

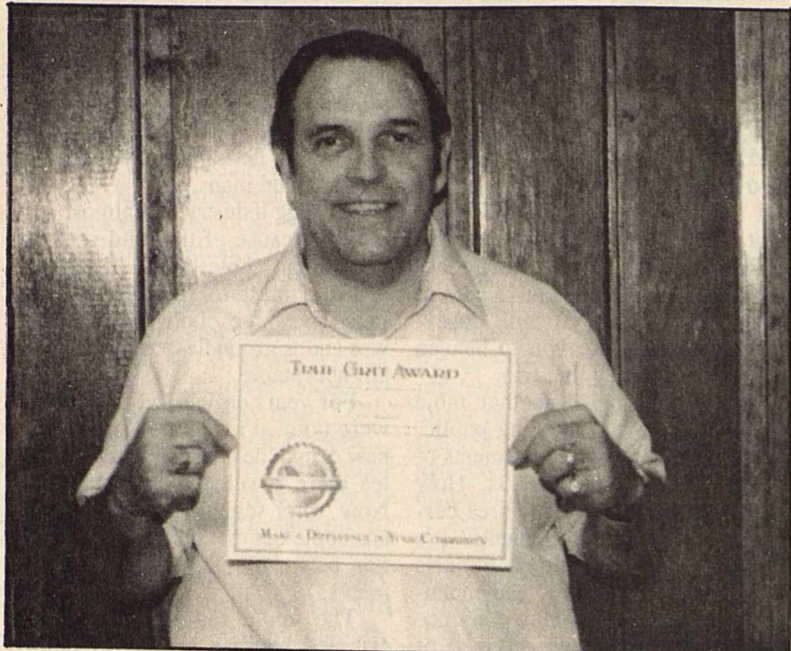
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"If a man had half as much insight, as he has hindsight, he would have twice as much foresight."



Larry Sofaly proudly shows off his "True Grit" award

Larry Sofaly Receives Award

True Grit Magazine recently named their 1995 recipients of the True Grit Award for Distinguished Volunteer Service in the Community. Among the people honored was our own Larry Sofaly, superintendent of Fort Clark Springs Municipal Utilities District.

The award is given to volunteers of all ages who donate their time and talents to improve the quality of life. True Grit Magazine gives these awards as an attempt to recognize volunteers for giving their gift to others. "These people are truly renewing the American Spirit", stated the article.

Larry is married to Linda Sofaly, has two children and one granddaughter. His volunteer work includes,

Chamber of Commerce President, Old Quarry Secretary, Great Bar-B-Q chef and volunteer entertainer. Larry retired from the United States Air Force in 1984 and has been a resident here since 1988.

More than 200 nominations were received from around the country. These nominations included teenagers and senior citizens, men and women, rural and city residents. The common bond of this vast assortment of people is their commitment and dedication to helping others in need. Mr. Sofaly's nomination was sent in by Joan Boutwell.

Congratulations Larry, we are all very proud to have you in our community.

W.O.M. Of First Baptist Church Sponsors Blood Drive To Benefit 3-Year Old Cancer Patient

Rachel Renee Bowen lives in Rowlett, Texas, with her parents, brother and sister. She is 3-years old and a cancer patient. Diagnosed with multiple malignant tumors in her abdominal area, she is receiving chemotherapy in an effort to reduce the tumors enough to allow surgical removal hopefully in early March. She also suffers damage to both kidneys and her treatment (and ensuing surgery) will require many pints of blood.

However, if blood donors prefer, they may designate their "Gift of Life" (blood) be credited to Kinney County for use by county residents being treated in any hospital/clinic served by the South Texas Blood & Tissue Center which includes Del Rio, Uvalde, and San Antonio.

Sponsored by "Women on Missions" of First Baptist Church, Brackettville, and conducted by the South Texas Blood & Tissue Center, the drive is scheduled for **Thursday, March 7, 11:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m.** in the Fellowship Hall of the church.

Donors are asked to sign-up for a specific time so as to expedite the process and avoid lengthy waits. To schedule a time, see Jean Faulkenberry, call her at 563-9323, or the First Baptist Church at 563-2245. Although pre-scheduling is suggested, walk-in donors will be accepted.

ALL DONORS MUST SHOW IDENTIFICATION BEFORE BEGINNING THE DONATION PROCESS: date of birth; social security number; a photograph in association with the donor's legal name. Acceptable identification includes driver's license, social security card, security badge with donor's picture and name, passport, birth certificate.

Basic eligibility for donors: be between 17 and 72 years of age (over 72 requires medical director approval); weigh at least 110 pounds; be in good general health; must not have donated blood within the past eight weeks.



Above photo from last years Ft. Clark Bandstand Concert

323rd U.S. Army Band Performance At Fort Clark Springs

The public is invited to attend a free performance by the 323rd U.S. Army Band from the Bandstand on Fort Clark, Brackettville, Texas, at 5:30 P.M. on Saturday, March 2, 1996. This community sponsored event will serve to kickoff Fort Clark Spring's dual Anniversary Celebration year. Ample free parking will be available at the entrance to Fort Clark. For your comfort, please bring along a lawn chair or blanket. (In the event of inclement weather the performance will take place in the Post Theatre).

Throughout 1996 Fort Clark is celebrating dual anniversaries. The Golden Anniversary of base closure (1946-1996) and the Silver Anniversary of our Association (1971-1996). We take great pride in being a model for base closure success stories. Fifty years after passing from government to private hands our community still thrives without having sacrificed the look and feel of the fort's past. Many events are planned to showcase our special community in 1996 starting with this U.S. Army Band concert in our bandstand on Saturday, March 2, 1996, followed by our annual Trooper's Reunion at the end of April when cavalrymen who served at Fort Clark in the 1930's and 40's return to reminisce, and in June the "Glory Road" production at the Old Quarry Amphitheater.

The 323rd U.S. Army Band, a professional group of soldier musicians, is one of the Southwest's and the U.S. Army's elite musical groups. The 323rd U.S. Army Band presents an average of 240 performances each year. To fulfill its assortment of engagements, the Band offers a Concert Band, Marching Band, Brass Ensemble, Jazz Ensemble "The Jazz Connection", Latin Band "Corazon", Dixieland Band, and the Popular and Country Combo "Crossroads".

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

Extreme Wild Fire Danger Warning

Over 70 counties in Texas have issued a fire ban due to the extremely dry conditions existing as reported by the Texas Forestry Service. These bans are issued by the county officials.

Mark Roughton of the Texas Commission on Fire Protection said that there had been reports of fires raging for days and fire fighters being trapped by the jumping flames.

Our county has had a hard freeze that killed everything, plus no rain, this produces very dangerous results when you add fire, stated Brackettville Fire Marshal Debra Hay.

Please if you are going to try to burn off some land first notify the Sheriff's Department and give them detailed directions to the location. This information is very helpful to the fire department in case the burn gets out of control. This information will also prevent the fire department being called out unnecessarily.

Brackettville Fire Chief Richard Wills has some guidelines for a safe burn.

1. Humidity is above 35%
2. Temperature isn't too hot.
3. Wind is under 10 MPH
4. Watch fire area for 3 days afterwards

If you will follow these guidelines and notify the Sheriffs Department we should survive this fire season.



Mike Padron (5) takes it to the hoop against Dilly last Friday night as the Wolves look on in Awe! See story on page 6.

Southwest Texas Junior College Health Fair

The third annual Southwest Texas Junior College Health Fair will take place Wednesday, March 6 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Matthews Student Center Ballroom on the Uvalde Campus.

According to Imelda Ramirez, SWTJC Registered Nurse, 32 different health care participants are already scheduled to participate in the annual health care event.

The fair is open to the public. Individuals will receive free literature and information that will help enhance their health and well-being.

"The South Texas Blood and Tissue Bank have already requested that they need bone marrow donors. A questionnaire and simple blood test will be given to prospective candidates. If individuals meet the requirements, then you might just be able to save someone's life," stated Ramirez.

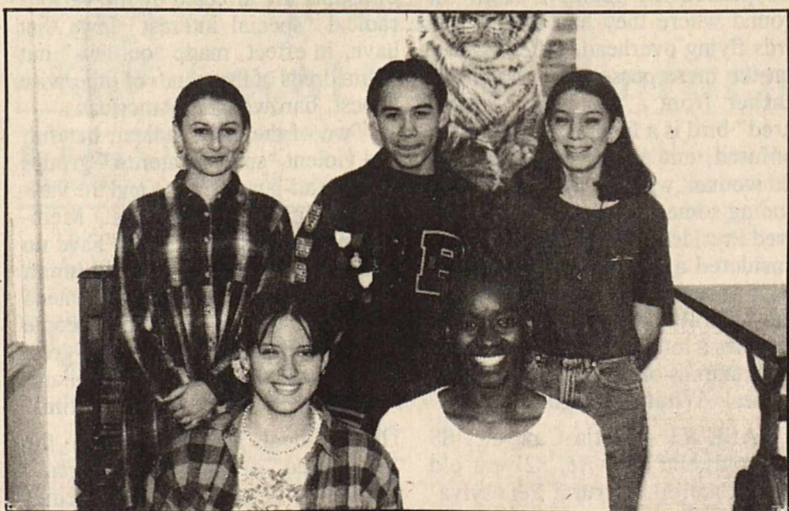
She added, "The South Texas Blood and Tissue Bank is especially in need of Hispanic bone marrow donors."

Health fair participants can obtain the following immunizations free during the day: tetanus, skin testing for tuberculosis, measles, mumps and rubella.

Also, free screening will be available to participants for diabetes, anemia, blood pressure and weight control.

More than 30 health care providers will be participating in the third annual SWTJC Health Fair.

For more information call Ramirez at 278-4401, ext. 204.



UIL Solo Ensemble Contest

UIL Solo and Ensemble Contest Winners: Brandy Meeks - Flute Solo, Alfred Rodriguez - Bass Clarinet Solo, Valerie Jimenez along with Alfred Rodriguez and Brandy Meeks - Woodwind Trio. JoLee Jones - Trumpet Solo. Windy Goodloe - Tenor Saxophone Solo. Great job!

EMS Helps Seniors Celebrate

The Kinney County Seniors Apartment residents had a valentines party on Valentines day. The party, organized by apartment manager, Debra Hays had two special guests. Bea Kuhns and Michelle Rosas from the EMS office performed some blood pressure checks then settled in to play bingo with the residents. After a wild game of bingo everyone feasted on sandwiches, cake and punch. Everyone had a great time and some were real lucky at bingo.



Agnes Vondy To Speak At Fort Clark Historical Society Saturday, February 24

When the Fort Clark Historical Society meets at 9:30 a.m., Saturday, February 24, Agnes Vondy will be the guest speaker.

The meeting is open to the public. Non-members will be given an opportunity to join the 248-member organization for an annual \$5.00 per person fee.

The Best Kept Secret Of The Budget Battle

By Henry Bonilla
Congressman, 23rd District, Texas

You probably know that Congress worked all last year to pass a balanced budget. You probably also know that the President vetoed the Balanced Budget Act of 1995. But what you may not know is that in spite of the President's veto, deficit reduction is taking place. This Congress has been successful in producing real savings and making a downpayment on a balanced budget.

Since it convened a year ago, this Congress has reduced the deficit for America. For example, my committee, the Appropriations Committee, carefully scrutinized every federal program and reduced federal spending by \$23 billion this year. While it would be nice to make everyone happy, the fact is that getting to a balanced budget requires making some tough choices. Just as every hard-working family knows, learning to live within your means making choices and establishing priorities. In order to get this country back on track, Congress made those difficult decisions.

Probably the most significant achievement of this Congress, which has been largely overlooked, is the fact that the entire debate in Washington has shifted. No longer is the

debate about whether there should be a balanced budget, but how we will get one. Even the most liberal people in Washington seem to be embracing a balanced budget. Did you ever think that you would hear Ted Kennedy or Dick Gephardt saying they want a balanced budget? Last year brought some truly amazing surprises.

While the budget battle has been bruising and downright unpleasant at times, we all know that sometimes you have to take a few painful shots to keep your promises. Congress is working to keep its promises by creating a stronger economy and providing you and your family a more secure future.

This new, common-sense Congress still does not have enough votes to override the President's vetoes of our balanced budget and welfare reform bills. But the good news is that even though it may take a little while to see the results, Congress has finally reined in the federal bureaucracy.

Congress has stopped the bloated budget giant in its tracks so it can no longer bully hard-working American families. Congress has taken action to downsize the power of Washington, D.C. and upsize the power of the individual. Still, the federal government is like a large ship, and it will take a lot of time to turn it around. But Congress has started steering the country in the right direction.

