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



### Corporate Recycling

Teresa Sweeten of Rocksprings and president of Middle Rio Grande Development Council Board of

Directors, joined Ben Walker, Recycling Coordinator of the Texas General Land office, and Erica Leos,

MRGDC, at Las Moras Inn Thursday night to discuss organizing a Recycling Council for the nine county region served by MRGDC.

Four hundred fifty invitations had been mailed. Nineteen people attended, five from Kinney County. Points stressed were: the Texas Corporate Recycling Council is not a government agency; a council would draft its own bylaws and operating plan; economic benefits could be derived through local manufacturing and assistance is available to find a product market for post waste.

A second meeting has been scheduled for July 29 in Brackettville. Mark your calendar now and plan to attend.



### Another Graduate

Weston Mitchell Faulkenberry graduated from the Coker United Methodist Church Kindergarten, San Antonio, on Friday, May 28.

He is a frequent visitor to Kinney County where he enjoys fishing, swimming and golf.

His grandfather, Tom Faulkenberry, attended the graduation ceremonies.

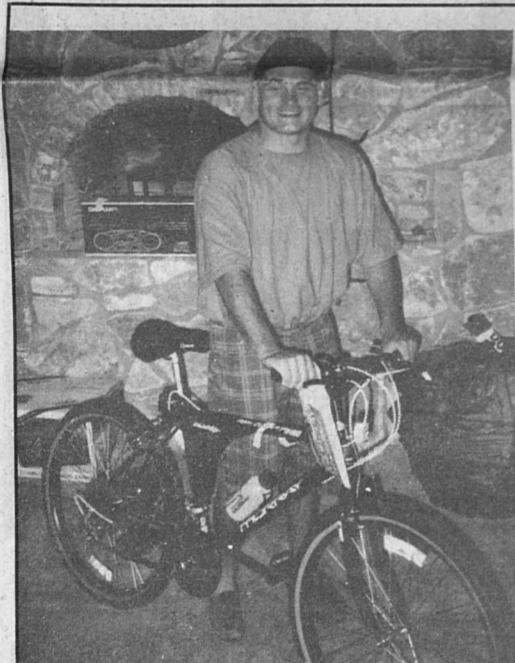


### Memorial Day Observed By VFW Post #8360 And Auxiliary

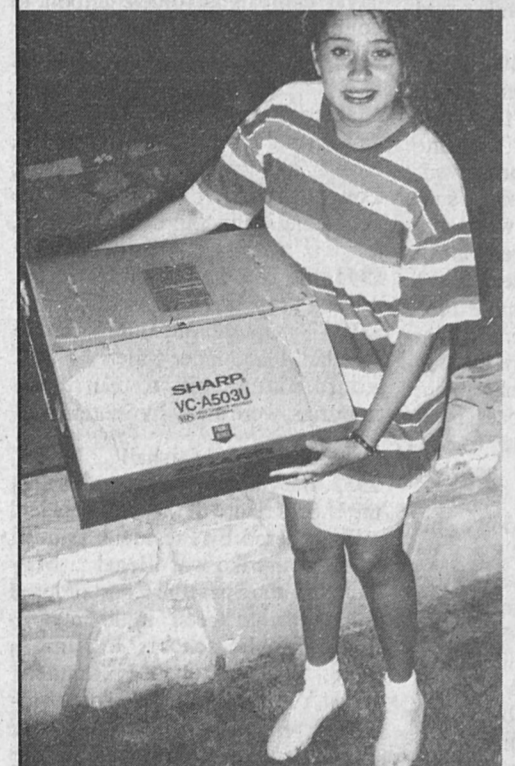
Monday morning, May 31, 1993, members of Fort Clark Springs VFW Post and Auxiliary #8360 met at the Veterans Cemetery for a flag raising in memory of veterans of all wars. They were joined by family members and friends of deceased veterans.

Monday night, May 24, 1993 officers of Fort Clark Springs VFW Post #8360 were installed for the 1993-1994 year. At right, VFW District Quartermaster Don Albert of Del Rio (left) was installing marshal as Senior Vice Commander Gene Warden of Del Rio (left) installed Post #8360 Commander Lee Cremer.

Auxiliary #8360 officers were installed in a joint ceremony with the Post. Rita Holmes, (center) is the new president. District 11 Auxiliary Betty Warden of Del Rio, (left) was installing officer. She was assisted by Aileen Albert of Del Rio, Post District 11 president.



### Project Graduation 1993



Project graduation grand prize winners were Lynn Floyd (top left); Julie Lopez Garcia (middle left); Adrian Pena (lower left); Sonya Ramos (top right), and Charles Frerich (lower right).



### Summer Chores

City of Brackettville personnel were out Friday afternoon doing clean-up around the Little League Park. This piece of equipment was widening a drainage ditch. Weeds were also cut by not only the City but the County as well.

### My Brother's Keeper

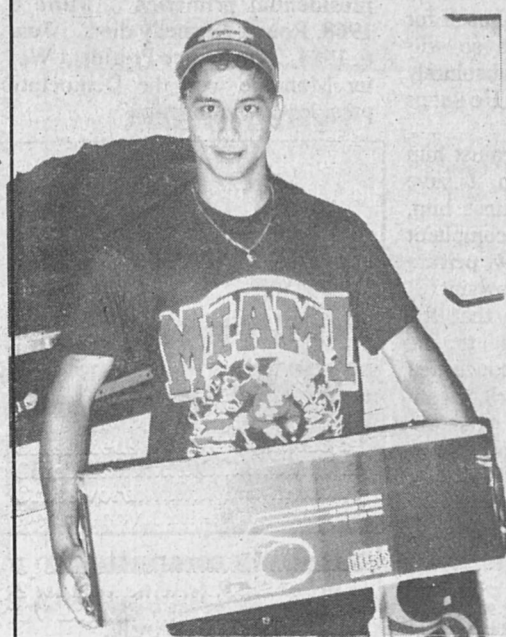


Manuel Castillo, Creator and owner of "My Brother's Keeper" was one of the nineteen people who attended the Corporate Recycling Conference at Fort Clark last week.

He displayed a wide array of "things" he had created from discarded clothes hangers, plastic milk or bleach bottles, soft drink aluminum cans, etc.

However, his primary objective is to teach people to "reuse" materials. He is available to conduct workshops for schools, church and clubs.

He can be contacted at 210-278-4083, Uvalde.



Happy 32nd Anniversary  
June 3, 1961  
Pat and Raymond Bartkowiak

### Sul Ross Announces Top Students

Former BHS students Clay Hunt and W.T. Hunt have received official notification and Dean's List certificates for academic excellence. They each were cited for being on the Dean's List for both semesters of the 1992-93 school year.

During the spring semester Clay was enrolled in 18 semester hours and earned a 3.33 average out of a possible 4.00. Twelve semester hours is the minimum number to be considered for honors.

W.T. achieved a grade point average of 3.50 while taking 16 semester hours.

Their parents are H.C. and Molly Hunt of Brackettville.

# Sheriff's Corner

By Sheriff Norman H. Hooten



The lead story in this week's column is dedicated to the memory of Kinney County Deputy Sheriff Ignacio Garcia who died in the line of duty on June 8, 1971 during the escape of two felony prisoners from the old Kinney County Jail (currently the site of the Kinney County Aging Services building).

Deputy Garcia, who was serving under former Kinney County Sheriff Johnny Sheedy at the time, was jumped by the two prisoners in the jail and brutally strangled with a coat hanger. The two escapees later stole a car and fled towards Eagle Pass. They were apprehended, convicted for the brutal murder, and sent to prison for their vile deed.

The following is a reprint of a letter received by me from the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund on May 29, 1993: Dear Sheriff Hooten:

The National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund is proud to recognize and honor the following officer who served your department with distinction and died in the line of duty:

**DEPUTY SHERIFF IGNACIO GARCIA**, who died on June 8, 1971

As we commemorate the upcoming anniversary of all officers who died during the month of June, the Memorial Fund wants to express our gratitude to you and the members of your department for providing an extraordinary level of service and sacrifice. We do so on behalf of some one million Americans who personally assisted in establishing the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial.

Whatever you do, please remember that as long as the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial

stands in our nation's capital, the names of America's fallen law officers will never be forgotten. With Kind Regards, I am

Sincerely,  
/s/Craig W. Floyd  
Chairman

I would ask the citizens and residents of Kinney County to join with me in a moment of silent prayer in remembrance of Ignacio Garcia and out of respect for his surviving family members.

Due to a far-reaching and serious rabies epidemic in South Texas that is fast approaching our area the Texas Department of Health has scheduled a Rabies Emergency Planning Meeting at the Ft. Clark Restaurant in Ft. Clark on June 23, 1993.

Officials from Kinney, Maverick, and Val Verde counties have been invited to attend and participate in the development of an effective anti-rabies plan for the three-county area likely to be affected by the rabies epidemic soon.

There are no natural or man-made barriers to stop the rabies epidemic and once the epidemic reaches this area it will require an organized coalition of law enforcement, public work, health, and media officials to effectively deal with it.

Following are a few steps you can (and must) take to help control the rabies epidemic that will soon reach our area, remember, **there is no cure for rabies once it is contracted:**

- (1) Have all household pets vaccinated for rabies.
- (2) Do not allow your pets to roam unattended.

(3) Keep a sharp lookout for any pet or other animal, especially wild animal, that is acting unnaturally.

(4) Report any animal that appears sick or unnaturally vicious - Keep a special eye on your pets.

(5) Report any wild animal that appears to have no fear of humans and approaches areas inhabited by humans during the day, especially those animals that ordinarily are nocturnal, such as raccoons, skunks, possums, etc.

(6) Do not, under any circumstances attempt to handle or pick up an animal that appears sick or unusually vicious, or a wild animal that suddenly appears tame!

(7) If an animal must be shot or otherwise killed in self-defense, try not to shoot or otherwise damage the head, heads of suspected rabies infected animals are necessary to determine if the animal actually had rabies or not.

(8) Do not panic - just use ordinary common sense, stay calm and once human safety has been acquired, call the Sheriff's Department, local veterinarian, Dr. Zack Davis, or local Health Department personnel immediately upon observing a suspicious animal.

Following the Planning Meeting scheduled for June 23, 1993, other information regarding this very serious epidemic will be disseminated for your information and protection.

THAT'S ALL!

## Bullock Praises Income Tax Constitutional Amendment

Lt. Governor Bob Bullock said the best interest of the people will be served by Senate action Thursday that put a constitutional amendment on the ballot banning a personal income tax without voter approval.

The Senate voted to adopt a Conference Committee agreement which will put the amendment before voters in November.

"This makes the people of Texas full partners with the legislature in any future decision on this matter that affects everyone's pocketbook," said Bullock.

Senate Joint Resolution 49 by Sen. John Montford:

- \*Prohibits an income tax without a vote of the people,
- \*Dedicates any future income tax to education and school property tax relief,
- \*Prohibits a rate increase in any future income tax without another vote of the people,
- \*Two-thirds of the money from any future income tax will go to local property tax reduction,
- \*One-third of the money would be dedicated to education.

## Farmers' Markets Provide Fresh Texas Products

If you're looking for the freshest fruits and vegetables in town, you may have to do some investigating, but the payoff will be worth it, Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry says.

"Farmers' markets provide consumers with fresh products -- products that are grown for superior flavor rather than extended shelf life," Perry said. "Farmers' markets also provide the consumer with a unique chance to visit with the person who grew the food. You can find out what they think is the best way to prepare it, and they might even share a few growing tips with you."

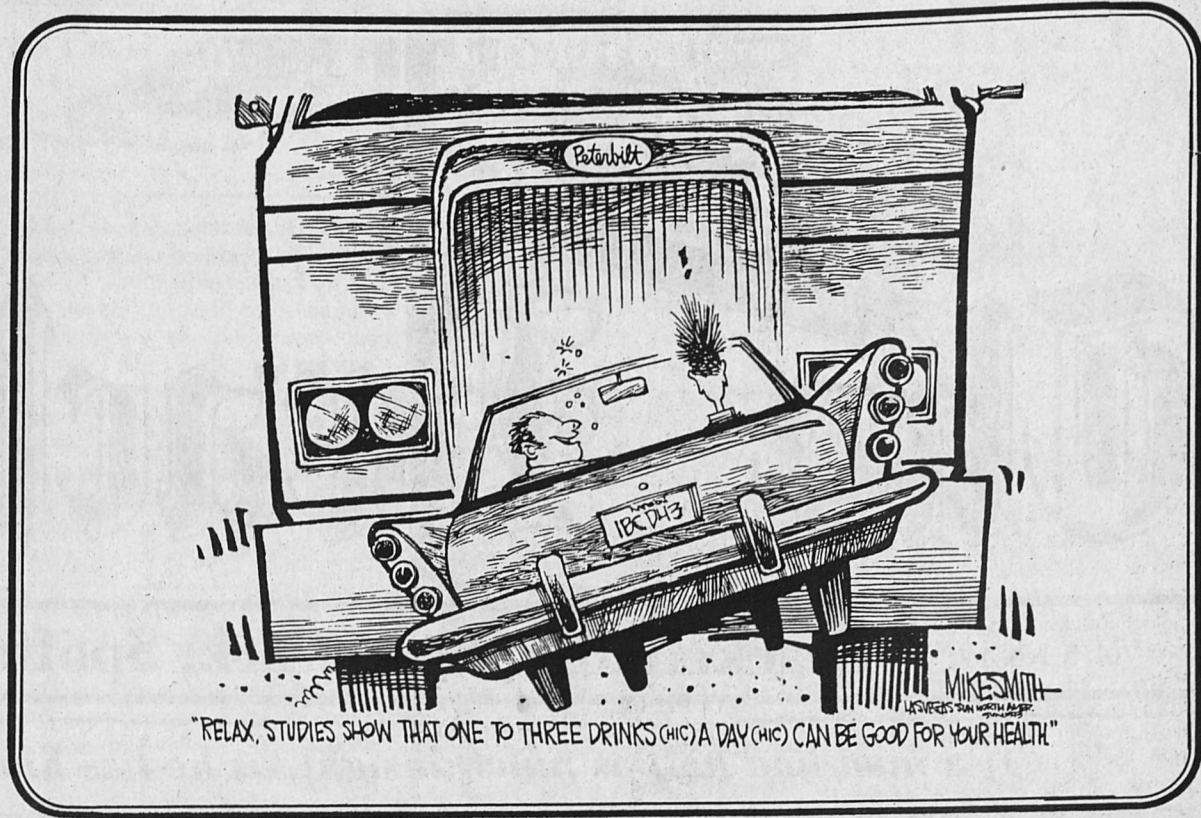
"Texas farmers grow great quality food and much more variety than many people think," Perry said. "Next time you're hungry for the taste of the season, start your shopping day at your local farmers' market."



## 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



Brackettville is a most fortunate city. The most bereft city is one without a church. There is in Brackettville a church for people of almost all christian religious persuasions. No two churches offer identical appeals and yet as a composite the appeal seeks to fit any desire.

First Baptist Church and Frontier Baptist Church are at the core of belief identical but in appeal are different. St. Johns Baptist church is yet another tangential Baptist Church where the people dearly love and worship the Lord.

Jerusalem Temple is peopled also with devoted Christians whose Christian expression is somewhat different but no less sincere and heart felt. The Episcopal Church is made up of people basically of the persuasion who love God and faithfully serve in their chosen way.

The United Methodist Church consists of a solid core of folks who believe and seek to follow the Bible and the way of Christ.

The Church of Christ is composed of earnest christians who devoutly believe the Bible and seek to follow Christ and lead others to do the same.

The Templo Elim, Asambleas De Dios is made up of a sincere and devout group who have faithfully and constantly worshipped through the years. They remain a bulwark for God.

