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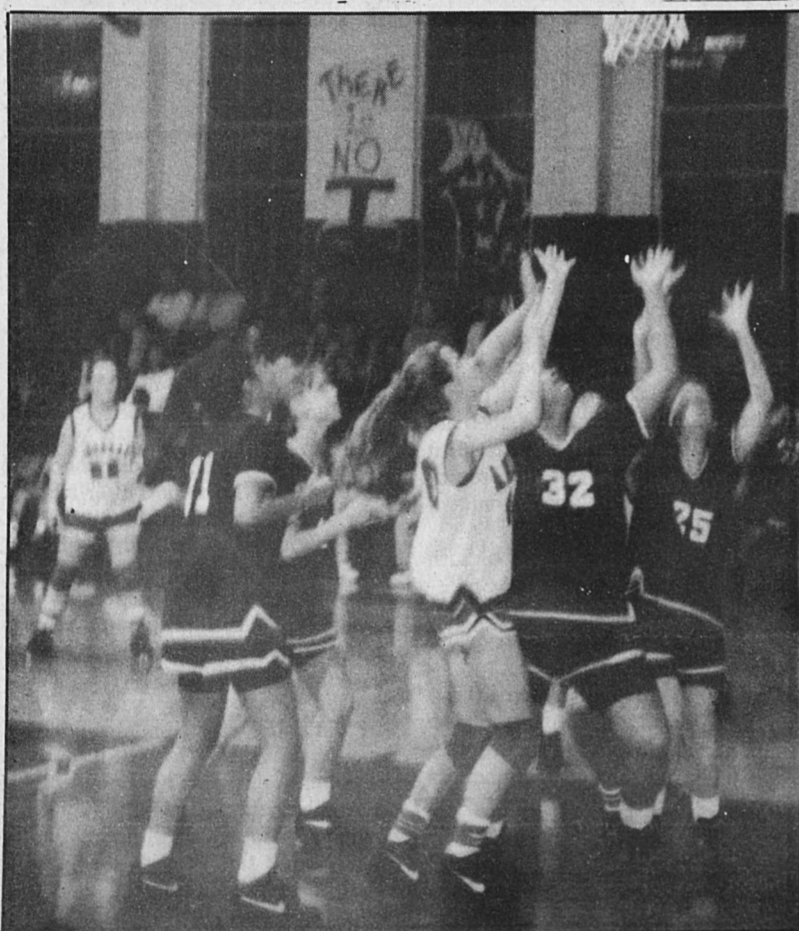
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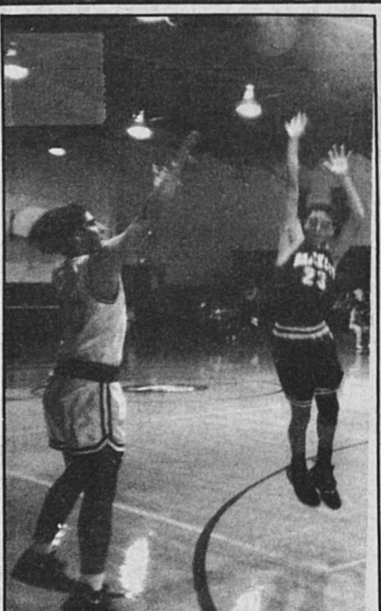
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"If a man had half as much insight, as he has hindsight, he would have twice as much foresight."



Tiger-Tigerette Tournament

Not only did the Tigers and Tigerettes host their annual Christmas Basketball Tournament but both teams competed well.



Democratic Party Activity In Kinney County

By the deadline of 6:00 p.m., Monday, January 3, 1994, the following people had completed all filing procedures and will be candidates in the Kinney County Democratic Primary election on Tuesday, March 8, 1994.

They are listed alphabetically by position:

COUNTY JUDGE
Tommy Seargeant
Tim Ward

COUNTY/DISTRICT CLERK
Dora Sandoval

COUNTY TREASURER
Mary V. Flores
Janis Floyd
Maria Elena Pena

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE
Alvin F. Hall
Leonardo Luna
Royce Massingill
Alvin McClure
Charles "Puffy" Porter

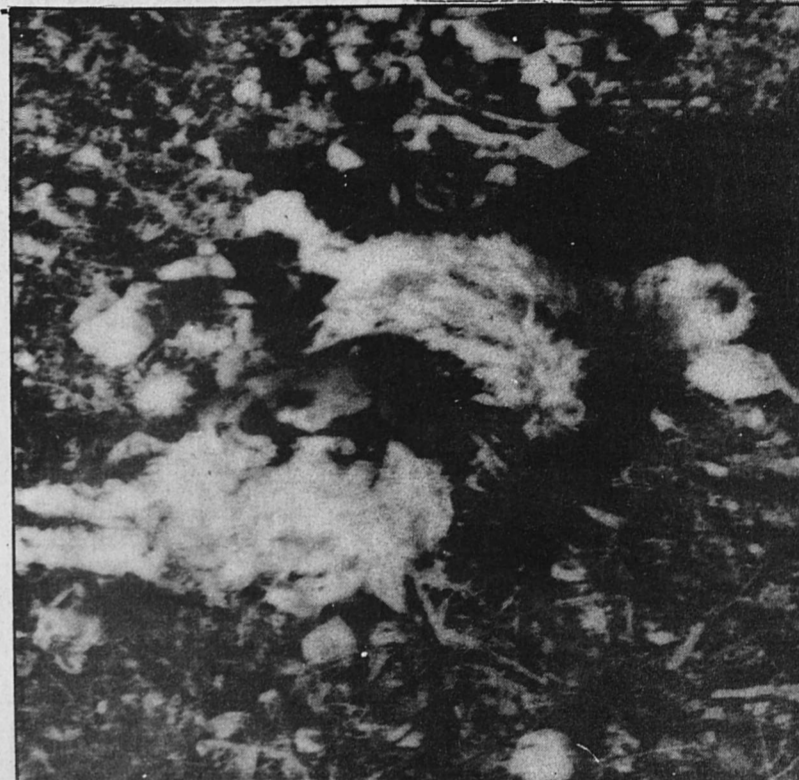
COMMISSIONER, PREC. 2
Manuel Fuentes
Ralph Gonzalez
Plunker Sheedy

COMMISSIONER, PREC. 4
Bill Bizzell
Paul O'Rourke

No applications were filed for Democratic County Chairman nor County Precinct Chairman. At election time, those positions can be filled by write-in.

Currently only Precinct 1 has a chairman which is Les Roper.

Bill Bizzell had been elected Precinct 4 chairman but he formally resigned before he filed as a candidate for commissioner of that precinct.



Dogs Slaughter Angora Herd

Evans U-Bar Ranch Foreman Doug Davis made the grim discovery of slaughtered registered Angora goats, pictured above, early Wednesday morning. Details reported in Sheriff's Corner on page 2.

DAILY EXERCISE FOR THE NONATHLETIC

Making the rounds is a calorie guide citing a recent medical association report. "Proper weight control and physical fitness cannot be attained by dieting alone. Many people who are engaged in sedentary occupations do not realize that calories can be burned by the hundreds by engaging in strenuous activities that do not require physical exercise."

Here's the guide to calorie-burning activities and the number of calories per hour they consume:

Beating around the bush	75
Jumping to conclusions	100
Climbing the walls	150
Swallowing your pride	50
Passing the buck	25
Throwing your weight around (depending on weight)	50-300
Dragging your heels	100
Pushing your luck	250
Making mountains out of molehills	500
Hitting the nail on the head	50
Wading through paperwork	300
Bending over backwards	75
Jumping on the bandwagon	200
Running around in circles	350
Eating crow	225
Tooting your own horn	25
Adding fuel to the fire	150

THINK ABOUT IT - Set yourself free from struggling to live up to what others expect of you; play your own game, at your own pace.

