



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



Past district governor Jim McKeown, representing District 5840, presented the Golden Anniversary Certificate to President Stephenson and Charter Member Happy Shahan.

Brackett Rotary Celebrates 50th

When the Brackettville Rotary Club was called to order Thursday, March 23, 1995, by repeating the Pledge of Allegiance, singing America, and prayer by Rev. Joe Townsend, it was to celebrate its 50th Anniversary. The time was 7:00 p.m. and a steak dinner was served to members and guests at Las Moras Inn.

The Celebration of 50 Years of Service, 1945 - 1995, was presented with reminiscing of Happy Shahan, the only surviving charter member, Allen Kreiger, Sr., and Joe Townsend. They related triumphs and struggles of the club. Currently there are 18 members, meetings are at Las Moras Inn each Thursday at noon. Almost every meeting there are Rotarians from Del Rio, Uvalde, Eagle Pass and elsewhere as guests.

The club has Six Paul Harris fellows, an elevated honorary status. They are Happy Shahan, Allen Kreiger Sr., Joe Townsend, Lingo Sandoval, Don Ralston, and Tino Guzman. The Del Rio Club presented a check for \$100 to Mr. Stephenson to be applied toward another Paul Harris membership.

Other guests were Cherry Rinehart of Del Rio, Charles Emily Wilson of Brackettville, and spouses of members.

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4 Running For 3 BISD Board Jobs

All properly registered voters in Kinney County are eligible to vote for trustees to the Brackett Independent School District. Three positions are to be filled.

Incumbents Gloria Garza Garcia and Darlene Shahan filed for reelection. Joining them in the race are Lloyd Lee Davis, Jr., a former board member, and Steven LaMascus.

Board members are elected at-large and will fill slots currently held by Mrs. Garcia, Mrs. Shahan, and Mrs. Jewel Robinson who opted not to seek another term.

Incumbents File For City Election

On May 6, 1995, when properly registered to vote city residents go to the polls to elect two council members they will find two incumbents running unopposed.

In Position I, Rudy Goodloe is asking to be returned to the seat he was recently appointed to.

In Position III, long-time veteran Ralph Gonzalez is seeking reelection.

Kinney County Chamber of Commerce Annual Bar-B-Q \$5.00 Per Plate Saturday, April 1, Noon, Columbus Park Rep. Pete P. Gallego Keynote Speaker Outstanding Citizen

County Oks AANTF Application

At 1:00 p.m. Thursday, March 23, 1995, the Kinney County Commissioners Court entered into a special session with Judge Tommy Seargeant presiding. All commissioners were present. Representatives from the Texas Department of Transportation were



Barry Williams, secretary of the 1994-95 Fort Clark Springs Board of Directors and the single carry-over member, administered the Oath of Office to the six newly elected directors. From left, they are Taylor Stephenson, Mary Mitchell, Mona Miller, Bill Haenn, Santos Yerena, and Frank Cheaney. The six, individually, received the highest numbers of votes cast for the ballot of eleven candidates.

FCS Celebrates 24th Annual Meeting March 25

Saturday, March 25, 1995, Fort Clark Springs members gathered at Town Hall to celebrate the 24th annual meeting. Minutes from last year were approved, current financial status was reviewed, and accomplishments were reiterated including additional RV spaces, paved cart trails on the 18-hole golf course, and renovations at Patton Hall.

Outgoing board members were recognized and presented a token gift of service: Dr. Robert Dixon, Micky Braun, J.E. Meil, Larry Walker, Tom Powell, and Howard Skelton. Special mention was made of Jack Legg and Dottie Gore, board members who died the past year, and Barbara Niemann and Val Finch

each of whom resigned due to ill health.

Members recognized for special services to the Fort the past year included Bill Haenn for re-organizing the Gun Club along with the development and dedication of the range as Schroeder Range; Ronnie and Connie Armbruster for painting signs on the Fort and joining John and Barbara Hunter and Cubie Kurtz, whom were also recognized, in painting the swimming pool; Roger Berset and Zack Davis for the palm trees now gracing the entrance to the Fort.

Dave and Irene Blair, ages 83 and 86, were named "Members of the Year" for daily picking up trash and

cans along Scales Road and other areas of the Fort.

Barry Williams, the one carry-over board member, administered the oath of office to newly-elected directors. Immediately following the close of the session, directors met to re-organize the board and elected the following officers: president, Frank Cheaney; vice president, Taylor Stephenson; secretary, Bill Haenn; and treasurer, Mona Miller.

Other members who had been on the ballot were Jewel Robinson, J.E. Meil, Larry Walker, Donald Smith, and Gaye Kurz.

At noon a Bar-B-Q meal was served at the Service Club to members.



From Pup To Paul Scale

Local rancher and youth supporter Jimbo Holland donated for auction one of his prize Border Collie pups to the 1995 Kinney County 4-H/Brackett FFA Livestock Show.

The pup netted \$1,000 for the youth. Last week that money was well spent.

Brackett FFA sponsor John Paul Schuster was able to negotiate with Schrick Enterprises of Weatherford, who discounted a state-of-the-line Paul Scale by about one-half, and purchased the scale at the San Angelo outlet.

The scale will benefit all Kinney County 4-H and Brackett FFA members who participate in livestock feeding programs. It will be used to weigh sheep, goats, pigs, and calves.

To demonstrate the scale's accuracy, durability, and versatility, from left, Kinney County 4-H Club Sweetheart Amy Bader, Brackett FFA Sweetheart Amber Davis, and right, Brackett FFA President Wil Shahan "weigh-in" Brackett AG teacher/FFA sponsor John Paul Schuster. They pronounced it "right on the money."

present to discuss the suggested contracted with Kinney County to complete courthouse restoration. Grant administrator Charlie Trost and county attorney Tully Shahan joined the court in opposing statements in the proposed grant contract that gave complete decision making to the state as to contractors and architects. It is the county's experience that since the job is small - replacement of metal doors and metal-framed windows - it would not be possible to find contractors who would bid on the job.

The county feels that competent craftsmen could be hired as has been the case for other phases of the renovation/ADA compliances. No agreement was reached other than Ms. Garcia was requested to take the county's explanation and situation back to her department.

On this particular grant application, the county would be responsible for 20% of matching funds (approximately \$11,000) and the Kinney County Historical Commission was willing to raise the matching funds but only if the contract was more favorable to the county.

The court approved a supplemental grant application for \$74,000 so AANTF could replace vehicles and a camera that went to the City of Del Rio and Val Verde County in the dissolution settlement. Paul O'Rourke made the motion which included authorizing the judge's signature on the application. Joe Montalvo seconded the motion, and all commissioners voted in favor.

On a motion by Freddie Frerich, seconded by Cordelia Mendeke, the special session was adjourned.

At 2:30, the court re-convened the recessed session from Monday but those items carried over were again deferred until adequate information could be obtained.

A special meeting was scheduled for 9:00 a.m. Wednesday, March 29.



Randy Castilla, Eddie Garza, Joe Benites, and post member Agapito Saenz pause briefly in front of a backhoe driven by Gilbert Sanchez.

City Helps With Clean-UP At Veterans Cemetery

Currently under the ownership of Fort Clark Springs Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post #8360, the Veterans Cemetery is to the right just inside the gate to the Masonic Cemetery.

The cemetery contains the graves of 14 veterans from World War I, World War II, Korea, and Vietnam.

Friday, March 24, 1995, had been designated as a time to remove dead trees in preparation of a post-sponsored clean-up day. The City of Brackettville made the task much easier by sending men and equipment to assist in the removal of dead trees and the Post gratefully acknowledges appreciation for the assistance.

Commissioners Hold Special Session 29th

With Judge Tommy Seargeant presiding the K.C. Commissioners Court met in special session at 9:00 a.m. Wednesday, March 29, 1995. Commissioners Freddie Frerich, Cordelia Mendeke, and Paul O'Rourke were present.

On a motion by Frerich, seconded by Mendeke, the salary for the judge's secretary was set at \$4.25 per hour. The three commissioners voted for the motion.

Frerich moved to approve the AANTF grant application for 1995-96 funding to the Governors office and to authorize the judge to sign it. O'Rourke seconded the motion. They were joined by the judge in voting for the motion. Mendeke voted no stating that she supported the AANTF but was opposed to Kinney County being grantee.

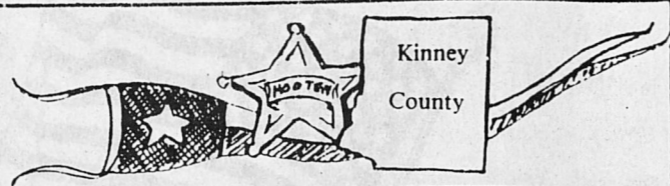
On a motion by O'Rourke, seconded by Frerich, AANTF Project Manager Steve Woolen was authorized to advertise for bids to purchase two vehicles to replace the ones lost in dissolution with Val Verde and the City of Del Rio. All three commissioners voted yes.

After a conference call with Travelers Insurance representative, Frerich moved to amend the dental coverage on new hires to 90 days. Mendeke seconded the motion and all three commissioners voted yes.

Purchase order procedure changes were deferred. The court entered into 1995-96 budget workshop.

Sheriff's Corner

By Sheriff Norman H. Hooten



Sheriff's Department investigators working with Fort Clark Springs Security officers have cleared three (3) theft cases that occurred on Fort Clark Springs the night of Sunday, March 26, 1995. The theft cases included a golf cart belonging to Fort Clark Springs. Association valued at \$1,077.50, assorted fishing tackle and lures valued at \$84.50 belonging to a Fort Clark resident, and approximately \$250.00 in quarters taken from a video game at the Fort Clark Teen Center. Total value of the recovered stolen property is \$1,091.50, the \$250.00 in quarters was not recovered.