The Catholic Church serves effectively a large clientele. Masses are offered in both English and Spanish to better serve the communicants. All observances of features of Catholicism are cherished and practiced.

Anyone who truly wants to worship God can find in our community a church that offers that opportunity.

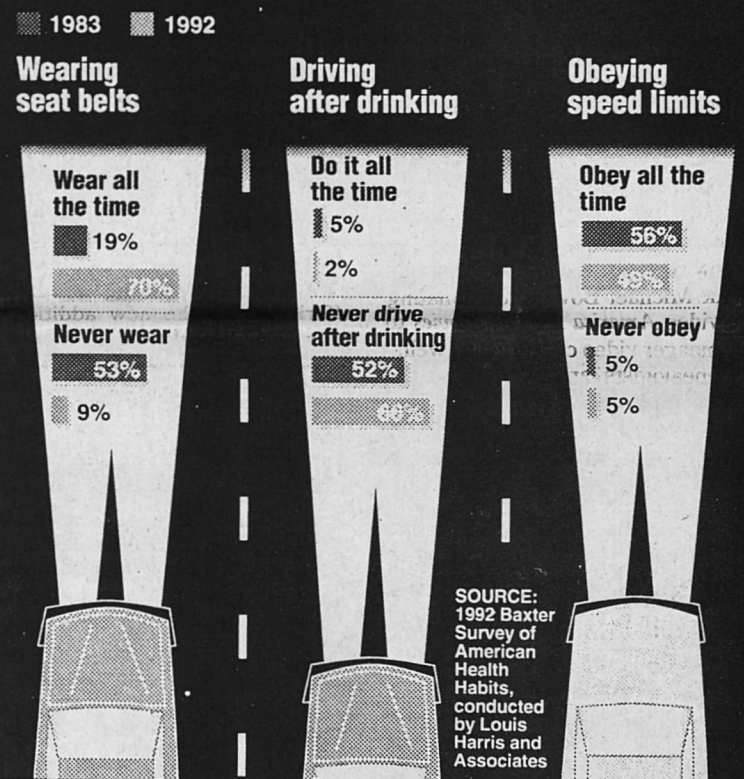
I fully recognize that there are some denominations not represented in Brackettville and understand why people will go to Del Rio or Uvalde to worship in a more compatible atmosphere in which they are more comfortable. It is however not acceptable (neither to me nor to

God) for a person to refuse to attend the worship of God because there is not "my kind" of church.

A person who refuses to attend church because his religious peculiarity is not evident would not attend if one of his choice were built next door. What a tragedy that the only time some go to church is when they are rolled into the church for their funeral.

## Auto safety

In the past 10 years, U.S. motorists have become more willing to wear seat belts and more careful about driving after drinking, but they are less likely to abide by speed limits.



SOURCE: 1992 Baxter Survey of American Health Habits, conducted by Louis Harris and Associates

## Letter To Editor

Letter to the Editor,  
What does Joe Townsend mean that Ralph Gonzalez served creditably on the police force? Isn't this the same Ralph Gonzalez that was discredited for falsifying his GED (diploma) fired and banned from ever serving as a law enforcement officer? Wasn't Sheriff Hooten the one responsible for exposing Gonzalez? From 1986 to 1992, there existed bitter hate and animosity based on quote Gonzalez "Norman Hooten ruined my life for six years."

What does Joe Townsend mean that Ralph Gonzalez did more than an acceptable job as Director of Public Housing. The Housing Authority, on orders from HUD, fired Gonzalez for incompetence and total lack of administrative capabilities. The same that mistreated a handicapped elderly for the need of a shower safety bar? The same that yelled and belittled intimidating and threatening the Housing elderly?

Isn't this same Ralph Gonzalez that Joe Townsend critically wrote about for living in the Housing Units, on welfare, food stamps, and living off taxpayers' money and yet serving as a City councilmember? What an incredulous switch!

As for serving well as a Councilmember, that definitely leaves a big question mark. This miscomportment displayed by Ralph Gonzalez at the May 11th meeting was witnessed by more than 40 voting citizens. Attorney Mike Gonzalez was not out of order! Ralph Gonzalez was out of order, in breach of conduct condusive a councilmember, totally unethical, and totally wrong for stating that he, Ralph Gonzalez, did not need a reason for firing anybody. Why doesn't Joe Townsend write about that?

Isn't this the same Ralph Gonzalez that sporadically "works" at the Nutrition Center? The same one

that goes behind the serving counter to serve him self seconds and sometimes thirds? Why is this allowed? From 20 to 40 senior citizens witness this every time. Wednesday, May 26th., the main course was roast beef; by the time table 3 out of 4 came to be served, chicken patties were being substituted because there were six hired helpers yet to be served, one of them being Ralph Gonzalez. Some of the participants will have their only main meal at the Center. The servings of roast beef were already skimpy, and yet Ralph Gonzalez got an overlapping slab of roast beef. The participants, most times, go home hungry and angry as they watch Gonzalez' heaping servings and the gravy running down his mouth.

Joe Townsend states that a bitter and acrimonious campaign against Ralph Gonzalez is being led by me and my cohorts. Acrimonious campaign? Strange! What was it called when Ralph was smeared by Townsend and Hooten? The only campaign against Ralph Gonzalez is brought on to himself by himself for his wonderful actions, as so witnessed by many. He has absolutely no loyalty even to himself. He keeps bouncing to and from.

I halted two lawsuits against him in June 1992. Since then, I have numerous complaints against him, one constant and repeated complaint "Keep him off my property, private and business, for fear of a lawsuit."

Norman Hooten writes that the City Government needs to be corrected by fair-minded, concerned citizens to get behind the right candidates. Ralph Gonzalez was re-elected, have at it Norman! Set a good example! You supported him, did he support you?

Now poor Ralph is an un-sung hero? How disgusting!

/s/Carmen M. Berlanga  
Persona propria

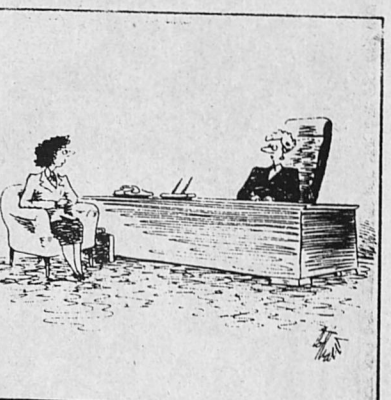
## This Week In History

On June 4, 1805, U.S. land and naval campaigns forced Tripoli to conclude peace in their war for added tribute to commerce-raiding

Arab corsairs ... May 31, 1888, a devastating flood in Johnstown, Pa., took 2,200 lives ... June 5, 1933, Congress ratified the dropping of the gold standard by the U.S. ... June 6,

1944, the U.S. and allied forces invaded Europe at Normandy ... June 5, 1947, proposals later known as the Marshall Plan, under which the U.S. would extend aid to European countries, were made by Secretary of

State George C. Marshall ... June 2, 1952, the Supreme Court ruled that the U.S.' seizure of the nation's steel mills ordered by President Truman to avert a strike was illegal ... May 31, 1955, the Supreme Court ordered "all deliberate speed" in the integration of public schools ... June 5, 1968, Senator Robert F. Kennedy (D.-N.Y.) was shot in the Hotel Ambassador, Los Angeles, Calif, after celebrating his victories in the presidential primaries ... June 6, 1968, Robert Kennedy died ... June 6, 1984, former Vice President Walter Mondale won the Democratic presidential nomination



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## Big Mama Sez!



Each of us shines in a different way, but this doesn't make our light less bright.

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.



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Letters will be edited to avoid the use of profanity or libelous statements pertaining to the rights of citizens.

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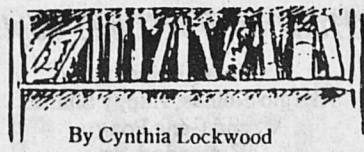
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# Library Notes



By Cynthia Lockwood

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

The 1993 Summer Reading Program is under way. The Read-To-Me group is meeting every Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. and the Readers group is meeting each Thursday at 3:00 p.m. throughout the month of June and on into the first week of July. Registration forms and activity calendars may be picked up at the front counter at any time.

The Reading Club is an incentive program to encourage children to spend time reading during the summer months. The Read-To-Me sessions will consist of story hour and fun activities. The Readers group will have weekly programs with guest speakers over subjects like bats and sign language.

All library programs are open to the public and are presented free of charge. For further information on how you and your children can discover the world of reading this summer, come by the library or call 563-2884.

We have new books in the library for both our large print and regular print readers. Check out *Darkest Hour* by V. C. Andrews, *The Scorpio Illusion* by Robert Ludlum, and *Pleading Guilty* the latest from Scott Turow. In large print we have *Sweet Liar* by Jude Deveraux, Max Brand's *Western Tommy*, *The Gossamer Cord* by Phillipa Carr, *The Man Of My Dreams* by Johanna Lindsey, and *Deadlock* by Sara Paretsky.

The glass display case that was in the children's room has now been moved over to the Fritter Room. Anyone who has a special display or talent that they would like to show off in our Fritter Room, please contact me here at the library.

Yes, we are receiving the "San Antonio Express-News" once again thanks to Betty Koons. She is also responsible for the lovely snapdragons brightening up our counter-top. You're great, Betty.

Many thanks to everyone who donated books and magazines to the library this past week. We sincerely thank Michael Bowlin for donating the video *America At The Movies* to our meager video collection as well.

Genealogists and historians, the library now has our very own microfiche-microfilm reader/printer. This coin-operated printer is a reconditioned model and is ready for your use.

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FUR BEARING ANIMALS: MINK

# Around the Fort

Mike Bowlin  
PR Director



## Ceramic Shop Hours

Sat: Noon to 5:00 p.m. Sun: 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.  
 Mon: 7:00 to 10:00 p.m.

## Prime Rib Night

Saturday, June 5, Las Moras Inn, Beginning at 5 p.m.

## Ladies Luncheon

Wednesday, June 9, 1:30 a.m. Cavalry Room  
 Cards 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

## Gathering At Swim Park

Friday, June 11, 7 to 10 p.m. Swim Park. Bring snacks and drinks.  
 Music - DJ

## Thursday Night Movie, 7:00 p.m.

Shafter Hall  
 June 3 *Singing In The Rain*  
 June 10 *My Darling Clementine*

## Swimming Pool

All swimmers sign in at swim shack.  
 Guest(s) must be registered by member host.  
 Lifeguard hours: Mon/Tue/Wed 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
 Fri/Sat/Sun 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.  
 Pool closed Thursday for cleaning  
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 For information call Adult Center 563-2024



## Awards Day

Wednesday, May 26, awards were presented for various recognitions during the Kinney County Aging Service lunch.

From left, Manuela Enriquez received an outstanding Volunteer certificate; Nina Batson - outstanding Volunteer, Outstanding Older Texan, and Senior of the Month; Hazel Earwood; Outstanding Volunteer and Outstanding Older Texas; Arthur Ray, Outstanding Older Texan; and Charlie Ward, Outstanding Older Texan.

In addition each of the five was given a token gift of appreciation.

## Classifieds Are Cash!

Including Garage Sales!

## Eastern Star To Install

Del Rio Chapter #204, Order of the Eastern Star, will install the 1993-1994 officers in open ceremonies at 7:00 p.m., Saturday, June 5, at the Val Verde Masonic Lodge Hall, 704 Bedell Avenue, Del Rio.

Lou Lane and Dick Agee will become Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron respectively. Jean and Tom Faulkenberry are currently serving in those positions.

All Eastern Star and Masonic members are urged to attend, and the public is cordially invited.

## "HONEY DO"

Toby Frerich and Staci Glaze were honored with a "Honey Do" shower at the home of Melissa and Doug Davis on May 16.

Co-hosting the party were Molly Ardrey, Jaime and Jimmy Ballew, Candy Bader, Gaylene and Raymond Frerich, Genell Hobbs, Jennifer and Jim McDaniel, Darlene and Tully Shahan, Beth Ann and Richard Smith and Tulisha and Hardley Wardlaw.

The theme of the afternoon was that of summer fun and ice cream.

## Bridge Anyone

By NORMA GOULD

The Fort Clark Springs Duplicate Bridge Club met Tuesday, May 25 with 5 tables playing the Mitchell Movement.

Nita and Fred Clayton won first place in the N/S direction. Joyce Bell and Nancy O'Brien won second place.

In the E/W direction, first place was won by Dena Scott and Norma Gould. Ray Kurtz and Evelyn Whitely were a very close second place.

## Unsung Hero

by Joe Townsend



A man moved to Brackettville a few years back and immediately became interested in the community. He was established in business and soon was very popular. He became active in a local church.

He served for a time as mayor and has just been elected to the City Council. He is a very friendly and likeable individual and is interested in the total community especially as it is impacted by its elected officials.

Surely Larry Moore is an "Unsung Hero."

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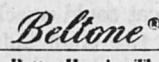
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## Little Old Ladies In Tennis Shoes

Tennis shoes was the dress code of Theta Sigma Chapter members as they caravaned with guests to Uvalde Saturday evening for Mexican food at Jerry's, a tour of the Grand Opera Museum, and the closing evening of the play at the Grand Opera House.

Uvalde's historic Grand Opera House was filled with joyous laughter and gentle tears during the final performance of the comedy *Little Old Ladies In Tennis Shoes*.

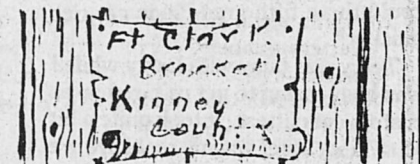
The story was about Kate, an independent career woman who moves to the suburbs and finds her new neighbors are lonely widows. When she tries to brighten their lives, she learns that love and family ties are not traps as she had supposed. To the Fort Clark ladies, it was the "little ole ladies" and their so true to life experiences that

brought memories and merriment. A very impressive performance was also given by ten year old Lynn Haag.

Making the trip were Lou and Carl Green, Pat and Don Parks, Doraline and Ken Kellar, Marty and Dan Isenberg, Leslie and Bob Houk, Louella and Dwrite Gilliland, Pat and Clem McKelvey, Patty, Bob and Bob, Jr. Barnett, Betty Schlatterer, Betty Inman, Nina Batson, Dolores Gaston, Helen Lynch, Ruth Wilkes, Betty Logan, Nelda and Marvin Archer, Eileen and Herb Voracek, Louise and E. W. Williamson, LaVon and Jerry McLane, and Amie and Howard Skelton.

Calendars have been marked for the Uvalde Arts Council's "Getty Street Arts Festival" Sunday, June 13, 2:00 - 6:00 p.m.