The Legend Of Raven's Bluff

A tale recounted and related by Sheriff Norman H. Hooten from his storehouse of boyhood memories of growing up in Central Texas.

When I was just a young lad, many years ago, my family was numerous and close knit. We used any excuse to gather the clan together for holidays, birthdays, family reunions, fishing trips, and most exciting of all, hunting trips, though most of the womenfolk declined that bloody tradition of exercising our manhood and keeping alive our basic hunting instincts inherited from long dead ancestors.

One of my favorite places that were frequently used as a base camp during our fishing and hunting trips

was located on the Colorado River along the eastern boundary of San Saba County in Central Texas, a place called Raven's Bluff. It was a wild, tangled place, quiet and beautiful during the daylight hours, but dark, brooding, and mysterious in the late evening dusk and at night.

The night calls of unseen birds and animals, glowing eyes reflecting the light of our campfire, and strange rustlings in the underbrush close to our camp caused the hair to rise and the back of the neck to tingle many a time on young lads who had the good fortune to experience those times. We would shiver and draw closer to our campfire and lean back against the solid, comforting warmth of the legs of fathers or uncles and let our eyes half-close as we listened to stories of men, dogs, and horses that had made their mark in this wild, beautiful area in days gone by.

The remote wildness of the place quickly made one forget that a modern world existed "outside," a world filled with cars, planes, and trains serving the worrisome bustle of other less fortunate folks going about their seemingly meaningless business. It served to cause one to drift back in time and one such as I could easily imagine wild Indians, mountain men, outlaws, bears, and other wild critters lurking just out of sight behind the tumbled boulders

and the thick, tangled windfalls of old dead trees and underbrush. The deep blue hole of water that formed the headwaters of a narrow, rushing stream that quickly fed into the muddy red waters of the Colorado River a short distance away held its mysteries too, and the numbing cold of fresh water springs boiling out of the rocks beneath the surface only served to increase the mystery of the place and add to one's imagination of what lay beneath in the deep, dark waters.

All of this beauty and mystery lay at the foot of a towering, 300 foot high limestone cliff overhanging the wilderness below. Caves, ledges, and multi-colored mineral rocks that glistened in the sunlight made up the face of the cliff, and those of more adventuresome spirit often climbed up along the cliff face and explored some of the more accessible caves, occasionally discovering the bones of long dead "Indians" and "Mountain Men," bones that were most often described by disappointing parents or other adult members of our party as "nothing more than animal bones left behind by some sick old goat that had climbed up in that cave to die."

We of adventuresome spirit knew they were wrong and would look at each other in that wise, all-knowing way of youth. But, we were respectful and did not argue with our elders, a trait that had been learned the hard way by a few cuffs across the ears from a hard old hand in

more rebellious times past, so we held our tongues and later would hold ceremonies in honor of the long deceased "warriors and Indian fighters" that had given their lives in this wild place in terrible battles of hand-to-hand combat. The fact that some of those bones did have four cloven hoofs attached, and some even had heads with horns growing out of them did nothing to weaken our certain knowledge that what we had found was most certainly the bones of brave warriors and mountain men.

We explained away the "animal bones" theory with the thought that those brave fighters had used the animals for food before their final tragic battle.

We had been going on week-long hunting and fishing trips in the Raven's Bluff area for several years before I was old enough to truly appreciate and understand the history of the place and wise enough to ask how it got its name.

The story, as told around the campfire one night, was that the place was named in the honor and memory of a working cowboy who had lived and worked on ranches throughout Texas in the late 1800s and around the turn of the century. Legend had it that John Raven's speciality was going after wild cattle that other cowhands couldn't catch. These cattle, mostly big steers that had grown big, wild, and wise to the

ways of their arch enemy, man, drifted up into the less accessible areas in the rugged, rough hill country of San Saba and Lampasas counties. When the ranchers decided that enough man had been injured and enough good horses ruined trying to clear their country of those big, wild cattle they would send out word for John Raven and he would soon drift into the area and start bringing in the wild cattle that others couldn't catch, sometimes in groups of twos, threes, and sometimes maybe only one at a time, but he was catching them. And, in a month or two he would have the country cleaned of the wild cattle and would drift on into the next area in need of his special services.

This particular time there was a big red bull of questionable ancestry that had escaped capture for many years and had grown to become a thorn in the side of area ranchers due to his wild and dangerous nature. He had gored several horses and injured men in attempts to bring him in. In addition to that, he would

occasionally join other groups of cattle, siring undesirable calves and making the cattle he came into contact with wild and hard to manage. Nobody really knew where he came from but he was described by those who had had the misfortune to challenge him in his domain as being part longhorn, part Mexican fighting bull, and all bad!

After John Raven had pretty well cleaned up the country of the wild cattle a special request was made of him by the area ranchers to bring in that big, red bull, so aptly called "Big Red." John Raven agreed and took dead aim on "Big Red" and the battle lines were drawn.

As the story goes, John Raven rode for weeks trying to track down and capture "Big Red," all to no avail. He occasionally came across sign that "Big Red" had been in a particular area but was unable to even get a look at him much less a throw at him with his rope.

The rope snares, dead falls, and other traps used so expertly by John Raven over the years that had been the demise of many less wise and smaller wild cattle just did not work on "Big Red." After weeks of picking up broken ropes (this was in the days before nylon ropes came to be), repairing destroyed dead falls and other traps, John Raven decided that the only way he was going to catch "Big Red" was to "brush up" in the area known to be used frequently by the big bull and silently study his habits. Once he got a handle on how, when, and where "Big Red" moved he would make his play and attempt to ride him down, rope him, jerk him down, and tie him. John knew that once he got "Big Red" on the ground his size and fierce disposition would not be such an advantage for the bull.

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Kinney County Chamber of Commerce
Barbecue Brisket Plates

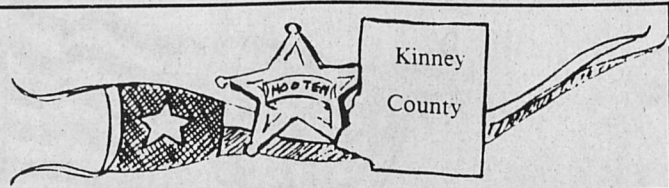
Carry Out Only **\$5.00 Per Plate**

Friday, January 7, 1994 **Starts at Noon**

Highway 90 At Jug Store

Sheriff's Corner

By Sheriff Norman H. Hooten



Domestic animal depredation by town dogs has always been a recurring problem for local ranchers in the Kinney County area who conduct their ranching operations near town. An expensive example of this costly problem was experienced by local rancher Sterling Evans and his ranch foreman, Doug Davis, during the night of Tuesday, January 4, 1994, when a prowling pack of town dogs killed and maimed at least 25 blooded Angora goats in a field on the ranch approximately two miles east of Brackettville just north of Highway 90.

Mr. Davis came by the Sheriff's Office early Wednesday morning and asked me to ride with him to the scene of the costly carnage caused by the pack of dogs. Several dead and dying goats were found, some with large chunks of flesh torn out of their bodies and several with their bellies torn open and their entrails pulled out of their still living bodies and strung along the ground by the vicious killers. Others had been badly crippled, many with wounds that will never heal and will eventually prove to be fatal.

Packs of town dogs that have for years created this costly depredation (many of the goats lost by the Evans Ranch were registered Angoras valued at between \$200.00 to \$600.00 each) by preying upon domestic farm and ranch animals do not hunt and kill for food, they hunt and kill for the sheer pleasure of killing and can virtually wipe out a herd of sheep or goats in one night's killing spree, most often catching the victim animals on the bed ground thus having large, closely packed groups of animals on which to exercise their killing instincts.

