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



"Book-It" Reading Program

"Book-It" is a reading incentive Individual students who met the program sponsored by Pizza Hut for monthly reading goals were given a students K through 6. It motivates children to read more by rewarding them for their reading accomplishments. It also helps pre-readers develop a positive, enthusiastic attitude towards learning to read.

The "Book It" program, under the direction of Mrs. Laura Jane Wardlaw, fifth-grade teacher began October 2, 1995, and ended February 29, 1996.

"Pizza Award Certificate" for a free

one-topping Personal Pan Pizza. Fifth grade students who met the class reading goals in any four (4) of the five (5) months of the program will be having a free pizza party in Del Rio on Friday.

Pictured are the fifth graders who will get to go to the Pizza Hut this Friday.

Mayra Aguirre, Celina Cano,

Individual students who met the onthly reading goals were given a Pizza Award Certificate" for a free Hernandez, Elizabeth Jennings, Douglas Sanchez, George Martinez, Maria Martinez, Laura Negrete, Pedro Pacheco, Jessica Terrazas, Shante Ward, Megan McWilliams, Nicole Mata, Jose Pineda, Lacey Dodson, April Martinez, and Brittany Moore.

Not pictured are Jake Bestick and Erica Garza.

Three suspects arrested for burlaries of The Jug Store, Sunshine Garden Center

By: J.J. Guidry Contributing writer

One adult and two juvenile Brackettville men were arrested and charged with two counts of burglary Tuesday, according to local law enforcement officials.

The three men, who are 19, 16 and 14 years old, are suspects in the burglaries of The Jug Store and the Sunshine Garden Center.

The 19-year-old is being held at the Kinney County Jail, and the two juveniles have been transported to the

Juvenile Detention Center in Del Rio. "It's not (surprising) with the juvenile problem we have," Kinney County Sheriff L.K. "Buddy" Bur-

New 4-way stop signs

cations, Pafford and Veltman

Streets, Gove and El Paso Streets,

stop intersections in Brackettville.

quested that all motorists be very

cautious until drivers are accus-

tomed to stopping at these inter-

These are the first four-way

City Manager David Luna re-

and Gove and Veltman Streets.

The City of Brackettville has installed signs for four-way stop intersections at three different logess said of the burglaries.

Officials said The Jug Store burglary occurred at approximately 4 a.m. on Monday morning.

An estimated \$4,500 was taken. Officials have recovered between \$1,800 and \$2,200 in cash and \$1,300 in checks. Money orders, charge slips and lottery tickets were also taken.

The burglars also stole numerous alcoholic beverages. An estimated 42 bottles of liquor were taken off of the shelves, in addition to a case of Jack Daniels, a case of Smirnoff Vodka and six to eight cases of beer.

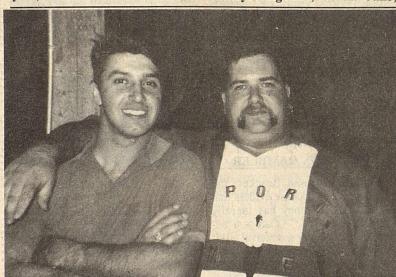
Also reported stolen were approximately 46 cartons of cigarettes, 17 lighters, a knife, a remote-control car and cash out of a piggy bank.

"It's just real disheartening. It makes you wonder what our youth is coming to."

Don Woodson

"It's just real disheartening," said Don Woodson, owner of The Jug Store. "It makes you wonder what our youth is coming to."

Officials said the burglars used some of the items they stole at the Sunshine Garden Center to break into The Jug Store. Those items included two wheel barrels, a garden cart, a pair of bolt cutters, a hammer, pruning sheers and two bags of air fresh-



Hepline and Picard #1 Touring Group

The good news according to Marie the day was last Friday and Carl is Sofaly is that Clyde is back, the bad still here. Carl says he loves it here news is that he'll only be here about and is thinking of moving his between

Clyde Hepline returned this week from his two and a half month tour with Kevin Burrel and the Wild Ride. They have been to Kerrville and San Antonio in Texas, Albuquerque, Hobbs, Yuma and Alamogordo in New Mexico.

Clyde says the road is both exciting and boring. It is hard work to set up (2 hours) and tear down equipment (1 1/2 hours), but the entertaining is great. He says one of the things he misses is good ole home cooking. Send Food!!

The group has been named the # 1 Touring group by the agents. This means that they are the most booked group, being already booked for the rest of the year. The group was recently picked to be one of the groups to play the Rodeo Circuit, they will be playing 3 or 4 Rodeo's on their

Clyde says that he will rehearse at least an hour and a half a day by himself, then the group will have a 4 hour rehearsal on Fridays. Clyde being an early riser finds quite a bit of time on his hands and is envious of the guys in the band staying in the other motel room who have a Sega Game Machine.

Looks like Brackettville has a new resident. Carl Picard the light and and the Wild Ride group, came to visit Clyde for one day. Clyde said that

tours residence to Brackettville.

Carl is from Lafayette, LA. and joined the band 1 1/2 years ago in Corpus Christi. He has been traveling with various groups for the last 16 years and loves it. Carl has engineered the sound for such greats as: Lori Morgan, Vince Gill, Steve Warner, David Allen Coe, T. Graham Brown, George Jones, Sammie Kershaw (who is also an old friend from LA), George Jones, Tracy Byrd and many others.

equipment).. He watched for 3 years court defense.' before he got his chance to do his own work. "The Good Lord above gave me my talents" stated Carl, and he is using those talents very well. Carl has written 4 songs performed by the group and is working on another 3.

Carl says everyone in the band calls him Daddy because he is the one who takes care of them. He enjoys classical music, walking in the mountains, reading, meeting new people and bird watching. He says he tries to learn something new every day and 's not too hard with his lifestyle.

We welcome Clyde and Carl home and hope their next tour (starting Monday) will be even better and that they will return safely.

Clyde says to tell everyone Thanks sound engineer for the Kevin Burrel for making the housewarming a great

Eight Tigers named to all-district team

sections.

By: J.J. Guidry Contributing writer

Brackett's Gary Grubbs was named the conference's Coach of the Year and eight of his Tigers were named to the 29-2A all-district team.

"I think we did real well," Grubbs said of the selections. "The eight players that got all-district were the top eight players that we had."

Earning first team honors for the Tigers were senior guard Michael Padron, junior guard Ramon De Leon and junior forward Beau Smallwood. Padron started at point guard and

four steals a game. 'Michael had an outstanding sea-

averaged 14 points, nine assists and

was definitely the best point guard in bounding. our district. court, He did a little bit of everything,

He scored for us and he made a lot of steals and assists.'

DeLeon averaged 14 points and six steals per outing for the Tigers. "Ramon is a streak shooter,"

Grubbs said. "He would get on a roll and score a lot of points. He had a couple of games where he hit close to 30 points for us. 'He is a great defensive player.

Carl said he started as a roadie (the Him and Mike working together reperson who helps set up and tear down ally triggered our press and our half-

Smallwood contributed 10 points and seven rebounds a game for

Beau was probably our best inside defensive player," Grubbs said, "He has good ability to block shots and rebound. He was a streaky offensive player, too.

"He did a real good job as a junior. He was in Kingsvilles right up until the start of basketball season. He came in and gave us a boost. He's good rebounder,"

Brackett had three players named to the second team, senior center Brian Hooker, senior guard Ruben Terrazas and junior forward Moses Hernandez.

"Brian is a great hustler inside," Grubbs said, "A lot of times, he would have 10 rebounds in a game but you could easily say that he had 15 or 16 because he would keep the ball alive for somebody else to rebound. He was a good defensive player too.

"Ruben was one of our leaders this son," Grubbs said, "I think he was year," he said, "He was also streaky the best point guard in the area. He on offense. He did a good job re-

"He had been playing post as a "He was a good leader on the sophomore and a junior but I moved him to guard this year in the new offense and break we were running, He did a good job shooting the ball.

"Moses was probably our most consistent player inside," Grubbs said. "He is a great shooter. He has a pure shot. He's a good rebounder,

on offense and defense. Senior center Kirk Hill and senior guard Eric Rivera both received honorable mention all-district.

"Kirk did a good job," Grubbs said. "He's a good defensive player. He did a good job rebounding. Between him, Brian and Moses, he allowed us to have some depth inside. Kirk's a real coachable kid.

"Eric was our first guard off the bench. He's a good defensive player and a good hustler. When we got in foul trouble, he was very depend-

BISD Board Election

Board of Trustees Election May 4, 1996. Two three-year term positions are

to be filled. Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each

weekday, at the High School Principal's office, located in the High School

Annex, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. beginning on April 15, 1996 and ending on April 30, 1996. Applications for ballots by mail

should be mailed to BISD Early Voting Clerk Theresa Davis, P.O. Box 586,

Brackettville, Texas 78832. Applications for ballots by mail must be re-

ceived no late than the close of business April 26, 1996. The deadline for

candidates to be placed on the ballot was March 20, 1996.

ELECTION - MAY 4, 1996 — The Brackett ISD will hold their annual



Bagpiper Patrick Regan, will be performing in concert on March 29th at the Fort Clark Amphitheater at 8:00 p.m. sponsored by the Kinney County Arts Council. Ticket prices are \$5.00



Georgie Mae Shields & Felipa Avila display awards surrounded by supervisors, County & City officials.

Avila and Shields receive awards

Felipa Avila and Georgie Mae today's society and we must main-Shields were honored Monday morn- tain and strengthen this valuable ing for their achievements as employees for the Senior Texas Employment Program (STEP).

The Kinney County Aging Center Texans Employment Program, adunder the direction of Myron Caton Texans Employment Program, adunder the direction of Myron Caton Texans Employment Program, adunder the direction of Myron Caton invited Mayor Carmen Berlanga, Judge Tommy Seargeant, and Commissioners Frerich, Montalvo, Mendeke and O'Rourke to a party to sign the Proclomations in appreciation for the work Felipa and Georgie Mae have done for the Center.

Georgie Mae has been with the STEP program for 7 years. Felipa has worked with the program for 2

The Proclamation states:

Thousands of older Texans offer employers the experience and wisdom of a lifetime of hard work and dedication. Our mature expertise at work for the benefit of our great state.

Texas is proud of the contributions Job Well Done! made by our mature workers in

resourse in our labor force of the fu-

For over twenty years, the Senior Community Development Association, Inc. and founded through the Texas Department on Aging and the U.S. Department of Labor, has provided older workers the opportunity to apply their lifelong skills and abilities to many local projects while receiving marketable training for employment.

We appreciate the contributions that older workers make to our community and during Older Worker Week, March 1996, recognize their accomplishments.

We join in with the organization and say a great big Thank you from all of us Georgie Mae and Felipa.