"Reflections"

Editorial By Norman H. Hooten

It has been said that "information is knowledge, and knowledge is power", therefore, if that is true, then it must also be true that "control of information is control of knowledge, and thus, control of knowledge is control of power."

"Controlled information", "misinformation", "slanted, biased information", or, the lack of any information at all, has been a very effective tool and/or weapon of "government" throughout history and is a "power" that is often more effective, and more dangerous, in the control of people by the "government" than brute force by the use of rifles, bullets, and tanks of the military and/or police. Why? Because such "controlled information" effectively affects (controls) mass public opinion and guides it in the direction desired by those disseminating such "information". How many times have we made up our minds or made decisions about a certain issue only to find that we reach totally different opinions after obtaining more and correct information on the issue?

* "We are living in a time when the highest technology makes it possible for a relative handful of totalitarians to subvert a democratic society and control large sections of it's government, economy, and culture - with great subtlety. If they control too much of it for too long unopposed, they will get bolder. They will want to control it all, every aspect of people's lives. And by the time the general public wakes up to what has happened, their ability to resist will have been leached away and the forces marshaled against them will be unchallengeable."

* "Dark Rivers of the Heart" by Dean Koontz - 1994

Much of the liberal news media in America today is, either knowingly or unknowingly, a very effective tool of the "government" by the dissemi-

nation of "controlled information", "misinformation", or the lack of any information at all on certain issues. When the news media does get involved and make known to the public information related to actions/operations of the "government" that have been directed against other Americans, ie; the Waco tragedy, the deadly incident perpetrated against the Randy Weaver family, and many others, the "government" comes under close scrutiny of the American people and in all instances of this sort there is an outcry by the American people for change in the mind-set and methods of various government agencies and agents, and in "government" as a whole. Far too often we see and hear the "government" and ranking officials and leaders of various government agencies defending actions with cover-ups and the refusal to admit that they ("government") have gone too far.

What is so very frightening about this is that the government agents who have developed such a mind-set are Americans also. They too were raised in America. They too must have run barefoot down hot summer streets of their hometowns when they were children. They too must have begged mom and dad for money to go to the movies on Saturday ("just enough for the show and some popcorn!") They too must have loved and enjoyed the freedoms we are guaranteed under the Constitution, though I am sure that they too, as we all do, took for granted those freedoms as they were such a big part of our lives. Why then, one might ask, have their attitudes changed so drastically? Why are they now willing, and in many cases, eager, to intrude into and destroy the lives of so many Americans on the slightest excuse, using the full power and authority of the "government"? The only logical explanation in my mind is that they

have succumbed to the fruits of the old adage, "power corrupts and absolute power corrupts absolutely."

When the "government" and it's agencies and agents find themselves under fire by the American people for the excesses, some of them deadly, perpetrated against the American people they far too often simply withdraw into the huge bureaucracy of their existence like a turtle pulling it's head back into it's shell at the first sign of danger. Then, like the turtle, when the danger (public furor) has subsided the government comes back out and goes about business as usual until the next tragedy and public outcry. This occurs again and again! Why does it not just stop?

Each of us, as individuals and collectively, are guaranteed rights and freedoms under our Constitution that were designed to keep us free and to protect us from obtrusive, intrusive, and abusive interference into our private and personal lives by a "government" gone mad with it's own power and authority. Most of us, as individuals, may not seem to be of major importance to the "government", but we are important, individually, as representatives of a greater significance, the free American people! When "government" passes "special interest" laws, or, as has been done, uses laws that were originally designed for the war on hard-core, real, criminals as an excuse to "go after" otherwise honest, hardworking Americans, then the "government" is intruding into our lives with unreasonable, and in many cases, unlawful, "power and authority" that violates the rights and freedoms of all the American people!

Following are a few examples of such "unreasonable and unlawful" uses of "power and authority" perpetrated by the "government" against American individuals. Though some of these tragic incidents may have been reported by the liberal news media, buried deep in the back pages of some newspaper, they are not well known incidents, but that even one such incident be allowed to happen and nothing is done about it is very frightening indeed. **THINK ABOUT IT! You could next!**

CASE #1 - An adoring fan and supporter sent President and First Lady Clinton a hand-made Native American fetish called a "spirit-catcher". Instead of gratitude and appreciation for the beautiful spiritual piece so lovingly given, the Clintons (Hillary Clinton) noticed that the item contained feathers of "endangered" birds native to the area out west where the adoring fan and supporter lived.

Ms. Clinton immediately reported the situation and turned over the "evidence" to the U.S. Department of the Interior. A federal SWAT team dressed in black and armed to the teeth, was immediately dispatched to the home of the unsuspecting woman. The SWAT team, also armed with a federal search warrant (I've been there!) swarmed over and through her home, turning it upside down looking for dead "endangered" birds. When they could not find any they terrorized her by sticking guns in her face, threatening her and shouting demands for information as to where she kept her "illegal contraband" (dead birds) hidden.

The terrified woman tried to explain to the federal agents that she had picked the feathers from the ground where they had fallen from birds flying overhead. She was told that the mere possession of a single feather from a protected "endangered" bird is a federal offense. The confused, and by now utterly terrified woman, whose only "crime" was sending something special to her beloved President and First Lady is now considered a "criminal" by the federal government and has been charged with federal "crimes". If convicted she faces a long prison term and several hundreds of thousands of dollars in fines! **What message is this?**

CASE #2 - Justis Cantrell, 88 years old, and his wife, 82 year old Hattie Cantrell, of rural Pennsylvania, were recently awakened in the middle of the night with flashlights and guns pointed in their faces by local police who had kicked down their door in the middle of the night on the strength of a "felony" search warrant!

The police "terrorists" demanded that the Cantrells surrender their "dog-fighting paraphernalia" immediately!

The elderly Cantrells were confused and frightened by the shouting and gun waving in their faces by the members of the police SWAT team and they were further confused by the shouted accusations of the police because they did not even own a dog!

It seems that the couple had recently browsed through items at a flea market and had purchased some old pictures and magazines about Pit Bull Terriers. A radical "animal rights" activist in the crowd followed the Cantrells to their car, took down their license plate number and turned it into the police, reporting "personal knowledge of dog-fighting activities by the Cantrells"! The police promptly sent out a black-suited SWAT team to the home of the elderly couple, determined to "get the dog-fighter".

Mr Cantrell and his wife were not even allowed to get dressed or to put on their shoes, instead they were forced to stand outside in the cold night air, in their pajamas, while the "raiders" ransacked their home. When the old photos and magazines of the Pit Bull Terriers were found, the 88 year old Justis Cantrell was arrested on the spot and charged with "Felony Intent of Dog-fighting"! **This even though the Cantrells did not even own a dog of any kind!**

CASE #3 - Butch Jones of Seagate, New Jersey, paralyzed from the waist down since a childhood auto accident, was given a Pit Bull Terrier puppy by his parents shortly after bringing him home from the hospital following the accident. Doctors had advised that a puppy would be good therapy for the seriously injured youth.

Butch, now 22 years old and confined to a wheelchair, regularly wheeled his way to a nearby park to spend time with his beloved companion, "Sweetie", now 11 years old. "Sweetie" had also been spayed to prevent her accidentally being bred and having puppies. The pair enjoyed playing in the park with a "Frisbee" which Butch would throw from his wheelchair and "Sweetie" would run and catch it in mid-air, returning it to Butch for another throw.

A couple of "animal rights" activists on the prowl in the park one day spotted Butch and "Sweetie" and reported to police that Butch was "conditioning a dog for a dogfight"! The police rushed to the scene, arrested Butch, and confiscated the 11 year old "Sweetie". Butch was formally charged with "Conditioning a dog for a dog-fight" and "Sweetie", his long-time beloved companion, was summarily "humanely destroyed", this before Butch even had a chance to "prove" his innocence of the ridiculous charges!

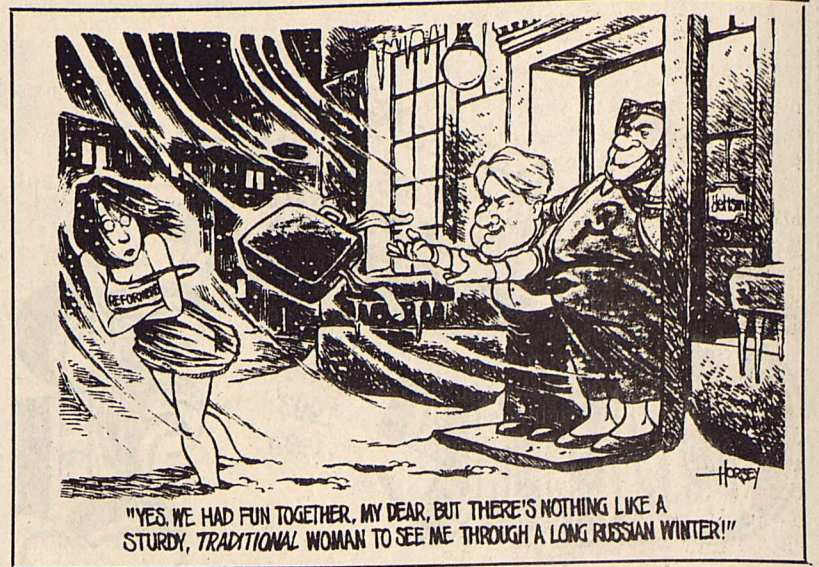
These are only a very few factual accounts of the terrorism being inflicted upon American citizens in this country today by "government" agencies, agents, and "special interest" wackos using the very willing "power and authority" of the "government" in order to exert "control" over others.

Though there are many, many documented incidents of unreasonable, and in many cases, unlawful, intrusion and interference into the private, personal lives of Americans these days, the primary "targets" of the "government" seem to be those of us that are affected by the various radical "special interest" laws that have, in effect, made "outlaws" out of hundreds of thousands of otherwise honest, hardworking Americans.

Two of the most radical, hateful, and violent "special interest" groups are the anti-gun activists, and the various "animal rights" groups. Members of these radical groups have no compassion whatsoever for human rights and the freedoms guaranteed by our Constitution. These people will "target" their prey and go to great lengths, spending millions of dollars, to destroy the lives of their victims.

These radicals are soul-mates to the "new breed" of government "agent" and they will work closely together to obtain their ultimate ends, which is, flat and simple, the desire to "control and dominate" the thoughts, actions, and lives of the American people!

THINK ABOUT IT! THAT'S ALL!



"YES, WE HAD FUN TOGETHER, MY DEAR, BUT THERE'S NOTHING LIKE A STURDY, TRADITIONAL WOMAN TO SEE ME THROUGH A LONG RUSSIAN WINTER!"

Between Us

by Joe Townsend



I believe it was Thomas Edison who said, "98% of the people let 2% do their thinking for them." At any rate whoever said it was more accurate than even he thought. The American people are prone to dance to any drummer who touts a different tune.

If people followed authentic medical facts, the vitamin industry would die overnight. Any reputable doctor will tell anyone that if they eat the right kind of food they waste money on vitamins. The vitamin manufacturers drum into the receptive ears of gullible people that vitamins do everything except take you to heaven and will even delay that trip.

This brings me to another fable fostered on the non thinking public. The idea of the daily requirements of certain minerals and elements. How do we know the body requires certain amounts of ceratin elements? It's simple; some "nutritional experts" have set these standards and manufacturers have zeroed in to convince people they need minute amounts of everything imaginable.

Many people are convinced that "second hand smoke" is deadly. These advocates claim 40,000 people die from "smoke related" diseases. Don't bother to question the findings; you'll be ignored. It remains a viable question, "Where is the proof and how arrived at?" The media and advocates have so long and loudly brayed the numbers that most people really believe that "second hand" smoke in minuscule amounts is highly toxic and dangerous.

The news media daily blares out the findings of polls and some people accept them as gospel truth. In general if you'll tell me who takes the poll I'll tell you the findings before the poll is taken. Now even the industry is recognizing this by creating a new category called "push polls". This means that the poll questions are so framed to reach a desirable find-

ing. Even at best most nationwide polls contact less than 2000 people in a nation of 260,000,000. Regardless of their claims of "scientific" accuracy it's incredible to think this few persons reflect the total population. The president for example, when he speaks, he reflects and caters to the latest polls by his own pollsters. And some think he is honestly telling his thinking and plans.

The egg industry was almost decimated because of the wild protestations about cholesterol and the content of cholesterol in eggs. Now the facts show the cholesterol "scare" was and is groundless and eggs again are acceptable.

