie has taken to her parents are flour tortillas, pinto beans, and picante sauce. Look out Finland! Mexican food is going to conquer you in the near future!



Fox-Winters Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Fox of Marble Falls, Texas, are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Tempe Marque Fox, to Mr. Thomas David Winters of Del Rio, Texas. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. David Winters of Del Rio, and the late Susan Seargeant.

The bride-elect is a 1992 graduate of Southwest Texas State University. The chosen groom is a 1991 graduate of Southwest Texas State University and is currently a member of the Chicago Mercantile Exchange in Chicago, Illinois.

Miss Fox is the granddaughter of Mrs. Alberta Fuchs and the late R. W. Fuchs of Cypress Mill, Mrs. Kathleen Barnett and the late C. A. Barnett of Marble Falls.

Mr. Winters is the grandson of T. W. Winters and the late Edna Earl Winters of Lampasas, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Seargeant of Brackettville, and Mrs. Jo Beth Fawcett of Del Rio.

The wedding date is set for January 30, 1993, at the First United Methodist Church of Marble Falls.

Community Christmas Project

Now is the time to start collecting items for the Community Christmas Project co-ordinated by the Brackettville Lions Club.

The organizational meeting of representatives from Kinney County clubs, fraternities, sororities, and churches was held and plans are well underway.

Not only are non-perishable food items - canned fruits, vegetables, cereals, staples - needed but so are

toys for children up to age 12. Cash donations are also needed.

All organizations, as well as individuals, are invited to participate in this project that will provide food baskets to approximately 86 families and toys to 125 children in Kinney County.

If you have not been contacted and wish to participate, or for more information, contact Chairman Herb Voracek at 563-9400.

Sea World Of Texas Salutes Veterans November 7

Sea World of Texas in San Antonio will salute the men and women who have served in the U.S. Armed Forces by offering discounted park admissions to veterans and American Legion members on Saturday, Nov. 7.

In recognition of Veterans Day, which actually falls on Nov. 11, Sea World will offer veterans, American Legion members and their families (up to six individuals) a savings of \$8.50 on the price of an adult one-day ticket to the park and \$5.50 on the price of a child's ticket. Sea World is open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. weekends this fall through November, plus the day after Thanksgiving, Nov. 27.

Guests can take advantage of the special one-day-only offer by presenting either a DD Form 214 or a valid American Legion membership card at Sea World's front gate Nov. 7. Discount coupons also are available at San Antonio area military ticket outlets. In addition, the veteran's discount is valid with Sea World's 1992 kids free program, which entitles a child age 3 to 11 to free park admission with each purchase of an adult one-day ticket (other restrictions apply).

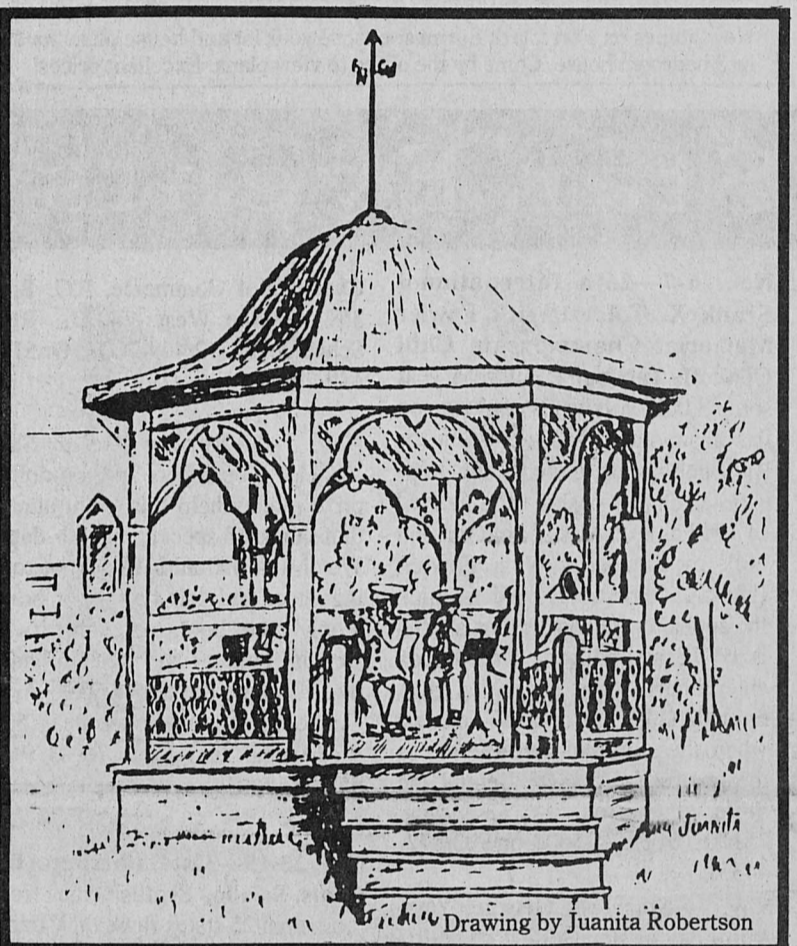
For more information on this special Veterans Day offer or other military discounts, call toll-free (800) 722-2762 or (512) 523-3600. General Sea World of Texas information is available at (512) 523-3611.