From The Desk Of Your Local Game Warden



By Henry Lutz Kinney County Game Warden

With the warmer weather and spring approaching, I thought this might be a good time to review some of the requirements for boaters headed to their favorite fishing hole.

Rules and regulations differ somewhat by size of boat and each boat owners situation. The following is a general listing of requirements. Your situation may be different. If you have a question about the rules or regulations and how they apply to you, please call me or the Parks and Wildlife Department before you put your boat in the water.

First of all, if your boat is required to be registered, be sure that you have and throw cushions. Be sure that you done so and that it has a current de- have one Coast Guard approved, cal displayed on the side next to the wearable type, life jacket for everyregistration numbers. In addition to one on board your boat. Check to see the numbers and decals displayed on that it is in good condition and accesthe sides of your boat, you are re- sible. On motorboats under 26 feet quired to carry the certificate of num- long, a child passenger under 13 years ber with you on the boat. The cer- old must wear a life jacket at all times tificate of number is the blue card, while underway or moving. This life about the size of your driver's license, jacket must be one that fits the child, that has the information about your not an adult size jacket. boat on it. You get one when you register your boat or renew the reg-istration on your boat. that it is working properly, such as boat lights, horns or whistles, flares

displayed. It should have the letters or be sure that they are in good work-

"TX" (if registered in Texas) followed by 4 numbers and 2 letters, such as "TX 1234 AB", and can be found on the certificate of number card you reeived when you registered the boat. When I was stationed on the coast at Port Isabel, I once checked a boat that had the registration number "TX 78520" displayed on the sides of his boat. I was somewhat puzzled as to where he had gotten that number

zip code for the registration number. Check to see that you have the proper fire extinguishers on board and that they are properly charged and accessible. Check your life jackets

from. I asked him for his certificate

of number card and looked at his ad-

dress on the card. He had used his

Check your other equipment to see Speaking of registration numbers (if required), rearview mirror (if reon the sides of your boat, be sure they quired). Here is a checklist of other are the right numbers and properly items you might want to have on hand

ing order; spot lights or flashlights, paddles, anchors, ropes, batteries, tie down straps, bow lines, gas tank, gauges, bilge pump, boat plugs, oil reservoirs, gas and oil lines, trailer registration, lights, and tires.

When you are going out on the water, let someone know where you are going and when to expect you back, even what boat ramp or launch place you are going to use. This saves time if or when problems occur and someone needs to search for you. Another thing to check before launching is the weather report. Each year many boaters lose their lives or equipment or need to be rescued or searched for because they get caught in a storm or high winds. It is not worth risking your life for just a few hours of fishing. Not only do you put your life in danger when boating in bad weather, but you put the lives of your rescuers in danger.

Many people do not know that they can register their boat right here in Brackettville. They can do this at the County Tax Assessor - Collectors Office on the first floor of the Courthouse. Of course, you can also do it by mail through the Parks and Wildlife office in Austin or in person at any Parks and Wildlife office in the state. If you have any questions about boating, boating safety, or boating rules and regulations, contact me or call the Parks and Wildlife Office in Austin at 1-800-792-1112.

Cameo From The Past

I have said that the day Mama went to the Ladies Aid was the day I experimented with cooking. The day I experimented with the rice was long remembered by my family

There were four of us so I thought one cup of rice per person and one extra cup was just about right.

I poured that rice three or four times always to a larger pan. I added the large can of tomatoes but it was pale compared to Mama's rice.

When Mama got home she was greeted with a kitchen stove covered ith pans and all filled with rice.

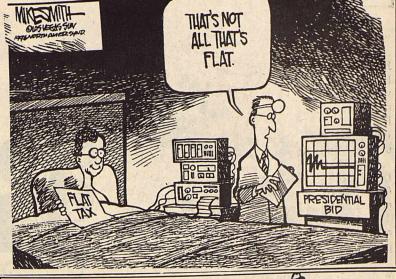
Needless to say what our main dish was for a week! It took a long time for me to look at a cup of rice, but I guess that was a good learning experience - I can look at a cup of rice now without flinching!

My poor mother should have received a gold medal for all of those rice recipes she came up with!

Margaret E. Holt & Ernest A. Hall

The families would like to announce the marriage of Margaret E. Holt and Ernest A. Hall March 23, 1996 at the home of Ernest A. Hall. The bride and groom will be given away by their children.

Bless them with a happy life Love Family



Between Us by Joe Townsend

If you did not attend the Spring Concert of the Voices at Ft. Clark Springs you missed a most entertaining evening. The repertoire was varied and wide. From songs from World War I to current times the music was well presented.

good as they are this year. They have a good balance of male and female voices. They have a number of outstanding voices and they are melded into an excellent singing group. Held together and squired by Lee Herron Amphitheater at Ft. Clark. Kudos to and under the direction of Lynn the Voices.

McNew the group gave evidence of a great amount of hard work.

The superior accompanist, Cathie Conrey is no small part of the success of the Voices. It's great to enjoy their fine renditions without remembering the many weeks of prac-The Voices have never been as tice and hard work that polishes them. From the solos to the ensembles and the group as a whole the entire evening was to be loudly cheered.

The Voices are now preparing for the Easter Sunrise service in the

Annual Senior Center Arts & Crafts Show

March 30, 1996 9 AM - 5 PM

Bake Sale and Refreshments Booths available \$10.00 All to benefit the Aging Center



The number one foreign language studied in the public schools is Spanish.

Big Mama Sez!



The promise of some people to be on time carries a lot of wait.

PLEASE REMEMBERthat 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 social acceptable number of erors within our publication.



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New City Project

Kinney County tennis courts were in provided. such bad repair that they could not crews began cleaning up the area. Enhance our community.

The City of Brackettville is begin- They are scraping all of the courts ning a new project. It was brought o and will resurface them soon. The the attention of City Manager, David City also plans to paint, mow and trim Luna and Judge Seargeant that the the area. New tennis nets will be

Thanks again to the City of be used. The following day City Brackettville for another project to

Poster Raises \$17,000 For 4-H, FFA

In late 1994, Purina Mills unveiled a commemorative poster of the major North American dairy cow breeds. At that time, the company pledged the proceeds from the first year's sale of the poster would be donated to the 4-H and FFA organizations. A year later, those proceeds have totaled more than \$17,000, divided equally among the two organizations.

"Together 4-H and FFA educate more than four million American youths each year about food production and the role of agriculture," said Purina Mills dairy marketing manager Richard Poeppel. "The educational role of the poster meshed perfectly with the educational mission of these two orga-

Local 4-H clubs and FFA chapters also sold the poster as part of their fund-raising activities. Each participating local group also received a portion of the proceeds for their own use.

The FFA was organized nationally in 1928 from local and state groups that date back to 1917. FFA chapters are established in schools as part of vocational education in agriculture. The first national 4-H organization was founded in 1921. State 4-H programs are administered by the Cooperative

Commissioners Court

Judge Seargeant called the meet- of the Civic Center in case of rain. Frerich, Commissioner Joe Montalvo, Commissioner Cordelia both events. Mendeke and Commissioner Paul O'Rourke.

2/2 and 2/26 meetings with some questions concerning the 2/7 minutes. The correction will be made.

Bills and reports were approved. Martha Pena Hooten made a request to the court for payment to Martha Martinez for 25 hours of training. Martha had not requested this payment earlier because she was unaware that the court would pay for training. The court approved this payment with 3 votes for and Commissioner Paul O'Rourke against

Sara Terrazas, KC Librarian requested a new phone line be installed at the library. This new line will be used for the satellite system. This new system will provide college courses, Spanish and English among other opportunities and should be available by the end of the year. The \$75 fee for the phone line will be paid by library funds.

City Manager David Luna advised the court that the City of Brackettville will be passing an ordinance prohibiting parking along US 90. This ordinance will be enforced by Depart-

ment of Public Safety officers. The Tex-Mex Club will be having a Cinco De Mayo celebration on May 4, 1996 and requested free use

ing to order and a quorum was deter- The club also requested the use of mined. The Commissioners present the Happy Shahan Park for a Bar-Bwere: Commissioner Freddie Q on Sunday, March 17, at 11 A.M. Approval was given by the court for

The court expressed its thanks to the City of Brackettville for their as-The minutes were approved for the sistance both now and in the past for indigent burial. The City provides the man power and equipment for the

> The court approved an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Spofford to maintain the roads. The court approved Historical

Exemptions for buildings with Historical Medallions. Commissioner O'Rourke abstained due to one of the buildings belonging to his relatives.

The court addressed the issue concerning the Drivers License division needing a larger room which can be locked. It was decided that the Drivers License office will be moved to where the EMS offices are now, and EMS will be moved to the Filippone Building.

The court went into executive session at 1:00 p.m. and reconvened in open session at 1:45 p.m. The court approved the lease pur-

chase of 2 vehicles for the Sheriff's Department.

The court voted to pass a blanket resolution against all industry of the waste dump type anywhere in Kinney County. Commissioners Montalvo, Mendeke and O'Rourke voting for the resolution Judge Seargeant and Commissioner Frerich abstaining.

The meeting was adjourned.

And The Progress Goes On At Val Verde **Memorial Hospital**

And the progress goes on...at Val Verde Memorial Hospital! "Steady progress continues to be made on the new wing of the hospital with no significant problems or delays," reported Waylon Cowan, Board Member and Chairman of Facility Task Force. Mr. Cowan continued, "the spirit of cooperation and teamwork between the contractor, architect, hospital administration, and the Board of Directors has been the key to keeping this large project moving forward within the budget."

Scott Evans, Hospital Administrator stated, "Mr. Cowan has provided great leadership in directing this project. His experience as a bank officer has been a valuable asset in maintaining construction progress within budget." Bob Ellzey, Assis- purchase of medical equipment." tant Administrator, added "with construction approximately 56% coming right on target within the budgeted in December. nount of \$4,682,000."

project, the hospital has just com- Health!

pleted a major replacement of its existing heating, vacuum, and air conditioning (HVAC) system throughout the hospital. Mr. Cowan noted, "the \$700,000 cost of this project will generate annual operational savings to the hospital of approximately \$80,000." Glenn Scallorn, Board Member, serves as chairman of the hospital Planning Committee for capital equipment purchases. This committee provides oversight and approval for the purchase of equipment and furnishings throughout the hospital, including the new area under construction. Mr. Scallorn says that "with the hospital's new management contract with the Methodist Healthcare System in San Antonio, significant savings are already being realized on the

The targeted completion of the new wing is July, with additional plete, the project to date is progress- renovation scheduled for completion

Val Verde Memorial Hospital, In addition to the expansion Partners In Caring For YOUR Good

Rambling Around Kinney County
By THE K.C. RAMBLER



Rambling around Brackett the this county of Kinney has literally "gone to the birds." Can you believe, besides all our wonderful wild, native feathered friends. There are now numerous emus, exotic birds of vivid coloring and beautiful fighting cocks in our midst? You'll have to wonder around to find them for yourself - but they are being raised right

Remember to eat BBQ on Sunday, 24th The Senior Class of Brackett behind the steering wheel. High is raising money for their "safe and sane" graduation party. It's a good cause and you can't beat Kinney County BBQ. The meal is available have a great treat and help our "young-uns".