# Community Calendar



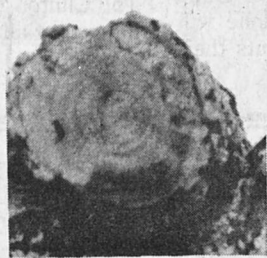
- AA: Mondays, 8 p.m., Slaton Hall, 109 W. James St.
- Al-Anon: CAN HELP. Call 563-9205 for time & location of meetings.
- Altar Society: 1st Monday, 5:30 p.m., Parish Hall.
- Band Booster Club: 1st Tuesday, 7 p.m., High School Band Hall.
- Bass Club: Last Thursday, 7 p.m.
- BISD School Board: 2nd Monday, 6:30 p.m., School Board Room.
- Beta Sigma Phi
- R of J Beta Epsilon Omicron (Sept-May) 1st & 3rd Monday, 7 p.m.
- Preceptor Theta Sigma (Sept-May) 1st & 3rd Monday, 7 p.m.
- Laureate Iota Epsilon (all year) 3rd Monday, 7 p.m.
- Book Club Thursdays, 9:30, Golf Club
- Chamber of Commerce: 2nd Thursday, 7:30 p.m., Cavalry Room.
- City Council: 2nd Tuesday, 7 p.m., Slaton 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., Shafter Hall.
- FCS Art Club: Work days Monday and Saturday 11 a.m., Meeting 1st Monday, 1 p.m., Art Studio.
- FCS Community Council: 2nd Saturday, 10 a.m., Shafter Hall.
- FCS Board of Directors: 3rd Saturday, 9 a.m., Board Room.
- FCS Historical Society: 4th Saturday, 10 a.m., Shafter Hall.
- FCS Museum/Sutler's Store: Saturday & Sunday, 1-4 p.m.
- FCS Ladies Luncheon: 2nd Wednesday, Noon, Las Moras Restaurant. Make reservations at Adult Center.
- FCS VFW Post #8360 & Auxiliary: 4th Wednesday, 6 p.m., Pot Luck, 7 p.m. Meeting, NCO Club.
- FCS Bingo: Friday, 7:30 p.m., Shafter Hall.
- FCS Las Vegas Night: 4th Saturday, 8 p.m., Las Moras Restaurant.
- FCS Old Quarry Society: 1st Monday, 7 p.m., Sabre Room.
- Friends of Library: No regular schedule. Call library for information.
- KC Historical Preservation Society: 4th Thursday, 7 p.m., Court House.
- KC Kickers: 2nd and 4th Thursdays, 7:30 p.m., NCO Club.
- Knights of Columbus: 1st Sunday, 12 Noon, Parish Hall.
- Lions Club: 1st and 3rd Thursday, 6:30 p.m., Las Moras Restaurant.
- Masonic Lodge #444: 2nd Tuesday, 7 p.m., Lodge Hall, Ann St.
- Order of Eastern Star #204: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Hall, 407 Bedell St., Del Rio.
- Shriners: 4th Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., Las Moras Restaurant.
- Rotary Club: Every Thursday, 12 Noon, Las Moras Restaurant.
- Methodist Ladies Luncheon: 3rd Wednesday, Noon, Slaton Hall. Please make reservations.
- 12-Step Program: Every Thursday, 7 p.m., Fellowship Hall, First Baptist Church.
- Creative Writing Group: Fridays, 9:30 a.m., Golf Club Snack Bar.

# Identify The Picture

The first person to come by The Brackett News and correctly identify this picture will be given a Brackett News Cap.

No Winner

Try Again



# Just For The Fun Of It



Esmeralda Talamantez  
 What would you like to be if you could change your life: A Pediatrician.

Where were you born: Littlefield, Texas.  
 When is your birthday: May 11, 1974.  
 What is your favorite food: Mom's enchiladas.  
 What is your favorite movie: *Urban Cowboy*.  
 What is your favorite book: *Animal Farm*.

What are your hobbies: Sewing and fishing.  
 How do your friends describe you: Quiet and shy.  
 Describe yourself: Very shy.  
 How long have you lived in Kinney County: 7 years.  
 If you could go anywhere, where would you go: Australia.  
 If you could change Brackettville (Kinney County), how would you change it: Develop more activities for young people to keep them from being bored and out of trouble.

## QUERECHO FLATS

By Curt Brummett

### CUSTOM CAT CASTRATORS: NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION

One spring day, as Terry, Larry and I, three school kids, were hanging around the pool hall on our lunch hour, we were discussing our financial crisis.

We had just spent our allowance for the next two hundred years replacing an outhouse that had disintegrated due to careless handling of four stolen sticks of dynamite, three blasting caps, one can of black powder, and five gallons of kerosene. We didn't blow it up on purpose, but no one seemed to believe us.

After we got beat pert near to death, we had to make arrangements to pay for it. It didn't matter that it hadn't been used in fifteen years. It had to be replaced.

It wasn't our fault that lightning hit our storehouse. And we never did figure out how they knew it was us three that had got the explosives.

But the situation was, we were dead broke and everyone in town was watching us like we had the plague.

We had decided there was no way to get ahead money-wise, so we planned to learn how to play "42" for fun and profit. We were watching ever so close when Elmo Carstead casually mentioned there were just too many cats around the store, the garage and pool hall. He also stated that if he killed 'em off, the mice and rats would soon take over. So there he was, he just didn't know what he was gonna do.

Buel Addleman came up with the perfect solution. "Elmo, that ain't no problem, all you got to do is castrate the toms, and that way you don't lose any cats, but you don't gain any cats either." Buel never missed a play.

Elmo came back by stating that he didn't have time to catch and castrate those toms, 'cause when he wasn't waiting for an important phone call, he had to be at the pool hall defending his championship. But he admitted that the idea was sure worth thinking on.

Buel bid "82" and mentioned that since everyone at the pool hall would benefit from such good animal control, they could all chip in some money and pay, oh, fifty cents per tom. That is, if the job was done right, you know, no excessive bleeding and things like that.

Well, Terry and I had done started figuring. We figured there must be sixty or sixty-five toms out of that whole town full of cats.

Larry, being the only one showing any sense, started slipping towards the door.

Terry got 'im stopped and started convincing 'im about how easy it would be. After all, we had all helped castrate calves, colts, pigs, and sheep. And besides, how else could three fifth grade kids get rich quicker?

Terry was busy with Larry while I was busy trying to get us hired on as custom cat cutters. It took quite a bit of talking. Buel wasn't real sure we had the experience to handle a job as important as this, and Elmo just wanted it done right.

After some pretty hard talking on my part, Elmo and Buel finally gave in, and we sealed the deal.

Elmo said he would put out some scraps in the old cement silo of his. Since it only had one door, he figured he could trap maybe thirty-five or forty cats, and the next day we could skip lunch and come right on over and make ten to fifteen bucks real quick.

He winked at Buel and the deal was set.

We went on back to school and never said a word about our new money making business. That night we all got our pocket knives sharpened to perfection. We know that the sharper the knife, the quicker the cut, and the quicker the cut, the more money we could make.

The next morning at recess we got together and decided that a business of this importance deserved our full-time attention. So we skipped out and headed for the pool hall.

We found Elmo and Buel hard at work, keeping their championship, and convinced them that we wouldn't get into any trouble for skipping classes. After all, school was for kids too dumb to make any money, and besides, we already had our own business. And we had decided that after we cut all the local cats, we just might go from town to town, as professionals.

Well, we followed Elmo and Buel out to that old silo, and when they opened that door, I swear I'd never seen so many cats in my life. It looked like there were a hundred in that little room, and we figured that at least half of 'em were toms.

Elmo and Buel were grinning. We figured they were just happy to have

found someone to do the job. Boy, if we'd only known why they were so happy!

Elmo said that part of the silo was gone, and when they shut us in there, there would be plenty of light to see by.

And when we got done with all the cat cuttin', just holler and they would come let us out. (BULL).

When we stepped into that silo and they closed the door, it dawned on all three of us that we didn't know beans about cuttin' cats.

Now, these cats were a long way from being gentle housecats, and there probably weren't two in the whole place that had ever been touched by a human. But we didn't think about that, 'cause we were too busy listening to all that hissing and growling. You'll never know what stark cold fear is until you are locked in a silo with a bunch of cats that are as scared as you are.

We seriously discussed going back to school, but we changed our minds on that, because if we went back failures, we were sure to get into trouble. So we decided to go ahead and get started.

Since I generally had the sharpest knife, it was decided that Terry and Larry would do the flanking. We got started with Terry grabbing a big yellow tom, and from that moment on things just kinda went downhill.

We figured that holding cats was probably like holding calves, once you get a-holt on one, you just don't turn 'im loose. But we also discovered that turning a mad, scared cat loose, wasn't all that easy.

I didn't realize a cat could wreck so much stuff with two stout kids holding him. Well, they got 'im stretched out, and I cut 'im.

Did you know that when you cut a scared cat, it changes his voice immediately and at the same time his kidneys kinda go crazy? Now, the sound that old cat made, kinda made our hair stand on end, but all that water flying around kinda made it all lay back down again.

Well, I announced that I was through with the surgery, and they could turn 'im loose. I'll guarantee you one thing, folks, turning that cat loose took a way yonder longer than it did to catch 'im.

Seemed like he was holding a grudge.

Did you know a fresh-cut cat can scratch three kids (each one trying to escape) ninety-six times apiece while screaming, and never draw a breath?

Now, three kids tryin' to get away from a cat in a silo is a pretty fair wreck, but trying to run from one cat and stay away from ninety-nine more (which by now had gone as crazy as the one just cut) is plumb dangerous.

I don't know if it was Terry or Larry that ran through the door, but I'll love who ever did it forever.

Relief comes in strange forms.

When it was all said and done, we gathered ourselves up and took stock. There wasn't a place on any of us that didn't have a cat track of some kind on it. None of us had a shirt left, they were just threads hanging around our necks and off our shoulders. When we finally calmed down a little, we looked back at that silo and there were cats still coming out of it.

We decided to call our folks instead of going back to school, mainly 'cause the way we were hurting from those cat tracks, it wasn't gonna hurt any more than we already did.

We had to do a ton of explaining to our folks about the scratches and why we didn't have any shirts left and why we skipped school. Elmo and Buel not only had to explain to three mad moms; they had to give up their chairs in the pool hall for a while.

Seems as though a couple of mothers threatened to kill 'em if they were to be seen around town for a while.

Terry, Larry and I didn't get a whipping, our dads figured the cat tracks would be punishment enough.

But they did offer to beat us to death if we ever skipped school again.

The next time Larry and Terry and I got together, we decided that we would store our next batch of explosives behind the pool hall and hope for another electrical storm.

Come to think of it, we never got our 50¢ for cuttin' that cat.

## Chronicles Of Fort Clark, Texas By Donald A. Swanson

(To run in installments)



### Jeb Stuart

James E. B. Stuart, known as JEB, became a cadet at West Point, July 1850, and graduated July 1, 1854. He was assigned to the Mounted Rifles under Major John R. Simonson's regiment on the western frontier (Texas).

Stuart traveled by ship from New York to New Orleans but was held up by a yellow fever epidemic and did not join his regiment until December 1854. From 1854 until May 1855 JEB Stuart participated in field scouting against the Apache Indians which were endeavoring to do away with the Lower Road (San Antonio - El Paso). By May 1855 he was promoted to First Lieutenant and transferred to the newly formed 1st Cavalry Regiment.

Stuart was to become a dashing and daring Confederate Cavalry General who was caught in a melee (1864) with Custer's Michigan Cavalry and shot down by a dismounted sergeant in blue.

In 1880 H. B. McClellan of Lexington was preparing to write the story "I Rode With Jeb Stuart" which was later published in the Civil War Centennial Series. For an earlier background on Jeb Stuart, he wrote to Major General J. S. Simonson, Retired.

Major Simonson was the Commanding Officer of Fort Clark from May to December 1855. At the time of Jeb's joining Fort Clark, Lieutenant Colonel Bainbridge was commanding Fort Clark and the senior officer of the Mounted Rifles. Major Simonson was the Squadron Commander at that time for the four companies of Mounted Rifles at Fort Clark.

Remembering that General Simonson is replying some 26 years later, "Sir, In reply to your inquiry for information as to Gen. (JEB) Stuart's services in the expedition against the Apache Indians in the years 1854 and 1855, I have to state that Stuart, then a Second Lieutenant, joined my commands at Fort Clark, Texas, in December 1854 and continued with it until May 8, 1855, when he was relieved to take advantage of his promotion to the First Cavalry. In the order relieving him, I gave expression to the estimation in which he was held in complimentary terms, highly creditable to his character as a soldier and a gentleman. My orderbook is lost, and I have no copy of that order. A copy was furnished Lt. Stuart and may be among his papers.

Lt. Stuart was brave and gallant, always prompt in the execution of orders, and reckless of danger or exposure. I considered him at that time of the most promising young officer in the U. S. Army. The expedition continued on duty in mountains and valleys of western Texas, the El Paso Road and border of the Rio Grande, until October 1855. A large portion of country little known at that day was explored and the Mescalero Apaches made to flee across the Rio Grande into Mexico.

It would take a volume to contain the history of that expedition - its scouts, marches, skirmishes and privations. I enclose here-with slips containing a communications of Lt. Stuart to the Jeffersonian, a paper printed in Staunton, Virginia. It gives a full description of the difficulties and privations encountered in one of the scouts. These slips were pasted in, and cut, from my morning report book.

Lt. Stuart wrote another communication which was printed in some paper in Virginia or Texas giving an account of a fight, at the crossing of the Peacus (Pecos) River, with a band of Comanche Indians, by a portion of the troops in this expedition. Very Respectfully, Your Obedient Servant, /s/ J. S. Simonson, Maj. Genl. (Ret.)"

Camp Stuart, Texas

Maj. Simonson's Command

February 15, 1855

Dear Sir: On the 6th instant this command, of the operation and character of which you learned something in a former letter from Fort Clark, was divided into parties, one of which under command of the Major, started on the trail of a more numerous party, leading toward the Sierra Guadalupe. A few notes on this scout, though unsuccessful as regards to finding Indians, yet embracing an extensive region of which but little was previously known, may not be a void of interest to the readers of the Jeffersonian.

The narrow trail led in the direction of a very rugged range of mountains, a circumstance which determined the substitution of pack mules for wagons. The trail continued for about 10 miles through a narrow ravine, surrounded by precipitous ridges of a species of red sandstone, which cropped out so

frequently as to leave no space for vegetation except here and there a bunch of cactus of a singular variety. This ravine was soon headed by a high mountain up whose steep side the trail wound its serpentine way. Hardly had we reached the summit when a furious storm set in, first by a few preliminary drops, then in torrents of rain and hail.

Welcomed as a change from six inches of dust to a refreshing shower, this time it came most inopportune for the command all of whom were well drenched with rain and benumbed with cold.

Our march continued in this way for several miles, the storm so blinding us that we could scarcely discern the ground; when suddenly, not only had we debouched upon a level plain, but every vestige of the storm had vanished save a few raindrops which lingered on the grass. All nature rejoiced at the change, and the gorgeous splendor of a rainbow which hung in the west was interpreted as an omen of success to the scout. Thus, you see that in Texas, instead of having to follow the circuit of the seasons for variety in climate, we can have May and December in one day in February. We were obliged to camp without water, a circumstance by no means uncommon with this expedition, for its operations have been very much circumscribed on account of the great scarcity of water.

Next day we started early in the march having a bright day and a better road than before. Preceding thus over a diversified track, alternately rough and smooth - now a ridge with scrubby pine, then a ravine skirted upon a tableland that seemed better clad with vegetation than any of the preceding, we were suddenly checked by finding ourselves on the crest of a stupendous precipice. Up to this time we had led our horses over the rough places from choice; it now became a matter of necessity for the weight a man on his horse would undoubtedly have precipitated both many hundred feet below. To look at the mountain from its base, any "sanie nian" would pronounce it impassable, for it seemed a vertical ledge of rock; yet, strange to say, the Indian trail traversed its side in a zigzag manner to the base. The descent was extremely slow, and those in the rear of the line had ample opportunity to survey the prospect before them.

I was raised in the Blue Mountains of Virginia but never have I beheld anything to compare to the grandeur of the scenery from that Comanche Pass. The ridge on which we stood extended in a straight line as far as the eye could reach north and south, sloping gradually toward the rear, but in front rising in a huge column of solid rock, or vertical ledges, to a height of two thousand feet above the level plain at its base, which extended twenty-five miles across and sixty miles in a longitudinal direction. The other side of the broad valley was terminated by a similar range, rising to an equal height, but not so precipitous or continuous.

To the north, the gray and rugged peaks of the Sierra Guadalupe limited the weary vision. In the center of the valley, a beautiful lake covered with ice; but it proved to be a dry salt lagune, perfectly white with incrustations of nitre and salt. Long before the rear-guard had begun the descent, the advance had dwindled away over the plain to a mere speck in the distance. Before sundown, however, we were discussing our frugal fare on the verge of the salt lagune. In the immediate vicinity were several pools of salt water and one of sulphur.