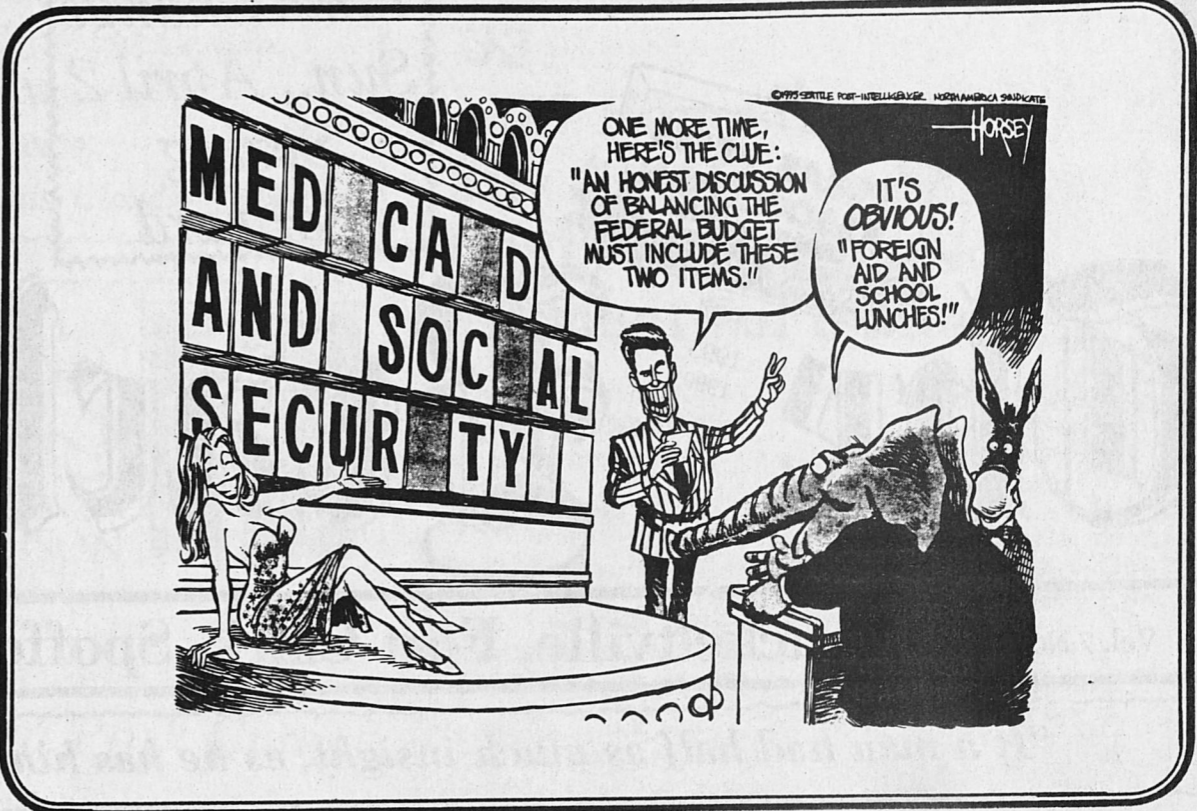
At the time of this writing there is a single suspect, a 15-year old Fort Clark youth, that has been identified. The cases will be turned over to juvenile authorities as soon as they have been completed.

At approximately 5:00 a.m. the morning of Sunday, March 26, 1995, the Sheriff's Department received a call from a concerned Brackettville resident reporting that someone was sleeping in the caller's pickup at the rear of his house and he requested an officer at the scene. Upon responding to the call night Patrol Deputy Karl Chism found an 18-year old Brackettville youth passed out in the caller's vehicle. The youth was arrested at the scene and charged with Criminal Trespass and Carrying A Prohibited Weapon, this charged was lodged after Deputy Chism found a pair of "brass knucks" in the pants pocket of the suspect. He was transported to the County Jail where he remains at the time of this writing awaiting further action by the court.

According to preliminary information received by the F.B.I., 7 city,

county, and state law enforcement officers were killed due to criminal action during January through February 1995. Sixteen officers were slain during the same period during 1994. this year, 4 officers were slain in the southern states, 2 in the western states, and 1 in the midwest states. Three officers were slain while responding to a disturbance calls, 1 while attempting to apprehend a burglary suspect, and 1 while investigating a suspicious person. Handguns were used in 5 killings, and 2 with rifles. The seven killings have been cleared by law enforcement authorities. Two officers were wearing a protective vest. Four other officers were killed in accidental situations.

It is dangerous out there!
That's All!



Between Us

By Joe Townsend



No one in his wild flights of fantasy could have dreamed up the insipid actions of Bill Clinton.

When he evaded military service through the manipulations of politicians, that spoke volums. When he led demonstrations in London against the United States and men dying in the jungles of Vietnam, that was technically treason and wholly reprehensible.

In spite of this 43% of voters elected him president. I daresay most of those never anticipated he would exalt the enemies of the U.S. as he has and debase the United States as he has done.

The dropping of the atomic bombs on Heroshima and Nagasaki certainly hastened the end of the war and saved thousands of lives of young Americans who believed our nation is worth fighting and dying for.

When a stamp was designed to commemorate the 50th anniversary showing the mushroom cloud of a bomb explosion, he made the Postal Service (over which he has absolutely no authority) change the stamp lest it offend the most diabolical nation in the world of the 40s.

For nearly 50 years the United States has celebrated V-J day as a tremendous victory over the most evil empire in the world. Now governmental agencies can no longer even refer to V-J day.

It might make Japan upset. We must camouflage and call it V-P day, "Victory in the Pacific."

Were they able to comment, what do you suppose those souls imprisoned yet in the Arizona and lying beneath white crosses on foreign soil would say.

It is a slap in the face of all Americans and a disgrace to all who paid with lives for the president to patronize the nation responsible.

Commemoration of the victory in Europe to end World War II is certainly apropos and needful. So European nations leaders were to meet in London on the 8th of the month. Clinton was urged to attend.

He snubbed our European partners and decided to go to Russia on the 9th.

To drag America's stature in the mud by snubbing England and playing footsie with Russia is totally unconscionable.

Surely America will never again be conned by the college freshman mentality and re-elect this man lacking in even a modicum of patriotism and love for this country. Certainly he will be left dangling in the wind but what a high price our nation has paid and will pay for years to come for putting him in office the first time.

Transportation Study

An 18-month feasibility study of potential transportation improvements in South, Central, and Northeast Texas has been announced by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT). The study will cover the entire 572 miles of U.S. 59 from Laredo to Texarkana, including the Houston metropolitan area, said Peggy Thurin, project director for TxDOT.

The Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (ISTEA), identified U.S. 59 as Corridor 20, a high-priority route among 21 corridors of national significance. Studies along these corridors will enable the federal and state officials to prepare long-range plans and designate priority funding for construction and improvements.

The U.S. 59 study will cover a 10-mile wide swath and will include U.S. 281 and U.S. 77, the two main highways connecting U.S. 59 with the Rio Grande Valley. The study will identify transportation corridor improvement projects for U.S. 59 as identified by Congress and also examine the feasibility of a freeway linking Houston with the lower Rio Grande Valley.

The first phase of the study will begin in mid-April with roadside surveys along Corridor 20 and the extension to the lower Rio Grande Valley along U.S. 281 and U.S. 77.

In early summer, consultants will conduct public meetings to gather information and solicit input from local public officials and citizens. Meetings will be held in Laredo, the lower Rio Grande Valley, the Corpus Christi area, Beeville, Victoria, Rosenberg, Houston, Kingwood, Lufkin, Marshall and Texarkana.

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The Middle Rio Grande Development Council Small Business Development Center is sponsoring a special IRS Tax Seminar, "The Proper Filing Of Schedule C And F For 1994." Scheduled for April 4th in Leakey at the MRGDC JTPA Office, Hwy. 83 and Oak Hill Drive, April 6, 1995, in the MRGDC Conference Room, 209 N. Getty Street, Uvalde. Registrations start at 4:45 and the program starts at 5:00 p.m. This seminar is of special interest to owners of small businesses and all farmers located in the nine county region which includes Dimmit, Edwards, Kinney, LaSalle, Maverick, Terrell, Uvalde, Val Verde and Zavala counties.

For further information call MRGDC/SBDC at 210-278-2527 or 278-4151.

Public Health Is You

April 3-9 has been proclaimed Public Health Week in Texas and across the nation to help educate communities about available public health services and the specific health needs of each area.

Dr. David R. Smith, Texas Commissioner of Health, said, "The theme of 'Public Health Is You, Too' has been chosen to illustrate that each of us is responsible for choosing a healthy lifestyle. Helping you make healthy choices and protecting the health of your community is what the Texas Department of Health is striving to do in cooperation with local health care professionals. Public health helps protect you, your family and your community."

Public health professionals include many people accomplishing a diversity of jobs, including restaurant inspectors, infectious disease specialist, health educators, primary care physicians, laboratory technicians, food and drug safety inspectors, and many more.

On any given day in Texas, you can expect to see these public health benefits around the state:

- *10 million Texans drinking water that has been treated with fluoride to prevent tooth decay.
- *31,362 women, infants and children receiving food benefits and nutrition education.
- *7,000 patients being treated in maternity, family planning, or child health clinics.
- *386 meat sanitation inspections being done.
- *489 clients receiving primary, preventive and educational health care services from Community Oriented Primary Care (COPC) contracts.
- *2,500 newborns being screened for inherited diseases.
- *4,900 trips being provided for Medicaid clients who need assistance with transportation to receive non-emergency medical treatment.
- *1,500 children receiving medical screens under the Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Testing program.

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LETTER TO PEOPLE OF BRACKETTVILLE

It seems like it takes an "Outsider" to point out the good quality of life people have in a town. My husband and I are really not outsiders; we're part-time Texans. It's that time again for us to go back to work in Alaska after spending four months down here at Fort Clark.

As a member of the Prime Chimers, I have been fortunate to visit most of the churches this winter. Being a Catholic, it was a great experience as I have never been to other services. For a little town, you sure have a lot of churches! My husband and I were lucky to have been called to be "background stand-bys" for the Streets of Laredo at Mr. Moody's Ranch; and once again, Lashawn and her mother were great in co-ordinating and outfitting everyone. We enjoyed good hamburgers and excellent brisket at the 4-H Livestock Show and the Head Start lunch.

It's always nice to stop for a cold beer at Ora's after getting our mail or before going to the hardware store or Super S for the much needed paintbrush or loaf of bread. We've made our weekly contribution to the Texas General Fund (lottery) at Stop & Shop or B & S. And we purchased three trees this winter from the nursery as we know now the importance of having trees for shade down here.

We have not found it necessary to visit the clinic this winter; but I did have to see Sis this winter, and she always does a good job. It is truly amazing that the post office can figure out where to put the mail as some people just don't know how to address packages. Small town post offices are better than any computerized system.

For a community this size, there is everything to provide a good, sound upbringing for the children. My husband and I were impressed with the art department at the school when we saw all the exhibits at the 4-H show received ribbons. It's amazing what children can do with an aluminum can and a lot of imagination.

Our home in Alaska is a small, remote town of about 2,500 people, and we are always impressed with the amount of love given to the children by everyone. We see it here also. They truly are our future so give them patience, guidance, support, understanding, and time. They'll make it. Be thankful you all live here; we're thankful to be part of your community each winter. There are worse places to live.

To all the people in the various businesses and establishments that helped us, we give you a big THANK YOU.

Our only regret is that we were not able to stay to attend the high school Dinner Playhouse put on by the drama department this year. We sure enjoyed the one last year, but it is time for us to go and earn a living.
Hasta Luego,
Kathi Warm
Petersburg, Alaska

Nobody can be so amusingly arrogant as a young man who has just discovered an old idea and thinks it is his own.
—Sidney Harris

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Library Notes



By Sara Terrazas

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

We always try to encourage everyone to use the library, and, we are very pleased that many patrons do.

However, we are sorry to say that not everyone returns the books back and that really hurts the library. Many of the books that are not returned are books that other patrons would like to read.

Some of the books are too expensive to replace, others are out of print and can no longer be replaced. Therefore, we would appreciate it if you would take the time to look around and see if you have any books belonging to the library. We need your help in order to make this a better place.

Many thanks to those who made donations to the library this month and to our volunteers.

New books: Border Music, Encyclopedia Of Golf Techniques, Dead Man On A Black Horse, and Like Water For Chocolate.