J. Lee Ballantyne will turn 95 this month. An opportunity for all of us to wish her Happy Birthday will be on the 31st - Sunday at 418 East El Paso Street. J. Lee would be delighted to see all her friends and all her former pupils who still reside in this area. Please share a piece of ule. birthday cake with her in the afternoon from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Keep an eye peeled for the new 4town. Don't automatically assume the other guy will stop. Some of the signs seem to be in out-of-the-way! places so be alert and watch for others who are not. Never assume that drivers in Fort Clark will observe the stop signs or the posted speed limits. Most folks won't ever slow down at the 4-way stops. It is imperative that we all practice defensive driving. Keep your eyes and ears open when

How long has it been since you, visited our local library? There is a great selection of books on any subject - tapes for viewing, reference 11:00 - til it's gone. Drop by the materials for research, tax forms Happy Shahan Park after church to needed to file your 1995 Income Taxes. A new children's room is in the planning stage - your help will be appreciated. It will be know as-"Happy Shahan Room". Such a lovely idea.

Remember the Senior Class BBQ Sunday, March 24 at 11:00 A.M. Happy Shahan Park.

Spring has arrived - right on sched-

HAVE A LOVELY DAY

Unsung Hero By Joe Townsend

There is no more undersold indi-

vidual in this town than Bud Breen. Bud is truly a remarkable person. Bud first came to Brackettville to paint on the set of the filming of the Alamo. When the movie making was history Happy made it possible for

Bud to have a place to paint his pic-

I've never known an artist who could put as much action and reality into his work. It's almost unbelievable the refinement that Bud has developed in his work. His works hang in many banks, office buildings and homes of many notables.

many fund raising efforts by various ognition.

organizations. People often do not realize that these paintings are a part of Bud Breen. He has given of himself in generous fashion.

Bud was an integral part of the organization and workings of the Chamber of Commerce while he' served on the Board of Directors. In striving to find some type extravaganza to develope, Bud came up with the idea of a "County Fair". From this idea grew the Frontier Fair.

If you are not familiar with Bud's work you can find a good display of It's impossible to count the num- Brackett News. Truly Bud Breen is it in the gallery at the office of The ber of paintings Bud has donated to an Unsung Hero, deserving of rec-

etters To The Editor

water, air, land, and ultimately life. All the cities on both sides of the

Rio Grande from El Paso to Brownsville obtain their drinking water from the Rio Grande, the exceptions being Del Rio and Brackettville. Del Rio has the San Felipe Springs and Brackettville has the Las Moras Springs.

Las Moras, an artesian spring, flows from Brackettville and Fort Clark to within four miles of the proposed landfill and on the Rio Grande. The miles were determined on the original 429 acres, not on the proposed total of 8600 acres.

Texas is publicized as the state with over one thousand artesian springs. Where this water starts or springs from is not completely determined. What is definitely determined is they all flow through subterranean faults into the Rio Grande.

The proven geological faults at the dump site are being completely ignored by Adobe. Do we want to take this risk of contamination that will effect Eagle Pass all the way to Brownsville, both sides of the Rio fected. Grande?

The proximity of the Edwards Aquifer, a major aquifer, is of concern. Edward's water was found at approximately 1900 feet depth two to three miles from the site. The Austin Chalk, a minor aquifer is also below the landfill site.

Several hand dug water wells exist in Spofford that range from 17 feet

Prevailing winds at the proposed site are from the southeast. Winds

duced by Rotarian Marcia Thurman

Schmidt. Dr. Charles Schmidt gave

a presentation on his trip as a Rotary

Volunteer last August to Clinica Rio

Dulce, Guatemala. If you remem-

ber a similar program from last year.

This was not a repeat of that program.

Dr. Schmidt gave highlights of his

second trip as a Rotary volunteer den-

tist to the Rio Dulce clinic. His re-

port was favorable thanks to the many

volunteer Rotary dentists from around

the world who have donated their time

and talents to bring dental care to the

villagers in Guatemala. Dr. Schmidt

reported that oral hygiene has greatly

improved even in the remotest jungle

villages in Guatemala. Volunteers from all skill levels are bringing den-

tal hygiene programs to all regions,

with a remarkable change in the den-

tal awareness of the villagers who

have little or no access to the dental

served as part time dental assistant 3298

round the oval at Daytona? Surpris- surfaces.

ingly enough, you already do - if you

The tip of your mower's cutting

blade can clock in at speeds of up to

200 miles per hour. That's why a

power mower is a serious cutting tool

that should be treated with respect.

And regardless of how long you've

been mowing, it's important to con-

sciously think about measures you can

niques vary depending on the type of

things that always remain the same.

Like proper clothing - always wear

long slacks, sturdy shoes with trac-

tion soles and tucked-in shirttails.

Walk the lawn before mowing and

remove any yard debris or toys that

could be thrown by that speeding cut-

your mower's discharge chute, turn

off your mower. With a walk-be-

hind mower, disconnect the spark

plug wire. This will keep the engine

from restarting if you accidentally

turn the blade while examining the

hands or feet near the blade; use a

competition, and everyone is wel-

come. There are 28 prizes in all totaling \$2,898.75, and grand prize is

a whopping \$1,000. There is no en-

poem," says famed Poetry Director

"Even if you have written only one

If twigs or other yard debris clog

Safety measures and mowing tech-

take to ensure your safety.

ter blade.

use a power mower.

care we take for granted.

Why do we care? Because of the will blow toxic waste dust and pollution across Spofford, Fort Clark, and Brackettville, plus thousands of acres of agricultural rangeland.

Kinney County's primary economic base is made of agriculture production, tourism, hunting, and a pretty stable retirement population. We worry about being able to market livestock for meat, wool, mohair, and breeding in future years as the county gains the reputation of being in a toxic waste disposal area. We have concerns about animals raised in the immediate vicinity with the possibility of contaminated stock water and airborne toxins on grazing.

The food chain cycle is of great concern. If wild game and livestock become contaminated, the subsequent hunting and consumption would contribute to human doses.

Kinney County is in a migration path for various species of birds. A landfill will draw many fowl, carry toxins in their migrating flights, and interfere with the FAA privately owned landing strip. Laughlin's auxiliary landing field will also be af-

The 1983 La Paz Agreement, an environmental agreement, between the US and Mexico protects a sixty mile strip on both sides of the border. Is Adobe in violation of this agreement? Our area is selected for several reasons, some being high minority area, low income area, weak political clout, and less educated.

This is briefly why we care. Don't

lages for two days of each week.

They have already signed up to go to

Kenya in September of next year as

willing to donate time and services

don't need to be a member of Rotary

to be a volunteer. There are many

areas of the world where not only

medical and dental skills but also

teaching, public health, agriculture,

construction, and a multitude of other

skills are needed. Dr. Schmidt has a

partial listing of services needed, and

you can contact him or Rotary Inter-

national if you would like more in-

formation concerning any of the projects. You can receive a copy of

the Rotary Volunteers Site Registra-

tion Form or other information by

contacting the Rotary Volunteers of-

Mow across slopes with your

walk-behind mower. That way if you

slip and fall, the mower will be less

likely to tumble on top of you. Hills

ground cover or plant the area in na-

tive wildflowers. Steer clear, too,

of embankments and drop-offs. Fill

with soil and level any low spots or

depressions that could cause you to

and pets are far away from the area

you are mowing to protect them from

flying debris. Be particularly careful to check behind you when back-

Remember: Even if you move in slow motion, your mower's cutting

blade is operating at NASCAR speed.

So, as you and your mower blade round the corners, always think about

safety for yourself and your family.

Deere lawn and garden expert, Ellen

Henke, is a botanist, garden writer

and nationally recognized authority

America's Plant Doctor and John

The deadline for entering is May

1. Your poem may be written on any

21 lines or less. Prizes will be

Send one poem only to: Bards of

Regardless of the type of terrain

turn an ankle.

Dr. Schmidt encourages anyone

/s/Tootsie Herndon

Rotary volunteers.

Brackettville Rotary Club

This week's program was intro- when they traveled to the remote vil-

This year Dr. Schmidt was accom- Avenue, Evanston, Illinois 60201,

panied by Marcia, his wife, who telephone 847-866-3361 or 847-866-

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mower you have, but there are some you negotiate, be sure that children

For Pete's Sake

A fellow was stopped by a local oliceman. "I'm sorry, but I'm going to have to give you a ticket for speeding," the officer said.

"But I was only doing 40 miles an hour," the motorist replied.

"No," the cop said, "you were day?" doing 50 miles an hour in a 30 mile

"No!" Exclaimed the motorist! "I

was only doing 40!' And then his wife popped up and said, "Don't argue with my husband when he's been drinking.'

The preacher was all worked up and preached a fire and brimstone ser-

"Someday," he roared, "every man of this town will die!"

Suddenly he heard a man laughing in the third row. But he continued. "As I was saying, every man of this town will die!"

laughed aloud. "Why do you laugh," the preacher

Again, the third row giggler

asked, fixing him with a stern look. "Why do you laugh when I say everyone in this town will perish some

"Ha! Ha!" The fellow exclaimed.
"I'm not from this town."

Some time back an area newspaper ran an obituary of another fellow called Pete Dykes. It caused a bit of confusion around our house. I called a friend.

"This is Pete Dykes," I told him, "did you see that newspaper obitu-

"Yes, I saw it," he said, "where are you calling from?"

'If you enjoy these stories and comments, send for a free sample of Post Story Book. Write Pete, Box 712, Kingsport, TN 37662.

ICA Board Urges USDA To **Complete Packer** Investigation

AUSTIN - The board of directors of the Independent Cattlemen's Association of Texas (ICA) is urging the Harry and Marge Jones won 1st U.S. Department of Agriculture place. Nita and Fred Clayton won (USDA) to complete a comprehensive investigation of packer concentration. The investigation is being conducted by a commission organized by U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Dan Glickman. The panel is due to issue its findings in June.

The investigation will focus on the fact that three major meat packing companies are buying more than 80 percent of the cattle in the United States. Packer profits have risen steadily in recent years, while prices at the producer level have dropped 50 percent in the past two years.

We are looking for avenues to get something done," said ICA President Jim Selman. "The packers are

causing prices to be depressed."

