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



Ted Thatcher and Edward Gates, Canadian neighbors who got acquainted at Fort Clark Springs.

Friends Are Where You Find Them

Since 1980 Mr. and Mrs. Ted Thatcher have been coming to Fort Clark during January to April.

During this same period of time, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Gates have been spending part of each winter at Zapata. They have property at Falcon Lake.

The two families are Winter Texans and are among the many, many who are welcome in our community. We like having them here, they enjoy our mild winters.

But, there is an unusual twist here. As customary, when the Gates started their annual spring trek "up north", they stopped over at Marble Falls, Texas. Mr. Gates, while in a store, overheard three men talking about the marvels of Fort Clark Springs. He listened, he joined their conversation, and decided to "swing by" the Fort...not really believing in the mecca he might find.

He came, he believed, after a few days of "living" in the RV Park, he and his wife bought a membership, and plan to return each year.

In the meantime, Mr. and Mrs. Thatcher were "at home" in Unit 22. Their son was visiting them and saw the "tags" on a vehicle from "back home." He followed them and made contact with the driver.

All that to say that the Thatchers and the Gates are both from Thunder Bay, Ontario, Canada. Ted and Edward had gone to the same school during the same period of time. With a couple of years difference in their ages, they had not known each other while growing up.

Mr. Thatcher is a retired city firefighter. Mr. Gates is retired from a major paper company that produced newsprint. They had not been acquainted in their professional lives.

Now, they're friends. And the friendship of these two Canadian families, with promises of being long-lasting, developed at Fort Clark Springs.

The Gates left over the week-end and the Thatchers will be leaving before the end of April.

Mr. Gates does not know the identity of the Fort Clark men he "ran into" at Marble Falls but is grateful they told him the "best kept secret...Fort Clark Springs."

The *Brackett News* would like to know who the Fort ambassadors were; and expresses appreciation to Members Services Manager Nancy

Frerich for putting us in touch with the Thatchers and the Gates.



K. C. Historical Commission

The Kinney County Historical Commission held its annual meeting at the Las Moras Restaurant on Thursday, April 1. Chairman Peter Pohl presided.

Certificates of appreciation were presented to those pictured above for their many years of service on the Commission; from left, Elsa Sauer, Charles Wilson, and Agnes Vondy. At right, Don Swanson was recognized for his contributions in getting the Fort Clark Historical District recognized and obtaining a marker for the section.



High school students Esmeralda Talamantez and David Seargeant, Jr. have been appointed to the Kinney County Historical Commission.

These appointments are a step toward interesting and involving the youth in the history of Kinney County.

Mr. And Miss BHS Floyd And Frerich

In a student body election last Friday afternoon, Lynn Floyd and Tanya Frerich were chosen Mr. and Miss Brackett High School, 1993.

Both students are seniors and have made plans for their future as positive as their years in high school have been.

Lynn plans to attend Sam Houston State University to major in Criminal Justice and minor in Drama.

He has participated in UIL 1-act play, literary activities, and sports throughout high school. He has earned numerous honors. His parents are Harrell and Janis Floyd.

Tanya plans to major in Kinesiology and minor in English at Angelo State University.

She has been involved in varsity basketball where she helped guide

the Tigerettes to back-to-back district championships and a bi-district title. She was named to the all-district teams in both volleyball and basketball more than once.

Tanya is the daughter of Freddie and Terry Frerich.

Other senior superlatives were voted on as well:

- Funniest: John Ingram, Myrna Gonzalez
- Friendliest: Lynn Floyd, Myrna Gonzalez
- Most Popular: Lynn Floyd, Myrna Gonzalez
- Most Handsome: Adrian Pena
- Most Beautiful: Wendy McDaniel
- Most Likely To Succeed: Charles Frerich, Wendy McDaniel



Mr. B's Bar-B-Que

Another new Kinney County business was recognized as the Kinney County Chamber of Commerce held ribbon cutting ceremonies Tuesday morning.

Guy Billings and Danny Billings, in white shirts, are the owners/operators.

Bar-B-Que, beef-chicken-sausage-ribs, is their specialty. Sandwiches are featured. "Plates" are served with the trimmings. Home-made pies are a specialty.

Friday night will be Fried Catfish night. The location is "on the hill" Highway 90 West. Take out orders are available. Call 563-9119.

Honored For 20 Years



Ruben Buantello

One of the most valuable assets any school district can have is its support staff. When you go onto the campus, or enter one of the buildings at BISD, it is very apparent that its custodial staff is outstanding.

Among these top notchers are Ruben Buantello who has served on that staff for twenty years. He began his tenure on April 1, 1973. He thought it was an April Fool's joke on April 1, 1993, when his co-workers paid him an evening visit...to present him an award.

No joke! A beautiful plaque, courtesy of the custodians at BISD, commending Mr. Buantello for his outstanding service was proudly presented by his peers and graciously accepted by Ruben.

It just makes a person feel good to witness the respect and camaraderie among this very special group of school professionals.

Congratulations, Ruben!



Pictured are EMS attendants, left to right, Randy Peterson EMT, Chris Sweet ECA, Tom Childers EMT, Paul Bindokas EMT, Marie Sofaly EMT, Steve Stafford EMT, and Joe

Morelli ECA. Additional attendants although not pictured are Debra Hay ECA, Jim Tyer driver, Candi Tyer ECA, Smiley Goodloe driver, and Rosemary Slubar EMT.

EMS Visits Community Council Bingo

On Friday, March 26, members of the Kinney County EMS went to the Community Council sponsored Bingo session at Fort Clark...not to play but to show their appreciation for the donations the Council has made to the EMS program.

EMS members proudly displayed equipment purchased with the donations. Two spinal-immobilization boards, with head

chairs, along with new blue uniform shirts.

The EMS members expressed their appreciation for the "Bingo" support along with the continuing support from the community. Donations provide for the purchase of equipment which enables the Kinney County EMS to continue the high standard of patient care they provide. "Keep the donations coming...THANKS!"

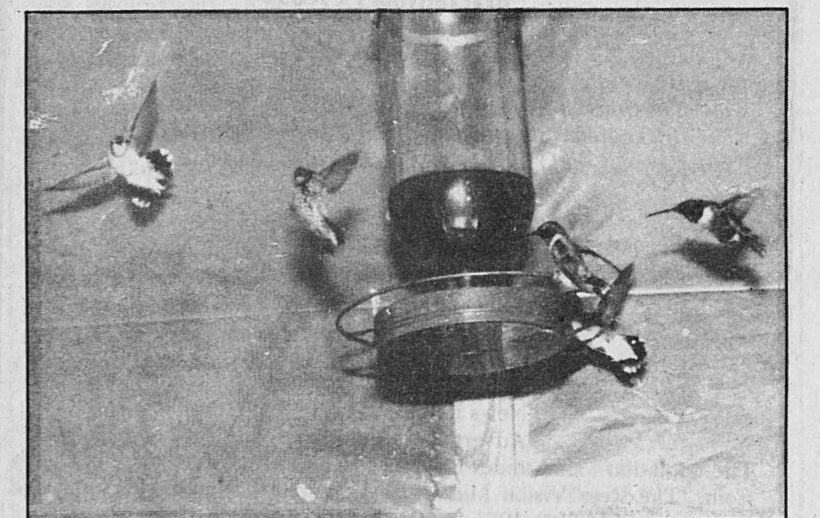


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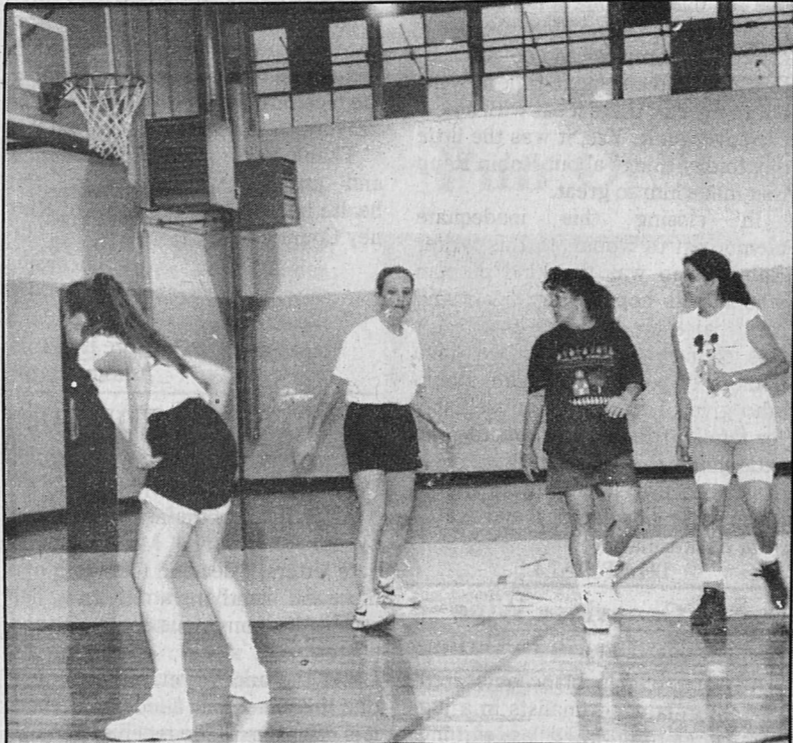
Perfect Beauty

Few creatures are more delightful to watch than a humming bird. If you don't have a nectar feeder, get one. Hours of pleasure can be yours by watching the little hummers that will flock to it.

Funeral Services Pending

At press time, funeral services were pending for Larry Cupps who died at his Fort Clark Springs home at approximately 3:00 p.m. Wednesday, April 7.

