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

Fifth U.S. Army Band To Perform At Fort Clark Band Stand

The public is invited to attend a free performance by the Fifth U.S. Army Band from the Bandstand on Fort Clark, Brackettville, Texas, at 2 P.M. on Saturday, March 11, 1995. This community sponsored event will serve to christen Fort Clark's reconstructed 1880s Army Bandstand and showcase the first Army Band concert on the fort in over half a century. Ample free parking will be available at the entrance to Fort Clark. For your comfort, please bring along a lawn chair or blanket. (In the event of inclement weather the performance will take place in the Post Theatre)

Antonio, Corpus Christi Navy Regatta, and for national figures such as the President and Vice-President of the United States. At the request of the United States Ambassador to Mexico, the Band performed a goodwill engagement in Merida, Yucatan. One of the Band's popular presentations is their annual combined performance of the 1812 Overture with the San Antonio Symphony.

The Band also participates in the annual Texas Bandmasters Association Convention where band directors from throughout the state hear performances of new music for future use by their own bands. The Fifth U.S. Army Band is professionally recognized and was chosen by the Association as the primary ensemble to perform before the attending band directors.

The Fifth U.S. Army Band presents an average of 240 performances each year. To fulfill its assortment of engagements, the Band offers a Concert Band, Marching Band, Brass Ensemble, Jazz Ensemble "The Jazz Connection", Latin Band "Corazon", Dixieland Band, and the Popular and Country Combo "Crossroads."

Chief Warrant Officer Donald E. Barton of San Antonio, Texas, commander/bandmaster since 1989, came to the Band from the Armed Forces School of Music in Norfolk, Va., where he served as the Assistant Commandant of the school's Army element.

The Fifth U.S. Army Band was activated at Fort Monmouth, N.J. in 1941. After two moves and two name changes, the Band was redesignated Fifth Army Band at Fort Sheridan, Ill. The Band moved to Texas following the relocation of Headquarters Fifth U.S. Army to Fort Sam Houston in 1971.

The Band provides opportunities for talented soldier musicians to perform with a renowned group, to travel and to continue their education while serving their country.

County Judge Attended Judicial Education Program In Lubbock

Kinney County Judge Hon. Tommy Seargeant and 80 colleagues who took office January 1 were in Lubbock, February 6-10, for the 1995 Judicial Orientation for New County Judges co-sponsored by the Texas Association of Counties and Texas Tech University School of Law.

Newly elected judges received training on current law and judicial procedures, including criminal, civil, probate, and juvenile statutes along with ethics governed by the Canons of Judicial Conduct.

Practical aspects of judicial duties were addressed with topics regarding use of the County Court Bench Manual, docket management, appeals from Justice Court, family violence issues, media relations, courtroom techniques, inquests, legislative issues, and judicial resources.

Classes were conducted by a distinguished faculty of law school professors, Texas Seventh Court of Appeals Justices, Presiding Judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals, judges of the Federal Court, County Court-at-Law, and Justice of the Peace Court, as well as a daily newspaper editor, defense attorney, staff attorneys from the Department of Public Safety, Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, Texas Commission on Judicial Ethics, and members of the County Judges Education Committee.

The faculty presented 30 hours of instruction complying with national standards for judicial education.

Lectures were accompanied by mock hearings and trails conducted at the Tech Law School with the assistance of volunteer law students.

The V.G. Young Institute of County Government, an affiliate of Texas A&M University, provided three hours of courses explaining the history of county government and court related duties of other elected officials.

Texas county judges are required to obtain a minimum of 30 hours judicial education during the first year in office and at least 16 hours each year thereafter. The TAC Judicial Orientation program is partially funded by a grant from the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals.

After four days of classes lasting from 8:00 a.m. until as late as 8:30 p.m., Judge Seargeant stated, "If the knowledge gained equals the ratio of the weight of the books issued (in excess of 25 pounds) county judges in Texas are certainly well informed."



Thursday is named for the Norse thunder god, Thor.

Commissioners Name Grant Committee

The Kinney County Commissioners Court was called into special session at 8:00 a.m. Monday, February 27, 1995, by Judge Tommy Seargeant. Present were Commissioners Joe Montalvo, Cordelia Mendeke, and Paul O'Rourke. Commissioner Freddie Frerich arrived at 8:25.

Although listed as agenda items, the following were deferred: model subdivision rules amendments; designated parking for county officials; and SCS/County Agent secretary's salary clarification.

Brenda McCurdy, with the county's health insurance carrier, was present to address employee concerns and answer inquiries.

Charles Trost, county grant administrator, reported that basically the ADA adjustments at the court house had been completed and asked the judge to schedule a meeting with the two of them, Commissioner of Precinct I, and road supervisor to meet at the Pinto Creek bridge site with the engineer.

Commissioner O'Rourke moved, Commissioner Mendeke seconded, to purchase pipe from Uvalco for the handicap ramp railing. The motion was passed by all commissioners.

Frerich moved to approve the MRGDC Nutrition Supportive Agreement and authorized the signature. Montalvo seconded the motion and all commissioners voted for the action.

County bills, with one exception, were approved for payment. O'Rourke made the motion, Mendeke seconded, and all commissioners voted yes.

The county auditor was authorized to pay liability/auto insurance for AANTF past the grant period with reimbursement to the county to come from their new grant. O'Rourke made the motion, Mendeke seconded, and all commissioners voted for the motion.

Commissioner Mendeke read a resolution to name a County Committee - Bea Kuhns, Ailene Reid, Marsha Harrell, Sara Terrazas, Cordelia Mendeke, James Crumley, Janelle Senne - to seek grants. Motion to approve resolution was made by O'Rourke, seconded by Montalvo. They were joined by Frerich in voting for the motion. Mendeke abstained.

Judge Seargeant made a motion to make the water available now to the Little League field. Motion was seconded by O'Rourke. The motion passed unanimously.

Frerich moved to pay for blinds in the County Clerk's office from building maintenance. Montalvo seconded the motion which was passed by all commissioners.

Brackett ISD Open House

Texas School Week will begin March 6, 1995. The Brackett Independent School District will hold Open House on Thursday, March 9, 1995, from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. All community members, parents, grandparents, guardians, etc. are invited to attend. All rooms will be open and teachers and administrators will be available for conference or a visit.

The ANNUAL PANCAKE SUPPER will be held on Thursday, March 9, 1995, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Tickets for the supper may be purchased at the door. Adults are \$4.00 and students/children are \$2.00. The administrative support supports the M.H. Wills Scholarship Fund which is given each Spring to a qualifying senior.

The Brackett Independent School District would like parents to feel free to visit their child's room, arrange to have lunch in the cafeteria with their child, or meet with teachers or administrators anytime during the week, but remember Thursday evening is set aside for Open House and the Pancake Supper.



RV Park Near Capacity

The RV Park at Fort Clark Springs has 74 spaces and average occupancy has been running 72.

Although the park is available to non-members, many who use it are Fort Clark Springs members and have been spending the "winters" here for years.

Some who are currently parked there are full time RVers and Fort Clark Springs is one of their favorite places to spend longer periods of time.

Rabies Clinic Hug Success

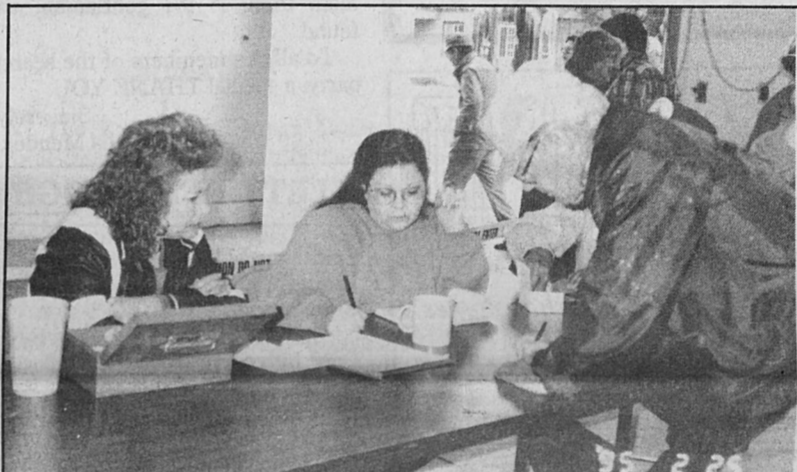
Saturday, February 25, the city staff was joined by Veterinarian Zack Davis in administering rabies vaccinations...243 animals received the shots.

Animals residing in the city were issued licenses at the same time. Animals living at Fort Clark Springs or elsewhere within the county are not required to have a city license.

Top photo, Elia Garcia and Debra Bland took care of getting the paper work done. The clinic was scheduled to end at noon but it was long after that before the last shot was given.

Bottom photo, Dr. Davis goes to a pickup parked beside City Hall to give a shot to a large dog. His son, Zachry, provided able assistance.

Since a number of rabies cases has been confirmed in the area, all owners need to be sure their pet's vaccination is current.



Edwards County Victims Buried

Services were scheduled at Barksdale Cemetery Thursday (today) afternoon for two of the three murder victims discovered Monday in Edwards County.

Neal Jernigan, 70, his wife, Barbara, 63, and an unidentified ranch worker were discovered in a ravine about a mile from their ranch home. Gun shot wounds and possibly stabs were named as cause of the deaths.

The Jernigans were long time ranchers in Edwards County. They were reported missing late Sunday and a search of their home showed a meal had been prepared but not eaten.

Identity of the ranch worker was being withheld pending notification of kin.

Authorities were questioning a suspect but no charges had been filed at the time of this report.

New Phone Number 210-563-9090

The Kinney County Ambulance and Indigent Health Care Office has changed its phone number. NEW NUMBER 210-563-9090.

Contact the Ambulance Office when you have questions about:
1. Special Events: CPR classes/Certification classes
First Aid classes and Community Programs.
2. Billing services.
3. Payment plans.

Contact the Indigent Health Care office when:
1. You need to fill out an application for medical assistance
2. You have questions about the Indigent Health Care Program

Contact Beatriz Kuhns for any of the above services. Mrs. Kuhns speaks both English and Spanish fluently.

(911 is still the Emergency Number)

Solar Interference To Affect Cable Reception March 4 - 10

Falcon Cable TV has announced that cable subscribers can expect to experience brief periods of degraded and interrupted reception of satellite-delivered cable channels between 3/04 and 3/10 due to solar interference.

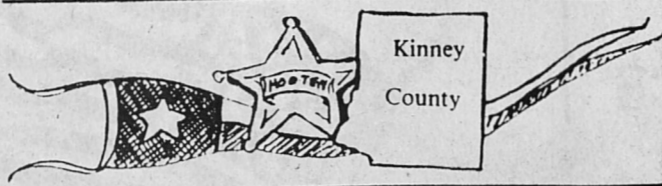
According to Regional Manager Mel Zamzow, solar interference is an inherent part of satellite operations which occurs twice each year. The interference is caused when the orbital positions of the satellite and the sun move into one line. When this happens, the more powerful rays of the sun subdue the satellite-delivered cable programming signals. During the periods of interference, cable customers may see an increasingly snowy picture which may progress to total picture loss for several minutes.

The number of days, times, and durations of interference will vary from channel to channel, depending upon the satellite from which they are delivered and the geographic location of Falcon's receive site. Generally, however, the periods of interruption are expected to be approximately 10-15 minutes long.

Zamzow said, "We hope that any inconvenience to our customers will be minimal during the occurrence of this seasonal phenomenon. Our service should return to normal after March 10th."

Sheriff's Corner

By Sheriff Norman H. Hooten



Kinney County District Court was convened in Brackettville on Monday, February 27, 1995, and the Kinney County Grand Jury was also called in to consider several criminal cases presented by the District Attorney's office and various investigating officers. The results of those proceedings are listed below:

GRAND JURY INDICTMENTS

1. Cause #1840 - Barbara Mutcherson, Welfare Fraud
2. Cause #1841 - Samuel Ybarra, Possession of Cocaine
3. Cause #1842 - Steven Felix Felan, Possession of Cocaine
4. Cause #1843 - Victor Manuel Menchaca-Valles, Possession of Marijuana
5. Cause #1845 - Jose Antonio Toledo-Mata, Possession of Marijuana
6. Cause #1846 - Richard Torres-Ramirez, Possession of Marijuana

7. Cause #1847 - Saul Ortega Rebolgar - Possession of Marijuana
8. Cause #1848 - Antonio Osorio, Possession of Marijuana

The listed indictments related to illegal possession of drugs or narcotics are predominately drug task force cases.

DISTRICT COURT REPORT

- Cause #1814 - Humberto Castro pled Nolo Contendere to Possession of Cocaine of less than 28 grams, a 2nd degree felony, and received a 2 year "deferred adjudication" sentence (probation) and a \$500.00 fine.
- Cause #1829 - James Michael Tharp pled guilty to 2nd degree charges of Burglary of a Building (Conrad's Video) and received a 3 year probated sentence and ordered to make restitution to the victim in the amount of \$306.00.
- Cause 1832 - Benjamin Tovar

charged with Aggravated Assault (on a peace officer) - this case will be tried before a jury on March 16, 1995.

Cause #1834 - Carlos Benites - charged with Aggravated Assault on a Peace Officer - received a 3 year sentence, probated for 3 years and 30 days to serve in the county jail. He was also ordered to make restitution to DPS in the amount of \$750.00 for damages to radar and radio equipment in a DPS patrol car incurred at the time of his arrest.

