

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



### **McClure -- 2nd Recipient Of Border Patrol's Outstanding Student Award**

Patrol Agent in charge of the nomination submitted by a faculty Brackettville Office of the Border Patrol presented the outstanding student award to Tanya McClure. Brain Blake, Senior Patrol Agent, assisted in the presentation to Miss McClure. A plaque commemorating the honor

This past Friday, Gene Meeks, Border Patrol staff on the basis of a member at BHS. The nomination highlighted service given by Tanya for her school and community. Tanya has worked tirelessly as the head of the concession stand committee for boys basketball. She was a major force in the success of the Senior Barbeque held this past Sunday. Tanya helps her class and classmates achieve their goals. Her service to her school and community is unparis involved in many phases of school and community life including: \*VFW Ladies Auxiliary President \*FFA and 4-H \*Senior Class Treasurer \*Member of Science Club and Student Council \*Student Council Duchess \*VAC and Teacher Aide for Miss Naylor and Mrs. Curry Tanya's parents are Alvin and **Bagpipes & Blarney of Patrick Regan** 

will be presented by The Kinney County Arts Council

March 29th 8:00 P.M. at the Fort Clark Amphitheater Open to the Public Admission \$5.00 In case of inclement weather the performance will be held in the Civic Center



Front Row: Valerie Jimenez, Windy Goodloe, Cecelia Terrazas Back Row: Mr. and Mrs. Cantrell, Heather Martin, Vanessa Terrazas, April Crumley, Jessica Jaso, Michelle Villarreal, Cynthia Cruz.

### **Brackett High School** interGuard

The Brackett High School WinterGuard competed at the "Southwest Style Showdown" in San Antonio this past e ouard was up agai many schools from around Texas. Our girls placed third, beating out Taft High School, Bryan High School, United South High School of Laredo, Donna High School and Somerset High School. Tied for first were Alexander alleled. Tanya is a hard worker who High School from Laredo and Southwest High School from San Antonio.



Left to Right: LaVon McGuire and Nona Hoeller backstage at the **Opera House in Uvalde.** 

## **Hoeller and McGuire** Take First Place in Uvalde

Nona Hoeller and LaVon McGuire the Fort Clark Annual Variety Show, Uvalde Arts Council Variety Show March 23rd. This is the first year the variety show has had an Adult division. Nona and LaVon were and instant hit.

The prize was a trophy and a check for \$100.00, which Nona and LaVon will make good use of. You will see their performance at

debuted their tap routine for the Saturday March 30. It is worth going to see, no matter how old or young you think you are these girls are great to see

> The Fort Clark Boot Scooters were also in the Variety Show and received the second place award. The show was great and Fort Clark received some very good publicity.

Tanya is a hard worker

who is involved in many phases of school and community life.

was presented to Tanya.

The award was created by the Border Patrol to recognize students who are good citizens and positive examples to other students. Tanya is one of the young people in our town who has been recognized for doing the right things. Her selection honors students in Brackettville who have the potential to be future leaders for our country

committee that included BISD and are proud of Tanya.

Brackett placed first in Movement and Ensemble Analysis and second in Equipment. Almost all other guards in Brackett's class are 5A schools with members from the ages of 14-17, while the members of Brackett's guard range in age from 12-17. The Guard will be competing for the State Championship in State Finals this Saturday evening at Judson High School in Converse. Congratulations to our wonderful flag corps!

# **A Growing Concern** Tanya McClure was selected by a spofford. The community and school are proud of Tanya. For Kinney County

#### **By Joan Strother Contributing Writer**

Appreciation and thanks are extended to those city and county officials, who promulgated Resolutions against the application of Adobe Eco-Systems, Inc. for a state permit to dump about 830 tons per day of toxic wastes on a proposed landfill site im- dent. Is there any one permediately adjacent to Spofford and within about 9 miles of Fort Clark and Brackettville, Texas.

Board of Directors will be conducting the Annual Membership meeting this Saturday, March 30th, at 10 a.m. at the Amphitheater. Members attending the meeting will be handed a ballot upon which they may vote for or against the proposed landfill. It is hoped that after the ballots are in, the Board will follow the lead of our local government officials and also prepare a Resolution opposing this toxic dump

Besides the concerns that deal with environmental pollution, there is the matter of property values to consider. Sellers of real estate should advise prospective buyers of the adverse and impending proximity of the dump, or be liable for buyer's recourse for depreciation of property values effected thereby. Already, one prospective buyer, so advised, has declined to purchase property on the fort.

Adobe Eco-Systems, Inc. has promised some scholarships for students, a few new jobs, and an increase in revenue for Kinney County. This is their way of "giving back to the communitiy" some of the benefits they will derive from the landfill. It sounds good, however, all of the students will not receive a scholarship. Those who do not will be left to com- wastes dump.

pete for a limited amount of jobs at the dump, or elsewhere. This is a problem in Kinney County-lack of viable employment opportunities. If the elected officials would make an effort to bring in clean industry that

The revenue equals \$17.55 per year, per resison willing to accept 605,900,000 pounds of The Fort Clark Association's garbage per year for \$17.55?

> would offer job prospects for our young people, they might be able to stay in Kinney County rather than having to relocate to begin their careers

> In the beginning years, Kinney County will receive a revenue fee of fifteen cents for each ton of waste dumped at the proposed Spofford site, and the average wastes per day will be 830 tons.

> Eight hundred thirty tons times \$0.15 equals \$125 per day, or, \$45,625 per year. It also amounts to 302,950 tons, or, 605,900,000 pounds of garbage per year! That is a lot of stink!

> Let's say there are about 2,600 residents in Kinney County, and we divide the \$45,625 annual revenue by the residents. The revenue equals \$17.55 per year, per resident. Is there any one person willing to accept 605,900,000 pounds of garbage per year for \$17.55?

> All Fort Clark members should attend the Annual Meeting this Saturday to vote against the proposed Kinney County landfill as the site for a national and international toxic



Left to Right: Brackett News Editor Lynda Conrey and Marsha Thurman Schmidt.

### **Brackettville Rotary Club**

### **By Frances McMaster Contributing Writer**

Lingo Sandoval is head of the annual basketball game held between the Rotary Club and members of the faculty of the Brackettville school system. This event has been renamed the Annual Allen Kreiger Memorial Basketball Game. Allen was senior member of Rotary at the time of his death this month.