Yes, there is a leash law (City Ordinance) within the city limits of Brackettville, and yes, that leash law should be enforced. But, this is just one more example of an unenforceable city ordinance that is unenforceable due to the refusal of the Brackettville City Council and the Mayor to take action regarding a Municipal Judge that would allow the Sheriff's Department to take action via the existing Interlocal Agreement with the City against violators of the City leash law and thereby cut down on the losses from depredating town dogs suffered by not only area ranchers, but also by local kids who raise sheep, goats, and hogs in 4-H to be shown in livestock shows.

Ranchers with livestock operations near town who suffer livestock depredations can, and will, legally shoot and poison dogs (or coyotes) that prey on their livestock. And dog owners, if identified, could and probably will be held liable for the damages incurred by their pets that have been allowed to roam free. Local dog owners who keep their dogs penned or tied during the day and then let them roam free at night are basically giving their dogs a license to kill and are not only violating the local leash law but are also leaving themselves open to lawsuits for damages caused by their dogs. And some of those dogs won't be coming home if killed or poisoned by livestock owners legally protecting their property.

All dog owners within the city limits of Brackettville are urged to obey the leash law and keep your dogs penned, tied, or on a leash at all times, both day and night. Leash law violators will be firmly

prosecuted if and when the Brackettville City Council and the Mayor finally decide to do their duty and accept their responsibility for and to the citizens of Brackettville and Kinney County by taking affirmative action to eliminate the vacuum in local law enforcement that currently exists due to the lack of a Municipal Judge which leaves the Sheriff's Department and others no place in which to file charges against violators of City Ordinances such as the leash law.

In the meantime victims of depredations by town dogs must cope as best they can with this recurring and costly problem.

That's All!

State Bar Recognizes Laughable Lingo

Maybe it will inspire a few New Year's resolutions by legal writers to get back to the "simpler" things (or language) of life. Then again...

The 1993 State Bar of Texas Legaldegoon Awards have been announced, and they're just as bad as they've ever been. The third annual celebration of the baddest of the bad honors a dozen or so examples of tongue-twisting verbiage gleaned from a variety of statutes and court filings across the nation.

Take the "Here! Here!" Award, For A Sentence That Knows Where It's At: *The Court may take judicial notice of such pleadings which are on file herein and such pleadings are incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof as if copied here in full.*

Well, that ought to settle that. If not, consider the "Here, There, and Everywhere" Award, which honors the phrase *It all fully appears from the affidavit of the publisher thereof heretofore herein filed for its "impressive succession of locatives.*

The Bar's Legaldegoon Awards were launched in 1991 as a pet project of the State Bar of Texas Plain Language Committee.

"We wanted to come up with a good-natured way of pointing out the obtuse and needless language found in many legal writings," said Bryan Garner, a Dallas attorney, who chairs the committee.

An interesting concept in chronology found in Internal Revenue Code 3302: *For purposes of such sentence, Jan. 1, 1978 shall be deemed to be the first Jan. 1 occurring after Jan. 1, 1974* was appropriately awarded the "Time Out Of Mind" Award.

Oh well. The government giveth, and the government taketh away. "We exempted the Internal Revenue Code last year, but couldn't bring ourselves to this year," said Garner. "It's too fertile a document to ignore." Evidently so - the code received two awards in the 1993 list of crippled clauses and garbled grammar.

Folks who tracked the federal health-care legislation might agree that the 1,300-page proposal deserves the "Splitting Headache" Award - given for an impossible-to-interpret paragraph deemed the "Legal Drafting Most Likely To Induce Migraines."

And a portion of the Texas Penal Code earned The Plastic Surgeons' Lobby Award for the hard-to-comply-with mandate *A person commits an offense if he intentionally or knowingly possesses knuckles.*

Back again is the every-popular Serpentine Sentence Award - this year's winner found in a contract, exceeds 300 words.

Garner said the committee hopes, by injecting humor into its otherwise serious task (of simplifying legal language), that lawmakers, judges and attorneys will think about their hapless reader.

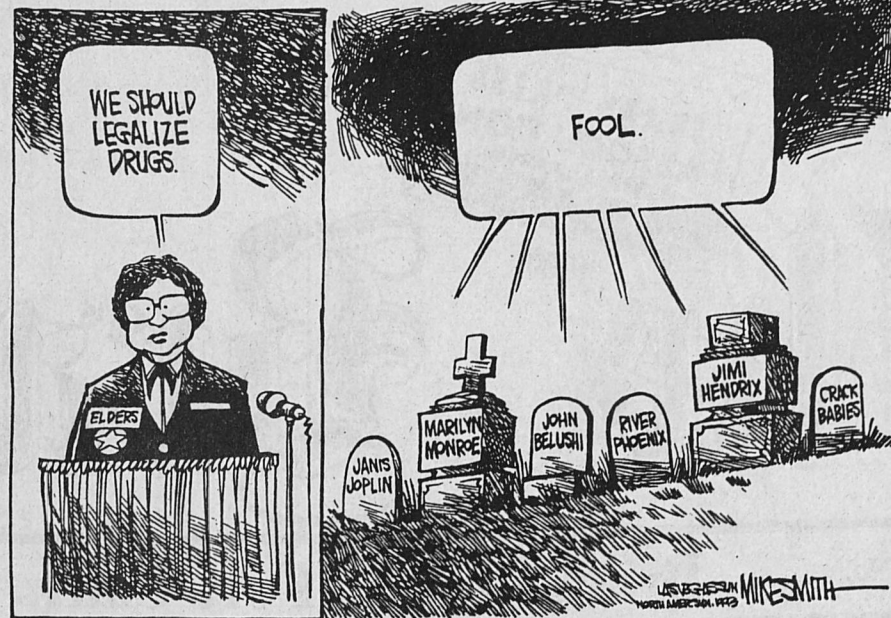
"It's no wonder the general public is afraid of courtrooms and other legal arenas," said Garner. "For the average person, its like entering another country, where a foreign language is spoken. Usually, lengthy sentences and pompous wording is needless. Cut to the chase, make your point, and end it there."

Winners (cough) of the State Bar Legaldegoon Awards don't get cash prizes or other gifts. "We think a few fleeting moments of well-deserved fame are sufficient," Garner said.

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.

There is a constant flow of efforts by bureaucrats to dictate and control life.

We are in the midst of a maelstrom of fanciful child abuse and child protection by people in political positions rising in bloated arrogance to try to create problems to control lives. The recent case of some do-gooders to try to force a mother to have a Caesarean section because her child "might" suffer brain damage if carried to natural birth. Luckily and most surprisingly court rulings sustained the mother. The fetus was carried to term and a healthy baby was born naturally.

It is amazing the political and medical profession will allow a fetus to be murdered in the mother's womb but will want to force a woman to have a C-section against her will.

The mother, a devoted Christian, had faith in God to believe God would take care of her and her baby. This thinking is mocked and scorned by those who do not really know God.

The humanistic arrogance so rampant in today's society has sought to relegate God to a never-never land of fantasy. This does not mean God is not viable and real, it simply means that those who refuse to recognize Him in every avenue of life are themselves fools.

The Scripture says, "A fool hath said in his heart 'There is no God.'" A refusal to recognize and vitalize God is simply to say "There is no God."

The ridiculous arrogance of those proven to be wrong in this case have avowed to continue to interfere in cases their fanatics tell them there is

a disregard for their advice. When will America wake up and throw out of authority such non compus mentis misfits?

Veterans Post by Freddy Groves

This week was often the most difficult time of the year for me after my discharge from the service. I would be caught up in the holiday mood, only to be let down hard after New Year's. That's when I'd think about a lot of good people who didn't live to see the New Year in with me. It was a very lonely time. I could only share this feeling with someone who had also been there. I didn't feel anyone else could understand and I wouldn't have accepted anyone else's attempt to try to understand. In time, I got over the worst of it.

I mention this now to remind you to search out a buddy who may be having a hard time with his or her memories at this time of the year. Don't intrude. But be there for him or her. Believe me, it helps to know that someone who can empathize with you is there if you need him.

On a related note, the VA has added 34 new or expanded post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) centers around the country, bringing the number up to 110. I'll have more on this next week.