Cause #1837 - Jose Luis "Chicago Joe" Galvan - charged with Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle (school bus) pled guilty and received a 2 year suspended sentence probated for 5 years. This is a State Jail Felony.

Cause #1838 - Jose Luis "Chicago Joe" Galvan - charged with Burglary of a Building (State Jail Felony). Case dismissed.

Cause #1839 - Jose Luis "Chicago Joe" Galvan - charged with Burglary of a Building (FCS Golf Club) - received a 2 year suspended sentence probated for 5 years. This is also a State Jail Felony.

That's All!

THANK YOU

I would like to take this opportunity to express my most sincere appreciation to the two Texas Rangers that helped me down the mountain, Sheriff Hooten for his prompt assistance, and Sandy Faison for her medical attention and for transporting me to Val Verde Memorial Hospital.

My injuries are healing and the main thing is the gentleman was found.

To all the members of the search party, a special THANK YOU.

Sincerely,
/s/ Cordelia Mendeke

LETTER TO JUDGE

The Honorable Tommy Seargeant
Kinney County Judge
Brackettville TX 78832

Dear Judge Seargeant:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that Governor Bush has received documentation from the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) that qualified applicants of your county have been approved for assistance due to the fact that it is contiguous to a declared county. Enclosed is a copy of the documentation sent to Governor Bush approving eligible applicants to immediately apply for emergency loans from the Consolidated Farm Service Agency (CFSA).

Sincerely,
/s/ Tom Millwee
State Coordinator

Div. of Emergency Management
Texas Dept. of Public Safety
...Effective January 11, 1995, Uvalde County, Texas, is hereby designated as a natural disaster area where eligible family farmers may qualify for Consolidated Farm Service Agency (CFSA) emergency (EM) loans due to damages and losses caused by excessive rain from April 30, 1994, through May 15, 1994.

In addition to Uvalde County, eight other Texas counties are named as contiguous counties where eligible family farmers may qualify for CFSA EM loan assistance, pursuant to Section 321(a) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act. Those counties are Bander, Edwards, Frio, Kinney, Maverick, Medina, Real, and Zavala.

Emergency loan applications will be received through September 11, 1995, for physical and production losses; and applications pending on that date may be processed and completed. EM loans will be made under FmHA Instruction 1945-D. This determination is coded S827.

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The French use handmade clay figures called santons, "little saints," in their nativity scenes.



Between Us

By Joe Townsend



One of the outstanding factors in our community is the Athletic Program in our school. The broad scope of the program offers opportunity for almost any who want to participate.

The many adults involved in the program give evidence of the concern of faculty and coaches. The ex-

panded athletic program has added much to the morale and spirit of the entire school.

The "No Pass No Play" rule adds incentive to students to pass their work. The camaraderie of practice and playing is enticement to students to participate.

The high caliber of all the coaches attracts the many student participants. Because of the fine coaching there are outstanding records being made. It's been a long time since so many Brackett teams have ranked so high.

Usually when such conditions exist a few people step in and try to get rid of some coaches. This type of mentality feeds the ego of those with inferiority complexes who feel they can boost their images by destroying others.

It's too bad coaches have to face this kind of oppression.

Brackettville is on a roll athletically. It's high time the people rise up and squelch any opposition and push our entire athletic program even higher.

2-Fold Use Of State Jail Sites Will Not Include Violent Offenders

By JAMES A. COLLINS
Executive Director
Texas Dept. Criminal Justice

The use of state jails as transfer facilities for regular prison inmates has been publicly acknowledged and a planned part of the state jail concept since the Legislature authorized the system in 1993.

But that does not include housing violent offenders in the facilities. I regret that Texans in some areas have been needlessly alarmed by erroneous reports that "rapists and murderers" were coming to their area jails.

The co-use of state jails as transfer facilities was publicly discussed when the law authorizing state jails was passed in 1993. It was discussed and covered by the news media at Texas Board of Criminal Justice meetings in 1993 and 1994. It was published in the Texas Register and it was covered in a state jail implementation report to the Legislature last summer.

Today, Texas is fortunate that our prison expansion program has given us enough capacity to house all violent inmates in maximum security prisons.

We put every new inmate through testing and diagnostics to determine his or her likelihood of violent behavior. We don't rely on an inmate's conviction offense because we know that truly violent persons are often convicted of so-called "non-violent" crimes.

Our diagnostic process determines an inmate's security classification which in turn determines whether the inmate goes to a minimum, medium, or maximum security facility.

Obviously, we don't put violent inmates in minimum security units in regular prisons and we won't do it with state jails either. Strict use of a proven security classification system is critical for the safety of the public, staff, property, and the prisoners themselves.

By mandate of the Legislature, we are building 25,000 state jail beds in 18 locations. Today, we have nearly 5,000 of these beds completed. But as of today, we have only 163 state jail confinees. Unless and until the court system produces significantly more state jail offenders, the alternative is for these beds to stand empty.

That is absolutely not necessary. The mission of the state jails can be accomplished to its fullest, totally without compromise, in tandem with a non-threatening, segregated use of the balance of the state jail sites.

The Texas Criminal Justice Policy Council recently surveyed all felons waiting in county jails for transfer to state prisons. The survey showed that 83% were convicted of non-violent, drug and property related crimes of the same nature as state jail offenses. That is the pool of prisoners where our testing and diagnostics can identify non-violent inmates suitable for housing in the transfer facilities.

CONGRESSMAN

HENRY BONILLA

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23rd District, Texas

New Congress Workin Hard, Keeping Promises

It's hard to believe that we're already more than halfway through the 100-day agenda of the Contract With America. In this first 50 days, we have seen more work, more hearings, more debate, more votes and more bipartisanship than in any Congress in recent memory. A lot has been accomplished so far, but we still face a long, challenging road ahead.

On the opening day of the session, the new Congress began by reforming itself. We voted to eliminate committees, reduce the size of committee staff and limit the number of terms someone can chair a committee. We even ordered the first-ever public audit of the U.S. House of Representatives. But perhaps the most significant reform is that Congress must finally live under the same laws it has imposed on every other American for years.

In the 50 days since this new Congress began, we have kept our promises. Two very important measures which were put on the back burner by leaders of the previous Congress - the Balanced Budget Amendment and the line-item veto - passed the House. We've also made Washington more accountable by enacting unfunded mandates reform. No more passing the tab to state and local governments for laws that Congress dictates.

We've passed legislation to protect American citizens from threats here at home and abroad. The Taking Back Our Streets Act corrects flaws in the President's crime bill by providing victim compensation, prison construction, criminal alien deportation, limits on death row appeals and block grants to help local law enforcement officials fight crime. The National Security Revitalization Act refocuses U.S. military priorities and places restrictions on putting U.S. troops under the command of the United Nations.

The historic changes taking place in Washington in the last two months have been very exciting. However, there is still a lot to do. Between now and mid-April, Congress will tackle some tough challenges, including welfare reform, common-sense legal reform, tax revisions and term limits. The amount of work required to achieve these goals unfortunately means that for the first few months of 1995, I have to spend more time in the Capitol and less time in the 23rd District. Rest assured, though, that once Congress delivers on the promise of a less expensive and less intrusive government, I look forward to spending a lot more time in Texas meeting with you and sharing ideas about how to make our government work better.

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Library Notes



Library Hours 9:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.
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We have all kinds of good things going on in the library right now. We just received a new copy machine and it is wonderful, it does all sorts of neat stuff. The best part is that our prices will stay the same.

In case you are interested, we will be selling our old copier. However, we will be taking sealed bids only, beginning at \$300.00 from now until March 15th (12:00 Noon deadline). You may bring your bid in personally or you may mail it to Kinney County Public Library, Attn: Sara Terrazas, P.O. Box 975, Brackettville TX 78832. Please be sure to include your name, address, and phone number.

We also have on display a Dinosaur bone that was brought to us by Mr. Kelso, a wonderful patron of our library. If you have never seen one now is your chance. We want to encourage the teachers to also take time out and bring the children in to look at it.

A special thank you to Mr. Sterling Evans for the large donation of new books that he has made to our library. We are always so grateful to the people who donate their time, money, and/or materials to this library. You are what makes it a better service to our community.

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

Kinney County Library
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Unsung Hero

by Joe Townsend



A young lady with high credentials came to the Brackett School year a little while back. She has done better than good with her responsibilities.

Coming into virgin territory with girls volleyball, she has developed winning teams.

She is quite a personable young lady who makes friends easily.

Because her husband's job demands they live in Uvalde, she drives back and forth daily. That in itself is quite a chore.

She shows a great deal of interest and concern for her girls. Brackett is fortunate to have this fine person on the staff of our school.

Surely Tammy Coggins is an "Unsung Hero."

Genealogical Society To Meet March 4

The Southwest Texas Genealogical Society will meet in Uvalde on Saturday, March 4, 1995, 10:00 a.m., Kincaid Hotel Restaurant. The program will be a presentation on early-day families of the Dry Frio River country in central Uvalde County.

Presentators will be area natives Emma Nelson, Maggie Gibbens, and Sid Heard - sisters and brother of the pioneer Heard family from those environs, and all well acquainted with the area centered around the Reagan Wells community.

The Southwest Texas Genealogical Society meets quarterly and focuses on family historical research from the Southwest Texas counties of Uvalde, Medina, Real, Edwards, Kinney, Zavala, Dimmit, and Frio.

Meetings of the Society include a \$2.00 registration fee. An optional meal follows the meeting for approximately \$6.00.

Around the Fort



Ladies Exercise

Activity Center. Monday, 10 a.m. Wednesday 9:30 a.m. Friday 10 a.m.

Ceramics & Crafts Hours

Monday, 1:00 - 10:00 p.m.; Tuesday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; Friday 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.; Saturday 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon.

Mountain Laurel Garden Club

Will Host TV personality Jerry Parsons
 Town Hall, March 9, 9:30 a.m.
 Everyone Welcome!

Fort Clark Arts

Portrait Time! Mothers, fathers, children and grandchildren plus others were immortalized during a portrait workshop conducted by resident artist Frances McMaster on Friday and Saturday, February 24 and 25. The ability to create a likeness was quite successfully accomplished.

Pastels and oils were the media used. A record number of visitors viewed and praised the process and results plus other work displayed in the art room - come and see for yourself! "It really is worth a visit," quote from one of the visitors.

FUTURE EVENTS

3-Day Water Color Workshop
 "From Basics To Picture Making"
 by Ginger Test
 March 16, 17, 18
 Call Frances McMaster, 563-9452

Annual Art & Crafts Bazaar
 April 1, Members Service

Epsilon Iota Chapter Of Beta Sigma Phi

Epsilon Iota met Monday night, February 13, 1995, in the restaurant at Fort Clark. We had a dinner in honor of our Valentine Sweetheart Walila Gum.

After opening the meeting Walila received her crown. Meals were ordered and the dinner was enjoyed. Table decorations were vases of red roses with Valentine figurines up and down the table which was covered with a red cloth. Orlean Riley was social chairman and was thanked for the decorations.

Mrs. Riley drew names for the door prize which was won by Mildred Borden...she continued drawing names until everyone received a prize of one of the figurines on the table.

Secret sister gifts were exchanged.

Attending the meeting were Walila Gum, Nakai Breen, Betty Schlatterer, Mildred Borden, Gloria Borough, Orlean Riley, and Oleta Townsend.

After the closing ritual the meeting adjourned. The next meeting will be in March and Betty Schlatterer will be hostess in her home.

Bridge Anyone

By NORMA GOULD



The Fort Clark Springs Duplicate Club met Tuesday, February 21, with 10 tables playing the Mitchell Movement.

Flo Stafford and Helen Lynch won first place in the N/S direction. Rozetta Pingnot and Norma Gould won second place with Lu and Roy Gibbens winning third.

Molly Schroeder and Carol Benfield won first place in the E/W direction. Ray Kurtz and Evelyn Whitley won second place with Betty Fitch and Peggy Stock taking third.



During the Middle Ages, many towns had public ovens because large numbers of people did not have an oven at home.

Answers to Super Crossword

1	JABS	ABET	BLAB	DIGUP	10	WONDERFUL
2	ALOU	RARA	ADNE	SENATE	11	
3	WIFE	GARIN	STEL	COLLAR	12	
4	THE	QUICK	RED	WALLE	13	
5	TRUERT	TOGET	POME	SHOW	14	
6	OBOR	SIVA	NICEN	AWA	15	
7	LIAH	FRIP	STERN	SEWA	16	
8	DETOUR	ED	STOOL	STARR	17	
9	CAD	OSE	TOS	AIDE	18	
10	HERCH	ILDOR	ENSA	TION	19	
11	AXEL	WREID	STIOS	HIT	20	
12	THAIS	WELL	X	MORTG	21	
13	RASPY	VIRAL	YOU	SULLA	22	
14	ELO	RAINED	ENIO	TOR	23	
15	DEW	BASE	ASA	CEEE	24	
16	AND	LOCK	COMF	ORTA	25	
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SCOTT & WHITE Options for Health

Plantar fasciitis may be cause of tired, achy feet

Preston Goforth, D.P.M.

Question: Although I love being a fourth-grade teacher, I don't know if my feet can take it much longer. What do you think the problem might be?

