



# The Brackett News

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

## Tiger Band Christmas Concert

Friday, December 1, at 7:00 p.m., the Tiger and Cub Bands will present their annual Christmas Concert at the High School Auditorium. The Tiger and Cub bands will take the stage together for a special rendition of Little Drummer Boy. Featured soloists at the concert will be Valerie Jimenez, Brandy Meeks, and Alfred Rodriguez.

## KINNEY COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The Kinney County Chamber of Commerce reported that the Holiday Travelers Rest Stop on Sunday, November 26, at Fritter Park was highly successful.

Seven cases of soft drinks, 200 cups of coffee, 3 gallons of orange juice, and a gallon of fruit punch was handed out to travelers on Highway 90. In addition to the drinks, eight dozen doughnuts, nine dozen muffins, five dozen cookies, six dozen sandwiches, 14 dozen hot dogs and a gallon of dill pickles were consumed.

Chamber officials set up at the park at 5:30 a.m. and remained there until darkness closed them down around 6:00 p.m. More than 100 local people were on hand helping throughout the day to make travel safer. Traffic was extremely heavy all day and many vehicles stopped at the park.

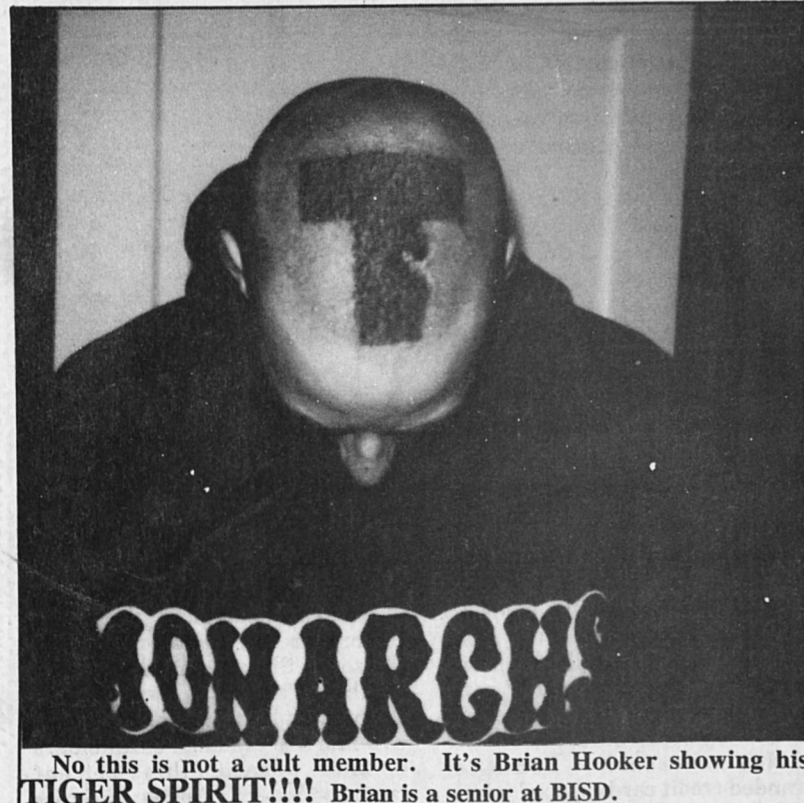
Juan Hernandez who heads the Kinney County office of the Texas Department of Transportation made arrangements for the use of the immaculately kept rest area without charge to the sponsors. The stipulation was that all refreshments must be free, no advertisement materials could be distributed, and the park must be left clean.

John Ford provided signs one mile east and one mile west of the park to inform drivers where they could stop for free refreshments.

Providing money and/or food items and/or workers for the community project were Mrs. Edyth Sharp, John Ford, Parts Plus, VFW Post #8360, VFW Auxiliary #8360, Fort Clark Gun Club, Brackett Rotary Club, Las Moras Lodge #444, Fort Clark Shrine Club, First Baptist Church, Adult II Sunday School Class of First Baptist Church, Fort Clark Historical Society, Old Quarry Society, Fra Beta Sorority, Fort Clark Arts Club, Knights of Columbus of St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church, PTO, and the Kinney County Chamber of Commerce.

Those who worked expressed pleasure at meeting so many nice travelers who stopped to visit, renew their alertness, enjoy the nourishment. Some were quickly on their way again, others lingered even as long as an hour "just visiting." One young man was from France.

Workers agreed that this is a community project that needs to be repeated. They also agreed that it was a fun day and the bonus was working together, renewing acquaintances, and making new friends among their neighbors.



No this is not a cult member. It's Brian Hooker showing his TIGER SPIRIT!!!! Brian is a senior at BISD.

## Our Troops Do Not Belong In Bosnia

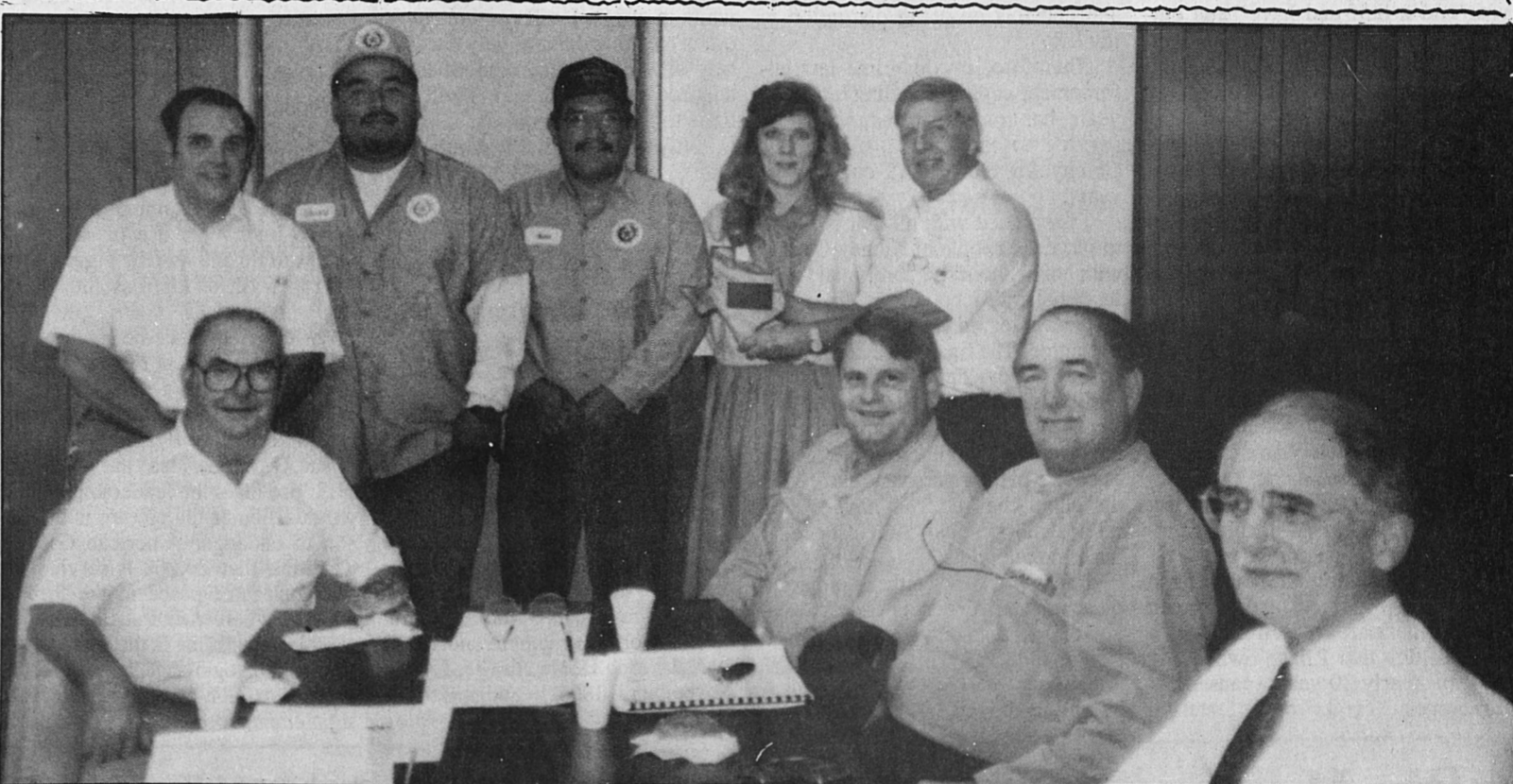
By Henry Bonilla  
23rd District, Texas

President Clinton is walking a tight rope. He wants to send U.S. troops into the former Yugoslavia, even if it's without a strong web of support from Congress and the American people. The problem is that if the president slips, it will be our troops who will be left without a net.

Under the president's plan, 20,000 U.S. troops, including 2,000 to 3,000 reservists, would move into Bosnia as part of a 60,000-person NATO peacekeeping force. If things go smoothly, the president predicts some troops could begin to pull out

within weeks or months. The entire force would be withdrawn after 12 months. The operation would cost our nation at least \$1 billion.

Why does the president want to send our forces into Bosnia? That's a good question which so far hasn't been answered. In spite of the Clinton Administration's best efforts to gain congressional support for its plan, members of both political parties are not convinced. Without a clearly-defined mission and justifiable objectives for sending our troops into this kind of conflict, the president would be making a grave mistake. The lives of young people from Uvalde or Marfa or Carrizo Springs should not be jeopardized in



Mud employees and Board of Directors from left to right, back row: Larry Sofaly, Edward Salazar, Juan Garcia, Kathryn Letsinger and Hubert McKelvy, front row: Ken Kalnan, Pat Melancon, Bob Young and Don Ralston.

## Fort Clark Municipal Utility District Named Most Dedicated

The Wintergarden District of the Texas Water Utilities Association includes all cities and utilities operations from Del Rio to Lytle and Rocksprings to Eagle Pass and Dilley.

Fort Clark Municipal Utility District was named the Most Dedicated Utility in the District. There are four highly motivated and dedicated employees.

All four are required to maintain a water and wastewater certificate to at least the "C" level. The two operators, Edward Salazar and Juan Garcia, are required to maintain twenty-four hour standby operation. The Assistant Manager, Kathryn Letsinger, is responsible for managing the day to day operation of the office; all billing operations and parts research/ordering. She monitors, supervises and inspects all water/wastewater maintenance projects. As manager, Larry Sofaly is responsible for coordinating and

implementing the board of directors plans.

The Board of Directors is made up of five elected members of the District. They establish policy for the District.

In addition, Kathryn Letsinger was named the Wintergarden Districts Water Utility Professional of the Year. Since November of 1993, she has mastered all aspects of the water/wastewater profession as it pertains to the District. She researched and selected all of the hardware and soft wear for the new computer system. She loaded all of the data on over eight hundred accounts while still maintaining the manual system. Kathryn is highly motivated and an asset to Fort Clark Municipal Utility District.

Larry Sofaly was given the Wintergarden Distinguished Service Award for 1995.

## Kinney County Commemorates World Aids Day

Friday, December 1, 1995 marks the eighth annual observance of World AIDS Day. One hundred and ninety countries around the world have designated this to draw attention to the AIDS pandemic. The 1995 World AIDS Day theme, "Shared Rights, Shared Responsibilities" emphasizes the importance of equality and solidarity in the global response to HIV and AIDS.