For years coffee and the caffeine were pointed as the devils brew. A new drink "decaffinated" coffee and tea were developed and marketed. Now after scientific testing the fact has come out that there is no connection between coffee and serious ailments.

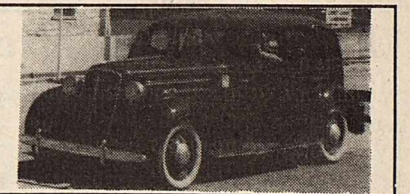
The apple industry was badly crippled because a fanatic claimed alar was a carcinogen. Soon it was proved there was no truth to the wild ratings, but apple growers had already, lost millions of dollars.

A "scientific" lab fed rats a tremendous overdose of saccharin and detected a small amount of them developed cancer of the bladder. Hence saccharin was taken off the market and other sugar substitutes were developed at a much higher cost to the buyer. Soon facts proved the premise was wrong and now saccharin is acceptable.

The reason people are so easily led is they live in an atmosphere of fear. Anything that is touted to cause them harm, they run from it. They fail to realize they are human beings made in the image of God and the head was meant for more than a hat rack. When people start thinking for themselves, these far out and fallacious ideas will die aborning.

Rambling Around Kinney County

By THE K.C. RAMBLER



Put this on your calendar: Rachel needs your help - with a blood transfusion. The SW Blood Bank of San Antonio will collect your donations on Thursday, March 7th. Hours: 11:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M. Location: 1st Baptist Church. You can specify that you want your blood to go to help Rachel or that it be for the general community. More details next week.

Some folks have such clever ideas! "Doorbells" here in KC are as distinctive as any in the world, a very old, very large cow bell - hanging at the front door and rung by its original clapper calls to the lady of the house. Another front door boasts a triangle - used on ranches to call all hands to eat. A carefully carved wood pecker pecks on its own tree trunk making a very audible knock at the door. As you stroll around local neighborhoods, you may spot others.

Elsa Sauer has returned home and is ready for visits from all her friends. Saturday, the Historical Society of FC will present Agnes Vondy as guest speaker for the monthly program. The doors are opened at 10:00 in the Palisado Building (just behind the museum.) Agnes has "the gift of

gab." All who hear her talk will spend an enjoyable hour.

Have you noticed the blossoms on the fruit trees at the Evan's office downtown? These warm days are rushing spring. Birds are every where. Time to keep water available for all critters. There are many around that we seldom see - but the water and feed quickly disappears.

Consider replacing the plants in your yard that froze this year with native types. All sorts of cacti, sage, mountain laurel and banana trees are available. The upkeep is minimal on these plants. They can readily accept our dry spells, cold spells, and hot spells. A very pretty holly - like bush is the agarita. All of these and many others will thrive in this area.

Time for a picnic if only as far as your own back yard. No bugs yet. The warm sunshine on your back is happiness. Do get out of the house. If you must stay indoors - open those windows to let in all this wonderful warm fresh air. Spend the afternoon sitting under a tree, reading a good book.

Eat Well - Sleep Well Laugh A Lot

The Spring Gala Extravaganza

It's coming March 17th and It's going to be Spectacular! It will be the biggest and most elegant event of its kind in Del Rio! "The Spring Gala Extravaganza" This Charity Formal Event at Plaza Del Sol Mall will feature displays of merchandise from nearly every store and shop in the mall, plus a few others around town. All proceeds exceeding expenditures will go to the Amistad Family Violence and Rape Crisis Center.

This first year all inclusive formal showing will highlight a little of everything that could be used for Quinceanera, Weddings, Black and White formals, Debutante balls, Showers, Honeymoons, Vacations, and much more. Special lighting will be used for the fashion show and live music will provide a very elegant atmosphere.

The Spring Gala Extravaganza will run from 2-4 p.m. on March 17th, 1996 in the South Wing. Several mall merchants will also remain open after the show to offer special discount sales. But wait! There is much more! Not only will a ticket into the Spring Gala Extravaganza allow you to see the wonderful fashion show of formals, bridal dresses, lingerie, swimsuits and table displays of merchants offering over \$1500 dollars worth of DOOR PRIZES! Some include free Limo rides, \$300 towards a Wedding Gown, Portrait Discounts, Gift Certificates, a Honeymoon give a way and much more.

Tickets will be sold at the mall office and Bridal Galleria for \$5 before the show and \$8 at the door.

It promises to be a very exciting and fun event. Hope to see you there.

Big Mama Sez!

The really happy man is the one who can enjoy the scenery when he has to take a detour.

PLEASE REMEMBER that we attempt to include something for everyone within the pages of our paper. We realize 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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Ellryn Queen was the pen name of two cousins, Frederic Dannay (1905-1982) and Manfred B. Lee (1905-1971) who became successful detective story writers and also the name of their chief fictional character.

Letter To The Editor

Adobe Eco-Systems Fact Sheet main issues have been printed. Those of you that have read the past Letters to the Editor can readily see that the 'facts' to the BECC for NAD Bank's loan are complete misrepresentations, gross exaggerations, and outright fabrications. It is a shame that one lie is said after another lie, then lie about the lies.

Jim Stephens, President of Adobe Eco-Systems stated that he had no experience. Will Tomas Leon, President of International Forex, be the main owner and operator? Is Adobe fronting for the International Forex on the 16 million dollar loan from NAD Bank? With the terrible devaluation of the Mexican peso where is Tomas Leon getting his collateral?

A Mexican entrepreneur borrowing 16 million U.S. dollars to dump on Texas, at Spofford, in Kinney County? Get real!

"El Financiero Internal Edition", Jan. 8-14, 1996, gives us more information on Mexico's maquilas.

Ninety-five percent of hazardous waste exported from Mexico to the U.S. is generated by maquilas or in-bond assembly plants. Since 1991, only 17 cases of deliberately mislabeling as non-hazardous have been documented. However, according to different officials as much as 60% to 80% of mislabeled toxic waste shipments enter the U.S.

When the Mexican EPA tells the maquilas to get rid of their stockpiled hazardous wastes and sets a deadline, the shoe-string operated maquilas will use any means and ways to get rid of it; from using the lowest bidder to smuggling among other trash. The disposal of waste is not budgeted. Many fly-by-night U.S. companies take advantage of the lack of Mexican regulations to make a quick profit.

Deliberate fraudulent labeling, drums labeled acetone, but actually containing a highly explosive mixture of sulfuric acid, nitric acid, acetone, and chlorinated solvents. Acetone is a water contaminant.

Altered information on the manifests stating non-hazardous but in reality is highly hazardous hinders the Fire Department profile on how to clean a spill. Some of these chemicals become active and explosive by just adding water. Other combinations of chemicals become deadly fumes causing the lungs to rupture.

Random inspections are done on only 20% of the shipments at the border points of entry. Adobe wants to

do 1% random inspections by its own operator at the site. The extent of the toxic substance shipment is unknown due to lack of inspection manpower and voluminous regulations.

Federal regulations for transportation, treatment, storage, and disposal of toxic waste are overwhelming. Inspectors have to consult over 60 volumes of separate guidelines and spend as long as 45 minutes looking for the right rule. During those 45 minutes there is a long backup of waste bearing trucks waiting their turn. What to do? Send them back or let them through to continue on their contaminous routes.

There is a six-month time lag from the moment the waste enters the U.S. until the information of the analysis is received. By that time the random checked together with the undetected 60% to 80% is already in the dumpster. All the people along the transportation route have been exposed, to say nothing about the people at the site and surrounding areas; in our case Spofford, Fort Clark, and Brackettville.

The 1993 EPA tracking system leaves much to be desired on the time lag, analyses reports, voluminous paperwork, random inspections, and lack of manpower. To date there is no efficient system to regulate all that is involved in waste repatriation processes. Unfortunately, waste produced by U.S. owned maquilas must be repatriated to the country of origin for treatment and disposal.

What, who, where, when, how are the factories, manufacturers', and refineries' chemicals and waste from all the metropolitan areas in the U.S. tracked, monitored, regulated, and inspected? By more of the same inefficient system?

What the maquila owners must realize, budgeted or not, is that the waste generators - the maquilas - are ultimately responsible for their waste. It is called from cradle to grave liability, with Spofford, Kinney County targeted to be the grave. We have said it before and we say it again "Dump it where it is made!"

People must realize how serious this really is. Big spills do happen, train derailment do happen, vapor fumes in the air and leaks to underground water do happen. We must not let this happen to us by any means, especially under hands of the inexperienced such as Adobe Eco-Systems!

/s/Tootsie Herndon

The Texas Cowboy Poetry Gathering

Over sixty of the best cowboy poets, storytellers and musicians will join over 70 of the best Western Fine Artists and custom cowboy gearmakers in Alpine, Texas for the 10th Anniversary celebration of the Texas Cowboy Poetry Gathering and the *Trappings of Texas* exhibit, starting February 29.

Dubbed "The Reunion" by the Texas Cowboy Poetry Gathering Committee, this Gathering includes cowboys from all the past Gatherings who will come together for this special celebration of frontier heritage. Nationally known figures such as poet Joel Nelson and musicians Red Steagall and Fletcher Jowers, "the cowboy's cowboy singer," will be joined by crowd pleaser's Fiddlewest with Washtub Jerry, storyteller Paul Patterson and the cowboy nerd, Clay Lindley.

Texans such as Biscuits O'Bryan from Sonora, Kirby Warnock from Dallas, Sam Massey from Wickett, Kimberly Kimball from El Paso, Don Hedgpeh from Boerne, Fran Hendrick from Knickerbocker and Jim Fish from Mountain Home, will join Big Bend locals Apache Adams, Sandra Culppepper, Craig Carter, Doug Davis, Michelle DeHart, Ray Fitzgerald and Dena Massey Floyd in entertaining the crowd.

Curt Brummett, who has a syndicated newspaper column entitled "Querecho Flats," Alvin G. Davis, the President of the American Cowboy Culture Association, singer Jeff Gore, who has recently worked in movies with Tommy Lee Jones and Sam Sheppard, Kay Kelley, who recited cowboy poetry on the *Tonight Show with Johnny Carson*, Chuck Milner, who had a role in *Tombstone* and has been a Residence for the Art in Education program in Oklahoma and Buck Ramsey who has won the National Heritage Fellowship Award from the Folk and Traditional Arts Program of the National Endowment

for the Arts, the highest honor the government can bestow on a folk artist will all be here for the Reunion.

Nyle Henderson, of Colorado, who believes that cowboy poetry is a performance art form, will be riding bucking chairs in his recitations, while Ernie Sites of Wendell, Idaho, who has performed at a Congressional Dinner in Washington, will be singing and playing guitar and mandolin. Andy Wilkinson, who packed crowds in at last year's Gathering, will once again be performing at the Gathering.

This year's Gathering will include two evening stage shows, the infamous Cattle Call, an evening campfire session, two dances and two Cowboy Coffee House sessions. Schedules are just now being finalized for the event.

The Museum of the Big Bend will celebrate ten year's of Western art and the finest cowboy gear in the United States and Canada, when it opens the *10th Annual Trappings of Texas* exhibit on March 2 at 9:00 a.m. Thirty plus artists including Wayne Baize, Jim Ward, Patti Marker-White, Wanda Johnson and L.N. Chambers will have some of their latest work on display. Each piece depicts a facet of the Western lifestyle, present and past. The jewels of the *Trappings* exhibit are the fine pieces of custom horse gear including a variety of bits, headstalls, nose knots, bosals along with a variety of saddles. Horsehair mecates, rawhide whips and quirts will dazzle the viewer's eye as well as every type of spur, unique handmade boots, buckles and hats.

Plan to join the crowds for a fun filled weekend in the beautiful Big Bend. The Texas Cowboy Poetry Gathering runs from February 29 through March 3. *Trappings of Texas* opens March 2 and will be on display through April 1. For more information call (915) 837-8191 or 837-8143.

Althya Youngma Memorial Poetry Contest Now Open

A \$1,000 award will be presented to the winner of the Althya Youngman Memorial Poetry Contest, sponsored by San Francisco's famed Artists Embassy International. The contest is open free to everyone.

"Our desire is to keep alive the memory of Althya Youngman who passed away this year at the young age of 87" says Richard Angilly, the Embassy's Poetry Director. "As the founder of our non-profit organization, in 1951, this wonderful lady inspired the lives of young poets for almost half a century. Thanks to projects like these she will continue to be an inspiration."

The rules: (1) Send one original poem 21 lines or less, (2) Your poem may be written on any subject, using any style, but must be positive in tone, if not inspirational. A love poem would do nicely. (3) Be sure your name and address appear on the page with your poem. (4) The deadline for entering is April 15.