Humphreys Funeral Home is in charge of local arrangements.



Brackett Rotary Club BISD Staff Fund Raiser: Action was fast and accuracy was amazing as the Brackett Rotary challenged the BISD staff in basketball games Thursday night, April 1. Shown in top photo, in ready position is Rotary President Lashawn Wardlaw. In bottom photo, BHS Girls Basketball Coach Gregg Nowlin demonstrates "the right way." BHS Seniors actually won as all funds realized were designated for the Scholarship Fund.



Sheriff's Corner

By Sheriff Norman H. Hooten



This week's column is dedicated to the memory of 31 year old Sergeant First Class Robin V. Rapp of Ft. Bragg, North Carolina. Though Sgt. Rapp was not from this area and is not known to the people of Kinney County, he was a close friend and fellow team member of my son, SFC Norman G. Hooten, also of Ft. Bragg. Robin was also an admired and respected friend of this writer.

SFC Rapp died Saturday, April 3, 1993 of injuries suffered in a freak accident during an otherwise routine parachute jump near Ft. Bragg on

Friday, April 2, 1993. The accident is believed to have been caused by an unpredictable, freak gust of wind that occurred as he was coming in for a landing on a hard asphalt surface. Witnesses at the scene stated that Robin was using a new high performance parachute canopy and may have "over-steered" in an attempted left hand turn made to avoid being blown into electrical power lines by the freak gust of wind.

Robin, affectionately called "Hawg Belly", "Fat Back", "Squeaky", and other equally prestigious nicknames

by his close friends and team mates was a 12 year veteran of the U.S. Army, the past 7 years as a member of an ultra-elite combat team we will call the U.S. Army Special Forces, headquartered at Ft. Bragg. He was a highly trained elite specialist of various methods of group and individual covert warfare; of which training and specialties included his being the veteran of hundreds of parachute jumps, a certified "Jumpmaster", U.S. Army Ranger qualified, Para-Scuba certified, and a HALO (high altitude-low open) parachute instructor.

In addition, Sgt. Rapp was highly proficient with numerous small arms and weapons of hand to hand combat and was a very deadly expert in the use of the combat handgun. His untimely death, and in particular the manner in which he died after surviving numerous other situations considered far more dangerous than the one which caused his death, was a shock and terrible tragedy to his family and friends.

SFC Robin Rapp died as he lived - with courage and with the deep respect of his friends for his character and courage. He truly lived life with gusto and took life by the throat, demanding the best it had to offer, giving no quarter and certainly asking for none in return. Respectful testimony of his close friends and fellow team members describe Robin as "the kind of man you would want with you in a time of death, destruction, and personal danger. You never had to look back to see if Robin was behind you backing you up, you knew he was there and he would most often lead you in if the occasion arose."

SFC Robin Rapp was truly a man's man of honesty, courage, strength of character, and a very, very deadly ability. He was deeply admired and respected by this writer, his family and friends, and was equally respected and feared by his enemies.

Robin is survived by his mother, several brothers and sisters, and his wife Barbara, who is 4 months pregnant with their first child. We extend to the surviving family members, friends, and most especially to Barbara, our most sincere heartfelt sympathy and support during this time of terrible tragedy and personal loss.

Perhaps the best description of how Robin's friends felt about him and how he was viewed by others was put into words by my son; "Robin was a man who did his job, and did it well, he was above average in ability and performance and did some amazing things, but what I remember most about Robin is that he was the kind of friend who did the little things that, somehow, seem to matter the most. Little things like going upstairs to get some coffee and coming back down to the squad room with two cups, one for him and one for his friend. Little things like knowing I needed a car cover for my car and couldn't afford one and the next time I went out to my car, there it sat with a new car cover on it. Yes, it was the little day to day things about Robin Rapp that made him so great."

In closing this inadequate memorandum to Robin, to this writer Robin Rapp was the kind of man who instills hope in my heart and soul that there is still a chance for this country so long as we have dedicated young men like Robin who give of themselves unselfishly for family, friends, and country, the little things that still count!

Fare thee well, Robin old friend, Keep your powder dry and watch your backtrail!

THAT'S ALL!

Ste. Genevieve Wine Bests California In Dallas

A Texas chenin blanc outscored 23 California wine finalists in a jug wine competition in Dallas, earning the highest number of contest points and taking first in its class.

Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry said the white jug wine from Ste. Genevieve Wines in Fort Stockton scored an 83-point average, beating nationally recognized California labels such as Mondavi, Sebastiani, Blossom Hill and Glen Ellen.

The entry also came in first in the white and light red varietals category.

DPA Schedule Driving Tests License Renewal

An officer from the Texas Department of Public Safety will be at the County Courtroom, Kinney County Court House, each 1st and 3rd Thursday and each 5th Thursday, during the normal working hours of county offices.

The officer will be available to give driving tests, or to renew drivers licenses.



Between Us

By Joe Townsend



With every passing day we are able to see through the political rhetoric which caused people to vote for Bill Clinton and the true "Slick Willy", as dubbed by people in Arkansas years ago.

His vaunted "Health Care Program" engineered by his "two for one" co-president is set to cost tax payers billions. The Oregon plan, approved by his radical appointee in Washington opens the door to free medical care for millions at tax payer's expense. When fostered nation-wide the cost of the expanded give away will be astronomical.

His new wild hair idea from his wife to provide free inoculation for every child in America at government expense is preposterous. The scare stories, to claim the need, as many of his pronouncements will not bear scrutiny.

Now comes his pronouncement of a gift of nearly two billion dollars to Russia with no assurance it will solve problems there. His brash promise that he will "rally" the "west" to the side of Yeltzin sounds true to his inflated ego.

United Medical Centers

Mr. Sidney Spohnholtz, President Kinney County Memorial Committee, K. C. Clinic Brackettville, Texas

Dear Mr. Spohnholtz: Please allow us to express our sincerest appreciation to you and the entire Kinney County Memorial Committee Members for the computer system you recently acquired for the Clinic.

UMC has always felt proud of the facility we lease from you. Through the years, we have continuously seen the improvements which have been realized at this Clinic, and needless to say, we admire, respect, and applaud your efforts in helping the community with such endeavors.

Thank you for your cooperation and unselfish dedication to the health needs of the residents of Kinney County.

Sincerely,
/s/ Gene Mireless, Jr.
Board President
/s/ George Kypuros
Administrator

LETTER TO EDITOR

Dear Editor: After reading the articles written by our Sheriff and Mrs. Pena on hate letters, I decided to submit one more on another family that has received anonymous hate letters, posters, etc.

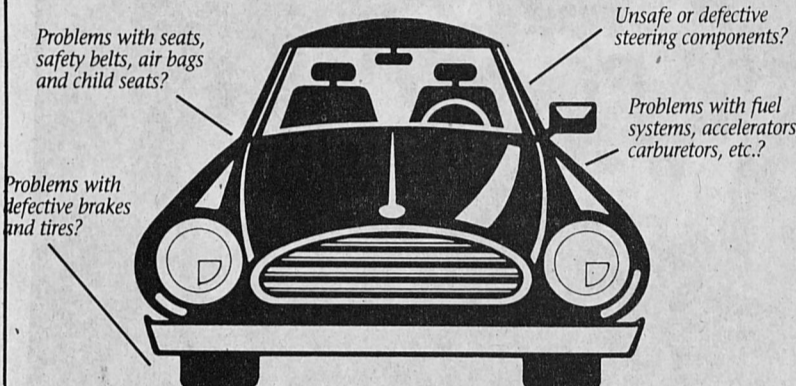
Let the anonymous people know that this is not only a federal offense, it is offensive to the receiver and our community as a whole. I thought the idea was to promote goodwill and sell our community to outsiders that want to live in a beautiful and harmonious atmosphere. This has become known to our neighboring towns and I am sure that the reputations of these anonymous people have hurt our community.

Picture the person that lives only to find ways to hurt or scare their fellowmen by hateful actions. These people are suspicious and fearful of rivalry. They wake up every morning and try to fulfill their day with something out of the funnies or drawn up to fit some kind of game or charade that they are playing. Picture that person as sad and as anonymous as his messages that are posted or sent through the mail. This person has become anonymous and can no longer claim any kind of individuality, and respectfully has none. This person is a menace.

The consensus is loud and clear, "Put a stop to harassing people and get a life!"

Karen E. Bizzell

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MEMBER 1993

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.

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All letters must be signed and include an address and phone number. Thank You!

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NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION ESPECIAL)

To the registered voters of the County of KINNEY, Texas:

En las elecciones especiales del Condado de Kinney, Texas:

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on 1st 19 May, for voting in a special election to Elect a U.S. Senator & Special Constitution Amendment Election.

Quisiera, por las presentes, que las casillas electorales abajo se abran desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el Mayo 19, 1993 para votar en la Elección Especial para electar el Senador del Estados Unidos.

LOCATIONS OF POLLING PLACES (LUGARES DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES)

Pct. 1-Slator Hall
Pct. 2-High School Auditorium
Pct. 3-Baptist Church Annex
Pct. 4-Civic Center
Early Voting-County Clerk's Office-Kinney County Courthouse

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at Kinney County Courthouse, Clerk's Office (casillas adicionales en persona se llevara a cabo de lunes a viernes) From 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon En la oficina de clerica en la casa 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. de corte durante 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 (locacion) DATES: April 12, 1993 through 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. April 27, 1993

If the county clerk is not the early voting clerk, the information in the block is required.