Next day the trail, instead of keeping the valley, passed up a narrow and steep gorge, nearly opposite the other pass, obstructed at every point by huge boulders, often six feet in diameter and almost spherical. It was evident that these difficult passes were selected on purpose to elude pursuit, for the road today was, if possible, more difficult than that of the day before. We soon began the descent of another ridge, where the trail scarcely furnished footing for the animals.

One mule on which the surgeon had packed the entire dispensary of the command in two panniers lost his footing and rolled over and over to the base of the cliff, all below taking care to give him a wide berth. Thanks, however, to the efficiency of the doctor's medicine, both the mule and panniers escaped injury.

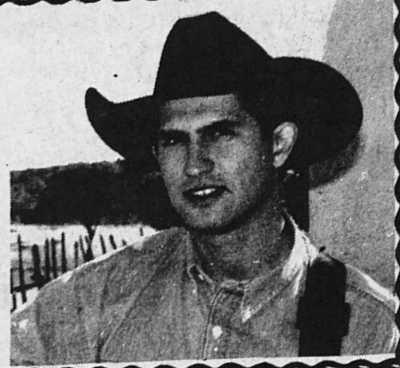
JEB Stuart to be con't next week.

### Houston For The People

Co-authored by Sergio Salinas, Happy Shahan and Gene Poag

Recorded By Sergio Salinas

Tapes are available at: The Brackett News Alamo Village Trading Post Fort Clark's Sutlers Store Just \$5.00



## County Agent News

By Allan McWilliams



### Dwarf Indian Hawthorn:

Dwarf Indian hawthorn comes in varieties such as "Enchantress". Showy pink flowers in the spring make it a real standout. Well-drained and prepared planting areas located where they receive at least a half day's sun are recommended.

Each of these plants is not only good for use close to structures, but also works well in large masses and as container specimens. All are available in nursery containers for easy and almost shockless transplanting year-round.

### Dwarf Nandina:

Dwarf nandinas are currently available in a number of varieties. The three most commonly available selections are "Compacta" which grows 2 to 3 feet tall; "Nana", which is normally 12 to 18 inches tall and "Harbor Dwarf", which is dense and low, usually 12 to 15 inches tall. The dwarf types do not set fruit but the foliage is often a dark, reddish-purple during winter.

### Dwarf Yaupon:

Dwarf yaupon is an old favorite for border and mass planting. It is commonly available and grows well under a wide variety of conditions. If trimmed, dwarf yaupon can be kept 18 inches or less. If allowed to grow naturally, it may reach 3 to 4 feet in height and width.

### Dwarf Chinese Holly:

Dwarf Chinese holly has large, glossy, prickly leaves which discourage pedestrian traffic. It is not recommended for areas where the sticky leaves will be a nuisance,

such as along walkways, but otherwise is an attractive and useful plant that grows 2 to 3 feet tall.

### Reminders Around the Home Landscape:

-Cut off old blossoms on spring flowering annuals such as pansies, snapdragons, stock and calendulas to prolong the flowering season.

-It's not too late to sow directly into the soil seeds of sunflower, zinnia, morning glory, protulaca, marigold, cosmos, periwinkles and gourds.

-Don't forget to spray roses for black spot control with a labeled product at 7-day intervals if you have been having a problem with the fungus.

-Remove or cut back frost-damaged ornamentals injured by the late spring frosts as soon as the extent of the injury can be determined.

-Replenish mulch materials in beds to conserve moisture and reduce weed growth.

## Val Verde - Kinney County ASCS

To qualify for a price support loan, or a loan deficiency payment (LDP), Jan Wanoreck, County Executive Director of the Val Verde-Kinney County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, says farmers must maintain beneficial interest in the commodity, in addition to other eligibility requirements.

"This means that the producer must have control of, title to, and risk of loss for the commodity," Wanoreck said.

The producer is considered to have control of the commodity if he or she retains the ability to make all decisions affecting the commodity, including movement, sale, and the request for loans, she explained. If the producer has sold or delivered the commodity to the buyer for sale or delivered warehouse receipts to the buyer, he or she is considered to have transferred title to the commodity. "To have the risk of loss in the commodity, the producer is responsible for loss of or damage to the commodity." If the commodity is insured, any indemnity must be payable to the producer.

For loans, Wanoreck said beneficial interest in the commodity must be maintained from harvest through the date the loan is redeemed or when the Commodity

Credit Corporation (CCC) takes title to the commodity. For LDP's, the producer must retain beneficial interest in the commodity from the time of harvest through the date the LDP is requested.

"Once the farmer loses beneficial interest, the commodity is no longer eligible for a loan or an LDP, even if the producer regains control, risk of loss and title of the commodity," Wanoreck said.

She said a farmer who receives any payment that would give the buyer any share of the equity in the commodity, is no longer eligible for a loan or an LDP. If a producer sells any equity in the commodity after it has been pledged as collateral for a loan, repayment of the loan principal and charges plus interest, is required, the ASCS official said.

Eligibility for price support loans and LDP's are subject to a determination by the CCC.

Further clarification of beneficial interest requirements for loans and LDP's may be obtained from the Val Verde-Kinney County ASCS office located at 1100 Bedell Avenue, Del Rio.

Eligibility for participation in ASCS programs is open to all applicants as established under law without regard to age, color, disability, marital status, national origin, race, religion, or sex.

## Bonilla Votes No

### Energy Tax Would Cost

### 1900 Jobs In 23rd District

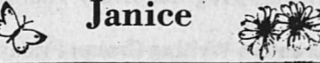
On May 27, Congressman Henry Bonilla called President Clinton's budget plan "not only unworkable but unbelievable" before voting against the largest tax increase ever - \$355 billion over five years. The House of Representatives passed the measure 219-213.

This isn't job creation, it's job cremation," Bonilla said. "The Clinton plan is nothing but huge tax increases, huge spending increases and will ruin any economic recovery. The BTU tax alone will cost 1,955 of my constituents their jobs.

According to the non-partisan Tax Foundation, the BTU tax included in the Clinton budget plan will cost 460,000 Americans their jobs, including more than 1900 in the 23rd Congressional district of Texas. It is estimated that the average Texas family will pay more than \$700 per year in additional energy taxes.

The Social Security tax increases in the Clinton package will be used to pay for the deficit and will not go to the Social Security Trust Fund. The Clinton plan would also freeze the pay of all military personnel for five years.

Have a Good Day  
Janice



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# Tiger Turf



## Making A Difference

By TAYLOR STEPHENSON, Curriculum Director

### Cooperative Texas History/Language Arts Project: Seventh Grade Time Line Interviews

Many times, the way we learn and the way we live are complete opposites that are not connected. In the past few years, research done by nationally known curriculum authorities-ASCD-shows that we retain longer when we learn information that is connected. We need to understand relationships, and the brain searches for connections. For example, when driving a car and a song comes on the radio, we might think: Where was I when I first heard that song? Who was I with? What was society like then? These are examples of connections. Information changes daily in the 20th century because of the use of technology for research. Teaching must deal with the how to, the application of knowledge into problem solving and away from memorization of facts. Connecting learning to the solving of life problems is not easy. Connecting school subjects is more difficult!

In the state of Maryland, all instruction must be delivered through crass curricular or interdisciplinary units. This example shows the importance in that state on learning across subject lines. Information is exploding in our life time causing too much content for every school course. About 7000 science articles are being published daily. In 1990,

the National Curriculum Congress, called for talking to each other more across curricular lines. They stressed the need for more problem solving skills, performance based assessment, and an experiential based curriculum. Basically, what all this says is that the way we use learning is not isolated according to classrooms. It also says that what is different in this generation is there is more information than students (regardless of generation) can handle.

Candy Bader & Jamie Ballew used an innovative approach that

combined teaching and learning in Language Arts and History during the last six weeks of school at Brackett Middle School. The project focused on time lines—a linear graphing of time which is a history concept taught by Jamie. Candy worked on interview skills and the wording of questions as some of her language arts skills. The project crossed subject lines as history and language arts worked together on a common project. The results were excellent in my opinion. The teachers used classroom wall space to display the student's work. Each child did a research project by selecting a person to interview. Posters were made with time lines and other really fine information. Each seventh grade student chose a person to interview and explained why that person was selected. There were lots of responses like: intelligent, very special person, wanted to know more, didn't know much about her, and I love her very much. The questions that students asked included: first job, service; the military, education—when did you graduate from high school or college, age when married, age when first child was born, age when first driver's license was received along with new life & death of kin.

The questions and the time lines showed what is important to this generation—like the driver's license. Interviews were well done, time line graphs were also, and the writing skills were exemplary. Students added pictures and memorabilia which supported the research and time line definitions. Our teachers were well pleased. Superintendent Steve Mills made a visit to the classrooms and expressed his thanks to the teachers and students for a job well done! This week, we salute the seventh grade students and their fine teachers—Jamie Ballew and Candy Bader for making a difference!

### SEVENTH GRADE TIME LINE INTERVIEWS

#### Student:

Robert Aguirre  
Cindy Cardenas  
Quinton Clark  
J. Wayne Ballew  
Heather Corey  
Caleb Crumley  
Lauren Fletcher  
Jose Gonzales  
Windy Goodloe  
Ryan Guidry  
Brian Flores  
Regina Johnson  
Crystal Juarez  
Rene Luna  
Alex Moses  
Patrick Munoz  
Samantha Perez  
Monique Pierce  
Brandy Ricks  
Simon Smith  
Cherrise Ward  
Demetrius Williams  
Elizabeth Aguirre  
Jose Garcia  
Luis Guajardo  
Katy Hagler  
Susie Hernandez  
JoLee Jones  
Mary Alice Martinez  
Michael Meyer  
Lionel Ramos  
Lucinda Reyes  
Nicole Riddlehubar  
Alfred Rodriguez  
Cendy Rodriguez  
Jorge Rodriguez  
Charlotte Rose  
Cecelia Terrazas  
Nat Terrazas

#### Interviewed:

Charlie Ward, Friend  
Phyllis Stephenson, Teacher  
Sarah Hoover, Great Grandmother  
Lloyd Davis, Sr., Grandfather  
Cordelia Tuckness, Great Grandmother  
Theodore Crumley, Grandfather  
Ernest Hall, Grandfather  
Bertha Saucedo, Grandmother  
Miss Charles Wilson, Friend  
Betty Moses, Grandmother  
Luis Flores, Grandfather  
David K. Swindle, Grandfather  
Nieves Gonzales, Great Grandmother  
Barbara Luna, Grandmother  
Henry Moses, Grandfather  
Agapito Saenz, Grandfather  
Paul & Ray Halamiccek, Grandparents  
Annie Mae Ward Pierce, Grandmother  
Fannie Meyers Shaver, Grandmother  
Johnny Smith, Father  
Nell Anderson York, Great Grandmother  
Cerrilla Daniels, Grandmother  
George Lopez, Grandfather  
Hector Jimenez, Teacher  
Ernestina Luna, Teacher  
Tony & Ann Rose, Grandparents  
Antonacio Avila, Grandfather  
Mary Thalia Garnett, Great Aunt  
Ramon Garcia, Grandfather  
The Hidalgo Family, Mother's Family  
Member of Family  
Camilo Cruz, Grandfather  
George Burks, Teacher  
Connie Hall, Teacher  
Mary Juarez, Aunt  
Frank Rodriguez, Father  
James Rose, Grandfather  
Else Sauer, Friend  
Phyllis Stephenson, Teacher

### Summer TAAS Test

Any student who failed to master the TAAS test or was absent when it was given in the Spring of 1993 may retake it this summer.

The TAAS Writing portion will be given July 13.

The TAAS Reading/TEAMS Language Arts will be given July 14.

The TAAS Math/TEAMS Math will be given July 15.

Students who tested at Brackett High School in the spring are automatically registered to re-test. Out-of-school students who need to complete TEAMS/TAAS to fulfill graduation requirements need to pick up registration package from Susan Harrison at the counselor's office. Call 563-2491.

### Summer School

Summer school at Del Rio High School is offered for the purpose of Remediation, Advancement and Enrichment. Registration is June 9, 1993, at the Del Rio High School Counselor's office. The first semester is June 10 through June 29. The second semester will be June 30 through July 20.

Courses scheduled to be offered are English I, English II, English III, English IV, U.S. History, World History, World Geography, Government/Economics, Biology I, General Physical Science, Algebra I, Algebra II, Geometry, or Health. The fee is \$60 for one semester course, or \$100 for two semester courses.

Brackett High School students who failed a course during the 1992-93 school year and qualify for the JTPA program, Middle Rio Grande Development Council, may apply for tuition funds but will be responsible for their own transportation. Contact the JTPA Supervisor at Brackett High School or the High School Counselor.

### Rangers Baseball

On Thursday, May 27, the Rangers remained undefeated after a 15-0 win over the Uvalde Angels. Michael Meyers pitched the 4 1/2 innings.

Ramon De Leon scored runs in the first, second, and fourth innings. George Rodriguez scored in first three innings. Moses Hernandez scored in the first and fourth innings.

Brian Hooker had runs in the second, third and fourth innings. In the fourth inning Beau Smallwood, Monchie Falcon, Patrick Munoz and Tim Hale added runs.

Friday, May 28, the Mariners fell to the Rangers 6-3 under the pitching of George Rodriguez who also scored in the first and seventh innings.

Ramon De Leon scored in the first and third innings.

Wrapping up the win were Monchie Falcon and Luis Guajardo each with a run in the seventh.

Games were scheduled for June 1, 6:00 p.m., vs Tigers, June 4, 8:00 p.m. vs Braves, and June 5, 5:00 p.m. vs Reds.

### Girls Softball

The Brackett Senior Girls Softball team traveled to Del Rio Saturday evening, May 29, to play Indiana Data Senior girls in a double header at Popword Field.

Courtney Harrison pitched six innings in a game that was called in the bottom of the sixth with a score of 16 to 9, Brackett's favor.

At the end of the first 1 1/2 innings Indiana Data led 6-2. Brackett then exploded for an eleven run inning that changed the score to 13-6 Brackett.

Brackett then scored two runs in the third and one in the sixth to Del Rio two in the fifth and one in the sixth.

Brackett double hits: Francisca Garza, Amy Bader, Lindy LaMascus and Denise Frerich. LaMascus also hit a triple.

In the second game, Brackett played both great defensive and offensive ball. Lindy LaMascus pitched the six innings.

Brackett scored seven runs in the first inning while holding Indiana Data to no runs with three up, three down.

The game was called at the end of the sixth inning due to the ten run rule. Brackett won 22 to 12.

Becky Payne and Denise Frerich both got doubles and Courtney Harrison got a triple. Amy Bader hit an infield homer.

Brackett now stands 4-0 with a double header scheduled at 6:00 p.m. Saturday, June 4, Val Verde Home.

## Mayor's Report

By CARMEN M. BERLANGA  
Mayor of Brackettville



When I agreed to write an article for the newspaper, I never intended to use my column unlike others, as a battleground for controversial issues. However, **enough is enough.** The public has a right to know both sides.

May 11th, agenda item 3- Approve/Disapprove the minutes of April 13th. Three times Tim Ward interrupted for discussion on his proposed sub-division Alegre Acres Plat. Three times I informed him that we were correcting the minutes and that he was listed on agenda on item 7.

Item 7-Tim Ward's Alegre Acres Plat-Approve/Disapprove Recommendation from the Planning Commission.

History: March 24th., a complete plat for all 42+ acres was submitted to the City showing a sub-division of streets, cul de sacs, and dead-end streets. No utility or power connections or easements were outlined. City Ordinance 163-Sub-division was given to Tim Ward. Had plat #1 been presented for approval, the sub-divider/developer would have to provide all utility connections and easements to comply with the Colonias Act for acreage of 5 or less tracts. At this time, Tim Ward stated that he did not have any buyers. Two days later the buyers came to City Hall wanting information for water and gas line connections.