Laureate Epsilon Iota

Laureate Epsilon Iota met in the home of Betty Schlatterer on March 20. Opening ritual was led by Nakai Breen and repeated in unison by the members.

Minutes from January and February meetings were approved as read.

A letter of Leave of Absence from Shirley Hadsell has been accepted at the January meeting.

The treasurer is accepting dues which are payable in March.

Ms. Breen read a letter of thanks from the Lions Club for the donation to the Christmas Basket Project. The chapter received an award from International for membership and quality of life.

Orlean Riley read excerpts from the Beta Sigma Phi handbook. After the closing ritual, Betty Schlatterer showed a very interesting video on the Panama Canal.

Refreshments were enjoyed by Oleta Townsend, Hawkins Huey, Orlean Riley, Mildred Borden, Gloria Boroughs, Mabel Parham, Lily Schwandner, Nakai Breen and the hostess, Betty Schlatterer.

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

Kinney County Library Staff and Volunteers

Unsung Hero

by Joe Townsend



Several years ago a man moved his family to Brackettville and became part of the school system.

He was a football coach and later became athletic director.

His attitude regarding his job is exemplary. His guidance principle in relating athletics to academics is truly wholesome.

His concern for the boys under his tutelage is genuine.

He is a fine family man. He is not aggressive in personality but is friendly.

He has definitely been and is a great asset to the school, the athletic program, and the community.

Surely Carol Petrosky is an "Unsung Hero."

Bridge Anyone

By NORMA GOULD

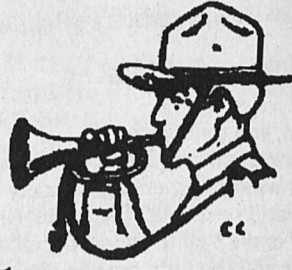


Eight tables enjoyed Duplicate Bridge on Tuesday, March 21.

Rozetta and Ben Pingnot won first place in the N/S direction. Second place was won by Lamont and Marie McCandless with Vernon and Betty Ebert winning third.

James Harber and Walt Geeze won first place in the E/W direction. Trudy Harber and Flo Stafford won second place with Ruth Wilks and Dorothy Edwards winning third place.

Around the Fort



CALL FOR

VOLUNTEERS

The Fort Clark Historical Society's "Sutler's Store" needs volunteers now that our Winter friends are heading back north. If you can spare a few hours one Saturday or Sunday a month, please contact Diana Walker at 563-9195 or Helen Lynch at 563-9215. Thank you for your continued support of our efforts to promote America's best privately preserved frontier fort!

Golf News



Fort Clark Springs Men's Golf Association hosted the 6th Annual Las Moras Invitational Golf Tournament, March 18 & 19, 1995, with 144 entries participating in the 2-man team select shot tournament. Following Saturday's play, a Bar-B-Q meal was served on the Club veranda. A players social was held later at Town Hall with door prizes including a golf bag, clubs, and gloves donated by the primary sponsor, Ole Distributors, Anheuser Busch, of Del Rio.

The Men's Golf Association would like to extend their gratitude to the following generous sponsors: Botica Central; Crosby's Farmacia Zaragosa; Lando's Curios; Lando's Restaurant & Bar; Manuel's Restaurant; Alamo Village; Bizzell Construction; B&S Grocery; The Brackett News; Brackett Service Center; Breen Gallery; Corey Pest Control; First State Bank; Giftbox; Kinney County Land Co.; Kinney County Wool & Mohair; O'Rourke Realty; Super S; Fort Clark Springs Association; Teresa's Holiday Bar;

Hole-In-One

Charlie Rose made a hole-in-one on the par 3 18th hole at Fort Clark Springs Golf Course Saturday, March 25, 1995.

He will be awarded a putter donated by Ole Distributors of Del Rio.

Alamo Sales & Service; Border Federal Credit Union; Carson Dist. Co.; Coca Cola Bottling Co.; Del Rio Bank & Trust; Del Rio National Bank; Pat Fritz Ins. Co.; Graf & Barton Ford; Howard Chevrolet; Pepsi, Dr. Pepper & 7-Up; Ricks Furniture; Dan Lloyd State Farm Insurance; Southwest Texas Coors, Inc.; Cecil Atkisson Ford; Mission Equipment/Ez-Go Carts; Lumber Mart, Inc.; Uvalco Supply Inc.; Roadrunner Energy, Inc.; Southwest Texas Veterinary Center; Uvalde Sign Center, The Jug Store.

The tournament was a great success due to the outstanding help provided by the Fort Clark Springs Ladies Golf Association and the many other volunteers who were spotters, marshalls, witnesses for the hole-in-one greens, score keepers, sponsors committee, and the behind the scene workers who make this type of an event a success. And to the staff of the Pro Shop, the course maintenance crew and the Golf Course Snack Bar personnel, THANK YOU.

A special thanks to Carl Green and his entertainment committee who provided an excellent Bar-B-Q and to all the ladies who brought desserts. Many thanks to those who were responsible for the wonderful players social.

Photos courtesy of Gaye Kurz



Sunday's highlight was Hoagy Nelson's Hole-In-One on the Par-3 6th hole which won him and his

wife, Pat, a 7-day cruise to the Caribbean. Congratulations, Hoagy, have a great trip!

WINNERS

CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT 1st Mario & Jorge DeLaCabada 121 2nd Cary Spurgeon-Vick Tucker 122 3rd Edward Trevino-Clint Baack 123

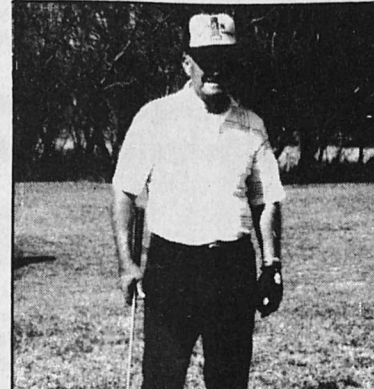
1st FLIGHT 1st Roy Torres, Sr. & Jr. 123 2nd George Rodriguez & Richard Sanchez 127 3rd Joe O'Neil & Ray Pena 128

2nd FLIGHT Tied 1st and 2nd James Benites & Bill Valdivia J. & Mike Cervantes 129 3rd Ed Rodriguez-Lauro Rubio 132

3rd FLIGHT 1st Augustin Maldonado & Alex Escamilla 129 Tied for 2nd & 3rd Sotero Alviar-Ramino Cano W. & C. DeLaGarza 130

4th FLIGHT Tied for 1st & 2nd Robert Sandoval-Frank Hidalgo S. & Jose Flores 137 3rd M.Flores-R. Carrdoda 138

5th FLIGHT 1st Carlos Barrera & Jose Gonzalez 136 2nd Pete Trevino-Fred Muniz 137 3rd Bill Koons-Clem McKelvy 138



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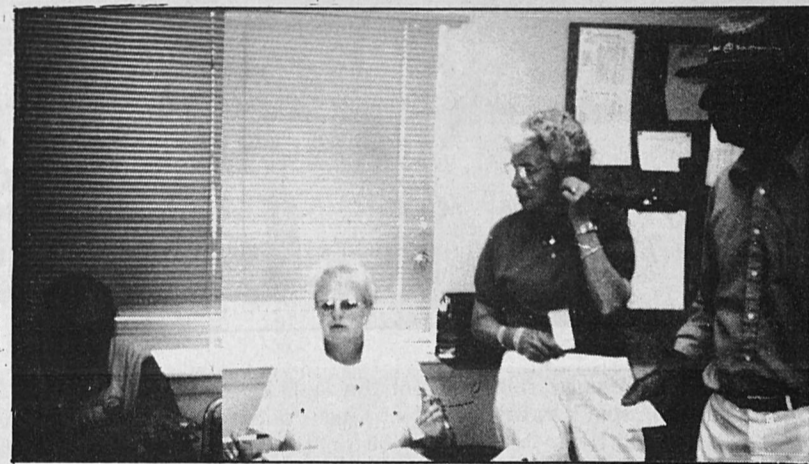
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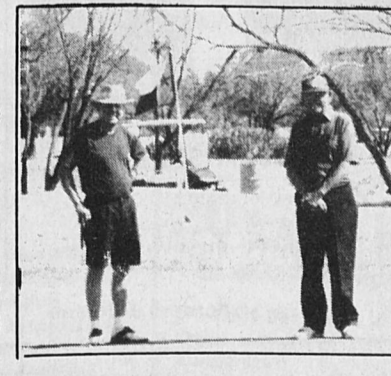
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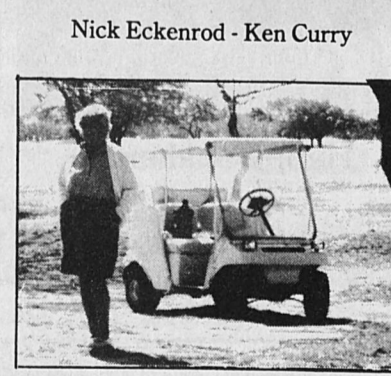
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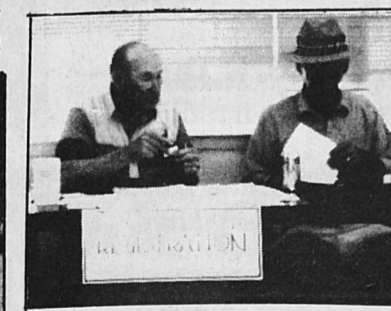
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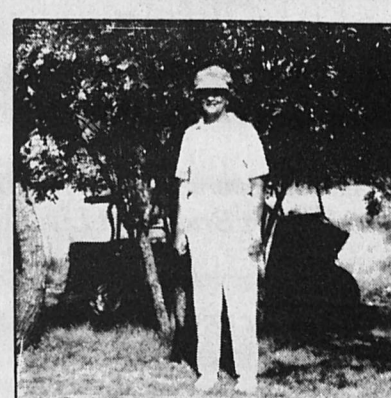
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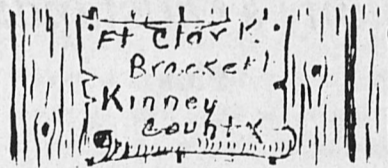
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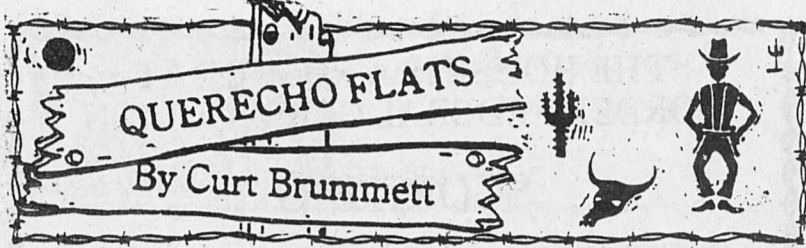
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Community Calendar



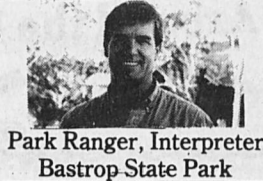
- Las Moras Masonic Lodge 444: 2nd Tue. 7 p.m., Lodge Hall, Ann St.
Altar Society: 1st Monday, 5:30 p.m., Parish Hall.
Band Booster Club: 1st Tuesday, 7 p.m., High School Band Hall
BISD School Board: 2nd Monday, 6:30 p.m., School Board Room
Beta Sigma Phi
R of J Beta Epsilon Omicron (Sept-May) 2nd & 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, Slator Hall, Please make reservations.
Kinney County Heritage Museum: 2nd and 4th Saturday, 1 - 4 p.m., Filippone Building.