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Signature of County Judge (Firma del Jefe del Condado)

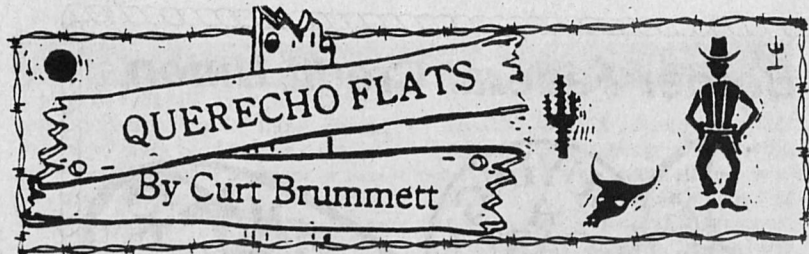
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A MIRACLE CURE FOR COWBOY DIAPER RASH

One time I traded for a saddle with a padded seat. I had ridden this saddle a time or two at a couple of ropings and I just had to have it. I liked it and started using it just about all the time instead of just for roping.

That was my first mistake. The second mistake was not giving the padded seat time to dry out after it had been rained on for about three weeks early one fall.

Now some of you may have guessed the type of ailment that I developed, but for those of you that have never been in a situation like that, I'll explain. I kinda got a little galled, all the way around from one knee to the other. And it didn't make any difference what I tried, I couldn't clear it up. I had been married about a year and the Little Woman couldn't figure out how to help me out. Of course, I didn't tell just everybody about my tender situation. About the time my little rash started clearing up, it would come another rain and I would start all over again. Some people think they get grouchy when they try to stop smoking. Bull. They ain't seen grouchy.

Well, the Little Woman and I had been invited to a party that was to have plenty of food, drink, and dancing. We both liked to dance and we figured on going. But the day of the party, things got worse. I mean **big time** worse. I had spent all day sorting steers and getting things straightened out in a couple of pastures that had gotten mixed. It had been hot and muggy all day and me riding a damp saddle and sweating like crazy, my lower area was on fire.

It was hurting so bad I would have cried if I had thought it would help. When I finally got to the house that evening, I was not only hurting, I wasn't in any mood to go dancing. I could hardly walk, much less dance.

Well, I finally got the Little Woman calmed down and told her if

she could find something to ease the pain, we would go out.

I will never ever make such a deal again, not even with the Pope. She wanted to go to that dance pretty bad, so bad she caused me to pull a one-man stampede and pert near drown myself, trying to undo what she had just had me to do to myself.

She went through the medicine cabinet, looking for anything that might come close to easing my pain. She found some kind of lotion that had Cali-something in it, and when she read the directions, it said to apply liberally to affected area.

This bottle of lotion was showing signs of being very old and we had no idea where or when we got it, not to mention why. She said it was good for insect bites and stings. Then there was a faded place, and the word "rash."

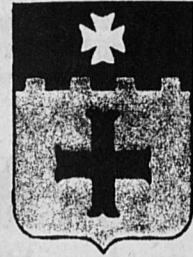
I told her I would try it. I went to the bathroom, took off my clothes, and applied liberally to the affected area. I guess I made a lot more noise than I normally do when I take a shower, 'cause when the Little Woman finally got the door open and came inside to see why I was cussin', the unfeeling old bat fell down on the floor laughing.

I guess I did look a little ridiculous, mainly because the affected area was on fire. I couldn't figure out why it wasn't smoking, it was so hot. And I'll tell you something else. It's tough to try and chew somebody out when you're standing on your head in a shower, with cold water running down your chest and into your face. I know 'cause I tried it.

After the fire got down to a slow smolder, I got up the nerve to get dressed, and by the time we got to the party, the Little Woman had just about quit laughing and the affected area was numb.

We never did figure out what that lotion was for, and we haven't seen it in any stores. But I got rid of that bottle and any time I get to feeling poorly or get hurt, I make sure I'm the only one that knows about it.

Troopers' Reunion

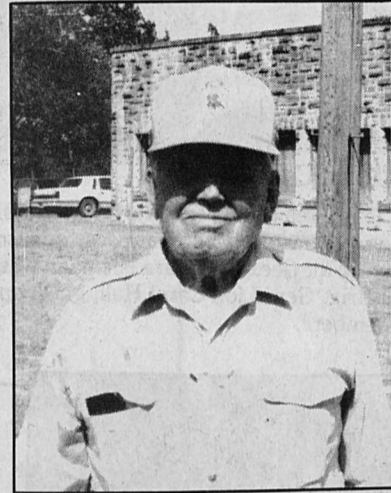


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SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

- Friday, April 23**
1:00 - 5:00 p.m. Open House At Old Commissary Building. Registration and refreshments.
Museum Open
5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Mexican Buffet Las Moras Inn
7:00 - 8:00 p.m. Happy Hour Cavalry Room
Entertainment-Trooper Ben Moody
8:00-11:00 p.m. Bingo Shafter Hall
- Saturday, April 24**
8:00 - 9:00 a.m. Late Registration Free coffee and rolls Commissary Building
Buffet Breakfast, Las Moras Inn or order from menu
9:00 - 12:00 a.m. Museum Open Sutlers Store open
Golf Scramble, Par-3 Course Fee included in registration Non-golfers tour Patton and Wainwright Homes
1:30 - 5:30 p.m. Bus for Uvalde departs Members Services Tour Museum, Opera House
2:00 - 5:00 p.m. Museum Open Sutlers Store open
6:00 - 8:00 Fish Fry, Golf Course or dine at Las Moras Inn from menu
8:00 p.m. Dance, Golf Course



12:00 - 1:00 Lunch, Cavalry Room Col. D. M. McMains, Speaker

Sunday, April 25
7:30 - 9:00 Buffet, or menu Las Moras Inn

8:30 - 9:00 a.m. Fiddlers Green Ceremony, Old Quarry

11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Sunday Buffet Las Moras Inn

All Weekend
Visit Alamo Village individually in own transportation. Admission free with pass obtained at registration. Otherwise pay at gate.

Play golf, visit Seminole Cemetery, go to Mexico

EDUCATORS VOTE TO OPPOSE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

Convention delegates representing the Association of Texas Professional Educators (ATPE) voted overwhelmingly Saturday, March 27, to oppose the three proposed constitutional amendments on school finance that will go before the voters on May 1.

"This vote sends a clear message to our state leadership that we will not accept a band-aid solution," said Cathy Fletcher, ATPE state president. "It is time to restructure our tax system and develop a long-term solution."

ATPE convention delegates also passed a resolution dedicating a state income tax for public education with the understanding that property taxes and sales taxes must be reduced in a proportional amount so that a per-pupil expenditure of funds will be at least equal to the national average expenditure.

"We have been laboring for 24 years with an identified inequitable public school funding system, and now the status quo bandwagon is overloaded with individuals who have chosen to do what is politically correct and not what is right," said Fletcher. "ATPE cannot stand by and allow our children to be taken on this ride that only leads to a dead end."

"We are not willing to accept a political solution," she added. "We are willing to accept a solution that is best for the children of Texas."

Meno also was the recipient of the ATPE Texas Liberty Award. It is the association's highest honor and is presented annually to an individual who has played a significant role in public education.

The convention delegates elected state officers for 1993-94. Beth Graham, a librarian in Hallsville ISD, was elected ATPE state president. Gayla Langley, a counselor in Monahans ISD, was elected ATPE vice president. Peggy DeRouen, an elementary teacher in Ricardo ISD, was elected secretary, and Joyce Weir, a reading teacher in Azle ISD, was elected ATPE treasurer. The new officers will assume their duties June 1.

With a 1992-93 record membership of 58,200 members, ATPE is the largest non-union educators' association in the United States. ATPE membership consists primarily of classroom teachers, but also includes administrators, paraprofessionals, retired educators, students and public members.

Around the Fort

Mike Bowlin PR Director

Art Club

Fort Clark Arts will hold an art show on Saturday, April 10, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Drop by, have a cup of coffee, eat some cookies, view the many new paintings by members.

Recreation Department

Saturday, April 10, **Spring Arts & Craft Show, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Commissary Building. No admission charge. Booths available at \$10.00 each. Call the Adult Center, 563-2024.**

Sunday, April 11, **Easter Egg Hunt, Activity Center, 2:00 p.m., Prizes and fun.**

April 10 & 11, Lifeguards will be on duty Easter Weekend. Duck Inn will be open for the weekend.

Thursday, April 15 - **Tax Night Blowout, 6:00 p.m., NCO Club. Beans and cornbread \$1.25; Ribs \$1.00. Music by Harrell and J.E. Don't let the IRS get you down - let's have some fun.**

Defensive Driving

April 26 & 27 (both sessions required), 6 to 10 p.m., Slater Hall, \$25.00. Call 563-2536 or 563-2846.

Bridge Anyone

By NORMA GOULD



The Fort Clark Springs Duplicate Bridge Club met Tuesday, March 30th with 7 tables playing the Mitchell Movement. Lamont and Marie McCandless won first place in the N/S direction with Rozetta Pingent and Norma Gould a close second. Vernon and Betty Ebert won third place.

Ann Hibler and Molly Schroeder won first place in the E/W direction. Dena Scott and Mona Miller won second place with Walt Geeze and Richard Mountain winning third place.

"Big Course"

The 18-hole course, in addition to being closed regularly on Monday, was also closed on Tuesday and Wednesday morning for upgrading/maintenance work on and around the greens. All golf members were notified in advance, and the management appreciates the positive attitude of members during the inconvenience.



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Chamber Chatter

Kinney County Chamber Of Commerce



Larry Sofaly, President

Chamber Featured Business
Jean's of Brackettville



Kinney County Chamber of Commerce President Larry Sofaly presented a membership plaque to long-time member Jean Seargeant, owner/manager of Jean's in Brackettville.