Lynda Conrey, editor of The Brackett News, spoke to Rotary on the twenty first of March about the Old Quarry Society of which she is secretary. She gave us a brief his-tory of the Society and focused on the coming production of "The Glory Road" to be given at Fort Clark Springs.

The Old Quarry Society began in 1981 and was chartered in 1983. Their goal was to bring theater to this area. They also wanted to build an amphitheater designed to fit into a recessed area which had been a quarry. It was here that limestone was taken to erect buildings on the fort. Bruce Stoecker, who winters here and is owner of a landscaping business in Canada, designed and supervised construction. It is truly a work of art. Marie Curcio (who now lives in California) spearheaded the drive to build the theater and served as the director of productions. Inter-

ested Fort Clark members donated \$13,000 to build the dressing rooms.

All sorts of entertainment have been presented there. Besides plays, a variety of dances have been per-

formed from cloggers to ballet. Since 1988, variety shows have been presented in the amphitheater.

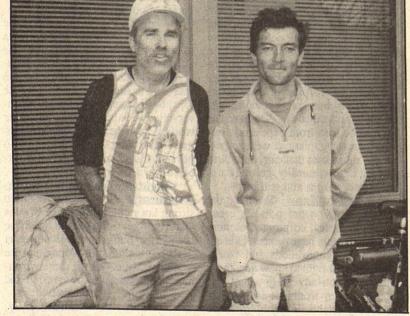
"The Glory Road", which is scheduled for performance this summer, is a history of Fort Clark Springs beginning in 1852 when orders were issued to build the fort. Prior to that time the army was camped on the banks of Las Moras Springs. Kermit Hunter was commissioned to write the history of Fort Clark to recent times.

"The Glory Road" has been rewritten since. It was completed in 1986 and was scheduled for production the following year, but the whole area received torrential rains and the quarry was flooded. Undaunted, the first performance of "The Glory Road" occurred in 1988. Of that first cast, only Jewel Robinson and Harold Floyd are still active in The Old Quarry Society.

The play was rewritten in 1990 and again in 1992. In 1994 a performance was planned but had to be canceled because not enough people volunteered. Seventy performers and back stage persons are needed to produce The Glory Road"

Each of you has a chance now to

See Rotary page 4



Left to Right: Ed Howells and Alan Cordosa.

### **Touring Cyclists Find Refuge**

Ed Howells of Las Vegas, Nevada Vegas by way of the Eastern Coast and Alan Cardosa of London England and the Southern States. Ed says he stopped by the Kinney County Library hopes to be home by September. to warm up a little on Monday, March 25

country and were caught by our little returning by way of the Western cold snap - not to worry - it surprised Coastline. He has been riding a bike us all! Brother Joe Townsend saved for 50 years but only last year started the day by offering the weary travel- actually touring. Ed said that he was ers a warm dry spot to spend the night, hiking the Pacific Coast Trail, he had at the Frontier Baptist Church meet- walked about 2200 miles and just got ing room.

Ed Howells is a member of the Sierra Club, left Las Vegas about two weeks ago on his bicycle tour. Ed's route takes him thru New Orleans, on to Chicago and then back to Las

Last year Ed's tour took him from San Diego, Calif. to Seattle Wash-

Ed and Alan are cycling across ington thru the center of the states and tired of walking. He bought a bike at a garage sale and rode back to Vegas, "Been cycling ever since". In comparison Ed said that cycling keeps you in contact with the towns and people of the country while hiking is See Cyclists page 4

March 28, 1996



#### By Henry Lutz Kinney County Game Warden

### **Dry Conditions Spell Tough Times For Turkey Hunters**

Many who've tried it, and been successful at it, say spring turkey hunting is addictive. And, in Texas, there are approximately 100,000 addicts waiting impatiently for a gobbling fix.

Spring turkey hunting season opens in South Texas April 6 (April 13 in the remaining counties having a Rio Grande season and dry conditions throughout the winter months may leave many enthusiasts going "cold turkey" this year.

cials, range conditions leading up to the spring hunting season play a key role in turkey hunting success. Because hens depend on green vegetation to build up fat reserves and gain vital nutrients leading into the breeding season, hunters in areas with little during years of dramatically varying drop in harvest opportunity.

range conditions, the hens may not be in good enough shape to breed and won't even make an attempt," said Jerry Cooke, Upland Ecology program director with the Texas Parks by the first week in April. In 1993, and Wildlife Department (TPWD). "The toms will gobble early on trying to find hens and once they realize the birds aren't responding, they'll quit calling and start looking instead for food to survive."

Cooke bases his assessment on a recently completed three-year Rio Grande turkey breeding chronology study by the department. By sampling hundreds of harvested hens, researchers were able to track approximate dates during the months of

March through May when birds had been successfully bred.

With this information, we can establish a spring turkey season framework which will ensure completion of a majority of the breeding activity prior to the season," said Cooke. "We want to provide maximum hunting opportunity, but our primary goal is to protect the resource and if we err, we want to be on the conservative side. I've been working with the resource since before we had any spring turkey hunting and now, we're harvesting as many birds in the spring as in the fall.

"Since we're talking about hunting during a time of the year when reproduction is going on, we want to make sure we're not hurting the re-According to state wildlife offi- source," he said. There is a misconception that Rio Grande turkeys reproduce annually and that's not the case, said Cooke. "If conditions aren't right, they won't breed."

By happenstance, TPWD's breeding chronology data was collected rainfall in recent months may see a range conditions. In 1991, for example, range conditions were good In dry areas with poor winter and a majority of breeding took place prior to the last week in April. During dry conditions the following year, fewer hens were bred and most of the breeding activity was completed under drought conditions, even less breeding activity occurred and a majority of the first attempts were made in March.

> "We've set the season dates based on our data when range conditions were favorable and a surplus of birds could be expected," said Cooke. "It's a self-regulating system because when turkeys is four, gobblers only, minus conditions aren't good and a surplus any turkeys killed during the past isn't expected, the season isn't open regular season. during breeding activity."

That's not to say hunters should abandon all hopes of calling in a bird this year, however. Officials say a good dose of rain in the near future could spark breeding activity later in the season, if hens can get into shape for a second or third attempt. Also, hunters who are good callers can generally find success.

