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

## Board Awards Personnel Contracts

Lingo Sandoval, Gloria Garcia, Jim McDaniel, Jewel Robinson, and Stan Conoly were present when president Jimmy Bader called the BISD school board meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Monday, March 14, 1994. Minutes of the February 14 and March 3 meetings were approved as printed.

Cindy Brandt administered the oath of office to newly appointed board member Pat Melancon.

The board adopted the 1994-95 school calendar.

President Bader called for an election of school trustees for May 7, 1994, and the board approved Jean Faulkenberry as election judge, Gloria Benacci as school election official, and Beth Ann Smith, Candy Hobbs and Cindy Brandt as absentee election clerks.

The board discussed establishing a procedure for filling vacancies that occur on the board. Superintendent Steve Mills had contacted TASB for guidance and learned that no school district in the state had filed a policy on replacement with them. The board compiled a suggested procedure of announcing the vacancy, accepting applications of interest, choosing a person or rejecting all applicants in favor of another qualified individual. This will be an April agenda item.

The board discussed the cost of operating the county swimming pool and providing a softball field. No action was taken.

The board voted to approve Kinney County Chief Appraiser Marcus Tidwell's recommendation to dispose of two lots in Spofford and one in Brackett (these are the same lots as reported in report from Commissioners Court).

Suggestions of names for the "new library" were made. No action was taken.

### City Awards Paving Contract To Cor

At 6 p.m., Tuesday, March 15, 1994, Mayor Carmen Berlanga presided over the Brackettville City Council meeting with Council Members Larry Moore, Jean Seargeant, Mary Flores, Julia Fuentes Molano, and Ralph Gonzalez present.

After the minutes were approved, Mayor Berlanga read resolutions awarding a paving contract to Cor Construction and amending the grant application to include the additional streets. The council approved both items.

The council considered a request for placement of a sidewalk on city property at the Filippone Building and parking spaces on El Paso and James Streets. Evaluating the inspection done by David Martinez, the council approved the installations on El Paso Street but deemed the James Street space as too near the street for safety.

Mayor Berlanga appointed Allen Kreiger, Jr. election judge and Zulema Wilson assistant judge for the May 7, 1994, city election.

At 6:14 p.m. the council entered into executive session to discuss the employment contract of City Secretary/Manager David G. Luna.

At 6:32 p.m., the council reconvened in open session and voted to accept the contract with Luna as printed. (Prior to this, the city had not extended a contract to Luna).

Financial statements were reviewed and accepted. Julie Molano drew the name for Random Drug Testing.

Mr. Luna presented a letter he had received from the Texas Resource verifying that the closure of the landfill, previously operated by the city, as per requirements. The area is being monitored and will continue to be monitored for five years as required by law.

The meeting adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

Bus routes for 1994-95 were approved. Ballots were voted for Region 20 directors.

The textbook committee recommendation of a blank adoption of all textbooks was accepted.

Action on a summer lunch program was deferred until a representative from the Southwest Texas Community Council met with the board.

Gloria Benacci discussed the financial statement: 93.70% of 1993-94 taxes have been collected; revenues to date is 64.39% of budget; expenditures are 61.88% of budget; a very stable report.

Jones Elementary Carl Glass reported an enrollment of 336 compared to 275 this time last year; Super-S cash register receipts submitted total \$300,000; students will be going to UIL contest Monday.

Middle School Principal Stoney Burks reported completion of TAAS 8th grade writing; UIL competition Monday and Saturday; students will attend a Community Concert March 28; and a pilot program of selling refreshments tied to responsibility during study hall period.

High School Principal Don Sims reported an enrollment of 269 students; JTPA will fund PLATO lab for the summer; UIL contests; four explosion hearings - 1 expelled, 3 homebound.

Curriculum Director Taylor Stephenson presented detailed information on curriculum development.

Superintendent Steve Mills distributed a sample family medical leave policy to be studied for April/May agendas; reported an improved location of teachers' lounge; announced 1-act play presentation scheduled for Thursday at 7 p.m.; reminded board of

board training and parenting seminars; and discussed a Middle School survey done by the school which indicated the vast majority of students in middle school felt safe at school.

The board entered into a closed session to discuss personnel. Back in open session, personnel contracts were renewed.

### JONES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Judy Blankenship, Maxine Bonner, Judy Burks, David Burton, Billie Foust, Bo Hagler, Julie Ireton, Hector Jimenez, Bonne Jones, Kandace LaMascus, Lynn McNew, Angelica Meeks, Shelly Naylor, Dorothy Oliver, Laura Phillips, Janelle Senne, Mary L. Veltman, Stephanie Wallace, Mary Sam York. In separate action the contract of Pam Melancon was renewed with new board member Pat Melancon not voting.

### SECONDARY SCHOOL

Candace Bader, George Burks, Tammy Coggins, Chuck Wilson, Karen Crumley, Delia Curry, Jack Frerich, Mary Haby, Chuck Hall, Connie Hall, Lila Holland, John Schuster, Tom McNew, Merry Beth Mills, Greg Nowlin, Mary Petrosky, Carrol Petrosky, Jack Phillips, Antonio Ramon, Phyllis Stephenson, Sue Sims, Frank Taylor, Susan Harrison, Pauline Hilliard, Candy Hobbs, Gary Grubbs.

### CENTRAL OFFICE PERSONNEL

Taylor Stephenson, Gloria Benacci.

The board also extended a contract to Jamie Ballew, subject to assignment, effective with the 1994-95 school year.



## Shahan's Win Includes New Trailer

Thursday, March 10, 1994, will long be remembered by Brackett FFA Member Wil Shahan. That's the day his Fine Wool Lamb was judged the Grand Champion at the San Angelo Livestock Exposition. The lamb sold for \$4500.00, top dollar for this year's show. Added to that, Easley Trailer Company's San Angelo distributor presented Shahan with a 20'x6' Easley stock trailer, double deck, state-of-the-line, even guaranteed not to rattle! The trailer is to be used by Wil's sponsor for one year; however, Shahan insisted that the trailer was to be used by both the Brackett FFA and the Kinney County 4-H Club. Shahan showed under the 4-H sponsorship prior to showing under the FFA banner.

Pictured in front of the trailer which was delivered Wednesday are, from left, FFA Sponsor John Paul Schuster, Winner Wil Shahan, Hadley Wardlaw who was the breeder of Wil's champion lamb, and Kinney County 4-H Club sponsor Allen McWilliams.

At the end of the year, the Brackett ISD will have first option to purchase the trailer which even has an automatic hitch.

Wil is the son of Tully and Darlene Shahan, and the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Happy Shahan of Brackettville, and Mr. and Mrs. Will Wardlaw of Del Rio. Hadley Wardlaw is Wil's uncle.

## It's Now Safe To Drive Across Pinto Creek on Gaebler Road

At 9 a.m. Monday, March 14, 1994, Judge Tim Ward called the Kinney County Commissioners Court into regular session with Commissioners Freddie Frerich, Plunker Sheedy, Cordelia Mendeke and Alvin McClure present. Jean Faulkenberry spoke the invocation and the pledge of allegiance was quoted in unison.

Minutes of the February 14 meeting had been approved on February 28 so only minutes of February 28 needed to be read and they were approved as read.

Road Supervisor Cliff Fritter proudly displayed pictures - pre/during/completed - of the bridge over Pinto Creek on Gaebler Road. He also reported additional maintenance activity on county roads. He reported delivering county-owned voting booths to Precincts 1 and 3 to be used in the Democratic Primary election, and preparing for the March 19 county auction of surplus equipment.

Judge Ward read recommendations from Kinney County Chief Tax Appraiser Marcus Tidwell: 1) transfer title of two lots, held in trust, in Spofford to the Spofford Youth Organization for the sum of \$1 with a stipulation they would revert to the "held in trust" status if used for any other purpose. County Attorney Tully Shahan was asked to research the non-profit/tax exempt status to determine the legality; and 2) sell Lot 7, Block L, corner of Thomas and Rock in Brackettville, held in trust, for \$453. The court was agreeable to the sale but favored advertising the sale. "Held in trust" is a term for property taken for unpaid taxes and all taxing entities involved must agree to the disposal).

Kickapoo Park Ranger David Stuart requested to delay presenting a report to the court until April because he had large tour groups at the Park this week.

Judge Ward reported on the Civic Center parking lot - pot poles had been patched but no seal coating. He had reminded the contractor that a penalty of \$200 per day since the targeted completion date of February 25 was being assessed. Painting of the Civic Center should be completed this week.

The court agreed to start clean-up and repair of the watershed dams as soon as the Civic Center project was completed. The dam project will be done jointly with the city.

Commissioner McClure requested release as Hazard Control officer and Commissioner Mendeke was appointed to replace him, and to work with County Auditor Cordelia Barlow in meeting the reporting deadline, and the court approved the \$75 annual filing fee.

Bob Hogan made a presentation to the court pertaining to applying for E.D.A.P. (Economic Distressed Area Program) grant funds to do an engineering survey exploring methods of providing water to Spofford. The engineering fee would be \$50,000. Spofford Mayor J.B. Herndon and Spofford City Council members Tootsie Herndon and Joe Cruz, along with MRGDC Grant specialist Anna Hernandez heard the presentation. At the request of Judge Ward, they met together to evaluate the presentation later reported to the court that Mrs. Hernandez would research the proposal and notify Judge Ward of their interest.

Aileen Reed and Marsha Harrell, representing the county

employees, stated that the employees met, as planned, and identified several concerns: 1) consider letting sick leave accumulate; 2) requested memo on health insurance status; 3) training for staff to do grant applications; 4) compensation for use of personal vehicles when running errands for county. All departments had been represented at the meeting except library, nutrition center, and sheriff's department.

Bills were reviewed and approved for payment.

Wayne Long, Land Date Computer representative, appeared before the court in regards to the computer system in the county clerk's office. He proposed a software maintenance agreement at \$87.50 per month and a hardware maintenance of \$450 per month which would upgrade and maintain the system. The clerk's budget will take care of the software and the hardware expenditures would be paid from fees.

Paul Ponebshek and Bob Cowell, both of San Antonio, planners of the June NSS Convention in Kinney County, enthusiastically shared a progress report on the convention. They said one of the reasons Kinney County was chosen by the site selection committee was the cooperation and warm welcome they received in their preliminary visits. They also said they looked forward to their state Cavers Convention at Fort Clark April 20-23, 1994...the second consecutive year to meet at Fort Clark.

Sheriff Norman Hooten appeared before the court with information that the Amistad Narcotic Task Force was near dissolving due to withdrawal of several entities. He

had been approached to ask Kinney County to become the grantee. He was uncertain of his desire to do so but would be doing additional research. An emergency meeting of the Kinney County Commissioners Court, properly posted, was scheduled for 2 p.m.

Attorney Shahan reminded the court that no lease agreement between Kinney County and the Little League Association had been signed for use of the Little League ball park. Reportedly, Woody Massingill had resigned as Little League president.

The court recessed until 2 p.m. for the Emergency meeting.

### Kinney County Signs Resolution To Become Amistad Narcotic Task Force Grantee

At 2 p.m., Monday, March 14, 1994, Judge Tim Ward called the Kinney County Commissioners Court into emergency session. Commissioners Frerich, Sheedy, and McClure were present.

Kinney County Sheriff Norman Hooten presented Project Director Steve Woollen, DEA Agent Bill McDonald, and Administrative Aide Alicia Rush.

Mr. Woollen explained to the court the position the Task Force was in and a lengthy discussion ensued. The court voted to sign a resolution for Kinney County to become the grantee of the Task Force. Full details are available, but basically they are:

1. Kinney County will not be financially responsible for the operation;

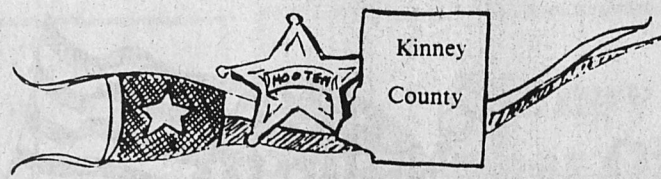
2. Steven Woollen and Alicia Rush will be absorbed into Kinney County personnel but reimbursement for their salaries will come from the Task Force;
3. The task force has assets of approximately of \$91,815 (this amount fluctuates);
4. The task force provides community services not available anywhere else;
5. The task force has put 495 people in jail for drug offenses in the past 2 years;
6. Real, Edwards and Kinney Counties plan to remain components of the Task Force;
7. The task force will have three officials: the Kinney County judge; the Kinney County auditor; and the Project Manager;
8. At least for the time being, task force headquarters will remain in its present location in Del Rio;
9. Should the task force dissolve at a future date, Kinney County will suffer no financial loss.