Moncus' Musings



MIKE MONCUS



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Bread & Water

What is that life, that man, and that foot?

Early till late fishing alone and running in just at dark to join what life? It might rain or a sudden wind bring enough anxiety to start the change. The need for caution. What if he doesn't judge the wind? Will the journey be successful? Rain could make a chill, an awful chill, and if the waves are any above moderate what will the little boat be like? It could get way out of hand and then something unexpected make all the difference necessary to make it all quite hazardous. The man wondered. He lit a cigarette and remembered it like this before when it had all turned out all right.

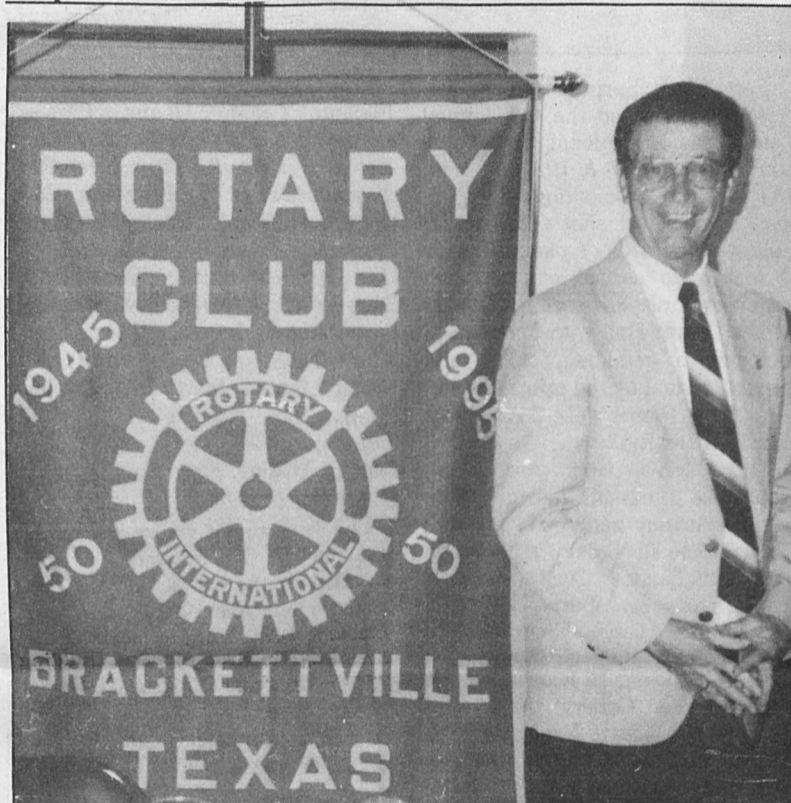
The man remembered the spring while it was still too cool in the air to swim. The water was almost warm enough but the air would make you miserable. Red buds and Mexican plums in thickets were beginning their bloom. Good-sized fish were hitting not too deep and the smoke from his cigarette lingered heavy near by, but there could come a wind in a manner of minutes that would turn the lake against him. Against his boat particularly. Seldom did he wonder like this but it may have been his wondering this way that had seen him through so many years of fishing alone. Like hunting alone you need to be careful.

There was nobody to care for you if there was an accident. There just wasn't any room for accidents. Once, maybe, when he was young he could afford an accident and have enough youth to see him out of it.

He wondered what it was about youth that could afford an accident. He laughed and flicked his spent cigarette out upon the water, and then he thought about what he couldn't quite remember correctly about casting your bread upon the water and in three days it will return. How could it, he thought. There would have to be no ducks or fish in that bread-returning water.

What is it about men and boats? What is it with women that's the way men are with boats?

When it was almost dark the man cranked his boat and ran towards shore. He was hungry and as he went he looked for someone else's bread upon the water.



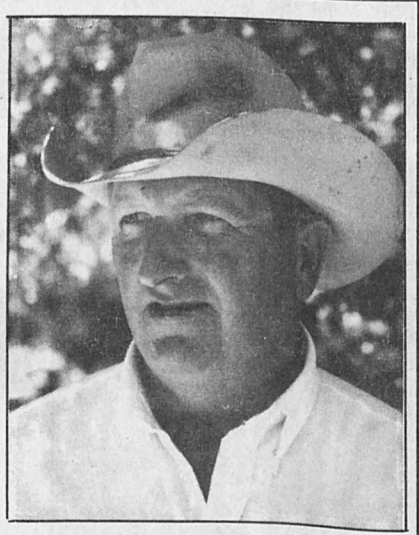
Although unable to attend, former member Jim Runyon (who was transferred by the Border Patrol to Del Rio) gifted a new Rotary Banner which President Stephenson proudly unveiled.



Allen Kreiger Sr.



"You mean it's not a moose?"



POSTMASTER'S COLUMN



Zip Code Development Aids Mail Distribution

The United States Postal Service has undergone many changes since Benjamin Franklin was first appointed Postmaster General, progressing from the original postal system used by the colonies to Pony Express to Railway Mail Service to Free City and Rural Free Delivery, to Parcel Post and Airmail deliveries.

Personal letter writing dominated the mails in the earlier centuries, but as the United States developed and businesses grew, personal letter mail volume was surpassed by the tremendous surge in business by mail. By 1963, business mail accounted for 80% of all mail. Still, many of the methods and much of the equipment used in post offices could be traced back to Ben Franklin's day.

The arrival of the computer age, and with it a great technological revolution, saw an ever-growing increase of utility bills, payments, bank deposits and receipts, advertising matter, magazines, mortgage billings, government and personal checks and other business correspondence traveling by mail. The need for a more rapid and efficient mail distribution and processing system became imperative.

In 1962, the presidentially-appointed Advisory Board of the Post Office Department decided that a coding system should be developed to aid mail distribution, processing and delivery. On July 1, 1963, the Zip Code was officially born. Most people welcomed this new, efficient way of identifying mail and adapted well to its use.

Mechanized operations continued to grow dramatically. The development of letter and parcel sorters, machines to cancel stamps, advanced mail tray conveyors, and stamp tagging techniques speeded up mail operations. By the mid-1970s, continued research produced Optical Character Readers (OCR), machines that could read an entire address. A few years later, the OCR was modified to print a bar code on each letter. The bar code translates the ZIP Code into a series of tall and short bars that help to further automate and speed up the mail.

This progress in automation has not only speeded up mail processing, it has allowed for more precise addressing. In 1978, under the direction of then Postmaster General William F. Bolger, the United States Postal Service expanded the code with four add-on digits, thus creating the nine-digit ZIP Code, or Zip + 4, which was implemented in 1983.

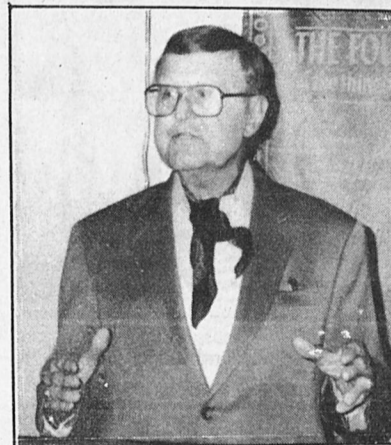
Zip + 4 codes on letters and cards maximizes computerized equipment performance, while reducing processing costs. This is a big plus for business mailers who generate the highest volume of mail. It enables the Postal Service to pass along the reduced costs and improved productivity while stabilizing rates. And it's a big plus for the American public who benefit from improved mail service, reduced mail handling, fewer sorting problems, improved reliability, and lower and more stable postage rates.

Ben Franklin certainly would be pleased with the dramatic accomplishments and developments of the modern United States Postal Service.

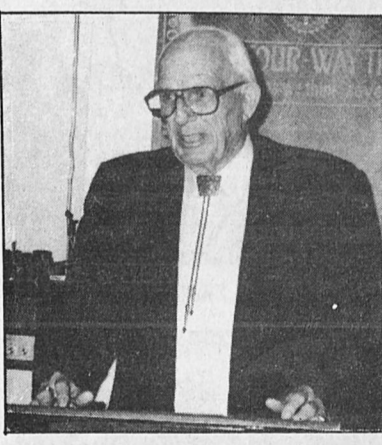
More On Rotary's 50th Anniversary



Joining in the evening's celebration of Brackettville Rotary's 50th anniversary were from left, past president Lingo Sandoval, charter member/past president Happy Shahan, past district governor Jim McKeown, immediate past president Frank Cheaney, past president Joe Townsend, past president Allen Kreiger, Sr., president elect Don Sims, and president Taylor Stephenson.



Happy Shahan



Joe Townsend

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—Samuel Johnson

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Rambling Around Kinney County

By THE K.C. RAMBLER



The stately yucca is in full bloom. Be sure to notice it when you're on the road. Also, the catclaw and guajilla has turned our countryside golden. In another week, wild flowers will be painting our land with a colorful palette. Do find your way out of town, along some remote road, to see all the beauty that awaits you!

Encourage birds into your yard by having water available for them. There are several plants you can put in your garden to attract certain species. your local nursery can give you details. Birds will consume tons of bugs as well as provide hours of entertainment if you will sit quietly to observe them.

Everyone was not equipped with the proper TV paraphernalia to see Mary Gonzalez' store on the Country Reporter Sunday. Don't give up! We can see it next Sunday, April 1st, at 9:30 a.m., Channel 5. Can hardly wait. Mary should be terrific and put a feather in Kinney County's cap.

The first weekend in April is a busy one. Remember the Craft Fair at the Service Center, Fort Clark Springs. Have a delicious BBQ luncheon served by the Chamber of Commerce at Columbus Park in Brackettville across from the city offices on Spring Street. The Outstan-

ding Citizen will be announced and Rep. Pete Gallego will be the speaker.

A group locally has formed an Arts Council to bring out-of-town cultural performances to the people of Kinney County. The first offering will be the San Antonio Brass, a professional quintet. They will first play at the school and later at the Old Quarry Theater at FCS. the date is April 21 - Friday - at 8:00 in the evening. Perhaps this will be the first in a long series of unique performances by a diversity of artists. Put this date on your calendar for future reference.

Fire ants seem to be more prolific each year here in our county. If you have ever stepped on a mound, you know how quickly they crawl onto your shoes and bite if they touch your skin. If you have ant mounds in your yard, be sure to pick up a brochure at the Court House (on the 2nd floor, hanging on East wall) explaining how to eradicate this problem. If animals get the ants on their bodies and then lick them off, the ants do not die, they cause havoc in the animal stomach and can cause death to them. This is one pest we do not want in K.C.

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Nothing is miserable but what is thought so, and contrariwise, every estate is happy if he that bears it be content.