In the Edwards Plateau ecological region, where a majority of Texas spring turkey hunting takes place, production was the highest in the state last year, according to the department's annual summer hen/ poult survey. However, production doesn't equate necessarily to hunting success and Brownwood-based biologist Larry Holland isn't optimistic about the upcoming season.

Holland feels dry range conditions affect gobblers as well as hens. "If the gobblers aren't in good condition, activity may be down, too. And, the older toms, if they've been fooled a time or two, will be harder to call up, especially early in the season."

In South Texas, where range conditions have been extremely dry, production last spring was the lowest in the state, according to wildlife officials. However, hunting conditions should not be adversely affected in that region due to high population densities.

Hunting season in South Texas runs April 6-May 12. In the remaining counties with a Rio Grande season, the season runs April 13-May

A valid Texas hunting license and special turkey hunting stamp are required to hunt during the spring season. The bag limit for Rio Grande

### **Cameo From The Past** By J. Lee Ballantyne

**Contrubuting Writer** 

This is a great day for me - my 95th birthday and I'm still around and going strong (with a little help).

When I look back over this century I am amazed at all the wonderful things that have taken place within my lifetime - the invention of the automobile and all the good roads that can take us any where in this country we want to go, the use of electricity and what we can get from it - the advancement in education that gives anyone an education if they want it bad enough.

We have weathered the sadness of two world wars. The memories will always be with us but let us learn from them and look to the future - we never know what's just around the corner! I am so privileged to have experienced all the wonders of this 20th century.

Publisher's Note: And you J. Lee Have a Happy Birthday and I hope you have many more.

# Bridge Anyone?

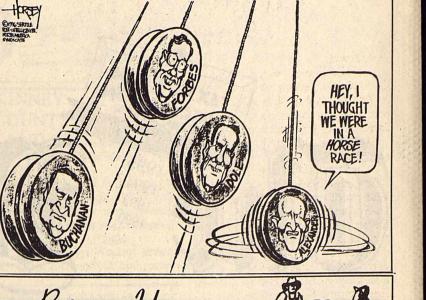
### By Norma Gould

A very nice group of 9 tables played the Mitchell Movement on Tuesday, March 19th.

In the N/S direction, Don and Harvey from New Mexico (friends and guests of the Claytons) won 1st place. We are happy to have them join us when they visit as they are very competitive players. Rozetta Pingenot and Norma Gould won 2nd with Walt Geeze and Doc Harber winning 3rd place.

Mona Miller and Dena Scott won 1st place in the E/W direction. Evelyn Whitely and Ray Kurtz won 2nd place with Alice Seargeant and Ann Legg winning 3rd place.

We had the pleasure of having 3 Elderhostel couples join us.



The Brackell Mews.

Between Us by Joe Townsend

So many things screaming to be castigated! I'd like to pay due condemnation to the actions of Commisare truly a 20th century wonder. sioners Court being suckered into paying an anonymous individual a \$500 finders fee to locate two new police cars for the Sheriff's department. I'd like to express the inanity of placing 4 way stop signs on El Paso and Gove St. without action by the City Council. I'd like to take a moment to express idiocy of a red light on Highway 90 and Ann St. and the even sillier idea allowing no parking on Highway 90. I could write a book on the refusal of "the City" to fix the gutter on the street from which my driveway comes. How the City refuses to fix the flow of water down the street into my driveway washing the driveway out. Every week there come to be more unconscionable actions that could happen no where but Brackettville and Kinney County.

However there are more palatable things to claim our attention. Though today seems to deny the fact, spring has arrived. My mocking bird has claimed his perch atop a utility pole and sings to the world, often all through the night. What a great contrast to the jungle beat and raucous "music" by uncaring people who disturb for blocks around far into the night.

My humming birds are back and have brought friends with them. We can sit on our front porch within six feet of the feeder and watch them as sometimes they hover within three feet of our faces. Our orioles are to exert ruthless power.

back and feed from the humming bird feeder. Cardinals feed on our side vard where I throw out corn with feed for the smaller birds. Doves by the number feed on the corn. Paraloxia in good numbers mix with the Cardinals. I can sit near my garden and watch many species of birds fly about and often perch on the fence and fence post. The colorful Vermillion Fly Catcher catches my eye. Two types of finches bathe in water puddles. Kingbirds and several types of fly catchers are to be seen. It's entrancing to watch one land on a fence post and suddenly dart from his perch to catch an insect and return to his perch. To watch and listen to the many mocking birds helps me to enjoy the beauty of natural music.

The Painted Bunting thrills us with his song as I enjoy his beautiful plumage. The Juncos, staid in color and song, add to the joy of watching. The tanager makes a dramatic sight with his brilliant color. The gnat catchers are just "cute" as they dart and roost and flick their tails. It's always interesting to watch the colorful and active Scissortailed fly catcher. The flitting titmouse and the wax wings add to the variety. The ignominious Grackle adds his brash and raucous behavior to the scene. An occasional wood-pecker catches our eye and occasionally our ear.

A few minutes watching natures beauty and sound allays the irritation by the senseless actions of people interested only in using their position

# Big Mama Sez!

The only time you mustn't fail is the last time you try.

PLEASE REMEMBERthat we attempt to include something for everyone within the pages of our pa-per. We realize that some folks enjoy finding fault

letters To The Editor

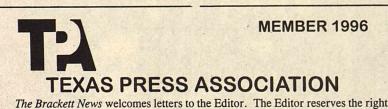
"Maquiladoras" and the "facts": read items sent in for publication by so many "mis-informed or ignorant" people, in which they assert that any waste materials from the "Maquiladoras" in Acuna or possibly Piedras Negras would be malodorous, toxic and harmful to the environment or the people living near the site of their disposal. My father al-ways told me, "Marsha, ignorance is a very curable thing, "read" good instructional books and "hang" around knowledgeable people." I can only assume that they believe the

Some of these scraps can be recycled, It is with great remorse that I have and some can not, there being no market value for them. These scraps must then enter the process of "solid waste disposal". It is these scraps that would be mixed in with the usual waste from municipalities to be buried in the "proposed municipal landfill operation" Acuna has the second largest num-

ber of "Maquiladora" plants of any city on the Mexican - Texas border. It had been reported that they employ over 2,000 persons. These are modern, well designed and constructed factory buildings. As they only as**People's Bill Of Rights** 

People in this country have the the right to safe, total cleanup of hazright to be safe and secure in their ardous waste sites and spills, to have homes and workplaces. We have the the cleanups take place quickly with right to bring up our children and live our neighborhoods, homes and enviour lives free from harm imposed by ronment restored to the way it was toxic substances that have been before the polluters chose to contami-

and for those readers we thoughtfully include a s cially acceptable number of eror's within our publi- paper are so "ignorant" about plant, they have no emissions of cation.