A winner's list will be sent to entrants on or before June 1. "We encourage beginners," says Mr. Angilly, "and our judges understand that. All the same, fresh and original poems will be upper most in their minds. Many times a poem can be improved by merely editing a few words."

Send your poem to: Free Poetry Contest, Artists Embassy International, 1598 Shrader Street, San Francisco, California 94117.

Southwest Texas Genealogical Society

Lora B. Garrison will be the featured speaker at the March 2nd meeting of the southwest Texas Genealogical Society. Plans have been made for registration at the Lost Maples Inn of Utopia at 10:00 a.m. The \$8.00 fee covers lunch and handouts. If weather permits, a tour of the museum and Waresville Post Office, Waresville Cemetery, and the Ware cabin (built in 1852) will be offered following the meeting.

Mrs. Garrison participates at Storytelling festivals throughout the state, including the annual Folklife Festival at the Institute of Texan Cultures in San Antonio held the first week end in August. She will be a feature storyteller at the Annual Texas Storytelling Festival at T.W.U. in Denton in March.

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From Your Local Game Warden

By Henry J. Lutz
Kinney County, Game Warden

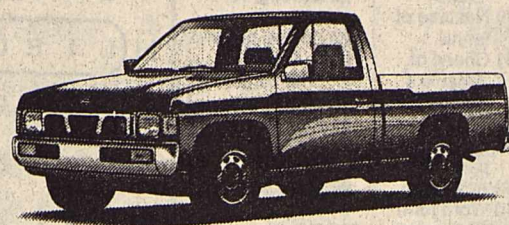
This week we will take a look at the Collared Peccary, better known as the Javelina. The javelina is a piglike animal, mostly a frizzled black and grayish color with a distinct whitish collar across the shoulder in adults. The average adult weighs about 50 pounds or so. They have large teeth that are well developed for cutting and slashing. They are also extremely nearsighted.

The javelina are found in western Texas and the Brush Country of South Texas. They need dense brush for cover, but are also found in rocky canyons where caverns and hollows afford protection. Javelina feed on almost anything available but prefer the prickly pear cactus. In most areas, the prickly pear cactus provides more than half its diet while fulfilling most of its water requirements. This thorny diet, low in nutrients, is supplemented by green forbs, vines, and grasses. Aside from scooting a prickly pear leaf along the ground to break some of the larger thorns, the javelina pays little attention to the numerous spines on its favorite snack.

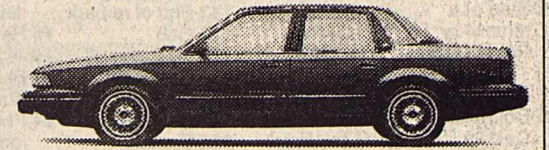
Javelina usually travel in small bands of a half dozen or so and seem to have a rather limited home range. It is reported that they seldom move over a mile. Movements greater than this are made only by solitary boars. There seems to be no particular breed-

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Farm Bureaus

Val Verde and Kinney Counties are among 208 county Farm Bureaus participating in the Texas Farm Bureau's Property Protection program. All members in the county are eligible to use this posting and reward program, which is provided as one of the many Farm Bureau benefits.

Under the program, Texas Farm Bureau will pay a reward of \$1,000 to the person who furnishes information that leads to the arrest and final conviction of a person or persons committing trespass, theft, or mischief on posted property owned or rented by the members.

During the past fiscal year ending Oct. 31, 1995, TFB paid 3 rewards under this program, according to Michael Baker, county president. Since this program started in 1971, TFB has paid out a total of \$135,200 in rewards.

Baker suggests that all county members mark their property with a personalized gate sign. New members automatically receive 1 free sign. Additional signs may be ordered at a cost of \$3.00 each.

Photo-Thomas Qualia, farmer and owner of Val Verde Winery receives personalized gate sign from Michael Baker, county president.

Driving Tests License Renewal

An officer from the Texas Department of Public Safety will be at the County Courtroom, Kinney County Court House, each 1st and 3rd Thursday and each 5th Thursday during the normal working hours of county offices.

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 20 Jack of "Barney Miller"
 21 Sixth sense
 22 Start of a remark by Robert Sallen
 25 — carte
 26 Favorite
 27 Couturier
 28 Farrow of "Zelig"
 29 Malodorous
 31 Pebbles'
 32 Big name in burners
 36 Neighbor of 11 Down
 37 Herbert Hoover's birthplace
 40 Cleveland's lake
 41 Oklahoma city
 43 Part 2 of remark
 49 "Diamond"
 52 Subway unit
- 53 Piercing
 54 — dixit
 55 Fountain order
 56 Hapsburg dom.
 57 Italian white wine
 58 Shorten a skirt
 60 Charlton Heston epic
 61 Goes off course
 63 Ending for Capri
 64 Gator's cousin
 65 Congealed
 66 Part 3 of remark
 72 Less inept
 74 "It's a Sin to Tell —"
 75 Onassis' nickname
 76 Hoskins in "Hook"
 79 Actor Burton
 80 Prepare home fries
 82 Short shows
 84 Under the weather
 85 Exploit
 86 Puzzle part
 87 Ted Danson sitcom
 88 Carer of "Wayne's World"
 89 Dolt
 90 Part 4 of
- remark
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 95 Devastate
 96 To be, to
 97 — Goes the "Ball"
 100 On the whole
 102 Lower California
 105 Tangle
 106 Lend a hand
 107 Italian bread?
 108 Lingerie item
 111 Cockpit fig.
 112 End of remark
 119 Gob
 120 "Nightmare" street, in movies
 121 Set upright
 122 Burning
 123 Actress Claire
 124 Pug, Peke or Pom
 125 Snowy bird
 126 De Valera of Ireland
- DOWN**
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 2 Stroller's spot
 3 Gray matter: abbr.
 4 "Newhart" setting
 5 "The — of Casterbridge"
 6 Sp. lady
 7 Novelist Amy
 8 "Unaccus-tomed — am ..."
 9 Turkish top
 10 Surround a Seurat
 11 "The Far Pavilions" continent
 12 Comment from Casper
 13 Addle
 14 Cold-war assn.
 15 Long Island resort
 16 Hammett's detective Sam
 17 Rattap
 18 "The Old — Bucket"
 19 — foo yung
 20 "Slammin' Sam"
 21 Photo on metal
 22 Geologic division
 23 Remote neighbor
 24 "The Old — Bucket"
 25 War, in Worms
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Natasha's Stars



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) This week has you in line for some important social opportunities that you should take advantage of. A tendency to withdraw into yourself could plague you around midweek. This could impair relations with a close partner.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) A private talk early in the week relates to a financial opportunity you're considering taking advantage of. Home-based activities are particularly rewarding later in the week. However, a matter from work is still troubling you.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Although long-range prospects look good now, there's an immediate money situation that could give you cause for concern early in the week. At work, talks with higher-ups are a plus. It seems they are finally able to see what you're saying.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You begin the week in a chipper mood. Tact and diplomacy, though, must be utilized in your dealings with a close friend. Try to avoid being overly critical of this person's behavior. Accent what you have in common instead.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You receive an invitation to visit friends who live far from you. Before accepting, be sure that you have everything taken care of satisfactorily, both at home and on the job. Over the weekend, business and pleasure do not combine advantageously.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) A business hunch you have early in the week really serves you well. Later, a talk with a loved one is rewarding as you finally ascertain what's been bothering this person. Mixed trends could affect your financial picture.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) This week brings positive business and financial developments, but you could also have your hands full with a domestic concern. Dealings with children in particular can be very touchy now. This weekend, an appliance could break down.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Your intuition is strong now with your significant other. Early in the week, you have luck with a creative endeavor which has been evading you. A child has good news to share. This weekend, a travel plan is subject to change.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) You could be asked to assume a leadership role in connection with a group activity early in the week. Inspiration you receive now could be tomorrow's creative accomplishment. This weekend, it's best to stick close to home.

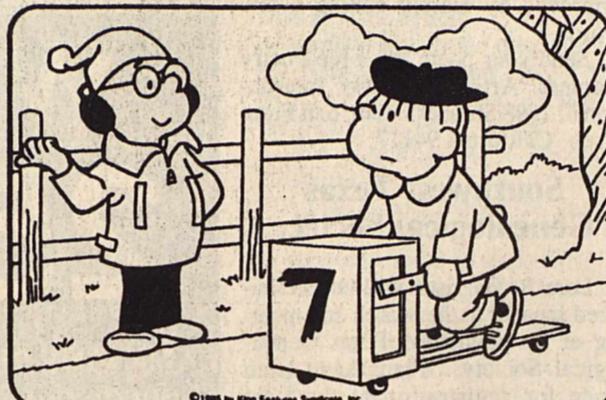
CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Opportunities arise in business this week. Those working on a freelance basis could receive important assignments. Major shopping for the home is favored later in the week. A family matter is of some concern.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Mix-ups are possible concerning news which arrives from a distance. Couples make happy plans together for a special romantic vacation. A problem could arise later in the week in connection with a friendship.

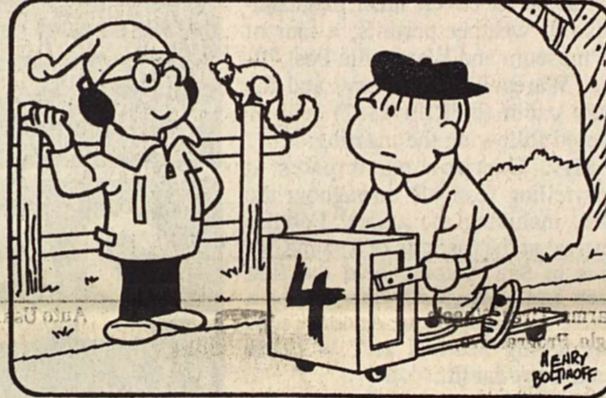
PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Your judgment is right on the money this week regarding career interests. Keep the lines of communication open with a close partner. This weekend, avoid worry and second-guessing yourself.

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Vision Teaser



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Tassel is longer. 2. Arm is raised. 3. Fence is shorter. 4. Squirrel is added. 5. Cloud is missing. 6. Number is different.

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Tigerettes Open Softball Season With A Win

By Brian Hooker
The Brackett News, Sports Writer

Tuesday, after a very short amount of time to practice, the Tigerettes opened their 1996 softball season. Carrizo Springs, a 3-A ball team, came to Brackett for their season opener. Carrizo Springs, coming into the ballgame with a 2-2 record, had their record knocked to 2-3.

The Tigerettes plowed Carrizo 19-12. The Tigerettes also outthit Carrizo 14-12.

Lindy LaMascus went the distance on the hill for the Tigerettes.

Chica Garza also had a good game. Chica went 4-4 with 4 singles and scored 4 runs.

Amy Bader walked 3 out of 5 at bats and scored 2 times. Courtney Harrison walked once, had a double, a single, and scored once. Patty Lopez walked 3 times, had 2 singles, and scored 2, 3 times. Stephanie Terrazas walked 2 times out of 2 at bats, and scored once.

Way to open a great season Tigerettes. Good Luck!

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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27
Oven Baked Chicken
Whipped Potatoes
Gravy/Choice Of Veggie
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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28
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Tigers Rip Dilley!!

By Brian Hooker
The Brackett News, Sports Writer

Friday night, the Tigers closed out their regular season against Dilley. The district standings were Cole first, Dilley second, and Brackett third.

The Tigers had to win if they wanted to stay alive in their 1995-96 basketball season.

The Tigers ripped Dilley 85-66. This forced a tie for second place and a play-off game that would transpire Monday.

The Tigers came out hot taking a quick 10 point lead. Going into the second quarter with the score 19-9, the Tigers slipped up a little defensively. They took a 39-55 half time lead over the Wolves. The Tigers buried Dilley in the second half. After 3 quarters of play, the Tigers were up 62-47. After an explosive 4th quarter, the game was over and the Tigers romped the Wolves 85-66. Way to go Tigers.

Tigers Fall In Dilley Play-Off

By Brian Hooker
The Brackett News, Sports Writer

Monday, the Tigers traveled to South West Texas Junior College to face the Dilley Wolves in a play-off tie breaker for 2nd place of District 29-AA.

The Tigers unfortunately didn't play as well as they did Friday and Dilley played better.

Dilley sophomore, J.J. Neves, scored 40, points against the Tigers Monday night. Without this young man, the Tigers would still be playing basketball.

The Tigers started slow as they let Dilley take a 22-11 first quarter lead. As the Tigers had a shaky second quarter, the Wolves took a 48-38 half-time lead. The Wolves had a great 3rd quarter to take the Tigers into the fourth quarter 69-52.