The ICA board voted to make its views known to USDA after a presentation by Cuero ranchers David Warzecha and Stayton Weldon.

"As a result of a monopoly by packers, prices at the cow-calf producer level have dropped drastically since the first quarter of 1994, Warzecha said.

At that time, Warzecha said, calves were averaging \$400 a head. In January of this year, the average was \$213 a head.

"We are asking everyone to write their congressman and to urge Secretary of Agriculture Dan Glickman to expedite the completion of his investigation," Warzecha said.

being bored is an insult to oneself.

-Jules Renard

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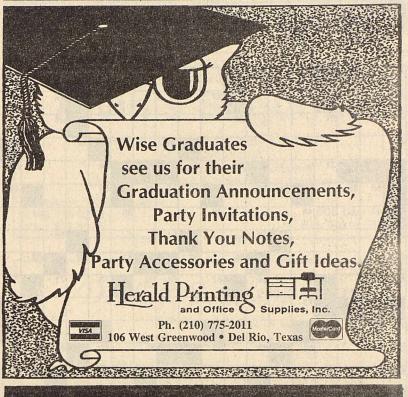
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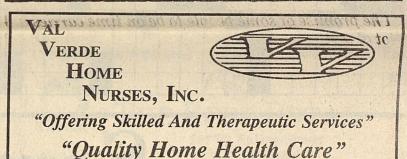


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The Stitchery Group

The STITCHERY group at Fort Clark met last month to review the Anniversary Quilt progress and for a program featuring tatting. The old fashioned art of tatting was interesting and this month will bring us Mr. and Mrs. Finger, both experts in tatting, to show some of their work and discuss the process. Mr. Finger to sign up as a Rotary volunteer. You carves tatting shuttles, often from exotic types of wood, and Mrs. Finger has been a teacher of tatting for many years. They both say tatting is wonderful therapy for keeping hands and fingers flexible. STITCHERY meets the third Thursday of each month at 9:00 A.M. at the Adult Center. Call 563-2024 for additional information.

Boy Scouts Troop #257

The Boy Scouts meet every Monfice at Rotary International, Internaday 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 upstairs at the tional Support Section, 1560 Sherman Filippone building.

Right now the scouts are working their astronomy merit badge, studying the constellations and how to navigate by the stars. They just completed the requirements for their aviation merit badge. They have gone to Laughlin Air Force Base to study the planes and learn how they work.

If you are interested in joining the Boy Scouts contact Kurt Partlow, or Joe and Mary Partlow 563-9157. Scouts are for ages 11-18 years.

The scouts are planning to attend the Spring Camporee April 12-14, at Camp Faucett in Barksdale. All the too steep to mow safely shouldn't be mowed at all. Add a decorative troops will get together for some friendly competition.

> Notice: The Scouts will accept any and all donations of camping equipment to help the Scouts out. They also welcome adults interested in helping with the activities.

Come and see what you have been missing.

Monthly Grief **Support Group** To Meet Friday, March 22

Hospice Uvalde Area's grief supof a loved one.

The purpose of HUGS is to suplisten, to give and receive hope.

HUGS meets next on Friday, subject, using any style, and may be March 22 from 2:00-3:00 P.M. in Slater Hall at the First United Methodist Church on James Street. (HUGS meets on the fourth Friday Keven Scribner, "you are welcome Burbank, 2219 W. Olive Ave., Suite of the month at Slater Hall at the same time). Each meeting has a topic introduced to start the discussion, and this month's topic is "Living a Day at a Time."

Hospice Uvalde Area, a not-forprofit agency of Hospice San Antonio, invites anyone from the Brackettville area to participate in **HUGS**. For more information please call Edwin Sasek, Bereavement Services and Pastoral Care Counselor, at 1-800-339-6691.

port group now has a new name. **HUGS (Help Using Grief Support)** will continue to base its purpose on the needs of people who are going through loss associated with the death

port, to educate, to serve and to help the bereaved through their unique experiences in the stages and tasks of grieving. HUGS provides a safe and hosting their second annual poetry will find exciting new talent among confidential environment to do that with others who come to share, to





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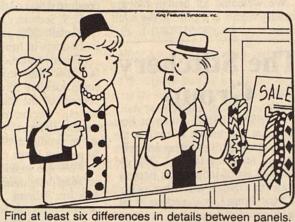
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions-forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

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bag is larger. 4. Polka dots are missing. 5. Ties are switched. 6. Differences: 1. Lights are added. 2. Hat is removed. 3. Hand-

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Early in the week, the news you receive from a distance is good. Later, a work concern seems complicated, but that's due to your own lack of clarity in the matter. Over the weekend, you have a tendency to withdraw, but a loving companion gets you to open up.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) A disagreement with a friend is likely to occur during the early part of this week. This is due to an unresolved financial matter. At work, it seems the pieces of your puzzle are beginning to fit well. Enjoy quiet pursuits this weekend

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You're happy with what occurs this week on the business or financial scene. At the same time, where romantic interests are concerned, there's a need for cooperation and compromise. You're just not listening well.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Communications with your mate improve this week and together, you find the solution to a mutual domestic problem. Some are faced with a major life-altering decision, whether it's moving the homestead or a career

LEO (July 23 to August 22) On the social scene this week, mixed trends are influencing what happens. A friend is being very recalcitrant and you're tempted to tell this person off. Instead, tact and diplomacy will bring peace once again. VIRGO (August 23 to September

22) A financial concern is resolved this week to your ultimate satisfaction. Be careful what you say to touchy family members, or disputes could result. This weekend, you find something nice while out shopping. LIBRA (September 23 to October

22) The early part of the week finds you concentrating every fiber of your being on a business-related concern. Co-workers are allied with you. Later on, responsibilities at home are likely to take precedence over socializing.



SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Your faith in someone who disappointed you recently is restored this week. Toward midweek, extravagant urges are strong and you need all your willpower to resist spending more than you can

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A situation crops up during the early part of the week concerning a child, either your own or someone in your immediate family. In business, you need to exercise patience. Eventually, everyone comes around to your way of think-

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) You make a lot of headway early in the week on a business project that had you somewhat stymied for a while. At the same time, you have to deal with some touchy egos on the work front. Be understanding, but don't pander.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to

February 18) A domestic problem is yours to deal with as the week dawns. Toward midweek, a new understanding is possible with a friend you'd lost touch with. Twosomes are favored over large gatherings during the weekend.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) When a dilemma arises on the job, you're the one who can find the solution. Your romantic feelings are intense, but you should try to avert a quarrel by pushing for your own way. This weekend, social life is iffy. ©1996 by King Features Synd.

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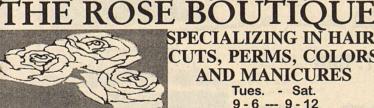
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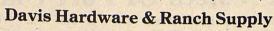
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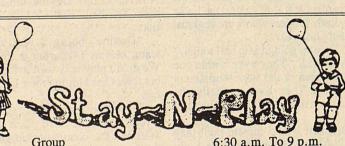
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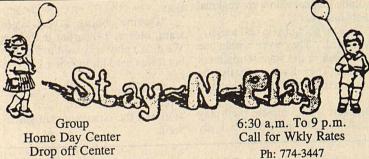


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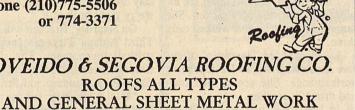
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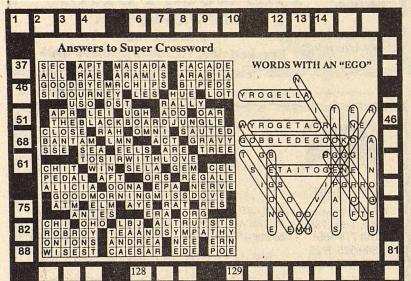
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Lunch Menu

FRIDAY, MARCH 22 Macaroni & Cheese Steamed Broccoli Fruit Roll

MONDAY, MARCH 25 Chili Con Carne/W Beans Crackers Seasoned Veggie Applesauce Corn Bread

TUESDAY, MARCH 26 Baked Chicken Whipped Potatoes White Cream Gravy Seasoned Veggie Roll

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27 Hamburger Burger Salad French Fries

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THURSDAY, MARCH 28 Tacos/Cheese Cup Taco Salad Spanish Rice Pinto Beans

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Tiger Tracks

Tigers Take 3rd In Dilley Tournament

Last weekend, the Tigers traveled to Dilley to face Crystal City in round 1 of the Dilley Tournament.

The Tigers fell to an early 2-0 deficit. Heading into the third inning, the Tigers turned it on. Coming back in the fourth and fifth innings, the Tigers defeated the 3-A Javelinas 5-3.

Ramon DeLeon grabbed his 5th win on the hill against Crystal City. Ramon's pitching record was 5-0 after this victory.

In this game the Tigers went 11 for 25 at the plate. The Tigers stole 2 bases, had 1 sacrifice, got hit by 2 pitches, had 3 walks, and 4 R.B.I.'s. This victory set the Tigers up against the Natalia Mustangs in round 2. Natalia, a district opponent, defeated the Tigers 3-7 in their only previous

It appeared to be a different story this time. The Tigers Mike Padron and Beau Smallwood crossed the plate in the first inning to jump out to an early

By the end of the second inning the Tigers were up 4-3 as Tigers. Mike Padron and Patrick Munoz scored.

The Mustangs tied it up in the fourth inning at 4-4. From there, the Tigers watched the Mustangs steal a win from them. The Mustangs defeated the Tigers for their second consecutive time at 8-4.

The Tigers went a mere 8 for 27 at the plate. This loss stacked the Tigers against Dilley for third place. Dilley, another district opponent, hosted the tournament.

The Tigers embarrassed the Wolves in a 10-2 slaughter. The Tigers jumped out to an early 3-0 first inning lead. The Tigers then scored another in the second to make it 4-0 heading into a big third inning. The Tigers stacked 4 more runs on the Wolves to take an 8-0 lead into the fourth. Dilley scored their only 2 runs in the 5th whereas the Tigers scored 2 more to make it 10-2, the final.

Ramon DeLeon did it for the Tigers on the hill, upping his record to 3-0. Tigers Ramon DeLeon and Jorge Rodriguez received all-tournament in Dilley. The excellent defense of Ruben Terrazas, as well as the rest of the Tigers, helped them to their 2nd and 3rd place win in a row.

Way to Go Tigers.

Tigers Compete In 3-A Tournament

This weekend, the Tigers traveled to Pearsall to compete in their 3rd and 4-2 in favor of Jourdanton. final tournament. The Tigers went 8 wins and 4 losses.

The Tigers competed against 2 3-A varsity teams and 1 3-A Junior 4.

Varsity team. They started their first round ac- at the plate. tion with the host team the Pearsall

Mavericks. the Tigers have seen all year.