This business is historic in that for many years, Jean's parents owned and operated it as Nash's Dry Goods. The address is 103 Spring Street; the telephone 563-2527.

For exciting fashion wear for ladies, and a wide array of other merchandise, the store is well-known throughout the area.



As regular as spring arrives, Jean presents a fashion show for the Fort Clark Springs Ladies Luncheon. She and Mary Seaver are already selecting styles for this year's show scheduled for Wednesday, April 14, at the Las Moras Restaurant. Reservations are being taken at the Adult Center.

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Reviews Previews **Tiger Turf**



Making A Difference

By TAYLOR STEPHENSON, Curriculum Director

Easter Thoughts

Easter is a time for taking a few minutes to think about the very essence of life. Our lives are more influenced by the happenings of Easter than any other event in history. It's a time of lilies, wild flowers growing, unpredictable weather, families and above all a time to think about what our life is all about.

Recently, I attended a memorial service for a close friend in San Antonio. The thoughts that my friend Sarah had were worthy of being repeated again and again. Sarah believed life is about love and not about material possessions. She said if I have one regret in life it is that I wasn't able to tell more people about the love that I had for them. These words were written before her transition to a spiritual life. She knew that we would ponder every thought that she had. She chose to write a letter that emphasized a softening of our hearts toward our families and friends. Sarah was a good Christian, and I believe that Jesus Christ would have been pleased with her message. The message of a caterpillar transcending to another life as a butterfly was beautifully made. Her message is the message of Easter.

I believe that it all must start with families. Early on, we must not be afraid to tell those that are closest to us of our love for them. Those that are loved will be capable of loving. A value that schools and families need to think about more is the entire gamut of human relationships. In times of stress, families and friends can help all of us work through our problems. In the 1990's, we live in a stressful time. Money problems seem to be the most deeply seeded for our younger couples. There are many others. Well, the point is that this is not what is important in life.

Just to be able to call or tell someone that you love them can change the whole world for that person. That was Sarah's point, and it is mine this week. Easter is about love and a Son that was loved by His Father. Take the time to work this week on love in your own families. Once established, it will make a difference in you and in those that you love.

As you spend time with your families this week, try to reestablish a sense of family goals. Whether they be financial, spiritual or just getting away more, it is important that families work and plan together. So much difference can be made with children who are part of families. In the 90's, the family structure is some different—lots of single parent families. It's harder for those folks. The wear and tear of just surviving the economics makes it harder. When this happens (even where the full family complement is present), sometimes we forget that kindness, listening, belonging and love must be there first.

This week, with all of the beautiful new clothes, music and flowers, don't forget what the season is about. I believe that it is about love as it was expressed so perfectly by Jesus Christ's death on the cross and resurrection on Easter Sunday. Think about it! Live it! This week, I challenge all of us to make a difference with our love.



HAPPY EASTER



Easter Buffet

Sunday, April 11, 1993
11 A.M.-2 P.M.

- Roast Beef
- Smothered Pork Chops
- Chicken Breast Stuffed With Broccoli/Cheese
- Potatoes
- Vegetables
- Rolls
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- Dessert Bar
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If you like chocolate, eat it! That's the advice of Jeanne Martin, head of nutrition services at The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston. She says eating a chocolate bar can be a nice reward, especially for those who are counting calories.

"Savor it," she says. "Swish it around in your mouth while it slowly melts. Really take the time to taste it!"

Track Teams Finish Well At Nueces

The high school varsity track team had their best meet at the Panther Relays in Nueces Canyon. They scored a total of 58 points.

David Moore led the Tigers by placing first in the 400-meter dash with a time of 55:41. Jesse Terrazas finished second in the 200-meter while Mathew Rocha came in fourth.

The 400-meter relay team of Moore, Terrazas, Rocha and Frank Guajardo took second. Dale Smith placed fifth in the 100-hurdles while Chris Hale claimed third in the 100-meter dash and Guajardo fourth.

In the high school girls division Lolly Hernandez won the shot put competition and placed fifth in the discus. Zoila Herrera placed sixth in the shot while Letty Bela finished fifth in the 400-meter dash.

The Cub track team managed to score 70 big points with only three runners and a shot putter.

Ramon DeLeon took first in the 100, second in the 110 hurdles, first in the 200, third in the long jump and fourth in the shot put.

Moses Hernandez claimed first in the shot put, second in the discus, and fifth in the 100.

Beau Smallwood took fourth in the triple jump.

"We did well in both high school and junior high. We're beginning to come together for our April 17 district meet," Track Coach Jack Phillips stated. The district meet will be held in Uvalde.

UIL Literary Teams Compete At District High School Placed 3rd

Fourteen Brackett High School students qualified to advance to Regional competition after participating in District meets in Natalia on Tuesday and Saturday of last week. The team placed third overall. The Regionals are at Southwest Texas State University, San Marcos, on April 24.

On Tuesday, the writing events were held. Manuel Ramon placed fourth in Headline Writing, Lynn Floyd placed fourth in Newswriting and fifth in Editorial Writing. Wendy McDaniel placed third in Feature Writing, Lupe Rodriguez was fifth in Feature Writing, and Miro Martinez was fourth in Editorial Writing.

Sean Burks took third in Science. The team of Burks, Jason Ash, Charlie Hall, Bryan Gidge, Theresa Terrazas, Jessica Taylor, and Kim Ahrens placed second.

The Current Events team of Wil Shahan, Hall and Ramon earned third.

The Accounting team finished first. Individually, Mary Falcon, Raquel Franklin, and Amanda Davis finished second, third, and fourth respectively.

In the Speaking events, Wendy McDaniel took third in Persuasive, and Hall was sixth. Jason Ash placed fifth in Informative Speaking.

In Poetry Interpretation, Floyd finished fifth.

The Computer Science team of Gidge, Ramon, and Taylor placed third.

Mary Falcon and Miro Martinez competed in Typing.

Only Lytle and Lackland scored more points than Brackett.

Middle School Placed 3rd

Ready Writing

Melissa Thames, Alfred Rodriguez, and Lindy LaMascus took first in Ready Writing. Samantha Perez placed second.

Spelling

Melissa Thames took fifth in Spelling. Lindy LaMascus placed second.

Dictionary Skills

Michael Meyer placed second in Dictionary Skills. J. Wayne Ballew took third and Lindy LaMascus placed fifth (tie).

Oral Reading

Cheryl Vernor/Holland placed second in Oral Reading. Windy Goodloe took third place.

Listening Skills

Jessica York placed second in Listening Skills.

Life Science

Alfred Rodriguez took third place in Life Science. J. Wayne Ballew placed fifth.

Earth Science

Courtney Harrison placed second in Earth Science. Jason Antillon placed fourth (tie).

Number Sense

Aaron Taylor took first place in Number Sense. Jessica York placed fifth and Michael Meyer took third.

Calculator Applications

Melissa Thames and David Melancon placed fourth in Calculator Applications. Aaron Taylor placed sixth.

Maps, Graphs, And Charts

Michael Meyer took sixth place. Josh Fitzgerald placed third and Melissa Thames placed fourth.

Air Worthy

"Star Date," a daily radio program on astronomy and space exploration produced by the University of Texas at Austin's McDonald Observatory, is the nation's longest-running science production on the air.

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

Breakfast

MONDAY, APRIL 12
Chili Cheese Dog - French Fries
Fresh Fruit Salad

TUESDAY, APRIL 13
Baked Chicken
Whipped Potatoes/Gravy
Seasoned Peas - Roll

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14
Hamburger - Burger Salad
French Fries - Jello

THURSDAY, APRIL 15
School Made Burritos
Ranch Beans - Spanish Rice
Fruit

FRIDAY, APRIL 16
Grilled Ham & Cheese Sand.
Hearty Beef Veg. Soup. - Fruit

MONDAY, APRIL 12
Dry Cereal - Toast
Fruit

TUESDAY, APRIL 13
Scrambled Eggs - Toast
Fruit Juice

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14
Taqitos - Fruit

THURSDAY, APRIL 15
Tiger Toast - Fruit Juice

FRIDAY, APRIL 16
Sweet Rolls - Fruit Juice

County Agent News

By Allan McWilliams

4-H Is Something To Celebrate

As the 4-H program surpasses 80 years of existence in Texas, there are reasons to celebrate.

First, 4-H is the largest youth organization in America. There are 4.5 million 4-H members nationwide. As other youth organizations decline in membership, 4-H has continued to grow. There are over 450,000 members in Texas.

In the history of 4-H, 50,000,000 Americans have been members. This represents one out of every six people.

Secondly, 4-H is youth and adults working together. The 4-H volunteer leader concept is one of the strengths. For every one hour of professional employee's time spent in the 4-H program, there are 10 hours contributed by volunteers.

4-H emphasizes families and families working together. Families are the strength of our country and our way and 4-H works to strengthen our families through its activities.

The third reason to celebrate 4-H is it teaches leadership and citizenship. Members participate in projects to benefit the community and the international program extends 4-H pathways across our borders.

4-H's ultimate goal is youth leadership development.

The fifth reason to celebrate 4-H is that it has something for everyone. Through 4-H projects of beef to beekeeping, forestry to food and nutrition, safety to sewing, members experience "learning by doing." They can select projects and set their own goals. By the time projects are completed, youth have learned useful skills, the dignity of work, and the satisfaction of responsibility.

By comparing their accomplishments with others, 4-Hers develop higher standards of excellence and the self confidence to broaden their goals and interests.

Many times one of those 4-H projects will lead to a career.

4-H is a way of life. Through 4-H, the member gains an attitude and a sense of value—moral and practical, that will remain through life. 4-H then is a way of doing and thinking—a physical and mental way of making our "best better."