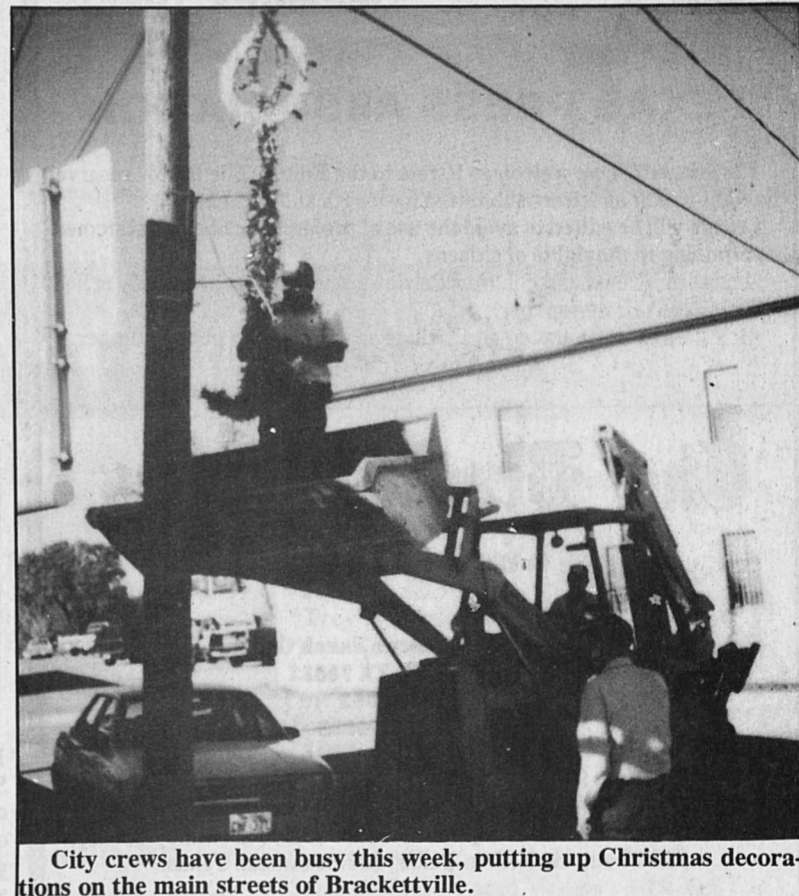
World AIDS Day will link communities across the United States in unified observance lights. In Washington, DC, the White House will dim its lights from 7:45 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. (EST) to demonstrate commitment to the fight against AIDS and as a tribute to those living with AIDS and those who have died. Here in Kinney County, the theme of light will be replicated by having their vehicle lights on during the day from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

All communities are affected by continuing spread of AIDS. The World Health Organization estimates that 20 million men,

women and children worldwide had been infected with HIV as of June 1995. Approximately 4.5 million people have developed AIDS, a 20 percent increase from last year.

In Kinney County, The Texas Department of Health reports that 3 people have been diagnosed with AIDS through September 30, 1995. Of these, 2 have died. This data is cumulative from the day the Health Department started collecting the data in 1981. However, the actual figures are much higher in Uvalde County since, the infected individuals from rural areas seek medical treatment in urban areas during the late stages of the disease.

To learn more about HIV and AIDS, or to find out what you can do to help people with AIDS, call the United Medical Centers, Health Counseling Services-HIV/AIDS program, serving the counties of: Maverick, Val Verde, Uvalde, Zavala, Dimmit, Edwards, La Salle, Kinney, and Real, call at (210)773-9271 or 773-9160.



City crews have been busy this week, putting up Christmas decorations on the main streets of Brackettville.

## All District Selections District 29-AA 1995

### FIRST TEAM OFFENSE

Linemen, Jared Shahan, Sr. Brackett, Runningbacks, Moses Hernandez, Jr., Brackett, Receivers, Bryan Flores, So., Brackett, and Extra Point Kicker, Brian Hooker, Sr., Brackett.

### SECOND TEAM

Linemen, Butch Lopez, Brackett, Patrick Munoz, Brackett, Receivers, Ramon DeLeon, Brackett, Michael Padron, Brackett, and Quarterback, Brian Hooker, Brackett.

### FIRST TEAM DEFENSE

Linemen, Butch Lopez, Jr.,

Brackett, Ends, Juan Hernandez, Sr., Brackett, Secondary, Michael Padron, Sr., Brackett, and Brian Flores, Sr., Brackett.

### SECOND TEAM

Linemen, John Castro, Brackett, Ends, Moses Hernandez, Brackett, Linebackers, Jorge Rodriguez, Brackett, Secondary, Ramon DeLeon, Brackett.

### Honorable Mention

J. Wayne Ballew, Soph., L.B., Jared Shahan, Sr., L.B., John Castro, Sr., R.B., Xavier Toms, Soph., O.L., Michael Meyer, Soph., R.B., Michael Aguirre, Jr., D.B., Demetrius Williams, Soph., R.B., and Raymond Talamantez, Sr., O.L.

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# Sheriff's Corner

By Sheriff Norman H. Hooten



It is with deep regret that by this letter I must tell you that effective December 15, 1995, I will no longer continue to serve you as Sheriff of Kinney County and this letter to you will also be the last "Sheriff's Corner" written by my hand.

You have honored me by allowing me the privilege of serving you as a peace officer in Kinney County for the past 19 consecutive years, first as Constable, then as Brackettville Police Chief, and finally as Sheriff for the past 13 years. In exchange for that honor and privilege and the trust in me you have shown, I have tried with all that is in me to serve you with honor, honesty, ability, and professionalism. I sincerely hope that my efforts have, in some way, made a difference.

As most of you know by now, I have been the "Target" of the State and Federal Governments for the past year and a half and have been embattled with legal problems and charges filed against me by Bastrop County authorities stemming from my arrest in May, 1994 on Class C Misdemeanor charges of "Being a spectator at a dog fight."

The power of the State and Federal Government is awesome when unleashed upon their chosen "Target"(s) but throughout this ordeal and the continual, seemingly never-ending, nightmare in my life I maintained, somehow, my belief that the justice system of this state and country and the Texas and United States Constitutions would serve me well and I would ultimately be exonerated of the charges against me. I soon realized that my beliefs were badly misplaced and instead of things getting better they just got worse.

My love, admiration, respect, and ownership of a breed of dog known as the American Pit Bull Terrier, a breed of dog that I have owned and bred for nearly 30 years, caused me to become a "Target" of the State and

Federal Government with allegations that my long time association with this breed was in conflict with State and Federal laws regarding these dogs.

Then, due to the many forces and factors in my life, both personal and professional, including biased and extremely hateful and destructive "opinions" of my long time local political enemies, various law enforcement agencies of the State and Federal Government unleashed their unlimited man power and financial resources (paid for by our own tax dollars) and set out to destroy me professionally, personally, and financially.

My own deeply ingrained beliefs in the basic rights and freedoms of the American people caused me to play right into their hands and I soon found myself backed into a corner from which there was no way out but to take the action I finally took to try and end this on-going disruption in my life.

Therefore, my longtime law enforcement career, totalling some 24 years, has come to an end, as has my service to the people of Kinney County for the past 19 consecutive years.

I have tried with all that is in me to serve the people of Kinney County with honor, honesty, ability, and professionalism. I believe in my heart that I have served you well, and I hope you agree. The final judgement of that will be in your hearts and minds.

For my beliefs in the rights and freedoms of the American people to the pursuit of happiness and freedom of choice in their personal, daily lives that should be free from governmental instruction and interference, I make no apologies.

For my actions, either deliberate or accidental, that may have caused you embarrassment, disillusion, or a loss of faith and trust in me as your Sheriff and/or as your friend, I most humbly apologize.

To the large majority of the people of Kinney County who have stood by me with friendship and support, and who, by that friendship and support, have allowed me the honor and privilege of serving as your Sheriff for these many years now past. I extend to you my most deep felt and eternal gratitude and you will be forever remembered in my heart.

If you feel that I have, in any way, let you down I sincerely hope that someday, somehow, you can find it in your heart to forgive me.

In the meantime I will now close out my professional law enforcement career and go on with my life. However, contrary to those famous words of that famous general of World War II, who said, "Old Soldiers Never Die, They Just Fade Away", Norman H. Hooten will not fade away. I will continue to be a man, as I was a man before I took office, and was a man while in office. I will continue to exert my efforts in any way I can to help all of you when and wherever needed. And, in the end, I will continue to be your friend!

Vaya Con Dios, Mi Amigos  
**THAT'S ALL!**

## Thank You Acknowledgement For Benefit Dinner

The First Annual Kinney County Thanksgiving Dinner sponsored by Val Verde Home Nurses, Inc. was held on November 17, 1995 at the Kinney County Civic Center. The dinner was a big success with over 300 meals distributed. The proceeds for the dinner came from the First Annual Golf Tournament sponsored by Val Verde Home Nurses, Inc. on November 4, 1995. In addition to the proceeds, gift certificates, door prizes and monetary donations were furnished by many area merchants, civic organizations and volunteers who gave of their time to this event. We at Val Verde Home Nurses, Inc. wish to express our thanks to our employees who volunteered their time and to the following:

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## Between Us

By Joe Townsend

The bloated egotism of Bill Clinton seems to make him think he can say anything he wants to and the American people are stupid enough to believe him and to bow to his arrogance. Aside from his lies and empty promises made in his campaign his palaver to justify his use of American G.I.'s in Bosnia was the biggest dose of hog wash of his dissolute thinking.

In the first place he made much ado that Bosnia was of high interest to the U.S. It is a gigantic mental gymnastic feat to figure how Bosnia is even remotely a factor of interest to the U.S. The idea that unless the U.S. provided the leadership NATO wouldn't enter the picture is no reason to endanger American G.I.'s. To think that 20,000+ servicemen will guarantee peace in the foreign country where racial strife is centuries old is whistling in the dark. I can't follow the logic that says 20,000+ American G.I.'s are necessary to supplement 40,000 troops from other

nations. If 40,000 can't "maintain" the peace, another 20,000 wouldn't guarantee that peace. We can all rest comfortably in the knowledge that Mr. Clinton will "assume full responsibility" for any fatalities. So what does this mean to the family of a G.I. brought home in a body bag. One big omission in the slick message of Clinton was the millions of dollars taken from the pockets of American taxpayers. It will not only cost millions of dollars to sustain the military invasion but you can know that Mr. Clinton has promised millions to the combatants to get their signatures on a peace document. If anyone believes that there will be a lasting peace established and American troops will be withdrawn within six months to a year. I've some ocean front property to sell in Arizona. If American troops are fired upon there will be immediate returned fire to heavily punish the ones firing. Will this bring back to life any American boys killed? Regardless of what anyone says

Clinton will send G.I.'s in. He'd like to have everyone pat him on the back and urge him on. Make no mistake, Congress can vote "NO" and the American people are vehemently opposed but U.S. Army personnel are already on the ground in Bosnia making ready for 20,000+ G.I.'s to follow. Bill Clinton was not willing to serve his nation in war but he is great on sending other mother's sons to die for causes that are no affair of the U.S. (Somalia - Haiti - Bosnia).

If there were an ounce of honesty and integrity in the presidency why is he not exercised over Rhwandi? The slaughter and human desolation there far outweighs all atrocities in Bosnia. Slaughter of Christians by the Muslim majority in Alysinnia is more devastating than Bosnia. Could it be that these nations are the wrong color? Could it be that the voracious egotism of Clinton is more readily fed in Europe than Africa? Oh well, no one in his right mind, would expect Bill Clinton to be consistent.

## Big Mama Sez!

The greatest trials bring the greatest strength.

PLEASE REMEMBER that we attempt to include something for everyone within the pages of our paper. We realize that that some folks enjoy finding fault and for those readers we thoughtfully include a socially acceptable number of errors within our publication.

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## Rambling Around Kinney County

By THE K.C. RAMBLER

Put on your calendar: December 17 - Sunday evening will be held the Second Annual Christmas Gathering of our entire community. A festive occasion with carols and spirituals, good foods and drinks, decorations and lights, toys and Santa Claus. The feelings of hope and happiness and peace permeates this get-together. Everyone is smiling. Friendship is in the very air.

All the merchants, many individuals and unknown donators work together to bring this one evening to all of us. DO NOT MISS IT. This fiesta will make you feel good for the entire holiday season.

City Manager David Luna and his many helpers originated this idea last year. The First Annual Christmas gathering was such a success, plans are for an annual party for years to come. This takes place on the grounds of City Hall (Spring St.)

Time to begin preparing all those special "goodies" you make only for the holidays. Little packages of your treats - festively wrapped - will make wonderful hostess gifts. Do you have small plants in your yard you could pot for a friend? Saw some chili pequinés dug up and potted for the perfect gift - with tiny green and red

## Smart Play Ideas Needed

(NAPS)—Need a new toy idea? Ask the experts—the kids who play with them.