**One Act Play**  
**Thursday, March 17**  
**(Tonight)**  
**7:00 p.m.**  
**BISD Auditorium**

**This is the play that will be entered in competition**

# Sheriff's Corner

By Sheriff Norman H. Hooten



The Kinney County Commissioners Court passed a resolution in favor of submitting an application to Austin for the continued funding of the Amistad Area Narcotics Task Force at an emergency meeting of the court called for that purpose at 2:00 p.m. Monday, March 14, 1994.

The grant, which must first be approved by the Texas Narcotics Control Program, a division of the Criminal Justice Division of the Governor's Office, was presented to the Commissioners Court by representatives of the task force which included Kinney County Sheriff Norman H. Hooten (a Control Board Member), Mr. Steve Woolen, Project Director, Bill McDonald, Field Commander, and Alicia Rush, Secretary/Clerk.

The grant application, which had to be in Austin by Tuesday, March 15th, was passed unanimously by the four members of the Kinney County Commissioners Court present at the time, one commissioner was absent. The grant asks for \$217,892.00 in federal grant funds through the Criminal Justice Division of the Governor's Office with a cash match pledge from par-

ticipating agencies in the amount of \$72,631.00. At the present time it is anticipated that the drug task force will have participation from the following agencies: 1) Kinney County Sheriff's Department; 2) Edwards County Sheriff's Department; 3) Real County Sheriff's Department; 4) the City of Del Rio Police Department; 5) U.S. Border Patrol; 6) Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA); and possible future participation from the counties of Terrell (Sanderson), and Kimble (Junction).

The primary participating counties and agencies required to pledge cash match resolutions at the present time are: 1) Kinney County (grantee) \$39,949.00; 2) Edwards County \$10,894.00; 3) Real County \$10,894.00; and the City of Del Rio \$10,894.00. At the present time the drug task force provides jobs for 17 personnel including drug agents, a special prosecutor with the District Attorney's Office, and clerical personnel. More positions will be made available if and when other agencies and/or counties come on board.

If approved by the CJD and the TNCP, as it is expected to be, the

grant will become effective June 1, 1994, and run through May 31, 1995. The current grant in operation at this time will run through May 31st of this year.

The application approved by the Kinney County Commissioners Court became necessary in order to keep the drug task force in operation due to actions (or lack of) by the Val Verde County Commissioners Court on Monday, March 7, 1994. On that date the VVCCC held a special meeting reference the drug task force and when called upon to approve/disapprove a grant application resolution required to fund the task force for the time period of June 1, 1994 through May 31, 1995, the court was split by a 2-2 vote. With one commissioner absent because of illness the court was deadlocked and therefore could not take action one way or the other. This, in effect, killed the issue and the task force was in danger of dying on the vine at the conclusion of May 31, 1994.

The drug task force was first formed in 1987 with the City of Del Rio (police department) as grantee. It was first known as the Tri-County Drug Task Force with the name changed shortly thereafter to the Del Rio Narcotics Trafficking Task Force. Del Rio and the Del Rio Police Department dropped out in 1991 after continued disagreements with the task force and the Board of Governors over seized and forfeited cash and property. The task force was then reorganized in February 1992 with Val Verde County and the Val Verde County Sheriff's Department as grantees. The name was changed once again, this time to the Amistad Area Narcotics Task Force, with headquarters in Del Rio.

Since it was first formed in 1987 the drug task force has been very effective in drug interdiction and enforcement in spite of its problems with inter-departmental squabbles and territorial jealousies. Numerous arrests of drug dealers, users, and smugglers have been made with a very high conviction rate with numerous convicted drug dealers and users receiving stiff prison terms. Hundreds of thousands of dollars in cash and property has been seized and forfeited to the task force, in effect causing the drug dealers to finance the battle being waged against them. It is this effectiveness in combating the continuing drug problem in our area and along the Texas-Mexico border that was the deciding issue in my decision to try and keep the task force alive and well and working on our behalf.

After being advised by Val Verde County Sheriff J.R. Koog that his Commissioners Court had failed to take affirmative action in regards to renewing their grant application I immediately started making calls to the other remaining counties and agencies in an attempt to see how they felt about trying to keep the task force in effect. I received overwhelming support from all those contacted, including Sheriff Koog, who regretted his county's failure to continue in support of the task force.

I then contacted Mr. Jimmy Wilburn, Executive Director of the Texas Narcotics Control Program in Austin. The TNCP works under and in cooperation with the Criminal Justice Division of the Governor's Office. Mr. Wilburn was highly supportive of our desires to keep the task force in effect and working and stayed in constant contact with me daily during that period of time that I was attempting to gain support from other agencies and counties in our efforts.

The deadline of March 15, 1994, for having the grant application on Mr. Wilburn's desk in Austin was winding down and we were running out of time. I had been in contact with County Judge Tim Ward and the County Commissioners in regards to our efforts relating to the task force and found them to be highly supportive and they complimented me with vowing their full support in whatever my final decision came to be.

As late as Monday, March 14th I was still unsure as to what our best option was. I did not want to put Kinney County in danger of assuming a cash liability that we could not afford and also did not want to see the drug task force cease to be. So I got back on the phone and contacted all the participants once again, including the DEA, the City of Del Rio, Sheriff Koog, and the sheriffs of Edwards and Real counties.

I then contacted Jimmy Wilburn again and received assurance from him that should the task force get into trouble financially at sometime in the future he would personally see to it that none of the participating counties or agencies would be caught short and caused to come up with money they could not afford. We discussed the existing cash and

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## Between Us

By Joe Townsend.



In today's world there is often no correlation between the name of an organization and the action. Annually, a dissident organization called "Pastors for Peace" rears its ugly head. The basic motivation of the organization is to defy the law.

The head of the organization first was in Nicaragua and was wounded. He was in an area where he was daring anything to happen. He

couldn't defang the Contras as he wanted to do so he espoused a new radical cause.

He would force the U.S. government to lift the embargo on goods for Cuba. He deliberately conned churches and individuals to give to

help the poor in Cuba. He finally gathered enough bleeding hearts to form an organization.

He calls this clandestine group "Pastors for Peace." He is not a pastor nor are his henchmen. He gained world wide publicity last year when he was stopped at the Mexican border and some embargoed materials were prevented from crossing the border.

He widely touted they would refuse to eat until allowed to proceed. The "fast" was another fraud. Food was sneaked in.

Finally, the powers that be allowed them to thumb their nose at the law and bowed to the criminals and allowed them passage.

This year comes another and larger convoy. "Pastors for Peace" again played the role of poor, picked on, crusaders. For days the irresponsible news media was sucked into his game and widely anticipated his being detained at the border. He threatened what would happen.

Authorities took the clapper out of his bell. They simply let him and his coterie go merrily on their way. Any chance for him to rave because authorities were expecting to enforce the law was gone. He didn't even get news coverage of his defiant crossing.

One wonders if he and his renegades won't now look for another cause to defy the law. One thing his character won't change. He will continue to perpetrate himself as "pastor."

The sorriest hypocrit alive is a man who defies his nation and even God and waves a fraudulent banner. Satan grins from ear to ear when he can con someone to call himself a child of God and follow Satan's leadership.

Where there are no morals or ethics the camouflage of morality and christian identification only pin points the violation of God's law.

### Sheriff's Corner, continued

property in generated income developed by the task force and those amounts were sufficient to see us through the upcoming fiscal year (June 1, 1994 through May 31, 1995) without the requirement of the participating counties and agencies having to actually come up with the cash match amounts pledged. The continued support and encouragement expressed by Mr. Wilburn, the TNCP, and the other participating counties and agencies finally made up my mind to request the support of the Kinney County Commissioners Court by passing a resolution in favor of filing the grant application.

An emergency meeting was called and set for 2 p.m. Monday afternoon, March 14, 1994, and AANTF Project Director Steve Woolen, Field Commander Bill McDonald, and Secretary/Clerk Alicia Rush were asked to come to the meeting and present the application to the court and answer any questions related to the grant application and the task force, including the liability of the county financially.

The meeting was very positive and I commend County Judge Tim Ward, and County Commissioners Freddie Frerich, Plunker Sheedy, and Alvin McClure for their vision and support of this issue. Com-

missioner Cordelia Mendeke was unable to attend the meeting due to a prior commitment. At the conclusion of the presentation a vote was called for and an affirmative resolution was passed unanimously.

As soon as the required signatures were received on the grant application papers Project Director Steve Woolen left for Austin to hand deliver the application to the TNCP and the CJD.

We look forward with anticipation to the effort and hardwork required to keep the drug task force alive and well in its mission to combat crime and illegal drug use and smuggling in our county and area along the Texas-Mexico border. Any and all assistance, support, and information related to drug enforcement that we can get from the public will be appreciated. If anyone has information regarding illegal drug use and/or trafficking that they wish to pass on to the task force they may do so by contacting the Kinney County Sheriff's office or the drug task force directly. Your name and all information will be kept confidential.

Let's all work together to help keep Kinney County and our surrounding area as drug free as possible and a safer, happier place in which to live and work!

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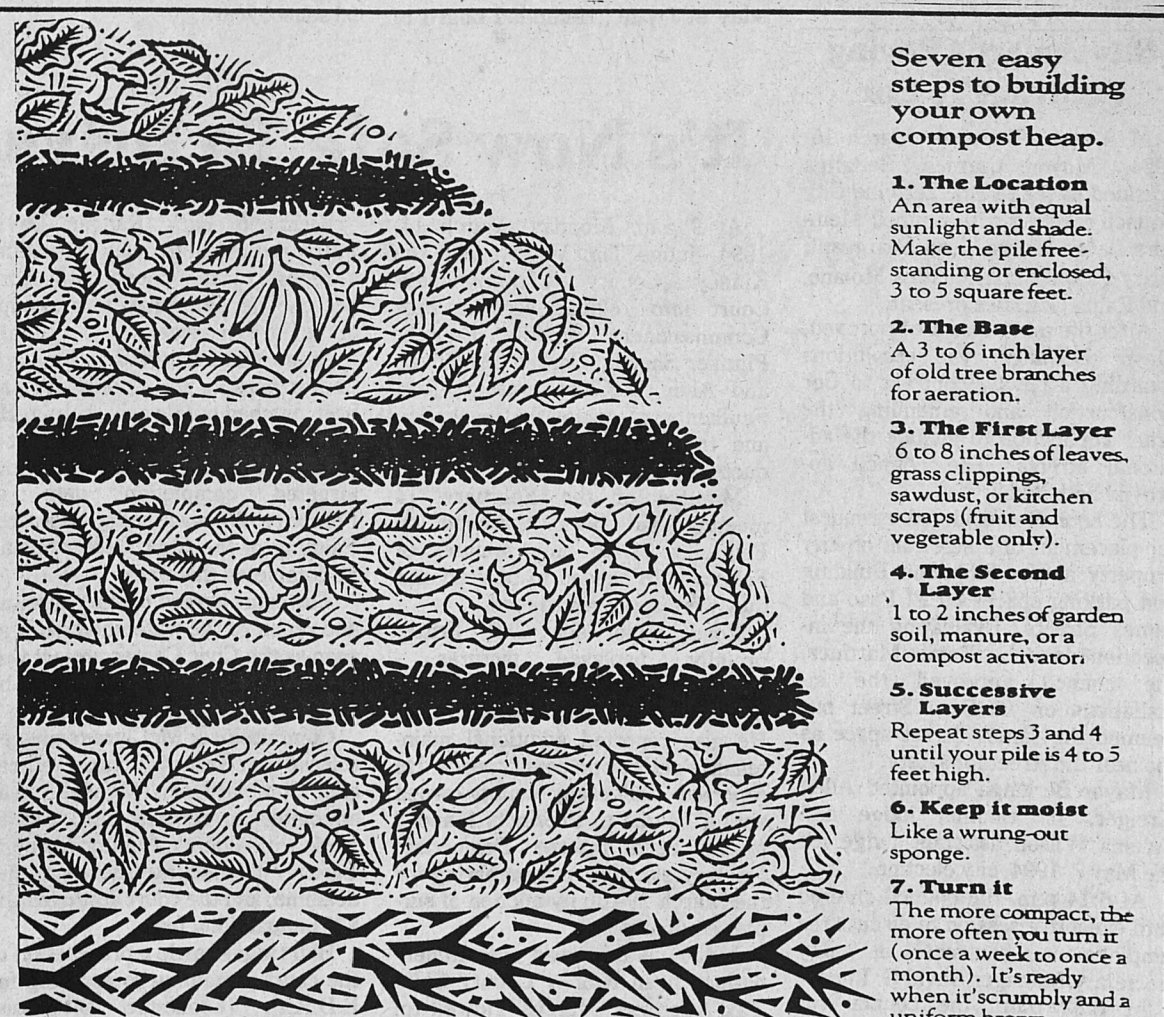
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- 2. The Base**  
A 3 to 6 inch layer of old tree branches for aeration.
- 3. The First Layer**  
6 to 8 inches of leaves, grass clippings, sawdust, or kitchen scraps (fruit and vegetable only).
- 4. The Second Layer**  
1 to 2 inches of garden soil, manure, or a compost activator.
- 5. Successive Layers**  
Repeat steps 3 and 4 until your pile is 4 to 5 feet high.
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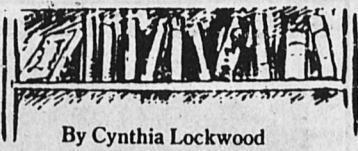
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**Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday**  
**Closed Tuesday**

Occasionally but not too often, we hear a patron grumbling over late charges on overdue books or videos. Most people understand the concept of borrowing and returning materials on time, but wonder what the late fee money is used for.