April 13th at the regular City Council meeting Tim Ward presented plat #2, an entirely different plat of one tract of 5+ acres with an entrance easement on the side of the tract that was plated east and west. After the proper procedure was stressed to Tim Ward and to the City Council, the Council moved, erroneously, to approve the one tract, which was not the preliminary plat required by state and local ordinances.

April 16th, both Allen Krieger, Jr. and I went to Tim Ward, explained the ordinances and the procedure required. Tim was most amiable and co-operative and said do what you need to do.

April 22nd the Planning Commission held its first meeting on Alegre Acres Plat #1 of March 24th and the entirely different plat #2 of April 13th. Tim Ward was not present to answer the many questions asked. The issue was tabled until more research and information could be obtained.

April 23rd Tim Ward wrote a letter and handed copies to Allen Kreiger, Jr., Chairman of the Planning Commission, and to each Councilmember stating that all action cease on his Alegre Acres Plats. I did not receive this privileged letter.

May 5th, the Planning Commission rejected the one tract 5+ acres (plat 2) that the City Council had erroneously approved on April 13th. The buyers were present at the meeting. Seller Tim Ward was absent.

May 11th, it was precisely this April 13th erroneously approved motion that I was trying to repeal in the minutes based on the May 5th rejection of the Planning Commission. Due to: 1 We were in violation of City Sub-division Ordinance #163. 2. No comprehensive preliminary plat layout was submitted. This would cause the buyers to pay an undetermined and substantial amount of money in utility connections, after the first 100 feet provided by the City. 3. State laws read that an Instrument of Conveyance (deed) is not valid without the survey being approved by the proper procedure, thus not rendering a clear title of ownership to the buyers. The minutes were certainly not altered and tampered with, as per Joe Townsend.

Tim Ward went on and on about how he tried to comply with all State and local laws. How much money he had spent. Councilwoman, Flores apologized for any inconvenience the City Council may have caused him. **But**, just what was his problem? He had yet to submit a preliminary plat! In the meantime, did he not write his letter of April 23rd, to cease all action? Allen Kreiger, Jr. and I, again, publicly told him about the preliminary plat.

May 14th, Tim Ward finally presented plat #3, the much needed comprehensive preliminary plat of 5.243 acres in 8 tracts totally 42.83 acres divided north to south, all fronting entrances from Highway 90. On May 20th, the Planning Commission approved plat #3. Very simple. Had this been done in the beginning all the above would not have happened. I would not have been blamed for making it personal and not "allowing" Tim Ward to sell his property.

Items 13 through 17 were dictated by Ralph Gonzalez with the stipulation that no changes be made.

Item 13, Approve/Disapprove Termination of City Secretary, David G. Luna. Immediately Mike Gonzalez, attorney for Mr. Luna, stated that no legal or official complaint had been formally filed. **Vaboom** Ralph Gonzalez! I stated that I was presiding under protest. Three Councilwomen - Seargeant, Flores, and Fuentes were in protest also, Joe Townsend stated, May 20th, that I surrender the chair and leave; letting Mayor Pro-tem preside. Fine and good, but Mayor Pro-tem Moore and Ralph Gonzalez did not constitute a majority vote, much less a quorum with 3 of 5 council members protesting.

Item 13 was in Judicial Defect in that personnel should **not** be discussed in open session unless requested by the employee. Mr. Luna had not been given any opportunities. Personnel should be first discussed in Executive Session, then come to open session to approve/disapprove any action taken.

The Labor Board mandates a true and honest professional, not personal 'just cause' for any dismissal. Ralph Gonzalez did succeed in violating Mr. Luna's Civil Rights. Councilwoman Seargeant moved that item 13 be postponed indefinitely, seconded by Councilwoman Flores. Councilmembers Seargeant, Flores, Fuentes, and Moore voted AYE. Councilman Gonzalez voted NAY. Joe Townsend has accused me of voting when I said 4 total. He was so busy mumbling and making hand gestures indicating that I was crazy that he missed out on who voted AYE.

Item 16 Approve/Disapprove Interlocal Agreement with Kinney County Sheriff's Department. This item was irregular and in Judicial Defect in that we were approving/disapproving **before** the presentation was made. Again I protested and was supported by the same three Councilwomen.

Item 17, Excutive Session had Norman Hooten, Interlocal Agreement. Norman Hooten suggested that we move items around, item 17 before item 16. This was not the case. The point was that the Interlocal Agreement Contract was listed, to be presented in closed session, instead of open session, which is in violation of Texas Open Meeting Laws. About this time Norman Hooten stated that he had no presentation. That is when I asked "Then why are you here?" I was not questioning his presence as a visitor, but asking the purpose of his visit. After all he had been scheduled to make the presentation.

Item 16 was postponed indefinitely. Motion by Councilwoman Seargeant, seconded by Councilwoman Flores. Councilmembers Seargeant, Flores, Fuentes, and Moore voted AYE. Councilman Gonzalez voted NAY. 4 to 1. Joe Townsend missed this majority vote too.

Much mis-information has been presented to the public about this meeting. Joe Townsend, as usual, completely twisted everything on May 20. Norman Hooten had added his interpretation on May 27th. Again the City has been criticized and belittled as a whole. The many derogatory terms used against us by Norman Hooten tells us only one thing. Hooten did not get his way.

If there was undue embrassement for Judge Ward and Sheriff Hooten it was due to their not following proper procedures.

I could not force Judge Ward to understand and present the needed preliminary plat. I cannot force Sheriff Hooten on dealing through and with councilmembers who individually have absolutely no authority. What assurance is that? As a result and according to TML, these two councilmembers have violated their roles and responsibilities for conducting City business outside the City Council.

Is it preferable that the Council approve and I sign the Alegre Acres plat just because Tim Ward is the Judge? We would hurt the seller, prevent clear title to the buyers, and bind the City to provide water/gas

line connections and streets for 42+ acre sub-division at a tremendous expense. No tax-roll income could quickly off-set this expense and genuinely benefit the City.

It is preferable that the City enter into the Interlocal Agreement just because Norman Hooten is the Sheriff? We would bind the City to pay \$1000.00 a month to enforce the Law. Why? What for? Norman Hooten already has all the law! Joe Townsend states that we would be saving thousands of dollars by agreeing to the Interlocal

Agreement, correction, we are saving thousands of dollars by **not** agreeing. For the past year the City was deprived of using the County Jail facilities, and radio dispatch. By law Norman Hooten is obligated to respond to the May 17th fire, that

one of the fire victims drove to the county jail to report the fire. Is this true? If so, why?

Yes, we are here until May 1994 and possibly longer. One never knows. We fully realize that this slander is the beginning of a campaign to vote us out next year. We

are trying very hard to represent and keep the City out of binding agreements that are not in the best interest or would jeopardize the already stressed financial structure.

We get phone calls too, praising us for standing up to Norman Hooten. The main expressed concern is Norman Hooten and his modus operandi.

If all of this is mis-representation, so be it. I am very proud of the three strong councilwomen. It feels good in not letting just anybody or everybody come in trying to force undesirable issues and use us for their ulterior motives.

Let's we forget the total ploy and principal motive, together with the 'now' undivided support for Councilmen Gonzales and Moore by Norman Hooten goes back to the same old adage, **total power!**

Respectfully submitted,  
Carmen M. Berlanga  
Mayor, City of Brackettville

### How do you spell stress?

Some top causes of stress—and how to avoid them.

#### Social isolation

Don't withdraw—find social support. Be with people you enjoy, not just those you feel you "should" be with.

#### Thinking unrealistically

Avoid unrealistic expectations and demands on yourself. Make rational plans. Set priorities.

#### Rigid body

Physical tension causes elevated heart rate and blood pressure. Relax your body. Breathe deeply, exercise, go limp for 30 seconds.

#### Emotions repressed

Express your feelings. Don't pretend to be jolly if you're not. Be honest.

#### Self-neglect

Don't overdo. Take breaks. Get enough rest. Eat right. Spend time doing something you enjoy.

#### Sensory overload

Avoid too much of a good thing. Take some quiet time each day for yourself.

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Again, for the third consecutive year, providing a substance-free, safe, and fun-filled after graduation party for the 1993 Brackett High School graduates became a community activity.

A special thank-you to Walter Umphreys for making LaFonda Ranch available as the site, and special appreciation goes to LaFonda's foreman, Chris and Bill Howell, who took care of the management chores that made the 7-hour long party a tremendous success. BISSD School Board President provided the trailer and most of the manpower to transport all "the stuff" including prizes out to the ranch (for the third year), and helped get everything set up.

For the third year also, Don and Joy Ralston have not only been chaperones, but Joy has organized all games and prizes each year. They also accompanied Susan Harrison, another third year veteran, on a shopping spree that provided all those delicious gifts. Additional chaperones (on this assignment chaperoning is fun) in 1993 were Leslie and Dawn Hudson, Tammy Coggins, Carl and Robin Glass, Maxine Bonner, Shelly Naylor, Frank Taylor, Carroll Petrosky, Steve and Mary Beth Mills, Gregg Nowlin, Judy Burks, and David Burton.

The real success story though are the graduates and their guests who attended. Thirty-seven of the eligible forty-three graduating seniors attended along with twenty-four guests.

They were: Patricia Barragan, Albert Coronado, Monica Cruz, Sonya Cruz, Mary Alice Dimery, Juanita Elizondo, Mary Falcon, Gabriel Flores, Gabriela Flores, Ricky Flores, Lynn Floyd, Raquel Franklin, Charles Frerich, Dee Ann Frerich, Tanya Frerich, Julie Lopez Garcia, Corina Gonzalez, Myrna Gonzalez, John Ingram, Angel Jaso, Wendy McDaniel, Monica Garza McDonald, Anna Morgan, Adrian Pena, Manuel Perez, Maria Ramos, Sonya Ramos, Aurelia Rivas, Aracely Rodriguez, Victor Sanchez, David Seargeant, Christina Smith, Sandra Solis, Esmeralda Talamantez, Theresa Terrazas, Isela Valdez, and Melissa Vela.

Guests: Bird Perez, Denice Frerich, Mark Garcia, Yvette Rocha, Oscar Garcia, Zoila Herrera, Angie Jaso, Samantha Luna, Tevin Senne, Jesse Terrazas, Ida Aguilar, Amber Davis, Juan Hernandez, Debra Frerich, Daniel McDonald, Juanita Montoya, Amanda Davis, Raquel Martinez, Michael Longoria, W.T. Hunt, Debbie Buantello, Dedra Hale, Jennifer Terrazas, and Tanya McClure.

Coach Nowlin, a third year driver, drove the bus that departed from the school at 11:00 p.m. and left from LaFonda at 6:00 a.m.

"Graduation Mania" was played by six member teams. Taking first prize of a water gun and a \$10 gift certificate from Camelot Music for each person were Myrna Gonzalez, Ida Aguilar, Yvette Rocha, Debbie Buantello, Nina Gonzalez, and Mary Falcon.

Second place with a "bubble blow" and \$5 cash to each member of the team went to Albert Coronado, Manuel Perez, Gabriel Flores, Oscar Garcia, Jennifer Terrazas, and Theresa Terrazas.

The games were a (1) candle race, (2) roll the pumpkin - pumpkins couldn't be found so a volleyball was used, (3) flat and round - wearing a pie pan hat while rolling a hoop, (4) water boy - water fight, (5) pass the bean - with a straw, (6) cool whip blindfold feed - a blindfolded player fed chocolate flavored cool whip to a blindfolded "eater", (7) cutting horse - riding a stick horse to the goal line and back and then cutting out a silhouette of a horse and rider, (8) penny drop - carrying a penny between one's knees and dropping it into a paper cup...no hands. Silly, yes; challenge, yes; gets everybody participating, yes!

A basketball free shot contest was held with Denice Frerich and Victor Sanchez winning first place. They each received a snake (rubber) and \$5.00.

Gabriela Flores won the Hula Hoop contest by twirling the hoop for five minutes without stopping. She got \$5 and the hoop. In the race to pin the tail on a live goat (donated by Doc Belcher), Gabriela also was the winner. She got the goat.

Sonya Cruz came the closest to guessing the amount of cash in the money jar. She got the cash for her prize...\$206.22.

Volleyball tournaments, dancing, and a camp fire were also included in the activities. Oh, yes the water gun fights was won by Coach Coggins and Coach Nowlin!

Big winners in a money-draw were Theresa Terrazas \$50, Christina Smith \$50, Gabriela Flores \$20, Mary Falcon \$20, Patricia Barragan \$20, Maria Ramos \$20.

In a contest where darts were thrown at balloons for prizes, winners were: JVC Super Bass Portable System - Ricky Flores, Sony Radio



**Project Graduation 1993**

Cassette Recorder - Monica McDonald, Craig CD Cassette Stereo Recorder - Sonya Ramos, Craig CD Cassette Stereo Recorder - David Seargeant, Magna Doodle Message Center Telephone - Gabriela Flores, Minolta Freedom 50 35mm Camera - Lynn Floyd, GE Telephone Clock Radio - Dee Ann Frerich, Panasonic Stereo Radio Cassette Recorder - Isela Valdez, Phonemate Telephone W/Answering Machine - John Ingram and Adrian Pena, Magnovox Dual Deck Radio Cassette Recorder - Gabriel Flores, MWA Radical Cassette Player - Aurelia Rivas, and Myrna Gonzalez, Sony Walkman Cassette Player - Charles Frerich, Sony Dream Machine - Tanya Frerich, and Sandra Solis, Sony Radio Cassette Recorder - Albert Coronado, Casio Rap Pak Keyboard and Cassette - Juanita Elizondo, Toshiba Cordless Telephone - Christina Smith, Sony Sports Walkman - Manuel Perez, GE Dual Cassette Recorder - Melissa Vela, Sony Sports Cassette Recorder - Wendy McDaniel, Sanyo Portable Dual Cassette Recorder - Theresa Terrazas, Adjustable Chromed Weight Set - Mary Falcon, Sony Radio Cassette Recorder - Victor Sanchez, Vivitar 35mm Camera - Aracely Rodriguez, Sony Sports Walkman Radio Cassette Player - Monica Cruz, GE Cassette Player - Maria Ramos, Sound Design Clock Radio Cassette Telephone - Nina Gonzalez, and Esmeralda Talamantez, Minolta Memory Maker 35mm Camera - Anna Morgan, Koss Stereo Dual Cassette Player - Raquel Franklin, GE Microwave Oven - Angel Jaso, Casio Sports Watch - Sonya Cruz, Patricia Barragan, Julie Garcia, and Mary Dimery.

Hourly prizes were awarded that went to: Kahuna Water Gun - Albert Coronado, Violator Water Gun - John Ingram, Rocket Soccer Ball - Lynn Floyd, Ankle Weights - Gabriel Flores, Lex Lugger Doll - Dee Ann Frerich, Frisbee - Sandra Solis, Magie Mitts - Mary Falcon, Super Soaker - Melissa Vela, Sound Design Clock Radio - Wendy McDaniel, Action Sounds Watch - Myrna Gonzalez, Timex Watch - Manuel Perez, Football LCD Game - Patricia Barragan, Baseball LCD Game - Nina Gonzalez, Silver Picture Album - Isela Valdez, Reach Basketball - Anna Morgan, Franklin

Basketball - Julie Garcia, Turbo Fan - Aurelia Rivas, Flash Lights - Maria Ramos, M-16 Water Gun - Charles Frerich, and 4 ft. Glider - Adrian Pena.

Receiving either a \$5 bill or 5 silver dollars were: Aracely Rodriguez, Sonya Ramos, Ricky Flores, Gabriela Flores, Raquel Franklin, Angel Jaso, Tanya Frerich, Victor Sanchez, and Mary Dimery.