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OOPS

Deadline for filing for a position on the Democratic Primary Ballot, election March 8, 1994, was 6:00 p.m., Monday, January 3, 1994. The December 30, 1993, issue of *The Brackett News* incorrectly stated Monday, January 6.

The correct date had been printed in previous issues and also posted on the Commissioners Court bulletin board.

Apologies for the error.

York Rite Bodies Of Del Rio

Thursday, January 13

Grand High Priest Official Visit

Big Mama

Sez!

Are you genuinely happy for a friend's good fortune? Let them know of your admiration.



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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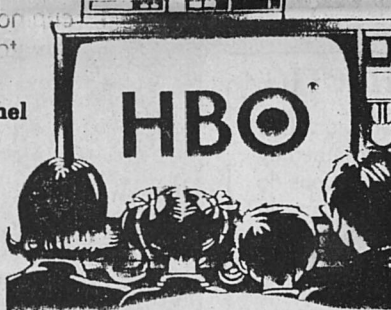
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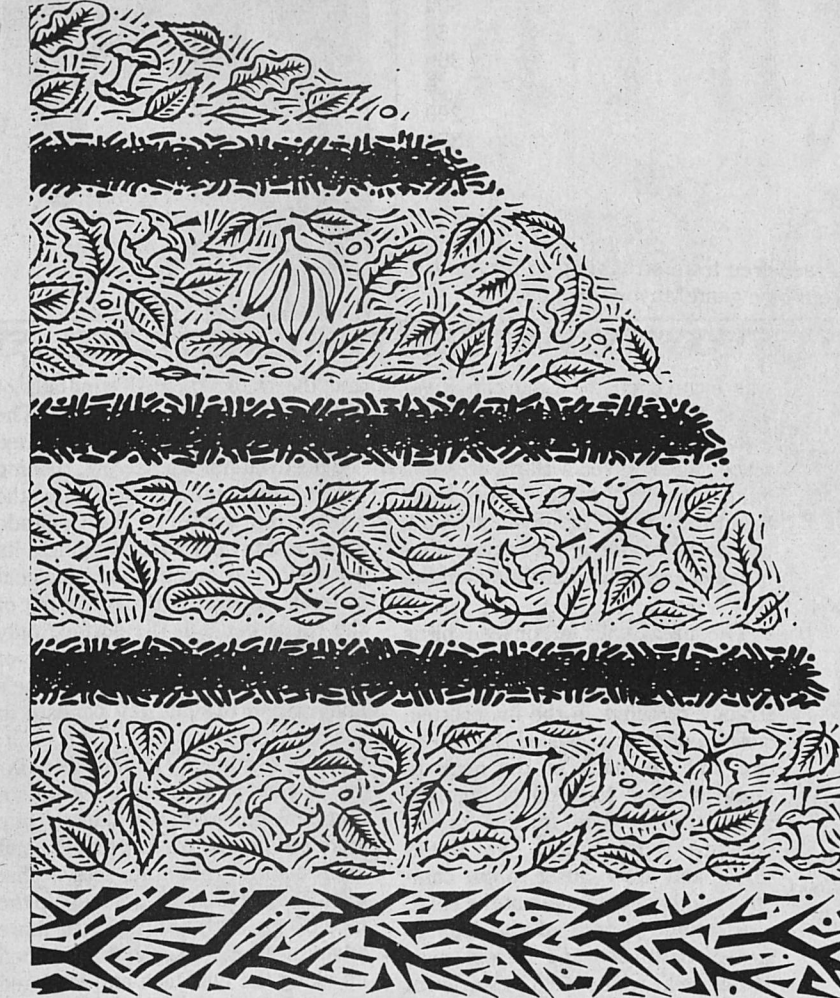


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Repeat steps 3 and 4 until your pile is 4 to 5 feet high.
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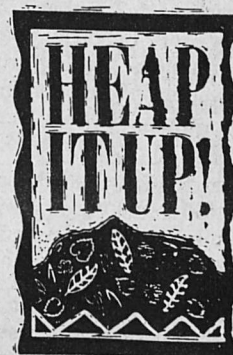
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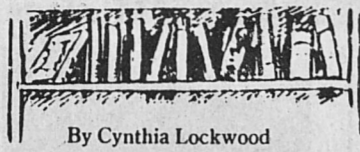
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Library Notes



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

As you read in my newsletter last week, January is officially named "Amnesty Month" at the Kinney County Public Library.

During the entire month of January all overdue books may be turned in without penalty. Millions of tax dollars are wasted every year on the replacement of unreturned or lost library books.

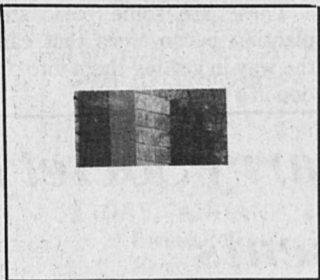
What about the people who owe us money for overdue fines on videos or books? Also during the month of January, we will be reducing all existing fines to \$1.00 or less per book.

Oh No, It's Tax Time! Although we have not received our entire shipment of tax forms yet, we have set up our front table with what we do have.

No Winner Look Again

Identify The Picture

The first person to come by The Brackett News and correctly identify this picture will receive a Brackett News cap!



A few days ago I was on my way to Del Rio. Just this side of Laughlin Air Force Base my car sputtered and died. I'd forgotten to gas up and my car won't run without gas.

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.

Around the Fort

There will not be any arts and crafts classes for the balance of December. Classes will resume on January 3.

Ladies Exercise Activity Center. Monday, 10 a.m. Wednesday 9:30 a.m. Friday 10 a.m.
Ceramic Shop Hours Sat: Noon to 5:00 p.m. Mon. 7:00 to 10:00 p.m.

Fort Clark News There were New Year's activities at Fort Clark for all as several gatherings took place. The annual traditional party was held at Town Hall with over 130 members dancing until the wee hours.

Attention Fort Clark Members Tuesday nights - Country/Western Couples Dance Lessons. Instructors Ray and Jo Entrikin will hold classes at Town Hall beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Mountain Laurel Garden Club What better way to start the new year off than to join the Mountain Laurel Garden Club! The first meeting of 1994 will be January 13, 1994, 10:00 a.m. at the Adult Center.

American Heart Association

This recipe is intended to be part of an overall healthful eating plan. Total fat intake should be less than 30 percent of your total calories for a day - not for each food or recipe.

Quick-and-Easy Baked Beans

- 2 16-ounce cans no-salt-added vegetarian baked beans in tomato sauce
2 16-ounce cans no-salt-added barbecue beans
1/2 cup chopped onion
1 cup no-salt-added tomato sauce

Preheat oven to 350° F. Place ingredients in a 3-quart casserole dish in the order listed. Toss lightly to mix well. Bake, uncovered, 45 to 60 minutes. Makes 12 servings.

Nutrient Analysis per Serving

Table with 4 columns: Nutrient, Amount, Nutrient, Amount. Includes 192 Calories, 5 mg Cholesterol, 1 g Saturated Fat, 10 g Protein, 54 mg Sodium, 1 g Polyunsaturated Fat, 34 g Carbohydrate, 3 g Total Fat, 1 g Monounsaturated Fat.

This Help Your Heart Recipe is from the American Heart Association Cookbook, Fifth Edition, American Heart Association. Published by Times Books, A Division of Random House, Inc. 1973, 1975, 1979, 1984, 1991.

Just For The Fun Of It

Where were you born: San Saba, Texas.
When is your birthday: June 23.
What is your favorite food: Desserts.



Joyce Ray

Answers to Super Crossword. Grid with words filled in and some empty spaces for words ending in 'OO'.