That's what award-winning Natural Science Industries is doing in a "Fun In The Making" Contest, open to children, 5 to 12. Children can suggest toys in any category—arts and crafts, building and fitting, science toys, etc.

Known for smart toys that blend education and entertainment, the company has won numerous awards for excellence continuously from 1993 to 1995, including the prestigious 1995 Oppenheim Toy Portfolio Gold Seal Award for the new Sandscapes Sand Art set. Other award winning toys include Deluxe Sand Art, Smithsonian Crystal Growing and Popular Mechanics Tool sets.

Contest first prize is a \$500 U.S. Savings Bond for the child's college education. Ten second prizes feature complete NSI Project packages with all new products and ten third prizes offer NSI product assortments.

To enter, children should describe their toy ideas in 50 words or less and may illustrate them with drawings. Entries must be postmarked by January 15, 1996. No purchase is necessary. Send entries to Fun In The Making, 411 Park St., Upper Montclair, NJ 07043.

chilies a natural decoration. Cool weather is bringing out the deer and the deer hunters. Lots of added activity around town. Seems the deer can sense this and hide out. Haven't heard of too many bucks taken as yet. But they do not spend time browsing in the heat - a norther would make them more likely to come out of hiding. And one may be on the way.

Good idea to unhook your garden hoses and be ready to protect tender garden plants.

Have you been watching our glorious sunsets? Is there any place in the world they are more beautiful than right here in Kinney County? The colors would be impossible to reproduce on canvas.

Wool and Mohair has gotten in more sheepskin rugs in several colors. They are wonderful on chairs - sit on them to keep toasty these cool evenings. Also, there is a good selection of Mohair socks. Even shorty golf socks that your friends could use these cool mornings on the golf course. Go by to see all the nice gifts you can find. (Located on Spring Street at the top of the hill.)  
**THIS IS A SPECIAL TIME**

## From Your Local Game Warden

By Henry J. Lutz  
Kinney County, Game Warden

### SUNRISE AND SUNSET DEER HUNTING SEASON

Central Standard Time

Day	DEC. Rise	Set
Day	A.M.	P.M.
1	7:20	5:45
2	7:21	5:45
3	7:55	5:45
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## The Great Pump-Off

(NAPS)—Imagine the following exchange. A man pulls into a gas station and says, "Fill 'er up and take that off my credit card."

Didn't he mean to say, "put that on my credit card?"

Not necessarily. Some co-branded credit cards, issued jointly by a bank and a retailer, enable drivers to earn free gas just by using their card.

Money Magazine recently had "The Great Pump-Off" in which it compared oil company co-branded credit cards and the gas rebate they offer.

While getting free gas was a good deal in general, the magazine gave the Sunoco MasterCard a four-pump rating, the highest.

Sunoco MasterCard earned its winning status by virtue of its unusually generous grace period and large rebate—3 percent on gas purchases and 2 percent on non-gas purchases. The rebate can translate into about four free fill-ups a year.

Unlike other credit card bonuses that offer rebates on appliances you might someday purchase or a trip you might someday take, the gas rebate delivers on something you use every day by doing something you have to do anyway.

Sunoco automatically applies the combined rebate against future purchases of Sunoco gasoline on the cardholder's monthly statement, up to an annual total of \$70. When the \$70 mark is reached, cardholders continue to earn a three-percent rebate on Sunoco gasoline purchases with no annual cap.

"In addition to significant savings on gasoline, the new Sunoco/Bank of America card provides customers with the convenience and utility synonymous with the MasterCard brand, including acceptance at more than 12.5 million locations and cash access at 189,000 ATMs worldwide," said Kris Crow, MasterCard International senior vice president. "The fact that this card carries no annual fee and a low introductory rate makes it even more attractive to today's value conscious consumers."

Sunoco MasterCard offers a 25-day grace period for customers carrying a balance, during which no interest is charged on new Sunoco gasoline purchases at participating Sunoco stations. For other purchases, a 25-day grace period also applies if customers pay their new balance in full each month.

To apply for the co-branded oil card call 1-800-4SUNOCO.



# 23 Homeowners Will Get \$1,047 Cash Before The Christmas Season

Which is when we all need it the most.

By LIZZ RAMIREZ

Once again in Brackettville, Dan Peterson has created a program that will allow 23 homeowners to get \$1,047 cash right now before the Christmas Season. Plus, get a new heating and air conditioning system without taking one penny out of their pockets.

My question when talking to Dan Peterson was...

## Why Would He Make This Offer?

His answer made sense. He said "At this time of year I'm faced with a devastating problem and I know this can solve my problem. You see, during this Christmas season I already have two strikes against me:

1. The really cold weather hasn't hit us, so we don't get a lot of repair calls.
2. People have to spend so much for Christmas that they will do whatever they can to put off spending money on anything else.

Now I know many homeowners are faced with their own problems... They have all these things that they want to do this Christmas, but many of them don't know where all the money will come from. Well, this creative plan will take care of their problem and mine.

I believe that by giving homeowners this tremendous opportunity, these 23 systems will keep all of my employees busy until Christmas. I realize we don't have the profit in these jobs that we normally do, but it's worth it just to keep all our people working instead of having to send them home."

After discussing the advantage to the homeowner I believe Mr. Peterson will wish he had enough employees to put in more than 23 systems, and I'm sure many homeowners will too.

## Here Is How The Homeowners Benefit

- They can finance a new premium heating and air conditioning system with-

out taking one cent out of their pocket. Then Mr. Peterson will give them a check for \$1,047.

• For homeowner that decide to pay cash, instead of financing, Mr. Peterson will reduce their price by \$1,047.

• Either way the homeowner can save \$1,047.

• Just imagine, When Christmas is here many of these homeowners can enjoy it like they never have before. That's because these homeowners will have \$1,047 cash to pay their Christmas bills.

## Here Is Another Part Of This Concept That Impresses Me

The homeowners that are replacing an old system will get a guaranteed energy savings of 25% during the first year or Mr. Peterson will pay them the difference. Plus, he will take care of any repairs on the new system FREE for the next 10 years. And get this! Mr. Peterson said "Many of our customers have found that the money they save on their energy bills is more than their monthly payment."

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

- A new system without taking one cent out of their pocket.
- \$1,047 cash at the time of year that they need it the most.
- A \$1,047 discount if they decide to pay cash instead of finance.
- A system that could cut their energy and repair bills by more than their monthly payment.

## The Only Way Homeowners Can Lose Is If Their Call Comes In Too Late

Because according to Mr. Peterson, once the 23 systems are sold this program will have to end.

Homeowners can request more information (or schedule a free survey) by calling COMFORT TECH at 774-6542 OR 1-800-825-6694.

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

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# Tiger Tracks



## Cubettes Fall To Trojanettes

Monday, the Cubettes played the Lady Trojan JR. High team from Asherton.

The Cubettes fought hard throughout the game but fell just short of getting the win. Their final score was 20-16.

"It was a good game" says, Shelly Naylor, the girls' coach. She added "They all played a good game but we have a lot of room for improvement."

The outstanding defensive players of the week are Samantha Payne as well as Jamie Bader.

Way to go girls, better luck next time.

## Cubs Fall To Trojans

Monday, the Cubs suited up to play the Trojans from Asherton.

The deciding factor in this battle was turnovers. Head Coach Dutch Wardlaw says, "I thought we were the better team. We just have to take better care of the ball."

Schiller Hill scored 16 and Cody Williams scored 10 in this 37-30 loss for the Cubs.

## Tigerettes Tournament Play

On Friday (tomorrow) the Tigerettes will travel to Nueces Canyon for their first tournament of the 1995-1996 season.

The Tigerettes open their tournament play with Knippa at 12:00 Friday.

If they win they will play the winner between Rocksprings and Utopia at 6:00 on Friday. If they lose they will play at 3:00 on Friday against the loser of that same game.

It will be the Tigerettes final preparation before they have to open district on Tuesday against LaPryor.

Good Luck Tigerettes!

## Tigerettes Fall To Lady Panthers

Last Tuesday, the Tigerettes traveled to Nueces Canyon to see what the Lady Panthers had to offer.

Head Coach Gregg Nowlin says, "We didn't play so well. We had entirely too many turnovers. We were the better team and we should have won but we didn't take care of the ball."

This 34-45 loss was the Tigerettes first loss of the season and sank their record to 2-1.

## Triple Double???

That's right, a varsity Tigerette had a triple double. A triple double is something very hard to achieve. This Tigerette had double figures in 3 different categories.

She had 15 rebounds, 15 blocks, and 11 points against Nueces Canyon last Tuesday.

Her coach, Gregg Nowlin, says "I've been coaching ladies basketball for a long time and I have never seen a high school athlete achieve this. It is the first one I've ever seen."

Congratulations Amanda Meek on your outstanding accomplishment.

## F.F.A.

The Future Farmers of America are working on the annual Christmas dance. It is in the making and will be for F.F.A. members and their guests only.

They (F.F.A. members) are all busy making projects in shop class. The students are working good" says F.F.A. sponsor and Ag. Teacher John Paul Schuster.

John Paul Schuster, Russ White, and Alan McWilliams all worked diligently to validate all stock work animals.

The F.F.A. keeps working hard to promise Kinney County a successful and great stock show.

## Tiger

### Tournament Play

Friday, (tomorrow) the Tigers will travel to Nueces Canyon to face town East at 1:30 in the first round of the tournament. This will be the first tournament of the 1995-96 season. 2 more will follow.

One tournament will be at South West Texas Jr. College in Uvalde and another will be held right here in Brackett. But for now, all eyes are on Nueces Canyon.

If the Tigers win they will play at 7:30 on Friday night, if they lose, they will play at 4:30 Friday afternoon.

Good Luck Tigers!



## Tigers Roll Past Eagles

Tuesday, the 5-A Eagle Pass J.V. Eagles came to the jungle to see what the Tigers had in store.

The Tigers were down at the end of the first quarter but bounced back and walked away with a 76-67 victory.

Head Coach Gary Gubbs said, "We showed great improvement over our last game. We are very pleased with everyone on the court. I thought our players made some great decisions. We didn't rebound very well in the first half but after making adjustments at half time, our rebounding was much better. We ran our break outstanding at times but were yet sloppy at other times. The more we play the better we get. I think that Mike Padron, Ramon DeLeon, Moses Hernandez, Ruben Terrazas, Brian Flores, Beau Smallwood, Kirk Hill, and Brian Hooker all had outstanding games."

In the Tiger victory Ramon DeLeon had 21 points. Moses Hernandez had 16 points and 7 rebounds. Ruben Terrazas had 11 points and 10 rebounds. Mike Padron had 8 points along with 8 assists. Beau Smallwood had 8 points and 8 rebounds. Brian Flores had 4 points, Brian Hooker had 2 points and 7 rebounds.

## Tigerettes Win Nailbiter

Tuesday, the 5-A varsity, Lady Eagles of Eagle Pass came to Brackett to see what the Tigerettes had to offer.

It was close from the get go! The Tigerettes went in at half time deadlocked in a 19-19 tie with the Lady Eagles. Would you believe that at the end of regulation they were still deadlocked except at 42-42. It happened! Tigerettes grabbed the victory in the final second of overtime when Tina Meek drained a lay-up to grab the win. The Tigerettes won by the narrow margin of 49-48.

Gregg Nowlin says, "It is the first time we have ever beat a 5-A varsity team. It was an awesome game. I'm very proud of our Tigerettes!"

In this victory, Amanda Meek had 16 points, Sandra Hernandez had 10, and Tina Meek had 6.

Way To Go Tigerettes!

## Breakfast With Santa

The seniors are having a fundraiser for a special evening called project graduation.

The night of graduation, seniors go out to a ranch and have an all-night party. NO DRUGS, NO ALCOHOL. The purpose for this night is to keep the kids off of the streets and away from drugs and alcohol.