Answer: Tired, achy feet are common among people such as teachers, nurses and prison guards whose jobs require extended periods of walking or standing. The continuous foot stress may lead to a condition of severe heel pain called plantar fasciitis. It's also common in people who gain weight or carry heavy items because of the extra pressure on feet.

The chronic pain occurs when the plantar fascia — a strong band of tissue along the bottom of the foot that joins the heel bone and the bones of the toes — is constantly pulled tight by walking or standing. The tissue becomes inflamed and swells near the bottom of the heel. This inflammation causes the pain.

The condition usually makes walking more painful in the morning or after periods of relaxation because the inflammation increases and builds pressure while the feet are resting. Typically, the pain subsides after a few minutes of exercise, but it may become more constant as the day progresses.

It's time to see a doctor when the pain becomes a consistent problem, when the pain

worsens, or when the pain interferes with your occupational or personal activities.

Often, inflammation from plantar fasciitis can be relieved with oral anti-inflammatory medication and good support of the foot. Occasionally, injections in the heel may be necessary for moderate to severe cases of plantar fasciitis.

Self treatment may include weight loss, over-the-counter anti-inflammatory medicines and the use of arch supports. Aside from maintaining proper body weight, the best way to prevent chronic heel pain is to wear shoes that don't bend under the arch and have strong support structures, especially around the heel. It also helps to reduce walking and standing, if possible. A teacher, for example, may want to sit on a high stool in front of the class. Sometimes a physician may prescribe special footwear or orthotic inlays for shoes to help alleviate the stress on the feet.

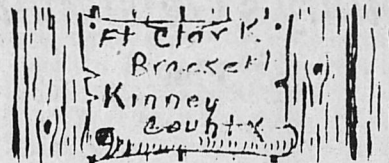
Dr. Preston Goforth is a senior staff physician in podiatric medicine at Scott & White Memorial Hospital and Clinic in Temple, Texas, and an associate professor at Texas A&M University Health Science Center.

If you have a question, please write to: Scott & White Public Affairs Dept., 2401 S. 31st St., Temple, TX 76508



A type of machine gun used in the 1500s consisted of several guns bound together in a bundle or spread out in a row.

Community Calendar



- Altar Society:** 1st Monday, 5:30 p.m., Parish Hall.
- Band Booster Club:** 1st Tuesday, 7 p.m., High School Band Hall
- 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.
- Creative Writing Group:** Fridays, 9:30 a.m., Golf Club Snack Bar
- Mountain Laurel Garden Club:** 2nd Thursday, 10 a.m. Adult Center
- Kinney County Chamber of Commerce:** 2nd Thurs, 7:30 p.m., FC Rest. City Council: 1st Tuesday after 2nd Monday, 6:00 p.m., City Hall
- K.C. 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.
- FC Duplicate Bridge:** Tuesdays, 7 p.m., Shafter Hall.
- FCS Art Club:** Work days Monday and Saturday 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, 9:30 a.m., Palisado Building.
- 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 & Auxillary:** 4th Monday, 6 p.m. Pot Luck, 7:00 p.m. Meetings, Service Center.
- FCS Old Quarry Society:** 1st Monday, 7 p.m., Adult Center.
- Friends of Library:** No regular schedule. Call library for info.
- K.C. 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.
- Order of Eastern Star 204:** 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Hall, 407 Bedell, Del Rio.
- FC Shrine Club:** 4th Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. Las Moras Restaurant.
- Rotary Club:** Every Thursday, 12 Noon, Las Moras Restaurant.
- Methodist Ladies Luncheon:** 3rd Wednesday, Noon, Slaton Hall, Please make reservations.
- Kinney County Heritage Museum:** 2nd and 4th Saturday, 1 - 4 p.m., Filippone Building.



Moncus' Musings



MIKE MONCUS

Park Ranger, Interpreter
Bastrop State Park

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Predators

Bounties were offered on predators when they had proven to be too populous for the existing biological conditions. My grandfather made a living a few years as a government hunter and trapper in the Davis Mountains. Predators brought good money. Furs were hard to come by but scalps were not. Considered a nuisance because they had trespassed from the natural food supply into the domestic stock belonging to the surrounding ranchers and farmers, coyotes and mountain lion were put on reward posters.

Recently I watched a TV program, one of those newsy, dramatic police documentary programs, about how parts of society are beginning to be predators and their prey is the tax-paying, law-abiding average citizen.

There were bandits in those seemingly lawless days when my grandfather was a young man roaming the wilds. Bandits that preyed on travelers or unsuspecting remote ranches or unprotected communities but in time the law always caught up with the bandits. They always did and they were always eliminated. There were only a few lawmen in those early days but those there were when they set to prosecute a bad guy they were highly effective. Just as men like my grandfather were highly effective in curtailing the over-abundance of wild predators.

In nature predators are a vital part of the scheme of things, the ecosystem, the environment and only became a nuisance where man and his designs change that system to the degree that the changes they make by adding too many domestic animals into an already stressed food chain far out-weigh the demand.

Man has the right and the need to add his stress to the existing food chain but man never has a right to make other men his prey because he finds himself unable to honestly compete for all the existing supplies. A predator that preys on its own kind and therefore itself is mad and has to be eliminated from the society because it ranges outside of its own laws and its own instincts.

Rambling Around Kinney County

By THE K.C. RAMBLER



Do you know the Public Library has all IRS Tax Forms available (no charge) to the public? The date (April 15) is approaching quickly for getting your Income Tax figured. Be sure to fill out the necessary forms - perhaps you will have a refund coming... Wouldn't that be nice?

Sunshine Nursery is sprucing up for Spring. With this warm weather, it is time to put out your large plants. Some folks are even planting flowering plants in protected areas. The first blooms always seem to be so much brighter and vivid than any other time of the year.

Baseball is alive and well here in Kinney County. Brackettville, Little League, and the School District have all banded together to build a playing field for the Girls Softball Team and Little League. It is planned that tennis courts and basketball courts will soon follow. This area should develop into a regular recreation center for everyone to enjoy.

Did you know March 2nd (today) is Texas Independence Day? At 2:00 this afternoon every Texan throughout the world will raise a glass to toast the event. What a nice idea - to bring all Texans together for one moment each year.

Slator Hall - meeting room of the Methodist Church - was rented for a Ladies Luncheon last week. What a very nice place to entertain. Perhaps it is something you might be interested in. If so, call the church for details.

The Lions Thrift Shop will be open Saturday 9 - 2. After checking out the bargains here, go on up to the Sutlers Store in Fort Clark. It is run by the Fort Clark Historical Society and offers all sorts of memorabilia of Texas. Sutlers Store also has a new stock of hummingbird feeders (the Zack Davis kind.)

The Palisado Building has been opened by the Fort Clark Historical Society. If you can, take a look at it. Its architecture is unique. A fireplace inside is beautiful. The interior walls are covered with tin squares.

Haven't done a lot of rambling this week. Will try to get out and around soon. Want to check out several retail stores I have neglected.

HAPPY
TEXAS INDEPENDENCE
DAY

Phones Started Ringing

When I said the phones started ringing, I meant the phones started ringing. Sounded kinda like 477 different fire alarms going off all over town.

There was mention of lawsuits, financial ruin, VIOLENCE.

I finally quit answering the phone and headed up to Juan's. I wasn't the only one to head that way. Our whole little campaign group got there just about the same time.

We had a summit meeting. After we quit laughing about the featured news story, we figured we better try and find a way out of the little wreck we were in.

God's chosen few was definitely on the warpath. Marthalean was drinking again.

Karl was considering taking an extended vacation to the South Pole.

Hortense and old Virginia was trying to assemble an armed force of emergency deputies.

And old Arlo was hyper-ventilating.

It was agreed amongst us that since the fight in El Paso was now common knowledge, the chances of the powers that be resigning was just about out.

The good voters of Kortman County would demand an election and that would just about kill Juan's chances of getting on the board. Not to mention anyone else that had any since.

So, it was voted on to call old B.B. and try to explain we didn't do it.

Not that he would believe us, but it was worth a try.

Just as Juan was reaching for the phone, it rang.

It was Garian's wife informing us that a special investigator from the State Police had called and wanted to talk to all of us the next day, something concerning the possible blackmail of an elected official.

I told Juan and them I had been working on a cow trade down on the border for a couple of weeks and I thought now would be a damn good time to go look at what I was trying to trade for.

Juan said I needed his expertise on the subject of Mexican cattle. Garian said he would come along and bring some groceries and do the cooking. Old Arlo got his breath long enough to say I would need a trucking consultant, and old Karl had already left.

We agreed to meet at my barn in a couple of hours and get the hell out of town for a week or so.

When I got home, I packed my fishing gear and made a phone call.

I told B.B. that if he didn't call off the big dogs, I would bring out everything I had on him and his little group of not so rightist followers. Not to mention send the video to a friend of mine in New York that worked for a national news show.

Old B.B. got gentle.

I also agreed to the fact that we wouldn't try anything political until the real election came up but then it was to be a wide open battle.

It worked. So the newly defunct political party "Independents Are Us" loaded a boat and all of our fishing gear and headed for the border to possibly trade for cattle or that wonderful liquid stuff that can pert-near freeze to death.

Old Arlo finally got back to breathing normal and made the comment of the century.

"I honestly thought we could do some good if we just could 'ave got some moral support from some of those damn women..."

Nothing so needs reforming as other people's habits.

—Mark Twain

health hints

FACTS FROM EXPERTS AT THE AMERICAN PODIATRIC MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

Help For A Growing Foot Problem

(NAPS)—Your feet, it seems have some nerve. Actually they have several, and sometimes a nerve in the foot may become irritated and enlarged because of the pressure of foot bones rubbing against it. This can cause a painful problem called neuroma.

Fortunately, your podiatrist is prepared to help you deal with neuroma, because no foot pain is natural.

Sometimes the pressure comes from abnormal bone structure or ill-fitting shoes. The enlargement,

or growth, frequently occurs between the toes, especially the third and fourth toes. The pain can be felt in the ball of the foot and there is sometimes numbness between the toes.

Properly-fitted shoes will help prevent and relieve this problem. Treatment may also include orthotic devices and cortisone injections. The nerve growth can be removed surgically if pain persists.

You can help your podiatrist protect your feet from neuroma and other foot problems with proper care. Good foot care practices emphasize:

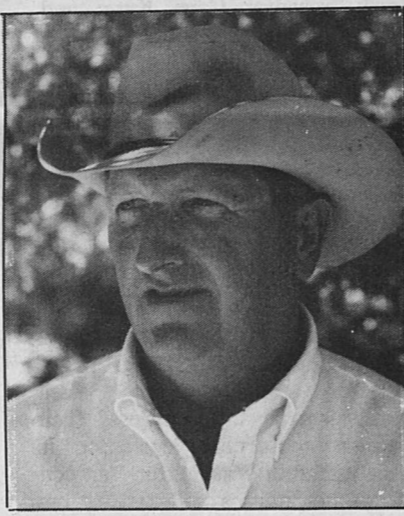
1. Regular foot hygiene.
2. Proper shoes, socks and stockings.
3. Exercise.
4. Proper rest.
5. Periodic self-inspections.
6. Professional care.

These six steps can help keep you stepping out without pain.

You can obtain further information on foot problems by telephoning 1-800-FOOT-CARE (366-8227).

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BY **FELIX HERNANDEZ**

The Postal Service Delivers

We all have heard the promises and catchy phrases used by some of the companies in the shipping and overnight delivery industry.

However, there is one phrase that is short, simple and true, seven days a week, 365 days a year - "We Deliver." And that phrase belongs to the United States Postal Service.

Since 1775, the United States postal system has been the nation's only daily provider of written communications.

The Postal Service has gone through significant changes since Ben Franklin's time, but the basic mission remains the same - deliver the nation's mail in a timely way, at uniform rates to everyone, no matter where they live - from California's Death Valley and Florida's Everglades, to the remote areas of Alaska.

And all this at a bargain price with no cost to the taxpayer!

That's right. Although many people don't realize it, the Postal Service operates without taxes; it

supports itself solely through postage revenues. In the past, stamp prices were subsidized with federal tax money, but that has not been the case since 1982. In fact, the American public has long enjoyed the lowest basic postage rates and the best postal system in the industrialized world.

What does that basic rate buy? The ability to send relatives their own keepsake photo of a first grandchild, a long letter to special friends, or an impassioned plea to a congressperson about an important issue. These are just a few examples of how we use the Postal Service every day.

That postage stamp you affix to your letters guides them to addresses thousands of miles or just across town. And if the addressee has moved and filed their new address with the Postal Service, those letters are forwarded to them at no additional cost.

To sum up our work in two words
WE DELIVER!

About Self-Cleaning Ovens

(NAPS)—Confused about self-cleaning ovens? "Take heart. You're not alone," say Whirlpool home economists.



They explain that a self-cleaning oven—one of today's most popular convenience features on ranges—uses a special high heat cycle (pyrolytic) to reduce food soils spattered on its porcelain surfaces to a powdery ash that can be wiped clean with a damp cloth after the oven cools. Unless an oven has this cleaning cycle, it is not self-cleaning.

Even a self-cleaning cycle may not remove soil totally from all oven surfaces, they caution. Areas surrounding the oven cavity opening and oven door edges may require some hand cleaning before setting the oven for a self-cleaning cycle.