—Boethius

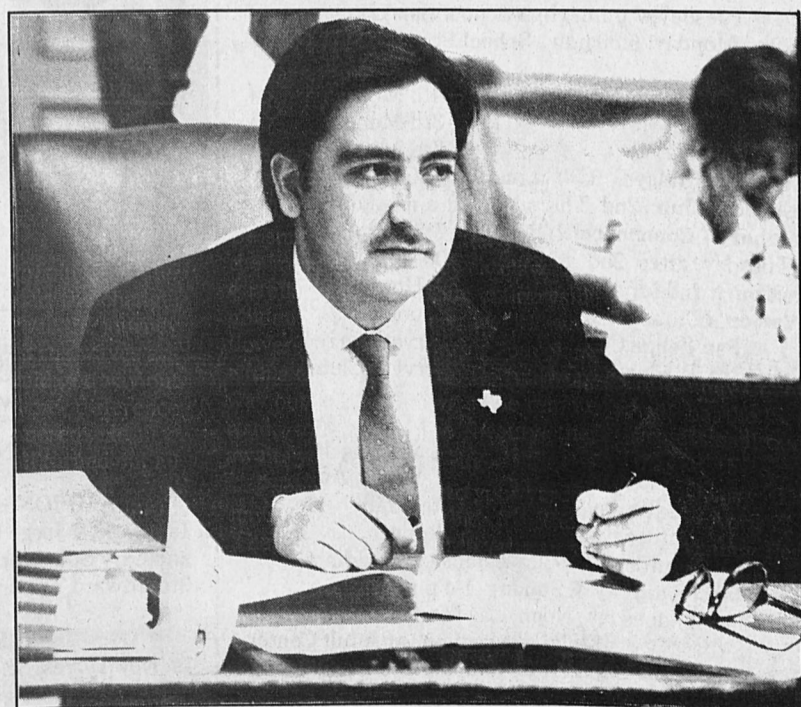
Kinney County Chamber of Commerce Annual Meeting Barbecue

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Francis Henry French was born in Fort Wayne, Indiana on September 27, 1857. Deeply impressed from his youth by the stirring deeds and stories told by veterans of the Civil War, he realized his ambition for a military career by entering the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York where he graduated twelfth from the Class of 1879. He was assigned as 2nd Lieut of "E" Company 19th Infantry and came West. Following service at Fort Garland, Colorado Territory and Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, the regiment moved to Fort Brown at Brownsville, Texas where Lt French was detailed as the Regimental Adjutant. In December of 1882 the 19th Infantry was posted to Fort Clark.

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

April 1883: Lt French enters his third month in camp, as commander of the Seminole Scouts, at Meyer's Spring (now Meyer's Springs) on the newly completed Southern Pacific Railroad, near present day Dryden. He improves his accommodations by building a frame for his tents; feels the Scouts are being unjustly treated by being kept out in camp so long; participates in a "senseless indian scare;" and by the end of the month is relieved by a troop of cavalry. He starts the journey back to Fort Clark where he "...shall have to obey others. But there will be pleasant society there which will more than make up for a little brief authority."

Friday, March 30 1883

Sun was shining brightly today, and the air was quite warm. Sent two couriers in with mail this morning. After starting them, the Doctor and I commenced to work with some of the men and before evening had two wall tents floored & framed ready for occupation. The Doctor will move into them tomorrow. Vedder did not send any nails, so that we cannot start on my tents just now. In the evening found a quotation from "Lucile" to write in Marie's album. This reminded me very much of the time last Summer at Brown when we read Lucile together over in the National Cemetery at Brown. There are very many pleasant memories connected with that place. What an enjoyable time we spent reading this grand poem there. Well, it is all



FOOTSTEPS ECHO
The Fort Clark Diaries and Letters of Maj Gen Francis Henry French
Old Fort Clark Guardhouse Museum
Courtesy of Bill Haenn
Curator, Guardhouse Museum

past now. Wrote a note to Marie and will send the book and note by the soldier who came with the rations, tomorrow. Sgt. July cut the lump out of Harvey's back this morning, so that he cannot be ridden for over a month.

Saturday, March 31 1883

The last day of the month. Made out my Monthly Return, Report of Fuel and Forage and Quarterly Account Current of Company Funds. Also wrote a letter to Ed Todd to send me a nice copy of "Lucile" to present to Marie for a birthday present. Couriers came in bringing me a pleasant letter from Marie, two letters and a bundle of papers from home and some official mail. Spent the evening reading the papers.

Sunday, April 1 1883

Pleasant Spring day. Today is Father's birthday. Hope that it will be a very enjoyable one for him and be followed by many more pleasant. Took a bath and wrote a letter home. Then in the afternoon the Doctor and I took some horses and rode over to Thurston. The ride was very pleasant, as we were in no hurry but allowed the horses to go along slowly. Today is the anniversary of the death of the Doctor's daughter and he felt rather blue in consequence. Poor man, his seems a hard life. With his profession I think I would give up the Army and get a civil practice where I could live with my family. Mailed the letter on the train and after chatting with Mr. McGeary and the men around Thurston returned to camp. Harvey is getting along nicely. In the evening wrote letters to Cunningham and Crowder.

Monday, April 2, 1883

The Doctor went to Sanderson and

making out Quarterly Returns of Q.M. Stores and of C.C. & G.E.. Went over to the train in the evening and met the Doctor. Saw McGeary there. At night wrote letters to Helen and to Capt. Bradford. Settled with Slush Fund of Detachment.

Tuesday, April 3, 1883

Finished Quarterly Returns of C.C. & G.E. and made Quarterly Statement of Ordnance. If I had proper blanks could easily have finished Quarterly Return of Ordnance. At night wrote letters to Marie and to Shunk. Harvey is getting along very well, but think he cannot have a saddle put on for over a month yet.

Wednesday, April 4, 1883

Wrote letters home and to Hall today, and sent all the mail by Dr. Harmer who left for Clark this evening. The couriers came in this afternoon bringing me a letter from home and a bundle of papers. Rode over to the train with the Doctor and saw McGeary there. In the evening practiced on my violin for a while and retired earlier than usual.

THANK YOU

We would like to express our sincere thanks to all our friends and neighbors for all of the phone calls, food, flowers, cards and kindness shown to us during the loss of our beloved father and husband.

Special thanks to Father David Zumaya, St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church choir and the San Felipe Del Rio Honor Guard.

Your support and love was greatly appreciated at this time of sorrow.

The Jesus G. Davalos Family

A good scare is worth more to a man than good advice.

—E.W. Howe



2nd Lieut Francis Henry French (USMA, '79)

Thursday, April 5 1883

Rode over to Thurston this morning to see if the nails for my tent had come, but found none. Returned and with the nails on hand put up one frame and put the tent over it. In the evening young Flint came over for some things and spent the night here. In the evening we talked and he promised to keep a lookout for a chance for me to invest a small amount of money in some sheep. He seems like an active young man and will make his mark and money in the sheep business. Sent couriers for mail.

(To be continued next week)

LAFB Must Prepare NEPA Assessment

LAUGHLIN AFB - The Air Education and Training Command is interested in consolidating all jet engine work for the J-69 and J-85 engines at Laughlin AFB. In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act, the Air Force must prepare an Environmental Assessment and have it available for public comment for 30 days.

Copies of the EA are currently available for public review and comment at the Val Verde Public Library, 300 Spring in Del Rio, and the Laughlin Base Library, Building 257 on Laughlin.

For more information on the Environmental Assessment, contact Mr. Ralph Mitchell, 47th Civil Engineer Squadron, 210-298-5457.

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SOME HAVE COMPLETED ALL THESE STEPS. THIS IS JUST A REMINDER TO THOSE WHO HAVE NOT.

/s/ MARCUS TIDWELL

KINNEY COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT

Saving Money on Your Insurance

BY ELTON BOMER
Texas Commissioner of Insurance

"Now's the Time to Prepare for Storms"

SPRING IN TEXAS BRINGS MORE than bluebonnets. It brings wild weather—high winds, hail, tornadoes and floods—as well as the June 1 onset of hurricane season.

Storm damage can cause you big financial problems if you are uninsured or underinsured or can't prove your claim.

Now's the time to check your coverage and do things that can smooth the processing of your claim after a storm.

Make sure you have enough coverage. To be fully paid (minus your deductible) for a loss like a hail-damaged roof, you must insure your house for at least 80 percent of its replacement cost. Your agent can help you figure the right amount.

The biggest gap in Texans' coverage is the lack of flood insurance. Home and business policies don't pay for flooding.

The National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) fills this gap in qualifying communities. People living in areas that could flood should consider this coverage. Unfortunately, only about 10 percent of the Houston-area homes flooded in October were covered.

You can buy an NFIP flood policy from local agents licensed to sell property insurance. Renters can buy flood insurance covering only their personal property.

The price depends on the value, type and location of your home or business. NFIP says the average yearly premium is about \$300.

You can't delay buying flood insurance until storms appear on the weather map. A flood policy takes effect 30 days after you buy it.

For details about flood insurance, call NFIP at 1-800-638-6620.

If you live near the Gulf, your property insurance might exclude wind and hail damage. Local agents can sell you a separate wind and hail policy with the Texas Catastrophe Property Insurance Association ("Catpool"). Your building must meet certain standards to qualify for coverage.

Again, it's important to act promptly. You can't buy a Catpool policy after a westbound hurricane crosses a point near Jamaica and Cuba. For more on the Catpool, call 1-800-788-8247.

It's important to plan for a possible claim. Inventory your personal property, including model and serial numbers. Attach sales receipts and photograph or videotape each room. Keep copies of your policy, inventory and receipts in a safe place—ideally, a safe deposit box. These steps will speed your claim after a storm.

You can help lessen storm damage by protecting windows with shutters or tape, moving loose items indoors, removing loose tree branches and securing boats, trailers and TV antennas.

If your home is damaged, make only temporary repairs until a claims adjuster looks at the damage. Making permanent repairs before the adjuster's inspection can cause denial of your claim.

For more tips, call the Texas Department of Insurance (1-800-599-SHOP) for a free copy of our Storm Warnings brochure, available in English and Spanish. ★

Uvalde Memorial Hospital Specialty Consulting Calendar

APRIL

*300 Wing - Uvalde Memorial Hospital
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1995

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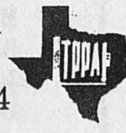
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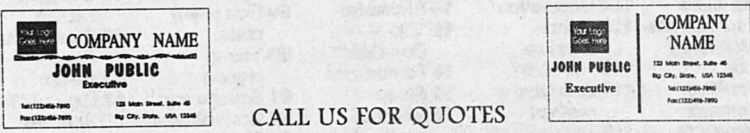
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12:00pm JV BASEBALL - CARRIZO
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2 Sunday
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3 Monday
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4 Tuesday
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4:30pm BASEBALL - DILLEY - H
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5 Wednesday
10:00am MILLS - REGION XX
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TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Warm feelings are shared by those in love or dating this week. A business concern could prove to be aggravating, but resolves itself by week's end. You could fall behind with household duties, so apply yourself.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Your reasonable ways are an asset in business, but you could have difficulty getting your ideas across nonetheless. While you know what you're saying, others are not quite as perceptive. Someone's defensive mood contributes to this.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Those who are dating will feel closer to each other this week, but a disagreement could arise about a money matter. Others aren't ready to make compromises so you must be sure to find the middle ground. Try to implement this.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Good news comes about a domestic concern or from a family member. However, it could be hard to get things moving in business. This isn't a bad thing now, so take advantage of this unexpected break in action.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) The idiosyncrasies of a co-worker could be particularly bothersome this week. The demands of others, especially family members, leave little time for yourself. You'll be feeling burned out by week's end, so rest up this weekend.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You could receive praise for the way you handled an assignment, but tact will be needed with either a child or a romantic interest. This is normally your forte, but you can be inclined to be blunt. Accent home life.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Lovely social times are in store for you this week, but signals could be crossed in business, or you could underestimate a task's difficulty. Home matters also need attention this weekend.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Family togetherness is happily highlighted this week. Unfortunately, you could also be dealing with a person who's out to trip you up. If you think about it, it's pretty easy to figure out who the culprit is.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Benefits come through a friendship this week, and singles could meet with exciting romantic introductions. However, you could be at odds with a loved one over a mutual money concern. Listen to this person's viewpoint.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Your good will invites business gains and new starts are favored. However, you must be careful not to be bossy with a partner or there will be repercussions. Remember, you don't always have all the right answers either.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A tendency to let things slide at work could leave you with too much to do at the end of the work week. Thus, you'll find work hours spilling over into your weekend. Some could be planning a trip.