Many prizes are given to help students on their way to college. Prizes such as T.V.'s, VCR's, microwaves, etc...are given.

For 10 dollars, you get a breakfast and a quality picture with Santa Claus himself. This will all take place this Saturday, December 2nd. Please, if you can, have breakfast with Santa and support our seniors of 1996 in a worthy cause.

To obtain tickets call 563-2491 and ask for Susan Harrison between 8:00 and 3:30 or show up at the school cafeteria Saturday morning.

## Winterguard!

The Tigerettes flag core, otherwise known as Winterguard team, is in the process of creating a show for competition after Christmas.

Winterguard holds practice twice a week in hopes of a successful year.

The Winterguard consists of: Vanessa Terrazas, Nichole Rhames, Alex Arreola, Veronique Gary, Heather Martin, Cynthia Cruz, Michelle Villarreal, Cecilia Terrazas, Jessica Jaso, Windy Goodloe and Valerie Jimenez.

They have raised over \$1300.00 dollars to pay for supplies and trips. Good Luck Winterguard. Keep working hard and you will represent Brackettville successfully.

## J.V. Tigerettes Lose Nailbiter

Last Tuesday, the J.V. Tigerettes traveled to Nueces Canyon to see what the Lady Panthers had in store for them. The Tigerettes lost in this 30-28 nailbiter.

This loss sinks the J.V. Tigerette record to 2-1.

Leading scores for that game were Patty Lopez with 8 points and Jennifer Asherbranner with 8 points.



## Making A Difference

By TAYLOR STEPHENSON  
BISD Curriculum Director

Thanksgiving has come and gone. This week, I want to talk about Thanksgiving, families and the changing world that our children will face in the 21st century. Here we go!

It was a great holiday. Wednesday was a nice addition to Thanksgiving holidays for school children and staff. If the Wednesday before Thanksgiving is the day when the most travel occurs in the US, why wouldn't this be one of the days that we would want to get our loved ones off of the highways? Our ultimate concern needs to be safety as throngs of students and adults rush to their Thanksgiving feast. Think about it when you're setting your calendars up next year.

The Community Thanksgiving Service was a time that I enjoyed. The Baptist Church is beautiful and Gil Ash and his congregation were good hosts. We had a great message from newcomer, Methodist minister--Sheree Harris. Joe Townsend was there to tell us about how the offering helped travelers who are in need. The service was graced with Brother Adams and Fr. Lavelle. The music was excellent with Elizabeth Nichols at the organ and Cathy Conrey at the piano. The Fort Clark Springs Voices were ably led by Lynn McNew. The church was filled with thankful folks. I was thankful to be a part of a community that believes that thanking God is not confined to religious denominations.

My holiday was not a traditional one. My son, Mike, is working on his Ph.D. at the University of Kentucky. Daughter, Traci, was in New Mexico, preparing for her trip to Missouri seeking employment as an occupational therapist. Nobody's home, so we decided to spend Thanksgiving at one of our favorite Ciudad Acuna restaurants -- Crosbys. On the way, we took a side trip through Quemado. It was fun to see new country and to spend the day in Mexico. One blessing, my dad -- Andrew -- was able to speak to me Thanksgiving morning. There was much improvement though there are many more obstacles to overcome in his recovery. I'm thankful for this.

You know relating education to this homespun story is not as difficult as you might think. My kids grew up in small towns in New Mexico not much larger or different than Brackettville. Today, my son competes with other students from all over the country for the top degree offered in the far off state of Kentucky while my daughter competes for jobs with folks who have been educated in Tennessee and Missouri. Our own Brackett Schools don't know what the challenges will be or who our kids will be competing with upon leaving our community. We used to know. Years ago, we just didn't wander far. Education was simpler. We could say...hey, here's what you need...that's what I needed. Today, we can't even envision the preparation that may be needed to achieve in a constantly changing world.

Just what skills will be needed by our students in the 21st Century? If I had the answer I would write it now. Texas says...teach the basic essential elements first. From that point on, we depend on our professional staff to add what they can to make a well rounded curriculum for kids that will be competing worldwide. We depend on those educators who stay abreast of a changing world, who read and know what research says about teaching and learning in their discipline and who understand that it sure is not what the teacher knows...but what the kids learn that makes the difference in the schools of the 90's. I'm thankful that it is this way.

Should parents be involved in the education of their children? Yes. Yes. Yes. Is education a shared responsibility of the student and the teacher? Yes. Yes. Yes.

Okay, time to close. Life is changing every day. Thanksgiving is a traditional time to give thanks for what we have rather than to focus on what we don't have. Our education system in Brackettville is good. It must be better. Families will continue to be important in the 21st Century! Teachers and schools will too. We must all come to school every day thinking that we can be better than we were yesterday. Just as my own children were, our students will be challenged to compete in a larger arena than we can presently envision. Let's focus on traditional values. Let's focus on an education that prepares kids for life and for a world beyond BISD. Let's teach our kids to think and to be problem solvers. Parents, teachers, students, board members, and community supporters, we have quite a challenge. I believe that we're doing the right things at BISD. Let's step up the pace and get our kids ready for the 21st Century!

## 7th Grade Cubettes

Monday, the 7th grade Cubettes got their first taste of Basketball. Their first opponent was the Lady Trojans from Asherton.

As seventh graders, they have never played any kind of organized basketball through the school. These young ladies will never be able to say that again.

"They played really well for their first game ever. They will improve greatly as time goes on," says Shelly Naylor.

Way To Go Cubettes!

## J.V. Tigers Fall To J.V. Eagles

Tuesday, the J.V. Tigers suited up to play the Jr. J.V. from Eagle Pass. They call it their Jr. J.V. because the team consist of only juniors.

Our freshmen and sophomore played well with the JV's from a 5-A school. Their final score came out 56-28.

David Honstein had 9 points. Luis Guajardo had 6, Josh Crumley also had 6, Patrick Munoz had 5, and Justin Turner had 2 points.

"We have really improved since our last Comstock game. We played a much better team than Comstock. I'm proud of our effort," says Head JV Coach Art Finkenbinder.

## F.H.A.

The Future Homemakers of America have just finished a fund raiser from Express Industries.

It was a very successful fund raiser in which the quota was easily surpassed.

The winner of the fund raiser was Terry Esparza. Terry sold over \$575.00 dollars worth. WOW!

F.H.A. sponsor Mary Lee Haby says, "We did great. I'm very proud of all of our members. They all sold well."

The money will help a couple of students represent Brackett at the Regional F.H.A. meeting in Corpus Christi.

Congratulations Terry!

## Cubs Fall To Panthers

Last Monday, the Cubs suited up for the first time of the 1995-96 season to face the Panthers from Comstock.

Unfortunately, the Cubs fell in a 56-44 loss to the Panthers.

Keeping in mind the Panthers play basketball year round, Cub coach Dutch Wardlaw says, "Our kids played well against a year - round team. We had the lead 28-26 at half time but ended up losing due to turnovers. I'm proud of our kids."

Leading the scoring for the Cubs was Schiller Hill with 20 points. Tommy Sandoval had 16 points.

Way To Go Cubs!

## Tigers Thrash Panthers

Last Tuesday, the Tigers traveled to Nueces Canyon to see what the Panthers had to offer in their 1995 season opener.

The Tigers ran the Panthers up and down the court in their 73-33 thrash.

Leading the scoring for the Tigers was Ruben Terrazas with 19 points. He also had 14 rebounds. Mike Padron had 14 points, 8 rebounds, and 6 steals. Ramon DeLeon had 11 points and 8 steals. Beau Smallwood had 8 points. Brian Flores had 7 points. Moses Hernandez had 6 points and 15 rebounds. As far as the rest of the scoring, Eric Rivera had 5, Raymond Talamantez had 4, and Taco Castro had 2.

Head Coach Gary Gubbs said "Beau Smallwood, Ruben Terrazas, and Moses Hernandez did a great job down low. We were hurting down low with Brian Hooker and Kirk Hill out due to illness, those 3 guys stepped up well. We also had outstanding guard play from Mike Padron, Ruben Terrazas and Ramon DeLeon. It was a fun game because everyone got to play. 9 out of 11 people scored."

It is a good improvement from Comstock and hopefully we will continue to improve. We didn't have a lot of turnovers and that was good. I'm proud of all of our kids, they played well."

Way To Go Tigers.

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1  
Scrambled Eggs  
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Picante  
Fruit Or Fruit Juice  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 4  
Donuts  
Fruit Or Fruit Juice  
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5  
Tiger Toast  
Fruit Or Fruit Juice  
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6  
Biscuit/Gravy  
Fruit Or Fruit Juice  
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7  
Potato And Egg Taquito  
Picante  
Fruit Or Fruit Juice

## Lunch Menu

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1  
Pepperoni Pizza Wedge  
Fresh Garden Salad/Dressing  
Fruit  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 4  
Spaghetti W/Meat Sauce  
Choice Of Vegetable  
Garlic Toast  
Fruit Crisp  
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5  
Corn Dogs  
French Fries  
½ Pickle  
Fresh Fruit  
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6  
Hamburger  
Burger Salad  
French Fries  
Whipped Jello  
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7  
School Made Burrito  
Spanish Rice  
Pinto Beans  
Fruit Cobbler



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.

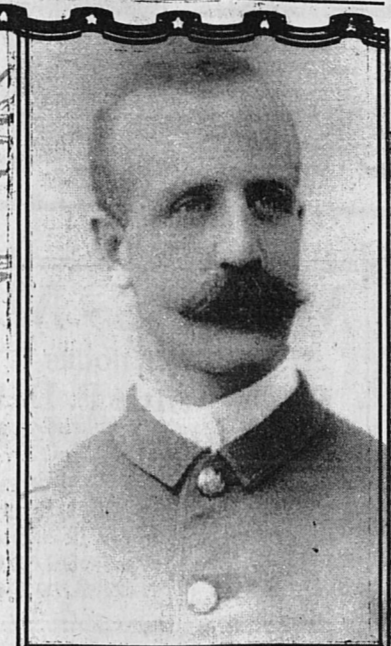
At Fort Clark, on January 1, 1883, Lt. French began diaries which he faithfully maintained for the next thirty years.

November 1883: As Commander of the Seminole Scouts Lt French does not have to stand the calls of Reveille, Retreat and Tattoo with the garrison so he spends his time playing billiards at the sutler's store (located on the rise at the Empty Saddle statue). He and Lt Eckerson take a trip to Silver Lake to hunt and gather pecans (Silver Lake is about 14 miles north of the fort). The practice of "falling bricks" continues as officers rank out each other for quarters resulting in another move for the bachelor lieutenant. Again he is placed in an upstairs room above a married officer's family. The paymaster arrives mid month with, "...the Seminoles being paid last." The Scouts, as soldiers do, get drunk but Sgt Kibbets remains sober to ensure adequate preparations for the trip to Mayers Spring. In his fashion Lt French writes, "At last the fateful day has come." The Seminole Scout Detachment makes its five day trek to Mayers Spring encamping at Sycamore Creek, the far side of the Devils River (vicinity of the railroad and highway bridges over Lake Amistad), Painted Cave (today's Seminole Canyon State Park), Eagle's Nest (at Langtry), and Lozier Canyon. The Detachment relieves "L" troop 8th Cavalry and settles into the routine of camp life. Lt French worries about his mail, writes letters, maintains official correspondence, makes new acquaintances, plays cards, and is taken advantage of by a government contractor. Thanksgiving dinner is mutton stew and apple pie.