For the most convenient use and best results with self-cleaning ovens, Whirlpool's home economists offer these tips:

- Use the self-clean cycle frequently to avoid heavy soil build-up.
- Use a plastic pad with detergent and water to hand clean areas surrounding the outside of the oven cavity and door before running the self-cleaning cycle;
- Avoid the use of harsh cleaners or chemicals that may give off fumes with high heat cleaning. **Never use a commercial oven cleaner on a self-cleaning oven.** Fumes created by the oven cleaner during a high heat cycle may be toxic.

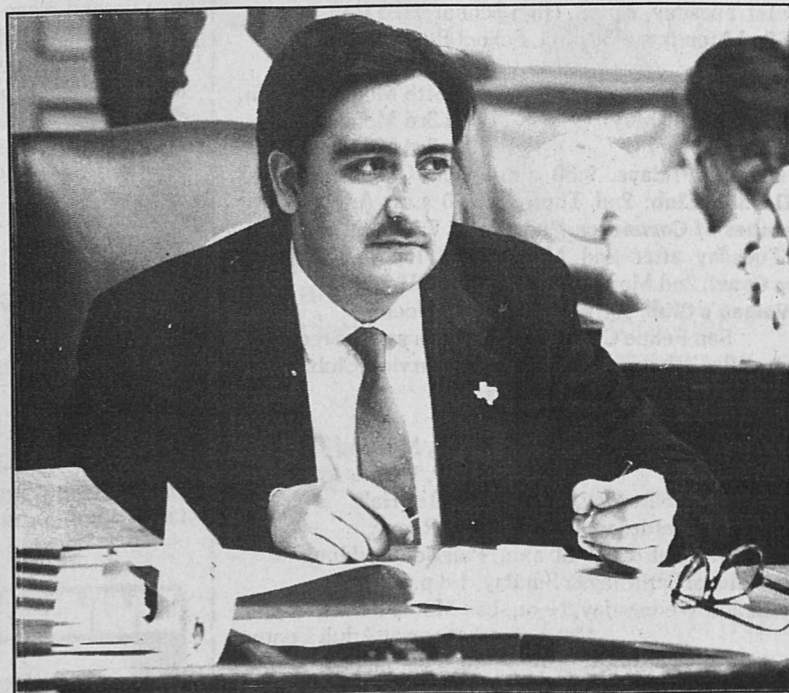
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Tigers & Tigerettes

BASEBALL

JV Tigers Evens Record To 1-1

Monday, February 27, the JV Tigers suited up to face the Eagle Pass Freshmen Eagles. The Tigers fell just short of the Freshmen Eagles in a 8-9 loss.

Rene Luna stepped up to the plate 5 times, he scored twice and hit twice. Luis Guajardo batted 3 times, scored once and hit once.

Beau Smallwood batted 4 times, didn't score, and hit once. Butch Lopez batted 3 times, scored once, and hit once.

Patrick Munoz batted 3 times, scored once, and hit twice. Juan Hernandez batted 4 times, scored once and didn't hit.

Juan Vara batted 3 times, scored once, and hit once. Ramon Gonzales batted once, didn't score and didn't hit. Quinton Clark batted 3 times, didn't score, but hit once.

Demetrius Williams batted twice, scored once, but didn't hit.

This loss too the JV Tigers to a 1-1 record.

JV Tigers Kick Off Season With Win

Friday, February 24, the JV Tigers played the varsity Asherton Trojans. The Tigers showed no mercy pounding the Trojans in a 12-0 victory.

Rene Luna was at bat 3 times, got 2 runs and 1 hit. Luis Guajardo batted 3 times, got 1 run and 0 hits. Beau Smallwood batted 3 times with 2 runs and 2 hits.

Butch Lopez batted 3 times with 1 run and 1 hit. Patrick Munoz with 3 times at bat got 1 hit and 0 runs.

Juan Hernandez batted 3 times, had 2 runs and 0 hits. Michael Aguirre batted once and got one hit. Demetrius Williams had 2 runs. Ramon Gonzales was at bat twice with 2 runs, 2 hits. Quinton Clark batted once and had one hit.

J. Wayne Ballew was at bat 3 times and had 1 hit.

Coaches Challenge

The Tiger and Tigerette Golf teams hit the small golf course Thursday afternoon in the first "Coach's Challenge" which consisted of a couple's scramble.

The teams were selected by lots. Nacho Aguirre paired with Lisa Dalton, Kirk Hill teamed with Brandy Meeks. The winners of the coveted "Coach Mac" look alike traveling trophy in first place with a 38 were Charlie Hall and Chad Neuman.

Second place involved a fierce battle between the teams of Katie Hall and Matthew Foster who tied Michael Aguirre and newcomer Cherise Ward with scores of 41. Aguirre and Ward took second place on the first hole of a sudden death play-off. Cherise took possession of the second place "Coach Mac" look alike traveling trophy with the intent to display same in the living room of the Ward household.

Due to the limited number of Tigerettes, Jared Shahan and Alex Moses sat out of the couples match and took on Coach McNew in a handicap singles competition.

Tiger Invitational Golf Tournament

The Medina Valley Golf team ran away with the Tiger Invitational Golf Tournament Monday posting a fine 331 to take first place in the annual event. Ingram Tom Moore placed second with a 359.

The Tigers, led by Jared Shahan's 88, placed in the middle of the 14 team field. "The team showed significant improvement over the previous week," stated Coach McNew. "I'm encouraged with the performance of Matthew Foster after a year off and Michael and Nacho Aguirre continue to improve their games." One pleasing surprise was the play of freshman Alex Moses with a cool 105. Kirk Hill, another beginner, handled the pressure of his first 18 holes of golf posting a 114.

Chad Neuman, playing in the number one spot on the Tiger "B" team, performed well in the pressure "hot seat."

Playing for the first time Quinton Clark and Nat Terrazas did a great job. "I expect to see continued improvement in this year's freshman class," said Coach McNew.

BISD Cafeteria Menu

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WEDNESDAY
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Fruit or Juice
THURSDAY
Taco
Fruit or Juice
FRIDAY
Sweet Roll
Fruit or Juice

LUNCH

Milk Served At All Meals
Salad Bar Available Everyday
"B" Line Everyday

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MONDAY
Corn Dog
French Fries - Fresh Fruit
TUESDAY
Roast Turkey/Gravy
Whipped Potatoes
Choice of Vegetable - Roll
WEDNESDAY
Hamburger - Burger Salad
French Fries
Fruited Jello
THURSDAY
Frito Pie
Spanish Rice - Pinto Beans
Fruit
FRIDAY
Macaroni & Cheese
Broccoli - Fruit
Roll



Angora Doe Honors

Dietrich Davis and his brother, Tillman, proudly show Dietrich's Angora Doe after it was named Grand Champion of its class at the San Antonio Stock Show. Dietrich showed under the banner of Kinney County 4-H Club. They are the sons of Zack and Kayla Davis.

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March 1995

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3 Friday
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4 Saturday
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MS TENNIS - UVALDE
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BAND MS SOLO & ENSEMBLE

6 Monday
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STATE TESTING - TAAS
NO TTAS

8 Wednesday
2:30pm NHS INDUCTION
STATE TESTING - TAAS
NO TTAS

9 Thursday
7:00pm CHEERLEADER MEETING
7:30pm CINDERFELLA
STATE TESTING - TAAS
BASEBALL - DILLEY TOURNEY
NO TTAS

LAFB OWC Scholarships

The Laughlin AFB Officers' Wives Club is awarding scholarships to military dependents graduating from high school this year. The deadline for applications is March 31. Scholarship guidelines and application forms are available at the counseling offices at Del Rio High School, Brackett High School, the Comstock Independent School District, or by calling Maria Lauret at 210-298-2092.

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"I suppose you being at Career Day is out of the question, huh?"

Natasha's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A new acquaintance has yet to earn your trust. However, given some time, this person proves to be a valuable ally. Your enthusiasm about a work project could cause you to work overtime now.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You need to be wary of business propositions with strings attached. Doing something different from your usual routine is lots of fun later in the week. Romantic bonds grow stronger now.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Something you say this week could be taken in the wrong way by an associate on the job. Guard against such slips of the tongue as they cause more aggravation than is necessary. An intellectual project beckons.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) It's with partners that you share the greatest rapport this week, although your communication skills are highlighted. You also receive valuable feedback on your ideas. A loved one is testing you in some small way.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You should act on those new moneymaking ideas of yours. Originality is a strong point this week. Someone close to you could be out of sorts and needs your special touch to cheer up. Shopping for the home is a plus over the weekend.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) You could be underestimating the difficulty of a task, but with perseverance, you'll eventually get things done in a satisfactory manner. A co-worker can be helpful in this venture. Socializing is in the stars this weekend.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Use caution when shopping this week. Be sure to shop in reputable stores only. Otherwise, you could come out on the losing end of a proposition. You'll be making some positive changes at home base over the weekend.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Give a family member the benefit of the doubt this week. Your suspicions are unwarranted and are working overtime.

Some could be hearing from a friend who hasn't been seen in a while. This person brings welcome news.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) You won't appreciate someone's snide remarks or power play efforts this week. However, you'll be enthusiastic and pleased about career-related developments. Much is accomplished by week's end and you're entitled to relax.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) You could have second thoughts about a matter in connection with a friendship. It's possible that you're right about this person and you're being taken advantage of. Take steps to remedy this.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) You'll be investigating new ways to put your capital to good use this week. Someone close to you is being quite secretive about a business affair. Try to get to the bottom of this. The weekend brings happy times for you.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You'll be dealing with someone who has contradictory opinions this week. Avoid letting this distract you from tasks at hand. Social times with partners and friends are highlighted this weekend.

Happy Birthday

- Mar. 2 Louis Dimery
- Mar. 2 Josephine Sanchez
- Mar. 2 Katy Hagler
- Mar. 2 Clay Hunt
- Mar. 3 James Day
- Mar. 4 Melba Foreman
- Mar. 4 Trisha Smith
- Mar. 4 Vicente G. Lumberas
- Mar. 5 James Harber
- Mar. 5 Dorothy Salmon
- Mar. 6 Billie Faust
- Mar. 6 Margaret Byrd
- Mar. 6 Gordon Mathison
- Mar. 8 Antonio Flores

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Puzzle Answers On Page 3

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

- Amazing
- Astonishing
- Choice
- Extreme
- Fine
- Good
- Great
- High
- Incredible
- Prime
- Select
- Special
- Strange
- Unique
- Unusual

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Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Diploma is moved. 2. Stethoscope is added. 3. Examination table is shorter. 4. Necktie is removed. 5. Hat is different. 6. Cabinet is

Super Crossword

1 Pugnistic	Gardner	91 Teamed	5 Uncompro-	zoos	84 Be happy
2 Pokes	50 They're	93 Oklahoma	6 Adriatic	42 Volcanic state	85 Deserve a
3 Drive the	52 Tear apart	95 Ripley's	7 Actor Stoltz	43 Lay it on thick	86 Deserve a
4 Getaway car,	53 Magnificent	Believe —	8 Summer top	44 Watership	87 Bug-eating
5 for instance	number	Not"	9 Lowdown	Down" home	bird
6 Spill the	54 Underground	96 Car scar	10 Government	47 Classic start	88 Even so
7 beans	conduit	98 Provoked	game	48 Center of	89 Theater
8 13 Unearth	56 Went around	99 Part 4 of	11 "Leaf"	Houston?	90 Passage-
9 18 Baseball	58 Bar seat	remark	(71 film)	51 The like	ways
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20 Excellent	60 Bounder	104 Simile center	13 Furnishings	55 Nebraska,	92 Job security
21 Capitol	61 Sugary suffix	105 Mediocre	14 Toughens up	In France	93 Tristan's love
gang?	62 Prepare the	grade	15 Wing-ding	57 Unwelcome	100 "Casablanca"
22 Bit of smoke	salad	106 End of	16 Tony winner	visit?	character
23 Prepare to	65 Guy Friday	remark	17 Part of mph	58 Vane letters	101 Boston brew
bear it	66 Part 3 of	114 Lead astray	18 Soprano's	61 Called for a	103 Calculating
24 Manuscript	remark	116 Spiral	Hagen	steak	reptile?
imperative	73 Lillehammer	117 Soprano's	showcase	63 Cardinals'	104 Class of
25 Vision-	leap	118 Goo	27 Canadian	nest?	chemicals
related	74 Stained	120 Flips over, in	amenable	64 Cassandra	106 "Little Things
26 Start of a	75 Baseball's	a way	28 Prior to, to	or Merlin	Mean —
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30 Regret	76 Gettysburg	122 Citrus peel	29 Mocha's	67 Complete a	for "eight"
31 —	VIP	123 Mythological	setting	sigh	108 Former
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32 To be, to	opera	78 Neil Simon's	34 Tony's cousin	69 Prettily a	general
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33 Part 2 of	neatnik	worker	36 Without vigor	70 Write a	110 Turgenev
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quince	87 Like the flu	127 Historic actor	38 The	71 White House	112 Theater
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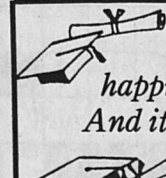

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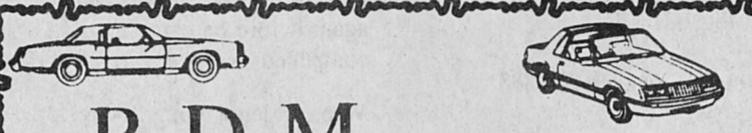


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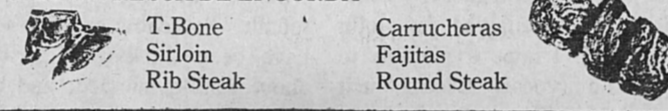
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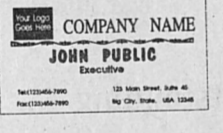
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At Fort Clark, on January 1, 1883, Lt French began diaries which he faithfully maintained for the next thirty years.