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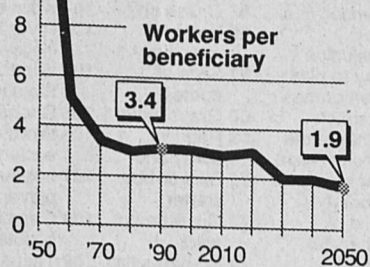


Why retirement age might go up

The new Social Security administrator says an increase in the retirement age may be necessary. A look at why this might happen:

Fewer workers to support retirees

When the Baby Boom generation — the huge group of people born between 1946 and 1964 — retires, there will be fewer workers to support Social Security beneficiaries.



SOURCE: Social Security Administration, House Ways and Means Committee

Workers will be retiring later

Retirees now get full benefits at age 65, but longer work lives are ahead as a result of a 1983 law that ultimately delays retirement to 67.

Year of birth	Social Security retirement age
1937 and before	65
1938	65, 2 mo.
1939	65, 4 mo.
1940	65, 6 mo.
1941	65, 8 mo.
1942	65, 10 mo.
1943-54	66
1955	66, 2 mo.
1956	66, 4 mo.
1957	66, 6 mo.
1958	66, 8 mo.
1959	66, 10 mo.
1960 and later	67

Making A Difference

By TAYLOR STEPHENSON, Curriculum Director

Staff Development For BISD

Monday and Tuesday, January 3 and 4, 1994, Brackett administrators were given the job of teaching staff development to teachers and teacher aides. Last year, teachers selected some topics that they wanted to know more about. It was our job, as administrators, to research, prepare presentation and to teach these topics:

Superintendent Steve Mills
Special Population Groups: The Gifted and Section 504.

Elementary Principal Carl Glass
Differing Learning Styles Of A Dynamic Student Body

High School Principal Don Sims
Interpersonal Communication For Teachers

Middle School Principal George "Stoney" Burks
Increasing Parental Involvement To Achieve Improved Student Success

Curriculum Director Taylor Stephenson
Instructional Strategies And The Written Curriculum

resolutions for the new year, and on building community among the staff. After each class, teachers completed evaluations on each presentation. Did you learn? Can you use and apply the information that you learned? Is follow-up needed?

I enjoyed the concept of administrators teaching and discussing ideas about school and education with the staff. Usually, schools bring in experts from the outside that may or may not relate to the educational needs in Brackettville. Administrators were excited about teaching and selecting the topics that we taught. We tried to make it interesting and to make sure that information was presented in such a way that it was usable, fun and entertaining. We tried to allow time for teachers to interact and to reflect about school directions and problems.

The second day was easier than the first. After the first day, I was worn to a frazzle...nothing left. A hot soaking bath helped me make it to the easy chair, but standing up for five or six hours is tough if you haven't done it in a while. Teachers who do it daily have my respect!

The teachers were good sports. They knew we didn't know everything about the subjects. They also knew that what we were teaching would be more interesting if they joined in the discussion. That's exactly what they did! Teachers and administrators worked together in a positive way and learned together. We have great teachers in Brackettville that work hard every day to teach the children. For two days, we had fun, learning together while teachers talked school and put pressure on administrators of the district by sending us back into the classroom.

It worked well! Teachers liked the plan and enjoyed seeing the administrators teach. Evaluations and reflections on the two days were very positive. They liked the structure, the topics and the fact that we were all in the trenches together working for BISD children. Administrators got to know the teachers better. Teacher aides came to school with the teachers. We all learned together.

This week, I salute the BISD faculty, instructional teacher aides, cafeteria staff, and administrators for making this one of the best staff development sessions ever!

The staff thought it was the best inservice in years. We used school facilities with general sessions and lunches in the cafeteria and small group sessions in the Middle School. The facilities were wonderful. We had small groups of teachers and instructional assistants: using 5 classrooms with about 13 in each class. Teachers became students while the administrators did the teaching. The students (teachers) moved from room to room in five different groups.

Lunch was served by June Kaminski and her superb staff of Antonia Pena, Diana Reschman, Honey Bee (Anna Belia) Gomez, Mary Koch, and Mary Hernandez. Great food on the first day — baked chicken, vegetable casseroles, peach cobbler and relish plate. I thought that there was no way they could be better Tuesday, but guess what? The second day we had chili rellenos, 3 different kinds of enchiladas, hot sauce, flour tortillas, Spanish rice, beans, and a great dessert. The food was ready on time, and it made me proud to be a part of the school system.

In general sessions, we focused on keeping positive attitudes,

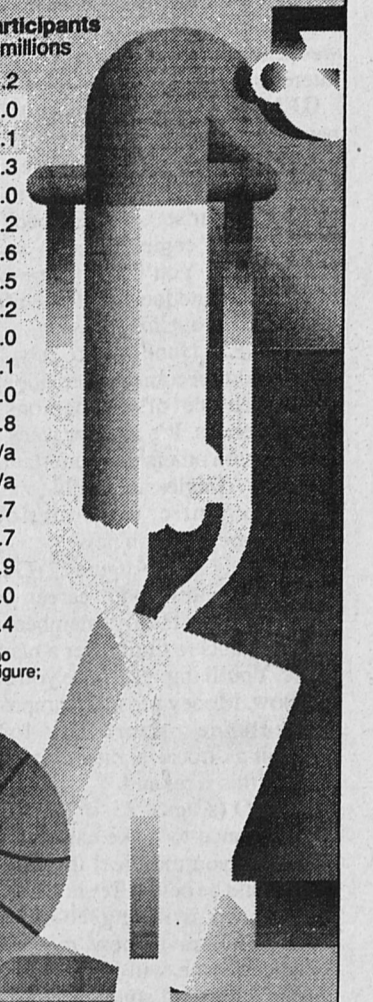
Sports and the emergency room

Basketball heads the list of 1991 sports-related injuries treated in U.S. hospital emergency rooms. Figures are estimates for those who participated at least once a year.

Sport	Injuries	Participants in millions
1 Basketball	646,678	26.2
2 Bicycle riding	600,649	54.0
3 Baseball, softball	459,542	36.1
4 Football	453,684	13.3
5 Soccer	150,449	10.0
6 Swimming	130,362	66.2
7 Volleyball	129,839	22.6
8 Roller skating*	113,150	26.5
9 Weightlifting	86,398	39.2
10 Fishing	84,115	47.0
11 Horseback riding	71,490(a)	10.1
12 Skateboarding	56,435	8.0
13 Ice hockey	54,601	1.8
14 Gymnastics (b)	44,877	n/a
15 Wrestling	43,894	n/a
16 Golf (c)	38,626	24.7
17 Tennis	29,936	16.7
18 Ice skating	29,047	7.9
19 Water skiing	26,633	9.0
20 Bowling	25,417	40.4

*Bicycling and swimming figures are for those who participated six or more times per year; (a) 1988 figure; (b) excludes trampolines; (c) excludes golf carts

SOURCE: National Safety Council, Consumer Product Safety Commission, National Sporting Goods Association



The Tiger Booster Club Encourages You To Support Basketball

- Friday, January 7, 5 p.m. JVG/VG/VB Comstock, There
- Monday, January 10, 6 p.m. VG Sunnybrook, San Antonio, There
- Tuesday, January 11 JVG/VG *Dille, There
- Saturday, January 8 Nueces Canyon Tournament *District
- Monday, January 10, 5 p.m. JHG/JHB Nueces Canyon, There

School Menu

Three Choices For Breakfast
1. Printed Menu; 2. Dry Cereal, Toast, Fruit or Juice; 3. Two Slices Toast, Fruit or Juice. Milk served with all meals.