Monday, November 26 1883

Wrote letters of congratulation to Mr. & Mrs. McDonald and to Steve & Anna Morris, & sent my pay accounts to Maj. Bash. Commenced to overhaul the papers & blanks when was interrupted by the arrival of Capt. Simonds who was here last January with Mr. Nason. He comes this time with Mr. Lougee (a name somewhat like this) who are [sic] bringing lumber

**FOOTSTEPS ECHO**  
The Fort Clark Diaries and Letters of Major General Francis Henry French  
Courtesy of his descendants



and supplies intending to locate here and bring their families, if they can only find water for cattle on the large tract of property they own in this vicinity. Was very glad to see him and asked both to stay here until they could make other preparations. Mr. L. is a lawyer from Boston & both are thorough gentlemen. The Doctor did not like me to invite them as he thought they were mere cowboys and were making use of us to advance their own interests. He would not come out to meet them. I dont intend to keep open house here for ranchmen & cowboys, but am always happy to entertain gentlemen. They returned to Thurston after going to the Springs and said they would come back to pass the night here but did not. Had two beds fixed in my tent for them. Mr. Wilkins came over from the Pecos today & went to Thurston to go to Del Rio. No mail today. Received the last of the grain today. Sgt. Kibbets went out about 3 miles from camp and killed a fine buck and brought him in, sending us a ham. Now we have fresh beef. Had an excellent dinner. Had a stove put up in the dining tent which makes our meals more enjoyable. After dinner the doctor

and I made ourselves known to each other as masons and he promises to instruct me, and is going to write down to San Antonio to make application for both of us to go through the chapter degrees. Had a long talk on masonry. Afterwards wrote some official letters and read a short history until bed time.

Tuesday, Nov. 27 1883

Commenced a letter to Lizzie, but was interrupted by the arrival of Capt. Simonds and Mr. Griffith, who came into my tent for a short time, then visited the Springs & returned to Thurston. Much to our disappointment there was no personal mail today. Played solitaire & talked with the Doctor until near dinner time when Capt. Simonds & Mr. Lougee came over in their wagon. After introducing the Doctor, he & I went to dinner, the others having dined at Thurston &

they unloaded their wagon. After dinner went to stables & then we met in Doctor's tent and talked until bedtime. They are to sleep in my tent where beds were prepared for them. I have my cot fixed up. Ice formed last night at the spring.

Wednesday, November 28 1883

After breakfast Mr. Lougee went over to Thurston and I commenced to write home. The hunting party came in this morning bringing ten deer. Ward gave me a fine pair of horns which will make a good hat rack. Had almost completed my letter when the mail came over from Thurston, a letter from home and one from Weeks being my share. Sue's letter announced her engagement to Potter something that I was very glad to know definitely. I think he loves her & she loves him, and that he is [in] an excellent position to support her. He learned his trade while young and has influence to secure a good place, the first vacancy that is offered. Cold rain today. Finished the letter to Lizzie T. Hoagland before dinner and received some hay from Torres. After dinner, Capt. S. and Dr. were beaten at euchre by Mr. L. & myself. Played until eleven o'clock. The Doctor & I had a little tiff, confounded it. He drank too much whiskey & I ought not to have been so hasty and stubborn. However it did not amount to much, & we were all right in a short time. Was very much interested in watching the manner in which Lougee managed him. His training as a lawyer came out very prominently.

Thursday, November 29 1883

Thanksgiving and Grandmother's birthday. Hope she will be long spared to us. Wrote letters to Sue and Potter and sent them over to Thurston. Afterwards wrote to Grandmother. The Doctor rode over to Thurston with Captain & Mr. L. but walked back. No letters for me. I must go down to Del Rio and have a talk with the postmaster there if Dr. Harmer doesn't attend to the matter. Had mutton

stew and apple pie for dinner. Mr. Lougee ate over at Thurston. They brought over their carpenter, engineer and more workmen who came up this morning. Played euchre in the evening, Mr. L & I coming out ahead.

Friday, November 30 1883

Last day of the month. Played euchre with Mr. Lougee in the morning. The Doctor was sick and did not get up during the day. He had the cholera several years ago and his stomach is weak in consequence, and yesterday's ride to Thurston upset him. While playing with Mr. Lougee saw that he was worried about the lumber for their house as their carpenter and other men came last evening. Torres who was to furnish a team to haul the lumber did not send it. So offered them the wagon & mules, if they would pay Wilson the driver, which they were glad to accept. Mr. Lougee went down to San Antonio on the afternoon train, going to Austin where his wife is. I guess he is somewhat homesick. This evening weighed out the hay and found that Mr. Torres is about one ton of hay ahead of me. Measured the stack and computed how much hay there was in it. Am going to be more careful in future. After dinner made out part of the monthly reports. In the evening Mr. Griffith came over from Thurston to work for Capt. Simonds. After dark Capt. Simonds entertained Griffith, Schultz the carpenter, & myself by stories of adventures while he was on the police force in Boston. After others retired completed reports and wrote letters of transmittal and tried to balance my personal account for the last month, but could not. Must look it over in the morning.

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- Tuesday, November 14, 1995 Ladies Golf League A, B, C, D, Scramble**  
1st place winners - Carol Benefield, Teresa Stephens, Melba Turner, and Betty Inman.  
2nd place winners - a tie between the teams of Mae Roper, Marge Maderich, Eileen Boekie and Dorothy Edwards, Fern Dyer, Barb Miller and Leslie Houk.  
**Wednesday, November 15, 1995 Mens Golf League**  
Handicap play, play all balls out, subtract total handicap and divide by number of players on your team.  
1st place Roger Kurz, James Stafford, Ray Kurtz and Bob Burkpile. 65.5.  
2nd place - Rick Free, Phil Land, and L. Herrmannson - 66.6.  
3rd place - Blake Hinton, Charlie Deshmaker, Don Herron, and Jack Schramm - 67.25.  
4th place Bob Williamson, Howard Peck, Red Udy and Phil Fordahl - 67.5.  
5th place - Chippy Ambler, Hugh Tarbell, Don Bell and Jack Workman - 67.75.  
**Thursday, November 16, 1995 Couples Scramble**  
1st place - Charlie Smith, Mary Stephenson, Del Kendrick and Margo Kendrick.  
Tied for 2nd place were the teams

- of Carl Chism, Jan Chism, Vern Ebert and Molly Schroder. Bob Lee, Betty Lee, Pack Waddill and Bobbie Waddill.  
3rd place Roy Dyer, Fern Dyer, Lee Herron and Eleanor Herron.  
4th place Jim Pratt, Juanita Pratt, Dwight Gilliland and Luella Gilliland.  
Watch the paper next week for results of the Lt. Col. David Sharp Memorial Tournament that was held 18-19 November.  
**November 21, 1995 Ladies Golf League Game Orange Ball With \$10.00 Gift Certificates For Closest To The Pin On #4**  
Winners of closest to pin were Jane Young and Mary Stephenson.  
1st-2nd place tie were the teams of Betty Lee, Jean Petaja, Marge Maderich and Joann Mayberry. Also Fern Dyer, Lavon McLane, Betty Mathinson and Nel Darling  
3rd place - Gwen Ladd, Gene Graham, Barb Miller and Jan Christenson.  
**November 22, 1995 Mens Golf League 2 Best Balls**  
First place Carlos Garza, Ken Frost, Dwite Gilliland and Phil Fordahl-152.  
Second place-Wayne Marrs, Howard Peck, Bob Barnett, and Henry Smith-155  
Third place-Gil Raymer, Charlie

- Deshmaker, Ray Darling and Harold Kauffman-157  
Fourth place was tie between Blake Hinton, Bill Mills, Ray Kurtz, and Bob Burkpile-159 and Bob Houk, Del Kendrick, Mo Turner, Larry Walker and Del Berry-159  
**November 23, 1995 No Thursday Couples Scramble Happy Thanksgiving November 25, 1995 Couples Monthly Scramble**  
First place-Chuck Titus, Bob Gaston, Beth Waller and Dick Wolters, with a 62.  
Second place tie between Tom McNew, Wayne Schwartz, Nel Darling and Bob Miller with a 64 and Roy Dyer, Jackie Marrs, Roger Stephens and Jean Petaja with a 64  
**Wednesday, November 22nd Organized by Leslie Houk**  
Ten lady golfers pitted their golfing skills against each other in a nine hole shoot out. All ten started on hole #1. One person was eliminated on each hole. In case of ties it was settled by a chip off, putt off or sand chip.  
The game ended on #9 with two golfers battling for the championship. Jane Young & Marge Maderich tied the hole and a putt off was executed with Marge Maderich being the victor.  
The line up was as follows: Mary Stephenson, Pat Nelson, Betty

The line up was as follows: Mary Stephenson, Pat Nelson, Betty Lee, Teresa Stephens, Fern Dyer, Shirley Stephenson, Barbara Miller, Jackie Marrs, Jane Young, and Marge Maderich (champion)  
A group of spectators followed the golfers cheering them on. Helping with the scoring and tie breakers was Gwen Ladd and Bob Houk.

**Fort Clark Springs Art Club**  
The Bud Breen Workshop will be held December 1st and 2nd at the Art Studio on the Fort. Bud is a well known and highly respected Western painter. His paintings emerge from his lifelong familiarity with his subject. When Bud paints a landscape, one can smell the dust. His cowboys are as natural as the worn leather of an old pair of boots. When you take a workshop from Bud, you sense the essence of the West as well as learn the techniques of painting. Fort Clark Arts is proud to offer this opportunity to learn. A few spaces are left.

**Around the Fort**  
Call 563-9452 to reserve your spot. "Jonesie Day" was celebrated on November 11th when the Art Club held an open house to honor it's founding member, Iola Jones. Well over a hundred people dropped by to say hello to Jonesie and to see a collection of her paintings that were on exhibit.  
Jonesie held court with old friends and acquaintances. She was given a lovely corsage by the Art Group and

made an honorary member. A friend in San Antonio sent a beautiful center piece which graced the table where refreshments were served. She declared it a wonderful gift, and we were all enriched by the experience. How nice to honor the people who have given so much of themselves to make this a better place to live.  
The Art Club invites you to come paint on Mondays and Saturdays. You don't have to be a member of the Fort to join the club or attend workshops. If you don't paint, drop by and enjoy the many pictures on display. This is an excellent place to shop for Christmas gifts. Give someone you love some art for Christmas.

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1 Fall behind  
6 Like a basket  
11 - Alto, CA  
15 Fastens a windbreaker  
19 Creed  
20 Beethoven dedicatae  
21 Ken of "thirty-something"  
22 Scheme  
23 Eugene  
24 O'Neill play  
26 Catches cod  
27 Actress  
28 Center of gravity?  
29 Intend  
30 Has a hunch  
32 -de-camp  
34 Make a choice  
35 Soprano Te Kanawa  
36 NASA vehicle  
40 Supernatural TV series  
45 -breve  
46 Wheedled  
48 Welsh symbol  
49 Slang suffix  
51 Still's partner  
53 Affix meaning "before"  
54 Evened the

score

55 Take - the chin  
56 Filter/  
Woodard film  
61 Common contraction  
62 Matching pieces  
63 In fact  
64 Squid's squirt  
65 Singer Percy  
66 Rockets down an alp  
67 Diavolo or Angelico  
68 Riser's relative  
70 Dull  
73 Tint  
74 Prepares the pekoie  
75 Botanist Gray  
78 Stood up  
79 Flock parodist  
83 Kick the pigskin  
84 Pickable  
85 --relief  
86 Acid type  
87 Clean-air org.  
88 Part of Indonesia  
89 Romantic expeditions  
92 Tree spray  
93 Neil Simon comedy  
96 Land  
99 Racer

Luyendyk  
100 Coseak of the Cars  
101 Long lunch?  
102 Raisin capital  
105 It's held by Swiss banks  
106 -- Framed Roger Rabbit!  
108 Bald bird  
112 Riga resident  
113 Jules Verne work, with "The"  
118 Division word  
119 Descartes' darling  
120 Stadium character  
121 "Pagliacci"  
122 Hammer part  
123 Cal. page  
124 Grizzly's gentle cousin?  
125 Jenny Lind, author for one