If you have sent any faxes lately with our new fax machine, made copies from our copier, or checked out juvenile or young adult paperbacks from our new paperback bookshelves, you know where the fine money is being spent. The money the library collects through fines and copies & fax charges are all deposited into one account. When the copier needs service or supplies, we pay for it out of this account. The same is true for the fax machine or the library's computer.

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In a sense, that 10¢ late charge just paid might end up paying for the cover page of the next novel you check out from us. Think of late charges as a donation to your library that ends up benefiting everyone.

As a reminder, overdue library books are 10¢ per day including weekends and holidays, and overdue videos are \$1.00 a day not including weekends and holidays. The reason for the distinction being that you can leave overdue books in the bookdrop but not videos. I believe that this slight change in policy makes more sense and is also more reasonable.

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

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Bridge Anyone

By NORMA GOULD



The Fort Clark Springs Duplicate Bridge Club met on a stormy night, Tuesday, March 8, with eight full tables playing the Mitchell Movement.

Fred and Nita Clayton won first place in the N/S direction. Rozetta Pingent and Norma Gould won second place with Helen Lynch and Betty Inman winning third.

Mona Miller and Carol Benfield won first place in the E/W direction. Nancy O'Brien and Joan Lindley won second place with Millie Harvey and Pauline Goodman winning third.

Around the Fort

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

Lots happening around the Fort this past weekend. The 5th annual Las Moras Invitational Golf Tournament attracted many members and visitors. I know it was a fun time as many participants said "see you next year."

There was a full house at Las Vegas Night Saturday night. The mystery prize (Prime Rib Dinner) was sold for 8 boxes of chips. If you didn't try your luck this month, be sure to mark your calendar for next month.

\*NOTICE\* Spanish classes have been moved to the Adult Center. The classes will continue on Monday at 2:00 and 7:00 p.m.

Put on your dancing shoes and your favorite Irish Duds - let's all party - the St. Patrick Dance at Town Hall, Saturday, March 19. BYOB, set up available, dance to the music of Stone Creek from Eldorado, Texas.

Don't miss the Arts Club first annual Arts & Craft Show at the Service Club from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Tables are available for \$10.00. To reserve a table, call 563-9217 or 563-9452.

The Fort Clark Voices performed at the Ladies Luncheon with close to 100 ladies attending. The Voices will perform their Spring Concert on Sunday, March 20, at Town Hall. Don't miss this performance.

Much, much more still to come this month including the annual membership meeting on the 26th.

Keep informed - pick up your copy of the Funfinder at the first of each month at either the Adult Center or Member Services Office.

Relatives And A Colonel's Daughter Among Elderhostelers At Fort Clark This Week

What a delightful surprise to learn four of the current group of Elderhostelers had relatives who were stationed at Fort Clark. After learning this great news during Sunday evening orientation, Bill Haenn, Ben Pingent and Joy Williams met with these ladies and exchanged information.



Mary Jane Schanke and her husband, David, found documents and photos of her father, Ralph Vuass, when he was a private stationed at Fort Clark. He was assigned to the Mounted Machine Gun Company in November, 1917. At the tender age of 17, Ralph Vuass enlisted in the Army and received his basic training at Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, prior to being stationed at Fort Clark. Mary Jane said she will copy some of the documents and send them to the Fort Clark Museum.



Sisters Lyn Beliveau, right, and Frances Smith, left, talked about their grandfather, Frances Henry French, who was stationed at Fort Clark during 1881-1887. He achieved the rank of Major General before his retirement. He wrote diaries throughout his lifetime and Lyn is now transcribing them. Lyn and Frances brought seven volumes of his diaries which related to Fort Clark with them. They showed pictures taken of officers and their families standing in front of their quarters on "Officers's Row." Lyn will be sending a copy of the manuscript after she returns home.



Then, there is the Post Commander's daughter, Elizabeth Scheuber. Her father, Colonel William Dennison Forsyth, was the Commander of the 5th Cavalry at Fort Clark during 1923-1925. Elizabeth attended Brackett Schools for the first and second grades. She told many stories about the time she lived here and the special treatment she received being the Post Commander's daughter.

Her family lived in both the "Patton House" and the "Wainwright House," although they were not named that then. Elizabeth presented Bill Haenn a photo of her father and grandfather taken with Teddy and Alice Roosevelt on horseback. This photo will find its way to the museum. Elizabeth made frequent trips to Fort Clark during her youth but it had been some time until this trip.

We could have talked the night away with these ladies. Lyn and Frances were overwhelmed by the thought of actually being in the same place their grandfather was stationed over 100 years ago. How wonderful it is for these ladies to be able to step back in time and visit Fort Clark.

Unsung Hero

by Joe Townsend



Recently a man came to Brackettville to invest this portion of his life in our community.

His dedication is to the youth, particularly the students.

He is a capable teacher. He is a good family man and an excellent father to his two boys.

He is very popular with school students. He is a very fine basketball coach and also a better than good baseball coach.

He is certainly an asset to our school and community.

Surely Gary Grubbs is an "Unsung Hero."

Have a Good Day

Janice

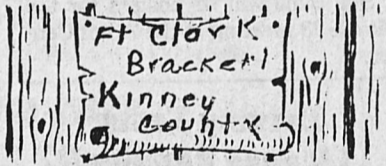
Identify The Picture

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



No Winner This Week!  
 Keep Looking At It!

Community Calendar



- AA: Mondays, 8 p.m., Slator Hall, 109 W. James St.
- AI-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) 2nd & 4th 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.
- Mountain Laurel Garden Club: 2nd Thursday, 10 a.m., Sept-May
- Chamber of Commerce: 2nd Thursday, 7:30 p.m., Cavalry Room.
- City Council: 1st Tuesday after 2nd Monday, 7 p.m., City Hall.
- Commissioners Court: 2nd Monday, 9 a.m., Court House.
- Del Rio Christian Women's Club: 1st Wednesday, 12 Noon, San Felipe Country Club. Reservations required.
- FCS Pot Luck Supper: 3rd Wednesday, 6:30 p.m., Service 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 #8380 & Auxiliary: 4th Monday, 6 p.m., Pot Luck, 7 p.m., Service Center.
- FCS Bingo: Friday, 7:30 p.m., Shafter Hall.
- 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., Service Club.
- Knights of Columbus: 1st Sunday, 12 Noon, Parish Hall.
- Lions Club: 1st and 3rd Thursday, 6:30 p.m., Las Moras Restaurant.
- Masonic Lodge #444: 2nd Tuesday, 7 p.m., Lodge Hall, Ann St.
- Order of Eastern Star #204: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Hall, 407 Bedell St., Del Rio.
- Shriners: 4th Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., Las Moras Restaurant.
- Rotary Club: Every Thursday, 12 Noon, Las Moras Restaurant.
- Methodist Ladies Luncheon: 3rd Wednesday, Noon, Slator Hall. Please make reservations.
- Creative Writing Group: Fridays, 9:30 a.m., Golf Club Snack Bar.

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 What is your favorite movie: Gone With The Wind.  
 What is your favorite book: Roots.  
 What are your hobbies: Arrow head hunting, camping, fishing, and cooking.  
 How do your friends describe you: Ornerly.  
 Describe yourself: Considerate and honest.  
 How long have you lived in Kinney County: 18 years.  
 If you could go anywhere, where would you go: Australia.  
 If you could change Brackettville, how would you change it: You can't change a place that is already good to live in without possibly making it worse!

**Just For The Fun Of It**

Melba Jean Foreman

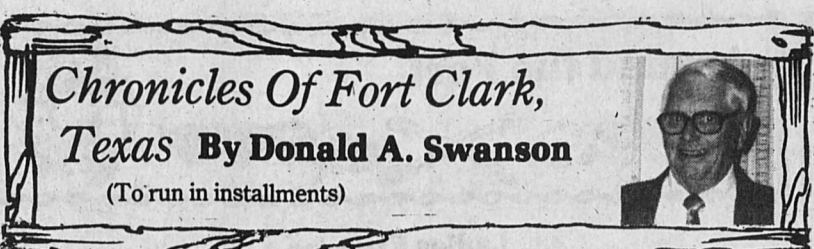
What would you like to be if you could change your life: Rich.

Answers to Super Crossword

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47	ASPARETES	SIABOT	RACE	
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**DRIVERS... WATCH OUT FOR CHILDREN!**



Virginia's News Release

Well, old Virginia Sities made a rather impressive speech. She informed every one that was at the little news release announcing gathering just how things was fixing to be.

Yep, she made it very clear that she knew that the citizens were getting tired of a meat diet and the only way to control the whole mess was to enforce the wishes of the Kortman County Manager and all of the commissioners. And she was going to start by closing down the little diner in the court house basement until they could come up with a veggie menu that suited her and the fearless leaders of the county.

She also mentioned that any kid caught trying to skip out of a nutritious lunch would be punished to the full extent of the law.

That's when old Buckshot made his appearance and backed her completely. He informed every one that with his new price hikes on the leases for county lands and her new system for controlling meat intake the county was going to be so much better off. After all, the way he figured it, the good people of Kortman County was just too stupid to take care of their dietary needs and their own farms and ranches without the help of a very politically correct group of government people helping them.

I think it was the statement about every one being stupid that got the next little wreck going.

Word spread like wild fire about the almost communist regime that had some how gotten elected to run our little corner of the world and the pert-near militant old bat that was put in charge of enforcing old Hortense's new veggie plan.

Of course in Querecho Flats, we had our own way of handling situations that we aren't happy about. And Garlan, Karl, Juan and myself got started pretty quick on a plan that just might be the end of old B.B., Buckshot, Boo Boo, Hortense and good old cuddly Virginia Sities.

We didn't tell any of the good ladies in our fair community about our little idea, we just let them get involved in old Virginia's plan just like they thought she was doing all the good.

You see, every year just before Christmas we had a little get-together at the community building

for some of the older ranchers and retired oilies in and around Querecho Flats.

This little party has at least six kinds of meats and all the pies and sweets you can imagine as well as some pretty good egg nog.

Well, the good ladies of the Better Than Thou Club seemed to think we would get into a lot of trouble if we served any kind of meat in a county owned building. After all, the new truant officer as well as the new county dietary manager had very plainly stated the new laws.

Garlan informed the semi-well meaning ladies (?) that we as citizens had the right to eat anything we wanted when we wanted it and where we wanted it. And if they didn't like the menu, they could just go tell our new little gestapo agent and all of her bosses. But when they did tell 'em, they had better tell 'em that they sure needed to leave us plumb to hell alone or things could get some what out of hand.