- MONDAY, JANUARY 10
Bean Burrito
Fruit
- TUESDAY, JANUARY 11
Banana Muffins
Fruit Juice
- WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12
Sausage/Biscuit/Gravy
Fruit
- THURSDAY, JANUARY 13
Breakfast Pizza
Fruit Juice
- FRIDAY, JANUARY 14
Sweet Roll
Fruit Juice

Salad Bar & "B" Line

Open Every Day
Milk Served At All Meals

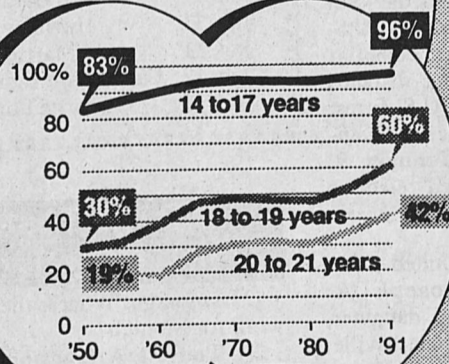
- MONDAY, JANUARY 10
Grilled Ham & Cheese
Vegetable-Beef Soup
Fresh Fruit
- TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11
Pepperoni Pizza
Vegetable Salad
Dressing
Green Beans
- WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12
Hamburger - Burger Salad
French Fries
Fruited Jello
- THURSDAY, JANUARY 13
Frito Pie w/Chili & Cheese
Pinto Beans - Spanish Rice
Peach Crisp
- FRIDAY, JANUARY 14
Roast Turkey - Brown Gravy
Whipped Potatoes
Choice of Vegetable Roll

A slice of student life

Selected facts about students over the past 40 years from a recently released federal report.

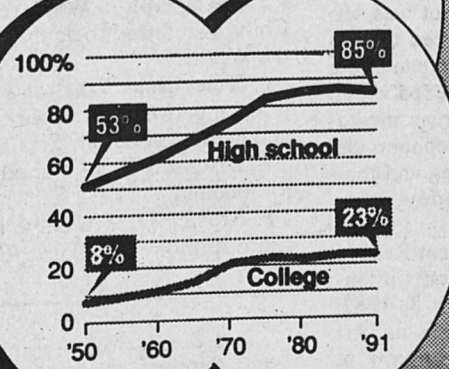
More young people are attending school...

Percent of population enrolled in school, by age, 1950-91:



...and completing high school and college

Percent of 25- to 29-year-olds completing high school and college, 1950-91:



SOURCE: Education Department

U.S. students lag in math, science

Average percent correct on math, science tests of 13-year-olds, 1991

Country	Math	Science
Korea	73%	78%
Taiwan	73%	78%
Switzerland	71%	74%
Former Soviet Union	70%	71%
Hungary	68%	73%
France	64%	69%
Israel	63%	70%
Canada	62%	69%
Scotland	61%	65%
Ireland	61%	63%
Slovenia	57%	70%
Spain	55%	66%
United States	55%	67%
Jordan	40%	57%

Preparing your car for winter

Performing these mechanical and exterior services now can keep your car running well all winter.



SOURCES: AAA Chicago Motor Club; Phil Arent

Natasha's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A partner may be busy this week helping out a friend with a problem. You need to guard against quarrels about financial interests now. Charm is your ally in both business and personal dealings. Original ideas will bring you success.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Unresolved issues between you and a close tie could surface. Try not to argue. Seek amicable solutions. You'll meet with chances now to improve your income. Travel may be on the spur-of-the moment this weekend. Romance and recreational interests are highlighted.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Impatience and temperament could undermine efficiency this week and differences between you and a co-worker may arise. Financial backing for a project comes from an unexpected party. You'll want time now for yourself and family. Home life is favored over outside interests.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You could become upset about a child's choice of companions or other interests. It's a better week for visiting with others than entertaining company. Singles are likely to meet with romantic introductions. Partners are in synch now.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Guard against disputes about career concerns or with family members. A partner wants to think over a plan of yours. You'll impress those you contact now. Money prospects improve. A freelance opportunity looks promising. Local sightseeing is of interest this weekend.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) A chance to make extra money arises but you may feel the pay offered could be better. Try not to quarrel with an irritating co-worker. Those who travel now meet with romance. Some will sign up for an unusual course of study.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Child rearing concerns take up part of your week. It will be difficult to reach agreements with others about financial matters. Try not to force issues. You'll be making beneficial changes at home this week. Surprise company may drop by.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) If you want to get along with close ties this week, you'll have to avoid cutting remarks and bossy behavior. You'll change your usual routine. Spontaneity is your keyword now. Partnership interests are highlighted.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Small details in connection with a work project loom as potential obstacles this week. Try not to lose your patience. Business will mix with pleasure. You'll be making some important business contacts now.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Important new ideas about a career project come to you this week. You may take up a new hobby. Romance may come unexpectedly. Some are busy now making plans for a pleasure trip. You're in an independent and fun-loving mood.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) This week's financial developments are positive. However, you may run into some snags with regard to either business or domestic interests now. Be patient. It's a good week to tend to a do-it-yourself project or to get some unfinished tasks out of the way.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A partner is your best confidante this week. Some you deal with now are either critical or argumentative. Pay attention to the rules of the road when driving. You'll be meeting some interesting people this week.

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Jan. 22-March 13—The Light Fantastic, Austin. Visit Laguna Gloria Art Museum for a unique exhibit. This year's family exhibition features *light* as subject and inspiration for contemporary visual arts. Organized by the museum's curatorial and educational staffs, selected paintings, photographs, and videos will be on display. An illustrated educational brochure and a participatory gallery for children will be available. The museum hours are 10 am to 5 pm Tuesday-Saturday and 1 pm to 5 pm Sunday. Contact the Laguna Gloria Art Museum, 3809 W. 35th Street, Austin, 78763. 512/458-8191.

Jan. 28-29—Texas Mohair Festival, Kerrville. Even though cattle drives put Kerrville on the map, some of the town's first pioneers settled here to raise goats. Kerrville, located 46 miles northwest of San Antonio, is the angora goat capital of Texas. Naturally Kerrville is host to the world series of goat shearing during this weekend tribute to the mohair industry. Activities include competitions for stock dogs and cutting horses trained to work with goats and a trade show. Browse through the arts and crafts booths, and attend spinning and weaving demonstrations. Be sure to catch the Miss Mohair beauty contest. Contact the Chamber of Commerce, 1200 Sidney Baker, Kerrville, 78028. 210/896-1155.

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Differences: 1. Girl's hair is added. 2. Hat is changed. 3. Glasses are removed. 4. Suit is different. 5. Aiming is wider. 6. Bulking in missing.

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| Bamboos | Kazoo | Taboo | Yahoo |
| Cockatoos | Moo | Tattoo | Zoo |
| Hindoo | Peekaboo | Voodoo | |

(Answer On Page 3)