The Tigers brought the score to within 5 points with only 3:00 left on the clock. They just couldn't hold on as the Wolves conquered the Tigers 82-69.

Way to go Tigers, great season!

Girls Basketball 2 Game Statistics

Player #	Player Name	Points Scored
13	Chica Garza	13
15	Reccia Jobe	4
20	Denice Frerich	11
21	Tina Meek	11
22	Katy Hagler	2
23	Courtney Harrison	6
24	Sandra Hernandez	8
25	Lindy LaMascus	2
31	Amanda Meek	28

Tigerettes Beat Falls City

By Brian Hooker
The Brackett News, Sports Writer

Monday, February 12th, the Tigerettes traveled to Sabinal to face the 25-0 Falls City Beaverettes.

Coming into the game with an optimistic view, the Tigerettes turned it on.

They landed Falls City their first loss of the year at 58-50.

The Tigerettes ended the first quarter at a 9-9 deadlock. The Tigerettes turned it up in the second quarter to take a 26-20 half-time lead.

Coming out in the 3rd quarter, the Tigerettes enlarged their lead to 44-32. The Tigerettes stayed on top to end the game at 58-50.

Way to go Tigerettes.

Tigerettes Fall To Poth

By Brian Hooker
The Brackett News, Sports Writer

Thursday, the Tigerettes traveled to Summerset High School to face the Poth Pirettes. Poth, ranked 16 in the state of Texas, are expected to be hands down the best team in the region.

The Pirettes took control early taking a 15-4 end of first quarter lead. The Tigerettes earned 6 points in the second quarter to go into half-time with a 27-10 deficit.

Coming out in the third quarter, the Tigerettes had their biggest quarter so far with 8 points. Going into the fourth quarter at 42-18.

The Tigerettes put it together in the fourth quarter to rack up 9 points. The final quarter ended the game at 53-27.

Although the Tigerettes didn't advance past Bi-District, they have nothing to be ashamed of. After handing Falls City their first loss of the season and taking a 23-5 record to the books. The Tigerettes haven't finished with this good of a record in years.

Way to go Tigerettes, we are proud of you.

The Tigerettes and their fans would like to say farewell to Denice Frerich, the Tigerettes only senior. Thank you Denice, for a wonderful 4 year varsity career.

Boys Basketball 2 Game Statistics

Player #	Player Name	Points Scored
5	Michael Padron	43
10	Brian Hooker	10
15	Ruben Terrazas	27
22	Bean Smallwood	17
20	Ramon DeLeon	40
40	Moses Hernandez	15
52	Kirkland Hill	2

Thank You

The Brackett Tiger athletic program would like to thank the Tigers for a great season. They would also like to give the Senior Tigers a special farewell and thank you.

The Brackett High School Senior

Tiger Basketball players were: Michael Padron, Brian Hooker, Ruben Terrazas, Eric Rivera, Carlos Martinez, Saul Hidalgo, John Castro, Raymond Talamantez, Kirk Hill.

THANK YOU ALL!

Texas Schoolchildren Receive Privately Funded History Lesson About George Washington

Mount Vernon, Virginia -- As a result of a statewide distribution of an innovative classroom lesson about George Washington, the 285,000 fifth grade schoolchildren in Texas' schools are becoming experts on the life of George Washington and the founding of the American nation. The lesson, designed by scholars and the education staff at George Washington's Mount Vernon plantation home, was distributed free of charge to every fifth grade teacher to supplement their U.S. history instructions, and for use in conjunction with George Washington's February birthday celebrations. The project is made possible by financial support from the T.L.L. Temple Foundation.

"The classroom lesson arrived in Texas' schools just as a federal study documenting the decline in history knowledge among students was making front-page headlines," comments Mrs. W. Temple Webber, who represents Texas on the Mount Vernon Ladies' Association board of directors. "With these shocking results and the ongoing fiscal concerns of our state's education department, it is wonderful that the private and public sector are working together for the betterment of Texas children."

As part of the program, all private and public fifth grade teachers received a kit including an instruction manual on the life of George Washington and separate units on his military leadership, his presidency, and his private life as a farmer and slave owner, family man and entrepreneur. Along with the lesson, teachers receive a poster of George Washington for the classroom, and colorful stickers. Teachers are also in-

vited to use a 30-minute video documentary provided by Mount Vernon that chronicles Washington's life using historic prints and engravings.

"The Texas school system is increasing our students' knowledge of George Washington and we are proud to help in doing this. The students of today are our future leaders and there is no finer example of leadership and patriotism than George Washington," said Mr. Buddy Zeagler, Assistant Executive Director and Controller of the T.L.L. Temple Foundation.

To challenge their knowledge of the lesson plan and to make learning fun, every student will also receive one of the attached "scratch-and-learn" cards. Each card contains 10 multiple choice questions and if the correct squares are scratched the letters spell W-A-S-H-I-N-G-T-O-N.

The T.L.L. Temple Foundation awards grants to non-profit organizations and governmental agencies primarily in the East Texas Pine Timber Belt. It was established in 1962 by members of the Temple family in honor of the founder of Southern Pine Lumber Company, now Temple-Inland Forest Products Corporation. The Mount Vernon Ladies' Association, founded in 1853, is the oldest national preservation organization in America. Admission fees, together with private donations, exclusively support the home of George Washington. Mount Vernon is independent of the government and no tax dollars are expended to support the estate, its programs and activities. Additional information about Mount Vernon is available on the World Wide Web at <http://www.mountvernon.org>.

MAKING A DIFFERENCE
By TAYLOR STEPHENSON, BISD Curriculum Director

Life Is Changing: Go Out & Take A Look

Did anyone check a thermometer last Tuesday? 95 degrees. I couldn't believe it on Feb. 20. So, I started checking out the calendar. I followed up by going out, observing change and watching folks. The following is a report on some of the good that is coming up. Come on. Walk with me as we look ahead!

The first day of Lent was this Wednesday, Feb. 21. On Tuesday evening, St. Andrew's Episcopal congregation served up their traditional meal of pancakes and sausage. The meal was excellent in what has become a social event of the season. Lots of folks attended! If you didn't, mark your calendar for next year. Lent signifies the beginning of the 45 day period before Easter. It's a season of reeducation on the part of the Christian World. Easter is on April 7. This, I believe, is also the day when we spring forward our clocks one hour. I can't remember if we're saving daylight time or losing it when we spring forward, but it's a significant day.

While looking around outside, you can notice the advance blooms for the Spring blossom season have begun to appear. I noticed a Red Bud tree...just upon passing the motel on the way out of Ft. Clark Springs. The tree had a good start last Saturday. Since then, others have joined the parade. Our plants have received their Spring pruning. The plants had begun to bloom. Roses in the yard are ready to go. So, we cut back & tried to make healthier plants. Seems to be the thing to do with 95 degree weather trumpeting the call of the longer growing season.

Spring break is the week of March 11 through March 15 for the public school children in Brackettville. We look ahead to the TAAS writing exam for all students in grades 4, 8 and 10 to be given the week of March 5.

At Fort Clark, we have three large Elderhostel groups coming to visit in the next five weeks. The first group of 40+ began arriving this past Saturday. They like Fort Clark Springs. They get to visit Alamo Village, play golf, learn about the history of the area and travel to Ciudad Acuna for an evening of fun. These folks come here from all over the United States. We're happy to have them visit.

Another major change is that the sports season is changing at BISD. The girls began their softball season Tuesday with the boys to open in baseball soon. Track has begun, and you see lots of young folks walking slower

because of sore muscles. Golf and tennis are going strong. The basketball season was one of the best ever at Brackett ISD. We had great middle school teams. Our high school girls made the playoffs, and boys tied Dilley and lost in a playoff game. I hope you will support our young people in their efforts to represent Brackett ISD.

The students and faculty are staying busy with activity. This week marked the end of the fourth six weeks of school (only two more). The stock shows have seen good representation by Kinney County Youth with some of our kids making the sale. UIL preparation is underway at Jones Elementary, Brackett Middle School and BHS. The band is working on its contest music. Our teachers and students are busy.

At the school, the staff is trying to learn to use voice mail. It's a better way (in my opinion) of making sure that your message gets through to the school staff. I'm enjoying the learning phase. Bear with us, it will get better.

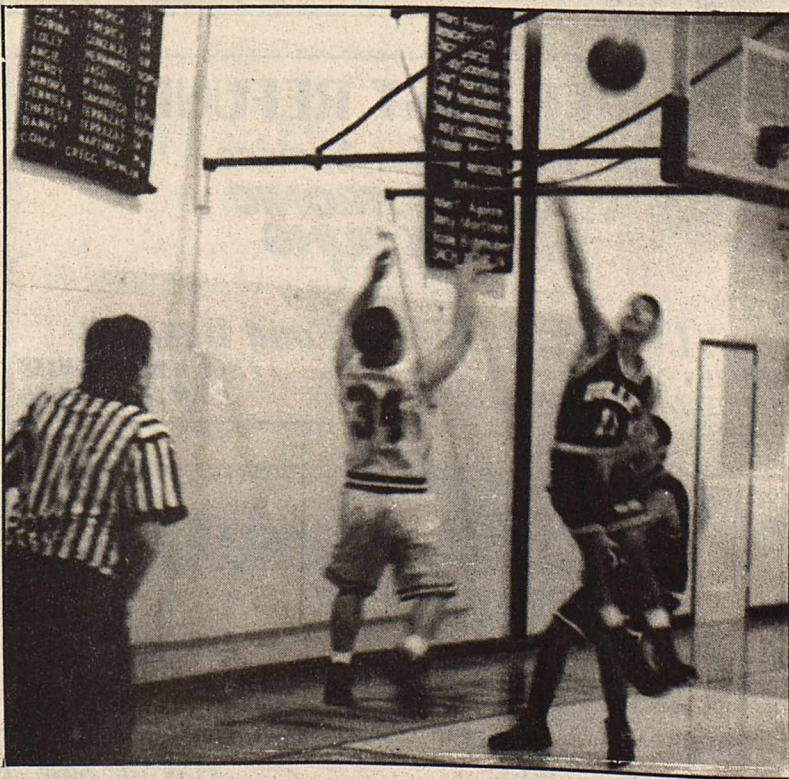
So, it's a time of change. The seasons are changing in sports and nature. I have seen signs of next year with pre-registration taking place for next year with our Middle School students. Teachers have begun to study budget needs for 96-97, and yes...we even have a calendar committee that is working it's way toward a recommendation to the Board of Education.

Folks, I believe in the kids of Brackettville. Everyday, I go to school thinking that we can do something to make life better for our kids. They have to learn to work hard and to behave, but let's not forget that the very best thing that might happen to a kid that is growing up is a conversation with you. That's right, you. So, let's get those frowns off our faces...try to think and to say positive things...try to do things to make life better for our kids. Someday, they'll be running our country, our cities, our counties and indeed even Fort Clark Springs. Let's get our kids ready to take our places. Let's teach them to understand fairness, to have an ethical sense of judgement and above all to be courteous in their dealing with others. We can teach by modeling these values. It's a great investment in the future. This week, go outside and check it out. Life is changing...you can see the change taking place. We can have a part in making sure that the change is a good one. Have a good week!

Sarah Emma Evelyn Edmonds was the most famous woman soldier of the Civil War. Edmonds, a Canadian, served in the Union Army disguised as a man named Frank Thompson. She served mainly as a nurse and messenger but also went on several spying missions.



Ruben Terrazas (15) goes up for a lay-up as the Tigers defeated the Dilley Wolves. Photo courtesy of J.J. Guidry.



Johnny Castro (34) puts it up in the Tigers 85-66 win over Dilley Friday night. Photo courtesy of J.J. Guidry.

For Pete's Sake

Here's a cutie: the artist was trying to sell his new painting to a potential customer. He had it nicely framed, in a gold-gilt hand-carved monster, and proudly displayed it on an easel, with a flourish of showmanship.

The customer looked at the painting, scratched his head, and in a puzzled voice, said, "All I see is a solid black canvas. What is it supposed to be?"

"Why" the artist explained, "it's a cow eating grass."

"My gawsh," the fellow exclaimed. "I don't see any grass, where's it?"

"Well, the cow ate it all," the artist replied.

"Alright then, where's the blamed cow?"

"Well, if the grass is all eaten and gone, why should the cow hang around?"

It was W.C. Fields the great juggler, who once said, "Any man who hates dogs and children can't be all bad," and in a way, my Lil Chickadee, the man with the tall top hat and the red bubble nose has a valuable point.