The Mavericks jumped out to a 2-0 2nd inning lead over the Tigers. The Tigers were held scoreless in their first shut-out of the year. The

Mavericks defeated the Tigers 3-0. This loss sent the Tigers into second round action against Jourdanton, another 3-A team.

The Tigers got on the board first taking a 1-0 3rd inning lead. In the Tittle Imning, the Tigers scored once only their 2nd and 3rd games on the more but the Jourdanton team scored new field.

After 5 innings, the score stood at

seventh inning, the Jourdanton team section, Ed Bruhn warmed up the scored 2 more to defeat the Tigers 6- crowd with "Over There". The la- Fort Clark.

The Tigers went a mere 6 for 24

This loss sent the Tigers to the final round of their final tournament The Mavericks had the best pitcher against Jourdanton Junior varsity.

The Tigers 10 runs ruled Jourdanton J.V. in 6 innings 12-2. After the first inning the score was tied at 1-1. The Tigers smoked them

in the second inning jumping the score from 1-1 to 9-1. The Tigers scored 3 more runs and Jourdanton J.V. scored once more to

give us our final score of 12-2. Way to go Tigers. The Tigers have a double header against Asherton here on Saturday for

w field. To ro risk encountry with the selection of the s

1.9 Making a Difference By TAYLOR STEPHENSON, BISD Curriculum Director

"The Voices Of Fort Clark"

quality of life here in Brackettville. McNew. The Spring concert given Sunday night at Town Hall was free. It was I want to talk about the Voices of Fort

The choir is led by Lynn McNew that all of us might be able to enjoy music. She does her job well. Cathie Conrey is the pianist who accompanies the Voices. The choir is made the Lord and Pass the Ammunition. up of 24 singers that include 9 sopranos, 8 altos, 5 tenors and 4 baritone/ bass singers. They are good singers. I have sung in the choir for 4 years and each year the quality of singers gets better. This group is good. They are a superb bunch of musicians. Most of the choir members are busy doing much more than they can get done. That's one reason that I enjoy the choir. The folks that sing have and "Battle Hymn of the Republic." more to do than they can get done. that they enjoy doing, I believe that the choir is successful.

The Spring Concert was a good one. Sunday was St. Patrick's Day, and the concert faire included Irish songs, World War II, Music of Music.

The concert opened with the The Tigers tied it up in the 6th the Fort Clark song written by Buckinto this tournament with a record of inning at 4-4. In the bottom of the les and Conrey. In the World War I

It's time that I give credit to a fine dies took over with "When Johnny organization that gives so much to the Comes Marching Home" arranged by

Irish songs included How are Things in Glocca Morra? "My Wild given to a packed house. This week, Irish Rose" featuring a barbershop quartet and Blake Hinton's fine solo, Danny Boy.

World War II songs were "There's who gives of her time and talent so a Kind of Hush", a lyric solo by Ida Holley with surprise guest star, Ed Love, "White Cliffs of Dover" and Frank Cheaney's rendition of "Praise With Music of 25 years ago, the

voices presented "Let There Be Peace on Earth", "I'd Like to Teach the World to Sing" and a fine solo by director, Lynn McNew entitled "Close to You."

The closer was powerful with patriotic music which included:

"From Sea to Shining Sea", "This Is My Country" by the Men's Choir

That's about it. A standing ova-For that reason, it's doing something tion was given for the Voices by the audience. We had about 30 Elderhostel visitors who came and sang along with local residents. The Voices will sing again at the Easter Sunrise service at 7:00 a.m. Easter Sunday in the Amphitheater. There's Twenty-Five years Ago and Patriotic room for more musicians who are stressed out by too much going on in their lives and who enjoy singing. If Voices singing a special rendition of you don't have enough going on in your life, we could use you too. This week for making a difference in the

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Brackett hosts Lytle Friday

Third annual Tigerette Invitational slated for Saturday

By: J.J. Guidry

Contributing writer

District 5-2A saw a pair of upsets in softball action on Tuesday, Lytle knocked off previously unbeaten should be. Natalia, 12-2, and D'Hanis got by Brackett, 13-9.

Natalia. Both teams are 4-1 after the first round of conference play. Brackett and D'Hanis are tied for third place with 3-2 records.

The Cowgirls racked up 11 hits place in the conference standings. and took advantage of 11 Brackett errors Tuesday as they upset the Tigerettes in D'Hanis.

nings on the mound for Brackett. She we're right back in it." fanned two batters and walked only three.

sive attack with a three-for-four plate performance. She scored two runs Eagle Pass, Bandera and Pearsall. and drove in another.

with a run and Amy Bader went two teams. We started with eight but we for four with two runs.

"I was very disappointed," Brackett coach Gregg Nowlin said. "I felt going in that we had a good chance to be back on top where we

'We didn't deserve to win. We had 11 errors. They out-hit us and The end result is a two-way tie they out-played us. We didn't show for first place between Lytle and up ready to play."

Brackett resumes district action Friday as they host Lytle at 4:30. If the Tigerettes defeat the Lady Pirates, the two teams will be tied for second

"It's a real big ball game," Nowlin said. "We pretty much have to win the rest of our district ball games to Lindy La Mascus went all six in- stay in the race. If we beat Lytle,

On Saturday, Brackett will host the Third Annual Tigerette Invitational La Mascus led Tigerettes' offen- softball tournament. The six-team field includes Brackett, Del Rio,

"It's a quality tournament,"

had two teams (D'Hanis and Cotulla) drop out. We're going to go into pool play where everybody is guaranteed three games.

"There are some excellent teams coming in. We have two 5A schools with Del Rio and Eagle Pass. We have some good quality 3A teams in Devine and Bandera. Pearsall is a first-year program coming in. We have six teams that should produce a good tournament.'

Brackett, Eagle Pass and Bandera are in Pool A and Devine, Pearsall and Del Rio are in Pool B.

The Tigerettes open play in the tournament at 8 a.m. against the Eagle Pass Lady Eagles, who were regional

finalists last year. "They're going to be real tough,"
Nowlin said. "They were within one run of going to the state tournament last year. They have virtually the same team this year that they had last

Brackett will complete pool play Jo Lee Jones was two for three Nowlin said. "We're down to six at 12:40 against the Bandera Lady 5:20.

Tournament glance

Third Annual Tigerette Invitational Game 1: Brackett vs. Eagle Pass, 8:00

Game 2: Devine vs. Pearsall, 9:10 Game 3: Eagle Pass vs. Bandera, 10:20 Game 4: Pearsall vs. Del Rio, 11:30

Game 5: Bandera vs. Brackett, 12:40 Game 6: Del Rio vs. Devine, 1:50

Game 7: Consolation, 3:00 Game 8: Third place final, 4:10

Game 9: Championship, 5:20

Bulldogs.

"I know little about Bandera," Nowlin said. "Devine ten-runned them Tuesday. That's a little indica-

Devine, being a really good team, beat us 7-0 earlier in the year. We didn't play very well in that game but it was hard hitting their fast pitch-

The consolation final is slated for 3 p.m., with the third place final at 4:10 and the championship game at

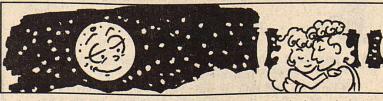
Brackett High School To Present Dinner Theater The Brackett Players will present Reccia Jobe. Renee Miller serves as

try to the public on Thursday, March Amber Davis and Debra Frerich. 28, in an evening of dinner and thegentle comedy of The Neighbors, by

Amanda Meek, Windy Goodloe, and evening of dinner and theater.

their UIL One-Act Play Contest en- alternate, while the crew consists of

The play is under the direction of ater. Beginning at 6:00 in the school Merry Beth Mills and is presented cafeteria, the audience will feast on with the cooperation of Baker's Plays. a roast beef dinner with all the trim- Tickets, which include the price of mings: salad, mashed potatoes, green the meal and admission to the play, beans, roll, and dessert. At 7:00 in are \$8.00 for adults, \$4.00 for high the high school auditorium, the the-school and middle school students, ater-goers will be entertained with the and \$3.00 for elementary students. Tickets may be purchased until Wednesday evening (March 26) from Zona Gale. This play portrays a any cast or crew member or by phongroup of neighbors who set aside their ing 563-2491, ext. 305. They will differences when a lonely child needs also be available at the high school their help. Starring in the play are office until Wednesday, March 26. Tina Meek, Katie Hall, Lealand Please come and support these tal-Card, Brian Hooker, Denice Frerich, ented students while enjoying an



Ancient Greeks thought couples getting married during a full moon

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> Interested students and families are asked to please contact the AIYSEP

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Attracting Hummingbirds

Hummingbirds are the smallest birds in the world and are a natural wonder. Watching hummingbirds in and around your yard is enjoyable and can be very interesting. There is a simple formula for attracting these tiny birds to your yard area. A recipe of one cup sugar dissolved in four cups of boiling water should do the job nicely.

Hummingbirds are attracted to the color red, but you don't have to add red food coloring to the sugar and water nectar mix. Most feeders come with artificial red flowers at the feeding sites that will provide plenty of red color to attract them. Some feeders are even red-colored themselves.

You need to change the nectar once a week and clean the feeder each time with very hot water to sterilize it. Hummingbirds are territorial and they will fight over a feeder, so if you observe several trying to feed, it is a good idea to put out more than one feeder. Most homes in this community will be able to attract hummingbirds. They are plentiful. In fact, Texas has recorded 16 species of hummingbirds, but only about 10 come here on a regular basis. The most common species are the Ruby Throat in East Texas and the Black Chin in West Texas.

Since hummingbirds are attracted to colors and their relation to a nectar source, you can attract the birds around your home simply by planting plants that produce deep reds, yellows and oranges. The trumpet vine and the firebush are just two plants that hummingbirds are attracted to because of the flowers they produce. There are dozens more that you can try.

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Originally from Carroll, Iowa, a small community of about 10,000, Dr. Barlow attended medical school at Creighton University in Omaha, Nebraska. She did a general surgery internship at the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis. Following the internship, she practiced as a Flight Surgeon in the Air Force for 5 years. Dr. Barlow received her Masters in Business Administration at the University of Alabama in 1992. After separating from the Air Force she went into a residency program at The Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore. During this residency program, she also got a Masters Degree

in Public Health. In July, 1994, Dr. Barlow began practicing at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Washington, D.C. as Director of Occupational & Environmental Health. Dr. Barlow was responsible for developing and managing a healthcare program for approximately 4,000 employees at multiple sites. Dr. Barlow was also Director of 1 of 3 National Persian Gulf

AMISTAD: Water clear; low; black

Worms, Rat-L-Traps and Pop-Rs;

striped and white bass are fair to good

on slabs, spoons and live bait fished

up the Rio Grande; catfish are good on cheese bait, shrimp and

nightcrawlers fished in 80 to 110 feet

BRAUNIG: Water clear; normal

level; 59 degrees; black bass are scat-

tered on black chartreuse and pump-

kinseed Power Worms fished in the

reeds; hybrid stripers are fair on shad

chicken liver and shrimp; redfish to

17 pounds are fair on crawfish and

by trolling spoons and white grubs;

catfish are slow with a few caught on

CALAVERAS: Water fairly clear;

ners: redfish are fair to good on perch

and crawfish; catfish are good on

bass are fair to good on Power bait

Dr. Barlow is Board Certified in Occupational Medicine by the American Board of Preventive Medicine.