Lt French is in camp, as commander of the Seminole Scouts, at Mayer's Spring (now Meyer's Spring) on the newly completed Southern Pacific Railroad, near present day Dryden. His references to O.B. are "Official Business" correspondence. He begins to experience trouble with his horse "Harvey" and his own hypochondriac nature. He briefly returns to Ft Clark to take the Scouts' pay to their wives in the Seminole village and to pay the Scouts' debts with Friedlander the Post Suler. Later he hunts for Indians and hears stories of the Scouts from Sgt. Kibbets.

Thursday, March 1, 1883

A new month is ushered in today. I wonder if its departure will signal my return to Clark or not. One thing, I shall not ask to return until June and then I shall ask to be relieved in order to take a leave during the Summer. But it is only just to the men that they should return to Clark as they have been out here since the 20th of November. I like the detail and don't want to give it up until June. It was after 2 o'clock this A.M. before I retired as I tried to finish the rolls. Sent two couriers in for mail and gave two men a pass to the Post until the 14th. Had them sign the rolls before leaving camp. Compared rolls today with the assistance of the Doctor. He intended to go to Clark this evening, but felt too sick to start. Wrote a letter home and took it over to Thurston and sent it on the train. Felt too tired and sleepy to do anything in the evening. Issued clothing today.

LaPryor Students Visit Fort Clark

Thursday, February 23, second and sixth grade students from LaPryor came to Fort Clark as a part of their Social Studies program.



Second graders and their sponsors pause beside one of the two buses they traveled in.



Second graders are seated in the Palisado Building for lecture delivered by Fort Clark Historical President Bill Haenn.



Sixth graders are orientated by John Frank before entering the Guard House Museum.

The visit to the Fort ended with a picnic at Fort Clark Springs Swimming Pool.

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The Fort Clark Diaries and Letters of Maj Gen Francis Henry French Old Fort Clark Guardhouse Museum

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Friday, March 2, 1883

Finished the rolls and return, compared them and prepared them for transmittal to destinations. All the work is done now except making an inventory for Vedder of Q.M. property here. This can easily be done tomorrow. In the evening Doctor and I rode over to Thurston for exercise. McGeary was conductor of the train and got us a San Antonio Express. He is a very obliging gentleman. In the evening wrote a letter to Marie. Hall sent me a letter on the 28th by Corp'l. Perryman saying that Dr. Maddox and Marie were indulging in horseback rides by moonlight. I guess Maddox is in love with her and I must say I am not surprised. If he succeeds he will have a thoroughly fine woman for a wife, one of whom any man may well be proud. Hall writes that Eckerson is completely enraptured with Miss Ffoulkes. I hope he will get her.

Saturday, March 3, 1883

Wrote a letter to Hall, one to Department Headquarters stating what action I had taken in that confounded Post Fund business at Brown, made the inventory for Vedder and sent all by the Doctor to Clark. The Doctor left on the evening train. I accompanied him to the train and did not feel lonesome when he boarded the train, did not have any desire to accompany him. Sent out a hunting party today. A cold wet norther started up this morning and may interfere with a successful hunt. Have not been able to practice at all this week on account of the rains etc. Read a novel called "Flower and Weed" by M.E.Braddow in the evening. It is a light story and not of much interest.

Sunday, March 4, 1883

Wrote a letter home this morning, took a bath and then rode Harvey over to Thurston. Luce did not seem to like it that I had spoken to Sgt. July that Harvey was not well groomed. Luce is a good man but he is a little too free. When we return to the Post, I think I shall make Luce do company duty and let Blanco take care of Harvey. The train did not stop this evening and I was unable to send my letter

off. Read a trashy French novel, "Monsieur Le Ministre" this evening. It is quite lonesome without the Doctor. Well, the couriers are due Thursday and then I hope to get lots of mail.

Monday, March 5, 1883

Charged on the Clothing Book the clothing issued the other day and found several errors in Guest's accounts. Am undecided what to do, as I have written him once or twice about this book and have carried it to him when I went to Clark. The safest plan for me would be to write him an O.B. and send it through Gen. Smith or Dept. Hdqrs. I guess he will pay some attention then. I have no use for that style of a man; he seems to be perfectly worthless. Practiced today and enjoyed the violin a great deal. I hope to be able to take music (vocal) lessons next Summer while home. Read part of "Fair Haired Alda" by Miss Maryryatt and finished "Monsieur Le Ministre". In the evening wrote letters to Ed Todd, to Porter and for catalogue of Whitman Saddles. Raining this evening.

Tuesday, March 6, 1883

Pleasant weather today except a little rain in the evening. Finished "Fair Haired Alda" today. Practiced as usual. Wrote an O.B. to Vedder asking for more hay. Wrote a personal letter to Hall and asked for advice in regard to this matter of errors in the Clothing Book. I hate to make trouble for Guest, but if these are not corrected now, there will be no end to the trouble in the future. Rode Harvey to Thurston in the evening for exercise. Have felt "agueish" today, but hope I won't have any attacks. I must take some quinine.

This Week In History

On February 28-29, 1704, Indians attacked a settlement at Deerfield, Mass., killing 40 people and capturing 100 ... March 5, 1770, British troops fired into a Boston mob, killing five people, including the leader, a black man named Crispus Attucks; this incident later became known as the Boston Massacre ... March 1, 1784, Thomas Jefferson's proposal to ban slavery in new territory after the year 1802 was narrowly defeated ... March 4, 1789, the Constitution was declared to be in effect ... March 1, 1790, Congress passed the Census Act ... March 3, 1820, Senator Henry Clay's Missouri Compromise bill was passed by Congress: slavery was allowed in Missouri, but not elsewhere west of the Mississippi River, and north of the southern line of Missouri ... March 2, 1836, Texas declared its independence from Mexico ... February 28, 1854, the Republican Party was formed in Ripon, Wis.; the party opposed the Kansas-Nebraska Act which left the issue of slavery to a vote of the settlers, and instead pressed for an end to slavery ... March 1, 1875, Congress passed a Civil Rights Act, giving equal rights to blacks in public accommodations and jury duty (this act was invalidated by the Supreme Court in 1883) ... March 3, 1891, the Forest Reserve Act was passed, allowing the president to close public forest land to settlement for the establishment of national parks ... March 5, 1927, approximately 1,000 Marines landed in China to protect property from a civil war taking place there ... March 1, 1932, Charles Lindbergh, Jr., was kidnapped ... February 28, 1951, Senator Estes Kefauver, who led a Senate investigation into organized crime, said in a preliminary report that the gambling take alone was over \$20 billion a year ...



2nd Lieut Francis Henry French (USMA, 79)

Wednesday, March 7 1883

Raining all day, so that I did not send out the couriers as I had intended. Ordered Harvey brought in from the herd in the afternoon as there was a prospect of cessation to the rain, but it commenced again before he came in and I was compelled to give up my ride.

Wrote a letter home today, practiced and read "The Fixed Period" by Trollope. Do not fully understand the book, but think it is a kind of satire, but on what subject cannot tell yet. Perhaps when the book is finished I may learn more about it. Thank goodness the mail is due tomorrow. Time is passing along slowly, but today ends the first week of the month. Soon it will be time to prepare another pay account, but I am going to try to see if it is possible to get along without drawing my pay this month. Somehow or other today I have been thinking a great deal about getting married, and having a home of my own. But I must put all such thoughts aside until Lula and Sue, at least, are married. Think I shall study Ives' Military Law and refresh my memory on this important part of my profession.

(To be continued next week)

UNITED STATES SENATE

CAPITOL COMMENT

U.S. SENATOR

KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON

Ducking the Issue of Regulatory Reform

In many parts of Texas, the hunting season is second only to the football season in terms of anticipation and enjoyment. Any threat to interrupt that favorite fall ritual is as disturbing as an insult to the Alamo.

So opponents of the regulatory reform initiative now underway in Congress hit a nerve with their claims last week that bills to impose a moratorium on new government rules and regulations would force cancellation of next fall's duck-hunting season. While sure to ruffle feathers, such assertions are in error.

In fact, the regulatory moratorium bills now moving through both houses of Congress specifically exempt routine administrative regulations. The process by which the Department of the Interior and state wildlife officials set bag limits and schedule hunting season is, clearly, a routine administrative procedure. It would continue uninterrupted.

This is a prime example of the famed "Washington Monument Syndrome." When you are going to do something that bureaucrats don't like, they devise the most objectionable result possible — and try to blame the reformers for it.

Hunters — and the rest of Texas — shouldn't be decoyed by this scare tactic. Those quacking that hunting season is threatened and the duck stamps cancelled have another target in mind entirely: Preserving their unfettered regulatory authority.

In reality, the national interest is best served by imposing a moratorium to compel review of some of the more destructive — and at times silly — examples of regulatory overkill. As Texans know all too well, the federal government's ruling-making practices are having a negative affect on private property rights — and property values. Layers of rules hamper small business and put onerous financial burdens on states and communities.

Excessive, ill-conceived, arbitrary regulation curbs growth and holds down productivity. Regulatory excess is imposed at a significant cost to taxpayers, but is providing few, tangible benefits.

Item: Regulators have ordered a Kansas City bank to put a Braille keypad on a drive-through automatic teller machine.

Item: The Department of Agriculture has required California fruitgrowers to trash millions of pounds of otherwise good peaches and nectarines simply because they were smaller than federal standards permitted.

Item: And then there is the couple in Broad Channel, New York, who were threatened with \$30,000 in fines for building a deck on their home — because the deck cast a shadow on a designated wetland area.

The above are examples of what we want to change. Those of us in Congress who advocate regulatory reform aren't out to destroy the duck-hunting season — or anything else worth preserving. But we do want to improve the regulatory process, to make it a trustworthy servant of the American people rather than their dictator.

Truth lies within a little and certain compass, but error is immense.

—Henry St. John, Viscount Bolingbroke

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Project may be inspected and bid packages obtained by contacting Bea Porter, 210/563-2494. Sealed bids must be received by John Vernon Cook, General Manager, P.O. Box 345, Brackettville TX 78832, no later than 2:00 p.m. Thursday, March 16, 1995, and then publicly opened and read in the General Manager's Office. Any proposal received after the time set for opening thereof will be returned to the bidder unopened.

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Saving Money on Your Insurance

BY ELTON BOMER
Texas Commissioner of Insurance

"Insurance Tips for Texans With Disabilities"

If you're one of the 3.5 million Texans with a disability, state law gives you certain rights when it comes to your insurance.

The Texas Department of Insurance (TDI) wants you to know these rights and how to make them work for you. We have just published a 12-page booklet—in accessible format—called *What Texans with Disabilities Should Know About Insurance*.

You can get your free copy of this booklet by calling TDI, toll-free, at 1 800 599-7467.

State law says an insurance company can't deny you a policy unless its action is "based on sound actuarial principles, or is related to actual or reasonably anticipated experience."

This means a disability should not keep you from getting insurance unless a company can show you are more likely to have claims than people the company is willing to insure. The same goes for canceling or refusing to renew your policy, charging a higher premium or refusing to pay a valid claim.

In other words, you should get the same consideration and the same access to insurance as applicants without disabilities when your disability doesn't increase your risk of a claim.

There are cases where a disability makes you a greater insurance risk and cases where it does not. Here are two examples from the new booklet:

• A person with an uncorrectable vision problem is a high risk for an automobile insurance policy but— all else being equal—is no riskier than anybody else for a health insurance policy.

• A recent cancer patient usually represents a higher risk for health insurance but not for a homeowners policy.

Remember, it is the company's responsibility to demonstrate that you are a higher risk.

It is important to answer truthfully any health questions on an application for insurance. Failure to do so could jeopardize future claims or even result in cancellation of the policy.