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

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Basil	Linguine	Pasta	Tortellini
Chianti	Manicotti	Pesto	Vermicelli
Fettuccine	Oregano	Pizza	

Puzzle Answers On Page 3

Super Crossword

Bats and whales depend on their hearing to navigate in the dark.

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 TEC Job #: TX7403245
 POSTING DATE: 03/23/95 - 04/19/95, 5:00 p.m.
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 The TxDOT Laredo District Office PHYSICAL address is: 302 Washington, Laredo TX 78040, and our MAILING address is P.O. Drawer 2219, Laredo TX 78044-2219. Telephone 210-712-7400. Mailed applications must be postmarked one day prior to the end of the POSTING DATE.
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Falcon Cable Enrolls Community In The Fight To Cure Cystic Fibrosis
 Falcon Cable TV launched their fifth-annual, month-long fundraising campaign benefiting the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. During the month of April, Falcon is offering customers the opportunity to have cable installed for the discounted price of \$10.00. The normal fee for installation is \$45.00 per hour. Falcon will then donate 100% of the installation fees collected during the month to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.
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When the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation was founded in 1955, children with CF rarely lived to attend elementary school. Today, more than half of those with CF live into their late twenties. Said Mel Zamzow, "There are so many good things happening. Thanks to the work of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, the CF story is changing from one of tragedy to one of hope. We are pleased that we have found a way to help the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation and the people they serve, and we plan to continue our involvement over time. We are also grateful to our customers for their support and involvement in this annual project."

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"The Pastor's Pen"

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A grandmother and her five-year-old grandson were taking a walk in the country just after the first heavy frost of the season had dyed the foliage and given it a brilliantly-colored crazy quilt appearance.

"Just think," the grandmother marveled, gazing at the scarlet and gold hillside, "God painted all that."

"Yes," the grandson agreed. "And He even did it with his left hand."

"What do you mean He did it with his left hand?" she asked, somewhat puzzled by the remark.

"Well," the boy replied, "at Sunday School they told us that Jesus is sitting on the right hand of God."

May we have the wisdom of a child in knowing that Jesus is close at hand, or maybe on hand with God. He is never too far away to hear the sinner's plea for forgiveness and salvation. He is never too far away to hear, know and understand the needs of His followers as well.

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St. John's Baptist Church

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

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Psalms 90: 1,2,12

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Obituary

Troy L. Williams



Troy & Virginia Williams

He was preceded in death by a son, Troy B. Williams; a grandson, Jerry Wayne Williams; and a granddaughter, Drema Williams Epling.

Survivors include his wife, Virginia May Williams; two sons, Lewis N. Williams of North Sand Branch and Barry B. Williams of Brackettville; three daughters, Neysa C. Thompson of Watauga, Texas, Anita J. Williams of Charles Town, and Ramona G. Hibbetts of Bryan; twenty-one grandchildren; and nineteen great grandchildren.

Funeral services were scheduled for 2 p.m. Thursday, March 30, 1995, at the North Sand Branch Baptist Church with Pastor Johnny Burgess officiating. Burial will follow in the Williams Family Cemetery, North Sand Branch.

Pall bearers were Mark Williams, Jerry Williams, Shawn Williams, John Amy, Terry Roberts, Larry Webb, and Earl Williams.

Arrangements were by Blue Ridge Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Kinney County EMS or the Fort Clark Springs tree planting program.

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 Ebn Asambee 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

To use the phrase "born again Christian" is redundant. According to the Bible one who is not "born again" is not a Christian.

This calls for an explanation of what "born again" means.

The third chapter of John is the clearest explanation. However, there are many tangential passages that amplify the meaning.

David, the Psalmist, gives a good step by step establishment of a real relationship to God in Psalms 119:57-64 shows the steps to and results of being born again.

When he thought on his ways he turned his feet unto the testimony of God.

Any honest and objective person, when he considers himself and compares self to what God wants him to be, must recognize his need of a relationship to God.

When one thinks of life beyond the grave, he must then see his need of a relationship with God. The

Psalmist says when he thought about God seriously, he quickly turned to obey the Commandments of God.

When one is fully committed to God, his total desire is to please God. He wants to weigh every decision on the basis of what God says. He wants his life to be an open display of his love for God and his fellow man.

A rapport will be evident with all others who know and follow God. Every hour, asleep or awake, a Christian will be conscious of God's indwelling Spirit and will be desirous of pleasing God.

A Christian knows that pleasing God is the pathway to true joy and happiness in life. One who does not know and follow Jesus cannot know what the real thrills of life can be.

"Ye must be born again," Jesus said. This is the beginning of everlasting life and a more abundant living.

Blue-Light Special For Venue Shoppers Should Be Red-Light Warning For Texans

Editorial by BILL MUTZIG
A Boerne Health Care Provider
and Small Businessman

The circuit-riding judge riding from one frontier outpost to another, his lawbooks stuffed into saddle bags, is a respected symbol of 19th-century American justice and trust in the rule of law. Here at the tail-end of the 20th century, the "circuit-riding" lawyer, venue-shopping for a plaintiff-friendly county, is a less-than-respected symbol of a system of justice gone awry.

Venue refers to the location in which a lawsuit is filed. Venue shopping is the practice of hunting for a jurisdiction known to be favorable to certain types of lawsuits. Here's how venue-shopping works in Texas. Plaintiff's lawyers, who get to make the initial selection of where suits are brought, have identified over the years a number of locations where plaintiff-friendly juries can transform a run-of-the-mill personal-injury suit into a monetary blockbuster, particularly if the defendant is a large corporation.

Since current Texas law permits virtually unlimited venue-shopping, plaintiffs' lawyers twist themselves into the most bizarre contortions of law and logic to make a connection with these plaintiff-friendly jurisdictions. They're like children playing the old birthday party game that requires them to keep their feet in designated spots on a canvas while reaching over and around their playmates to touch another spot on the canvas.

Courts in these plaintiff-tilted counties regularly clobber large companies with massive punitive damages - damages out of all proportion to actual injury or inconvenience suffered by the plaintiff. Sometimes the local populace may be naturally predisposed to favor the underdog. In some cases, plaintiffs' lawyers have developed particularly cozy relationships with judges in those counties. Texas judges, of course, rely on campaign money from attorneys who practice before them to get elected or re-elected.

One of the reasons Texas is so favorable to venue-shopping has to do with a frontier-era loophole in the Texas Constitution. It's called the open courts provision, and it was originally adopted to allow frontier counties that did not yet have a courthouse to use those of their neighbors. That's no longer the case, of course, but the provision remains in the constitution, and plaintiffs' attorneys have been adept at exploiting it.

For many years, the Southeast Texas community of Bay City was the unofficial litigation capital of the United States. The Matagorda County Courthouse in Bay City offered lawyers the enviable combination of the Lone Star State's lenient liability statutes and a jury pool so reliably pro-plaintiff that defendants, holding up their right hand to assure the court of their truthfulness, might just have well started reaching with their right hand for their soon-to-be-lighter checkbooks.

In Matagorda County, they were going to lose, and lose big. Matagorda County juries have produced some of the largest jury-awarded settlements on record, including a million-dollar judgment a few years ago for the wrongful death of a Santa Gertrudis bull. At the time, the amount was more than a good plaintiffs' lawyers could expect for the wrongful death of a human being in most areas of Texas.

The Matagorda plaintiffs' magnet exerted its pull on lawyers across Texas. In one case, a maintenance

worker in the small South Texas town of Edna fell 65 feet after a cable snapped; the fall left him a paraplegic. The initial challenge for the man's attorney was not to construct the strongest case possible for his client, but to figure out a way to get the case into Bay City, 200 miles to the east in Matagorda County. His suit named several people, including a Matagorda County resident who "happened to have done some work on the equipment." By including this repairman, the plaintiff could file his suit in Bay City.

Although the phantom repairman was eventually dropped from the case, the trial continued in Bay City, and the jury returned an award for \$6 million in damages. The case was eventually settled for \$4.75 million.

In another case, a 19-year old boy who was late for his job at a Fort Worth-area pizza parlor was driving his vehicle at a high rate of speed. He lost control, the vehicle rolled over several times and the young man was thrown from the vehicle and killed. The boy's parents decided to sue the automobile manufacturer, charging that the vehicle's high center of gravity caused the accident. Although the boy had lived in Fort Worth, the accident had occurred in Fort Worth, and the parents lived in the Houston area, the lawyer for the boy's parents filed the suit in Bay City. In papers filed with the court, the lawyer claimed the venue was proper because there was a car dealership and a tire outlet in Bay City that sold the same products as those involved in the accident (though neither the vehicle nor the tires were purchased in Bay City).

Of course, Bay City is not the only Texas mill town - "tort mill" town, that is. Daingerfield, county seat of Morris County in Northeast Texas, has been particularly amenable to breast-implant cases. Several hundred cases have been filed in this predominately rural county of some 13,000 residents, even though only a couple of the plaintiffs actually lived in the county. The other plaintiffs come from Texas and other states and even from Canada.

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Maverick and Hidalgo counties in South Texas are also notorious for their plaintiff bias and their generous juries. Duval County is another South Texas county known as a place where juries grant huge awards in civil cases. Plaintiff's lawyers go through mind-boggling contortions to make venue connections with these counties, and defendants, aware that the table is tilted before the trial ever begins, often decide it's cheaper in the long run to go ahead and settle.

Venue shopping causes inconvenience and unnecessary expense for defendants in a lawsuit. Not to mention the fact that all consumers are paying these outrageous judgments and litigation costs suffered by defendants, because all costs are passed on to the consumer. It also costs the counties that have to

provide the court space. But the biggest objection to venue shopping is the most basic: It's not fair. And since it's not fair, it undermines respect for the law.

Fortunately, venue-shopping is relatively easy to fix. All it takes is a simple, common-sense reform on the part of the Texas Legislature. Lawmakers can approve legislation requiring that every suit against a company or corporation be brought in the firm's principal place of business in the state, or in the place where the accident or other disputed transaction occurred.