Trivia Test

by Linda Luckhurst

1. Fast Food: Who founded the McDonald's franchises?
2. History: Who was Secretary of Defense under President John Kennedy and President Lyndon Johnson?
3. Composers: Who composed the "Wedding March"?
4. Famous People: What was the real name of the "Elephant Man"?
5. Nicknames: What was Rudolf Wanderone, Jr.'s nickname?
6. Monopoly: What is the color most often landed on in the game of Monopoly?
7. Astronomy: How long does it take the moon to complete a trip around the earth?
8. Music: Who recorded the October, 1973 number one hit single, "Half-Breed"?

27 1/3 days; 8. Cher
 Rick; 5. Minnesota Fats; 6. Orange; 7.
 3. Felix Mendelssohn; 4. John Mer-
 1. Ray Kroc; 2. Robert McNamara.



Drawing by Juanita Robertson

Fort Clark Artist Depicts Bandstand Groundbreaking Scheduled For Saturday

A framed pen and ink drawing of a military band performing a concert on the old Fort Clark bandstand has been donated by artist Juanita Robertson to help raise funds to rebuild the historic old bandstand at Fort Clark.

Robertson, who is a member of Fort Clark Arts, is a self-taught artist whose works can be seen in the Suttler's Store behind the museum on the Fort grounds.

"The bandstand has always intrigued me and when I heard they were going to try and rebuild it, I wanted to do what I could to help out," Robertson said.

The public is invited to a groundbreaking ceremony at 4 p.m. November 7 in front of the Wainwright House at Fort Clark Springs which will officially kick off the bandstand fund raiser.

The award-winning Brackett High School Band will entertain

guests during the ceremony as will the "Voices of Fort Clark."

A highlight of the groundbreaking ceremony will be well-known Fort Clark thespian Harrell Floyd who will perform a dramatic reading about the bandstand, written by Mona Miller.

Believed to have originally been built in the late 1870s or early 1880s, the bandstand, located on the southeast end of the old Parade Ground - now the Par 3 Golf Course - was razed shortly before the fort closed in 1944. All that remains of the structure is the native rock foundation.

Persons wishing to contribute to the bandstand rebuilding project, which is being coordinated by the Fort Clark Historical Society, may make donations in care of "Bandstand," Fort Clark Historical Society, P.O. Box 345, Brackettville, Texas 78832, Attention: Nancy Frerich.

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 11:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M., Wednesday Worship 7:00 P.M. Gil Ash, Pastor, 563-2245.

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 Wed. 6:00 P.M. Sun. 9:00 A.M. Prayer Meeting (Spanish) Wed. 7:00 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.

Mark This Date On Your Calendar

Saturday, November 7, 1992



Friends of the Library invite all to the dedication of the reconstructed Mellifont Building to be known as the Fritter Room of the Kinney County Library

2:00 P.M.



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Fort Clark Dinner Theatre
 Tickets Now On Sale

Tickets for The Old Quarry Society For The Performing Arts' dinner theatre presentation of Bernard Slade's award-winning adult comedy, *Same Time, Next Year*, are now on sale by calling (210) 563-2195.

The adult stage comedy will be presented in the Cavalry Room upstairs at the Las Moras Inn Restaurant at Fort Clark November 21.

Starring in the play are local well-known actors Seth Kaplan and Kitten Daley. Kaplan has had major roles in numerous stage, television and film productions, including the hit movie *Fatal Attraction*, starring Michael Douglas and Glenn Close. Daley, an award-winning, multi-faceted actress is probably best remembered for her portrayal of *Ora Lee* in the bi-annual Old Quarry production of the historical drama *The Glory Road*.

Long-time Old Quarry member Betty Inman is serving as director for *Same Time, Next Year*, while Betty Schlatterer will act as stage manager.

Cost of the steak and shrimp dinner and play is \$13.50 per person and reservations are requested as seating is limited. Groups of 10 or more who purchase a table will be given priority seating.

The entertainment-filled evening begins with a cash bar at 6 p.m. with dinner being served at 7. The play, which is about an adulterous love affair taking place only once a year - and also a reflection of twenty-five years of American manners, morals and attitudes mirrored by the two characters, begins at 8 p.m.

The New York Times calls the award-winning comedy a "delicious and very moral kind of immoral play. It displays wit, compassion, a sense of humor and a feel for nostalgia." The New York Post said the long-running Broadway hit, "(It's) a bouncing and altogether lovable comedy ... genuinely funny and genuinely romantic ... honest and true and heartfelt."

Inman urged people who plan to attend the dinner theatre to "call now" and make reservations. "Because seating is limited."

Las Moras Masonic Lodge #444 Schedules Past Masters Dinner

All Master Masons and their Ladies are invited to a dinner honoring Past Masters on Saturday, November 7, 1992, 7:00 P.M. at Slaton Hall.

Please R.S.V.P. dinner reservations by calling either Junior Warden Tom Faulkenberry, 563-9323, or Secretary Bruce Clements, 563-2627.



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