There is bound to be some good in almost everyone. Sometimes it is a bit hard to find, but, if the search is continued long enough, just about every person has a special talent or ability that makes him or her a very special human being. Some people however, seem to be natural born losers, and everything they attempt to do goes sour.

Like a guy I was reading about. He sat down to supper one night and his wife was bragging about her cooking ability.

"Two things I really like to serve," she said with a big smile as she filled her husband's plate and that's roast beef and apple cobbler."

He looked at his plate and carefully jabbed at it with a fork. "Which is this?" He asked.

Theta Sigma Celebrates An Evening With Patsy Cline

On February 8, twenty members and guests of Theta Sigma went to Del Rio for dinner at Wright's Steakhouse and then on to the Paul Pogg Theatre for the show "Always...Patsy Cline." It was sponsored by the Del Rio Council for the arts made possible by a Grant from H.E.B. The Arkansas repertory theatre blockbuster hit, which is touring 72 cities, has received rave reviews. Candyce Hinkle, who plays Louise Seger, and adoring fan takes the audience back in time by reading many letters from Patsy Cline that she received over the years. Jessica Welch, who played the Cline part had the audience convinced that she was Patsy Cline as she sang 22 of the songs that Patsy made so memorable during her brief but unforgettable career. Theta Sigma members all agreed that it was an evening to remember.

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Devine and Uvalde FLBA's Unite to Form Largest Local Ag Lender

DEVINE, Texas-- A new agricultural lending cooperative, the Southwest Texas Federal Land Bank Association (FLBA), was formed recently by the merger of two longtime lenders, the Southwest FLBA of Devine and the FLBA of Uvalde.

The merger, effective Feb. 1, was overwhelmingly approved by association stockholders in a December vote. The Farm Credit Administration gave final approval in late January.

With \$235,652,000 in loan volume, the new Southwest Texas FLBA is the largest agricultural real estate lender in southwest Texas. It is also the largest Federal Land Bank Association in the Tenth Farm Credit District, which includes Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi and Texas.

"The overall goal of the merger was to achieve greater efficiency and cost savings, while continuing to provide superior customer service to our members," said Southwest Texas FLBA Board Chairman F. Shelby Henke of Campbellton.

"By combining the two associations, we have already been able to reduce operating expenses, eliminate duplication of administrative duties and make better use of our resources and staff," he noted.

Southwest Texas FLBA is headquartered in Devine, with branch offices in Uvalde, and Pleasanton, and a contact office in Del Rio. The combined association has 1,418 loans outstanding and capital exceeding \$28.1 million.

FLBA Vice Chairman Larry

Cameo From The Past

By J. Lee Ballantyne
Contributing Writer

When we were living in the state of Washington my brother and I both had scarlet fever. The epidemic came early in the year and I went to school just two weeks the whole year.

That was a long, long winter-two house bound children who had to learn to take life as it comes.

Dad and Mama read to us and Dad told us some wild stories of "when I was a boy" in Texas.

We lived at the foot of a long hill and when school was out the kids gathered with their sleds and there was lots of action until dark.

My brother and I watched through the window and when any accident took place our father, "Doc" to the kids, was out to care for them.

Looking back on that winter I can see so many things I learned from it sharing, patience, making the best of the situation and above all the wonderful love of our parents who brought us through this very trying time.

Unsung Hero

by Joe Townsend



A fine lady and her husband moved to Ft. Clark some few years ago to escape the bitter winters of the north. She has been a part of several activities in the community. She has been faithful to her church. She is a very compassionate person. She is friendly and caring. Her husband has had and does have some physical problems. These have developed to where she can hardly care for him alone.

Time has come when they must move back north where the rest of the family resides. They will be missed and will remain in our hearts and prayers. Surely Gloria Burroughs is an Unsung Hero.

Bridge Anyone?

By Norma Gould

The FCS Duplicate Bridge Club met Tuesday, February 13th with 6 1/2 tables playing the Mitchell Movement.

Rozetta Pingent and Norma Gould won 1st place in the N/S direction. Nita and Fred Clayton won 2nd place with Lamont and Marie McCandless winning 3rd.

Gertie and Arnie Trautwein won 1st place in the E/W direction. Mona Miller and Dena Scott won 2nd place with Gloria Burroughs and Laverne Schaefer winning 3rd.

We are saddened to learn Gloria will be moving back to Montana. We will miss her!

Fish Tales

On February 10, 1996 Jessie Sanchez and two of his friends which are Luis Rivas and Jose Aguirre went fishing at Fort Clark Springs.

About 8:00 p.m. Jessie came home with a 10 1/2 lb catfish he had caught. His two friends also caught 6 smaller catfish.



Beta Sigma Phi Sweethearts Luella Gilliland and Barbara Miller.

Theta Sigma Chapter Names New Sweetheart

Saturday evening, February 10, Luella Gilliland and Barbara Miller were named as Theta Sigma and Beta Epsilon Omicron Chapter Sweethearts. Luella Gilliland representing Theta Sigma as sweetheart was crowned by immediate past sweetheart Dee Gaston. Barbara Miller representing Beta Epsilon Omicron was crowned by past sweetheart, Pam Melancon. The sweethearts were crowned during the dinner celebration at Las Moras Inn. Gifts were showered upon the honorees.

A special introduction honored Theta Sigma "Sweethearts of the Past" Dee Gaston, Marge Geeze and Pat McKelvy as well as the past sweethearts of Beta Epsilon Omicron.

Luella is currently serving as chapter president and reactivated her membership in Beta Sigma Phi in 1992.

Hospice Uvalde Area To Hold Volunteer Meeting

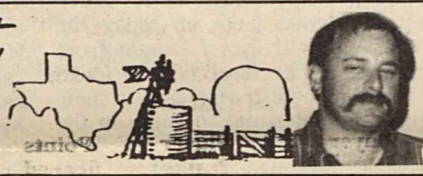
Hospice Uvalde Area, a program of Hospice San Antonio will hold a volunteer meeting on Friday, February 23 at 10:00 in the Adult Building at Ft. Clark Springs. Those who are interested in becoming a volunteer are welcome. Plans for further volunteer training will be discussed at the meeting. Volunteers are men and women who do a variety of jobs including gathering items for sale in the Thrift Shop in Uvalde, making phone calls, writing notes, arranging flowers or visiting patients. For more information about the meeting or the Hospice Uvalde Area program please call Patsy Sasek at 1-800-339-6691.

Monthly Grief Support Group To Meet Friday February 23

Hospice Uvalde Area will resume its monthly grief support group called Living through the Loss of a Loved One Friday afternoon, February 23rd, from 2:00-3:30 P.M. Held in Slater Hall at First United Methodist Church on James Street in Brackettville, it is open to anyone in the community who has experienced the death of any loved one. The topic of this month's meeting will be "How I live with my grief!" For more information, call Edwin Sasek, Bereavement Services Coordinator and Pastoral Care Counselor, at 1-800-339-6691.

County Agent News

By Alan L. McWilliams



Soil Test Before You Buy Fertilizer

The Texas Agricultural Extension Service has launched a new campaign for soil testing. Homeowners should consider some things before buying fertilizer for the coming season. Hundreds of tons of fertilizer are applied to Texas lawns every year without knowing what kind and how much is needed for their individual lawns. Just as too much water creates problems for a lawn, too much fertilizer also can be damaging.

If a lawn receives more nutrients (fertilizer) than it can use, the excess may run off and contaminate surface water or groundwater. Each lawn is made up of thousands of grass plants. Some soils have enough natural fertilizer to keep a lawn growing well, and some don't. Plants use water and the nutrients they get from the air and soil to manufacture their own food. This process is dependent on a steady supply of nutrients, primarily from the soil itself. One key to a lush, green lawn is timely application of the right kind of fertilizer.

Soil testing now will ensure a healthy lawn this spring. The odds are you will probably need fertilizer but probably not as much as you think. Why not find out for sure what you need and how much with the aid of a soil test. With the every-increasing environmental awareness of contamination of our natural resources, it should be everyone's responsibility to make sure the right amount and kinds of substances are used.

The Extension Service has soil test kits available for homeowners that are easy to use and have directions for taking a good sample. I now have these new kits available in this office and would encourage all Kinney County homeowners to stop by and pick one up. The kit contains simple directions, a plastic bag for the soil sample and information card and pre-paid mailer. The \$13 fee covers the soil analysis, preparation of the report and postage. You should have your personal analysis back to you within five working days.

The report will tell you what nutrients are already in your soil and which formula of fertilizer, if any, to use, and how much. The report both recommends how much fertilizer to apply at first, as well as the rest of the year. Use your soil test report when you are buying fertilizer. The recommendations are based on

individual results rather than geographical areas, so you can be sure that you know what's in your yard and not just what's known about this region.

While we're on the subject of lawns, I think it's worth mentioning water applications. A spray of water coming out of a sprinkler is a common site from March to October. Everyone wants a green lawn. But a study by irrigation and landscape experts at Texas A&M University reveals most people water too much. One of the biggest problems is setting the sprinkler system in the spring and never adjusting it again. Six sites were studied in Texas. These sites included a private residence, a business, a golf course and three athletic fields. What researchers determined

was that those six locations could have saved more than \$80,000 by watering when necessary and not when it wasn't needed. Taking into account the type turf, the depth of its roots, the type soil and the annual weather patterns, the researchers calculated more efficient watering schedules for each site. Also, you can lose water unnecessarily through the use of ill-designed sprinklers that spray water into fine droplets that evaporate and blow away before they ever get a chance to soak into the ground. Be aware of how fine a spray your sprinkler is putting out and use one that emits the largest drops you can find. You'll put more water where it needs to go.

Prune Your Peach Trees
Next month, fruit trees will put on blooms. That's why you should think about pruning your peaches, plums and other stone fruits in late February. Horticulturists claim the best time to prune fruit trees is right before they bloom. Remember to shape trees so that the center is open. Cutting the tree back 40 percent stimulates new growth. You can also prune your tree so that it is easier to harvest the fruit. After you've pruned, apply a dormant oil that is recommended for the tree. Be sure to read and follow label directions as dormant oils can damage trees if applied at the wrong time of the season. Since a late frost often hurts our fruit trees around here, be ready to cover the tree with a quilt or other fabric to protect the blooms.

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State Library Grants To Help Millions Of Texans Ride The Information Superhighway At Local Libraries

More than three million Texas citizens from Dalhart to Brownsville will soon be able to ride the information superhighway from their local public libraries, thanks to a new million-dollar grant program from the Texas State Library and Archives Commission.

At its January 26 meeting, the Commission awarded \$910,000 in grant funds to five regional cooperative projects serving the Panhandle, Austin and Central Texas, the San Antonio area and Southwest Texas, and the Lower Rio Grande Valley. Through these projects, 140 library locations will gain access to the Internet and its resources.

The Internet Assistance Grants, combined with local matching funds, will go toward hardware, software, telecommunications links and training expenses for these libraries, each of which will, by July 1, be ready to provide Internet access to their patrons. The 1996 grant awards will nearly double the number of Texas libraries providing patron access to the information superhighway.

The five funded projects will provide Internet access to some of Texas' largest and smallest public libraries, serving communities of all kinds throughout the state. They include:

- * The San Antonio Public Library, providing connections to all 19 of its locations and to 28 member libraries

of the Alamo Area Library System (one of the 10 regional systems that together form the Texas Library System);

Participating libraries are in Brackettville; Del Rio; Eagle Pass; Leakey; and Uvalde.

The Internet Assistance Grant program, part of the State Library's Project Link, was created to distribute more than \$2 million in state funds in fiscal 1996 and 1997. These funds were appropriated by the Legislature in 1995 to connect Texas public libraries to the Internet and its resources. Project Link also maintains the Texas State Electronic Library (<http://link.tsl.state.tx.us>) and is responsible for making electronic information from state government available to the citizens of Texas.

The Texas State Library and Archives Commission, created in 1909, is responsible for promoting quality and availability of library and information services to all Texans. The agency provides access to state and federal government information, including the Texas State Archives; offers library services to Texans with disabilities through the Talking Book Program; aids and supports local public libraries in the Texas Library System; and provides assistance to the public sector through the State and Local Records Management program.