He also mentioned that should the good ladies (?) of Querecho Flats stick their busy little noses in where they didn't long, all hell would break loose.

That was a guaranteed way to get the message to old Virginia.

As you all know, all the ladies (?) in our fair village don't take orders worth a damn and they are prone to get involved in things that they really don't know all that much about.

We didn't use the conventional methods of getting a message to old Virginia and Hortense, nope, we left the telegraph and telephone and television systems plumb alone. We used the old tell a woman trick. And I'm here to tell you "it worked." Actually, we told all eight of the leaders of the Better Than Thou Club.

What we told 'em was pretty simple. We just mentioned that we had been storing beef, pork, chicken, deer and four different kinds of game birds in the deep freeze down at the community center and we were going to serve meat at our little gathering no matter what Old Virginia and Hortense or Buckshot had to say about it.

Well, then old bats figured this was their chance to get in good with the county leaders and they broke all world records getting into town to tell on us.

(To Be Continued!)

Construction History Of The Quarters For Commanding Officers, Fort Clark, Texas

After the Civil War, the U.S. Army's Indian Forts of Texas were in a deplorable condition. The federal government needed to rebuild all forts in order to continue fighting the Indians. The U.S. Army's Department of Texas, Quartermaster General's Department, started a rebuilding program at Fort Clark in 1871 by building a Quartermaster's corral and barracks building.

The climax of rebuilding at Fort Clark commenced in 1873 when construction was started on a new two-story commanding officer's house and eight company officers' two-story houses. The eight company officer houses were designed to be divided into duplexes to accommodate two officer's families. By 1875, Fort Clark's rebuilding program came to an end and it would be some seven years before more monies would be allotted to Fort Clark.

Each duplex received an army building number for Fort Clark and these numbers are still in use today: 10-11, 12-13, 14-15, 16-17, 18-19, 21-22, 25-26, and 27-28. These duplexes were included in the registry of the National Historic District of Fort Clark, Texas, September 1979.

These eight houses were initially built from the same set of U.S. Army Engineer's Plans of 1873. These were plans designed for the Quartermaster General's construction of housing for army officers on the posts in U.S. during the 1873-1874 period.<sup>2</sup> These houses therefore closely resemble those of other posts of that period and particularly those of Fort Huachuca, Arizona, and Fort Ringold, Texas.

In these plans the houses were two stories and masonry construction of large rectangular cut limestone laid up as regularly coursed ashlar pointed with lime mortar. Each house was fifty-five by thirty-five feet outside dimensions. The houses are separated internally by a full and large limestone wall (longitudinal partition) which divides the house into a duplex. The limestone walls are footed on a ground level concrete foundation. To eliminate the moisture and ventilate under each of the ground level rooms are concrete troughs which runs the width of the room and it is vented to the outside in a brick "doghouse."

The "doghouse" is a four-sided brick structure approximately 30"x14" with a peaked brick cover making the "doghouse" some 12" high. The brick work is plastered in order to blend with adjoining wall. Each end of the peaked cover is open for ventilation and there is screen mesh installed internally to prevent bugs and varmints from getting into the concrete trough. Some of the houses have since had the "doghouses" removed which accelerated deterioration of the hardwood floors.

Each duplex has three rooms on each floor with two fireplaces, one in the parlor and one in the dining room. Each of the chimneys have flues in each of the two upstairs bedrooms for stove heating. There is also a dual chimney in the center

duplex wall with flues.<sup>4</sup> Each duplex has one in the dining room and upstairs hall.

A fifty-five foot porch (some screened by the army since construction) ran across the front. The front main support beam for the porch roof on most of these houses are grooved for tongue and groove construction which indicates these beams were salvaged from Fort Inge (Uvalde) Texas in 1870.<sup>3</sup> The kitchen in these plans is a one story structure separated from the house by a latticed porch for fire protection.

The roof for the two story structure was a peaked shingle roof with four dormer windows in front and four dormer windows in the rear. The later addition by the army in 1885 necessitated the removal of two of the rear dormer windows for entrances to the added upstairs over the kitchen. The roofing material for the porch and the kitchen was also shingles and removed by the army in later years.

The wood shingles were replaced by asphalt shingles evidently to reduce fire hazards. The limestone used in the initial construction due to the size of the blocks and the hardness of the rock indicates it most probably was quarried at the U.S. Government Quarry on the Devil's River and hauled by wagon some 44 miles.<sup>4</sup> All the local areas of that period were more of an Austin stone and lacked hardness for weight bearing and durability. This was revealed in the early stone construction of 1856-1857 at Fort Clark.

The 1885 Congressional Appropriation granted remodeling and updating funds for these quarters. This remodeling plan changed the house from a rectangular to a tee-shaped plan. The original construction plan was altered by the removal of the lattice porch between the kitchen and hall. In the place of the lattice porch was added a vestibule room with a second set of stairs and three small rooms upstairs. Between each duplex there was the full dividing wall in this addition. A sixth chimney having a flue in the kitchen for a wood range and another flue in the added upstairs hall for stove heating in each duplex. These additions were also load bearing but smaller quarried blocks and a much softer stone, more like softer quality stones from local quarries.

In 1890, a central wood water tank was installed at Fort Clark. This gravity fed water supply called for plumbing to be installed in these houses some 15 years after the fact. This required "jury rigging" on the part of the plumbers and variances in the duplexes as to which room, or rooms, were to be designated bath rooms (some have two upstairs, others only one).

Another construction addition was the building of servant quarters of a one story, 1/2 bath (some had servant quarters with full bath wood framed) attached to the back of each kitchen. These additions were not designed by army engineers but rather on local plans because all eight houses have variances in the sizes of the rooms.

In 1918 Central Power and Light Company was awarded the contract by the army for electricity and once again these quarters had another after-the-fact modification, this time to wire and add lamps.

At some undetermined time since, a concrete patio floor was poured adjacent to outside wall of the vestibule and kitchen. Some time later these patios were covered with roof and screened.

Since private ownership has taken over the control of these duplexes (1974), the conservation of energy and livability standards have been improved over the spartan army standards. The individual owners have purchased these duplexes because of their historic background and each owner appears to have a determined conviction to preserve the historic external appearance as can best be determined from many army modifications over the extended period of years.

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Oh, just to run, lean and trim, like a young deer jumping the brook, crashing through the thick brush and bouncing up the steep hills - feeling like true creatures of the earth, not just soft, gasping-for-breath automobile slugs.

Sometimes when I go up certain steep rises and return tired, I wonder what it would be like not to grow weak and tired. I believe we resist age and deterioration (if that's what it is that distinguishes the way we feel now from the way we used to feel). Resisting sometimes seems to be a stressful battle that encourages the very conditions we resist.

I admire the strength and beauty I associate with youth. I also respect the fine strength and beauty that accompanies people with experience and knowledge of their own capabilities, who continue daily in hope and enthusiasm.

(Older deer gracefully step into the coolness of the brook and pause to sip the elixir of mixed brewing and then sniff the air and notice its direction and safe innocence then proceed through the thick brush joyfully sampling the abundant browse until they step gracefully out into the high meadow and bright sunlight).

These true creatures of the earth also teach this soft, gasping-for-air automobile slug that life is to be taken with joy and that there is not supposed to be a time when the air is too thick and the body too soft to go to the wonderful earth.

The way I see it, I have broken the natural laws and have become less fit. It is I who made all the choices that have removed me from the true order of things.

When natural laws have been broken, then spiritual laws will also be broken. Someday, all we will be able to see will glide by us like a movie from behind the glass windows of our automobiles.

Stafford Entertains Sigma Phi With Fort Clark Folklore

Monday evening, March 14, Beta Omicron Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met at the home of Evelyn Whitely with president Pat Callan presiding. Following the opening ritual and roll call, the minutes of the previous meeting were read by Whitely. The treasurer's report was given by Pat Callan in the absence of treasurer Barbara Miller. Announcements were made concerning the Founders Day dinner and program scheduled for April 3, 6:30 p.m., Las Moras Inn.

Plans were finalized for the March 19 bake sale, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. during the Arts and Crafts Show at the Service Club. Helen Lynch, Barbara Miller, Betty Mathison, and Evelyn Whitely volunteered to help. Easter centerpieces were collected and will be taken to the Aging Services Center.

Members were reminded that election of officers was upcoming.

Program Chairman Flo Stafford entertained with enchanting tales of Fort Clark folklore. Several members and guests related why and how they found their way to settle at Fort Clark Springs.

Members who sponsored walkers in the "Stride for Sight" walk-a-thon paid their pledges. Barbara Miller, Pat Callan and Mary Ellen Jensen were the walkers.

Hostess Whitely served refreshments to those already mentioned and Ruby Cheaney, Francine Collins, Dorothy Frank, Opal Groce, Pam Melancon, Laura Phillips, Sue Sims, and guests Dee Curry, Jan Chism, Luella Gilliland, and Barbara Brissette.

Sue Sims will be hostess for the March 28 meeting at the Adult Center.

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.

Tax Deferral Is Available For Elderly Homeowners

Texans age 65 or older can postpone paying delinquent and current property taxes on their homes. They can take advantage of a tax option called "over-65 deferral" by signing an affidavit at the Kinney County Appraisal District office.

This special form of tax relief also can halt a lawsuit filed to collect delinquent property taxes on an older Texan's home, according to Marcus Tidwell, chief appraiser of the Kinney County Appraisal District. "To stop a delinquent tax suit," Chief Tidwell said, "the over-65 homeowner files the deferral affidavit with the court in which the suit is pending."

"If the affidavit is on file, an older homeowner cannot lose a homestead because of delinquent taxes," Chief Tidwell said.

Once a homeowner files an over-65 tax deferral affidavit with the appraisal district, no taxing unit can start or continue a lawsuit for delinquent taxes as long as that person owns and lives in that home.

Chief Tidwell stressed that tax deferral for the elderly only postpones paying delinquent taxes on the home; it does not cancel them. During the deferral time, taxes and interest of 8% continue to add up he said. "When the elderly taxpayer no longer owns and lives in the home, the taxes become due. Taxing units can then sue to collect all the deferred taxes and interest."

There is no penalty on the delinquent taxes during the deferral time. However, filing the deferral affidavit will not forgive penalties that were already due. Also, if the taxes remain delinquent more than 90 days after the deferral ends, a taxing unit may charge an added penalty if the account goes to a delinquent tax attorney.

Tax deferral forms are available at the appraisal district office. "The homeowner should fill out the form and have the signature witnessed by a notary public," Chief Tidwell said.

For more information, taxpayers may contact the Kinney County Appraisal District, Brackettville, Texas, phone 210-563-2323.

Who's been in outer space?

Only the United States and the former Soviet Union have launched manned space flights, but astronauts from 24 other nations have flown on American and Soviet flights.

Who's been there\*:

<b>U.S. missions</b>	<b>Total astronauts</b>	<b>297</b>	<b>Soviet missions</b>
Austria 1	<b>Americans</b>	<b>188</b>	Afghanistan 1
Belgium 1	<b>Soviets</b>	<b>74</b>	Britain 1
Britain 1	<b>Europeans</b>	<b>22</b>	Bulgaria 2
Canada 3	<b>Other</b>	<b>13</b>	Cuba 1
France 2			Czech. 1
Germany 3			France 1
Italy 1			Germany 2
Japan 1			Hungary 1
Mexico 1			India 1
Netherlands 1			Japan 1
Russia 1			Mongolia 1
Saudi Arabia 1			Poland 1
Switzerland 1			Romania 1
			Syria 1
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\* Includes current U.S. mission  
SOURCES: Johnson Space Center, National Air and Space Museum

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Facts du jour

What Americans eat the most

Per capita consumption of principal foods from commercial sources for 1992, in pounds:

Pounds per person per year	
Vegetables	387.5
Fruits	252.0
Fluid milk and cream	230.8
Flour, cereal products	187.0
Red meat	114.1

SOURCE: Information Please Almanac

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**FORT CLARK GUN CLUB  
REACTIVATED**  
by Bill Haenn

A good crowd of Fort Clark's shooting and marksmanship enthusiasts gathered in the Adult Center February 9th to reactivate the Fort Clark Gun Club, on hiatus now for almost ten years. The impetus for this gathering was the untimely death of Dick Schroeder who had been preparing to again set in motion his dream of a quality shooting facility for Fort Clark. It was Dick who helped form the original Gun Club for Association members. In 1984, through his efforts, the Board of Directors set aside a portion of the "400 acres" for use by the fledgling gun club. Curiously enough the site is part of the Army's original 1000 yard rifle range used to teach thousands of Fort Clarks' soldiers rifle marksmanship from the turn of the century until World War II. Through donated labor and monetary contributions, it was Dick and the other original members who built the existing 50 yard and 100 yard ranges enclosed by high dirt berms adjacent to the road. That first Gun Club, for some reason, never really got going, much to Mr. Schroeder's frustration. As the years passed Dick and a few remaining stalwarts, like Bob Conrey, endured while their dream shooting facility deteriorated and suffered the abuse of irresponsible shooters with their litter and indiscriminate destruction of target holders and the site. Only the Border Patrol, who shares the range, has been able to keep their portion presentable.