Dr. Barlow moved to Del Rio in December, 1995, with her husband, Lt. Col. Jason Barlow. Lt. Col. Barlow is Chief of Wing Safety at Laughlin Air Force Base. Dr. Barlow and her husband enjoy all types of sporting activities -- hiking, biking, golf, tennis, and hope to spend time on Lake Amistad boating. Dr. Barlow's appointments include: Associate Faculty, Division of Occupational Health, Johns Hopkins University School of Hygiene and Public Health; Adjunct Assistant Professor of Medicine, George Washington University School of Medicine, Division of Occupational Health; Johns Hopkins University School of Hygiene and Public Health, Residency Advisory Board of Occupational Medicine; and Fellow, American College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine.

Dr. Barlow has also won numerous scholarships, honors and awards, as well as having several articles published in various publications. Dr. Barlow is available for consultation and clinical support to businesses and industries in Del Rio and the surrounding area, as well as providing primary care.

For additional information, or to schedule an appointment with Dr. Barlow, please call the Del Rio Medical & Surgical Clinic, (210) 774-2505, or stop by 1200 Bedell Ave. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30 A.M.-Noon, 1:30-5 P.M., the office is closed on Wednesday afternoons.

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baited with minnows, liver and cut

COLETO CREEK: Water fairly

clear; 4 feet low; 69 degrees; black

bass are fair to good on spinners,

worms Slug-gos, Bass Assassins and

Chatter Box; hybrid stripers are fair;

crappie are fair on minnows; catfish

CORPUS CHRISTI: Water clear;

low; 67 degrees; black bass are good

on worms, spinners and crank baits;

white bass are fair to good on min-

nows and slabs; crappie are fair on

minnows and jigs fished around the

docks; channel catfish are fair to good

on rod and reels baited with cheese

and cut bait; yellow catfish are fair

FALCON: Water clear: 31 feet low:

black bass are good on spinners, crank

live bait; catfish are fair to good on

MEDINA: Water clear; 23 feet low;

black bass to 7 pounds are fair on

Power Worms, spinners and Rat-L-

Traps hybrid stripers are slow; white

bass are fair to good on Li'L Georges,

Roadrunners and Rogues; crappie are

fair on minnows; catfish are fair on

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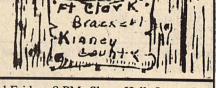
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San Felipe Country Club. Reservations required. FCS Pot Luck Supper: 3rd Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Service Club. Bring

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.,

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.

Court House.

FC Shrine Club: 4th Thursday, 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.

that's when the conditions are favorable for rose downy mildew. This fungal disease attacks rose bushes by causing its leaves to drop off. It can also cause significant twig and tip dieback and can kill the plant if the disease progresses for any length of time. The temperature must be between 60 degrees and 80 degrees with high humidity. You will notice either purple angular blotches or circular brown necrotic rings on the emerging leaves if you have an infected

Fungicides called Pace and Alliette are effective, but very hard to find. Greenhouse supply companies usually have them but they are not commonly carried by nurseries. Along with treating the infected plant, you also need to remove all diseased leaves and canes from the area.

Checklist For March *Now is the time to get those beds ready for warm season plants and vegetables.

*Beware of close-out sales on bare-rooted trees and shrubs. The chance of survival is rather low on bare-rooted plants this late in the sea-

*Freeze-damaged Asiatic jasmine ground cover should be sheared back just as new growth starts to encourage new growth from the base.

*Select and order caladium tubers for late April and early May planting. So do not plant caladiums until the soil temperature reaches 70 de-

*Remember that many trees and shrubs are damaged by careless applications of weed killers every year. Those found in mixtures of fertilizer formulations are the cause of much of the damage. Weeds in a lawn indicate that the lawn needs better management because dense healthy turf usually crowds out weeds. Always read and follow all label directions on any product your using in the land-

If you need any more information about the information in this article, contact the Kinney County office of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service located on the second floor of the county courthouse.

Fort Clark Art Club

The Arts & Crafts Show on March 16th was a huge success. Thanks to Mother Nature for providing a lovely day for the show. The new location in the Gorgas Room and on the front porch of the Adult Center drew favorable responses from the vendors.

Thanks to Betty Wright and her crew for excellent organization. They worked hard and long.

Thanks to the Crafters who had interesting displays of different crafts. Thanks to the creators of the Easter Bonnets. We had twelve (12) who took up the creative challenge. Maybe if we do it again more people will take part. The winners were Nelda Archer for the prettiest, beau-

Robertson for most original and Edith Palmer for the funniest.

Thanks to Jean Seargeant of Jean's, Bea Kaufman and Nadalee Allen of the Rose Petal for judging the bonnets.

Thanks to all the Art Club mem-normal level; 72 degrees; black bass bers who brought goodies for the are fair on Power Worms and spin- baits, worms and topwaters; striped Bake Sale and for displaying their pic-

Thanks to Harrell Floyd and the maintenance crew for all their help. Thanks to The Brackett News for their advertising.

The winners of the random drawings were Elizabeth Burkpile, Agnes Camp and Eileen Lewis. The paintings can be picked up at the Art Stutifully modeled by Jonsie, Juanita dio on any Monday or Saturday.

Tom Powell, N.D.

column he poo-pooed the use of vitamin supplements. The AMA sings the same song. The following is an excerpt from an article by Earl estimated 60 million Americans take vitamins, minerals and other dietary supplements daily. Another 100 million use them occassionally. Sales have reached about \$4 billion annually and are growing! That's big money. And that's why it represents a big threat to the American pharmaplenty if the U.S. population continues to discover these safer, more effective forms of health alternatives." "Vitamins have a proven safety record: the same cannot be said for prescription drugs which cause more than nine million adverse drug reactions per year among the elderly."

It is true as Brother Joe contends that virtually all the vitamins and nutrients we need can be obtained with

proper diet. The problem lies: 1) In the processing of today's food products, preservatives and refining deplete vitamins, enzymes and phytochemicals which are vital

2) In cooking of food by frying, baking and boiling many nutrients are destroyed. We boil vegetables and pour the water down the drain. Better we should drink the water and toss the vegetables.

agri-products they have been grown in soil depleted of its minerals by overproduction and contaminated with fertilizers, pesticides and herbicides. It is virtually impossible to buy completely unadulterated, organic food products.

Our earliest ancestors survived on what Nature provided. They ate what or digging, and did not suffer from easier to follow a diet that provided side effects.

In a recent Reverend Townsend his needs. As civilization progressed from primitive to modern, dietary habits deteriorated accordingly.

Doctors Weston A. Price and David G. Williams traveled the world Mindell, R Ph., Ph.D: "Today an over to study the effects of diet on the health of various cultures. They found the above to be factual, cultures not exposed to modern diets were found to be relatively free of dental caries, facial deformities and degenerative diseases. Those whose diets included refined sugar and flour and processed foods were found to ceutical industry. They stand to lose suffer from tooth decay and degenerative diseases such as arthritis, atherosclerosis, tuberculosis, and cardiovascular problems.

Convenience foods: Highly processed, high fat foods are filling, but are rarely nutritious and often take the place of more health-giving foods. Food is composed of carbohydrates, proteins, fats, indigestible bulk, water, vitamins and various condiments. Decreasing the amount of fat is one of the best ways to decrease caloric intake. For most people a diet with less than 30 percent fat is a more healthy diet. No more than ten percent of total fat should come from saturated fat.

There are supplements available in health-food stores wherein 60 capsule bottles contain the nutrients of 200 pounds of fresh fruits and vegetables. The vegetable capsules each 3) In that even before we get our contain a 500mg blend of broccoli, cauliflower, kale, spinach, yellow pepper, Brussels sprouts, odorless garlic, celery, parsley, radishes, carrots and tomatoes. The fruit capsules each contain a 1200mg blend of nutrients from cantaloupe, grape, orange, grapefruit, plum, apple and

If you are able to get your daily they could get by hunting, gathering requirement of vitamins from fresh fruits and vegetables, go for it! Othdegenerative diseases. When man erwise remember dietary supplements lived closer to the food chain it was are available, and they have no nasty

CHOKE: Water fairly clear; 20 feet low; 63 degrees; black bass are good on worms, spinners and buzz baits; white bass are fair to good on minnows, slabs and spoons; crappie are fair on minnows and jigs fished around the boat docks; catfish are

good on rod and reels and trotlines cheese and cut bait. **Brackett ISD Pancake**

Supper and Open House Brackett ISD will have their annual Pancake Supper and Open House March 26, 1996. The Pancake Supper will be from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. The cost for students is \$2.00 and adults is \$4.00. Open House will be from 6:00 to 7:00

As a reminder, the school will have their Easter holiday April 4th, 5th and 8th.

A Survey **Demonstrates How** Men Buy Cars

New research by J.D. Powers & Associates makes it clear why men stick faithfully to their cars.

Conducted for Men's Health magazine, the survey finds that 48 percent of men spend between three weeks and three months thinking about buying a new vehicle before they ever set foot in a showroom. Another 26 percent spend three months or more mulling over their options before going to a dealership. Thirty-two percent say they deliberately visit a dealership that is closed so they can study cars and prices without being distracted by salesmen.

Therefore it is no surprise that 41 percent say they have already decided on what make to buy before seeing a dealer, while another 41 percent have narrowed the field to just two or three. Moreover, 77 percent say they have a price in mind before visiting a show-

Once they have begun the actual hunt, men take an average of 13.5 shopping days to buy a car, during which they visit 4.7 dealerships.

Here is where men look for information when choosing a make or model: 42 percent rely on articles in newspapers or magazines; 41 percent trust previous experience with the vehicle or manufacturer; 29 percent follow the advice of friends or rela-

Brownie Troop

This week the Brownies completed requirements for their movers try-it badge. To earn this badge they have made pinwheels, marionettes, kites and took a hike to see all of the moving things outdoors. The kites were finished at this meeting as the girls added the tails and some color.

Gynna Harlan was a guest at the meeting and taught the Brownies the

game "Steal the Bacon." Everyone had cookies and drinks to finish the day.