Support Your Volunteer Fire Department

Super Crossword

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| ACROSS
1 Track event
5 Executive's assistants
10 It's before finish or flash
15 Sign of healing
19 Ironwood tree
20 Jeopardy
21 Candle or numeral
22 Lake, in Italy
23 Start of holiday legend
27 Asian festival
28 Lohengrin's bride
29 Hemsley sitcom
30 Love, to Luigi
31 Spindle for a wheel
32 Carroll or Anita
34 Former chess champ
36 Road goo
37 Special viewpoints
40 Informal eatery
41 Slave, in ancient Sparta
43 English Quaker leader
44 Prepare the leftovers
45 Legendary Swiss hero
46 Tourist stop | DOWN
In India
50 Legend continues
55 Random pile
56 Prominent
57 Measuring instrument
58 Slight trace
59 Barcelona bravos
60 Twisted cotton thread
61 Area of expertise
62 Valuable
65 Lehmann of opera
66 Diversified
67 One type of business
68 He had a "gilt" complex
69 River in England
70 Mountain nymph
71 French impressionist
72 Proceed in face of danger
76 Pub missile
77 Legend continues
81 Otherwise
82 Road to Rome?
83 — media
84 One of the Aleutians
85 Taste with pleasure
87 Most important essential
89 Failed to | ACROSS
91 Gram or pest starter
94 Duffer's dream
95 Scarlett was one
96 — drive
97 Hot wine beverage
99 Dessert in Asia
100 He's called "the Venerable"
101 Nautical assent
104 End of legend
110 Wild buffalo of India
111 Bailey or White
112 Loos or Louise
113 Chest sound
114 Anagram of rust
115 Long-ago White House nickname
116 Friendly, in Soho
117 Burden
DOWN
1 Off one's rocker?
2 Israeli seaport
3 Candy-machine feature
4 Line or lock starter
5 Paper cones | ACROSS
6 Uplight
7 General region
8 Sudden, violent attack
9 Polly
10 Schoolbook
11 Linger close by
12 Verna's captain
13 Large, fancy marble
14 It's before shot or step
15 Bridge coup
16 Bruce or Sebastian
17 Greek shopping mall?
18 Plant pest
24 Barber's call
25 Counterfeit
26 French composer
31 Cancel, in a way
32 Prejudice
33 Pay to play
34 Membranes
35 Staunch confederate
37 Health resort
38 Leases one's property
39 Wild ox
40 Financial troubles
41 Evade | ACROSS
42 South Pacific island
44 Natural sweetener
45 Greenland settlement
47 Supernatural spirit
48 Stormed
49 One who imitates
51 Disturbed the peace
52 Fruit product
53 Stir up public opinion
54 Throws the dice
58 Cylindrical and tapered
60 Dark, olive green
61 WWII battle site
62 Snake or Sea
63 Unique things
64 Takes to the ice
65 Cruise ship
66 Looks at attentively
67 Style of dome?
68 Grass cutter
69 Nautical command
71 Bike or boat starter
73 Government edict
74 Prepares flax
75 Grafted, in | DOWN
77 Hindu god of destruction
78 Actor
79 Hamlet, for one
80 Complete failure
86 Church part
87 Full of small, round stones
88 Hodgepodge
89 Carnival avenue
90 Arrow poison
91 Egypt's Sadat
92 Noted Indian leader
93 Prox
95 Council table
96 Island between Luzon and Mindanao
98 Best-selling author
99 Very willing
100 Harass
101 Arkin or Alda
102 River to the Yellow Sea
103 Windows of the soul?
105 Choose
106 Word on the society page
107 Los Angeles player
108 Genetic substance
109 Test or claim starter |
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Hi Janice!
 Hope everything is great with you!

This Week In History

On January 3, 1777, General George Washington defeated Lord Cornwallis at Princeton ... January 3, 1777, Congress adopted the Stars and Stripes ... January 8, 1815, some 5,300 British soldiers, unaware of a previously signed peace treaty, attacked U.S. entrenchments near New Orleans; the British sustained over 2,000 casualties, while the Americans had 71 ... January 5, 1914, Ford Motor Co. raised its basic wage rates from \$2.40 for a nine-hour day to \$5 for an eight-hour day ... January 8, 1918, President Woodrow Wilson set out his 14 Points as a basis for peace ... January 5, 1939, President Franklin D. Roosevelt asked for a hike in the defense budget ... January 6, 1941, in a speech to Congress, President Roosevelt defined the essential Four Freedoms as freedom of speech and religion, freedom from want and fear ... January 3, 1959, Alaska was admitted into the Union as the 49th state ... January 3, 1961, the U.S. severed diplomatic and consular relations with Cuba after disputes over nationalizations of U.S. firms, the U.S. military presence at Guantanamo base, etc. ... January 9, 1964, Panama suspended relations with the U.S. after riots in the streets ... January 5, 1970, United Mine Workers official Joseph A. Yablonski, his wife and daughter, were found shot in their Clarksville, Pa. home ... January 4, 1980, President Carter announced punitive measures against the U.S.S.R., including an embargo on the sale of grain and high technology, in retaliation for the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan ... January 8, 1982, the 13-year-old lawsuit against AT&T by the Justice Department was settled wherein AT&T agreed to give up the 22 Bell System companies but in return was allowed to expand into previously prohibited areas including data processing, telephone and computer equipment sales, and computer communication devices ... January 5, 1987, President Reagan produced the nation's first trillion-dollar budget ... January 8, 1987, the Dow closed at 2002.25, its first finish above 2000 ... January 6, 1989, the Labor Department reported that unemployment was 5.3 percent, a 14-year low, at the end of 1988.

Happy Birthday

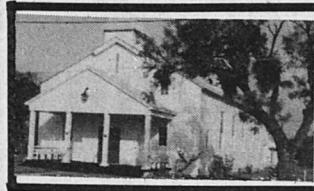
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Trivia Test by Linda Luckhurst

- Language: What is the German word for Munich?
- Tourist Attractions: How many steps does the Leaning Tower of Pisa have?
- History: Who was the first U.S. president to survive being shot by a would-be assassin?
- Birds: How many front toes does a parrot have?
- Geography: What region of China is referred to as the "Roof of the World"?
- Television: What was the difference between Mr. Spock's blood and human blood on "Star Trek"?
- Disease: What is another term for tetanus?
- Music: What was the name of Little Anthony's backup group?

1. München; 2. 296; 3. Ronald Reagan; 4. two; 5. Tibet; 6. It was green; 7. lockjaw; 8. The Imperials ©1993 by King Features Synd.

Trivia Test Answers



First Baptist Church

Rev. Gil Ash, Pastor

"The Pastor's Pen"

Sitting here on the couch, looking across the room I see a Christmas gift that has yet to be put to use. It is a puzzle. Its title is *Home, Sweet Homestead*. It is a beautiful spring picture of a rustic farmstead in a lush green valley. The barn needs paint, the corral needs mending. There are mountains in the background with snow still showing in the higher elevations. The sky is blue with just a hint of clouds behind the mountains. It is beautiful! Home, sweet homestead!

I have fond memories of childhood homes. Most of us do. Most have either gone back to those old homes or have the desire to do so. A few weeks back while making a trip to Tucson, Arizona, I began to pull those memories up of the homes that I lived in from age 8 until about 13 or 14. The first home, the one on Pennsylvania Avenue, I painted a perfect picture in my mind but in attempting to actually locate it, I could not. It either no longer existed or I had a faulty picture.

Another home, the one on Wetmore Road, just three blocks east of the Tucson Mall (it wasn't there in the 60s), I could find. But that homestead was much less than I pictured. The front yard that I remember all the neighborhood kids gathering in to play kickball and soccer was much smaller than I recalled. Things just weren't the same. My homesickness was cured.

I have another childhood home. It is one my father built for me. I never have lived in it. As a matter of fact, I have never even seen a picture of it, but He has told me all about it. It is a wonderful place that I look forward to getting to see and live in. It is built in the state of "Heaven."

I have the assurance that it is there, and that it will be even better than I picture it.

In the gospel of John, chapter 14, verse 2, it is written, "In my house are many mansions. If it were not so I would have told you."

Yes, I'm getting a little homesick but it won't be long before he comes to take me there.

In the next verse He says, "And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you unto myself, that where I am you may be also." That is security.

I've got a mansion waiting for me. Have you talked to "Him" about building one for you?



St. John's Baptist Church

Rev. W. P. Adams, Sr., Pastor

The Lord's Emcompassing Protection

They who trust in the Lord shall be as Mount Zion, which cannot be removed, but abideth forever.

As the mountains are round about Jerusalem, so the Lord is round about his people from henceforth even forever.

For the rod of the wicked shall not rest upon the lot of the righteous, lest the righteousness put forth their hands unto iniquity. Psalms 125:1-3

Praise The Lord! Praise The Lord! Praise The Lord!

Church Directory



St. Andrews Episcopal Church: Henderson & Fort, Sunday Church Service 10:30 A.M. Vicar: Rev. Bill Koons, 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, 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 7:00 P.M., Wednesday Worship 7:00 P.M. Gil Ash, Pastor, 563-2245.