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majority of the readers of this news- semble products - such as the "Oster" 'Maquiladoras", their operations and the laws governing them, that we, as readers will believe what they send in to be printed, or worse yet, maybe they just don't know the "facts".

"Maquiladora" movement was started as the result of a "Customs Agreement" or treaty between Mexico and the United States of America. (Don't we as Americans honor our word anymore?) In those days they were referred to as "Assembly Plants". The idea was to accomplish two (2) things: provide American "manufacturers" with the opportunity to use lower paid workers in Mexico to do simple or mundane "assembly-line" type work, assembling products made from pieces and parts produced in and shipped from the United States of America: and to make available thousands of jobs for Mexican citizens in Mexico to reduce poverty and the pressure of incentives to enter the United States of America illegally to seek work and money to send back home.

At the time that the agreement was made, we had no free trade agreement (NAFTA) with Mexico. We had strong restrictions on importing products made in Mexico and they had strong restrictions on U.S. goods being exported to Mexico. The agreement contained two (2) major restric- more such assembly plants located tions. We said that the assembly along the border. After "extensive plants could only assemble or fabricate products - not manufacture the ment expansion in Mexico, it came products from raw materials coming to "my" understanding that Mexico from Mexico or from factory operations in Mexico that produces the parts on the border - they want their new to be assembled. An example, cloth- industries to be near existing large ing - the cloth, thread, buttons and cities where they are "in an estabzippers had to be manufactured in the United States of America, and they rather than have people migrating to were sewn together in Mexico. The the border cities where it is almost sole value added to the products in impossible to accommodate new Mexico was labor. On the other hand, growth. Mexico did not want any of the scraps from the assembly process to remain help to clear up any lack of knowlin Mexico, so the scraps would not edge about "Maquiladoras" or misbe sold for consumption or use in statements regarding the "facts". Mexico. Thereby eliminating the Let's face it Kinney County, we need possibility of their entering the vari- help and we keep turning it all away, ous economic activities of Mexico. my question is "WHY"??? Therefore - all scraps from the assembly process must be brought back into the United States of America.

smoke or liquid wastes. These plants assemble many types of items ranging from fishing lures, clothing, wiring harnesses for automobiles to household appliances. Much of the Many years ago the success of the industrial development in Acuna can be credited to the company, "Amistad Parques Industries", owned by the family of Jesus M. Ramon. These are very professional people with industrial parks in several other cities in Mexico besides Acuna.

> "The scraps" that everyone seems so concerned about are mostly cloth. wire, plastic, small metal trimmings, paint cans and containers used in shipping the parts to be assembled into Mexico.

> "I strongly suggest", that you take a tour of the Acuna industrial park area, almost all of which is located along the road from downtown Acuna to Amistad Reservoir. You will not see any activity that has a by-product or waste material that is odorous, toxic, explosive, radioactive, organic, offensive or potentially hazardous. Remember, these plants only assemble - they do not manufacture.

As to the future of "Maquiladoras" "I don't know". With the Free Trade Agreement now in effect, there is possibly no reason for there to be research" on the industrial developdoes not want more assembly plants lished labor force" to draw from,

"I sincerely" hope that this will

Sincerely, /s/Marsha H. Harrell P.W.F.C.

America is a country that doesn't know where it's going but is determined to set a speed record getting there.

-Laurence J. Peter

brought into our communities, neighborhoods, workplaces, schools and farms by others, without our knowledge and without our consent. We have the right to clean air, clean water, uncontaminated food and safe places to live, work and play. We have the right to require our government to be accountable and industry to be responsible. We have the right to action and to public policy which will restore to us that which has been taken away and to stop the needless and unjustifiable attack on our lives, families, homes, jobs and future that come from the imposition of toxic substances in our environment.

Right To Be Safe From Harmful Exposure. People have the inherent right to be safe in their homes and workplaces. Our children have the right to grow up strong and healthy, not diseased, deformed or to die before they've had a chance to live, to be safe in their schools, free from cancer-causing asbestos or other hazards, and to play in their backyards free from erupting chemical pits or contaminated soils. We have the right to be free from exposures, imposed on us against our will, to poisonous substances that can cause birth defects, cancer, sterility, genetic damage, miscarriages and still births.

right to know what poisons other people, industry, corporate polluters and government have decided to bring into our neighborhoods and workplaces and the right to know how these chemicals can adversely affect our ment, someone must be arrested and health, our environment and exactly what they intend, if anything, to do about it.

nate them with chemical poisons.

· Right To Participate. We have the right to participate, as equals, in decisions affecting our lives, children, homes and jobs on the matter of exposure to hazardous wastes. We have the right of access, without cost, to information and assistance that will make our participation meaningful and to have our needs and concerns be the major factor in all policy decisions.

· Right To Compensation. We have the right to be compensated for damages to our health, our homes and our livelihoods. The responsible parties must compensate us for the cost of cancer treatments, care of our birth-defected children, the loss of our farms and jobs, livestock and the burial of our loved ones.

· Right To Prevention. We have the right to public policy that prevents toxic pollution from entering our neighborhoods by using existing technology beginning with reduction at the source--a technology that will provide jobs, business opportunities and conservation of valuable resources. Our workers have the right to safety equipment and other safety measures to prevent their exposure in the workplace

Right To Protection And En-Right To Know. We have the forcement. We have the right to strong laws controlling toxic wastes and vigorous enforcement of those laws, not backroom, sweetheart deals. If a child dies from exposure to chemical poisons in the environprosecuted for manslaughter.

Submitted by, Tootsie Herndon Permission given by Dannon Gault

Right To Clean Up. We have

### **Future Farmers of America**

Thursday, February the 8th, the Brackett F.F.A. went to the San Antonio Livestock Show and Rodeo to give their undying efforts in volunteer work.