Kinney County 4-H Members Participate Around Texas:

Livestock showing is a major event in 4-H livestock project work. Although it is not necessarily a requirement that a member travel out of his county, most do and this county has a reputation for exhibiting quality show animals. This past season is no exception. Below is a short list of placing animals at the San Antonio, Houston and San Angelo Stock Shows. Also note that as well as the traditional market lambs this county has exhibited, we have also branched out into new project areas such as Angora goats and rabbits.

San Antonio Stock Show:

Laura L. Ballew - 14th Place Crossbred, J. Wayne Ballew - 13th Place Crossbred, Justin Coates - 3rd Crossbred & 5th Blacks, Richard Esser - 15th Place Crossbred, Jared Shahan - 6th Place Crossbred, and Wil Shahan - 5th Place Crossbred, Kim Ahrens - 7th and 9th Medium Wool and 17th Finewool.

Houston Stock Show:

Kimberly Ahrens - 4th Place Crossbred, Laura L. Ballew - 14th Place Crossbred, J. Wayne Ballew - 3rd Place Crossbred, Justin Coates - 8th Place Medium Wool, Lacey Esser - 22nd Place Crossbred, Walt Esser - 23rd Place Crossbred, Richard Esser - 11th Place Crossbred, Jared Shahan - 21st Place Crossbred, and Wil Shahan - 9th Place Finewool, Kim Ahrens - 4th Place Crossbred.

San Angelo Stock Show:

Jerritt Meeks - Grand Champion Meat Pen Rabbits, Kimberly Ahrens, Laura L. Ballew - 10th & 13th Place Finewool, J. Wayne Ballew - 12th Place Finewool, Justin Coates - 3rd Place Crossbred, Dusty Rose - 16th Finewool & 21st Crossbred, Misty Rose - 15th Crossbred & 20th Finewool, Jared Shahan - 8th Place Crossbred, and Wil Shahan - 7th Place Crossbred, Kim Ahrens - 5th Place Crossbred.



"We should have built it without him inside."

Brackettville City Council Candidates

Place 1



Larry Moore

I have been a business man in Brackettville for the past eight years. I have lived in the City of Brackettville for the past five years.

I am running for City Councilman, Place I, in the May 1st election.

I am interested in the future of Brackettville. At this time I am concerned with the garbage problem, the completion of our sewer plant, repair of streets, and the general overall operation of our city.

I want to make sure you, the taxpayer, gets the most for your tax dollars.

Your vote will be a vote for the welfare of your city.

Incumbent Chuck Hall is also a candidate for Position 1.

Incumbent Ralph Gonzalez is also a candidate for Position 3.

Place 3



Felix Gonzales

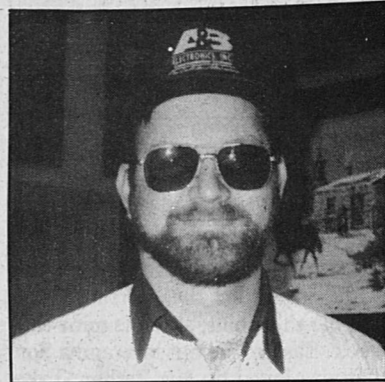
I am a candidate for Place 3 on the Brackettville City Council.

I was born in Brackettville and maintain a home within the city. I am retired after serving thirty years in the trucking industry in Southern and Northern California.

I spent eight years in the United Air Force and earned the following citations during the Korean conflict: AF Longevity Service Award Ribbon; Good Conduct Medal with 2 Bronze Loops; National Defense Service Medal; Korean Service Medal; United Nations Service Medal; and Korean Presidential Unit Citation.

I am involved in community activities which include Brackettville Lions Club, Brackettville Knights of Columbus, life member of the VFW Post #8360 Fort Clark Springs. I am also a member of the Department On Aging of Kinney County, and St. Mary Magdalene's Catholic Church.

Your vote on May 1, 1993, will be appreciated.



Chester K. Puda, Jr.

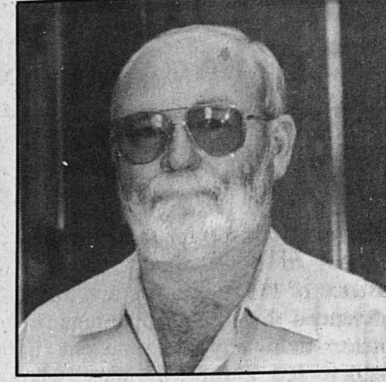
I am seeking Place 3 on the Brackettville City Council.

I grew up in Del Rio, went to high school there, and joined the Marine Corps. Shortly after my enlistment, I moved to Brackettville and have lived here for nine years.

I have not held public office before; however, I feel that one very important qualification is often overlooked when selecting people for public office. I feel that the foremost qualification is this, "Does the candidate desire to act in the best interest of the community?" I have this qualification.

I have served within the community for seven years. I joined the Brackettville Volunteer Fire Department in 1986, and have served as an elected officer in the department for the past five years. I also joined the Kinney County Volunteer EMS in 1988.

There is no personal or political gain from working with these organizations but a great satisfaction when serving the best interest of the community.



Woody Massingill

I am running for the City Council because I would like to see more cooperation between the city, county, and people of Fort Clark. With all these people working together, our city and county can become very prosperous.

The city is going to have to make some very important decisions this coming year that will affect all of us for many years to come. I would like to have a part in making those decisions.

I have been a resident in Brackettville for the past ten years, and am a property owner in the city and on the fort.

"Chet"

If elected to the city council, my main objective will be to do my part to insure that our city is operated in a smooth business-like manner, and that any and all decisions made will always have the community's best interest in mind.



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Amendment 1

Wording on the Ballot

The constitutional amendment allowing limited redistribution of ad valorem taxes for schools, authorizing the legislature or local districts to set a minimum tax rate in county education districts, and placing a cap on the ad valorem tax levied by county education districts.

Explanation

Texas public schools are funded through a combination of state and local revenues, and a small amount of federal dollars. At present, the local share of funding is roughly 54% of the total amount spent on public education. This local share comes from **ad valorem** (property) taxes levied by local school districts. The amount of money per student a school district is able to raise at a given tax rate depends on the district's property wealth, and property wealth varies significantly from district to district. Thus a wealthy district may raise the same amount of dollars per student at a much lower tax rate than the tax rate necessary in a property-poor district. The Texas Supreme Court has held, under the efficiency clause of Art. VII, Sec. 1, of the Texas Constitution, that if Texas chooses to rely heavily on the local property tax to fund its public schools, then all property must be taxed under a school finance system that provides similar revenue per student at substantially similar tax rates. The high court has set a June 1, 1993 deadline for the legislature

to adopt corrective measures. If the deadline is not met, school funds will be frozen.

Proposition 1 is designed to meet the court mandate by redistributing a portion of the tax dollars raised by the wealthiest school districts. The proposed amendment has three parts. First, it would authorize the legislature to redistribute among other school districts a portion of the property taxes raised by a school district. Second, the legislature would have the option to create county educational districts (CEDs) in one or more counties and to allow the CEDs to levy taxes. The legislature could set a minimum tax rate or could authorize the school districts and CEDs to set the rate, provided that the tax rate did not exceed \$1 per \$100 of valuation unless voters in the CED approved. Third, the total amount of redistributed property tax, whether statewide, within the CEDs, or a combination of the two, could not exceed 2.75 per cent of the combined state and local revenues for public schools, excluding any state revenues from an **ad valorem** tax (state property taxes are now prohibited), revenue for the provision of free textbooks, and the contributions to a retirement system.

Arguments For

- The amendment would allow limited redistribution of property taxes from the wealthiest districts to other school districts in Texas, but would limit such redistribution to 2.75% of the total state

and local dollars for education. Thus, passage of this amendment would enhance the level of educational funding in the property-poor districts, while not significantly impairing the ability of the property-rich districts to provide high quality public schools.

- By limiting the percentage of funds that could be redistributed in order to equalize funding to the schools, the amendment would protect local districts from unlimited state access to the local property tax base as the resource for meeting the obligation to provide an efficient public school system.

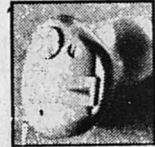
- This proposition would be a preferred solution to the difficult task of funding public schools equitably. Alternatives include massive consolidation of school districts and resulting loss of local control, or major restructuring of the state tax system, with additional and/or new state taxes possible.

- Passage of this amendment and its implementing legislation before the court deadline of June 1, 1993 would keep Texas schools in operation and allow orderly planning for the opening of the new school year in the fall. The cut-off of state funds for public schools would be disruptive to students and teachers and to local economies, and would create bad publicity for the state in national and international business communities.

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BISD Trustee Candidates

Jimmy Bader

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I have lived in the school district all of my life, and have seven years experience as a school trustee.

For three years I have been a director of the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB). I have taken the required training for school board members.

I want continued improvement of both operations and facilities at BISD. With the state's education funding plan still undecided and the state's legislature in utter confusion, our financial situation is uncertain.

Presently, we have a substantial fund balance that is increasingly threatened by our legislators to replace state aid to the district. Through carefully planned use of our monies, we can continue to make improvements necessary for a quality education for all our children.

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Brahman Sale Records Broken At Houston

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and grey Brahmans surpassed last year's high selling breed average by nearly \$800 a head, more than \$1300 a head over 1991 prices. The average price per head of the 20 lots was \$7,970, which was expected to top all breed sales at the Houston show.

Shows like the one in Houston attract large numbers of U.S. and international buyers, drawing the spotlight to Texas as the world's livestock marketplace. TDA marketing specialists provide assistance at the shows, working with breed associations and show personnel and initiating contracts between buyers and sellers.