A legitimate lawsuit shouldn't require a plaintiff-friendly jurisdiction to tilt the scales of justice; it should be decided on its merits. That's the fair way. It should be the Texas way.

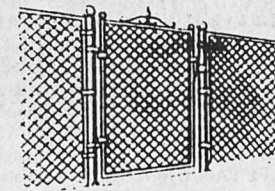
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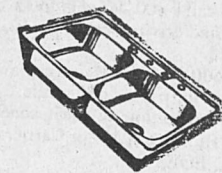
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Making A Difference
By TAYLOR STEPHENSON
BISD Curriculum Director

Tigers & Tigerettes

Baseball

Student Reporter BRIAN HOOKER

JV TIGERS ROLL OVER UVALDE FISH

Saturday, March 25, the Junior Varsity Tigers took the Uvalde Freshmen to Baseball School. The Tigers pounded Uvalde 10-6.

The Tigers played good as a team where no one person really sticks out.

This victory brought their record to 2-3.

TIGERS LOSE A CLOSE ONE TO COWBOYS

Friday, March 24, the Tigers traveled to D'Hanis to face the #1 ranked team in 1-A competition. The D'Hanis Cowboys are ranked #1 in the whole State of Texas in their conference. The Tigers fell just short of them losing 7-3.

It was a close game with great competition. The score stood 1-1 in the bottom of the fifth inning. They committed a couple of errors that hurt them but all-in-all played a good game.

Wil Shahan went 2 for 3 scoring one of the runs. Moses Hernandez also went 2 for 3 scoring a run. Jesse Turner went 1 for 3 and scored the third win.

This loss gave the Tigers a record of 8 wins and 4 losses.

TIGERS ROLL OVER EAGLE PASS FRESHMEN

Tuesday, March 28, the Tigers played a double-header against the Freshmen team from Eagle Pass.

The Tigers blew them away in a 10-0 victory in the first game.

Brian Hooker went 3 for 3, scored once, and grabbed 2 RBIs. J. Wayne Ballew went 1 for 1 scoring once.

On the defensive side of things, the Tigers did even better. Wil Shahan pitched a No Hitter. He faced 19 batters, walked 4 of them, and struck out 9 of them. His record has become 4-1.

TIGERS CRUSH SECOND GAME 13-1 TIGERS

The second half of the double header between the Tigers and the fish Eagles of Eagle Pass was all Tigers. The Tigers wiped their hands of the Eagles beating them 13-1.

Ramon DeLeon went 3 for 4, scored twice, and stole one base. Wil Shahan went 2 for 3, scored once and grabbed a RBI. Jorge Rodriguez went 1 for 2, scored twice, and picked up 3 RBIs.

Jesse Turner went 1 for 2, grabbed an RBI. Michael Munoz went 1 for 2. Kelly Henrich went 2 for 3, scored once, and picked up 2 RBIs.

Michael Munoz started a great game on the hill, faced 13 batters, struck out 5 of them, walked only 1 and gave up 2 hits. Michael Meyer went in and grabbed the save, struck out 4 of the 8 batters he faced.

This victory gave the Tigers a great start with a 10-4 record.

Golf

TIGERS SHOOT OUT THE LIGHTS

March 17 and 18, the Tiger golf team traveled to Devine for a tournament. The first day the Tigers shot a 413 team score. The second day it was a 396.

On the first day, Tiger Jared Shahan shot 89, Nacho Aguirre shot 110, Michael Aguirre shot 111, and Alex Moses shot 103.

The second day Jared shot another 89, Nacho shot 102, Alex shot 95, and Chad Neuman shot 99.

TIGERS TAKE AWAY STROKES

Friday and Saturday, March 24-25, the Tigers traveled to the Uvalde Tournament to make their score disappear.

Jared Shahan shot 81 - 85 for a 2 day total of 160.

Nacho Aguirre also did good shooting 85 on Saturday.

His little brother, Michael Aguirre, shot 82 on the second day.

The Tigers shot a team total of 359, and 335, for a combined score of 694.

That is a "whopping" 104 strokes better than the week before.

On the second day of the tournament the Tigers beat the 5-A AAAA Del Rio squad and the 3-AAA Devine team.

TIGERS SHOOT WELL AT KERRVILLE

Monday, March 27, the Tigers golf team traveled to Kerrville for another exciting tournament.

Nacho Aguirre shot a 99, Chad Neuman shot 95, Alex Moses shot 88, and Kirk Hill had 105.

Softball

2nd ANNUAL TOURNEY

Last weekend, March 24-25, the Tigerettes held their second annual Tigerette Invitational Softball Tournament. The head coach of the Tigerettes, Greg Nowlin said, "It went well."

He was very pleased about the way things ran smoothly throughout the tournament. He added, "Our girls played great games against great competition. Everyone loved the new field and hopefully in a couple of years it will be a very large 2-day tournament."

Thank you for your support, Kinney County.

TIGERETTES FALL TO QUEENS

Last weekend, March 24-25, the second annual Tigerette Invitational softball tournament, the Tigerettes faced Del Rio's varsity.

The Tigerettes played well but came up just short losing 15-8.

In that game, Lolly Hernandez went 3 for 4 and hit a homerun over the fence.

The loss put the Tigerettes in the losers bracket.

TIGERETTES LOSE 2nd ROUND

In the second round of the tournament, the Tigerettes faced another 5-A team and came up just short. The Tigerettes barely lost to Laredo 11-9.

Lolly Hernandez hit another homerun.

This loss pooled the Tigerettes against their only district opponent in the third round.

TIGERETTES WIN BIG

In the third round of play, the Tigerettes blew out their only district opponent, Center Point, 16-1.

In 1 hour and 30 minutes, the Tigerettes only got to bat 2 times.

"Everyone played good this game," said Coach Nowlin.

Amy Bader went 3 for 4, Courtney Harrison went 2 for 4 as did Jessica Payne.

One Act Play

IT'S A HIT!

Monday, March 27, the BISD annual One-Act Play was held at the school's auditorium. The play they performed, *Louder, I Can't Hear You*, was a big hit with the hometown crowd.

The cast consists of Charlie Hall, Brian Hooker, Jared Shahan, Katie Hall, Denice Frerich, and Patrick Melancon. The crew consists of Zoila Herrera and Sean Burks.

The team will compete at District 31-AA competition in Uvalde on Friday.

2nd Graders Visit K.C. Museum

Taking advantage of a beautiful spring day, the second grade classes of Bonne Jones, Maxine Bonner, and Pam Melancon took a walking tour of Brackettville and the Kinney County Heritage Museum Friday, March 24.



Opening the Museum, which is housed in the historic Filippone Building, and explaining various displays to them were B. Peter Pohl and David Olesen.



Mr. Olesen demonstrated sewing on a treadle machine. This model was very popular, and a real work-saver, in the early 1900s.



Lisa Conoly, left, showed and explained her collection of dinosaur remains, and other pre-historic objects, all found in Kinney County. Mrs. Conoly and members of her family have developed the extensive collection.

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A Successful Dinner Theater & Spring Arrives In Kinney County

The One Act Play, *Louder, I Can't Hear You*, by Bill Gleason (The Dramatic Publishing Co.) was a smashing success. Monday night, our thespians performed well. Before the play, a dinner had been prepared by our very able cafeteria staff under the leadership of June Kaminski. The dinner included roast beef, corn, mashed potatoes & gravy, and sweet potato pie. The scene was accented by serving tables that were dressed for the occasion. The dining tables, which had been prepared by the play cast, were adorned with drama masques amidst the play's title. Before the 166 dinner guests left the dining area, they had purchased the candles that decorated tables for \$107. The money will go into the Wills Scholarship Fund to benefit the BHS Seniors.

The play was a good one. I arrived a little late because of the practice of the Voices of Fort Clark. Didn't take long to get completely into the action on stage. To start with, the crew did things right: Sean Burks and Zoila Herrera. Scene changes, props and all the little things that can make or break a performance were A-OK. Charlie Hall, playing Marge the exasperated mom, was magnificent. She is an experienced and talented actress. You could feel her frustrations as she tried to get her family to listen. Jared Shahan played a very convincing teen named Junior who was proud of his mom as a good cook, laundry lady and bottle washer. He was fun to watch, while being in collusion with the family in not listening to mom. Katie Hall played the older daughter Ann who would rather give left over bacon to the dog than to Junior. She is a good actress that glued lots of the scenes together with good dialogue.

Denice Frerich played a nurse who chewed gum and didn't listen much as she primped with eyebrow pencil. She was delightful in her part. I've met a lot of folks like this. Sometimes, they are your first telephone contact with the folks that make the world run. Just when you need to move the fastest, you run into someone like this nurse in the real world. (Not necessarily the medical profession). Good job, Denice.

Brian Hooker played a boisterous dad who seemed more typical of dads than I care to admit. He elicited many laughs with great lines delivered with the precision of a master match maker.

Patrick Melancon was like doctors that I have known that become so intrigued with their own worlds that they forget about life moving on. He was a magnificent character actor. Straight faced, lines up "Up periscope"...talking about Carlsbad Caverns while inspecting ears...and eventually getting sympathy from Mom who had come to see the Doc just for that reason.

The play was filled with lots of action. There always seemed to be a conversation going on while other actors were totally engrossed in something unrelated to the conversation. I enjoyed the play. The evening was a total success. For those who want to follow the one act play, be at the SW Texas Junior College Theater in Uvalde on March 31 by 3:15 p.m. Good luck BHS play cast and director, Merry Beth Mills. Nice going! We're proud of you.

For what it's worth... Springtime in Kinney County brings a myriad of freshness. Folks talk about the return of the Purple Martins. With great anticipation, people prepare their houses and talk with envy about the family (of Martins) that moved into the neighbors' house. They just arrived today, they say. Like folks must really watch their neighbors' homes to see the Home of the Martins. They're beautiful birds. Welcome home, wayfaring wanderers. May every Martin watcher get a family this year.

How about the Hummingbirds? They have just found our feeders which have been in place for at least two weeks. These birds seem to be so territorial. There's a notorious green hummer that rules my back yard. Once in a while, maybe on humming bird holidays, green hummer lets others drink. Not long. Most of the time, green hummer says no way! It's fun to see four humming birds drinking from one feeder during green boy's moments of decency. Those hummers are tough little ones. Welcome back, we've missed you.

Have you ever seen the golden flowers of the Huisache more beautiful? A friend says some folks that know call the Huisache a thrash tree from Africa. We sure don't think they're thrash trees in K.C., Texas. They have just been beautiful on the FCS golf course and around town.

Ever notice that the mesquite trees seem to put on their most beautiful green dress on the first few days of Spring. It's a pale green dress that reminds me of a chewing gum song----? You know, I can't remember the name of the gum...maybe you can tell me this week. Anyway, it's a great show mesquites. The pecans have started to leaf out. They're very cautious, but the Texas trees are just about to "bust out all over with their array of color."