DOWN

1 QB's stats  
2 Deteriorates  
3 Taj town  
4 "Old Cow Hand"  
5 Martin of "Ed Wood"  
6 Itty-bitty  
7 Popeye's favorite color?  
8 Tarzan's

transport  
9 Punta del  
10 Previously, in a way  
11 Considerate  
12 Grad  
13 Casserole cover  
14 Unbalanced  
15 Summer annual  
16 Bad day for Caesar  
17 Rose or Rozelle  
18 Lip lash?  
24 Strickland or Sheehy  
25 Swift  
31 Actor Estrada  
33 Cal. page  
34 Mine find  
35 Places for patches  
36 "The Stranger" author  
37 Coeur d'., ID  
38 Factory  
39 Poet  
40 Teasdale  
40 At the crack of dawn  
41 VIP  
42 Bjorn's opponent  
43 Prominent  
44 "Sing - with Mitch"  
47 Iridescent

stones  
50 Poker stake  
52 Bring into harmony  
54 Tut's relative  
55 Provoked  
57 Press  
58 Ms. McCleanahan  
59 Broadcast  
60 Actress  
61 O'Connor  
61 Nome's home  
65 In stitches?  
66 Satyric trait  
67 Mink's coat  
68 Assnigation  
69 Peggy of "The Dukes of Hazzard"  
70 Wisecrack  
71 Let out the lava.  
72 He had a whale of a time  
73 Hasten  
74 World-weary  
75 Spanish city  
76 Mideast peninsula  
77 Squirrel's snack  
79 Victorian wit  
80 Very impressive  
81 First herdsman  
82 General Bradley

84 Ham operator  
88 Hatched  
89 Part of a ream  
90 Proof-of-purchase letters  
91 Canonized  
94 Larry Holmes' hometown  
95 Spouts like Cicero  
97 "... saw Elba"  
98 Cooks chestnuts  
101 Basenji or beagle  
102 Comic  
103 Director Clair  
104 Diminutive suffix  
105 - were (so to speak)  
106 Earring part  
107 Did some gardening  
109 Act like a worm?  
110 Penny or Primrose  
111 Geraint's lady  
114 Singer  
115 "Willard" extra  
116 For instance  
117 Female goat

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**WORDS WITH AN "ARM"**

J Q N J T G D Z W T Q C N K H  
D A X U R N P M J G D H A X A  
V S Q N K I E F D A X A V D T  
Q O M J H F C M T O M R A M A  
Y W U R P N L K R J I M H F M  
F D B Z X V Y M R A R F F R C  
T R O O M K I H H A G U A A F  
D B Z Y W V T C S R M L M R Q  
O N L K I H M I F R A R R D M  
C A Z X W R D V A U A S A R Q  
R O M R A W S E O T N M K E K

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

Alarm	Army	Earmuff	Marmot
Armada	Charm	Farm	Swarm
Armchair	Disarm	Harmful	Tarmac
Armor	Earmark	Karma	

**Natasha's Stars**

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) The beginning of the week is hectic for you and you find it difficult to get back into the groove. However, by week's end, you are productive and accomplish much. Take time to do some holiday shopping.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) Digging your heels in early in the week isn't going to get you the result you want. Instead, try to be diplomatic and charming. People respond better to you when you're not being so irrationally stubborn.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) You find yourself torn between two warring sides of your personality now. Part of you wants to take an aggressive, take-no-prisoners approach on the job and the other part wants to be more laid back. You resolve this by week's end.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) You're showing a bit of typical crabiness now since one holiday's over and another is yet to begin. Pick up your mood with some festive holiday shopping. You'll find just the right gifts for that special someone.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) Granted, you had a roaring good time over the holiday, but it's time to get back to business. Postpone further merriment until later in the month when the situation warrants. For now, stick to what must be done.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) You spend a good part of the week picking up after your holiday company. A perfectionist, this will take you longer than you'd like but it all gets done to your ultimate satisfaction. A child needs advice this weekend.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) Concentration isn't your strong suit as you head back to work after the holiday. You're humming those special holiday songs in your head and having visions of sugarplums. This doesn't go over well with co-workers.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) You are tempted

early in the week to make a stinging remark to someone who disappoints you. However, try to be compassionate. This person is, after all, only human and you've made mistakes yourself. Relax at home this weekend.


**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) You vacillate between getting much done and doing nothing about the week-end. This is because your energy only serves you in spurts and isn't consistent. Perhaps you overate over the holiday and need to correct this.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) Persistence will get you what you want early in the week at work. However, a co-worker isn't apt to follow your lead and wants to take a different tack. Listen to what's being said. Perhaps you can learn something.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) By all means, go after what it is you want now. You'll be unstoppable and make many career gains by week's end. Get-togethers with friends from out of town highlight your weekend.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) You're in the doldrums in the early part of the week but this soon dissipates. Your mate is doing everything possible to be considerate of your mood, so make sure you express your appreciation.

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Dec. 1	Rebecca Ann Perez	Dec. 4	Jaime Montalvo
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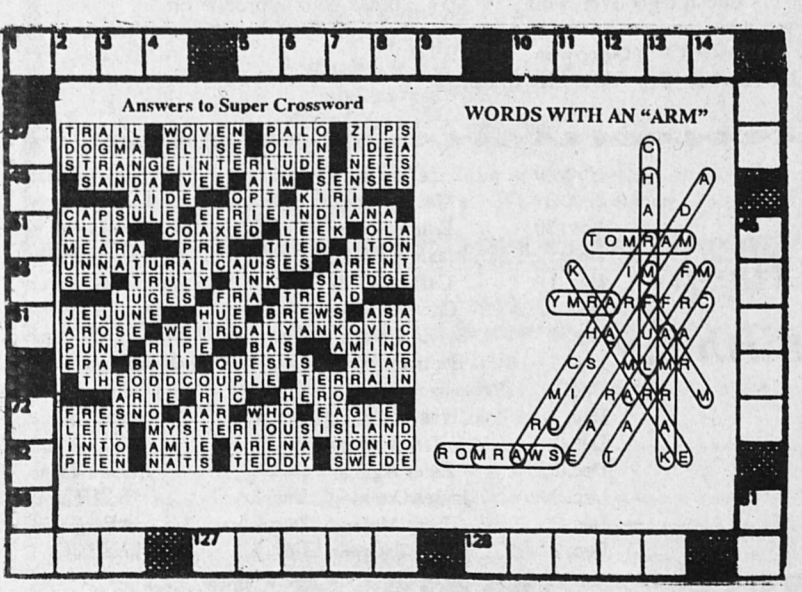
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**Inside The City**

Almond and amaretto coffee has a very distinct taste and maybe it's only the almond part but still it reminds me of the essence experienced when one encounters a stinkbug up close. I required two good sized cups of it before I was certain of the connection. The New York Bagel & Deli just off 183 and Burnet Road was the "welcomingist" place while I waited for my Mitsubishi to be repaired. Writing with words like Bagel and Mitsubishi certainly ought to get me kicked off the paper. I'm a naturalist and in Texas have no call to use such words on anyone. How long have words like that been anywhere west of the Red River?

Anyway the coffee reminded me of things and the restrooms were clean and the bagels were better than any I've ever had. I was able to wait with a good degree of comfort. Lots of the people who came in looked as if this was their regular routine and had no better place to be. I tried visualizing them in the park where I work and couldn't though I bet they would be the types

**Alfalfa**

By Tom Powell, N.D.  
Contributing Writer

ALFALFA—once the nutritious staple of livestock is now widely cultivated for human consumption. It is from the family of legumes which include beans and peas.

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Modern technology has found that alfalfa is beneficial as a tonic because of its array of nutrients. Herbalists have discovered that in addition to its other qualities, it helps alkalize and detoxify the body and reduces cholesterol blood levels and plaque deposits on arterial walls.

I venture that not many of us gazed upon a field of alfalfa and thought of the plants as anything but cattle food. Varying forms of alfalfa for human consumption are available from health food stores and herbalists.

These articles are meant for educational purposes only. They are not intended as a substitute for consultation with your own health practitioner. Remember that herbal remedies are all natural and have no serious side effects as do most prescription drugs. Most plants are harmless to humans, but not all; I'd not recommend poison ivy, castor beans, or toadstools for example.

**Thanksgiving Observed By Theta Sigma Chapter**

Sisters of Theta Sigma Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi gathered together Monday evening, November 20th, at Methodist Slater Hall among family and friends for their Annual Thanksgiving Dinner.

President Luella Gilliland welcomed the husbands and other special guests, Jean and Stanley Sumers, home from Alaska for R&R, and visiting for the holidays Pam and Rick Hibler of Lodi, California and Sharron Bell in route from Hawaii to join her husband in Fort Sill, Oklahoma. The welcome was followed by the invocation given by Clara McCord.

Vickie Bell along with her Social Committee of Betty Gaither, Molly Schroeder and Clara McCord, and daughter-in-law Sharron received rave reviews, Slater Hall never looked prettier. The tables were tastefully decorated with beautiful Thanksgiving center pieces, fall leaves, candles, and colorful rice cloth napkins set upon gold tablecloths. To the side was inviting traditional Thanksgiving buffet prepared by the Master Chefs of Theta Sigma.

Those attending the festive occasion were Nancy and Tony Frerich, Pat and Clem McKelvey, Clara and Allen McCord, Dee and Bob Gaston, Pat and Ken Callan, Bobbie and Pack Waddill, Lou and Carl Green, Jean and Stanley Sumers, Luella and Dwite Gilliland, Marge and Walt Geeze, Molly Schroeder, Emma Dee Schrier, Betty Inman, Ann and Guy Hibler, Pam and Rick Hibler, Gaye and Roger Kurz, Vickie and Ken Bell, Sharron Bell and Betty and Art Gaither.

**Laureate Epsilon Iota Chapter**

Members of Laureate Epsilon Iota Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi were entertained by Nakai Breen at her annual "Thanksgiving Feast" on November 20, 1995.

The outdoor patio was decorated with greenery and fall colored leaves. Each member received a bouquet of colored leaves. Waleia Gum was awarded the guest prize.

Turkey and all the fixings were enjoyed by Hawkins Huey, Gloria Burroughs, Orlean Riley, Mildred Borden, Lily Schwandner, Betty Schlatterer, Waleia Gum and the hostess, Nakai Breen.

Mildred Borden will be hostess for the Christmas party.

**Our Troops Don't Belong In Bosnia**

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American lives. This is a civil war that has lasted for four years...so far. Before placing our troops in harm's way without the support of the American people, President Clinton should remember the lessons of Vietnam. He should remember how the lack of objectives and the loud opposition to the Vietnam War affected our Vietnam veterans. To prevent such a tragedy from occurring again, I am introducing legislation prohibiting the deployment of American troops in peacekeeping operations in Bosnia without congressional authorization. Our American troops do not belong in Bosnia.

CONGRESSMAN  
**HENRY BONILLA**  
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**Preventing The Destruction Caused By Diabetes**

The end of National Diabetes Month reminds us that nearly 800,000 Texans are suffering from this disease. While most people have heard of diabetes, many of those people may not be aware that they have the disease. It is estimated that half of the people suffering from diabetes may not even know it.

Diabetes impairs the body's ability to process food sugar into energy. Most people are unaware that they have the disease until it is too late. Left untreated, diabetes both weakens and cripples its victims. In addition, diabetes can lead to complications such as blindness, kidney disease, stroke, heart failure and amputations. Diabetes can also be fatal.

For all of these reasons, early detection is crucial. Watch for the warning signs of diabetes, which include:

- \*Fatigue
- \*Excessive thirst
- \*Rapid weight loss
- \*Blurred vision
- \*Frequent urination
- \*Cuts or bruises that are slow to heal

As a member of the House Appropriations Committee, I have been deeply involved in efforts to expand diabetes research and prevention across the country. Important research like this is the kind of thing the federal government should be doing. Experts at the National Institutes of Health and the Center for Disease Control are gaining ground on this available for diabetes education and research.

Fortunately, the complications of diabetes can be controlled with routine preventive care. Those who maintain a good diet, exercise regularly and seek medical treatment to stabilize their blood sugar levels can dramatically reduce the odds of developing the complications associated with diabetes.

For more information regarding diabetes, please contact 1-800-DIABETES. Those who are experiencing any of the symptoms listed above should see their doctor immediately. Proper care and treatment will stop diabetes from taking over a person's life.