Sellers aren't the only ones who benefit from these sales, according to Perry. Livestock shippers, as well as hotels, restaurants and other service providers all see an economic boost as a result of the sales.

Incumbent Jim McDaniel is also a candidate for one of the two positions.

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and playing, you may choose to sit and relax while listening to some live music or kick up your heels underneath the beautiful West Texas stars. Contact the Sonora Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 1172, Sonora, 76950. 915/387-2880.

Apr. 16-25—Fiesta San Antonio, San Antonio. Fiesta has been held for more than 100 years and is the city's biggest celebration, featuring more than 150 events. Commemorating the Battle of San Jacinto with more than nine days of festivals, carnivals, musical productions, elegant balls and several parades, this event is sure to leave you captivated. The "Night in Old San Antonio," in historic La Villita, features one of the nation's "largest block parties" with 15 different areas, each reflecting a part of the city's ethnic history. More than 100,000 music seekers will find polka bands, bluegrass hoe-downs, mariachis and country-western music while feasting on ethnic foods that span the globe. Contact the Fiesta San Antonio Commission, 122 Heiman, San Antonio, 78205. 210/227-5191.

Apr. 17-18—Wildflower Days Festival, Austin. Visit the National Wildflower Research Center for a breathtaking walk through wildflower meadows. A botanist will be available to answer questions concerning wildflowers and native plant gardening. National authors will be signing books and guest speakers will enlighten visitors on these fascinating wildflowers. Live music will entertain visitors and refreshments will be available. Contact the National Wildflower Research Center, 2600 F. M. 973 N., Austin, 78725. 512/929-3600.

Apr. 24-25—Historical Re-enactment, Fort Griffin. Watch the Texas Frontier come alive again at historic Fort Griffin State Park as authentic re-enactments of battles of the 1870's by uniformed calvary, infantry, and artillery units with cowboys and Indians, buffalo hunters and saloon keepers take place. Hold onto your horses and get ready for Wild West shoot-outs as you listen to music from this era. You won't want to miss the old-time demonstrations including horse maneuvers, weapon skills, cannon firing, flag raising and marching drills. Contact Fort Griffin State Park, Rt. 1 Box 125, Albany, 76430. 915/762-3592.

Apr. 30-May 2—West Texas Film Festival, Abilene. Watch *Giant*, James Dean's classic film, as Abilene pays a special Texas salute to an American movie great. Showings of other James Dean films will be held at the Paramount Theatre. Feast on barbecue and dance until you board the chartered bus leaving for Marfa, the town where *Giant* was filmed. Contact West Texas Film Festival, 505 Pine Street, Abilene, 79601. 915/676-0222.

These events are just a few of the many entertaining activities available across Texas. Dates are subject to change without notice. For a free 264-page Texas State Travel Guide, call 800/888-TEX. To speak with a professional travel counselor, call 800/452-9292. For information on these and other events call 512/462-9191.

Amendment 1

continued

Arguments Against

- Taxpayers in school districts with high property wealth per student would be involuntarily forced to send local tax revenues outside their districts, which the constitution currently prohibits. Local property taxes in these districts could rise as a result.
- This amendment would continue the state trend of depending more and more on the local property tax to fund public education in Texas, rather than drawing state education dollars from a statewide tax.
- In spite of the court threat to cut off state funding to Texas schools, the schools do not have to be permanently closed if this amendment does not pass. Rather, the legislature will have the opportunity to come up with an alternative plan during May.
- Sending additional money to the public schools, as this amendment would provide, does not always translate into an improved quality education.

Amendment 2

Wording on the Ballot

The constitutional amendment exempting a school district from the obligation to comply with unfunded state educational mandates.

Explanation

Because public education is the responsibility of state government, the Texas Legislature creates many of the rules and regulations by which the schools are run. Legislatively imposed obligations on school districts can place additional tax burdens on these districts when the legislature does not provide state revenues to cover the cost of implementing its mandates. School districts sometimes find it necessary to raise property taxes and/or cut existing school programs in order to meet new mandates.

This proposition would prohibit educational mandates enacted after December 31, 1993, unless the state fully funds the obligations. Exceptions to the requirement of full funding by the state would be state mandates imposed in compliance with the state constitution or federal law or where the legislature has enacted the mandate by a two-thirds vote of each house. The procedure for determining if an obligation is fully funded would be set by general law, but in the absence of such procedure, the state comptroller would make the determination.

Arguments For

- This proposal would result in fiscal accountability at the state level by prohibiting the legislature from placing educational obligations on local school districts after December 31, 1993, unless the legislature provides the state revenue to fund

these new mandates.

- This amendment would prevent legislators from passing mandates that greatly increase costs to local districts.

Arguments Against

- This proposal could increase the likelihood that all educational reforms would be challenged, bringing new stalemates into the system.
- The proposition would reduce the state's ability to set standards and improve the quality of public education

Amendment 3

Wording on the Ballot

The constitutional amendment authorizing the issuance of \$750 million in state general obligation or revenue bonds to assist school districts in partially financing facilities, authorizing the state to forgive payments of loans made to a school district for partially financing facilities, and repealing the authorization for \$750 million in state revenue bonds guaranteed by the permanent school fund.

Explanation

The state shares the costs of operating public schools in Texas with local school districts. Responsibility for providing school buildings and capital improvements, however, rests solely on local districts, although some state assistance is provided for debt service taxes levied by eligible districts. Property-poor school districts and those districts with rapidly expanding student populations can have difficulty providing adequate school facilities for their pupils. This lack of state assis-

tance for facilities is a major issue in the current lawsuit.

In 1989 voters approved a constitutional amendment that provides for using the Permanent School Fund and its income to guarantee revenue bonds issued by the state for the purpose of aiding school districts. Partly because of restrictions in federal tax law, no bonds have been issued under the 1989 authorization.

This proposition would amend the constitution to allow state issuance of general obligation or revenue bonds in an amount up to \$750 million for the purpose of making loans to or purchasing the school construction bonds of local school districts. The amendment would allow the state to forgive payment of part or all of a loan made to a school district to partially finance a school building, and the amendment would continue to allow the use of the Permanent School Fund and its income to guarantee bonds issued by school districts.

Arguments For

- School children in Texas would be given a better opportunity to attend school in decent facilities through passage of this amendment. The proposition would allow the state to help financially strapped or fast-growing school districts with their building needs.
- State participation in equalizing funding for construction of school facilities could help resolve the current lawsuit.

Arguments Against

- The limitation of \$750 million in assistance would not go far in addressing current unmet facilities needs and in providing for expected student growth over the foreseeable future.
- The proposal would add to the state's debt burden.

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Natasha's Stars

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Be more understanding of those around you. They want to please, but the full moon could create a problem or two.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Plunge into work and handle what no one else can. Your efficiency is tested. You gain your just desserts by the weekend when you have plenty of time to savor them.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Be more direct with a project that is close to your heart. Ideas flow left and right. Streamline red tape, so you have more time for fun. Don't worry about the loving admirers. They are all around you.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Be aware of your options this week. You must take care of you and yours first. Understand more of what it is you want, and then you can make it happen.

LEO (July 23-August 22) The pace may be hectic and there may be much to do, but trust one thing, you need to talk through a recent misunderstanding. Once this is cleared up, you are centered. Accomplishment is the name of the game, and you get to savor the trophies all weekend long.

VIRGO (August 23-September 22) Be more energetic when it comes to what really counts to you, and don't let another call the shots. Give yourself a pep talk and zero in on what you really want. Count on a cozy, snug weekend for two at home.

LIBRA (September 23-October 22) You are so full of vigor, you could overwhelm those around you. Be more aware of what makes your life work.

SCORPIO (October 23-November 21) Much of the week is spent reflecting and planning, or it should be. Don't move until you are absolutely sure as to what it is you want. You indulge yourself and another all weekend long.

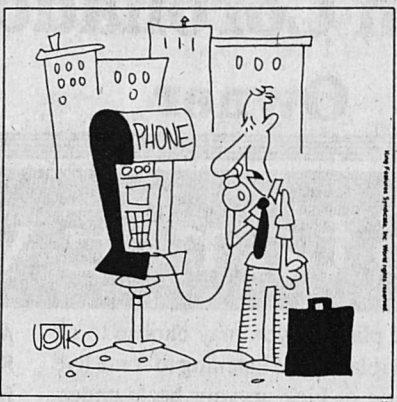
SAGITTARIUS (November 22-December 21) Count on a busy week, when you need to attend many meetings, be social and make the most of the encounters. You may need to question another's motives. When you decide to take action, it will be just in the nick of time.

CAPRICORN (December 22-January 19) Show off your stuff this week as you take care of responsibilities and handle what must be done with care. There are many reasons for celebration and fun, even before the weekend. So make the most of any excuse for a romp.

AQUARIUS (January 20-February 18) Check out what's going on behind the scenes at work. You come up with vital solutions and new understandings. Many could be in awe of what you are about to do. Others wish just to know you. In this spirit, you soar into the weekend.

PISCES (February 19-March 20) Close encounters of a practical, material nature, as well as a loftier, spiritual nature, are highlighted this week. Tune into your higher self as you come up with incredible ideas and loving wisdom. Know you are in prime shape to take the reins of power and desire.