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

St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church: Masses Monday and Friday 7:00 A.M., Wednesday and Saturday 6:30 P.M., Sunday (Spanish) 8:00 A.M., Regular 10:30 A.M. Confession Wednesday and Saturday 6:00 P.M. Religion Classes Wednesday 6:00 P.M. Sunday 9:00 A.M. Prayer Meeting (Spanish) Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Fr. 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 Wednesday 5:00 P.M., Gordon Miller, Pastor.

St. John's Baptist Church: Crockett Street at Keene Street. Sunday services, Sunday School 10:00 A.M., Worship 11:00 A.M.; Wednesday, Bible Study, 7:00 P.M. William P. Adams, Sr. Pastor, 563-9175.

Lutheran Congregation: Meets 1st and 3rd Saturday evenings, 6:00, Fort Clark Golf Club. 563-2047.

Golf News



Mens Scramble

Wednesday, December 29, 1993
1st, 61, Julian Garza, Rick Bacon, and James Stafford.

Three teams tied for 2nd at 62: Jack Legg, Bill Woolston, Vance Jones; Marv Maderich, Vern Ebert, Charles Descheemaker, Bob Miller; Tom McNew, Ken Frost, Roger Kurz, and Richard Weddell.

Two teams came in with 64; three teams scored 65, and two teams ended with 66.

Couples Scramble

Thursday, December 30, 1993
At 8 under par 62, the team of Ladd and Houk placed first. Taking second at 6 under par 64 was the team of Bob and Barb Miller and the Petajas.

Tied at 5 under par 65 were the teams of McKelvy/Genualdi; Mills/Mayberry. At 4 under par 66 was the team of Gooch-Green/Eckenroth.

Other teams and scores were: 3 under par 67, Chism/Kendrick; 1 under par 69, Derrickson-Benfield/Herron; 1 under par 69, Horning/Koons-Graham; 1 under par 69, Mathison/Westrich; 1 under par 69, Stafford-Nichols/Reivitt; even par 70, Frost Kurz; and 2 over par 72, Phil-Luane/Bacon-Schlatterer.

Ladies Golf

Tuesday, January 4, 1994

After 24 Ladybugs finished play, James Stafford drew from the

"mystery box" the game of the day which was "most 9s." Winners of this exciting game was Betty Tarnell, Betty Mathison, Gail Campbell, Helen Westrich, and Pat Long who each had one 9.

Skins were won by Gwen Ladd with 4 points, Fern Dyer had 2 points, and Barbara Miller had one 1 point.

Chip-ins were won by Edith Zipperer, Janet Christenson, Gwen Ladd and Helen Westrich.

Fern Dyer won low gross with 88.

The 9-hole group played "Low Putts." Winner was Alice Seargeant with 14 putts. Gene Graham was second with 17 putts, and Betty Gibbs came in third with 18 putts.

Tri-City Tournament

Fourteen ladies participated in the Tri-City group. Five were from Del Rio and fourteen from Brackettville. Lou Green won overall low gross with 78. Helen Miller won overall low net with 80 (-19 for 61).

In the first flight, Maxine Lawson had low gross with 84. Luella Gilliland had low net.

In the second flight, Darline Horning won low gross with 88. Willie Null won low net.

Third flight low gross was won by Patti Barnett with 90. Low net was won by Kitty Monroe.



Frontier Baptist Church

Rev. Joe Townsend, Pastor

Sunday was the time for the observance of The Lord's Supper and the regular Fellowship Dinner.

The emphasis in the message of the morning high lighted the New Year. The traditional time for resolutions is the New Year. Many times we make resolutions that soon fade because they are self serving.

Many resolve to quit smoking or to lose weight or such, which in the end prove to be empty and futile.

One of the best resolutions to be made is "To Be Happy." This is a resolution that can be kept and can be meaningful. If problems come, be happy. If sickness comes, be happy. If someone trashes you, be happy. If financial times turn hard, be happy. This can be done.

If one recognizes he is truly somebody he will realize that he controls his happiness.

If one allows circumstances or other people make him unhappy, he admits he is less than good as a human being. If one realizes he is a child of God, if indeed he has trusted Jesus Christ as Savior, he must know he truly is an important somebody.



Valeria Vela

Valeria Vela, daughter of Jose and Graciela Vela, was born in Del Rio at 12:36 a.m. Saturday, January 1, 1994. She was the first baby born at Val Verde Memorial Hospital in 1994 and to our knowledge, the first baby born to Kinney County parents in 1994.

Valeria weighed 6 pounds, 7 ounces, and has three older sisters and one brother.

Ann Ash, Brackettville, was the attending nurse.

Tax Changes Watch For These

As a public service, Roland Boyens has pointed out some changes people need to be reminded of as they prepare 1993 tax returns.

Tax laws have changed very much this year. The biggest change affects only those with incomes over \$250,000. The change to the taxable amount of Social Security starts with the 1994 return.

If you are paying or collecting interest on a seller financed note, each return will have to show the other person's name, address, and Social Security number.

Charitable Contributions Beginning this year you will need proof of any donations of \$250 or more - this includes cash. Other property must include a good faith estimate of the value of the goods. If you receive anything in exchange for your donation - including the potluck-dinner or raffle-ticket - the fair value of this item must be deducted from the amount of the donation.

Earned Income Credit This year some childless individuals will be able to claim the low income credit. If this might apply to you, check for details.

IRA Transfers If you are a beneficiary on an inherited IRA from someone other than your spouse and want to transfer it to another financial institution, do not take the money or change it into your name, only the trustee's name. Otherwise, you will be taxed on it.

January 17th is the due date on the final installment on your 1993 estimated income tax. If you have not made all payments yet, this is your last chance to catch up, you can increase or decrease the amount on the voucher.

This year you should get something new from IRS. A 1040 V (voucher) which will have to be sent with your check if you owe a balance when you file. Be sure to use mailing label and the estimated tax forms, if you need them. Be sure you verify spelling, address, and social security numbers. Also note any change in dependents and remember all children must have numbers.

Hole-In-One

An excited Margot Kendrich had a hole-in-one Sunday, January 2, 1994, on hole #6 while playing with her husband, Del, and Eileen and Herb Voracek. She used a #3 wood and an 80 compression Maxfli golf ball.

With God as guide, leader and sustainer, one can be happy if only he determines to be.

To remember that one is bigger and more important than sickness, sorrow, money, or someone's debasement will help to be happy.

To resolve to extend one's self will make the year better. Every Christian is an extension of God on earth, an extension of His love, His compassion, His care. To let this be uppermost in life brings the greatest joy, contentment and thrill to living.

These resolutions are based completely on ones walk with God.

A close relationship with the Heavenly Father makes possible happiness in any circumstance and motivates a good relationship with all the world. God's love and companionship is the secret to a great year ahead.

Next Sunday there will be another opportunity to be blessed in worship at Frontier Baptist Church. The apex of worship will be a message from the Bible by the pastor, Joe R. Townsend.

Come and see.

Theta Sigma Draws For Secret Sisters

Theta Sigma members of Beta Sigma Phi met at the Fort Clark Springs Adult Center Monday evening, January 4, 1994. President Marty Isenberg conducted the business session.

Membership Chairman Dee Gaston showed the video *A History Of Beta Sigma Phi*.

Names were drawn for secret sisters. Service Chairman Dee Curry had get-well cards to be signed to send to members and friends.

Members were reminded of the Cabaret Dinner on January 14 at Las Moras Inn, and the Community Theater Group, Uvalde, presentation of *The Cemetery Club* on February 18 at the Grand Opera House.

Mylo Unruh presented the cultural program using the quote "You meet a friend - your face brightens - you have struck gold." She then served cake and coffee to Luella Gilliland, Dee Gaston, Shirley Hadsell, Marty Isenberg, Barbara Niemann, Doraline Kellar, Nancy Frerich, Pat McKelvy, Dee Curry, Lou Green, Jan Chism, and Betty Inman.

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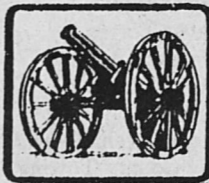
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