Doesn't the community look great? Enough rain to keep things green. Enough warmth to keep them growing. Fort Clark's annual meeting was held this past Saturday. The Fort was probably as spit-polished as when the military folks were here. It made you proud to be part of it. Hey, before I forget -- Spring forward your clocks this Sunday. The time changes.

This week, I want to say that the One Act Play Cast and Director made a difference. We have lots of teachers and students in UIL contests which BISD hosted beautifully this past Monday. The second contest is coming to Brackettville this Saturday. Hope to have more next week.

Don't forget the Voices of Fort Clark will present a concert of Broadway Show tunes Sunday at 7:30 p.m. at Town Hall.

Get out and enjoy the beauty of Kinney County. We're so fortunate to live in this beautiful area. Have a great week.



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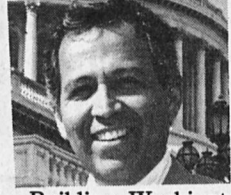
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Passage of Welfare Reform

"The passage of this welfare reform plan is a giant step in the right direction," Bonilla said. "In spite of the emotional and often deceptive rhetoric on this issue, every American agrees that our current welfare system is a disaster."

"In the last few decades, taxpayers have shelled out more than \$5 trillion for programs intended to help our nation's poor people get back on their feet. Unfortunately, instead of providing a temporary safety net for families going through tough times, our big-government welfare system has become a hopeless trap for generations."

"Our bill is appropriately titled the Personal Responsibility Act. While continuing to care for the truly needy in our society, our solution encourages able-bodied

adults to take responsibility for themselves and their actions."

"We enforce child support to make sure that dead-beat parents are the ones supporting their children, not the government. We also tackle the problem of illegitimacy."

"In addition, welfare recipients will experience the dignity of having a job and being self-reliant. This bill will require work for cash benefits and reinforce the work ethic that has made our nation strong."

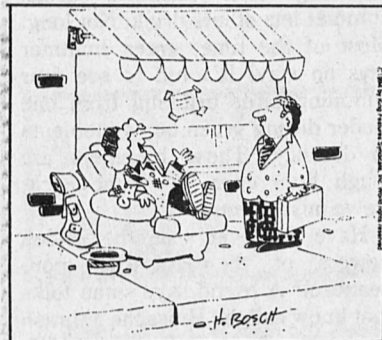
"This welfare reform bill is a common-sense, compassionate solution that will fix our failed system."

Military Academy Day

Congressman Henry Bonilla's office will participate with Congressmen Lamar Smith, Frank Tejeda, and Henry B. Gonzalez to host Military Academy Day at the USAA building auditorium, 9800 Fredericksburg Road, San Antonio, on Sunday, April 2, 1995, 2 to 4 p.m.

Academy Day orientation is aimed at high school students who are interested in learning about educational opportunities at one of the United States Military Academies.

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Are other exemptions available?

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

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Line-Item Veto Would Serve Up a Pork Chop

When Americans go shopping and end up a little short of cash at the check-out counter, they do the obvious and sensible thing: They put a few items back on the shelf.

Unfortunately, their government no longer subjects itself to the same fiscal discipline. This is how the United States has accumulated the largest budget deficit in the history of the world, and the primary reason I support the passage of a line-item veto.

While not an instant cure for this country's fiscal woes, the line-item veto would nevertheless serve as one means of putting a few items back on the shelf.

Among the root causes for the government's lack of fiscal discipline is pork-barrel spending: Congressional funding of wasteful pet projects. The practice has been for these expenditures to be attached to critical pieces of legislation that no conscientious president could veto.

But a line-item veto would give the president a powerful tool to cut waste out of the federal budget without deep-sixing an entire agency.

Line-item veto authority would allow the president to put that extra gallon of ice cream and the gourmet pickles back until we can afford them. Under the current system, the president either has to leave the store empty-handed, or take home all kinds of unnecessary groceries.

This authority has the potential to curtail the most egregious examples of special-interest spending. In previous years, it could have been used to cut from the budget:

- * \$35 million to fund screw worm research
- * \$43 million to recreate a 19th century railroad yard in Scranton, Pa.
- * \$33 million to place sand on the private beaches of Miami hotels
- * \$20 million for a demonstration project to build wooden bridges
- * And of course, the famous \$19 million expenditure to study digestive distress in cows

It adds up. The General Accounting Office estimates that a presidential line-item veto could have cut more than \$70 billion in pork-barrel spending from fiscal years 1984 through 1989.

The line-item veto is not an off-the-wall idea, nor is it a radical departure from American tradition. The governors of 43 states (the constitutions of most of which require a balanced budget) are authorized to exercise such a veto. With the stroke of a pen, the president could put an end to the worst budgetary excesses just as the governors apply downward pressure on their Legislatures' spending.

Until passage of the 1974 Budget Act, American presidents routinely exercised authority beyond that which would be restored by the line-item veto. In 1801, Jefferson used the presidential power to impound funds to prevent the expenditure of \$50,000 he believed unnecessary. Far from upsetting the system of checks and balances, as some critics claim, the line-item veto would restore equilibrium to the Founders' budgetary scales.

Texas Senate Action

Senate Bill 65 sponsored by Senator Mike Moncrief of Fort Worth requires state agencies to adopt temporary smoking policies which will eventually be replaced by a complete smoking ban in all state buildings and public hearings held by state agencies. Currently Texas is one of six states with no smoking restrictions in state office buildings.

SB 1420 pertained to temporary registration permits for commercial motor vehicles from Mexico. Currently, Texas law authorizes the TxDOT to issue temporary, 72-hour and 144-hour registration permits to domestic and Canadian motor

carriers without proof of insurance. Currently, Mexican carriers are excluded from this process. Under the terms of NAFTA, regulatory policy must not discriminate between member nations. The bill requires the operator of a vehicle to present evidence of financial responsibility to the county tax assessor-collector or the TxDOT prior to issuance of the permit.

The Senate passed a package of 13 bills designed to reform the Texas Medicaid system. Goals of the reform package include up to one billion dollars in savings in state revenues while expanding services to more than 500,000 additional Texans.

Biggest Buck In Texas To Be Honored At Fredericksburg

The biggest non-typical buck taken in Texas last season heads the list of nearly 150 qualifying for the Region 4 Texas Big Game Awards Saturday, April 1, 5 p.m., at the Gillespie County Fairgrounds, Highway 16, South, as a part of the Second Annual Fredericksburg Outdoor Expo.

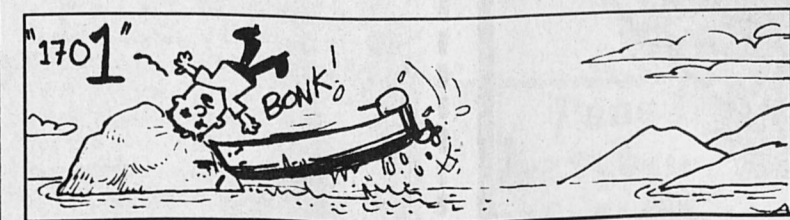
Larry French of Midland took his first-place 22-point buck in Kinney County. Scoring 218 6/8 on the Boone and Crockett scoring system, French's buck ranked first in Region 4 and statewide.

Awards will be presented to more than 130 hunters, to 80 landowners, and to 165 first-timers, those who took their first deer in the past season.

Region 4 includes 28 counties of the Hill Country, stretching from Gatesville to Ozona to Del Rio to San Antonio and back to Gatesville. Statewide, over 1,300 hunters and a corresponding number of landowners were entered in this year's awards program.

The Texas Big Game Awards Program, in its fourth year, is co-sponsored by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, the Texas Wildlife Association, Carter's Country of Houston, and the Hixon Land and Cattle Company, San Antonio. The program honors hunters skillful and lucky enough to take trophies, and the landowners who provide the habitat in which deer can grow to trophy size.

Statewide awards are set for July 8, at the Texas Wildlife Association's convention in San Antonio.



There are at least 1,700 islands in the group known as the Thousand Islands in the Saint Lawrence River.

33 27 Homeowners Left To Buy An Air Conditioner Or Heat Pump With No Payment For 6 Months

*Read on to see how Homeowners can get the Second year free

By LIZZ RAMIREZ

For the first time in Brackettville, Mr. Dan Petersen has created a program that will allow 27 Homeowners to buy a new air conditioner or heater and not make any payment for 6 months. Actually, with his program homeowners will probably get the second year free. In a moment, I'll tell you how this works.

My question when talking to Mr. Peterson was...

WHY WOULD HE MAKE THIS OFFER?

His answer made sense. He said "It won't be long before spring is here. That's one of the times when my sales usually drop off. So I'll be left with a lot of super employees that I will have to keep busy until the hot weather comes."

"I believe that by giving homeowners this tremendous opportunity, these 27 systems will bring in more than enough sales to make up for the business I normally lose in the spring."

After discussing the advantage to the homeowners I believe Mr. Peterson will wish he had enough employees to put in more than 27 systems, and I'm sure many homeowners will, too.

HERE IS HOW THE HOMEOWNERS BENEFIT

*They get a new system at 1994 prices...but don't begin paying until almost 1996.

*They start saving money on energy bills now.

*They eliminate all repair cost now (these systems come with a complete 5 year parts and labor warranty).

HERE IS WHERE THIS CONCEPT REALLY IMPRESSED ME

Mr. Petersen said "If you are replacing an old system, the money you save on your energy bills in the first two years could be enough to make all the payments in the second year."

BUY A SYSTEM IN 1995 AND NOT TAKE ANY MONEY OUT OF THEIR POCKET UNTIL ALMOST 1997

In fact, here is what Mr. Peterson is doing to help homeowners save enough money to make the payments in the second year. He is giving them an Electronic Programmable Thermostat free.

He said this is really in his best interest since the homeowners get a...

GUARANTEED ENERGY SAVINGS OF 25% DURING THE FIRST YEAR OF THE HOMEOWNER IS PAID THE DIFFERENCE

This applies when they are replacing an air conditioning or Heat Pump.

My hat goes off to Mr. Peterson for creating a remarkable program. Just look at everything the homeowner gets:

- *No payments for 6 months (maybe no money out of their pocket for 18 months).
- *A guaranteed energy savings of 25% during the first year.
- *A free electronic programmable thermostat.

THE ONLY WAY HOMEOWNERS CAN LOSE IS IF THEIR CALL COMES IN TOO LATE

Because, according to Mr. Peterson, once the 27 systems are sold this program will have to end.

Homeowners can request more information (or schedule a free survey) by calling Comfort Tech at 800-825-6694. Lic.#TACLA004577.

Here is my advice if you are interested in taking advantage of this opportunity...Do not delay calling!

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World War II CBI Veterans

Veterans who served in China, Burma, and India in World War II are invited to a reunion, August 16-20, 1995, in Salt Lake City, Utah. This 48th annual reunion is being organized by the China-Burma-India Veterans Association, which has over 7,000 members.

If you are a CBI veteran, please send your name, address, and phone number to A.L. Smith, 5006 FM 154, West Point TX 78963-5108, so we can send information about the reunion. Please also tell us the name of your CBI unit and locations where you served overseas.

If you cannot attend the Salt Lake City reunion, we would still like to hear from you so we can notify you of future CBI programs, including those of local CBIVA units in your area.

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