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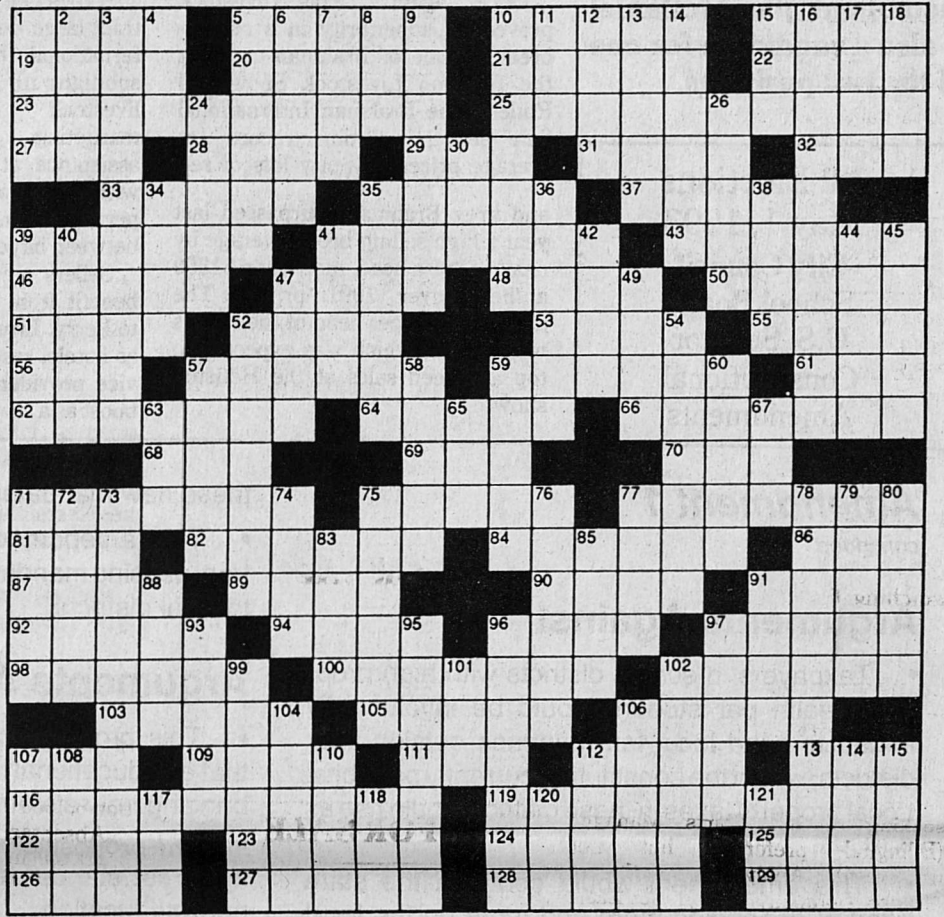
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Super Crossword

- ACROSS 1 River from the Vosges Mountains 5 Classic role for Shirley Temple 10 Rita Hayworth/Glenn Ford film noir 15 Three-handed card game 19 Ironwood 20 Dublin darling 21 Bay window 22 Seville assent 23 S.S. Van Dine sleuth 25 Title role for Jennifer Jones 27 Dry, as wine 28 Family members, often 29 Dill loaf 31 Ireland's Gaelic name 32 Small amount 33 Winter month in Madrid 35 Stone pillar 37 Absurd 39 Means of ascent 41 Making progress 43 Dover's are white 46 Hopper of Hollywood 47 Lugosi, of 'Dracula' fame 48 Son of Loki 50 Worship 51 Wings 52 Lancaster or Reynolds 53 Sink in mud 55 — and terminator 56 Rudyard Kipling classic 57 Bizet opera 59 Romantic setting for "Summer-time" 61 Drag something heavy 62 Controversial Hedy Lamarr film of 1933 64 Transfer design 66 Grant as a right 68 Tiny socialist? 69 Mountain pass 70 Indo-Chinese native 71 Role for Dorothy McGuire 75 Check the books 77 Moves unsteadily 81 Fictional dog hero 82 Warbles on the Jungfrau 84 Injure or harm 86 Extinct, flightless bird 87 Mine finds 89 Chignon's resting place 90 European wild garlic 91 Complacent 92 Eyes boldly 94 Latvian seaport 96 Destiny 97 House or room starter 98 Stable sounds 100 Greta Garbo's 1937 tear-jerker 102 West Point newcomers 103 Water wheel 105 Musical show 106 San Antonio tourist attraction 107 The grampus 109 Rubber trees 111 Saiza suddenly 112 Hard, thin cookie 113 Forca: Latin name 116 Role for Merle Oberon in 1945 119 Technicolor version of "Vanity Fair" 122 Chest sound 123 Saltpeter, in London 124 French school 125 Dies — 126 White-tailed eagles 127 "Don't — on me" (flag motto) 128 Widow's portion 129 Unit of force DOWN 1 Weakens gradually 2 Back or ear follower 3 Title role for Katharine Hepburn 4 Elec. unit 5 Talks foolishly, in London 6 One of the Muses 7 Charged atoms 8 One of the Seven Dwarfs 9 Disciplinary to act 10 Tapestry made in Paris 11 Wrath 12 Coins of 59 Across 13 Patron saint of France 14 King of the Visigoths 15 Compass reading 16 Oscar-winner for Ginger Rogers 72 Bulky 73 Title role for Raymond Massey 74 Jewish month 24 "Alda" or "Thais" 26 Perry's gal Friday 30 Strong longing 34 Nest of pheasants 35 Seasoned 36 Tooth surface 38 "— Shuffle" (1977 song) 39 Fountain drink 40 Purposive 41 Origin 42 Broad smile 44 Father of psycho-analysis 45 Suit material 47 Immerse 49 Rock musician Clapton 52 Fortified place 54 Branch of biology 57 Gift item 58 Hot wine beverage 59 Flavorless 60 Growing out 63 Letter after sigma 65 Bounder 67 Collapsible bed 71 Sing like Bing 72 Bulky 73 Title role for Raymond Massey 74 Jewish month 75 Vinegar formed from ale 76 Mexican dish 77 Falshood 78 Faubert's tragic heroine 79 Numbered highway 80 Wise old man 83 Heroic in scale 85 Speck of dust 88 Bulb plant 91 From — to stern 93 Gesture of indifference 95 Changed 96 Made a batch of 97 Social insults 99 Word before butler or partner 101 Herb evie 102 Golfer Gary 104 Odin, Thor, etc. 106 Part of the leg 107 Fairy tale monster 108 Bring up 110 Glut 112 Flat-bottomed boat 114 Formerly Persia 115 German admiral 117 Legal matter 118 Blue Eagle org. 120 Sphere or system starter 121 Secreted



Happy Birthday

- Apr. 8 Dave Blair Apr. 10 William J. Zwart Apr. 8 Lee R. McIntire, Jr. Apr. 11 Granville Griffin Apr. 8 Flora Thaxton Apr. 11 Amber Haag Apr. 8 Sammy L. Trollinger Apr. 12 Marion Wills Apr. 9 Maria Pena Apr. 13 Marjorie Clonce Apr. 10 Betty Logan Apr. 13 Eva Ashby Apr. 10 Lily Schwandner Apr. 14 Aurora Davalos Apr. 14 Jesus Ureste

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EMERGENCY ABSENTEE VOTING HOURS: After close of business on the seventh day preceding election, a voter's representative of a disabled voter who became disabled on or after the seventh day preceding the election 4/22/93 can obtain balloting materials from the absentee clerk under the provisions of Section 102.001 Election Code.

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Aviso De Votar Ausente Eleccion Especial Del Senate De Estados Unidos Mayo 1, 1993

En el dia 17 de Marzo hasta el 23 de Abril 1993 la Clerica de Votar Ausente esta permitida para mandar balotas pro pedido postal tan pronto cuando esten los balotas desponibiles.

Para votar en persona en la oficina Clerica del Condado de Kinney, Cuidad de Brackettville, Tejas suscitar el precintara el 12 de Abril, 1993 y terminara el 27 de Abril 1993 entre las horas de 8:00 a.m., hasta las 5:00 p.m. todas los dias durante los dias regulares de trabajo.

Para obtener una voleta tarde nada mas en caso de fallelamiento en la familia inmediata que ocurrio en o despues del dia 28 de Abril 1993 podra votar de bajo la Seccion 103.003 (b), Election Code.

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Notice is hereby given of the intention to introduce a bill in the 73rd Texas Legislature to create a special purpose underground water authority which shall include in its boundaries all or parts of Kinney, Uvalde, Medina, Bexar, Atascosa, Guadalupe, Comal, and Hays Counties.

The authority shall be authorized to protect water quality and to manage and regulate withdrawal of groundwater from the Edwards-Balcones Fault Zone Aquifer.

The authority will be empowered to issue permits for the withdrawal of such groundwater for any beneficial use and will promote water conservation and drought management.



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Reports From Senate District 21

By Judith Zaffirini
State Senator, District 21

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If ratified, NAFTA would create a free trade market of more than 360 million people and \$6 trillion in trade per year. Texas, which currently exports more than \$15 billion in goods to Mexico, could see the value of its trade with Mexico increase 74 percent by the year 2000.

The 1,250-mile Texas-Mexico border region is rich with opportunities for economic development. Along our border, residents who speak English and Spanish and who can function effectively within the cultures of our sister countries will benefit most from international opportunities.

Bilingual, bicultural, biliterate persons are culturally advantaged and have productive skills which are beneficial in more arenas. Learning languages fosters understanding of related cultures, facilitating international friendship, harmony and peace.

To address these goals, the Senate recently passed SB 487 by Zaffirini which will be sponsored in the House of Representatives by Rep. Henry Cuellar, D-Laredo.

Programs authorized include cultural exchange programs bet-

ween Texas and prospective and current trade partners, research projects and lecture series by Texas scholars in other countries and by foreign scholars in Texas, summer programs for teachers and high school students seeking to improve their language and teaching skills, and intensive language instruction for professionals.