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Community Calendar

- A.A.: Open meeting, Monday, 8 PM, Slator Hall, James St.
- Las Moras Masonic Lodge 444: 2nd Tue. 7 p.m., Lodge Hall, Ann St.
- Band Booster Club: 1st Tuesday, 7 p.m., High School Band Hall
- BISD School Board: 2nd Monday, 6:30 p.m., School Board Room
- Beta Sigma Phi
- R of J Beta Epsilon Omicron (Sept-May) 2nd & 4th Monday, 7 p.m.
- Preceptor Theta Sigma (Sept-May) 1st & 3rd Monday, 7 p.m.
- Laureate Iota Epsilon (all year) 3rd Monday, 7 p.m.
- Boot Scooters: Thursday 7:00 PM, Town Hall, FCS
- Mountain Laurel Garden Club: 2nd Thursday, 10 a.m. Adult Center
- Kinney Co. Chamber of Commerce Board: 2nd Thu. 6:30 p.m. FC Restaurant
- City Council: 1st Tuesday after 2nd Monday, 6:00 p.m., City Hall
- K.C. Commissioners Court: 2nd Monday, 9 a.m., Court House
- Del Rio Christian Women's Club: 1st Wednesday, 12 Noon San Felipe Country Club. Reservations required.
- FCS Pot Luck Supper: 3rd Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Service Club. Bring covered dish, plates and utensils.
- FC Duplicate Bridge: Tuesdays, 7 p.m., Adult Center
- FCS Art Club: Work days Monday and Saturday a.m., Meeting 1st Monday, 1 p.m., Art Studio
- FCS Community Council: 2nd Saturday, 10 a.m., Shafter Hall.
- FCS Board of Directors: 3rd Saturday, 10:00 a.m., Board Room
- FCS Historical Society: 4th Saturday, 9:30 a.m., Palisado Building.
- FCS Museum/Sutler's Store: Saturday & Sunday, 1-4 p.m.
- FCS Ladies Luncheon: 2nd Wednesday, Noon, Las Moras Restaurant. Make reservations at Adult Center.
- FCS VFW #8360 & Auxiliary: 4th Monday, Service Club 6 p.m. Pot Luck, 7 p.m. Meetings
- FCS Old Quarry Society: 1st Monday, 6 p.m., Adult Center.
- Friends of Library: No regular schedule. Call library for info.
- K.C. Historical Preservation Society: 4th Thursday, 7 p.m., Court House.
- KC Kickers: 2nd and 4th Thursday, 7:30 p.m., Service Club.
- Knights of Columbus: 1st Sunday, 12 Noon, Parish Hall.
- Lions Club: 1st and 3rd Thursday, 6:30 p.m., Las Moras Restaurant.
- Order of Eastern Star 204: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Hall, 407 Bedell, Del Rio.
- FC Shrine Club: 4th Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. Las Moras Restaurant.
- Rotary Club: Every Thursday, 12 Noon, Las Moras Restaurant.
- Methodist Ladies Luncheon: 3rd Wednesday, Noon, Slator Hall, Please make reservations.
- Kinney County Heritage Museum: 2nd and 4th Saturday, 1-4 p.m., Filippone Building.

Did You Know?

(NAPS)—To date, about 10,000 people have had their homes repaired by ITT Hartford's Property Customer Repair Service Program. Widening a lane has been found to reduce highway fatalities by 21 percent, report the experts at the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. To help CARE, Rotary and high school students feed hungry children around the world, you can purchase a World Friendship T-shirt for \$15 plus \$2 shipping and handling from World Friendship, P.O. Box 191304, Atlanta, GA 31119-1304. More students get the top score of 800 on SAT I College Admission tests now that the average score has been placed at 500, the midpoint of the scale, reports the



College Board. Cardiac Survival Network Programs, sponsored by Datascoper Corp., the leading manufacturer of intra-aortic balloon pumps, are working to bring major medical centers and community hospitals together to improve the treatment given to heart attack victims.

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. February 1884: Lt French eagerly awaits the arrival of his relief ("D" Troop, 8th Cavalry) so he may return to Ft Clark after over two months of field service commanding the Seminole-Negro Indian Scout Detachment close to the line of the Southern Pacific at Mayers Spring (near present day Dryden). The Detachment begins the trek back to Ft Clark on the 7th with French locating his bed in the ambulance. After a five day journey the post is reached and no time is lost rejoining the society of the fort as numerous "calls" are made the first night back. French petitions Gen'l Smith to be assigned the quarters next to the Adjutant's Office (today's Harrison house) and moves in the day of the "Leap Year" Hop. He resumes his daily visits to the Seminole Camp and catches his turn as Officer of the Guard. A theatrical is performed at the Post Hall (possibly located in Lucille Schooler's house) and lawn tennis becomes a frequent activity. Lt French is the social butterfly as he escorts or visits every lady on the post in his role as the proper Victorian gentleman.

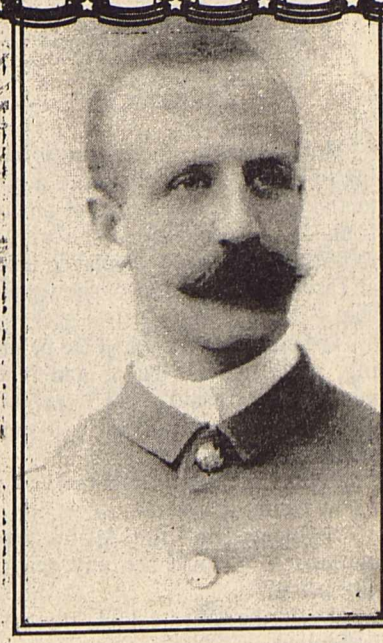
Saturday, February 23 1884
Played tennis this morning with Mrs. Guard, Miss Kauffman and Guard, Mrs. G. & I winning. In the afternoon Shunk had his property moved over & is going to use the back room. This will be much more pleasant than it used to be for me. Wrote some O.B. letters and private letters to Mr. Lugee, to Macy in New York ordering 12 pairs gloves, to Warnock for a cap cord. Vedder sent up today the two hair mattresses I bought from him the other day. Now I must have them made up into a new mattress. Went out to camp in the evening. After dark called at Weeks' and had a pleasant chat with Mrs. W. She is soon to have a baby judging from appearances. Then called at Mrs. Fountain's, but nobody was at home. Then at Dr. Taylor's, Maj. Morris' and

Stitchery Club
The FCS Stitchery Club met Thursday with 21 ladies present. Mary Partlow displayed some charming stationery and cards that were decorated with tiny pieces of antique tating. All the participants decorated note paper with the designs from the stationery. The Art Club brought the designs for the Fort Clark Anniversary Quilt project, great progress is being made. Fabric for the quilt top has been purchased and embroidering of the individual blocks will begin soon. For additional information call 563-2024. The next meeting for the stitchery club will be 10:00 a.m. on March 21 at the Adult Center.

THANK YOU
A thank you to all my friends, for your prayers, for your visits, for your gifts, for your cards, for your phone calls, for expressing your concern during my trip to the hospital and convalescing period. The new hip is doing fine. Your thoughtfulness has made the ordeal like a "walk in the park". Thank you all very much.
/s/Howard Peck

Chamber Chatter
Welcome new members to the Chamber of Commerce: Fort Clark Gun Club Molly Schroeder Jack and Norma Schram Custom Cards by Lynda K.C. Arts Council Black Seminole Scouts Association Emily Charles Wilson First United Methodist Church John Ford
Special note for Mr. James T. Shahan's Family
The Kinney County Chamber of Commerce extends heartfelt sympathy to the family of James T. Shahan. We will miss him. In the spirit of life that Happy Shahan embraced wholeheartedly, a tree will be planted in Shahan Park. This year's county festival will be dedicated to Happy and take place on the weekend of his birthday, July 20, 1996. "Thank-You Mr. Shahan for all you did for Kinney County."

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



Chaplain Blaine's where King is staying also. Then at Capt. Kauffman's, but Mrs. K was not at home. She is in the same condition that Mrs. Weeks is, only not quite so far gone. Called at Williams' but nobody was at home. Then returned home to read Heart of Mid-Lothian. Took a bath before retiring. Am detailed for officer of the guard tomorrow. Received a letter from home today. Wrote Judge Lowry today asking him to send me a copy of the Revised Statutes and an Army Register for Father.

Sunday, February 24 1884
At guard mounting marched on as Officer of the Guard without making any errors. The last time I performed this duty was at Brown almost two years ago. Remained at the guard house all day leaving it only once or twice to visit my quarters & Capt. Vance's. Capt. Kauffman 8th Cav'y. was Officer of the Day. Wrote usual letter home and read Heart of Mid-Lothian. Received a receipt from Homer Lee for the money for the cards for Lula & Sue. Dozed in my chair while waiting for the Officer of the Day to inspect the guard. Did not go to camp this evening.

Monday, February 25 1884
Marched off guard this morning, relieved by Cunningham who was absent from guard mounting. Wrote to Rutherford, Washington D.C. about my claim under Morton decision, telling him about my mounted pay last year and asking when he thought the claim would be settled. Did not go out to camp this evening as dinner was quite late. Sat on the porch with Mrs. Hall during dress parade, at which the drum major appeared for the first time in his new uniform. After this went to the sutler's to play a few games of billiards with Hewitt. Returned about tattoo and called at Capt. Feche's. Then came home and read Heart of Mid-Lothian. Dr. Harmer was in today from Del Rio. Wrote Miss Smart today about my vocal exercises, and practiced this afternoon.

Tuesday, February 26 1884
Saw Smith, F. of "E" Co. a practi-

cal upholsterer and engaged him to make up my mattress. He promised to call at the house tomorrow after guard mounting to settle matters. Commenced to make the muster rolls today. Practiced in the afternoon on the vocal exercises. Invited Mrs. Fountain to go to the theatricals tonight, but she declined having a previous engagement. Just before dinner went to Col. Lyster's and engaged Mrs. Doughty to accompany me. Went out to camp as usual. About seven o'clock went over to Capt. Vance's a while and then went for Mrs. Doughty. We arrived at the hall some time before the curtain went up, but the room was almost filled mostly by the men. Secured seat for my partner and sat myself in the window. Two farces were played, Capt. Boyd, Mrs. Guard, Mrs. Heger, Mrs. Hammond, Shunk, Guard, Hammond & Flynn being in the cast. Everything passed smoothly and the whole was very enjoyable. But do not think it exactly proper to play before enlisted men this way. Admission was charged, the funds being to be used [sic] in decorating the room. After returning sat in Col. Lyster's for a while and then came home.

Wednesday, February 27 1884
Took a walk this morning just after reveille with Eckerson. Have agreed to take this exercise every morning. Norther today. Dust was very annoying. Wrote usual letter home & then worked on muster rolls. In afternoon practiced vocal lesson. Went out to camp after dinner. In evening called on Mrs. Vernon, Capt. Boyd who was not at home, and at Col. Bernard's spending quite a time there eating molasses candy & listening to Miss Armour's playing on the piano.

Eckerson was there also. Think he is in love with her. Took a duet to practice on Capt. Vance's piano to play with her. Read until I fell asleep in the chair. Smith came over after guard mounting and promised to make the mattress as soon as the weather is favorable.

Thursday, February 28 1884
Took the usual walk this morning. Worked on the muster rolls after

Fort Clark Art Group

We have decorated T-Shirts, led by Georgia Rounds who made the screen print. Several members have added some other very colorful decorations. We must be doing something right! Two more people enrolled as members of the club. Ginger Test from Abilene, Texas conducted her second Water Color Workshop last week. Once again it was very successful. Ginger told us that we have the best studio in which she teaches. Three artists from Del Rio returned for the second visit. Betty Wright is doing an excellent job of organizing the Art and Craft Show to be held in the Gorgas Room at the Adult Center on March 16. She has placed her notices all over Del Rio. Her phone number for those who have questions is 563-2559. We hope you are giving some thought to the Easter - Spring Chapeau Bonnet Hat Competition which promises to be an interesting and fun part of the day. The Stitchery Club met last week to discuss a modus operandi for embroidering the quilt squares of the commemoration quilt. The sketches done by the Art Club members were given the stamp of approval.