The Brackett F.F.A. went as tour guides for the youngsters. The Stock Show needed people who lived in rural areas and knew about ranch animals. Brackett is a very rural area, so the F.F.A. was more than glad to help out.

They took kindergartners, first, and second graders around the whole show and explained what each animal was. The youngsters were San Antonians who knew very little about ranch life.

The kids ask all kinds of questions that would blow our minds. Living in rural area, we think everyone knows what a sheep is. They don't. Brian Hooker was asked by a parent of a youngster what "that" is, as she pointed to a sheep.

John Paul Schuster, F.F.A. Coordinator, says "It was a great experience for our students. They got a kick out of watching the little kids OOH and AAH about the animals. It was a good learning experience for us and it let each student who participated show leadership and kindness."

This was the second year in a row for the Brackett F.F.A. to do this, they plan to make it a tradition.

### The Brackett Hews. **Congress Of The United States**

#### Dear Jewel,

I would like to respond to Jared Ty Shahan's Letter addressed to me in The Brackett News regarding private property rights. I'm glad that Jared and I agree about the need to reform the Endangered Species Act (ESA) of 1973.

Current law has created a regulatory nightmare that violates private property rights and penalizes landowners rather than giving them the incentive to protect habitats on their land. For this reason, I am a cosponsor of H.R. 2364, the Endangered Species Recovery Act. I am also a cosponsor of H.R. 2275, the Endangered Species Conservation and Management Act of 1995.

Both of these bills would dramatically change current law and would instead support the goal of protecting endangered species while creating a cooperative relationship between landowners, government regulators and concerned citizens. I will strongly support these bills as they move through the legislative process

Although the news in Washington over the last few months has been on balancing the budget, private property rights remain a very im-

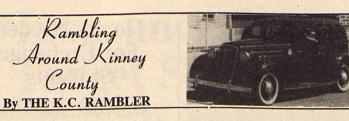
portant part of the common-sense congressional agenda. In fact, when Congress passed a downpayment on the balanced budget a few weeks ago, we included a short-term moratorium on endangered species listings in that bill. It is reassuring to know that the U.S. Fish and Wildlife won't be listing hundreds of new species to the list before Congress can make permanent changes in the

ESA I have written Speaker Gingrich about the need to schedule action on ESA reform proposals. I let him know that reauthorization and reform of the ESA is a top priority for my district and other congressional districts around the country.

As Congress works to reduce the regulatory stranglehold the federal government has placed on its citizens, it is the perfect time to bring common-sense reforms to the ESA.

It is young people like Jared who are seriously concerned about their futures and the American Dream that give inspiration to all of us. I applaud him on his interest and efforts to protect our land and our private property rights.

Respectfully submitted, /s/Henry Bonilla Member of Congress



Some time ago, the Confederate verse ways, the true meaning of Easflag was lowered from its pole beter is never neglected. hind the Cavalry horse statue on the Friday night you will hear the

wonderful sounds of the bag pipes in the Old Quarry Theater. The public is invited - there is a nominal charge. The music begins at 8:00 p.m. Have you noticed the TV ad for

the Las Moras Inn? Good, isn't it? Will be of some interest to find out how many folks will be introduced to Kinney County and all we have to offer because of it. Seems many people just rush on through having no idea of what to see and do right here. Maybe when the new stop sigare available right here in town. nal appears at 90 and Ann Street, folks will look around a bit.

Remember to say "Happy Birthday" to J. Lee Ballantyne on Sunday, March 31. Come share a piece of cake at 418 E. El Paso in Brackettville from 2:00 to 4:00 in the afternoon. Spring cleaning time is here. It's

great to see all the yards and homes being spruced up. THIS IS A NICE

PLACE TO LIVE

### **Wolf Brand Chili** "Texas Tall Tales Contest" **Grand Prize Essay**

crashed into my car I knew I was in pulled myself up slowly, as the pain the middle of trouble. Only 20 miles in my two busted legs was plum' to the airport, and I knew I'd never turrible. I was within five feet from make it home in time for Dad's 80th birthday. The impact slammed my car into an 800 pound armadillo who was napping by the side of the road. his eyes. Bullseye! The can label Boy was he mad as he pushed my car towards a ravine nearby. In horror, right across his forehead. I noticed that the ravine was the size of the Grand Canyon, thanks to the back just as a handsome specimenlast thunderstorm that cut through the of-a-cowboy pulled up in a black Texas landscape. My car went tum- Porsche. He scooped me up and carbling end over end, much like a ried me to his car. I looked at my Resistol blowin' across the prairie. I watch and saw that I had less than 15 grabbed the mink coat Dad gave me minutes to head out. Good-lookin' right before our 6200 oil wells dried said, "Not a problem, we can make up. I wrapped the coat around me to, it". He called the pilot on his mobile cushion the blow as my car plopped as we raced towards the airport in smack-dab into the bottom of the ra- excess of 200 mph. The pilot said vine. Things were lookin' bad and he'd be glad to meet us on the runyet I still had a chance to make my way. Imagine my shock when I recflight.

I crawled out of the car, not a livin' of my chest as we neared the end of

When the 40 foot tumbleweed able to get the hook to catch hold. I the ledge, when the armadillo began gnawing on the rope. I grabbed a can of chili and slung it right between "Celebrating 100 Years" slapped him

The armadillo rolled over on his ognized my old boyfriend, Billy Bob in the cockpit. My heart pounded out

**Emergency Management Agency** (FEMA) reported today that the uncontrolled One-Seven-One fire was added to the list of recent state blazes designated for federal fire suppression assistance.

celebrate outdoors.

said the aid requested by the state was approved late this afternoon immediately after learning that the fire was posing a threat to some populated areas in Johnson County. The fire, which started earlier today, had burned an estimated 600 to 2,000 acres of land at that time of the request, according to the state.

grounds of Fort Clark. During the

Civil War, Confederate troops burned

down parts of FC and occupied the

area. Several complaints were voiced

that history is part of our heritage and

should not be "changed" on a casual

basis. The flag is again flying over

FC. Don't know why, don't know when - but powers that be have solved

that fresh flowers and beautiful cards

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Cascarones - (egg shells filled with confetti and colorfully painted) are a

tradition in our community. They can

be purchased here and are a charm-

ing gift to children who delight in

breaking them on the heads of their

friends. Needless to say, they're kinda messy - so it may be best to

where. Although we celebrate in di-

Easter egg hunts will be every-

**FEMA Adds One-Seven-One** 

Easter is almost here. Remember

the problem.