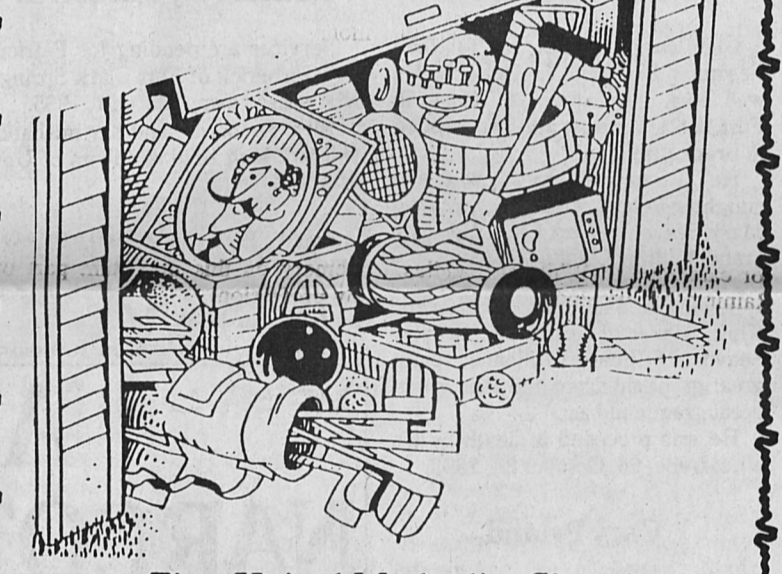
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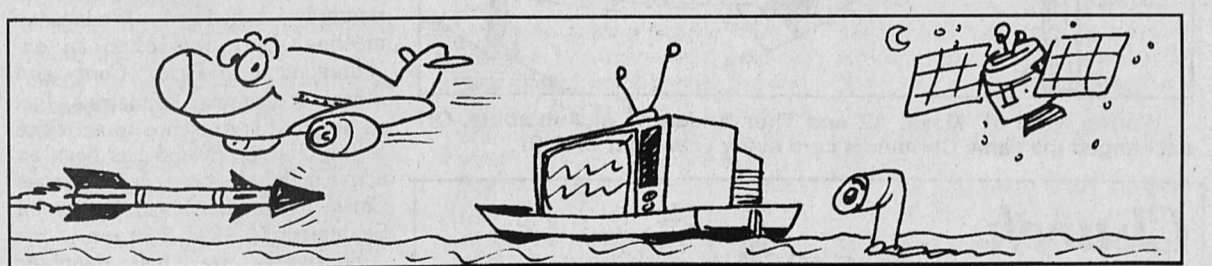
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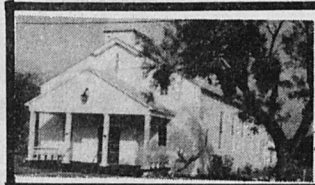
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First Baptist Church
Rev. Gil Ash, Pastor

"The Pastor's Pen"

This past Sunday evening was one of only two times a year in which Brackettville First Baptist Church dismisses a service in lieu of something else. It was something special. It started at First Baptist in Uvalde. There were two parts to it, a music festival and an evangelism conference. The afternoon music festival was filled with singing by choirs and soloists, duets, instrumentalists, and people who just enjoy listening to music. It was a wonderful time that encouraged and helped to prepare us for the session that wouldn't begin until after supper (If you know anything about Baptists, you know that they will work eating into their schedule.)

The evening service started with a combined choir of voices (more than 100) from participating churches that came from as far as Del Rio, Hondo, Quemado, and Barksdale. The church was filled to near capacity and when the congregational singing began the walls were close to reverberating from the sound. After special music (a baritone soloist), and a testimony from nineteen year old Javier Rodriguez of Del Rio, who shared how God had changed his life from a life of drugs and alcohol because of the faithful witness of someone telling him about Jesus, we then heard from Dr. George Harris of First Baptist Church Castle Hills in San Antonio.

His manner and style of preaching was one which evoked emotions of genuine concern as well as laughter from the listeners. He shared a message of great importance and one which many pastors are afraid to deliver for fear of reprisal. The theme was, *don't be deceived into thinking you are saved and going to heaven when you die just because you are a member of a church.*

From time to time I have shared a similar message, not as eloquently as Dr. Harris but the theme was there nevertheless. You see Baptists don't go to heaven. Neither do Methodists nor Pentecostals. Only Christians go to heaven. People don't go to heaven because of their church membership. Heaven becomes their destination because of their belief in the death and resurrection of Jesus as the Son of God, confession of sin, repentance of sin, and asking Jesus for forgiveness of sin. There is no other way to get to heaven. Money can't buy entrance. Church membership won't get it. And no one can be good enough to merit heaven. Do you want to go to heaven?

There is no time like the present to get ready for the trip. Call the church office (563-2245) and I will be glad to help you make arrangements for the trip.

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Each Friday Night at 6:00 P.M.
Spanish Service By Rev. Israel Rodriguez
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Everyone Welcome!

Sunday School and Worship
Each Sunday beginning at 9:45 a.m.
Fellowship Hall, First Baptist Church



St. John's Baptist Church

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

PRaise THE LORD.
COME GROW WITH US IN THE LORD
Services each night at 6:00 p.m. Everyone invited.

SUNDAY SERVICES

9:45 am Sunday School; 11:00 am Worship Service; 6:00 pm Bible Study

I will bless the Lord at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth.

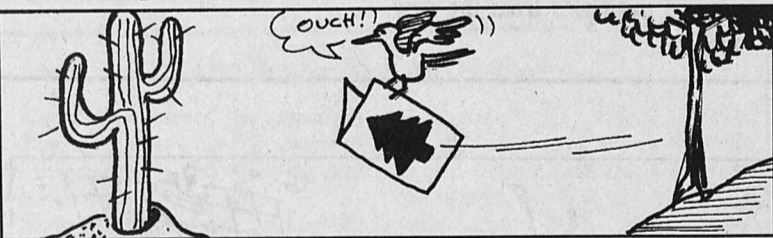
My soul shall make her boast in the Lord; the humble shall hear of it, and be glad.

Oh, magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt His name together.

Psalms 34:1-3

St. John's Baptist Church will host the **Guadalupe Landmark District Association Music Festival at 8:00 p.m., Friday, March 3, 1995, Town Hall, Fort Clark Springs.** Rev. Dr. A.J. Malone, Sr. will serve as Moderator. **EVERYONE IS INVITED.**

The nightly 6:00 worship service will be held at St. John's Baptist Church preceeding the Music Festival.



Warren Nord of Mesa, AZ and Thor Andersen of Ashtabula, OH exchanged the same Christmas card every year from 1930-87.

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 Services 11:00 am, 6:00 pm, Joe Townsend, Pastor, 563-2158.
- First Baptist Church (A Southern Baptist Church):** 307 N. Ann St., Sunday School 9:45 am, Sunday Worship 11:00 am and 7:00 pm, Wednesday Worship 7:00 pm, Gil Ash, Pastor, 563-2245.
- Baptist Hispanic Mission,** 307 N. Ann Street, Friday, 6:00 pm, Rev. Israel Rodriguez, Pastor.
- Church of Christ:** N. Ann St., Sunday School 9:30 am, Worship Service 10:30 am, Bible Study Sunday 6:30 pm, Wednesday 7:00 pm.
- St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church:** Masses Monday and Friday 7:00 am, Wednesday and Saturday 6:30 pm, Sunday (Spanish) 8:00 am, Regular 10:30 am, Confession Wednesday and Saturday 6:00 pm, Religion Classes Wednesday 6:00 pm Sunday 9:00 am. Prayer Meeting (Spanish) Wednesday 7:00 pm, Dr. David G. Zumaya, Pastor.
- First United Methodist Church:** "Celebrate and Witness" Fellowship 9:30 am, Church School Classes 9:45 am, Service of Worship 11:00 am, Choir Rehearsal Wednesday 5:00 pm, Gordon Miller, Pastor.
- St. John's Baptist Church:** Crockett at Keene St., Sunday School 10:00 am, Worship 11:00 am, Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm, Worship Service Thursday 7:00 pm, William P. Adams, Sr., Pastor, 563-9175.
- Lutheran Congregation:** 1st and 3rd Saturdays, 6 p.m., Shafter Hall, FCS, 563-2047.
- Templo Elm Asamba de Dios:** North Street, Sunday 10:00 am and 6:00 pm, Wednesday and Friday, 7:00 pm, Rev. Abundio Mancha, Pastor, 563-9237.
- Jerusalem Temple,** 514 East Louis St., Sunday School 10:00 a.m., Sunday Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.
- Gateway Ministries (Non-Denominational)** 301 E. Spring St. (across from post office), Praise & Worship Fellowship Sunday 10:00 a.m. Bible Study Wednesday 6:30 p.m. Robert W. Corey, Pastor, Charolette Corey, Associate Pastor, 563-9331



Frontier Baptist Church
Rev. Joe Townsend, Pastor

Sunday will truly be a high light day at Frontier Baptist Church. The focus of the day will be a message from the Word of God by the pastor.

It will be enhanced by selections by the Mighty Chimes. This is a group that plays Carillon Bells emphasizing religious music.

The morning worship will be followed by observance of the Lords Supper. This will be followed by the Fellowship Luncheon where everyone will enjoy a spacious meal garnished with rich fellowship.

Jeremiah quotes God as saying "I have loved thee with an everlasting love." This love is the central theme of the Bible and the central truth about God. This love underlies the trying experiences of life.

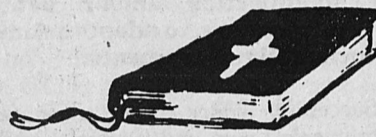
This is divine love; a warm compassionate filial love. This love is limitless; beyond the vanishing point. It is unlimited by space, by numbers, by need.

God's love is a personal love. "I have loved thee" is the declaration of God. It is hard to fully realize the great love of God. Not being God we cannot understand such love.

This does not, however, lessen the magnitude and depth of God's love.

Sunday will be an opportunity to worship and enjoy rich fellowship with God and other Christians. Come and see.

Obituary



Nelson Wayne Jones

Nelson Wayne Jones, formerly of Uvalde, died at his Brackettville home Friday, February 24, 1995, about 5:15 p.m.

He was born December 18, 1943, in Nixon, Texas. Telephone customers in Kinney County will recall Mr. Jones as the friendly, helpful friend who worked for Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, based in Brackettville.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m., Monday, February 27, at the Rushing-Estes-Knowles Chapel in Uvalde with Rev. Bill Jenkins of-

ficiating. Burial followed at Hillcrest Cemetery, Uvalde.

Survivors included his sons Rodger Jones of Austin and Randall Jones of San Marcos; daughter Glendalyn Jones of Uvalde; sister Loretta Jenkins of Wharton; and fiance Trine Juarez of Brackettville.

Pallbearers were Frank Harrison, Rodger Roosa, Ray Scott, Rex McCord, Jimmy Placencia, and Tommy Taylor. Honorary pallbearers were Terry Harrison, Duke Slade, David Rankin, Bob Shackelford, Randy Castilla, and Woody Massingill.

Glen H. Seaver, Sr.

Glen Harold Seaver, Sr., 90, died February 27, 1995, in Del Rio. He was born November 28, 1904, in Fort Scott, Kansas, and had resided in Brackettville.

He is survived by a son and daughter-in-law, Glen H. Jr. and Mary Seaver of Fort Clark Springs; grandchildren Claudia Hopkins and Barbara Stillwell of Del Rio, Georgia Williams of San Diego, California, Khris Seaver of Grapevine, Bradley Seaver of Foley, Alabama; eight great grandchildren; and four great-great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Irene, 65, October 28, 1993.

Gary Pyland

Gary Pyland, age 48, son of Chester and Lucille (deceased) Pyland was born September 3, 1946, in Wardell, Missouri and died Wednesday, February 22, 1995, at his Brackettville home.

Burial was at the Kinney County Cemetery on Friday, February 24, 1995, with Pastor Robert W. Corey, Gateway Ministries, Inc., Brackettville, officiating.

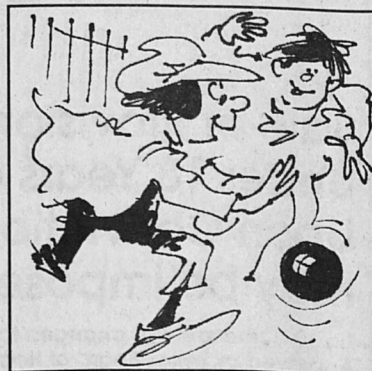
Cause of death was determined as having been a massive heart attack which probably occurred before lunch on Wednesday. Pyland's pastor and friend, Robert W. Corey, found him at his home at 4:30 p.m. when he went to check on Gary for their regularly scheduled Wednesday meeting. Gary was often an encouragement to Pastor Corey and others at Gateway Ministries, Inc. as he lent his presence to activities at the church. Pyland has been an active member since receiving Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior on September 14, 1994, 2:30 a.m.

Survivors are his daughter Shelley Pyland Lyons and her infant son of Houston; a brother, Terry Pyland of Indiana; a nephew, Randy Pyland of Indiana; and numerous cousins and nephews.

In attendance were local family members Ron and Jana Ring and daughter Jene McDonald all of Fort Clark Springs along with several other friends from Brackettville and Fort Clark.

The family would like to thank the County of Kinney, Brackettville Funeral Home, and Gateway Ministries, Inc. for their kind efforts and honor shown to Gary's memory.

If anyone wishes to make a donation in Gary's memory, please make them to Gateway Ministries, Inc., P.O. Box 1449, Brackettville TX 78832.