Grand Prizes were won by: 20" Color TV - Sonya Ramos, VCR - Julie Lopez Garcia, Mountain Bike - Lynn Floyd, Sharp Boom Box CD - Adrian Pena, and CD Player - Charles Frerich.

A project of this magnitude can only be possible with a lot of support and special thanks to the following who either contributed cash, food, supplies, prizes, or a combination of one or more to the party or the fundraiser: Dan & Jan Saunders, Tom & Lynn McNew, Father Zumaya and the Catholic Church, O'Rourke Realty, Sunshine Garden Center, Border Credit Union, Fort Clark Springs Association, First State Bank, Graf and Barton, CP&L, Jewel Robinson, HEB, PTO of Brackettville ISD, Church of Christ, Del Rio Bank And Trust, Tom & Jean Faulkenberry, First Baptist Church, Phyllis & Taylor Stephenson, Lions Club of Brackettville, Texas Dept. of Transportation, Sweets and Things, Pico, Texcor, Steve & Merry Beth Mills, Carroll & Mary Petrosky, Tulisha Wardlaw, Freddy & Terry Frerich, Kinney County Wool & Mohair, K.C. Chamber of Commerce, Susan & Sonny Harrison, Super S, Dr. W.A. Belcher, General Beverages, Connie Pena Dominos Pizza, Skip Baker Mr. Gattis, Fort Clark Springs, B&S, Fiesta Food Basket, Citizens of Kinney County, Mr. Walter Umphreys and Chris & Bill Howell, Jimmy Bader, Don & Joy Ralston, Susan Harrison, Leslie & Dawn Hudson, Tammy Coggins, Carl & Robin Glass, Maxine Bonner, Shelly Naylor, Frank Taylor, Carroll Petrosky, Steve & Merry Beth Mills, Gregg Nowlin, Judy Burks, and David Burton.

But the wonderful party, completely substance free, was possible because of the gracious, loving, cooperative kids. Each one participated, each one contributed a part of themselves in the fun and games, each one a winner!

Golf News



Ladies Golf  
Tuesday, June 1

The Ladies Golf League played "If I'da", a fun sort of net score game where you have 1 mulligan for each 2 handicap strokes.

Winning first was Jane Young. Tying for 2nd and 3rd were Mary Stephenson and Pat Long. Tying for 4th and 5th were Lou Green and Shirley Stephenson. Next was Fern Dyer, followed by Pat McKelvy and Mae Röper, then Chick Cruse, then Dee Curry. Loris Ryan followed them, and then Odette Mills, next was LaVon McLane, then Flo Stafford, and then Marge Adams. No scores were turned in for Doris Echenroth and Eileen Voracek.

Next week Tee time will be 8:00 a.m. and the game will be Blind Bogie. You will not know who your team consists of until after play. It will be a total score of A-B-C-D players.

Mens Golf

Wednesday, May 26  
4-Man Teams, Best 2-Balls

1st, 137: Julian Garza, Carlos Garza, Allen McCord, and Chuck Porter.

2nd, 141: George Bumgardner, Jim Swinney, John Osborn, and Dwyte Gilliland.

3rd, 143: Roy Dyer, Treg Mitchell, Doc Cruse, and Dave Yates.

Four other teams finished at 149.

National Safe Boating Week  
June 6 - 12

"Boat Smart" is the theme for National Safe Boating Week, June 6 - 12. National Safe Boating Week, along with Memorial Day weekend, traditionally launches the recreational boating season in the U.S.

3-Par

May 31, 1993

Sixteen players teed off on the Memorial holiday.

1st place - Donnie Guajardo, Joe Kelly, Jim Garrison, and Art Ray, with one under Par 26.

2nd place - Carlos Garza, Pat McKelvy, Ron Frisby and Howard Skelton, with one over Par 28.

3rd place - Bill Koons, Dave Yates, Bob Burkepile and Mickey Braun, with one over Par 28.

Two teams tied with one over Par 28. There was a coin flip to see who was second. Carlos Garza's team won the toss.

4th place - Harrell Floyd, Alfred Pena, John Clasen and Lou Sofaly, with a two over Par 29.

Two new resident members played - Joe Kelly from Monahans, and Jim Garrison from Corpus Christi.

Some of the keenest golf competition around the Fort occurs on Monday morning during the 3-par Florida Scramble. It is not infrequent for teams to tie requiring a "chip-off" or some other tie-breaking method to determine the winning team.

For each Scramble, team captains are selected and then players assigned to the captain. The golfers are not necessarily on the team they were on the week before. In fact, they seldom are.

In a tally from November 3, 1992, through May 24, 1993, winning captains were: Tom Faulkenberry - 5 times; Fay Gooch - 4 times; Julian Garza, John Osborn, Bill Koons, Joe Genaudli, and Charlie Smith - 2 times each. With one win each were James Stafford, Donnie Guajardo, Chuck Endris, Bob Barnett, and Tom Beatty.

No Aggie Joke, Either

Thanks to researchers at Texas A&M University, the flush-less toilet may be in America's future.

A team of Aggie scientists are working to develop a toilet that will break down human waste into usable gases. Its first use will be for astronauts to use on long space missions where disposing of human waste is a problem.

The space age toilet will use solar energy to electrolyze waste into hydrogen, nitrogen and carbon dioxide. The carbon dioxide can be used by plants to produce oxygen; hydrogen in a fuel cell to generate electricity and water and the nitrogen can be released harmlessly into the cabin of the space ship.

If the experiment proves successful, A&M scientists say the technology could be used to treat any kind of waste in space or on Earth.

"In a half century, it could replace sewage systems completely," said Ramesh C. Bhardwaj, a chemist and one of the principal investigators.

It probably would be used at first in vans, ships, airplanes and portable toilets, and later could become standard plumbing in homes. The estimated cost of the units: \$150.

Au Revoir, Texas

A century ago, hundreds of residents of other states posted a "GTT" sign (meaning "Gone to Texas") and headed here to seek their fortune. Many found the pot of gold at the foot of the Texas rainbow.

Now many professors at the state's public colleges and universities are looking north, east and west - and with good reason.

Average salaries for faculty here are 11.5% less than in the 10 other most populous states.

The average professor in Texas will earn \$44,636 teaching this year, according to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board. In the other large states, the average salary would be \$50,443.

Where do you think the Laredo District boundaries should be?

The Texas Transportation Commission has approved a new district, with headquarters in Laredo.

Now, it's your turn to help us decide where the district boundaries should be drawn.

The Texas Department of Transportation will host two public hearings on this topic.

Registration for the hearings will begin at 5:30 p.m. each day. Speakers will be taken in the order registered.

Written comments will be accepted until 5 p.m. June 11, at:

Office of Associate Executive for Planning and Policy  
125 E. 11th Street  
Austin, Texas 78701

For more information contact:  
Dawn Doyle at 512/463-8627.

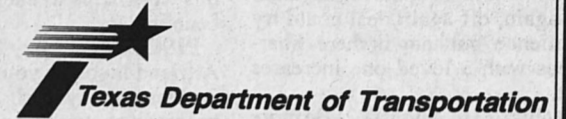
Del Rio Hearing  
6 p.m., June 9  
Del Rio Civic Center  
1915 Avenue F

Laredo Hearing  
6 p.m., June 8  
Laredo Civic Center  
2400 San Bernardo

What are districts?

Districts are department field offices responsible for planning, designing, construction and maintaining an area's transportation systems.

The new boundaries will be determined along the criterion of aligning counties with similar trade/economic route systems.



Life Jackets  
Made To Be Worn

Hundreds of people will drown this year, many from boating accidents on the public lakes, rivers and bays in Texas. Most of the accidents are preventable, too.

U. S. Coast Guard statistics show that more than 80% of boating fatalities involved people not wearing life jackets. Many of these fatalities were children.

The American Pediatrics Society lists drowning as the number one cause of child death, according to officials with the National Safe Boating Council. Children under 7 years old cannot don a life jacket by themselves. Those between 7 and 12 cannot arrange tasks without formal training. A good way to save a child's life while boating is to put them in a properly fitted and adjusted life jacket before hitting the water.

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department received reports on 359 water related deaths in 1992. The number one cause of death listed was "fell into water" with 107. The top two activities were swimming and fishing with 86 and 56, respectively. Of all the fatalities, 223 occurred in lakes, rivers, the Gulf of Mexico or the bays.

The age group with the most deaths was up to 5 years old with 48, but children and adults alike drowned at similar rates. The 21 to 25 year old age group had 45 fatalities, followed by 16 - 20 years old with 38, 26 - 30 years old with 34 and 6 - 10 years old and 31 - 35 years old, both with 27 fatalities.

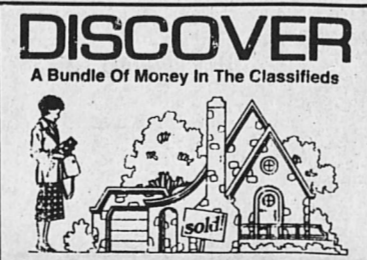
Excuses vary as to why people do not wear life jackets, but they are all poor. The main reason for wearing a life jacket is the protection of life. Correct fit and proper adjustment to the person wearing it are imperative if the safety margin it offers is to be obtained, National Safe Boating Council officials said.

Know how to correctly wear a life jacket. Try putting one on while in the water and practice swimming while wearing it. However, a life jacket is only an aid to buoyancy; it's no substitute for good swimming ability.

There also are several tips for children.

- \*\*\*Life jackets come in child weight ranges of under 30 pounds, 30-50 pounds, 50-90 pounds and more than 90 pounds. Choose the right weight range for your child.
- \*\*\*Chest size might be specified, so measure your child under the arms.
- \*\*\*Fasten the life jacket snugly and lift at the shoulders. If it gives more than 3 inches, it's too big.
- \*\*\*Crotch straps keep the life jacket in place. Use them.
- \*\*\*Consider collared life jackets for children who fear water.
- \*\*\*Let your child test the life jacket in shallow water. It's important for him to get used to wearing it.
- \*\*\*Choose high-visibility colors.
- \*\*\*Life jackets are not baby sitters. Never leave your child alone.

For information on boater education courses, call the TPWD boater education course hotline at 1-800-253-4536. For general information call 512-389-4800. For boater registration call 512-389-4828. For boater education information call 512-389-4999. The TPWD toll-free number is 1-800-792-1112.



Tips For Easy Fish Filleting  
Free Guide Available

There's more than one way to fillet a fish. Just ask any three fishermen! So, Buck Knives doesn't claim that this is the only way. However, Buck does offer these tips when using any of their fixed-blade fish fillet knives or "FishLocker" folding fillet knife.

1. Grip the head of the fish firmly and cut down to the spine - but not through it.
2. Guiding your knife parallel to the side of the fish, cut along the spine to the tail. Without cutting the side slab from the tail, flop the slab away from the head, as shown.
3. To remove the rib section, insert the blade close to the rib bones, then slice away that entire section. Do this before removing the skin.
4. Remove the skin from the fillet by inserting your knife at the tail and cutting the meat from the skin. Start your cut about 1/2 inch from the tail end of the skin. Turn the fish over and repeat this same procedure.

For a free booklet with more information on the many uses of knives, write to: Knife Know-How Booklet, Buck Knives, Dept. D.O., P.O. Box 1267, El Cajon, CA 92022.

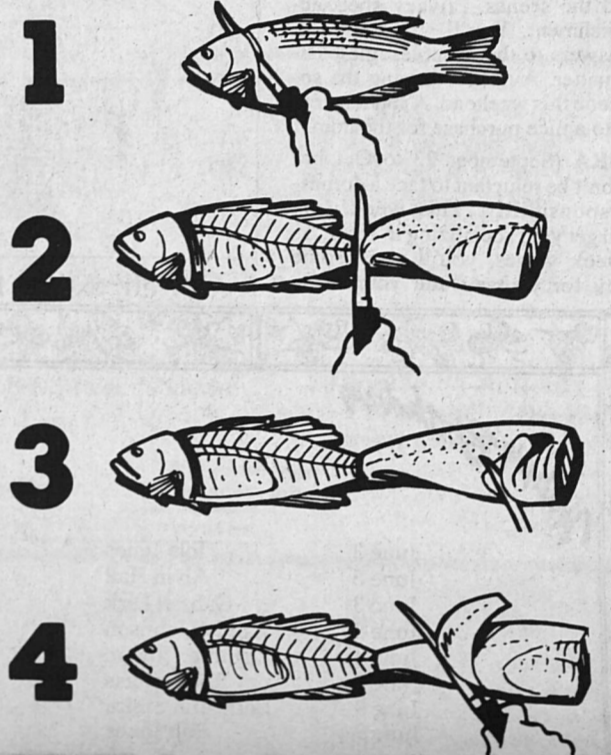


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Boating Checklist

Most small boat owners have to tow their rig for a number of miles before they launch. If they find they have forgotten something vital, it's usually very inconvenient to go back for it.

The boating authorities at Mariner Outboards suggest that boaters prepare a checklist of equipment ahead of time and use it when loading their boat and tow vehicle at home.

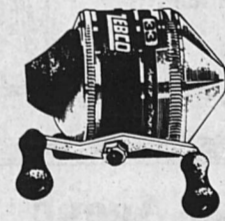
Here's a sample of some of the items you might need. You may want to add others to develop your customized list.

- Trailer tie-downs (bow/stern)
- Transom drain plug
- Portable fuel tank with hose
- Keys: engine/trailer
- Boat battery
- Two-cycle oil
- On-board tool kit
- Hand bilge pump
- Anchor with line
- Deck lines (bow/stern)
- Spare: fuel line, prop. spark plug
- Trailer-mounted spare tire
- Boat cover
- Boat fenders
- Trailer jack
- Oars/paddles
- Bucket and sponge
- Wheel chocks
- Seat cushions
- Fire extinguisher
- Distress signalling devices for day and night

What Type of Reel Should I Use

Spincast, spinning or baitcast - which is the best reel for you? Actually, no reel type is better than the other. Each has its place and the choice often depends on fishing conditions, type of water, method of fishing and your own personal level of expertise. A well-rounded angler should own and be able to use all three.

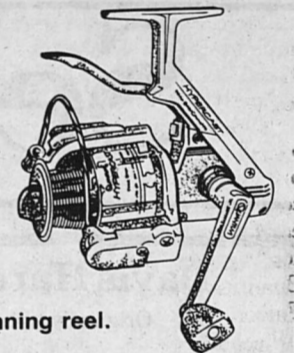
**Spincast** - No one will dispute the fact that the best reel to start with is a spincast. It's that simple. Most of today's professional tournament anglers started fishing with a Zebco 202 and many still use spincast today. In fact, successful professional tournament fisherman Woo Daves used a Zebco 808 to win the Bassmaster Illinois Invitational and the \$35,000 first prize last year.



Spincast reel.

A spincast reel is the easiest to use, because it is a fixed spool reel activated by a thumb release. Since the spool does not turn it eliminates the "overrun" or backlash problems often associated with baitcast reels. And because the spool is enclosed, there are not as many opportunities for line tangles as there are with the exposed spool of spinning reels. Simplicity of use is important, but so is the fact that, with practice, a spincast reel is every bit as accurate as any other type of equipment. It also can perform better under certain conditions like casting in tight cover and under obstacles. No serious angler is really "armed" without knowing how to use spincast and having one, two, three or even four in the boat.

**Spinning** - A spinning reel is basically an upsidedown spincast reel since it utilizes a fixed-spool design. Differences are that the spool is exposed and a "bail" must be opened in order to cast. One real advantage to spinning is the balance of the reel on the rod. Since it is hanging below the rod, the center of gravity is such that it does not take much effort to hold, cast and retrieve. Another plus is less line friction since the spool is exposed, allowing longer casts with lighter lures. Spinning reels can be found in the traditional



Spinning reel.

flip-the-bail models or in one of the new, innovative "trigger" designs. Quantum's popular Snapshot reels and new Hypercast have made spin fishing simple enough for even the beginner. Both are trigger models that can cast without ever having to touch the bail or line. Hypercast features a unique stem mounted trigger that opens the bail automatically regardless of bail position, and has a pivotal "firing pin" that picks up and holds the line for the cast.