The designation is the sixth to be made this week, bringing to 30 the total number of the Texas fires that have been authorized for FEMA fire suppression aid since February 22. Under the authorizations, all eligible costs associated with fighting the designated fires are currently being funded at 70 percent federal share. Other Texas fires previously ap-

proved for the assistance were the Godley Road and Cartwright fires in Hood County (March 19); the Exxon fire in Montogmery County (March 19); the Crum fire in Denton County (March 19); the Livingston - 7 Oaks fire in Polk County (March 19); the Double Mountain fire in Stephens

**Blaze To Texas Fire Assistance** WASHINGTON - The Federal in Stephens County (March 12); the Gainesbend fire in Palo Pinto County (March 12); the Duncanville fire in Dallas County (March 12); the Zion Valley fire in Wise County (March 11); the Jeter Road fire in Denton County (March 11); the Colony Creek FEMA Director James Lee Witt fire in Eastland County (March 11); the Riney Road fire in Denton County (March 10); the Lueders fire in Shackelford County (March 10); the Phantom Lake Fire in Jones County (March 7); the Lakeview fire in Palo Pinto County (March 7); the Choo Choo fire in Robertson County (March 7); the Seven-One-Seven Complex fire in Stephens County (March 5); the Clyde fire in Callahan County (March 4); the Fillibuster fire in Young County (March 3); the Bowie fire in Montague County (March 2); the Northwest Amarillo Complex fire in Potter County (February 26); and the North Texas Complex fire in Parker County (February DIY Pied

> In neighboring Oklahoma, six fires also have been declared for FEMA fire suppression aid within the past month

> Federal fire suppression aid is provided through the President's Disaster Relief Fund and made available by FEMA to assist in fighting fires

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Saturday, April 6th 9:00 a.m. Hwy. 90 and FM 131 (Rio Grande Electric Lawn) All Proceeds will go towards Sandi's expenses while receiving Medical Treatment



madillo staring over the edge, smirk- with legs shattered, pounding in pain ing into my face. I grabbed Dad's onto the plane's wing. Billy Bob armload of Wolf Brand Chili. I pulled me through the window, threw couldn't show up empty-handed with- his arms around me, gave me two out his only request from The Lone dozen yellow roses and asked me to Star State.

I pulled a crow bar out of the you," he cried. "I know," I said, hook. (Ya' build up strength eatin' eat Wolf Brand Chili." Wolf Brand Chili). Luckily, I carry rappelling rope in my trunk and I was

thing in sight except for the durn ar- the runway. I leaped from the car marry him. "I've never gotten over

wreckage and bent the end into a "but I can't marry a man who doesn't Debbie Bernish

Dallas, TX

### **Wolf Brand Chili** "Texas Tall Tales Contest" **1st Runner Up Essay**

#### Howdy Yall,

Now we all know that there's just two kinds of people in this old world, Texans and other folk. Texans won't have trouble believing this story but the other folk might.

My family has been here in Texas for 95 years. Shoot, if it was an even hundred we could say that we've been around as long as Wolf Brand Chili. with Gov. James Stephen Hogg (or Jim Hogg as we call him).

Well, it seems there was a terrible drought one year. Things got as dry as Yankee humor. Why, things were so dry that the bullfrogs had to spit on each other just to get wet. Uncle Chester had a herd of cattle that were getten mighty thirsty so Chester commenced to diggen a well. He was sure he would hit water eventually. (Lucky for him he wasn't in Kilgore or he would've struck oil.)

He was in that hole for 5 days liven on cactus juice and Wolf Brand Chili when his shovel struck....daylight! Yep, that's what I said, daylight! Chester had dug that hole plum to China! He popped his head up out of

the ground and the people thought he was some kinda devil.

Now they were just about to kill old Chester when he remembered his last can of Wolf Brand Chili that was in his backpack. Since he was in a hurry, he tore the top of that can off with his teeth and gave them folks a little taste of that chili.

Needless to say, instead of a devil, In fact, my uncle Chester was friends now they thought he was some kinda angel. So, just for fun, Chester stuck around for a couple of hours. He showed em a few things like how to roll up sausage and eggs for burritos (they called em egg rolls) and how to play this fun game he made up with marbles (They called it Chinese Checkers).

Now as he was leaving, a Chinese man that could understand him asked him to describe this place he called Texas. Chester said, "well, all I can say is that if Texas had a taste, it would taste just like Wolf Brand Chili".

THE END P.S. It rained while he was gone. Gene Sigler Bullard, TX



Kites, the oldest form of aircraft, probably originated in China about 3,000 years ago. During the Han Dynasty (200 B.C. to 200 A.D.) Chinese military attached bamboo pipes to the kite to cause a whistling sound when it flew over the enemy. The noise caused enemy troops to panic and flee.

County (March 14); the Triangle when they threaten to cause a major Complex fire in Cottle and Foard disaster. Eligible state fire fighting counties (March 14); the Caddo II fire costs covered by the aid can include in Stephens County (March 14); the expenses for field camps; equipment Buckle-L fire in Childress County use, repair and replacement; tools, (March 14); the NAS fire in Dallas materials and supplies; and mobili-County (March 12); the Caddo fire zation and demobilization activities.

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## **Property Tax Protest And Appeal Procedures**

The law gives property owners the right to protest actions concerning their property tax appraisals. You may follow these appeal procedures if you have a concern about:

- the value placed on your property
- any exemptions that may apply to you
- · the cancellation of an agricultural appraisal
- · the taxable status of your property
- the local governments which should be tax ing your property
- · any action taken by the appraisal district that adversely affected you.

#### **Informal Review**

An informal visit is sometimes all you need to resolve a problem. Call Marcus Tidwell at 210-563-2323.

#### **Review by the Appraisal Review Board**

If you can't resolve your problem informally with the appraisal district staff, you may have your case heard by the appraisal review board (ARB).