The new Gun Club is proceeding cautiously yet deliberately to establish an organization which will last. At our first meeting it

was unanimously agreed to begin by cleaning up the range and when it reopens to name it for Dick Schroeder, its strongest patron. The club will be a National Rifle Association affiliated club provided the majority of members are NRA members, this status will also help secure affordable insurance from the NRA. The purpose of the Fort Clark Gun Club will be to create and maintain for the use of its members and their guests, a safe, controlled, first class modern shooting facility we can all be proud of. To that end a successful cleanup of the 50 yard pistol range took place on Saturday, February 12th, followed by a second general membership meeting on 23 February. The Brackettville Fire Department has been contacted to assist in the burning of brush on the 100 yard range in the near future. Club membership will be open to all persons, however Fort Clark Springs Association members will enjoy a lower annual membership fee of \$25.00. All funds not expended for insurance coverage will be directed to range improvements and expansion to include future facilities for trap, skeet, archery, and black powder shooting. The Gun Club will present a detailed plan to the new FCS Board of Directors in April and, upon their approval, hopes to begin Wednesday and Saturday operations shortly thereafter. To date, eight dues paying charter members, including several NRA certified instructors, have formed the nucleus of the club. Responsible, safety conscious shooters wanting to become part of an organization which plans on making a difference for its members, the Association, and the community, should contact the Gun Club by writing P.O. Box 1816, Brackettville, TX, or attending the next scheduled meeting on Wednesday, March 23rd, at 7 P.M. in the Adult Center.

**"Aid To Farmers" Announced By Graham**

**Kinney County Included**

U.S. Senator Phil Gramm announced that farmers in Zavala County are eligible to apply for low-interest emergency loans to help recover from crop losses caused by drought which occurred between January 1 and December 1, 1993.

U.S. Farmers Home Administration will make loans available at below-market interest rates to family farmers.

Gramm said farmers have eight months to apply for the loans to help cover part of their actual losses.

In addition to the above counties, seven Texas counties have been named as contiguous counties and therefore are eligible for assistance. Counties affected by drought are Dimmit, Frio, Kinney, LaSalle, Maverick, Medina and Uvalde.

The FmHA, which supervises the loan program, is charged with providing aid to the farmers and ranchers in order to assist their economic recovery from natural disasters.

For those who cannot obtain credit through normal channels, the

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**NOMINATION FOR OUTSTANDING CITIZEN**

Nominee's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's Address \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Reason for nomination: \_\_\_\_\_

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(Attach additional sheet if needed)

Nomination submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Deadline for entries April 1, 1994**

The Outstanding Citizen will be announced at the Chamber of Commerce Annual Membership Banquet Saturday, April 16, 1994

**EPA Aims To Prohibit Lead & Zinc Sinkers**

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing a rule to curtail the use of small fishing sinkers made of lead or zinc in hopes it will prevent water bird, wildlife and human lead poisoning.

If the rule is finalized as proposed, it would prohibit all persons from manufacturing, processing, distributing (selling) and importing any fishing sinker containing lead or zinc (including brass) that is one-inch or smaller in diameter. This includes sinkers in any dimension, regardless of the type of shape (split shot and non-split shot would be

prohibited by the rule). The manufacturing prohibition includes these kinds of sinkers made at home.

In 1993, the Environmental Defense Fund filed a civil lawsuit to require the EPA to address any problems caused by the introduction of lead fishing sinkers into the environment. This action followed a 1992 petition from the same group to EPA indicating that water birds were dying from ingestion of lead fishing sinkers.

When feeding, the EPA said, water birds can ingest smaller

fishing sinkers that are lost or discarded in the environment. Sinkers may look like food items, small stones or pieces of grit that aid in digestion. Once lead- or zinc-containing sinkers are ingested, birds may suffer from lead or zinc poisoning and die within two to three weeks.

EPA also is concerned about exposures from lead fumes or dust when melting or pouring lead to adults and children when lead fishing sinkers are made at home. Exposure to lead can produce learning disabilities and other problems in humans.

Once the final rule is approved, anglers may continue using lead- or zinc-containing sinkers they now own. The EPA does not have the authority under the Toxic Substances Control Act to prohibit the use of these sinkers, but the agency encourages anglers to switch over to less toxic sinkers.

The prohibition would not take effect until after the public has had 60 days to comment on the proposal and the final rule is published. The prohibitions would be phased in over a one-to-two year period.

To receive additional information and a copy of the proposed rule, contact the Toxic Substances Control Act Assistance Information Service at 202-554-1404. For information about human exposures to lead, contact the Lead Information Hotline at 1-800-LEADFYI (532-3394).

Comments on the proposal should be submitted no later than 60 days after publication in the Federal Register to TSCA Docket Receipt (Attention Docket Number 62134), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, Room E-G99, 401 M St. SW, Washington DC 20460.

**Karate Class Will Get "Crash Pad"**

The Fort Clark Springs Community Council met in regular session Saturday morning, March 12. The council voted to purchase a "crash pad", 6'x12'x8" at a cost of \$596.00 for the Karate Class that Larry Kaminiski teaches weekly at no cost to the students.

The council authorized \$1500 to purchase a commercial-quality grill and provide upfront expense money to set up a food-operation in the Service Club during the "Spelunkers" June convention. Approval was given to provide \$500 of the \$1500 needed for materials to replace the footbridge over Las Moras Creek at the Rock Manor apartments.

Officers elected for the ensuing year were: President - Les Roper; First Vice President - Jerry O'Brien; Second Vice President - George Post; Treasurer - Hollis Graham. A secretary will be elected at the April meeting and officers will be installed at that time.

**Protect your rights!  
"Render" your taxable  
property by April 14th.**

A "rendition" is a report to the appraisal district that lists all the taxable property you owned or controlled on January 1st of this year. The rendition form is available at your local appraisal district office... or you may draft a similar form.

**Who must file a rendition?**

You must file a rendition if you own tangible personal property that is used to produce income—such as the inventory and equipment used by a business.

**Are there any advantages to you?**

The advantages of filing a rendition are:

- ☛ You give your opinion of your property's value. If the appraisal district believes the value is higher, it must notify you in writing of the higher value and explain how you can protest that value to the appraisal review board.
- ☛ You record your correct mailing address so your tax bills will go to the right address. If your bill is mailed to the wrong address, the law still holds you responsible for paying your taxes on time or paying extra charges for late payments.
- ☛ You can also file a "report of decreased value" to notify the appraisal district of significant depreciation of the value of your property in 1993. The district will look at your property before assigning a value in 1994.

**What's the deadline?**

The last day for filing or postmarking 1994 renditions is Thursday, April 14. You can get an extra 15 days if you ask for it in writing by the April 14 deadline.

**Where do you file?**

File renditions with your local appraisal district at:

**KINNEY APPRAISAL DISTRICT**  
**COUNTY** MARCUS TIDWELL, RPA, RTA  
CHIEF APPRAISER

P.O. Box 1377 - Brackettville TX 78832  
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## Kinney County Political Scene 1994

### DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY RUN-OFF

Tuesday, April 12, 1994  
Early Voting April 4 - 8

#### FORT CLARK M.U.D.

Sign up at the Fort Clark M.U.D. by 5:00 p.m. March 23, 1994  
Two Directors To Be Elected.  
Election May 7

#### CITY ELECTION

Sign up to run at City Hall through March 23  
Early Voting April 19 - May 3, City Hall  
To Be Elected: Mayor and 3 Council Members

Terms of Mayor Carmen Berlanga, and Council Members Mary Flores, Julie Fuentes, and Jean Seargeant expire.

Election May 7

#### SCHOOL ELECTIONS

Sign up to run at School Administration Office until March 23  
Early Voting, At School, April 19 - May 3  
The terms of Lingo Sandoval, and Stan Conoly expire. Lloyd Lee Davis has resigned so his unexpired term will be filled.

Election May 7

#### CITY OF SPOFFORD

Obtain applications and sign up to run at Mayor's Residence  
Between 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. February 22 - March 23  
Early Voting, Broadway & Reserve, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., April 18-May 3  
A Mayor and 5 Council Members To Be Elected  
Election May 7

With the cooperation of the city, school, and Spofford candidates, *The Brackett News*, as a public service, will print pictures and resumes on each candidate in the April 14 issue. Please turn this information in to the Editor by April 8.

#### Democratic Run Off Election

##### County Treasurer

Janis Floyd

Maria Elena Pina

##### Commissioner, Precinct 2

Manuel Fuentes

Plunker Sheedy

##### Justice Of The Peace

Alvin F. Hall

Leonardo Luna

#### Other Kinney County Elections

With a March 23 deadline for signing up to run in various elections, at press time, *The Brackett News* was able to confirm the following candidates.

##### Candidates For City Election

Mayor.....Carmen Berlanga  
Council Members.....Jean Seargeant, Mary Flores

##### School Trustee

Joy Ralston

Stan Conoly

##### Fort Clark MUD

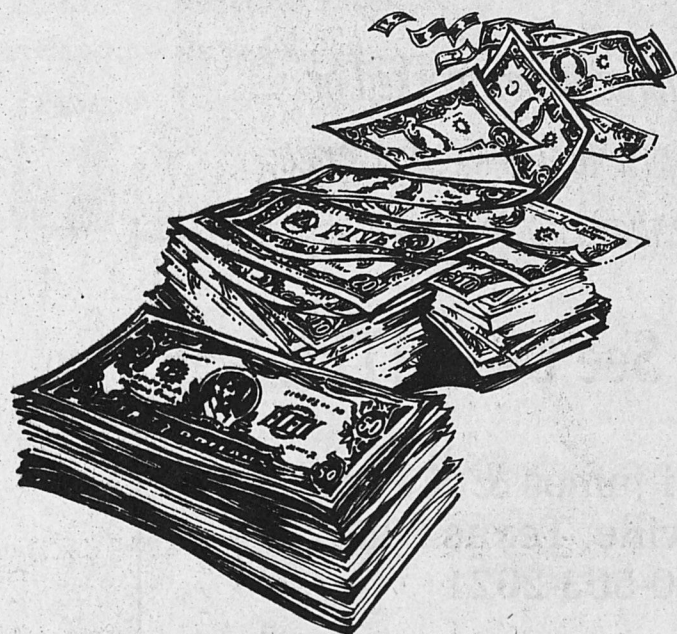
Hubert McKelvy

Val Finch

Ray Kurtz

Kenneth Callnan

#### No Applications For Spofford Elections



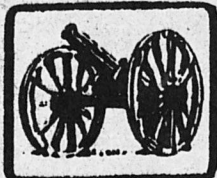
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## Las Moras Invitational Golf Tournament Fort Clark Springs Golf Course March 12 - 13, 1994

Six two-man golf teams flighted into six flights for a total of seventy-two players participated in the Las Moras Golf Tournament this past weekend. The term "successful" is an understatement when one considers how professionally the tournament was conducted. Much of that credit goes to Tournament Co-ordinators Allen and Clara McCord; they will be the first to state that they had a great deal of excellence assistance from golf club members - both men and women - and others interested in seeing a "job well done."



#### Championship Flight

Placing second in the championship flight were Joe O'Neill - Laughlin AFB, and Art Terrazas - San Antonio. Terrazas said he had gone to school in Brackettville and later had brought Little League teams here to play and had long dreamed of "coming back and showing the 'home-town boys' how to do it." Milt Wiebush - Uvalde, and James Nall - Del Rio placed first in the Championship Flight; Cary Spurgeon - Uvalde, and Vick Tucker - Uvalde placed third.