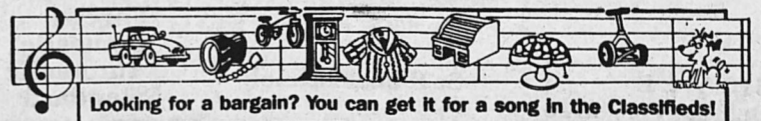
**Baitcast** - Very simply, a baitcast reel is a miniature winch, with a spool that rotates on an axle just like a car tire. While baitcast reels work fine with



Baitcasting reel.

lighter lines, they work better than spincast or spinning with heavier lines. Since the spool rotates a line tangled called a "backlash" sometimes occurs. When the cast is first made, the lure and the reel's spool are traveling at the same speed. As the lure goes out and meets resistance, it slows. If the spool of the reel does not slow to the same speed, the angler will experience a backlash or "professional overrun" as some fishermen prefer to call it. For this reason, some anglers shy away from baitcast gear - saying it is too difficult to use. Now, however, with the new anti-backlash magnetic cast controls built into many of today's reels such as the popular Quantum 1310MG, the problem is greatly diminished.

Spincast, spinning and baitcast... each has its place. Learn to use all three and you will find you can "tackle" any fishing situation you encounter.



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Natasha's Stars

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) The week will begin on an inspirational note, but duties relating to others have to be attended to later in the week. You will be tempted to goof off some at work this week, but avoid this. Use your powers of concentration. A meeting with close ties brings you pleasant surprises.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) Domestic interests are favored this week, but ethical considerations are paramount on the job. An extra career push pays dividends now, but refrain from mixing business with pleasure. Leisure plans are subject to possible change.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) Find less expensive ways to have fun this week. Your domestic routine is liable to be upset in some way later in the week. However, do be flexible about this. Find an outlet for extra creative energy over the weekend.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) Attend to domestic duties early in the week. Midweek, shop for the home, but use care in speech since misunderstandings could arise later. An on-again, off-again deal could try your patience, but hang in there. Sharing ideas with a loved one increases rapport.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) Be more optimistic about a certain work project. You'll make a purchase this week that you're destined to be proud of. Unexpected expenses could arise while you are having fun this weekend, so be prepared. Utilize creative talents.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) You work best this week from behind the scenes. Privacy abets accomplishment. You'll come up with the answers to that troublesome business matter. Avoid overdoing the social scene this weekend. A sudden urge leads to a nice purchase for the home.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) Don't be reluctant to face a domestic responsibility. This week, you should get your socializing in early. As the week wanes, you'll want some privacy for yourself and your mate.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) Though career progress is assured this week, you seem to be troubled inwardly. Think positively. Don't dwell on present limitations.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) Happy news will come from afar, but stick to tried-and-true methods careerwise. Curb eccentricities that could irritate a higher-up. People around you may not be totally straightforward, so listen carefully to what's being said.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) Patience is usually your virtue, yet this week you may be anxious about success. Don't grumble about extra responsibilities you may have to assume. Bypass go-betweens and present your viewpoint to higher-ups in person.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) Though increased rapport with a close tie makes for happiness, you both have to curb a tendency to spend beyond your means while in your euphoric state. Creative types should meet with agents and advisers this week. This weekend, travel brings benefits.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) A friend involves you with a personal problem, but you should expect real progress at work. Acquaintances are unpredictable later this week. Close ties exhibit changeable dispositions, yet are somewhat demanding.



"Well, excuse me!"

Vision Teaser



Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Balloons are added. 2. Signs is changed. 3. Time is changed. 4. Dress is different. 5. Hats are missing. 6. Glass is taller.

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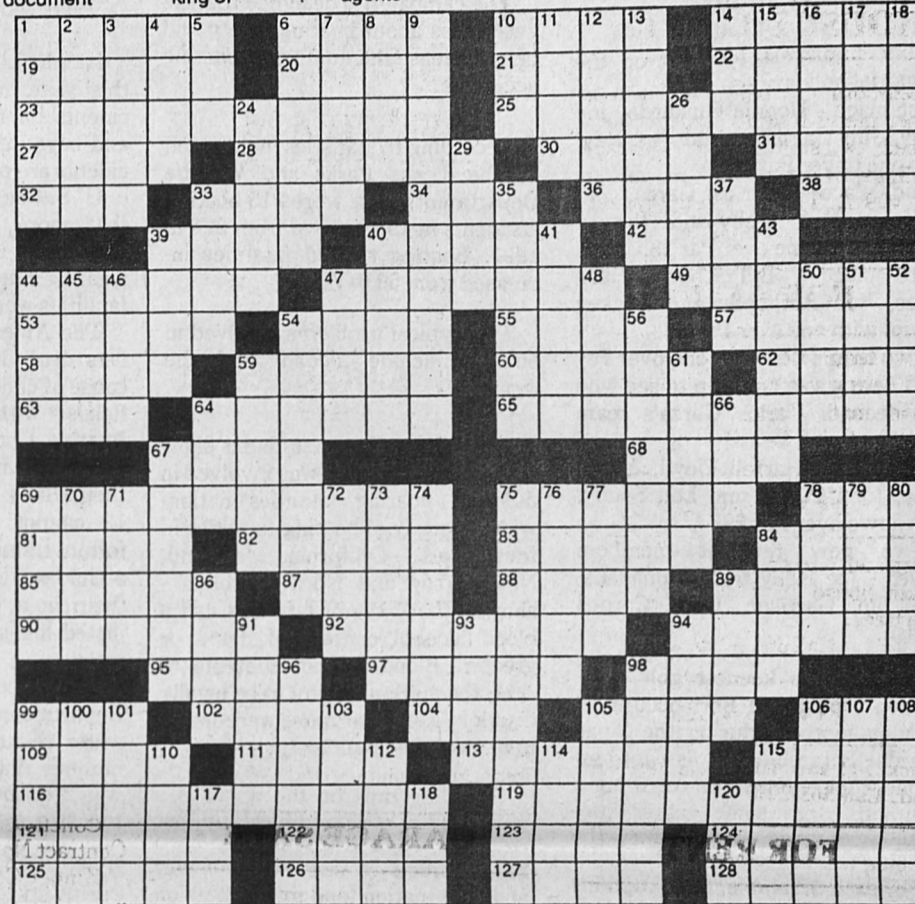
Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions—forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

- Badger
- Bobcat
- Chinchilla
- Coyote
- Ermine
- Gray Fox
- Mink
- Muskrat
- Opossum
- Otter
- Raccoon
- Red Fox
- Sable
- Seals
- Weasel

(Answer On Page 3)

Super Crossword

- ACROSS**  
 1 Robber follower?  
 6 Very elegant  
 10 Street urchin  
 14 Unexpected defeat  
 19 Greek market place  
 20 Singer  
 21 It's good for what ails you  
 22 Deplorably shabby  
 23 He wrote "Humboldt's Gift"  
 25 He's noted for "The Caine Mutiny"  
 27 Scene of the crime  
 28 Worldwide  
 30 Name in high fashion  
 31 Central point  
 32 Shot or step starter  
 33 Secluded valley  
 34 Capital of Yemen  
 38 Footlike organ  
 39 One-armed bandit feature  
 40 Calculating snake?  
 42 Hawaiian goose  
 44 She wrote "Sense and Sensibility"  
 47 Printed on a document
- DOWN**  
 49 He wrote "The Sea Wolf"  
 53 Show to be untrue  
 54 — morgana (a mirage)  
 55 TV role for young Ron Howard  
 57 Town written of by 116  
 58 Apple-growing chemical  
 59 Perry Mason's workload  
 60 Quantities of paper  
 62 Shoshonean Indians  
 63 Movie locale  
 64 Police officer's collar?  
 65 Author of "Advise and Consent"  
 67 Hebrew lyre  
 68 Dissipated man  
 69 He wrote "Oliver's Story"  
 75 Actress  
 78 Spanish gold  
 81 Diplomat's need  
 82 Slier's terrain  
 83 Apportion  
 84 Edge  
 85 Legendary king of
- THEBES**  
 87 Tree snake  
 88 Bearing  
 89 A thick liqueur  
 90 He created "Uncle Remus"  
 92 Deprives of rights  
 94 He wrote "The Executioner's Song"  
 95 Fire or ball starter  
 97 River of Hades  
 98 "White —" (novel by 49)
- ENGLISH SAND HILL**  
 128 "Whither thou goest"
- DOWN**  
 1 Kind of voice or singer  
 2 Once more  
 3 Numbered highway  
 4 Band on a shield  
 5 Seize roughly  
 6 Potter's tool  
 7 Synthetic fiber  
 8 Undesirable roommate  
 9 He wrote "The Immigrants"  
 10 Bonn exclamation  
 11 Regretted  
 12 "Mrs. — Goes to Paris"  
 13 Deplore  
 14 Decorative vase  
 15 Chess piece  
 16 Small porch  
 17 Musical study  
 18 Small children  
 24 King of Moab  
 26 Synthetic fiber  
 29 Spartan queen  
 33 Merriment  
 35 An original member of the SEC  
 37 Wild ox
- RECIPE DIRECTION**  
 39 Recipe direction  
 40 Pays to play  
 41 Drive off  
 43 Put up with  
 44 Desert garments  
 45 African river  
 46 Venetian blind unit  
 47 Alleviate  
 48 Clock face  
 51 Unique person  
 52 Overly inquisitive  
 54 He wrote the "Studs Lonigan" trilogy  
 56 He wrote "The Conduct of Life"  
 59 Celtic or Maltese  
 61 Snub haughtily  
 64 Wood for baseball bats  
 66 Press for payment  
 67 Members of the cast  
 69 Engrave, in a way  
 70 — avis  
 71 Cake decorator  
 72 "Let the — Times Roll"  
 73 Fool's month?  
 74 Whitman's "— of Grass"  
 75 He wrote "True West"
- TYPEWRITER**  
 76 Typewriter type  
 77 Pub pints  
 78 City on the Oka  
 79 Hoarfrost  
 80 Hebrew measure  
 84 Ship's prison  
 86 Pinches  
 89 Miraculous city  
 91 Burn slightly  
 93 Airport listings; abbr.  
 94 Island in Taiwan Strait  
 96 Placed in rows  
 98 Easily broken  
 99 TV's "— Dad"  
 100 Higher in power  
 101 He wrote "Borstal Boy"  
 103 French economist and politician  
 105 Yarn purchase  
 106 Love, to Luigi  
 107 Noted penologist  
 108 Valuable possession  
 110 Grafted, in heraldry  
 112 Network  
 114 Double-read woodwind  
 115 Jason's ship  
 117 Cut with an ax  
 118 "Certainly!"  
 120 Scott Joplin creation



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**AMISTAD:** Water clear, 72 degrees, normal level; black bass are good to 8½ pounds on red shad Power Worms; striped are slow; crappie are fair in the Devil's River on minnows; white bass are fair and hard to find on model A Bombers; catfish are fairly good in 4-12 feet of water on shrimp and bream; yellow catfish are fair on trotlines to 22 pounds; channel catfish are good to 4 pounds on rod and reel in baited holes, fish are in the murky water.

**BRAUNIG:** Water murky, 78 degrees, 1 foot above normal level; black bass are fair to 6 pounds on red shad Power Worms and cranks; hybrid striped are good all day to 17 inches on chicken liver and Rattle Traps; catfish are good to 2½ pounds on shrimp, worms and shad; redfish are good to 16 pounds on crawfish from the boat and the bank in 13 feet of water.

**CALAVERAS:** Water murky, 82 degrees, 1 foot high; black bass are fair to 4 pounds, 13 ounces on artificials; striped are slow to 5 pounds on artificials; crappie are slow; channel catfish are good to 1½ pounds on shrimp and chicken livers; redfish are good 18½ pounds on live perch, crawfish and spoons; corvina are improving to 17 pounds.

**CHOKE:** Water clear, 74 degrees, lake full; black bass are fair in number to 9½ pounds on worms; striped are slow; crappie are slow; white bass are fair on slabs and spoons; catfish are good in 3-5 feet of water early and 10-20 feet of water in the middle of the day, also under cork in 3-5 feet of water; trotlines are good with liver and live bait.

**COLETO CREEK:** Water muddy, 71 degrees, normal level; black bass are fair to 5 pounds on spinners; striped are fair to 18 inches on minnows; crappie are poor; catfish are good through 9 pounds on shrimp and chicken liver.

**CORPUS CHRISTI:** Water is clear, 74 degrees, 3½ feet low; black bass are fair early to 3½ pounds around willows on PopPops and white spinners; striped are slow; white bass are scattered all over the lake, best bet is trolling chrome Small A Bombers and L'il Georges near the dam; crappie are fair early off both state park piers with white fleafly jigs and minnows; blue and channel catfish are good to 12 pounds on trotlines baited with soap and shad in 3-5 feet of water; yellow catfish good to 42 pounds sunfish baited trotlines in 18-22 feet of water.

Free Fishing Day

A "Free Sportfishing Day" will kick off National Fishing Week by allowing anglers to fish any public waters of Texas without a license on June 5.

David Palmer, law enforcement director of field operations, said that resident and nonresident recreational fishermen will be allowed to fish without a license, and they also will not be required to have special stamps such as the \$7 salt-water sportfishing or freshwater trout stamps.

No fishing license will be required to fish any state park waters on June 5, but normal entry and facility use fees apply. Camping reservations are recommended.

National Fishing Week will be observed across the nation June 7-13 with a variety of activities centered on fishing as family recreation. This year's theme, "Cast Across America," was selected to highlight the diverse species and recreational fishing opportunities across the U.S.



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**June 8, 1993 - 2:00 P.M.**  
Contract No. 074XXM4001, Concho County  
Contract No. 074XXM4004, Kinney County

**June 9, 1993 - 2:00 P.M.**  
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**There Will Not Be A Prebidders Meeting For These Projects**  
Specifications and proposals for the above mentioned contract are available at the office of Mr. Dennis W. Wilde, P.E., Director of Operations, Loop 306 and Knickerbocker Road, San Angelo, Texas.

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The Brackett Independent School District will receive proposals from suppliers and subcontractors for Paint labor and/or materials and Masonry labor for a Resource Center on its campus in Brackettville, Texas, according to plans and specifications prepared by Don E. Legge, Architect, until 3:00 p.m., June 7, 1993, in the Superintendent's office, at which time bids will be opened.

For instructions, interested parties should contact the Construction Manager:

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## Danger, Sun Shine!

Sunny Texas is a wonderful place to be in the summer - if one is careful about the sun.

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Dr. Amit Pamdya, assistant professor of dermatology there, says fair skinned people are at most risk to sun damage. He adds, however, that Hispanics and others with dark skin also are susceptible to skin cancer if they fail to use sun screen and get too much exposure to the sun's rays.

He says cancer isn't the only danger. The sun also can cause the appearance of premature aging. This results from a lifetime of prolonged exposure rather than a few bad sunburns, he says.

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## Gambling Related Problems? Need Help?

As the Texas Lottery celebrates the success of its first year of operation, the Texas Council on Problem and Compulsive Gambling also reflects on a successful year of service delivery to families who have been touched by an addiction to gambling.

Because the Council's HelpLine number is printed on each lottery ticket, the non-profit organization opened its doors at the same hour and on the same day as the first lottery tickets went on sale last May. Since then, over 100,000 Texans have dialed the HelpLine, heeding the message printed on each lottery ticket: "If you or someone you know has a gambling problem, call 1-800-742-0443."

Compulsive gambling is a treatable disease similar to drug or alcohol addiction.