The ARB is an independent board of citizens that reviews problems with appraisals or other concerns listed above. It has the power to order the appraisal district to make the necessary changes to solve problems. If you file a written request for an ARB hearing (called a notice of protest) before the deadline, the ARB will set your case for a hearing. You'll receive written notice of the time, date and place of the hearing. The hearing will be informal. You and the appraisal district representative will be asked to present evidence about your case. The ARB will make its decision based on the evidence presented. You can get a copy of a protest form from the appraisal district office in Brackettville. Note: You shouldn't try to contact ARB members outside of the hearing. The law requires ARB members to sign an affidavit saying that they haven't talked about your case before the ARB hears it.

#### **Review by the District Court**

After it decides your case, the ARB must send you a copy of its order by certified mail. If you're not satisfied with the decision, you have the right to appeal to district court. If you choose to go to court, you must start the process by filing a petition within 45 days of the date you receive the ARB's order. If the appraisal district has appraised your property at \$1,000,000 or more, you must file a notice of appeal with the chief appraiser within 15 days of the date you receive the ARB's order.

#### More information

You can get more information by contacting your appraisal district at Kinney County Appraisal District, P.O. Box 1377, Brackettville, TX 78832, (210) 563-2323. You can also get a pamphlet describing how to prepare a protest from the appraisal district or from the State Comptroller's Property Tax Division at P.O. Box 13528, Austin, Texas 78711-3528.

United States Air Force

**TRICARE Service Centers** 

**Deadline For Filing Protests** With The ARB\*

#### **Usual Deadline**

On or before May 31 (or 30 days after a notice of appraised value was mailed to you, whichever is later).

Late protests are allowed if you miss the usual deadline for good cause. Good cause is some reason beyond your control, like a medical emergency. The ARB decides whether you have good cause.

Late protests are due the day before the appraisal review board approves records for the year. Contact your appraisal district for more information.

#### **Special Deadlines**

For change of use (the appraisal district informed you that you are losing agricultural appraisal because you changed the use of your land), the deadline is before the 30th day after the notice of the determination was mailed to you

For ARB changes (the ARB has informed you of a change that increases your tax liability and the change didn't result from a protest you filed), the deadline is before the 30th day after the notice of the determination was mailed to you.

### TINNET. COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT

Marcus Tidwell, RPA, RTA Chief Appraiser

If you believe the appraisal district or ARB should have sent you a notice and did not, you may file a protest until the day before taxes become delinquent (usually February 1). The ARB decides whether it will hear your case based on evidence about whether a required notice was mailed to you.

\*The deadline is postponed to the next business day if it falls on a weekend or holiday.

### **Homes Needed** For Exchange **Students**

The Russians are coming! So are the Brazilians, Croatians, Germans, Japanese, Italians, Swiss, and other high school aged students from over 40 different countries.

AYUSA (Academic Year in the USA) International, a non-profit student exchange organization, is seeking host families in the Austin, San Antonio and surrounding area for these students, many of whom have service pricing and is another tool for won scholarships to the U.S. that require early identification of host families. Arriving in August, the students will attend local high schools for a semester or academic year and participate in host family activities. Local families are asked to take the student in as one of their own, providing food and board and a loving home.

AYUSA students, aged 15 to 18, are carefully selected based on maturity, flexibility, scholastics, civic responsibility and motivation to learn about American culture. All students have full medical insurance, spending money, and have studied English an average of three years.

AYUSA invites local families to welcome into their homes and hearts a special kind of traveler, an international exchange student anxious to come to America and learn about our way of life. If you've been wanting to give of yourself, if you like to be involved in the activities of young people, and want to share your America with a young person destined to become your new son or daughter, host one of over 1,400 AYUSA exchange students.

For more information about hosting a Russian or other exchange student, call 1-800-333-0606 or Rich New at (210) 561-0777.

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take part in a production of "The Glory Road". Auditions will be held on April 23, 24, 29 and 30 at the Town Hall. The performances are scheduled for the last weekend in June and first weekend in July. This year will be significant because this is the anniversary year of the Fort.

Thank you Lynda Conrey and Marsha Thurman Schmidt, program chairwoman for March for a fine program.

# **Unsung Hero** by Joe Townsend

fair on shad, chicken liver and There is a lady here who pales in

### **CP&L Requests Approval Of Real Time Pricing Pilot Program**

throughout the Company's service

territory requesting approval to make

a pilot program with special pricing

options available to industrial and

large commercial customers within

The program, known as "Real Time Pricing," (RTP) reflects a dif-

ferent approach to traditional electric

cities to use in their economic devel-

opment efforts, according to Richard

Byrne, CPL's director of rates.

CPL's RTP Pilot Program will pro-

vide participating customers an op-

tion to decrease their costs by shift-

ing their use of electricity in response

in similar programs in other states

have been able to manage their elec-

tricity use to optimize their operating

"Industrial customers participating

In August 1995, CPL notified cit-

RTP Pilot Program with the Public

Utility Commission of Texas

(PUCT). At that time, CPL indicated

that once the final form of the PUCT

CPL would file the RTP Pilot Pro-

gram for approval in all cities served

was agreed to by all parties and ap-

gram effective in cities which have

ceded jurisdiction and in areas out-

side the city limits which are subject

to the PUCT's jurisdiction. CPL is

now seeking the approval from the

cities to make the program available

throughout the Company's service

will be available to 20 customers that

have a 500-kilowatt or greater elec-

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 on 80 to 110 feet

BRAUNIG: Water clear; normal

level; 59 degrees; black bass are scat-

tered on black chartreuse and pump-

kinseed Power Worms and spinners

Initially, the RTP Pilot Program

proved by the PUCT making the pro-

On Feb. 14, 1996, the RTP tariff

approved RTP tariff was known,

the city limits.

to hourly prices.

results," said Byrne.

by the Company.

territory

of water

The Brackett Mews.

Central Power and Light Co. this nology in place to administer the rate. month filed a new tariff with cities CPL plans to expand the program to 180 more customers in three other phases over a four-year period.

CPL has already identified customers who are potential candidates for the program based on the customer's historical electric demand and existing metering technology. The Company is contacting these customers directly as well as responding to inquiries from other interested customers.