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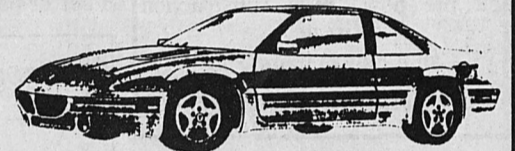
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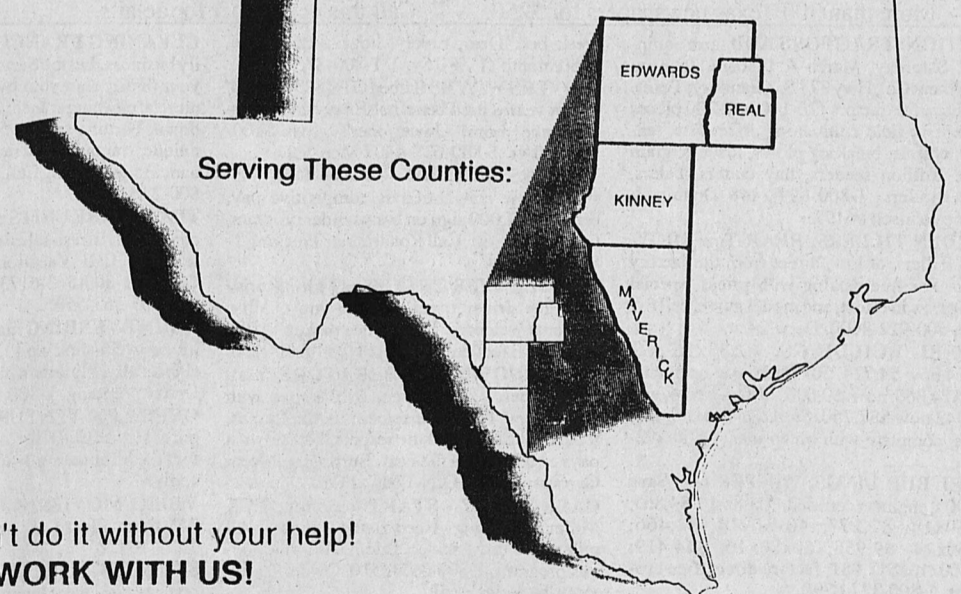
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County Agent News
by Alan L. McWilliams



This week's articles contains some brief things that have caught my attention this past week which I thought I would share with you.

BARBECUED BARRELS

It's the new fad of backyard cooking and its got backyard cooks taking notice. For centuries, wine makers have discarded their 5 and 10-year old oak barrels and have replaced them with new ones. These wine-soaked wood barrels had few applications other than planters or other decorative uses. But recently an enterprising company in Pleasanton, Texas, has been grinding up these discarded barrels and bagging the wood chips to add the distinct flavor of wine and oak wood to grilled foods. Reports say that the combination of wine and oak creates a distinctive flavor almost impossible to imitate with ordinary charcoal alone. Red wine barrels are used because of the rich taste and aroma that red wines creates with meat products. Such a small amount of chips are needed that a pound bag could last an entire season. But outdoor cooking enthusiasts may need more. Retail costs of a pound bag will average three dollars. The bags being sold have some instructions on the different ways to use the wood chips. Bags should start showing up in area grocery stores soon.

ANTS OR TERMITES: HOW DO YOU TELL THEM APART?

Over the next few weeks, two major pests will start to appear in Texas homes: carpenter ants and termites. Every spring, these insects emerge from underground nests or aboveground wall nests and enter a mating flight that people are likely to see around their house. It is important to recognize ants or termites when they appear in a house, as well as know how to tell them apart.

Carpenter ants and termites are easily distinguishable if people just look at them closely. Carpenter ant's waists are very pinched and constricted and their wings are a little unequal in length, whereas termite wings are more uniform in length. Carpenter ant antennae are bent in the middle, but termites have a straight bead-like antennae. Carpenter ants do very little damage because they don't eat the wood. Termites, on the other hand, will nibble away at a structure over time and cause a lot of damage.

Every year in Texas, termites are responsible for half a billion dollars worth of damage in homes. If you find signs of termites in your home call a reputable pest control company. And also ask if the company is a member of the Texas Pest Control Association, because that can often mean that the company has a commitment to professionalism and ongoing training.

GETTING SPRINGS GARDENS GOING

While it may seem like springtime weather, with the exception of South Texas, most of the state is still subject to a plant-killing freeze. If you must get going with the garden, first get a soil test done to find out what soil fertility you are dealing with. That way you can tell exactly what kind of fertilizer to use. In this county the average last frost date is around March 15th, but many times we do not see one occurring that late. Just to be sure, if you are planning a garden, you may want to hold off for another week or two, to prevent new vegetables from coming up only to be killed by a late freeze.

IT'S A BOY!

Blake Patrick Bitter



Kelsey Patricia is proud to have a little brother born February 1, 1995, 8:09 p.m., Humana Medical City Hospital, Dallas, Texas. Blake Patrick weighed 9 pounds 10 ounces and measured 22 inches in length. Proud parents are Sharon and David Bitters of Double Oak, Texas.

Blake is the ninth grandchild for Mr. and Mrs. Richard Klimitchek, Sr. of Ezzell, Texas, and the second

WONDERING WHAT THE WARM WEATHER MEANS TO FRUIT TREES

Peach and apple trees require exposure to what are referred to as chilling hours. That is, they need a certain number of hours below 45 degrees F before they bloom in a normal fashion. For the major peach growing areas, this is usually from 750 to 850 hours. This winter to date we are running about 200 hours below normal for February 1, so we expect to see at least mild effects in some areas. Since the cold hours experienced in Texas range from a low of around 150 in the Rio Grande Valley to well over 1000 in the Panhandle, having the varieties in the proper area is critical.

Since people always seem to want to try to put varieties out of place, there are many high chilling varieties being grown in the medium chill area. This is OK in most years, but in a year like this one, these plants are in trouble.

The first symptom we see is a delayed bloom and lack of fruit set. On those trees that do set a crop we often see more pointed, misshapen fruit that is of lower quality than normal. Also, the bloom on these trees is more susceptible to freezing weather because they are weaker than normal. In 1989, the last year we experienced lack of chill to this extent, a very poor crop was produced on a statewide basis. The weather was warmer than normal for most of the winter, much like it has been this winter. Then there was a mild freeze which killed most of the fruit that had set.

However, Texas fruit growers were very fortunate this year in that an emergency label was granted by the EPA and Texas Department of Agriculture for the use of Dormex to overcome any ill effects of low chilling. This is a product that, when applied to fruit trees, takes the place of the chilling hour requirement of the tree. It is approved for use in commercial orchard production only, which means the homeowner cannot purchase and use the product. But it is good news for the commercial growers and orchards should be spared from the damaging effects of low chilling hours this year.

CHECKLIST FOR MARCH

- It is time to prepare now for flowers and vegetables.
 - For every 100 square feet of bed area, work in several inches of compost, pine bark or peat moss, plus 5 pounds of a balanced fertilizer.
 - Pruning of evergreens and summer flowering trees and shrubs should be completed in early March. Prune spring trees and shrubs as soon as they are finished blooming.
 - Beware of close-out sales on bare-root trees and shrubs. The chance of survival is rather low on bare-root plants this late in the season. Your best bet at this time of year is to depend on container-grown or balled-and-burlapped plants for landscape use.
 - Dig and divide summer and fall flowering perennials just before they initiate their spring growth.
- Don't forget about Dr. Jerry Parsons' educational program on March 9, 1995, at 10:00 a.m. at the Town Hall at Fort Clark Springs.**
- If you need more information on any subject discussed in this article call or come by the Kinney County office of the Texas Agriculture Extension Service located on the second floor of the county courthouse, 563-2442.

Making A Difference
By TAYLOR STEPHENSON
BISD Curriculum Director

BISD Science Fair 1995

It was a good show! Judge Bob Young, a retired science teacher, said, "300% improvement from last year. Entries were more consistent with project goals. I was very impressed with the efforts of the students and with those of Mrs. Crumley." Bob was a fine teacher who knows science. His comments are the basis for the pride expressed in this week's topic: Science Fair, 1995.

There were lots of entries: 28 high school students, 2 elementary class projects and 16 entries from grades 3-8. Denice Frerich was the Grand Champion with the highest points in the fair. (She was out of school with another school sponsored activity at the time the accompanying pictures were made). The Reserve Champion was Brandy Meeks who had the second highest points in the fair. Students have been working on their projects for 6 weeks. Karen Crumley, BHS science teacher-science fair enthusiast, was well pleased with the quality of work and interest shown by students. According to Crumley, this is the first time that our students have prepared projects where the winners can enter a Regional Science Fair. (The winners will enter the Del Rio Fair on Friday, March 10).

The project is sponsored and funded by the science club which raises money through a carnival booth and cake raffle! Mrs. Crumley advises, "Now, we're broke!" The project was a smashing success. Students were given a first hand knowledge of the use of the scientific method in researching a hypothesis and in reporting the results. Many students found the actual process of formulating the hypothesis, stating the problem, preparing the data and writing the conclusions was indeed the hardest part of the problem. Most projects were within the range of our students. Where the stretch occurred came after the results were known. How do you write the results in a scientific way so that others will be able to understand the research? That was the challenge. Our BISD students met it head-on.

Projects were beautifully displayed in the BISD Library which became the scene of displays dedicated to the advancement of scientific research. All projects were displayed on boards that enhanced the presentation of the research. I want to report on my interviews with three students who won the best of level in their respective divisions. I could not write on all projects, or even all winners. There is a complete list of all winners in *The Brackett News*.

April Crumley: Best of Level Winner: Grades 3-6. Project: A Solar Oven.

Temperature was taken at different times of the day. Foil reflected the sun which reached 150 degrees. Results showed the sun to be an excellent source for cooking through solar energy. April did most of her work at home with one day of testing her hypothesis at school.

She had fun and was excited about the science fair.

Michelle Villarreal: Best of level Winner: Grades 6-8.

Project: An Experiment With Soil Michelle's hypothesis was what organic material drains water the best? She analyzed 3 types of soil, and poured water through the three. The soil with the rock drained water the best and was the most fertile according to Michelle. She had fun and was glad that she entered. Her work was primarily done at home.

Denice Frerich: Best of Level, grades 9-12. Her project was "Do Cloves Kill The Bacteria Growth In Stew?"

Denice used beakers with stew -- with and without cloves -- to prove her hypothesis. She used an incubator to speed up the growth of bacteria and proved that the bacteria growth in stew is retarded with cloves.

Denice is a junior at BHS who is currently enrolled in Biology II and Physics. She plans to major in Physical Therapy in college and will find her BISD science background will enhance her choice of a career. Denice looks forward to the regional fair. She enjoyed the project.

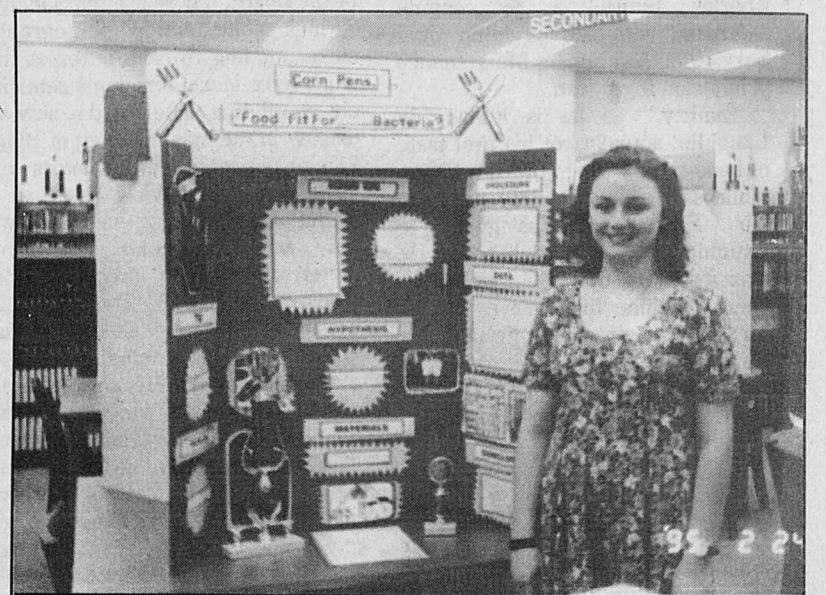
Please check out the list of winners. The second grade won best of level for K-2 division. First place winners in the fair included: Kindergarten (Ms. Wallace's class), second grade, Jonathan Denman, Megan McWilliams, April Crumley, Michelle Villarreal, Brandy Meeks, Denice Frerich, and Alfred Rodriguez. Folks, this is a grand venture. Mrs. Crumley works hard every day at making science something that students do that goes beyond just reading and talking about it.

The projects that I saw were excellent. I am proud of all students, but a special salute to the winners.

This week, for making a difference, I congratulate all students who entered the Science Fair, 1995! Good show.