For the next 4 meetings the Brownies will be working on their graduation ceremonies "Bridging Over" to become juniors.

4-H Rifle Club

The 4-H Rifle Club was started two and half months ago under the direction of Kurt Partlow. There are now 10 active members and Mr. Partlow says they are getting real

The group shoots 22 rifles that belong to the 4-H, with ammunition donated by the U.S. Border Patrol. They shoot every Wednesday from 4:00 till 5:30 at the Fort Clark Gun Club Range. Mr. Partlow hopes to start black powder classes soon.

To be a member of the 4-H Rifle Club you must be a member of the 4-H Club and in the age group of 10-

If you would like more information contact Mr. Alan McWilliams, or leave a message at 563-9913 (Kurt

The group hopes to be ready for competition soon, and they will need some competition 22 rifles. Mr. Partlow said if you have any 22 competition rifles they could use, the club will take very good care of them and

use them only for competition. Sounds like a great group having a great time!

A variety of homestead exemptions could lower your property taxes!

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

Who qualifiess for an exemption?

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

Are other exemptions available?

If you're disabled-- or if you're 65 years old or older -- you are entitled to an additional \$10,000 school tax exemption on your home. And if you qualify for the over-65 exemption, you're also entitled to a permanent, locked-in "ceiling" on the school property taxes on your home. (The ceiling does not apply to county or city property taxes, and those entities may offer other exemptions.) The over-65 homeowner's exemptions and school tax ceiling transfers to the surviving spouse, if the spouse is 55 years of age or older at the time of death and lives in and owns the

Do I have to apply each year?

No. If you had a homestead exemption on your home in 1995, you won't need to reapply for 1996 unless your chief appraiser requires it. However, if you haven't received an exemption on your present home-or if you've moved to a new home-- you'll need to file for an exemption for 1996. And if you turned 65 or became disabled during 1995, you need to file for the additional exemptions.

When and where should I file?

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

COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT

P.O. Box # 1377 - Brackettville, Texas 78832 Phone: 210-563-2323 For more information, stop in or call for a free copy of "Texas Property Taxes: Taxpayers'

> or contact: Comptroller's Property Tax Division P.O. Box 13528 Austin, TX 78711-3528

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TAX DEFERRAL AVAILABLE FOR **ELDERLY HOMEOWNERS**

Texans aged 65 or older may post-delinquent taxes on the home: it does pone paying delinquent and current not cancel them. During the deferral property taxes on their homes. They may take advantage of a tax option called "over-65 deferral" by signing an affidavit at the Kinney County Appraisal District office.

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

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

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

Tidwell stressed that tax deferral for the elderly only postpones paying

time, taxes and interest of eight percent per year continue to add up he said. "When the elderly taxpayer no longer owns and lives in the home, the taxes become due. If the taxes are not paid, taxing units can then sue to collect all the deferred taxes and There is no penalty on the delin-

quent taxes during the deferral time. However, filing the deferral affidavit will not forgive penalties that were already due. Also, if the taxes remain delinquent more than 90 days after the deferral ends, a taxing unit may charge an added penalty if the account goes to a delinquent tax at-

Tax deferral forms are available at the appraisal district office. "The homeowner should fill out the form and have the signature witnessed by a notary public," Tidwell said. For more information, taxpayers may contact the Kinney County Appraisal District, P.O. Box 1377, Brackettville, Texas 78832, (210)

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.

March 1884: Finally back at Fort Clark after two months in the field commanding the Seminole Scouts, Lt French settles into his daily routine. He walks each morning with another officer who teaches him the "secret work of Masonry." Athletic pursuits of baseball, lawn tennis, and billiards dominate the days while card games and dances occupy the nights. His activities are a far cry from the boredom most historians would have us believe was the lot of the frontier army. He persists in doing what he can to help the scout's receive fair treatment. While on guard duty he has an incident with a soldier being insubordinate and Seminole Scout Carolina July also causes French to deal with discipline problems. The post veterinary surgeon dies from a morphine overdose and officers squabble and spread rumors about each other. He visits a murder trial in Brackettville and continues to juggle his finances to help his family.

Wednesday. March 19 1884

Took the usual walk this morning. After breakfast marched on guard relieving Hammond with Col. Towle as Officer of the Day. Spent the day at the Guard House reading Woolsey's "Socialism and Communism". Wrote usual letter home and also wrote to Henry. Did not go out to stables. Carolina July is making trouble again; was

Courtesy of his decendants absent from fatigue this morning. Reported all to the General after dinner and was advised to prefer charges. The Officer of the Day inspected about 11 P.M. and sat in the guard room a while telling me of the trouble he had with Vernon today. The latter is circulating a report that he went into Towle's house, knocked him down and pulled his beard. Towle says this is a lie. Think he does not intend to let the matter rest here but will punish Vernon in some way. A letter from George came today.

Thursday. March 20 1884

Was relieved by Cunningham. Then had haircut. Afterwards examined two sergeants in reference to charges against July, and then played lawn tennis. In evening took clothing rolls and book out to be signed. Called at Dr. Heger's afterwards with Shunk, accepting an invitation to play whist tomorrow night. Then went to Vernon's where Mrs. V. and I played whist against V. & Shunk and were beaten. Judge Paschal of Circuit Court in session in Brackettville, called at Vernon's. Found him quite a pleasant gentleman. Had lunch. Returned about midnight. Practiced vocal lesson today.

Friday. March 21 1884

Took usual walk this morning. After breakfast had July confined & preferred charges against him. Then played lawn tennis with Mrs. Lyster, Miss Kauffman & Hewitt. Afterwards played billiards with Hewitt and Weeks. Practiced vocal lesson and wrote to Capt. Simonds. Did not go out to stables this evening, but played tennis with same party as this morning. After

dark called with Shunk at Gen. Smith's and then played cards at Dr. Heger's. Mrs. Hall & Capt. Boyd against Mrs. Thomas & Shunk made one table, while Capt. Hall & Mrs. Heger played against Dr. H. & myself. He is an excellent player, and we won six games to three. Would like to play oftener with him as I am becoming very rusty. Had lunch and then watched others play for a while. Came home about midnight, feeling tired from the tennis. This is doing me a great deal of good. My stomach has not bothered me since commencing this exercise. A letter and bundle of papers came today from home.

FOOTSTEPS ECHO

The Fort Clark Diaries and Letters of

Major General Francis Henry French

Saturday March 22 1884

Overslept myself this morning; did not walk as usual. After breakfast Hewitt and Hammond played tennis against Guard & self until afternoon. Enjoyed the games very much. The exercise is doing me a great deal of good. We beat them but had hard work. Went to the store to read the papers and then practiced vocal lesson and wrote to Miss Smart and to Second Auditor for pay due John Thompson's widow and children. Commenced to rain at dinner time; did not go out to stables. Spent the evening playing whist, Capt. Vance & Mrs. Hall against Hewitt & me, we beating.

Sunday. March 23 1884

Took usual walk this morning. After inspection played violin duets with Shunk until noon. Hammond accompanied us part of the time on the guitar. Weeks was in to listen. In the afternoon was interrupted while writing home by calls from

Golf News

Remington, Feche't & Hewitt. Completed the letter after returning from Seminole Camp. Eckerson, Cunningham & Hammond were here for a while after dinner. Cunningham & Vance dined with us today. Went to chapel in the evening, escorting Mrs. Heger home. Then called at Col. Lyster's, Vance's Jr. and Hewitt's. Commenced a letter to Mr. Nason today to withdraw from the pig ranch. Want to use the money to pay Father for that land so that

Monday. March 24 1884

they can have the house altered.

Very close and sultry this morn-Took a walk as usual. Attended the trial of Carolina July this morning but was not called to testify. Think he will be found guilty as the testimony plainly proves it. Afterwards Guard & I beat Hewitt & Hammond at tennis, but it was too hot to play long. Hewitt & I wore blue shirts to play in. Practiced vocal lesson and finished letter to Nason and wrote to Capt. Simonds before dinner. Went out to stables as usual returning in time to witness parade a while. In the evening called with Shunk at Capt. Feche't's, Maj. Witherell's, and Col. Bernard's. After tattoo went to the store with Geary and played billiards until

Bonilla To Be Honored By **National Breast Cancer Coalition**

By Henry Bonilla

Congressman, 23rd District, Texas

WASHINGTON -- U.S. Rep. nized by the National Breast Cancer cate this deadly disease. Coalition (NBCC) for his unwavering and influential support of breast

to be held in Washington, D.C. on Tuesday, May 6.

"Breast cancer is one of the leading causes of death among women in the U,S.," Bonilla said. "I am hon-Henry Bonilla (R-TX) will be recog- ored to play a role in the fight to eradi-

Bonilla is a member of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on La. cancer research. The Board of Di- bor, Health and Human Services, and rectors of the NBCC voted unani- Education which has jurisdiction over mously to honor Bonilla at the An-funding for breast cancer research and



Visitors Gordon And Sally Hunt

lumbia, Canada stopped in. Gordon is a retired news anchor person from station CBC in Canada. Gordon started as a staff announcer and has worked with Peter Jennings, Al Hamil, Alex Kriwitt and Lauren Green. He said he loved the job and interviewed many famous people.

Sally has led a much different life style. She owned her own taxi and was named #1 Taxi driver. Sally also was a cement finisher making as much as \$100 an hour.

Both Sally and Gordon retired a year ago. Since retiring they have become boat people. Buying a 35' boat and moving to Duncan BC, Canada. One story they told was about braving 6' foot seas to get to port. Sally said she had never been so scared in her life. Gordon swears you can still feel the impression in the railing where Sally was hanging on. She almost quit boating after that one, but after a short time on safe land she was ready for another ad-

In December the couple said "Lets Go South". Now they are learning

The Brackett News had some very to be RV'ers. They drove down the interesting visitors this week. Gor- Pacific Coast and along the Mexican don and Sally Hunt from British Co- Border. They visited Fort Clark among other places on their way to Florida. Now they are on their way back home and just had to stop again at Fort Clark. Gordon and Sally say that Texans

are by far the friendliest people they have seen. After arriving in Texas people kept waving at them. Being new to RVing and Texas they thought there must be something wrong on their rig, maybe something was falling off. They pulled over to check everything and found nothing wrong, but people kept waving!

Sally likes to tell of one day here in Brackettville. They were riding their bikes around to see the sites. She said everyone would stop and talk to them, one person even invited them into the house. "We love the people." Sally said.

Gordon said he is also fascinated with the old buildings and all of the history. He said "In Canada we don't have the violent beginning to study like you have here. When Sally and Gordon left they

said they will be back again next year. We wish you "Smooth Sailing" and will be looking for you!

Winners of the Mens' Golf Club Championship are, from left, Alfred

Pena, Bob Gaston, Charlie Smith and Vern Kailey.