First and second place teams scored 60 but the Wiebush-Nall team had the best score on the back 9 for a tie-breaker. Third place score was 61.



#### 1st Flight

From left, Dave Wix and Cliff Whitney of Laughlin AFB placed third; Richard Sanchez and George Rodriguez of Uvalde won first. The Eagle Pass team of Rudy Muniz and Steve Ramirez placed second but are not pictured.

First place score was 60, second place was 62, and third place was 63.



#### 2nd Flight

Cash Letsinger - Brackettville - and Don Letsinger - Rocksprings, top picture, won first place in the second flight. Lawrence Hiller and Raymond Flores of Eagle Pass, lower picture, placed second in the second flight. The Uvalde team of Pete Garza and Oscar Orona did not have a picture taken.

First place score was 63, second and third was 64 with the back 9 score as a tie-breaker.

#### 3rd Flight

Eddie Rodriguez and Larry Rubio of Uvalde placed first; Stan Sterling and Jeff Diehl of Commerce City was second; Roger Forester of Lago Vista and Dick Holsted of Lakes Drive were third.

First place was 67, second and third 68 with back 9 score the tie-breaker.

#### 4th Flight

Bill Bizzell and Charley Smith - Fort Clark Springs were top scorers in the fourth flight. George Goepf and Ronald Morrison - New Braunfels - were second, and Hoagy Nelson of FCS and Mike Nelson of St. Louis, Missouri were third.

First place was 66, second was 67, and third was 68.

#### 5th Flight

Lee Knapp and Steve Skolaut - Texas City - won the fifth flight. Pete Trevino and Michael Harris - Uvalde - were second. Vance Bonner - Brackettville - and Pete Perez - Del Rio - were third in the fifth flight.

First place score was 71, second place 72, and third place 74.

## Golf News



#### Couples Scramble

Thursday, March 10, 1994  
1st place with net -2.5: Lou Green/Tom Hood with Mylo and Dale Unruh

2nd and 3rd place tie with net -1: Carol Benefield/Bob Derrickson with Edith and Louie Zipperer; Mary Butler/Carl Bordiga with Margo and Del Kendrick

4th place with -5: Lorna and Ken Frost with Jean and Gordon Petaja

Following play the league entertainment committee did a great job with grilled hamburgers. Members brought covered dishes and a very pleasant evening of eating and visiting was enjoyed by over sixty golfers.

#### 3-Par Scramble

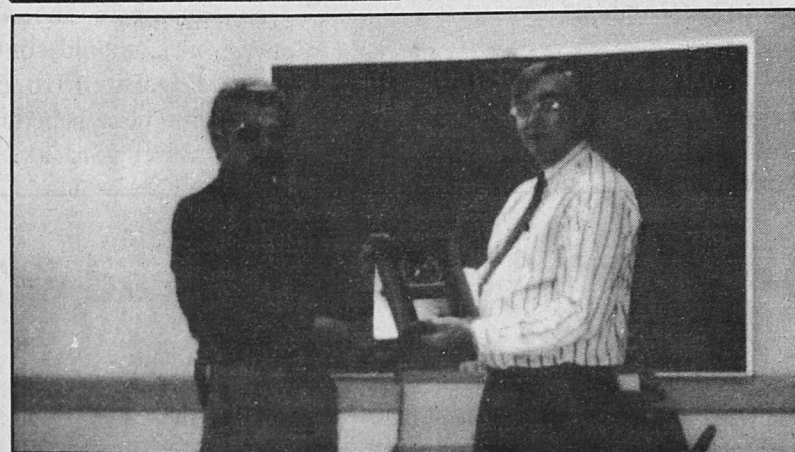
Monday, March 14, 1994

Forty-five players showed up for competition and at the end of the nine holes three teams were tied at 2 under par 25 for first place: Steve Sdodlenka, Ruth Theis, Alfred Pena, Ruben Martinez, Gerald Gallion; Bill Woolston, Darlene Sandwich, Solame Green, Ken TeGrothenhus, Ernie Hall; Harrell Floyd, Patty Barnett, Micky Braun, Don Young, Mac McCandless. Sdodlenka, TeGrothenhus and Young chipped and placed their teams Young - first, TeGrothenhus second and Sdodlenka third.

At 1 under par 26 and placing fourth was the team of Bill Koons, G. Young, Ed Theis, Wally Warm, Edith Palmer, and Jim Palmer.

Three teams finished at even par 27: Ken Bell, Mary Butler, Ted Thacher, Gerald Ivy, Ken Weaver; Fay Gooch, Ruth Pack, Lyle Neal, Ray Entrikin, Don Herron.

At 1 over par 28 were the teams of P.M. Moore, Camile Neal, Dave Yates, Keith Pickle, Ed Boyko; Chuck Endris, Margo Kenrich, Edith Palmer, Dale Kenrich, and Don Sandwich.



#### Brackett TXDOT Technician Recognized

Joe Diaz, Maintenance Technician III with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), was recently recognized for 30 years of service to the department. Diaz is a heavy equipment operator in the Brackettville Maintenance Section under the supervision of Juan Hernandez. Joe and his wife, Alicia, have four children: Anita, Reyes, and Rene Diaz, and Rita Sosa. They attend the St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church where Joe is a member of the Knights of Columbus. He enjoys hunting and fishing.

District Engineer Walter McCullough, P.E., presented the award and thanked Joe for his dedication to the department and the people of Texas.

## A variety of homestead exemptions could lower your property taxes!

A homestead exemption lowers the property taxes on your home by lowering its taxable value. If your home is valued at \$50,000 and you receive a \$5,000 homestead exemption, your home will be taxed as if it were worth \$45,000.

#### Who qualifies for an exemption?

Anyone who owned a home on January 1st (and used it as their primary residence on that date) is entitled to a \$5,000 homestead exemption to lower their school taxes this year... and it doesn't matter if your home is a house, condominium or mobile home. (Counties, cities and special taxing districts may also offer homestead exemptions.)

#### Are other exemptions available?

If you're disabled—or if you're 65 years old or older—you are entitled to an additional \$10,000 school tax exemption on your home. And if you qualify for the over-65 exemption, you're also entitled to a permanent, locked-in "ceiling" on the school property taxes on your home. (The ceiling does not apply to county or city property taxes, and those entities may offer other exemptions.)

#### Do I have to apply each year?

No. If you had a homestead exemption on your home in 1993, you won't need to reapply for 1994 unless your chief appraiser requires it. However, if you haven't received an exemption on your present home—or if you've moved to a new home—you'll need to file for an exemption for 1994. And if you turned 65 or became disabled during 1993, you need to file for the additional exemptions.

#### When and where should I file?

File applications by April 30 at your appraisal district office. If you need more time, contact us at:

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# Reviews Previews Tiger Turf



## 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.

### Breakfast

- MONDAY, MARCH 21  
Donut  
Fruit or Juice
- TUESDAY, MARCH 22  
Blueberry Flap Stk  
Fruit or Juice
- WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23  
Waffles  
Fruit or Juice
- THURSDAY, MARCH 24  
Blueberry Pancake/Syrup  
Fruit or Juice
- FRIDAY, MARCH 25  
Cheese Toast  
Fruit or Juice

**Salad Bar & "B" Line**  
Open Every Day  
Milk Served At All Meals

### Lunch

- MONDAY, MARCH 21  
Chili Con Carne w/Beans & Cheese  
Veggie Sticks  
Peanut Butter Cup  
Fruit
- TUESDAY, MARCH 22  
Turkey Ala King  
White Rice  
Green Beans
- WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23  
Hamburger - Burger Salad  
French Fries  
Fruit
- THURSDAY, MARCH 24  
Cheese & Meat Nachos  
Pinto Beans - Spanish Rice  
Fruit
- FRIDAY, MARCH 25  
Grilled Cheese  
French Fries  
Fruit

## Making A Difference

By TAYLOR STEPHENSON, Curriculum Director

### What A Difference A Good Teacher Makes

Teachers make a difference as they span the gap between ignorance and knowledge. A good teacher can be a parent, a role model, or a professional who has dedicated her/himself to teaching. I have been around fine teachers all my life. I have had the luxury of walking through classrooms for 28 years in my role as a school administrator. Not a day goes by that I don't get to watch great teachers teach. As I watch, I am most interested in what is taught but also in how the teaching takes place.

Great teachers expect results from their students. They sincerely believe that all kids can learn. They absolutely won't compromise this belief. This ranks at the top of qualities that fine teachers must have. Great teachers expect you to perform, and they don't quit on you because you have a down day. Some are grouchy, and some are not. When they walk into the classroom, their personal life becomes secondary to that day's lesson. An hour or so later the session ends. The class is like not wanting a movie to end because we have become enthralled in it.

Great teachers are fair. At times, they are tough and demanding with all that they teach. They don't ever treat children unfairly. Many times, they are not the easiest going folks around, but they are always fair.

Great teachers work to be better teachers every day. They constantly look for ways to learn more about teaching and about the discipline that they teach. A few great ones that I have known thought that they learned it all, and they quickly fell out of the category of being a great teacher. There is always someone out there with an idea that can help get the job done better. When we quit listening, we lose our effectiveness.

Great teachers know their students as human beings with feelings and "ups & downs" as they ride life's roller coaster. If adults have bad days, so do the kids. Their bad days are more difficult sometimes because they just have not had the experience to deal with the tough times. Great teachers help kids through the tough times.

Great teachers know their subject well. They constantly read and seek out other great teachers to help them know more about their teaching and about their subject matter.

Great teachers work very hard at their jobs. They spend as much time as it takes to get the job done.

This week I was saddened to learn of the death of Allen Carter, one of the greatest teachers that I have ever seen teach. I hired Allen in 1971 in Clayton, New Mexico. He taught English and Journalism. One of his major contributions for 21

years was to write a page called "Jacket Journal" in the Union County Leader. Allen taught students to write, and they wrote about school for more than two decades. He was a hard worker. He treated kids right, and he believed in them. He knew his stuff and constantly sought ways to be a better teacher. Allen drove a school bus to supplement his teaching income. His wife, Shirley, is a city council person in Clayton. Christy, their daughter, attends school at West Texas State University.

Saturday, Allen was working in a part time job in Amarillo when a gunman came in to rob the jewelry store. The gunman shot and killed Allen. During the scuffle, the store owner was able to escape. Carter probably saved the life of the proprietor. Those of us who knew Allen probably knew that if he went down, it would be a fight.

He was close to being eligible for retirement...in his early 50s. No one that knew him can believe his life would end this way. Somehow, this great teacher seemed bigger than a deranged gunman, somehow because he was good and decent, a great father and husband, we expected justice to prevail. He was easily in the top 1% of all the great teachers that I have watched. Justice didn't prevail! We lost a great one this week! Our world is a little less bright today because of this senseless death.

Folks, I want to say two things. Number one, if you know great teachers tell them you appreciate the job that they are doing. Financially, it won't ever be a picnic for educators. Their finest moments come from a sincere thanks for a job well done. I wish that they didn't have to do two jobs to survive, but they do. Remember that teachers are human. They feel. They have good days and tough days just like the rest of the world. Believe in them, support them.

The thought of good people being killed by people that are not is sickening. Not a day goes by that we don't hear or read about violence and its effect on good folks. In this great nation, it just should not happen. I don't have an answer. I do have lots of questions. We should not stop to rest until we find answers to senseless violence like this. This need transcends politics and should be addressed by our lawmakers.

To those great teachers wherever they might be, I say teach us so that we can make things better. To the rest of us, I issue a challenge to work together to make this a better world that is safe for our kids and grandkids, spouses and brothers and sisters. My heart aches because of this tragedy. Vaya con Dios, Allen! Thanks for being a great teacher.

Thank You! Thank You!

### Baseball Program Gets New Batting Cage

In case you haven't seen it, the baseball program at Brackett High has a new batting cage courtesy of the good will and positive attitude toward ALL children in our community. The baseball program has struggled from the beginning in keeping up the enthusiasm of the young people involved. During much of their season their practice/playing field is under water and there are no lights available for night playing. If you have ever watched a game here you will quickly notice how the setting sun affects a game. This year the boys program is also facing a shortage of uniforms. You will quickly see the differences in caps and uniforms.