1995 Science Fair Best of Level April Crumley



1995 Science Fair Reserve Champion Brandy Meeks



1995 Science Fair Blue Ribbon Winner Physics Class

Science Fair Winners

- LEVEL K-2**
1st place - Physical Science - Kindergarten
Ms. Wallace's Class
1st Place Life Science - 2nd grade
Best of level - 2nd Grade

- Level 3-6**
EARTH SCIENCE
1st Place - Jonathan Denman
2nd Place - Jesse Smith
3rd Place - Adam Caton

- LIFE SCIENCE**
1st Place - Megan McWilliams
2nd Place - Victor Hernandez
3rd Place - Nicole Mata

- PHYSICAL SCIENCE**
1st Place - April Crumley
2nd Place - Lacey Dodson
3rd Place - Douglas Sanchez
BEST OF LEVEL - APRIL CRUMLEY

- Level 7-8**
EARTH SCIENCE
1st Place and Best of Level
Michelle Villarreal

- Level 9 - 12**
EARTH SCIENCE
1st Place - Brandy Meeks
2nd Place - Renee Miller
3rd Place - David Melancon

- LIFE SCIENCE**
1st Place - Denice Frerich
2nd Place - Josh Crumley
3rd Place - Amy Bader

- PHYSICAL SCIENCE**
1st Place - Alfred Rodriguez
2nd Place - Jared Shahan
3rd Place - Christina Meek

BEST OF 9-12 LEVEL - Denice Frerich

RESERVE CHAMPION
(2nd Highest Points in Fair)
Brandy Meeks

GRAND CHAMPION
(Highest Points In The Fair)
Denice Frerich

1995

PERFECT ATTENDANCE JONES ELEMENTARY 4th Six Weeks

PRE-KINDERGARTEN
Isaac Benites, Maria Juarez, Eduar-do Pena

KINDERGARTEN
David Cano, Dolores Cano, Stanford Conoly, Robert Davis, Seth Frerich, Arnulfo Garcia, Ashley Gary, Diana Hernandez, Lisa Morgan, Chad Roberts, Adam Sandoval, Natasha Smith

FIRST GRADE
Karla Benites, John Braesicke, Rigoberto Cano, Jacquelyn Conoly, Vanessa Cook, Victoria Cook, Maria DeLeon, Roy Estrada, Gene Garcia, Cassandra Gomez, David Gomez, Liliana Hernandez, Francisco Hidalgo, Walter Mencias, Matthew Mills, Sabrina Morin, Cesar Ortiz, Yasmin Pena, Victoria Resendez, Joaquin Rivas, Robert Sanchez, Abel Talamantes, Justin Ward

Honor Roll Jones Elementary 4th Six Weeks

SECOND GRADE
Clarissa Aguirre, Juliann Ashabraner, Michael Blain, Stephanie Bonner, Tillman Davis, Jaclynn Duncan, Raul Escamilla, Gregorio Estrada, Sara Farias, Courtney Frerich, Ryan Garcia, Monica Gonzalez, Jared Grubbs, Whitney Hobbs, Stevie

Juarez, Julisa Luna, Whitney Massingill, Kristin Meyer, Jose Montalvo, Anthony Munoz, Rolando Ortiz, Divina Pena, Edith Rios, Oscar Sierra, Ray Smith, Jesus Talamantes, Noe Talamantes, Bernave Terrazas, Celina Terrazas, Valerie Terrazas, Crystal Vasquez, Vanessa Williams

THIRD GRADE
Elizabeth Ballew, Priscilla Benites, Stacey Castilla, Stephanie Coronado, Katherine Cowan, Amanda Davis, Dietrich Davis, Ryan Frerich, Vanessa Glass, Jesse Gonzalez, Nancy Hill, Tony Jamail,

Allison LaMascus, David Lattimer, Bessie Martin, Emily Petrosky, Arnold Pinales, Ashley Smith, Jason Smith, Jesse Smith, Stacy Terrazas, Jessica Vara, Blake Ward, Johnathon Worden

FOURTH GRADE
Jason Bostick, Amanda Cruz, Jared Hobbs, Maria Martinez, Megan McWilliams, Laura Negrete

FIFTH GRADE
Lloyd Davis, Susannah Davis, Levi Duncan, Joshua Garey, Duquesa Hunt, Brandi Wilson



Little League Meetings

Thursday, March 9, 1995, 6:30 p.m.
Kinney County Courthouse
Election of Officers (11 needed)
Sign up for managers, coaches, umpires, scorekeepers

Monday, March 6, 3:45 - 5:30
Front of Jones Elementary School
Little League Registration
T-Ball, Major - Sr Softball, Major - Sr Baseball
Parents must bring birth certificate, fill out registration and pay \$10.00 per child

LCSAM Craftsman

LAUGHLIN AFB — In some fashion or another, we can all relate to the interior decoration of our work facilities. Whether it's an organizational trophy case in the main hallway or an assortment of wall and furniture memorabilia in and around our office and other work areas, these decorations symbolize our achievements, awards, and other career milestones.

The vast majority of us take great pride in our plaques, certificates and similar devices, which frequently find a resting place in our homes and offices.

But few of us, if any, can lay claim to an elaborate 4 foot by 8 foot hand-crafted masterpiece that hung on the walls of the Pentagon in Washington, D.C., for a year. But Charles Smith, a jet engine mechanic with the Laughlin Civil Service Aircraft Maintenance propulsion flight, can.

"Smitty," as he is known on Laughlin, actually got his first taste of hand-craft work in the late 1980s, while still on active duty with the Air Force and assigned to Laughlin's jet engine branch. He was asked to operate a photo etching machine to engrave plaques for various maintenance awards.

As Smitty became more proficient in photo etching, he was asked to produce plaques for other wing awards and recognition ceremonies, such as officer, non-commissioned officer, airman and civilian of the quarter, retirement and farewell and other events. During that time, he began to expand his work to include wood-working and fabrication of his own innovative designs.

Then in 1988, Smitty assembled Laughlin's first "Branding Iron" mounted on an oversized decorative piece of wood, complete with rope outline and depicting Laughlin's "XL" motto. This branding iron design is still used for presentation

to special dignitaries and the base's senior leaders upon their departure from the base.

The 4 foot by 8 foot display actually came about following LCSAM's winning of the Air Force Daedalian Award in 1992 as the best aircraft maintenance unit in the Air Force. Pentagon officials invited LCSAM to craft a display for the Daedalian trophy for the year that Laughlin would retain the Daedalian trophy.

The display created by Smitty depicts a typical sunrise at Laughlin, with a replica of Texas in the center and an "XL" etched in the area of the state where Laughlin is located. Replica of the Air Training Command and 47th Flying Training Wing emblems along with the Daedalian trophy are across the top of the board. There are ten 5 inch x 7 inch color action photographs corresponding to each letter of the work Excellence, forming a semicircle over Texas. The board is now on display in the main hallway of Bldg. 215 on Laughlin, and visitors are always welcome to view it.

But woodworking isn't Smitty's only accomplishments. He completely fabricated aircraft model displays of the T-37 Tweet and T-1A Jayhawk aircraft used at special wing functions, including annual awards banquets. He also built an attractive pillars/wing emblem display for the Laughlin Officers' Club, resembling a coat of arms. The display is in the club's ballroom and significantly enhances the club's appearance. The display was specifically requested by Laughlin's former wing commander, Brig. Gen. Ken Hess, before his departure from Laughlin.

One might wonder how Smitty can complete such meticulous and time consuming projects and still perform his normal jet engine repair duties. His answer to that question is simple, "I treat them just like normal self-help projects and work on them as time permits."

Obituary



Billie C. Lewis

Funeral services were scheduled for 4:00 p.m. Thursday, March 2, 1995, at the First Christian Church, Del Rio, for Billie C. Lewis.

Mr. Lewis was born in Gilmer, Texas, on February 4, 1905 and moved with his family to Kaufman, Texas, where he attended the local schools and after graduation attended Southern Methodist University in Dallas. He was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity.

The depression days were upon him and he had to quit college only to return to his home town of Kaufman to work in the County Clerk's office. He was hired by a local Abstract Company in Kaufman and later was told of a job in Del Rio by a realtor by the name of Stanford Payne who came from Kaufman to Del Rio. Mr. Lewis was hired by the then owners of Southwest Abstract Company who were Judge John Foster, Phil B. Foster and R. L. Miers.

The depression got so bad they could not pay his salary and in lieu of the salary, they deeded him their in-

terest in the Abstract Company which he owned and managed all his life.

Later he acquired the Val Verde Abstract Company also.

Mr. Lewis was a charter member of the First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Del Rio, an active member of the Del Rio Rotary Club and served as president in 1949 and 1950. He had been a member of the Masonic Lodge more than fifty years. He was a faithful member of the First Christian Church of Del Rio.

He married Flo Cauthorn on July 5, 1933 and she survives him. He is also survived by a son, Billie C. Lewis and daughter-in-law, Jeannie H. Lewis. Three grandchildren, Leslie Carolyn Lewis Dunbar of Brackettville, Gay Lynne Lewis Roberts of Roundrock, and Robert Blake Lewis of Del Rio, great granddaughters Taylor Lynne Dunbar and Jessica Arden Dunbar, Brackettville, also survive.

Pallbearers were Bobby Cauthorn, Jim Hardin, T.J. Jarrett, Henry Mills III, George B. Whitehead, F.H. Whitehead, Jr., Gerald Wilson, and David Winters. Honorary pallbearers were John Keyes Finegan, John R. Foster, Arturo Gonzalez, Haygood Gully, David Trent, and Drury Wood.

Funeral arrangements were by Del Rio Funderal Home.

Pointers For Parents

Protect Children From Fire

(NAPS)—The government and a number of American industries have joined forces with parents to help protect children from starting fires. Each year, children under five start more than 5,000 residential fires by playing with lighters—causing approximately 150 deaths and more than 1,000 injuries.

In an effort to reduce the number of child-set fires, the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission has established a new safety standard for lighters: all disposable and most novelty lighters must be child-resistant.

The Lighter Association, along with the Sleep Products Safety Council and the U.S. Fire Administration encourage using the new child-resistant lighters. These organizations remind parents and caretakers, however, that child-resistant does not mean childproof and that all lighters, matches and other ignitables should be kept out of the reach of children.

They also recommend these fire safety precautions:

- Install smoke detectors on every level of your house—near bedrooms, away from air vents. Familiarize children with the sound of the alarm. Test it monthly and replace its batteries at least once a year.
- Always dress children in pajamas at night because children's sleepwear meets federal flammability standards. Avoid dressing children for sleep in loose-fitting 100 percent cotton garments, such



Teach children to get out of the house quickly and not go back in if a fire starts.

as oversized T-shirts.

- Plan and practice an escape route out of every room of the house. Designate a meeting place outside.

- Replace mattresses made prior to the 1973 Federal Mattress Flammability Standard.

- Teach children basic fire safety rules: If a fire starts, do not hide, call for help. Do not fight a fire. Stay low in smoke. Get out quickly. Don't go back in. Stop, drop and roll if clothing catches fire. Go to a neighbor's house and call the fire department.

For more information about child fire and sleep safety, write for a copy of the Parent/Child Sleep Guide published by the Sleep Products Safety Council. Send one dollar in an envelope addressed to: Sleep Products Safety Council, P.O. Box 19534, Alexandria, VA 22320-0534.



Val Verde Courthouse Among 10 Most Endangered Historic Sites

The Texas Historical Commission (THC) named the historic Val Verde County Courthouse in Del Rio among Texas' 10 most endangered historic properties for 1995. These properties include some of the most architecturally and historically unique structures and neighborhoods in communities across the state. The announcement was made in a special ceremony during Preservation Day on February 22, 1995.

The Val Verde County Courthouse is one of the magnificent county courthouses built in the early days of statehood as symbols of law and order to encourage settlement on the frontier. Designed by Larmour and Watson and erected in 1887, the courthouse is clad in tan-colored limestone masonry with both Second Empire and Classical Revival elements. In 1915, famous architect Atlee B. Ayres "modernized" the courthouse by altering the entry porticos and other elements with more Classical details. Lack of adequate funds for restoration endangers this landmark.

By citing 10 examples each year, the THC, which is the state agency for historic preservation, hopes to generate interest in the many threatened sites across the state. According to a study conducted by the THC, more than 500 endangered historic properties and archeological sites in Texas are falling into ruin or are being destroyed out of neglect, vandalism, and lack of knowledge of their significance.

Without a stable source of rehabilitation funding many of Texas' landmarks may be lost. The Texas Preservation Trust Fund, a program of the THC, was established in the state treasury by the Texas Legislature in 1989 as an interest-earning pool of public and private money. The Trust Fund enables the THC to accept donations from various sources including federal and state grant appropriations, foundation and corporate grants, and gifts from private individuals and estates. In turn, the Trust Fund allows the THC to allocate funds in the form of grants and/or low-interest loans to worthy architectural and archeological projects.

Other properties included among the 10 most endangered are: The Rice Hotel in Houston; The Bungalow Colony at Kelly Air Force Base; The Tenth Street Historic District in Dallas' Oak Cliff; The Walker Ranch National Register District in San Antonio; U.S. Highway 66 Sites in the Texas Panhandle; The Kraigher House in Brownsville; Saint Dominic's Church in D'Hanis; Love Tabernacle in Rockdale; and The Historic Nueces County Courthouse in Corpus Christi.

For information on how to help preserve these notable reminders of Texas' heritage, contact the THC, P.O. Box 12276, Austin TX 78711-2276, or call 512-463-6094.

As always, victory finds a hundred fathers but defeat is an orphan.

—Count Galeazzo Ciano

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Doris Haby, American Sheep Industry Women's Lamb Promotion Chairman, has initiated a Letter Writing Contest to encourage young people in Texas to take an interest in writing members of Congress. The contest is open to Texas High School Students in grades 9-12. Letters must go to a U.S. Senator or Representative from Texas.

agriculture. Address the member of Congress properly, be polite, be specific, be concise, and use examples to support your position on why private property rights are important to Texas.

Letters will be judged in June by qualified leaders. The original letters will be mailed to the particular members of Congress in June.

SUBJECT

"Why Private Property Rights Are Important To Texas"

Entries must be postmarked by May 31, 1995, and mailed to:

Doris Haby
P.O. Box 1496
Brackettville TX 78832
Phone 210-563-9316

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Mrs. Haby has announced a second contest that has all the basic rules as to entry eligibility, time lines, and general information. The only difference is the subject and the prizes. This contest, too, is to be mailed to Mrs. Haby.

SUBJECT "Why Agriculture Is Important To The Student's State"

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