**County Agent News**

by Alan L. McWilliams



**Fall And Winter Color With Fruiting Plants**

As soon as cold weather arrives and many of our native trees and shrubs lose their leaves, we can begin to notice the color provided by plants having attractive fruit. Yaupon, parsley, hawthorn and deciduous holly are three of the most outstanding native plants we have for brightly colored fruit.

These plants also play a significant role in providing wildlife food during the winter months. Deciduous yaupon, sometimes called possumhaw holly, grows abundantly over much of Texas. The bright red to orange fruit or bare gray stems is very showy. Select a plant with at least a few fruit, since only the female plants will bear. Male pollen is usually near to insure a crop of berry-like fruit. Like many other members of the holly family, possum-haws tolerate a wide variety of soil, drainage and moisture conditions. They really deserve much wider use in the home landscape.

Yaupon, not the deciduous variety, is one of the most popular evergreens we use in landscapes in Texas. It too, is found over much of Texas and is relatively easy to grow. The shiny, berry-like fruit is a traditional favorite for Christmas decorations in Texas, as is the American holly that is grown in the eastern third of the state. Yaupon and American holly can usually be found in nurseries in several sizes.

Imported hollies such as the Burford and Chinese species, as well as pyracantha, are planted for their fall show of color. Like many plants not native to our state, they have some insect and disease problems, but most people consider them to be worth the extra effort.

Some of the showiest of all plants in the landscape are persimmons. Both native and Japanese types thrive in much of Texas. The bright orange fruit hanging on bare limbs is quite a spectacle. Contrary to public belief, the fruit of many persimmon varieties is very sweet and palatable when fully ripe. The native species provides food for a wide variety of wildlife. We have some beautiful specimens of oriental persimmon varieties grafted to native rootstock across from the bank here in town.

By incorporating some of the attractive, fall fruiting plants in the home landscape, one can have plentiful amounts of color during most of the winter. In addition, the many birds that seek the plants for food and shelter will add beauty and interest to the landscape.

**Reminders For November And December**

Here is a list of reminders for you to consider for the home landscape:

- Don't be in too big of a hurry to prune woody plants. Late December through February is usually the best time to prune.
- Drain gasoline from power tools and run the engine until fuel in the carburetor is used up.
- Protect your lawn from excessive winter injury by providing irrigation during the winter dry periods. Evergreen plants frequently suffer from lack of moisture during these periods. Adequate soil moisture provides the best protection you can give your plants against cold injury.
- November through February is a good time to plant trees and shrubs.
- Plant spring-flowering bulbs now, if you have not already done so.
- Want to start cuttings of your Christmas cactus? As soon as it finishes blooming, select a cutting with four or five joints, break or cut it off, and insert the basal end into a pot of moderately moist soil. Place it on a window sill or other brightly lit area. The cuttings should be rooted within three to four weeks.
- Protect tender plants by covering with structures made of wood frames covered with clear plastic. If a severe freeze is expected, use an outdoor-type extension cord and a light bulb place under the cover. It will usually provide sufficient heat to protect the plants if the cover is well constructed.
- If you need more information about any of the topics covered in this article or any other kind of horticultural area free to call or come by the Kinney County Office of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service located on the second floor of the country courthouse.

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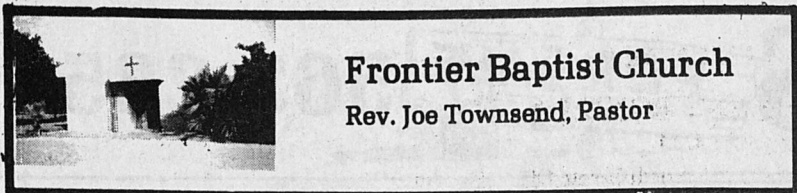
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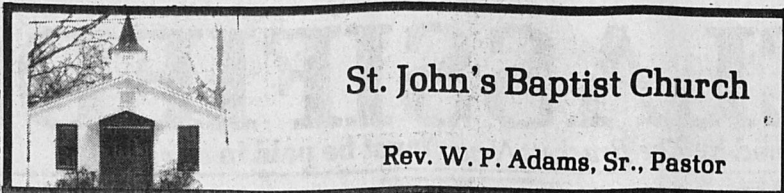


**Frontier Baptist Church**  
Rev. Joe Townsend, Pastor

Frontier Baptist Church was particularly blessed this past Sunday. Bobby Bonners and his family came to the worship. Bobby is the son of Clara Bonner and a brother of Gaylene Frerich. The Bonners are missionaries to Zambia. They have served there over 6 1/2 years. Bobby played with the Baltimore Orioles for 8 years. He joined the ministry of First Bible Baptist Church of Rochester, New York. He and his family were then sent to Zambia. Their accomplishments for the Lord there are almost beyond belief. They have founded 29 churches and a training school for preachers among many other things. Robert and Rebekah have three lovely daughters, Kristina, Stacy and Amanda. By request of the pastor

Bobby preached for the worship service. His message was outstanding. It was a blueprint of exposition of the Scripture. He used as illustrations events in his work in Zambia. He was warmly received by the congregation. Everyone present was richly blessed by the experience. Bobby and his family left with many people requesting his "Prayer Card" as a covenant to pray daily for him and his family in their work. Exciting things happen at Frontier Baptist Church but seldom such a rich experience as this.

Sunday will be regular observance of The Lord's Supper following the morning message to be followed by the Fellowship Dinner. A cordial welcome awaits all who will attend. Come and see.



**St. John's Baptist Church**  
Rev. W. P. Adams, Sr., Pastor

And one of the malefactors who were hanged railed at him, saying, if thou be the Christ, save thyself and us.

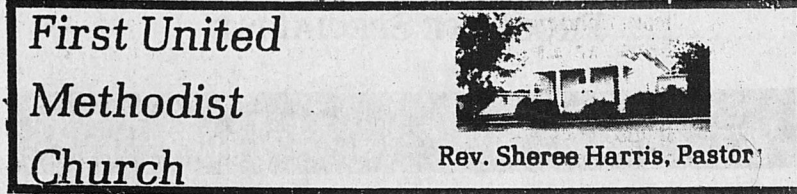
But the other, answering, rebuked him, saying, Dost not thou fear God, seeing thou art in the same condemnation?

And we, indeed, justly; for we receive the due reward of our deeds. But this man hath done nothing a miss.

And he said unto Jesus, LORD, remember me when thou comest into the Kingdom.

And Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee, Today shalt thou be with me in Paradise. St. Luke 23:39-43 Praise the LORD.

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**First United Methodist Church**  
Rev. Sheree Harris, Pastor

Last Thursday, as a nation, we began our annual month-long food orgy and party mania. If you were like me, the turkey wasn't the only one who was stuffed! And I certainly wasn't alone when I hit the shopping mall the day after, the biggest shopping day of the year!

That's what we do isn't it? From Thanksgiving to New Year's, we eat ourselves into the next size, party hearty, and shop til we drop. Please don't misunderstand me. I think gift-giving is one appropriate way to show our love for one another, I love to gather with friends and family to celebrate, and I truly enjoy eating. But I also know that all of this, no matter how much we enjoy it, no matter how much it adds to our lives, it takes its toll on us too. Too often, our authentic holiday spirit gets lost somewhere in the hustle and bustle and we end up feeling like the frazzled and frayed package that's been shipped half-way across the country only to arrive two days late.

This year, let's not let that happen. Let's keep Christ in Christmas. Try this:

- every time you tie a ribbon or put a bow on a package, send up a one-line prayer of thanks
- every time you buy a gift for a loved one, send up a one-line prayer for the poor
- as you decorate your home, pause for one minute to remember the homeless (of whom 60% are children)
- after you put out your nativity set, on a clear night go out and see if you see a special star
- tithing the time you spend eating Christmas goodies, that is, of the time you spend eating those special culinary delights spend 10% of that time alone with God so that He can feed your soul.

Does that seem like over doing it? Well, that's what we do during the holidays, isn't it? We over do the good things.



**First Baptist Church**  
Rev. Gil Ash, Pastor  
*'The Pastor's Pen'*

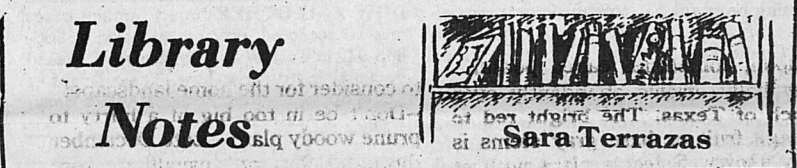
The story is told of a very well-to-do lady who accidentally hit and killed a neighborhood dog as she drove along in her Cadillac. Feeling great remorse, she backed up and attempted to nurse the dog back to life, but to no avail. Not wanting to leave the dog unattended, she dumped out the contents of a Neiman Marcus bag, scooped up the dog in the bag, and placed him in the back seat.

She stopped at a service station and made a quick trip to the ladies room. Upon rounding the corner of the service station, she noticed another young woman gently open

the door of her Cadillac, grab the handle of the bag, and walk away unnoticed.

Struck with curiosity, she followed the lady into a restaurant anticipating the inevitable. The female thief ordered from the menu, then leaned over to look into the bag. She shrieked in horror, and fainted dead away.

911 was called. The paramedics hauled her off to the emergency room, with her bag. Finally, a nurse inquired, "Mam, is this your dog?" And be sure, your sins will find you out (Numbers 32:23).



**Library Notes**  
Sara Terrazas

Do you need help with ideas for Christmas? Well let us help you. We have some wonderful books on Christmas crafts, decorations and desserts. We also have a nice selection of children's Christmas stories. Drop in, look around, take a few home and enjoy the Season.

We also have a large selection of movies that can be checked out free of charge. With the colder weather moving in if you get tired of reading you could just relax with a good movie. But if you do enjoy reading,

we have many new books to choose from. Here are few: "For The Roses" by Julie Garwood, "My American Journey" by Colin Powell, "Finding Moon" by Tony Hillerman, "Silent Night" by Mary Higgins Clark, "Fighter Wing" by Tom Clancy, "Five Days In Paris" by Danielle Steel.

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

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**Unsung Hero**  
by Joe Townsend

It seems there's a steady stream of our friends are leaving the trappings of humanity behind and going to the eternal destiny awaiting the children of God.

Fred Fay grew up with his family in Brackettville. The family gradually scattered and some passed on to their reward. A good many years ago Fred moved to Lamesa where he worked until he retired. When that time came Fred came back to the place he had always called home. Fred was a hard worker and always found things to occupy his time. He was very independent wanting to be a burden to no one. He knew the time would come someday when life on earth would end so he prepared a grave site for that time. Fred was a friendly fellow and always had a jovial word for everyone. Almost to the last he kept busy. His departure from life here is heaven's gain. Fred loved his church and was faithful to her. The niche he filled in this world will remain vacant. His friends bid him a fond farewell knowing before long they will be reunited with him in heaven.

Surely Fred Fay is an Unsung Hero.



**Bridge Anyone**  
By Norma Gould

On Tuesday, November 21st, five tables played the Mitchell Movement.

Helen Lynch and Flo Stafford won 1st place in the N/S direction. Nita and Fred Clayton were 2nd with Lamont and Marie McCandless taking 3rd place.

Mona Miller and Norma Gould won 1st place in the E/W direction. Walt Geeze and James "Doc" Harber were a close 2nd with Betty Schlatterer and Gloria Boroughs winning 3rd.

All Bridge players are welcome every Tuesday at 7 P.M. in the Golf Club.