However, some dedicated people in our community decided that at least these young people would have a batting cage this season. Many long hours were spent by fathers, uncles, friends, coaches and several male athletes getting this facility ready for use. One night you could see coach and several boys working by the light of their cars. The Tiger Boys and Girls Athletic Booster Club helped with some of the supplies; however, much of the material and all of the labor was donated.

Many THANKS go to: Brackett Tiger/Tigerette Booster Club for the purchase of needed supplies; John Paul Schuster for his welding; Joe York, Jr. for all the pipe that was needed; Henry Fuentes and Rio Grande Electric for help with cable and ties; Mr. Sterling Evans for help in drilling the holes; Richard Terrazas, Manuel Pena, Tully Shahan, and Tony Negrete for their time and donation of needed supplies; Coaches Carrol Petrosky and Gary Grubb for their dedication and hard work; and finally Mary and Margaret for their patience and understanding in the support of their husbands.

ALL ATHLETES in this community deserve the support of ALL THE PEOPLE. "Teamwork" displayed among adults is very easily duplicated by those who look to them for an "Example."

### RECYCLE - SAVE MONEY - ENRICH LIFE

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## American Cancer Society Promotes School Nutrition Month

School lunches are healthy, well balanced meals that model food choices for children, right? Maybe so. But maybe not. Recent studies show that many school lunch menus leave a lot of room for improvement.

The American Cancer Society wants to help those changes come about. That's why the Society is spotlighting its nutrition program, Changing the Course, during Nutrition Awareness Month in March.

"There is strong evidence linking diet to certain health problems, including cancer, obesity, high blood pressure, heart disease and diabetes," said Connie Mobley PhD, RD, LD, chair of the Society's Nutrition Committee. "By learning early to eat wisely, children can prevent these problems from occurring later in their lives."

"As part of the March promotion, the American Cancer Society is asking school administrators to implement the Changing the Course program," Mobley said.

Changing the Course, developed by the Society and the National Cancer Institute, consists of two parts: training manual for food service personnel and an educational curriculum teachers can use in the classroom. Ideally, both parts of the program will be used. In the classroom, students can learn about healthy eating and then practice it in the cafeteria.

Mobley suggests food service personnel can make simple changes that will affect children's health for the rest of their lives; for example, provide fresh fruit as an alternative to cake or brownies or cookies for dessert; broil, grill, bake, steam or poach meat instead of frying.

The American Cancer Society offers the following tips for healthy eating:

- \*Avoid obesity, which has been linked to increased risk for uterine, gall bladder, kidney, stomach, breast, colon and other cancers.
- \*Cut down on fat intake. A high-fat diet increases the risk of developing breast, colon and prostate cancers.
- \*Include a variety of vegetables and fruit in the daily diet. Foods rich in vitamins A and C are especially important. Cruciferous, or cabbage family, vegetables also play a leading role in fighting cancer.
- \*Eat more high-fiber foods, such as whole grain cereals, vegetables and fruits. A high-fiber diet might reduce the risk of developing colon cancer. High-fiber foods are wholesome substitutes for fatty foods.
- \*Limit consumption of salt-cured, smoked and nitrite-cured foods. Cancers of the stomach and esophagus are more common among people who consume large quantities of these foods.

## First Annual Tigerette Invitational Golf Tournament Draws Six Teams

Fort Clark Springs and Brackett ISD were hosts to the First Tigerette Invitational Golf Tournament Monday, March 14, 1994. Six teams participated in this inaugural event.

First place was earned by the Eagle Pass "A" team with a team score of 376 followed by the Uvalde Loboettes at 403.

The Brackett Tigerettes placed fourth with a personal team best of 434.

"The girls team is still young with two juniors, one sophomore, and two beginning freshmen," said Coach McNew. "We should continue to improve every tournament. We are indebted to the personal instruction Karl Chism and Alvin McCord have provided to the teams. We can't thank them enough."

Karla (Charlie) Hall was the Tigerette medalist with a personal best of 100.

Both the Tiger and Tigerette teams wish to thank Fort Clark Springs Golf Club members, employees, and particularly Jim Sweeney for the use of the club. Special thanks to Ruben Martinez and Harold Miller, and so many others, for their donation of practice balls.

Karla (Charlie) Hall was the Tigerette Medalist with a personal best of 100. She was followed by Katie Hall (106), Lisa Dalton (107), Brandy Meeks (121) and Randy Rogers (128).

Other teams participating were Devine with a score of 412, Eagle Pass "B" at 442, and Medina Valley who did not field a full team.



Tigerette Host Team from left, Lisa Dalton, Myranda Rogers, Charlie Hall, Brandy Meeks, and Coach Tom McNew. Katie Hall, a team member, was not present for the picture.

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Options For Health

**Break Habits During National Nutrition Month**

*Kay Schooler, M.A., R.D.*

**Question:** Lately I have been trying to eat healthier — but it seems like I just keep falling back into my old habits. Is there anything I can do that will help me change my eating habits?

**Answer:** Since March is National Nutrition Month, there's no better time than the present to make some changes in your eating habits. Even though habits develop over time — old habits can be replaced with new ones. Sticking to a new, healthier diet is merely a matter of following a few simple steps until they become second nature. Set your sights on making just one or two changes now, such as eliminating the butter on your toast or using low-fat mayonnaise. Small successes will motivate you to try more challenging changes later on.

In addition to setting realistic "mini-goals," keep a journal to help turn your goals into habits. For at least two weeks, keep a detailed record of what you eat, how much and when, as well as your thoughts, events and circumstances that trigger your eating. Boredom, anger, smelling food or seeing it on a television commercial can do it. Analyzing your daily records will identify the triggers that interfere with your nutrition goals. After you know what sparks an indulgence, you can plan a strategy to avoid giving in the next time.

To stay on track, it's essential that you continue setting realistic goals, keeping records and developing effective strategies. It may also help to surround yourself with people who support your efforts. Finally, pay attention to your successes, be patient and you'll find yourself able to stick with it.

*Kay Schooler is Chief Dietitian at Scott & White Hospital and Clinic and Adjunct Professor at Texas A&M University Health Science Center College of Medicine.*

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TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) It's a busy week for you. You may be making plans now to visit friends at a distance.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) This is an excellent week for career interests. New work opportunities present themselves now.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A partner has a fun and unusual suggestion to make now. Couples will be making plans for some time away together.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Innovative ideas put you a step ahead in business now. You will also be making important changes at home.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) You will be in the mood for something different in the way of entertainment now.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Some will receive a raise in salary or an important new moneymaking opportunity.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) You will want to save some time this week for sports and hobbies. New understandings are reached in romance.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) You will find something unusual and unique when shopping this week.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) You will be enthusiastic with this week's new ideas.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Business talks will be highly success this week.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Things go very much your way this week. You will be making plans for either travel or educational studies.

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Mar. 17 Jason Smith
Mar. 18 Bruce Clements
Mar. 18 Tanya McClure
Mar. 18 Emma Schieseler
Mar. 18 Charles Warren
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Mar. 20 Virginia Smith
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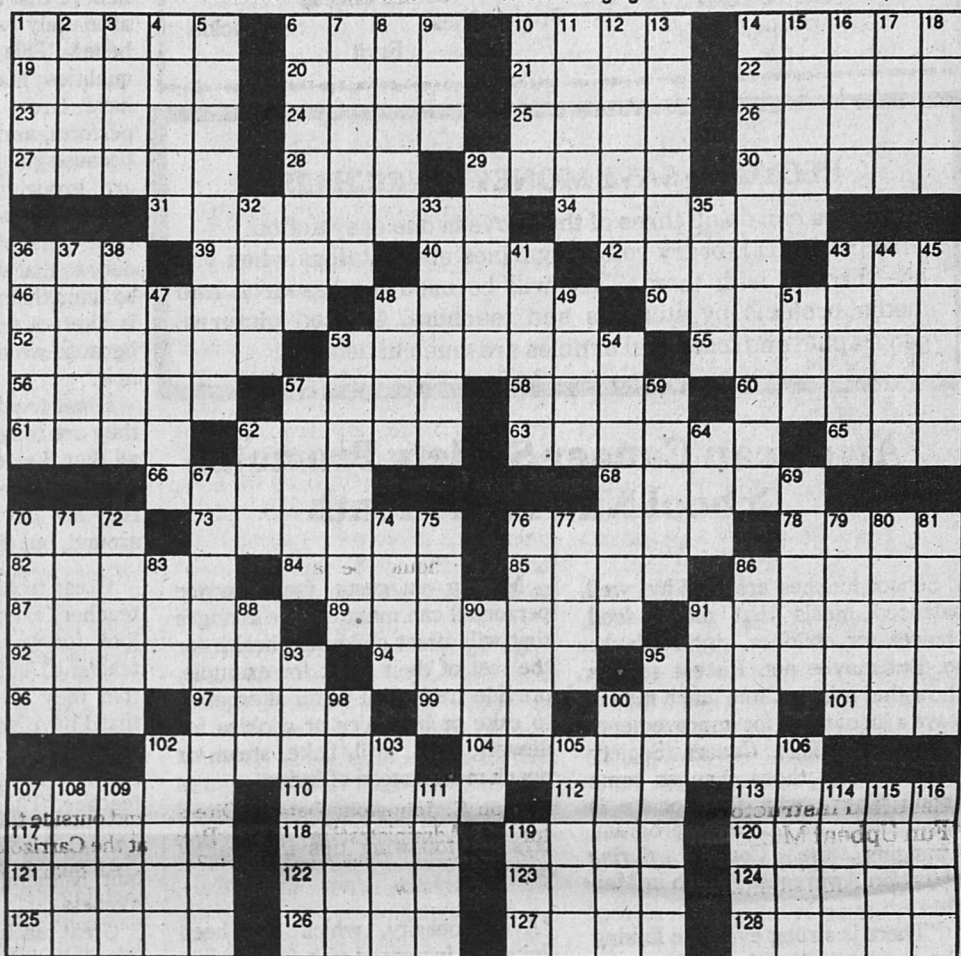
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- ACROSS 1 Sir, in India; 6 Paragon of redness; 10 Tiny particle; 14 Exposes; 18 Greek shopping center?; 20 Singer Guthrie; 21 - avis; 22 Idolize; 23 Biblical name; 24 Color for a wolf or a whale; 25 Jal -; 26 Silly one; 27 - evil; 28 Earned the Blue Ribbon; 29 As clear as -; 30 Wiser?; 31 Furnished; 34 Refuse bluntly; 36 Turkish officer; 39 Many are civil; 40 Political org.; 42 Box or bush starter; 43 Sibling; 46 Authenticate; 48 A thick liqueur; 50 Knight of the Round Table; 52 Diesel or fire follower; 53 Small; 55 The same for all; 56 Angered; 57 Sand hill, in England; 58 Gabor, et al.; 60 Artificial waterway; 61 Dutch South African; 62 Wounded; 63 Casual observation; 65 Sight or sore starter; 66 Belgian violinist; 68 Have being; 70 Cleo's executioner; 73 Sharp mountain ridges; 76 Wooden shoe; 78 Horse or course; 82 Gourd fruit; 84 Central point; 85 Isles off Ireland; 86 Faux pas; 87 Oscars, et al.; 89 Levee protector; 91 Philippine seaport; 92 Began again; 94 They invaded Spain; 95 Summaries; 96 Singer Garfunkel; 97 Set of nested boxes; 99 Wish undone; 100 Platform in a synagogue; 101 Opposite WNW; 102 Gas-pump number; 104 One of an Ethiopic people; 107 Bird sanctuary, often; 110 Vigorous; 112 Stone or iron; 113 English composer; 117 - out like -; 118 Oil-yielding tree; 119 Soprano; 120 Climbing vine; 121 Yemen's capital; 122 Completely engrossed; 123 FBI agent; 124 Sweater size; 125 Employing; 126 NCOs; 127 Food cans, in London; 128 Ancient chariot; DOWN 1 Weakens gradually; 2 U.S. author/critic; 3 Golf course unit; 4 Ireland; 5 Blowhard; 6 Moth larva; 7 Baseball boo-boo; 8 Oxlike antelope; 9 Dog of a small breed; 10 Bedouin; 11 Former German coin; 12 Papal vestments; 13 Postal pouch; 14 Magician's trade?; 15 Nazi Fuhrer; 16 Cross; 17 Gaelic tongue; 18 Crystal gazer?; 19 Harsh in temper; 20 Start for meter or metry; 21 Special point of view; 22 Winsor's "Forever -"; 23 Hollywood's Hasso; 24 Dental filling; 25 Stone pillar; 26 Ardent; 28 Chaplin prop; 29 Overhanging; 31 Collection of anecdotes; 33 Words in legal documents; 34 Quantity of fish caught; 37 Dean of a group; 39 One of an ancient Germanic people; 42 Local tavern; 44 Slowing gradually, in mus.; 47 Lunchbox item; 49 Old standard of weight, in Scotland; 50 Genus of ground beetles; 51 Where Ed Norton toiled; 52 Fix in the mind; 54 Yellow cheese; 55 Mister, in Madrid; 56 Heavy cavalry swords; 57 Brazilian macaws; 58 Plant of the parsley family; 60 Prehistoric; 61 Chisels; 62 Exponge; 63 Mine find; 64 Trifle; 65 Dispatched; 66 Version of the Bible; 67 Puccini heroine; 68 Dealers in cloth and dry goods; 69 Lowers in status; 70 Amount of wool for the master?; 71 Racketeers' go-between; 72 Founder of the Ottoman Empire; 73 Eleusinian initiate; 74 Highly-seasoned game dish; 75 Inventor Howe; 76 Japanese salmon; 78 Word of regret; 79 Hindu queen; 80 Dogs and cats; 81 Pike-like fishes; 82 French angel; 83 Donna or Robert; 84 Dep.