From calls to the HelpLine in the past year, the Texas Council has developed a profile of problem or compulsive gamblers in Texas. They are young: almost 55% are under 35. Nearly 1/3 are women, dispelling the myth that compulsive gambling is an exclusively male problem, and the problem is reflected in all ethnic groups.

Because addictions can pass from one generation to the next, the Council is concerned that 46% of the callers indicate a history of addictions in the family and over half of the problem gamblers have children under 18.

While lottery calls represent the majority of calls to the HelpLine (74%), other games rank high as well: bingo (23%), sports betting (19%), dice games (14%), and horse racing (14%). Women are particularly vulnerable to the allure of bingo, as 46% of women problem gamblers in HelpLine calls mention bingo, compared to only 10% of men. Video poker is emerging as a source of problems. The intensity of addiction to this electronic game seems more pronounced than in some other games.

The compulsive gambling program in Texas was created by legislation sponsored in the 72nd Legislature by Sen. Montford (D-Lubbock) and Rep. Ron Wilson (D-Houston). The Texas Council is the state affiliate of the National Council on Problem Gambling; its primary funding source is the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse (TCADA).

## BULLOCK PRAISES CREATION OF CULTURAL ENDOWMENT FUND

AUSTIN -- Lt. Governor Bob Bullock praised creation of the Texas Cultural Endowment Fund as a step toward encouraging the arts by devising a stable source of funds that eventually will be independent of state appropriation.

"We have a wealth of great talent in this state -- like Van Cliburn, who we honored last week -- yet we are at the bottom in what we do to encourage the arts," Bullock said. "This fund is a step forward and I am proud of it."

Texas is currently 55th among the nation's 50 states and six territories in the level of funding it provides to the arts.

CSHB 2223 by Rep. Robert Junell and Sen. John Montford creates a special fund held outside the state treasury to be managed by private fund managers selected by the Arts Commission. The interest and income generated by the endowment fund would be used instead of general revenue to fund the Commission and its grant program.

"I'm pleased to see this framework being set up," Bullock said. "It will be there when we need it in the future and should serve to encourage private contributions to the arts."

The arts are an \$800 million per year industry in Texas, employing more than 60,000 people, according to the Texas Cultural Arts Council. Arts Commission programs reach an estimated 11 million people annually. The Arts Commission annual budget is about \$4 million.

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## Get Checked for High Blood Pressure

Are you the one American in five who has or will develop high blood pressure at some time in your life? It ranks alongside high blood cholesterol levels and cigarette smoking as a major risk factor for heart disease, the nation's leading killer. Are you at risk for high blood pressure? How much do you know about the disease?

Test your knowledge with the "Heart-Healthy Quiz" presented by Marion Merrell Dow Inc., makers of cardiovascular medications. Answers appear at the bottom of the column.

1. Which of the following factors may contribute to high blood pressure?

- a. Being overweight
- b. Excessive salt intake
- c. Age

d. Hereditary conditions

e. All of the above

2. Blood pressure is:

- a. The thickness of the blood
- b. Force created by the heart as it pushes blood into the arteries and through the circulatory system
- c. When blood flow is cut off from one's arms and legs
- d. None of the above

3. High blood pressure in adults is defined as:

- a. Systolic pressure 140 and diastolic pressure 70
- b. Systolic pressure 150 and diastolic pressure 90
- c. Systolic pressure 140 and diastolic pressure 90
- d. Systolic pressure 180 and diastolic pressure 40

4. High blood pressure indicates

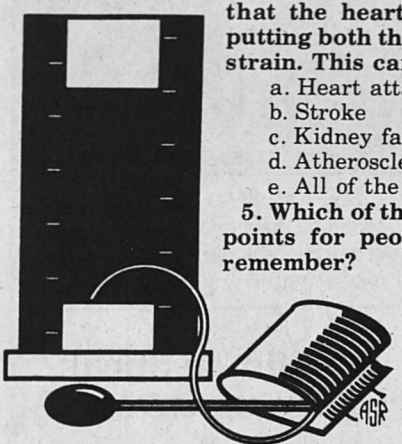
that the heart is working harder than normal, putting both the heart and the arteries under great strain. This can lead to what condition?

- a. Heart attack
- b. Stroke
- c. Kidney failure
- d. Atherosclerosis
- e. All of the above

5. Which of the following are the most important points for people with high blood pressure to remember?

- a. Follow your doctor's instructions
- b. Stay on your medication
- c. a and b
- d. None of the above

Answers: 1-e, 2-b, 3-c, 4-e, 5-c



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## MONEY TALK

By Texas State Treasurer  
Kay Bailey Hutchison



Editor's Note: Texas State Treasurer Kay Bailey Hutchison addresses various issues related to personal finance and state government. However, these views are not intended to replace the advice of reputable financial advisers or other professional counselors.

**Q. I received a letter from a company stating that they have found \$581.68 in unclaimed money in my name. They go on to say that many agencies do not have the personnel to research, locate and notify people like me which is why they are offering to retrieve it. They said that if I contact them within 30 days, they will disclose the source of my money for a fee of 10 percent of the total amount recovered. They say that I am under no obligation to contact them about this, but obviously I want my money. Can you help me collect this without charging a fee?**

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amount of time we will hold this money for you. It is never too late for you to claim it. Simply call 1-800-654-3463 to determine if you are listed in our files.

We have heard from a number of people who have been contacted by companies such as this. They are often referred to as "heir finders" and while they are not illegal, they are charging their unsuspecting customers a fee that can easily be avoided. State law entitles them to charge a fee up to 10 percent of the money they receive if it is being held at the State Treasury. This law does not apply to money held in county coffers, however, and some companies have been known to charge up to 50 percent to retrieve these funds.

To avoid paying such exorbitant fees, contact our office. Our Unclaimed Property staff is ready and willing to reunite you with money or property that is rightfully yours. If your money is not being held at the Treasury, you should then contact your county tax assessor-collector to see if your name is on a county list.

If you have a question, write Money Talk, Texas State Treasury, Communications Division, P.O. Box 12608, Austin, Texas, 78711.

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

As pastor of a Southern Baptist Church I realize that everyone does not have an interest in the things that go on in the life of the denomination. There are some things that we promote that are significant to all Christians regardless of denominational affiliation. This coming week many of the Southern Baptist churches across the nation are promoting "Religious Liberty."

Our forefathers did not found this country as a religious state. That was not their intent; however, many of those same men had Godly, Christian principles in mind as this United States was birthed out of the minds of those men. There is a theme of Godly principles that run throughout the documents with which our country was started on.

One of those principles is religious liberty. The first amendment of the "Constitution" gives us the right to take our convictions based on God's Word to the people around us. That is religious liberty. Even as you read this, that liberty is being threatened. Without that liberty we will lose the ability to share the gospel message and influence our society for Christ. When

that happens I believe that our country is destined to fall into total spiritual and moral decay.

I am not a pessimist but rather one who has at least a little bit of understanding of God's Word. This is what I understand: "If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land." (2 Chronicles 7:14). In that verse there is a great promise. For the promise to be fulfilled there must first be a response from God's people. He will bless you as you respond.

May you be in His presence this coming "Lord's Day."

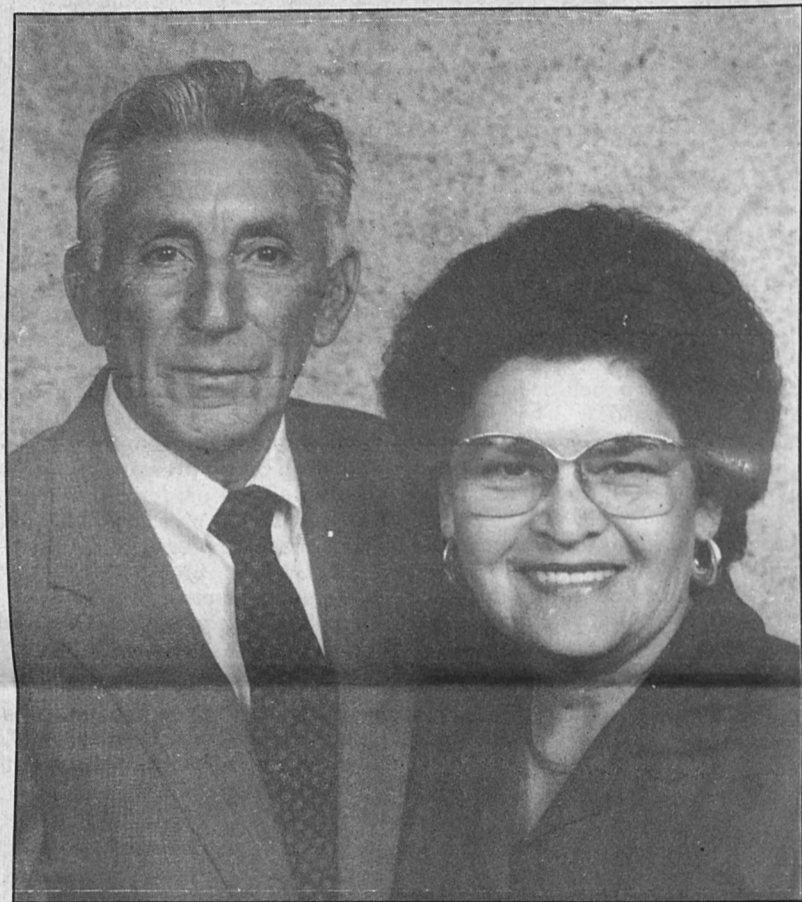
**THANK YOU**

Words cannot express our love and appreciation for the care shown our family in our time of sorrow.

Thank you for the cards, food, phone calls, memorials, but thank you most of all for your love and prayers.

The Paul Causseaux Family

**Penas Observe Anniversary**



Mr. and Mrs. Pedro Richard Pena, quietly marked their 40th wedding anniversary, June 1st at home on 104 North Ross Street.

They are the parents of two sons and two daughters: Reggie Pena of Bay City, an Assistant Utility Area Supervisor for Phillips 66 Company; Richard Pena of Houston, an Accountant for Western Atlas; Rebecca Moore of Del Rio, a Legal Secretary for the U.S. Attorney's Office; and Martha Hooten, the Tax Assessor-Collector for Kinney County.

Mr. and Mrs. Pena are equally proud of their two lovely daughters-in-law, good looking son-in-law, and nine beautiful grandchildren.

**Bowlin To Speak Geneological Meet**

The Southwest Texas Geneological Society cordially invites members and guests to their quarterly meeting to be held June 5, 10:00 to 12:00 at Ft. Clark Springs' Cavalry Room.

Featured speaker will be Mr. Mike Bowlin Public Relations Director for Ft. Clark Springs. Bowlin's topic is "Is You a Yankee?" and researching military records in one's family history search.

To round out the day for history buffs, the Museum and Sutler's Store and the Seminole-Negro Indian Scout Cemetery would be interesting places to visit after the meeting.

Cost for the meeting and lunch is \$8.00.

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**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.

**Obituary**



**CORNELIA MARTHA BACON**



Cornelia Martha Smith Bacon was known to her friends as Kee. For the past several years she lived on Fort Clark Road, Fort Clark Springs, with her husband, Al. She spent Sunday, May 30, 1993, in her typical way. She and Al attended services at First Baptist Church, Brackettville, where she was active in most phases of church life including being a Past President of the Womens Missionary Union. Al is a deacon. After the morning services, they joined in a church-wide fellowship dinner. Then, as she frequently did, she took food to shut-in friends.

In early afternoon, Kee became ill and was dead upon arrival by ambulance at Val Verde Memorial Hospital.

She had just celebrated her seventy-fifth birthday on May 27. She was born in Tolar, Roosevelt County, New Mexico, in 1918 to Stella and Homer Smith who both preceded her in death, as did a daughter, Geraldine, three sisters - Vera Hatler, Ruby Atchley, and Minnie Lee Gatling, and three brothers - Ted, Irvin and Everett Smith.

Survivors include five children: Barbara Graham of Devine, Wanda Johnson of Amarillo, Ronald Bacon of Galveston, Richard Bacon of Fort Clark Springs, and Kenneth Bacon of Denton. She leaves nine grandchildren and four great grandchildren. She is also survived by a brother, Hubert Smith of Albuquerque, New Mexico and sisters Buna Franklin of Clovis, New Mexico, Clara Franklin of House, New Mexico, and Imogene Paterson of Denver, Colorado, and a host of other relatives and friends.

Kee was a very talented artist, a long time member of the Fort Clark Springs Art Club, and frequently gave private art lessons. She painted the picture in the baptistry of the First Baptist Church, Brackettville.

Memorial services, conducted by Kee's pastor, Rev. Gil Ash, were held Wednesday afternoon, June 2, at 3:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church.

The family suggests memorials be made to the First Baptist Church, marked for the EMS.

**Frontier Baptist Church**

By Joe Townsend

The message of the Pastor at Frontier Baptist Church Sunday called attention to Memorial Day.

The Revolutionary War was fought to secure freedom from Great Britain.

The War of 1812 was simply an extension of that basic search for freedom.

The Spanish American War was waged for freedom of Cuba and the Philippine Islands from the tyranny of the Spanish crown.

World War I was fought to hold on to freedom threatened by Kaiser Bill.

World War II was a battle to abort the attempt of Germany to dominate the world and destroy the threat of Japan to the Pacific Rim.

The Korean War was fought to hold freedom for that nation.

Vietnam was a battle for freedom from Russian and Chinese Communism.

Grenada was invaded to free that nation from Russian domination.

Nicaragua's fight was to deter the nation's subjugation by Russian communism.

Every war America has engaged in has been caused by the desire for freedom. The United States and much of the world today is free because the heart's desire of America is freedom.

The battle for freedom has shifted from national battlefields to battle with insidious forces seeking to control. Most environmental activities are based on fallacious premises and seek to control humanity.

Politicians continue to erode the freedom we enjoy by sadding us with bureaucratic regulations. Freedom to be viable must be reflected in the lives of people. Freedom to make our own choices and to be held responsible for those choices are inherent in the human, given by God. No person can know true freedom except as a child of God.

**St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church**

The Knights of Columbus Fr. Edward Postert Council #8223 Brackettville, Texas, had decided to reward all Catholic graduates this year for the first time.

The Council is proud to have recognized 27 seniors with a Bible during the May 16 special mass dedicated to them.

Good luck to all seniors.  
 /s/Agapito Saenz  
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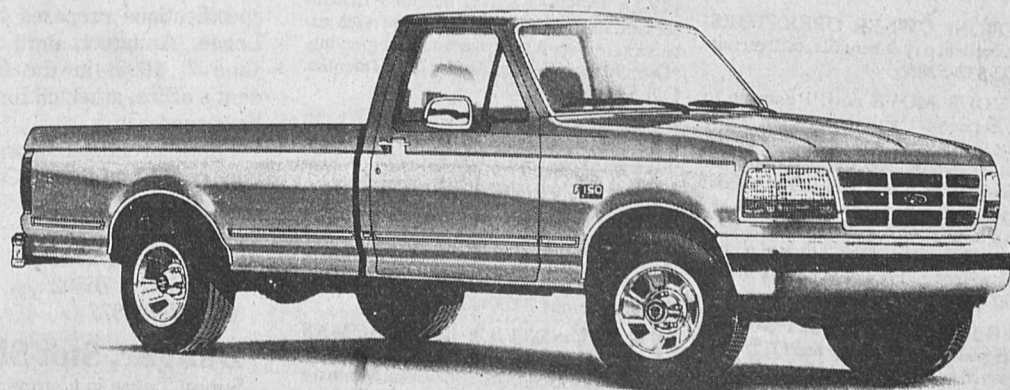
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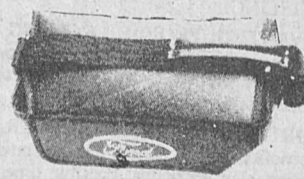
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