Program Chairman Dr. Charles Schmidt introduces State Game Warden Henry Lutz to Rotary Club

Rotary Club

By Frances McMaster
Contributing Writer
The Rotary Club met on Thursday, February 15th, and Stan Conoly reported that the First Annual Happy Shahan Memorial Golf Tournament had been a success. Prizes of hams were awarded winners and one person whose ticket was drawn won a pastel painting of a western scene by Frances McMaster. Rotary International is being given a birthday party in San Antonio on February 24 to celebrate its 91st anniversary. Among numerous prizes awarded by drawings will be two nights at the Fort Clark Springs Motel for two and passes to Alamo Village. At the February 15th meeting, Program Chairman Dr. Charles Schmidt introduced State Game Warden Henry Lutz. He spoke about the revamping of the rules and regulations of hunting and fishing licenses. The whole set-up for licenses has changed in order to get rid of useless and conflicting aspects of past licensing. They will be sold in such locations as sporting goods stores, gun shops, department and discount stores. In general, they will be sold by those who wish to handle them. The seller will make a little profit. A counter-top computer will be provided which is connected by telephone lines to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. Not all these units have been implemented yet. While hunting, fishing, or trapping, a person 13 years of age or older must carry a driver's license or personal identification certificate issued by the Texas Department of Public Safety. Non-residents must carry similar identification from their state or country of residence. Several states are now using a similar method of computerized issuing of licenses, and it has proven a lot speedier. However, the computer won't hand out deer tags. These must be sent from Austin and that will take a couple of days. Licenses can also be ordered via the toll free telephone number printed below. License fees will be increased, but there will be combinations available which will cover more than one category. If you were 65 years old by September 1, 1996, you will not need a license to fish. Despite the simplification of the act of buying a license, the regulations are somewhat complicated. Mr. Lutz brought with him two small books: Texas Hunting Guide for 1995-1996 and Texas Fishing Guide 1995-1996. These cover the various restrictions and requirements and are available on request. Toll free information is available by dialing 1-800-792-112. Thanks to Henry Lutz for his presentation and to Dr. Schmidt for asking him to speak to us.

Girl Scout

Our local Girl Scout troops, under the direction of Stacy Ashbranner had their meeting on Monday. This week the girls made kites out of dowel rods, newspaper and string. Next week they will finish with the tails and first flights. The Girl Scout Anniversary is coming up in March. If there are any life time Girl Scouts in the area please contact Stacy Ashbranner at 563-9006. They would love to hear from you. All the girls express their thanks to Brackettville and Fort Clark for their support in the cookie sales. The girls sold 206 cases of Girl Scout Cookies.
Procrastination is the thief of time.
—Edward Young



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

Last weeks column was dealing with a Christian's speech and because so much space was taken with that I hesitated to take any more liberties so I begin today with this quote from famed preacher and teacher, Charles H. Spurgeon who was emphasizing to his class the importance of making the facial expression harmonize with the speech. "When you speak of Heaven," he said, "let your face light up, let it be radiated with a heavenly gleam, let your eyes shine with reflected glory. But when you speak of Hell - well, then your ordinary face will do."

And while we are now thinking of

"Heaven" and "Hell"...Have you thought about your soul?
Have you ever stopped to wonder what this life is all about? Why you're here and where you're going when your lease on time runs out? Maybe you've been far too busy, trying hard to reach your goal: Would you let me ask you kindly, have you thought about YOUR SOUL? If you've never thought it over, spend a little time today: There is nothing more important that will ever come your way than the joy of sins forgiven, and to know you've been made whole. In the name of Christ the Savior, have you thought about YOUR SOUL?

First United Methodist Church



Rev. Sheree Harris, Pastor

Yesterday was Ash Wednesday. Christians in Brackett and around the world gathered in worship to acknowledge our mortality and to confess our sin before God and one another. Symbolizing this, we were marked with ashes on the forehead with the sign of a cross.

Confession is one of the Christian spiritual disciplines. Each week in this column during Lent, the Christian season of preparation for Easter, I will focus on a different spiritual discipline (reflection, studying scripture, prayer, self-denial, and worship).

The word **confession** comes from the Latin *com*, meaning together, and *fateri*, meaning to acknowledge. I can't think of anything we do as an act of faith that we don't do both deep within our soul and in, before or with the community of faith. All acts of Christian faith (baptism, holy communion, prayer, proclamation, outreach, etc.) are of an intensely personal nature and an equally intensely communal nature. Thus we confess -- we come together to acknowledge. We confess two things.

One thing Christians confess is our sin. We commit sins through our actions, our words, and even our thoughts. Our nature is also sinful,

i.e. we are prone to self-love rather than love of God and others. Both the particular sins we commit and our natural inclinations separate us from God's love. That separation hurts both us and God. But that's not the end, rather it's the beginning -- the beginning of forgiveness.

Confession of our sin is the beginning of forgiveness because the other thing that we confess is that Jesus Christ is our Savior. Christ is a Savior who stands ready to pardon us, heal us, and redeem us. Jesus Christ is God's offer of reconciliation with us.

Like I said, we Christians confess two things: our sin and our Savior. Most of us, when we genuinely confess at all, tend to lean in one direction or the other. Either we dwell on sin to the point God has a hard time getting us past it, or we espouse our belief in Christ without fully appreciating that He came to save us from our sin. Maybe it's time to balance the scales.

My prayer for you is that, between now and April 7, you will confess deep within yourself and with a community of faith, both your sin and your Savior.

Blessing on you,
Sheree Harris



Frontier Baptist Church
Rev. Joe Townsend, Pastor

We are approaching the celebration of the resurrection of Christ. There are all sorts of appendages that have been added by man. The idea of "Fat Tuesday", "Ash Wednesday", the Mardi Gras tend to defuse the heart of the season the death of Jesus on the cross. It's a despicable idea that leads to wild celebration and debauchery because we enter a period of "lent" where people deny themselves. The very idea that persistence and penance cleanse the soul is at variance with the teachings of God's Word. According to the Bible the forgiveness of sin and cleansing of the soul was made possible by the atoning death of Christ on the cross. Anything that deflects salvation and redemption from the cross does a disservice to God's word.

The greatest victory in the life of Jesus Christ was the cross. A few hours before Jesus had asked his Father for another way to accomplish his mission but not being given an alternative, He said, "Not my will but thine be done".

Death on the cross meant a victory over self. No one under any circumstance could relish death on a cross. Certainly the sinless, perfect

Jesus would be repulsed by the very idea. But when God let Him know it must be this way Jesus denied self. He gave up his desire for power to turn the world to himself. He gave up the desire to control all humanity by changing their hearts. He gave up all desire for freedom from anguish and pain. It was in every way a tremendous personal victory for Jesus when He fully surrendered to the will of the Father.

On the cross He demonstrated again his love for all humanity when He prayed, "Father forgive them, they know not what they do." On the cross he gave credence to his mission when He said "It is finished". He had come to pay for the sins of all mankind by dying for their sins. He only could die for another's sin because He had no sin. To accomplish this He died on the cross. Every day of life man should live under the recognition that Jesus died for his sin. Anything that diverts or diminishes this recognition is blasphemy.

Next Lord's Day there will be another message about the Cross of Christ at Frontier Baptist Church. Come and see.

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church

Pastor Nathan LaFrenz

This week Christians throughout the world are celebrating Ash Wednesday, beginning the familiar Lenten Observance. Many people will have celebrated Shrove Tuesday, with pot lucks, symbolizing one last party before the somber Lenten Season. Ash Wednesday's Service, with its ashes and solemnity, with its focus on Repentance, reminds us that we are all sinners before God, in need of God's forgiveness.

During this season we are called to reflect on our lives, to recognize where we have fallen short of what God expects of us; to reflect on how we have sinned against Him and all creation in thought, word and deed. In response to this recognition of our sinful nature, Christians through the ages have adopted certain religious practices, very common during the Lenten Season; such as giving up meat on Fridays, or giving up a cherished activity for the forty days of Lent.

Many people put to good use these acts of religiosity, for when they do without, they are called to remember their sinful nature and the great act of sacrifice and salvation of Christ's death on the Cross. Some Christians, however, do these acts of religiosity automatically without reflecting on

why they do them. They fast, give up, attend Lenten services more out of custom than out of sincere reflection and purpose. Christ and the prophets call these practices of religiosity, empty and purposeless. Christ and the prophets call out to us to remember what God wants of his people. They tell us that God hates empty ritual. He detests the smoke of sacrifices, He abhors ritualistic prayers and songs that bare no relation to how we really live. God calls upon his people to live lives of justice and righteousness. God desires that we offer ourselves to Him. Empty songs, prayers and "giving up red meat on Fridays, are in consequential if on other days we commit acts of violence, lie, cheat, exploit and oppress. What God wants to see is love, mercy and righteousness flowing out of our lives like an overflowing stream.

So, when we feel moved to do without during this Lenten Season, let us rather focus on what we can do. Let us donate meat or funds. Let us give time to programs that can make a difference in people's lives and in our community. May Lent be an opportunity to change and may we be enabled to be instruments of change in our community.

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Sherilyn S. White & Clifton S. Mulanax Announce Engagement

Ms. Sharon White of Santa Fe, NM and Mr. & Mrs. Russell White of Brackettville, TX are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Sherilyn S. White to Clifton S. Mulanax, both of San Angelo.

Miss White is a 1989 graduate of Brackett High School. She graduated from Angelo State University in 1993 with a bachelor's degree in accounting. Sheri is employed by Alan G. Gregston, CPA in San Angelo.

Mr. Mulanax is a 1988 graduate of Petersburg High School. He received a bachelor's degree in animal science in 1994 from Angelo State University. Cliff is employed by Joan Crews Hoyt Ranches near Mertzon, TX.

The wedding will take place April 20, 1996 at the Historic Fort Clark Springs Amphitheater. After a honeymoon cruise to the Bahamas and 3 days at Disneyworld the couple will reside at the Joan Crews Hoyt Ranch.

God's Healing Faith

"Return, O faithless sons, I will heal your faithlessness."
"Behold, we come to thee; for thou art the Lord our God."
— Jeremiah 3:22

We, like the ancient Israelites, who denied the word of God and then sought His forgiveness, often may forget our duty to the Creator. Faith is not something to be done like a garment; it is a 24-hour-a-day, seven-days-a-week responsibility. The Israelites angered God by worshipping false idols and turning away from His grace. We, too, may from time to time close our minds and hearts to His guidance and seek pleasures in other than Godly pursuits. Yet the Lord God is a merciful God and His forgiveness is endless. A clean heart and a recognition of His divine supremacy are the antidotes God needs to cleanse us of our faithlessness.



Cathy Conrey introducing "Baby", newborn of the very proud Community Council.

Prime Chimers Dazzle Music Club

Monday February 12, our own Phillis O'Rourke, Mary Partlow, and Peggy Woolfort. The ladies who attended the Ladies Luncheon on Wednesday were treated to the final performance of the Chimers. Also at the Ladies Luncheon Cathy Conrey and Elizabeth Nichols played selected tunes on the new Baby Grande Piano. The Prime Chimers have disbanded, much to our regret, due to the departure of Elizabeth Nichols for the summer. We will look for you again next year!

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Church Directory



St. Andrews Episcopal Church: Henderson & Fort Sunday Church Service 10:30 a.m. Vicar: Rev. Bill Koons, 563-2071.
Frontier Baptist Church (A Southern Baptist Church): Sunday Services 11:00 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, Sunday 9:45 a.m.; Wednesday 5:30 p.m.; Friday, 6:00 p.m., Eugenio Duran, 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: Sun. Masses at 8:00 A.M. (Spanish) and 10:30 A.M. (English); Mon., Thurs. and Fri. Mass at 7:00 AM; Wed. Mass 6:30 P.M., Religion Classes Wed. 4:00 and 7:00 PM; Sat. Rosary 7:30 AM, Sat. Mass 8:00 AM and 6:30 PM. Confession Wed. & Sat. 5:30 PM, Rev. Donald R. Lavelle, C.M.F.
St. Blaise Catholic Church: Sun. Mass 12:30 noon. Adult Catholic Explanation and Convert Classes Thurs. 7:00 PM Rev. Donald R. Lavelle, C.M.F.
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.
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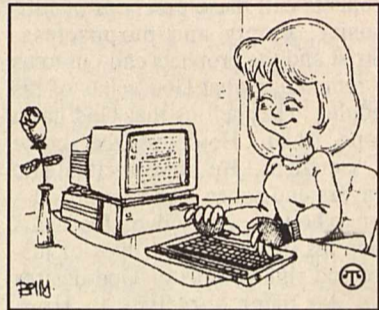
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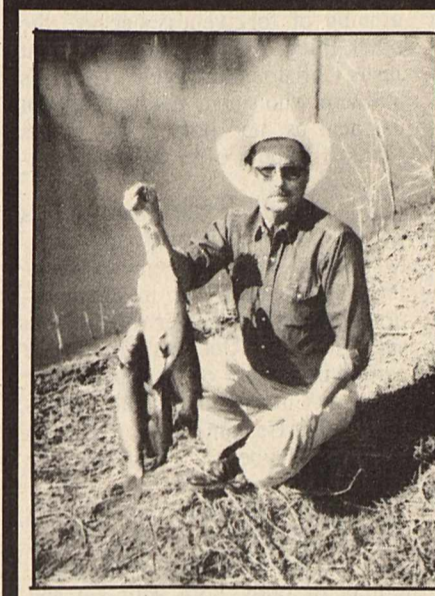
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