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COUNTY AUCTION

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/s/ Dolores Raney  
County Clerk

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

The Middle Rio Grande Development Council has a vacancy for a Para-Professional Technician I at the Carrizo Springs JTPA office and Education center.

Preferred requirements include: (1) high school diploma or GED and at least 30 post secondary credit hours; (2) ability to administer and interpret assessment instruments; (3) computer literacy skills required in order to assist in the supervision of youth and adults in the classroom, and (4) word processing skills preferred in Word Perfect. Applicants should be able to communicate effectively in English and Spanish to all teaching groups. Technician I assists classroom instructor, participant services specialists and job placement counselor in program activities.

Interested applicants should submit resume, application to: Ramon S. Johnston, Deputy Director of Administration, P.O. Box 119, Carrizo Springs TX 78834. Applications will be accepted until position is filled.

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The Middle Rio Grande Development Council is looking for qualified applicants interested in applying for the position of JTPA Participant Services Specialist II.

This position is responsible for assisting citizens of the Middle Rio Grande Region to become economically self sufficient through the proper evaluation, assessment, and assignment to an appropriate JTPA training activity.

The Specialist will determine eligibility for Federal and State funded services available to economically disadvantaged person or persons who have barriers to participation in the labor force. Specialists work with eligible persons to develop a plan of training and services to bridge the gap between their current condition and meaningful self-sufficient employment in the labor force.

The preferred requirements for this position are that: (1) the person be a graduate from an accredited college or university with a degree in Business Administration, Public Administration, Human Services Field or other related field and (2) the person have two years experience in JTPA Case Management Services and/or equivalent experience.

The job requires traveling within and outside the region and will office at the Carrizo Springs JTPA center. All qualified persons interested in applying for this position should mail resume or application to Middle Rio Grande Development Council, P.O. Box 1199, 1904 N. First Street, Carrizo Springs TX 78834, attention Ramon S. Johnston, Deputy Director of Administration. Applications will be accepted until position is filled. Salary range for this position is in accordance with MRGDC policy and is dependent on experience.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Brackettville Housing Authority will accept proposals from consultants demonstrating experience with the DHUD Comprehensive Improvements Assistance program and other pertinent DHUD programs for:

Developing a Comprehensive Plan for Modernization, including a management and physical needs assessment;

Assistance in potential financial resource procurement, program implementation and administration; and Professional design services and contract monitoring and certification.

Fees are contingent upon and subject to approval of funding by DHUD.

Qualified and interested persons or firms are invited to submit letters of interest; evidence of knowledge, experience and ability to provide required services; evidence of professional qualifications; profiles of principals, staff and facilities; and a certified statement that the consultant is not debarred, suspended, or otherwise prohibited from professional practice by any Federal, State or Local agency.

Submittals should be forwarded to Brackettville Housing Authority, P.O. Box 371, Brackettville TX 78832, Executive Director Shirley Holloway, or presented at the PHA office in Brackettville or arrival prior to March 22, 1994, at 2:00 p.m.



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\*\*ACTIVITIES TO BE PERFORMED: Classroom training, work experience, and supportive services for economically disadvantaged youth ages 14 through 21; \*\*PROGRAM ACTIVITY: (estimated) June 1, 1994 through August 31, 1994. \*\*SERVICE DELIVERY AREA: Plan shall serve the MRGDC Region (Dimmit, Edwards, Zavala, LaSalle, Real, Kinney, Val Verde, Maverick, and Uvalde Counties); \*\*ANTICIPATED FUNDING AND ESTIMATED PARTICIPANT ENROLLMENT: Funding \$1,504,243, Approximate Number of Participants 1081. No more than 15% of total funds will be used for Administration and the balance of 85% will be used for participant support, training and education services. A copy of the final plan regarding this program may be obtained by contacting the MRGDC JTPA Department, 210-876-3533, 1904 N. 1st St., Carrizo Springs, Texas 78834. #6332

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NOTICE OF RUNOFF PRIMARY ELECTION, DEMOCRATIC PARTY (AVISO DE ELECCION PRIMARIA DECISIVA, PARTIDO)

To the Registered Voters of the County of Kinney, Texas: (A los votantes registrados del Condado de Texas) Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., April 12, 1994, for voting in a runoff primary election to nominate Members of Congress, Members of the Legislature, and state, district, county and precinct officers; and for the purpose of electing county and precinct chairman.

(Por lo presente se da aviso que los sitios de votación designados abajo estarán abiertos de las 7 de la mañana a las 7 de la noche el día 12 de abril de 1994, para poder votar en una elección primaria decisiva para nombrar a los miembros del Congreso, los miembros de la Legislatura, y los oficiales del estado, distrito, condado y del precinto; y con el propósito de elegir al presidente del condado y del precinto.)

LOCATIONS OF POLLING PLACES (UBICACIONES DE LOS SITIOS DE VOTACION)

Precinct No(s) (Núm. de Precinto)	Precinct 1 Precinct 2 Precinct 3 Precinct 4	Location (Ubicación)
		Slator Hall BISD Auditorium First Baptist Church Annex Kinney County Civic Center

\* If precincts have been combined to form one consolidated precinct, list all precinct numbers that will be voting at the consolidated location. (Si se han combinado precintos para establecer un precinto consolidado, incluya todos los números de precinto cuyos votantes estarán votando en el sitio del precinto consolidado.)

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at: County Clerk's Office (La votación adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en:)

between the hours of 8 - 12 a.m. and 1-5 p.m. beginning on April 4, 1994 and ending on Apr 8, 1994 (terminando el) (date) (fecha)

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to: (Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán adelantada por correo deberán enviarse a:)

Dolores Raney  
(Name of Early Voting Clerk) (Nombre del Secretario de la Votación Adelantada)  
P.O. Drawer 9  
(Address) (Dirección)  
Brackettville TX 78832  
(City) (Ciudad) (Zip Code) (Zona Postal)

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on: (Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán adelantada por correo deberán recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el:)

April 5, 1994 (date) (fecha)

Issued this 14 day of March 94  
Jean Faulkenberg  
Signature of County Chair (Firma del Presidente del Condado)



**First Baptist Church**

Rev. Gil Ash, Pastor

"The Pastor's Pen"

In the past few weeks one of the adult Bible classes was doing a study on "Everyday Ethics." Out of that study one of the topics dealt with what our needs are versus what our wants are. A few days later I encountered an item written by John Holland that deals with that matter in the subject of the most common criticism of the Church.

"One of the most, if not the most, often raised criticism against the church today is that it does not meet 'my needs'. The criticism is not justified, as what they are really saying is that the church does not meet 'their wants'." Recall that what we once called our luxuries are now in this age called our needs.

Every 16-year-old upon getting a driving permit suddenly needs a car. They do not consider it a want, it is positively a need. So, a want becomes a need. The list could go on and on. I need a new suit. I need a vacation. I need a new house.

What we need to recognize is that we often do not know what we need. We need a Savior. Jesus is that Savior. We need an example to show us the way. He is that example. We need to be loved. He loves us. We need to be a part, to belong. He adds us to His church wherein we can enjoy fellowship with others.

We need to work. In the church we can work together to serve as He directs. Yes, the Lord and His church does meet everyone's needs, but does not cater to any mortal's wants.

We must grow out of this childish whim, and we, the church, must never try to meet wants, only needs! AMEN and AMEN.



**St. John's Baptist Church**

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

**Praise God**

Therefore, being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

By whom also we have access by faith into this grace in which we stand and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also, knowing that tribulation worketh patience, and patience, experience; and experience, hope;

And hope maketh not ashamed, because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who is given to us. Romans 5:1-5

**Praise the Lord, oh, Praise the Lord**

Praise God!

Praise God!

Praise God!

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**COME PRAISE THE LORD WITH US!**

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**Frontier Baptist Church**

Rev. Joe Townsend, Pastor

The clearest example of how to be saved was demonstrated by the thief on the cross. Being crucified with his partner in crime and Jesus, he and the other malefactor taunted Jesus.

Finally, this malefactor changed his attitude. He had read the sign above the head of Jesus saying, "This is Jesus, the King of the Jews." He had heard Jesus pray, "Father forgive them, they know not what they do."

He had heard him commit his mother to John to care for her. He had seen him refuse an opiate to kill the pain. He had heard Jesus say, "It is finished" referring to his task of dying for sin.

So impressed was he with Jesus he turned to his partner in sin and said, "Don't you fear God? We justly die for our crime, we are guilty; but this man has done nothing amiss." Then turning to Jesus he said, "When you come into your kingdom, remember me."

Jesus turned to him and said, "Today thou shalt be with me in Paradise." The thief had recognized he was a sinner. He admitted it openly. He recognized Jesus as the one who could save him for all eternity. He exhibited his faith by pleading for Jesus to take him into His kingdom.

All that is necessary to be redeemed had been done. It was amply demonstrated when Jesus assured him he would be with Him for all eternity.

If it were necessary to belong to a church the thief could not have been saved. If it were required to spend long hours in prayer, the man could not have met the requirements. If a period of teaching and confirmation was a part of the salvation experience, he could not have been with Jesus in the hereafter. If baptism or any other rite was a necessity, he could have never been saved.

When he was welcomed into the family of God by Jesus, he didn't shout, he didn't wave his hands, he didn't speak in an "unknown" gibberish, he didn't jump up and down; he couldn't, he was nailed to a cross.

Anyone who wants to be redeemed for now and eternity and to spend that eternity with God in heaven needs simply to recognize he is a sinner, repent of and turn from that sin.

He simply needs to recognize that Jesus died to pay for his sin and in faith turn to Jesus to commit himself to Christ and salvation comes immediately.

There was no period of waiting, no approval by any human being, no examination; he was immediately redeemed.

What happened to the thief on the cross can happen to anyone who does what he did. "By grace are you saved through faith" says the Bible.

Next Sunday there will be another message from the Bible by Joe R. Townsend, pastor, at Frontier Baptist Church.

Come and see.

**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.

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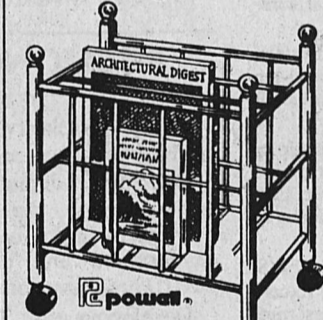
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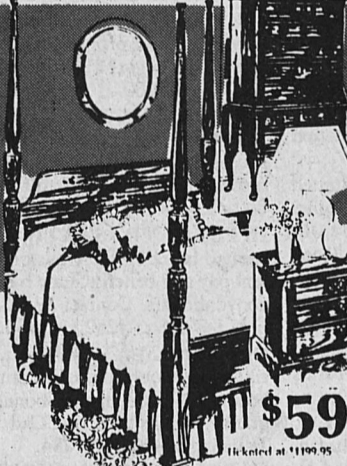
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