Fort Clark Springs Mens Golf Association

in an elimination format during the month of February. The winners were presented with plaques at a Mens Club breakfast, 3/13/96 by club president, Wayne Schwartz. A per-

The Mens Golf Club Champion- petual trophy with each years winship, A, B, C, & D Flights, was held ners will remain at the golf course. 95/96 Winners:

Flight A -Charlie Smith Flight B -Bob Gaston Flight C -Vern Kailey Flight D -Alfred Pena

When Spring Showers Won't Fall...

By Dr. Ellen Henke John Deere Lawn And Garden Expert

some other day." This little rhyme tible to disease and fungus. may be great for kids who want to play outside, but it's not so great for your lawn. It's much more likely that you'll be singing, "Rain, Rain, please remain. My water bill's too high

If Mother Nature doesn't provide enough moisture for your lawn, you should help. Grass plants have to take in almost all of their nutrients dissolved in water. Without enough water in the soil, a lawn can't get the nutrients it needs for food production, growth, strength and reproduction making it susceptible to disease and insects. The soil is generally moist enough in early spring and doesn't need water. Toward the end of spring and throughout the summer, the sun's searing heat will dry out your lawn unless you give it regular attention.

Your lawn needs at least one inch of water a week. Use a rain gauge to monitor rainfall. Use sprinklers to supplement the amount of rain your lawn receives - placing sprinklers evenly around your yard. It's also a good idea to measure the amount of time it takes for your lawn to receive the needed amount of water by placing plastic containers around the lawn with a one-inch mark. If you do this once, you'll know how long to water

every time. When you water, water deeply. If possible, water in the morning. Grass

"Rain, rain, go away. Come again blades left wet overnight are suscep-Even if you monitor the amount

of water your lawn receives, watch your lawn for signs of thirst. Sandy soils need more water while rich organic soils generally need less. Evaporation, heat, length of grass blade, shade and wind all affect your lawn's watering needs.

If your grass blades begin to curl or turn bluish-green, your lawn needs to be watered. Another sign that it's time to water is when you walk across the lawn and can look back and see your footprints.

If you're having a long dry spell, either water regularly or don't water at all. If you don't water, your lawn will go dormant - you can bring it back to life when the drought is over. If you decide to water, be sure you water regularly and deeply. The worst thing you can do is tease your lawn with little bits of water now and

If you live in an area where water conservation is requested or enforced during a drought, you simply have to do the best you can and hope your lawn survives the stress. Be responsible. Water only when you're lawn needs it, and follow water regulations in your area.

.and keep singing! I know I will... "Rain, rain, may come and go... but I prefer the rain to snow!"



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

You perhaps have commented, "the youth of today just aren't responsible and respectful like they used to be." If you have even thought that, read on.

"Our earth is degenerate in these latter days, bribery and corruption are common, children no longer obey their parents; every man wants to write a book." "Our youth today love luxury. They have bad manners, contempt for authority, disrespect for older people. Children nowadays are tyrants. They contradict their parents, gobble their food, and tyrannize their teachers." Do these statements sound current? Notice that they were quotes. The first was quoted from a 4,700 year old Assyrian Tablet. The second is from 425 B.C. the words of Socrates.

It is my thinking that the youth of today really aren't that much different from centuries ago. They need

direction, instruction, love, and praise. We often forget the latter two. Yes, we may occasionally tell them they are loved; but how often are they given praise for a job well done? A phrase of praise will work wonders. Here are just a few phrases you might try this week with the youth and children in your life.

You are getting better every day! knew you could do it! Good thinking! You are doing a great job! You are learning fast! I am proud of the way you worked today! That is the best you have ever done! Sensational! Now you've got the hang of it! Keep up the good work! Exactly right!

Try these for a month and I am sure your perspective of youth will change and you will be "OUT-STANDING!" Go ahead, try it. Have a great month!!!

First United Methodist Church



Rev. Sheree Harris, Pastor

This is my fourth article in a Lenten series on the spiritual disciplines. Last week we looked at prayer and next week we'll look at the concept of spiritual journey. This week we'll concentrate on the study of God's Word as contained in the Holy

There are many, many books available to help in our study of scripture. There are books on different methods or ways of going about our study. There are commentaries that give us the literary and historical background of the different books of the Bible and offer varying interpretations of each book. Some of these books are valuable resources, some are questionable to say the least. It's worth leafing through them to find the good ones because it can aid in our contemporary understanding of scripture to know the context in which

Some parts of the Bible were written upwards of 5,000 years ago and had already been part of an oral tradition for up to 2,000 years when they were just put down on paper. Some commend it to you for study during scripture is VERY old! Even the the remainder of Lent as you prepare newest parts of the holy writ are approaching the 2,000 year mark! Yet we Christians are bold enough to claim that it is living Word. But then I suppose that's not too strange when Word of God when it pushes you into you consider that we also claim a crucified Savior as the risen Lord of our Bible is just another dust-catcher.

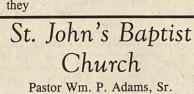
If you ask Christians how they

know Christ lives, they're likely to respond, "Because he lives within my heart. The same is true for scripture. God's Word can live only if it finds a host. We are the host. Therefore, we read the Bible with our heads and with other books but also with open hearts. We let God's Word enter us and we enter the Word. We do this prayfully as we allow God's Spirit to move within us and as we allow God's scripture to invite us to

One way of moving into the scripture we're studying is to ask ourselves who or what we are in this particular passage. What is our role? What are we doing? Next we ask where God is in the passage. What's God doing and how? What is the Holy One like? Then, how do we and God respond to one another in the passage? Then we reflect on how we feel about that. Finally, we ask ourselves what we're going to do about all of this and make a commitment to do it.

The Holy Bible is the primary source of God's Word and as such I for Easter and for the remainder of your life. Set aside a special time each day to study and hear the Word. You will know that its the living action. If it doesn't, well I guess your

Blessings on your study.



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Revival 7 Nights March 24-30 at St. John's - Time 7 P.M. Special Music by Debbie Daws of

Waco, TX. And when he had consulted with the people, he appointed singers unto the LORD, who should praise the beauty of holiness, as they went out before the Army, and to say, Praise the LORD; For his mercy endureth forever. 2nd Chronicles 20:21.Speaker PASTOR: Rev. "Capt." Malcolm T. Johnson of Del needed. Rio, TX.

If my people, who are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land. 2nd Chronicles 7:14.

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vices 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

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.

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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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This particular season cries out to give attention to the triumph Christ. As that Sabbath dawned there was celebrations; Jesus Christ had been crucified. Pilate was a smooth and successful politician. He had pleased Rome with sending the tribute demanded. He had kept the peace and prevented uprisings. He had washed his hands of the "Jesus" affair. How smug he was that Sabbath. But consternation seized his thought and near panic gripped him on that first day of the week when soldiers brought him word that a Roman seal on the tomb and Roman soldiers to guard had been useless, Christ had risen from the dead. Jesus was triumphant.

The priests and pharisees were jubilant that Sabbath. No longer would this Jesus call them "whited sepulcher." No more could he drive the corrupt from the temple. No more could he bring elation and adulation from the crowds by healing the sick. How wild the change when on that first day of the week word came that Jesus had risen from the dead. How disturbing and frightful this Triumphant Christ.

The apostles had thrown up their hands in frustration and had gone back to their fishing. Their great dreams had been shattered but that first day of the week they too were gripped by consternation. The Triumphant Christ

Satan danced with glee on that Sabbath. He had been unable to entice Jesus into sin for forty days in the wilderness and for 3 1/2 years in His ministry but now Jesus was dead. No one could contest his domination of the world. What a bitter defeat when he saw the Triumphant Christ rise from the dead.

Jesus came with the purpose of dying to pay the penalty of sin. The 'wages of sin is death" and so He died and sin was atoned for all who would put their faith in Him. What a great triumph was Jesus in those final days. There will be another message from the Word of God at Frontier Baptist

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Our Redeemer Lutheran Church

Pastor Nathan LaFrenz

perhaps ask our God, "Why do bad of this freedom is that some people things happen to good people." We cannot help but ask this question as we are confronted by hideous massacres such as what happened recently to those children in Scotland. The time honored response frequently has been that is has been God's will that such a madman would take the lives of sixteen or so children. Frequently we tell our children when a pet dies by being run over by a speeding driver, that God wanted the pet in heaven. We think that will calm the grief of our child. Do you think telling those grief stricken parents that God willed such a massacre to happen because God has a purpose for those children in heaven, will calm their grief? Do you think such an understanding will bring solace to those parents?

Are we merely puppets on a string, being manipulated to and fro in a game of life? On a whim God decided to pick and choose who will live and die today. I challenge all of you readers to rethink such a concept of God. God created all of creation to live in harmony. But because of sin, create humanity to live as automa- of Christ. tons Rather we have free will to

Frequently we ask ourselves, and choose how we will live. The result will develop into madmen such as Hitler, Stalin, John Wayne Gacy, and that sick destroyer of children's lives in Scotland. Do we really think God needs an extra pet or an extra pair of hands in heaven? God wants children to grow up and live loving responsible productive lives. God doesn't want children cut down by bullets before they have even had a chance to live. God grieves over the suffering inflicted upon His creation because of sin. But our creator and redeemer is present in the darkness of grief and loss. God doesn't cause the tragedies, rather God is present to accompany those grieving families through their suffering and grief. Our God knows only too well their suffering as He witnessed the torture, suffering, and death of His only begotten Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. May our prayers and thoughts be with all those families in Scotland; may our prayers and thoughts be with those who suffer tragedies throughout our world on the account of the power of sin and darkness in the world. May we have faith, trust, and because of humanities burning desire confidence in the power of our God to be gods of our own destiny, that who can indeed over come the power harmony was destroyed. God didn't of darkness and sin through the Light

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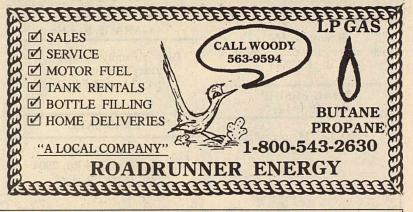
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She is survived by her son Thomas Hubbard of Pearsall, daughterin-law Carolyn Hubbard of Rockport daughter Edith Mae and husband Daryl Boatright of Fort Stockton. Daughter Dorothy Sue and husband Calvin Oliver of Brackettville. Two granddaughters Amanda Elizabeth Hubbard of Rockport and Ethelyn Nichole Oliver of Brackettville. One grandson Jonathan David Hubbard of Rockport. Niece Vena Mae Barnard of Camp Wood, nephews Jerry and Jackie Swift of Camp Wood and several great nieces and nephews, cousins and a host of friends.

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