**Arts Council Features Christmas Parade Of Homes**

Sunday, December 17, from 2 to 5 pm, the Kinney County Arts Council is hosting a fund raising event. Six Fort Clark Springs homes will be open to the public for a \$5 donation. The homes include:

- George & Jane Cowart
- John & Dorothy Frank
- Bill Haenn
- Allen & Clara McCord
- Taylor & Phyllis Stephenson
- Joe & Mary Sam York

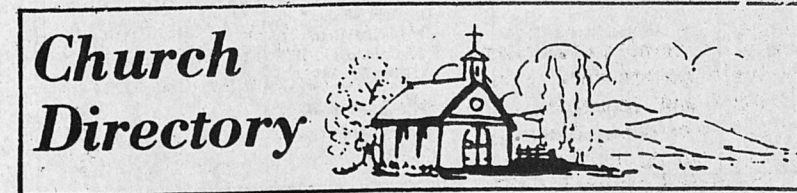
Tickets for the parade of homes are available at the First State Bank, Brackett News, Adult Center or from any of the Arts Council members. Listed homes will be open to all who have a ticket. Refreshments will be served in the patio of the Cowart home during the tour. A brochure giving the location and special features of each of the homes is available when tickets are purchased. The Arts Council uses funds raised locally to help fund its projects. Last year, the KC Arts council brought the San Antonio Brass to Brackettville. Projects for the Spring of 1996 will be announced in the near future.

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- Frontier Baptist Church** (A Southern Baptist Church): Sunday Services 11:00 a.m., 6:00 p.m., Joe Townsend, Pastor, 563-2158.
- First Baptist Church** (A Southern Baptist Church): 307 N. Ann St., Sunday School 9:45 a.m., Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., Wednesday Worship 7:00 p.m., Gil Ash, Pastor, 563-2245.
- Baptist Hispanic Mission:** 307 N. Ann Street, Friday, 6:00 p.m., Rev. Israel Rodriguez, Pastor.
- Church Of Christ:** N. Ann St., Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship Service 10:30 a.m., Bible Study Sunday 6:30 p.m., Wednesday 6:30 p.m.
- St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church:** Masses Monday and Friday 7:00 a.m., Wednesday and Saturday 6:30 p.m., Sunday (Spanish) 8:00 a.m., Regular 10:30 a.m., Confession Wednesday and Saturday 6:00 p.m. Religion Classes Wednesday 6:00 p.m. Sunday 9:00 a.m. Prayer Meeting (Spanish) Wednesday 7:00 p.m., Father Donald LaVell.
- First United Methodist Church:** "Celebrate and Witness" Fellowship 9:30 a.m., Church School Classes 9:45 a.m., Service of Worship 11:00 a.m., Choir Rehearsal Wednesday 5:00 p.m., Sheree Harris, Pastor.
- St. John's Baptist Church:** Crockett at Keene St., Sunday School 10:00 a.m., Worship 11:00 a.m., Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m., Worship Service Thursday 7:00 p.m., William P. Adams, Sr., Pastor, 563-9175.
- Lutheran Congregation:** E.L.C.A. Every Sunday, 8:30 A.M., Shafter Hall, FCS, 563-2047.
- Templo Elin Asambea de Dios:** North Street, Sunday 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., Wednesday and Friday, 7:00 p.m., Rev. Abundio Mancha, Pastor, 563-9237.
- Apostolic New Jerusalem:** 514 E. Louise St., Sunday School 10:45 A.M. and Morning worship 11:30 A.M., Wednesday Evening Bible Class 6:00 P.M. Everyone Welcome! Pastor, Rudy Goodloe.
- 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.

**A Cameo From The Past**

By J. Lee Ballantyne

When we were living in El Paso I had a very unusual experience.

In the center of down-town El Paso, right in the heart of the business part is a small but very pleasant park. It is nearly always filled with people sitting in the sun and enjoying the good El Paso weather.

There is a big pool of water with a rock fence around it, in the rock spokes about ten inches apart and in the pool there lived a big alligator. Most of the time he just lay there, sometimes with his eyes closed, other times just moving his eyes around, he looked like a statue.

One day my mother and I had just stopped in the park to rest a few minutes when a lady came along with a beautiful little white dog, on a leash. The lady stopped to look at the alligator and the little dog immediately jumped through the fence. The alligator turned his big head and in one moment he opened his big mouth and grabbed up the dog just the leash hanging out of his mouth was left.

The lady screamed and everyone was excited but nothing could be done, the alligator just lay there as if nothing had happened and the lady was led away in tears.

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**Something New For The Holidays**

(NAPS)—This holiday, serve your guests something they can really sink their teeth into—soft, fruity jelly beans!

Joining the traditional holiday favorites this year is something new—jelly beans. These sweet, satisfying treats were traditionally only available at Easter time when they were the candy of choice for Easter baskets left for children around the world.

Today, however, as you laden your holiday table with traditional items—including fruitcake, candy canes, holiday breads, chocolates and cookies—add a colorful basket of jelly beans to please your family and friends.

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The Middle Rio Grande Development Council is accepting applications from qualified applicants for the position of Small Business Development Specialist (SBDC) to be housed in the Del Rio MRGDC office. The preferred requirements of this position are as follows: Bachelor's degree in Business Administration with specialization in finance or economics and three years of related professional experience in any combination of the following areas: consultant to small businesses in management or financial field, experience in a business/economic development organization, manager or proprietor of a successful small business, or banking, with commercial lending experience preferred. Other preferred qualifications include computer literacy in Excel, Lotus 5.0, Quatro Pro and Word Processing, bilingual in Spanish/English, knowledge of SBA, and knowledge of economic conditions in the MRGDC region. Duties will include: recruiting potential small business clients, providing technical assistance to such in expanding operations, managing,

operating, budgeting and accounting processes, creating new markets and new business startups, assisting in identifying sources of financing, including packaging loan applications, and organizing and coordinating workshops and seminars on topics of interest to small businesses. The position will primarily serve clients in Kinney, Maverick and Val Verde Counties but could include service in the other six counties in the MRGDC area. Salary for this position will be negotiated based on experience and background from a base rate of \$21,946. All interested persons should submit a resume and letter of intent to Ramon S. Johnston, Deputy Director of Administration,

MRGDC, P.O. Box 1199, Carrizo Springs, Texas 78834. Deadline for submission of applications is December 15, 1995. Middle Rio Grande Development Council is an equal opportunity employer and auxiliary aids and services may be made available upon request to individuals with disabilities. For information please contact our VOICE or TDD telephone (210)876-3533.

**NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING ON AN APPLICATION FOR A MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE FACILITY PERMIT**

**ADOBE ECO-SYSTEMS, INC.** (Rio Grande Regional Municipal Solid Waste Facility), HC 61, Box 81, Fredericksburg, Texas 78642 has applied to the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) for a permit (Proposed Permit No. MSW2253) to authorize a Type I municipal solid waste management facility. The proposed site covers approximately 424 acres of land and is to receive, but is not limited to, approximately 830 tons of municipal solid waste per day for disposal or other processing. The proposed waste management facility location is abutted by State Highway 131 and Farm-to-Market Road 1572, one half mile south of the City of Spofford in Kinney County, Texas.

This application has been declared administratively complete and is currently under technical review by the staff of the TNRCC. Once the technical evaluation is completed, the TNRCC will issue further notice of the applications and the terms of any proposed draft permits.

Copies of the applications are available for inspection in the offices of the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, Park 35, 12015 N. Interstate Highway 35, at Yager Lane, Colonnade Building F, Room 1201, Austin, Texas, telephone 512/239-6781.

The TNRCC will conduct an informal public meeting to receive and consider public comments on the application. The informal public meeting will be held at:

6:00 p.m. - Monday, December 18, 1995  
Kinney County Civic Center  
Spring Street, Brackettville, Texas 78832

Information concerning the public meeting may be obtained by contacting Ann Scudday or Charles Stavley, Municipal Solid Waste Permits Section, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, Telephone 512/239-4756 or 512/239-6688.

Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need auxiliary aids or services such as interpreters for persons who are deaf or hearing impaired, readers, large print or braille are requested to contact Charles Stavley or Ann Scudday, Municipal Solid Waste Permits Section at 512/239-6688 or 1-800-RELAY-TX (TDD) at least two (2) work days prior to the hearing so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Issued this 20th day of November, 1995.

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*Gloria A. Vasquez*  
Gloria A. Vasquez, Chief Clerk  
Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission

**Uvalde Memorial Hospital Specialty Consulting Calendar**

**DECEMBER 1995**  
\*300 Wing - Uvalde Memorial Hospital  
\*\*1042 Garner Field Road  
\*\*\*121 South Getty

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					<b>1</b> Dr. David Dean* Neurosurgeon 210-278-6251 Dr. Gregory Montoya*** General Psychiatry 210-278-6542 Dr. Michael Roth* Dr. Anna Sanchez* Podiatrist 1-800-665-3668	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> Dr. Ricahrd Goad* Podiatrist 210-278-6251	<b>5</b> Dr. Perry Nadig* Urologist 210-278-6251 Dr. Arlo Terry Ophthalmologist 210-278-9465	<b>6</b> Dr. Stephen Miller* Dermatologist 210-614-3575 Dr. Paul Celio Cardiologist 210-614-5400	<b>7</b> Dr. Joel Rutstein** Rheumatologist 210-690-8061 Dr. George Swanson* Otolaryngologist/ENT 210-278-6251	<b>8</b> Dr. Anna Sanchez* Dr. Michael Roth* Podiatrist 1-800-665-3668 Dr. Kenneth Bloom* Pediatric Cardiologist 1-800-697-7008	<b>9</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Dr. Clayton Hudnall Urologist 210-278-6251 Dr. Richard Goad* Podiatrist 210-278-6251 Dr. Terry Seidel Plastic/Reconst./Surgeon 1-800-896-6445	<b>13</b> Dr. Stephen Miller* Dermatologist 210-614-3575 Dr. Thierry Vancaille* Gynecologist 210-616-0711 Dr. Fernando Triana* Cardiologist 210-614-5400	<b>14</b> Dr. Christine Truitt** Neurologist 210-614-3959 Dr. Bob James* Pediatric Dentist 210-278-6251 Dr. Anna Sanchez* Mr. Michael Roth* Podiatrist 1-800-665-3668	<b>15</b> Dr. David Dean* Neurosurgeon 210-278-6251 Dr. Michael Roth* Dr. Anna Sanchez* Podiatrist 1-800-665-3668 Dr. Gregory Montoya*** General Psychiatry 210-278-6542	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Dr. Catherine Rezendes* Podiatrist 210-278-6251	<b>19</b> Dr. Perry Nadig* Urologist 210-278-6251 Dr. Arlo Terry Ophthalmologist 210-278-9465	<b>20</b> Dr. Rodolfo Molina** Rheumatologist 210-690-8067	<b>21</b> Dr. John Huff** Rheumatologist 210-690-8067 Dr. George Swanson* Otolaryngologist/ENT 210-278-6251	<b>22</b> Dr. Michael Roth* Dr. Anna Sanchez* Podiatrist 1-800-665-3668	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> Merry Christmas	<b>26</b> Dr. Daniel Saltstein* Urologist 210-278-6251 Dr. Arlo Terry Ophthalmologist 210-278-9465	<b>27</b> Dr. Thierry Vancaille* Gynecologist 210-616-0711 Dr. Fernando Triana* Cardiologist 210-614-5400	<b>28</b> Dr. Anna Sanchez* Dr. Michael Roth* Podiatrist 1-800-665-3668	<b>29</b> Dr. Michael Roth* Dr. Anna Sanchez* Podiatrist 1-800-665-3668 Dr. Terry Seidel* Plastic/Reconst./Surgeon 1-800-896-6445	<b>30</b>
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**Out Patient Clinic Calendar**

**AREA CODE FOR STAFF 210** **Active Staff Specialist With Regular Local Office Hours:**  
Barry N. Flanders, M.D.-Radiologist, 278-6251  
Martha B. Strickland, M.D.-Allergy, 278-3220  
J. Brandon Lewis, M.D.-Family Practice, 278-4426  
Carl Utterback, M.D.-Family Practice, 278-4588  
W. Edward Scheffeld, Jr., M.D., P.A., Orthopaedic Surgeon, 278-2541  
Rosa Fuentes, M.D.-Family Practice, 278-7105  
G.V. Gaitonde, M.D.-Surgery, 278-4568  
R. Steve Garza, M.D.-Family Practice, 278-2551  
Harry O. Watkins, M.D.-Surgery, 278-3213  
Bassem W. Mazloom, M.D. - Internal (Gastroenterology Medicine), 278-8096