Our legislation also requires the Academy to establish a task force to develop long-range goals designed to enhance foreign language and international studies.

"The Academy will serve as an important catalyst to help promote the educational infrastructure as the foundation for achieving the kind of internationally-linked economy for which the state is striving."

Aging Services Menu

- MONDAY, APRIL 12
Sandwiches - Soup
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TUESDAY, APRIL 13
Veal Parmesan Patties
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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14
Meat Loaf - Blackeye Peas
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Hot Rolls - Applesauce
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FRIDAY, APRIL 16
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Meditations

The following story -- with a few revisions -- came from syndicated columnist Billy Rose a few years ago. You'll like it, I think.

Several years ago a father and his son farmed a small piece of land. They loaded their ox cart with vegetables several times each year and would drive into a city to sell the farm products.

The father enjoyed life. The son was a "go getter" who didn't like to go slow. One morning they loaded the cart and set out on the journey. The son knew that if they kept going all day and night they could be at the market early the following morning. He walked beside the cart and kept prodding the ox with a stick.

"Take it easy" said the old man, "You'll last longer this way."

The son answered, "If we get to the market ahead of the others, we'll have a better chance of getting better prices."

The old man pulled his hat down over his eyes and went to sleep on the seat of the creaking cart. Four miles and four hours down the dusty road they came to a little house.

"Here's your uncle's place, son," the father gleefully barked out. "Let's stop and say hello to my brother."

"I've already wasted an hour," complained the son.

"Then a few minutes more won't matter. My brother and I live so close and we see each other so seldom."

The son fidgeted while the two men gossiped away an hour.

As they began their trip again, the father took his turn driving the ox. By and by they came to a place where the road divided and the old man directed the ox to the right.

"The left way is shorter," snapped the son.

"I know it, but this way is prettier," the father answered.

"Prettier?" gasped the son.

"Don't you have any respect for time?"

"I respect it very much," the dad replied. "That's why I like to see it looking at pretty things."

The right hand road passed through woodlands and wild flowers. The father drank in all the sights. The son became so busy fretting as the sun went down that he didn't even see how beautiful it was.

Twilight found them in big gardens. "Let's sleep here," said the father.

"This is the last trip I plan to take with you," snapped the son. "You are more interested in looking at flowers than in making money!"

The father quietly answered, "That's the nicest thing you've said to me in a long time, son."

Night was upon them and they both went to sleep. A little before sunrise the young man shook his father and they both walked along by the creaking ox cart.

An hour later they came by a farmer who was trying to get his cart out of a ditch. "Let's give him a hand," the father suggested.

"What! We'll lose more time!" exploded the son.

"Relax," said the father. "You might be in a ditch yourself sometimes." By the time they got back on the road it was 8:00 o'clock in the morning.

Suddenly a great flash of lightning split the sky in the distance. Thunder roared across the way. The heavens grew dark. "Looks like there's rain in the city," the old man said.

"Yeah, if we had been on time, we would have been sold out by now," grumbled the son.

"Take it easy," said the gentleman, "You'll last longer."

Late in the evening they got to the top of the hill overlooking the city. The two looked down at it for a long time. Neither of them spoke.

Finally the young man who had been in such a hurry said, "I see what you mean, father. I see what you are talking about."

Slowly they turned their cart around and drove away from what had once been the city of Hiroshima.



Glaze - Frerich

Engagement Announced

Mrs. Grace Glaze of El Campo, Texas, announced the engagement of her daughter, Staci, to Toby Frerich, son of Tony and Nancy Frerich of Brackettville.

A formal wedding ceremony will take place on June 12 in El Campo at the First United Methodist Church.

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Easter Sunrise Service
 The Annual Easter Sunrise Service will be Easter Sunday Morning at the Amphitheater at Fort Clark. This is a joint effort by the Ministerial Alliance and the Voices of Fort Clark.
 The Voices will sing. The message will be by Father David Zumaya. Participating ministers are Gil Ash, First Baptist Church, Bill Koons, Episcopal Church, Gordon Miller, Methodist Church, and Joe Townsend, Frontier Baptist Church.
 Services will begin at 7:00. This is a community effort and is always an outstanding Christian experience. With all churches participating it is an opportunity for fellowship in worship reminding us of that morning nearly 2000 years ago when the cry spread across the city and reached up to Heaven... "He is risen."

News from ... *The Pastor's Pen* GIL ASH
First Baptist Church

As Easter Sunday draws near your thoughts will undoubtedly turn to the crucifixion, death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus. There certainly will be some somber thoughts, but there also can be some glorious rejoicing in knowing that it was all done for our benefit. God loved us so much He gave His only begotten Son to die in our place. Jesus, God's son, loved us so much that He made the ultimate sacrifice of His life for us.

The empty cross and the empty tomb speak volumes to those who have believed on the risen Savior who is full of mercy and com-

passion. Those who do not believe, I weep for. Sadly, many do not understand and believe. They think that the Bible and its preaching is foolishness. Nevertheless, it makes no difference for the resurrection is still a fact which is not dependent upon their belief for it to be so.

If you believe that the empty tomb is proof of a "Risen Savior" and Christianity, then you perhaps will agree that an empty church denies Him and Christianity. If you haven't already, make plans now to be in church with others this Sunday and prove Him to be the "risen Savior."

Frontier Baptist Church
 By Joe Townsend

The church in addition to the early fellowship and the worship service, observed The Lord's Supper. This is done in accordance with the Bible. It is a symbolic ritual causing each communicant to remember that Christ gave his body on the cross and shed His blood in payment of our sin debt.

It also reminds us He is coming back again.

Following the Lord's Supper the church enjoyed the regular monthly fellowship dinner.

The pastor chose for the morning message "Where do we find Christ?" The message was based on Cleopas and his companion on the road to Emmaus the day after the resurrection of Jesus. As Jesus joined the men who were discouraged by the death of Jesus and amazed at the report he had risen, He taught them about why Jesus had died.

At their insistence Jesus stopped to eat with them near the close of the day. When Jesus took bread and broke it they realized it was Jesus.

Jesus then vanished out of their sight. They arose immediately and returned to Jerusalem with others of Jesus' followers to declare what had happened.

Suddenly Jesus was in their midst. They found Jesus on a well traveled road in normal activity. Jesus is to be found wherever He is sought.

The easiest and best place to find Him is in the Bible. This infallible Word of God tells all about Him, his life, his death and his teaching. He is to be found standing at one's heart's

door awaiting an invitation to come in and have the closest fellowship.

Jesus is not to be found in any apparition, on a wall, a tree, the sky, or any physical or material manifestation. To claim to see Jesus through any such phenomenon is to degrade Him. He is real and certainly not subject to revealing himself in some mystical apparition.

A true faith in Jesus recognizes Him as the omnipresent Son of God. To "find" Christ you simply put your faith in Him as Redeemer and Savior. You then count on Him as your "eternal advocate" with the Father. After all He said "I will be with you until the end of the Age."

Where do we find Christ? Just open your heart and let Him come in. He'll be there for all time and eternity.

THANK YOU

A heartfelt thanks to all of God's children who helped in our time of sorrow and loss of our beloved father. Thanks for all the food and flowers sent.

A special thanks to Dr. Lindsey, Barbara, and Cheryl who gave the extra mile, and all the staff at the Val Verde Hospital.

Thanks to the priest and deacon. Thanks to Frank Garza and his crew who prepared the grave.

The Natividad Terrazas Family

Have a Good Day
 Janice

Nina Batson Hostess For Beta Sigma Phi

On Monday evening, April 5, members of Theta Sigma met in the home of Nina Batson. Marty Isenberg, vice president presided over the meeting in the absence of president Shirley Hadsell. A warm welcome was extended to Jan Chism, the chapter's newest pledge.

Pat McKelvy announced social events scheduled for April: Theater and dinner trips to Del Rio and Uvalde, Ladies Luncheon at Las Moras Inn and the Pledge Ritual and Ritual of Jewel ceremony will be conducted. Plans for the Founders Day celebration to be held in May were discussed.

During the business meeting, the chapter chose the West-Texas Rehabilitation Center in Abilene, Texas, as the recipient of the 1993-94 States Service project. The center's purpose is to provide multiple outpatient rehab service without regard to age, race, creed, financial circumstances or place of residence. It is a private non-profit corporation funded primarily by donations.

Officers were elected for the 1993-94 year and will be installed in May.

An outstanding program was presented by Pat Parks as she continued the study of First Ladies. The beginning paragraph of Pat's program told so much. "Eleanor Roosevelt, the wife of Franklin Delano Roosevelt, was born Oct. 11, 1884. If she were alive today she would be 108 years young, I say young because as she grew older she grew more alive with vitality and a stern resolve to improve the lives of all whom she could reach. She became an international figure and was regarded with great respect. She left her footprints in the sand of time."

Following the program refreshments of pineapple cake and punch were served from a beautiful Easter theme decorated table.

BETA SIGMA PHI PARTICIPATES IN GREAT TEXAS TRASH OFF

Of the 28,640 Adopt-A-Highway volunteers in the "Great Texas Trash Off," approximately 25 were from Brackettville's three Beta Sigma Phi sororities.

A few miles east of Brackettville there is a highway sign proclaiming Beta Sigma Phi Adopt-A-Highway. When scheduled, rain, cold nor heat keeps these sorority sisters and their husbands from cleaning this adopted two-mile stretch and April 3rd was no exception. Saturday was the fifth time for this group of volunteers, and the first year of a two years contract with the Texas Highway Department was completed.

The members are proud to be a part of this project and take it seriously. The motto is "If you don't clean you cook - If you don't cook you clean." - Then, we all eat!

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