Under the program, "real time" prices for each hour of the next day are communicated to participating customers by 4 p.m. of the previous day, enabling them to decide how to optimize their energy use. Customers can choose to shift their industrial production or other electricity usage from high-cost hours to lowcost hours, thereby reducing their total energy costs.

If the electric usage pattern of a participating customer remains the same as the previous year, the cusies in its service territory that the tomer will see no change in his elec-Company had filed a tariff for the tric bill. If a customer's usage increases above the previous year, the amount of increased usage will be priced at the RTP price. If the customer's usage decreases below the previous year, CPL will credit the customer's bill with the RTP price.

The pilot program is considered a demand-side management program" a term that refers to an electric utility's ability through a partnership with its customers to manage electricity usage in order to delay the need to build new power plants and other facilities.

"This pilot program reflects CPL's continuing commitment to offer our customers choices on how they purchase our electric service," said Byrne. "The information that we acquire from this pilot program will help determine whether this type of program is feasible for other customer tric demand and have metering tech- groups.'

**Fishing Report** 

baited with minnows, liver and cut AMISTAD: Water clear; low;

black bass are fair to good on Power bait. COLETO CREEK: Water fairly clear; 4 feet low; 69 degrees; black bass are fair to good on spinners, worms, Slug-gos, Bass Assassins; hybrid stripers are fair; crappie are fair on minnows; catfish are fair on prepared bait.

CORPUS CHRISTI: Water clear; low; 64 degrees; black bass are good on worms, spinners and crank baits; white bass are fair to good on fished in the reeds; hybrid stripers are minnows and slabs; crappie are fair on minnows and jigs fished around shrimp; redfish to 17 pounds are fair the docks and at the parks; channel



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\* (210) 298-5988

Often your first point of contact at the TRICARE Service Cemter is a Beneficiary Services Representative, who is trained to provide TRICARE program information, enrollment assistance and answer questions about your benefits. At Laughlin AFB, the Beneficiary Services Representative is James McCallister. His telephone number is Area Code 210-298-4800. His office is located in the Laughlin Health Care Finder option. Hospital, Building 375.

enroll in TRICARE Prime, he can assist you with the enrollment application to ensure that it is complete and correct before it is processed. If you have medical questions, ager, or need a referral for medical care, you will be directed to a Health Care Finder, who is a registered nurse. The Health Care Finder also

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works closely with your Health Benefits Advisor to coordinate nonavailability statements. Health Care Finders are available on a walkin basis at the TRICARE Service Center during normal duty hours, 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Health Care Finders can be reached by telephone 24 hours a day, seven days a week by calling toll-free 1-800-406-2832 and selecting the

To locate the TRICARE Service Center nearest you, call a TRICARE representative at 1-800-406-2832.

### view of the TRICARE program and Cyclists Continued from page 1

McCallister can provide an over-

zations.

Alan Cardosa left Los Angeles, California four and a half weeks ago and plans to see the country and meet the people on his tour to New York City. Alan has to be in New York by May 15th to catch a plane back to London.

This is Alan's first serious bicycling experience and he said for the first couple of weeks he was quite sore. He wasn't sure he would complete his journey, but now he is cycling right along with the best of them. This cold spell didn't surprise Alan too much, he said when he went thru Las Vegas it snowed for the first time in 5 years, then he traveled on to Flagstaff, Arizona and camped in snow for two days.

Alan's tour started two and a half years ago and will end this May when he returns to London. During his tour Alan has walked, hitchhiked, rode

buses and trains across Japan, East Asia, Hong Kong, Thailand, Viet home.

for the most part, away from civili- Nam, Cambodia, Singapore, Milasia, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand and now the USA.

Alan said the most difficult part of touring in the USA is that the rules and regulations change for every state.

Alan and Ed met in Marfa, Texas and discovered that they were both headed the same direction. They will travel together until their paths lead different directions.

The two cyclists said without a doubt they can live on \$5.00 per day You just have to learn to stay on a thrift store budget" remarked Ed. They carry their tent and bed rolls, lots of tire repair items, a propane cook stove and some light food items. They cook their food mostly consisting of sandwiches, pasta, p-nut butter, rice and lots of bananas. Without any hesitation they both agreed

with Mr. Martin Kelso that their favorite sign was DOWN HILL GRADE.

Have a safe trip Ed and Alan and send us a postcard when you get



The fiddler crab is so called because he moves his huge front pincer back and forth much as a fiddler moves his arm when playing a violin.

Lots of Love. Mimi & PaPaw

Joyce & Ruben Fuentes

### For Pete's Sake

"Junior," I said, "that's a strange looking pair of stockings you are wearing. One's red and the other one is green!"

Yeah," Junior replied. "And I've got another pair just like them at home!"

They say that our town's mayor was standing in front of City Hall a few days ago when a woman pulled up and parked.

She got out of her car and started toward the front doors of City Hall.

"If you are going to be here for the next few minutes, would you keep an eye on my car?" She asked his Honor.

"See here," the mayor replied, "don't you realize that I am the mayor of this city?"

"I didn't know that," the woman admitted. "But that's alright. I'll trust you anyway for a few minutes." Overheard in the crowd going in to attend a county commission meeting: "No, I'm not really prejudiced at all. I'm going to listen to that bunch of crap with a perfectly open and unbiased mind!"

Bubbah's cousin was visiting from Texas. Unable to resist comparing the vast size ranches out West with our tiny East Tennessee farms, he asked Bubbah how much land he owned.

"Wal," sez Bubbah, "mah land runs frum that clump of trees over yonder down to the creek, and along the creek to that big oak tree out thar, and then up the tar-road aside the fence.

"Shoot!" The Texas cousin snorted. "Why, on mah land out in Texas, I can git in mah car and drive all day, and still not be able to get all around the place!"

'Yeah," said Bubbah, "I had a car like that once too!"

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the shadow of the greatness of her husbands expression of his talent but who in her own right claims a position of distinction. Her greatest claim to fame is her family. A casual glance at her fine children cries out loudly of her outstanding motherhood. Amongst these responsibilities she has found time to champion causes of people less fortunate than she. She is outstanding in her ability to entertain groups. She is adept at making "Indian" trinkets and jewelry.

She always participates in community activities requiring different expertise. She is friendly, industrious, capable and caring. Surely Nakai Breen is an Unsung Hero.

on crawfish and by trolling spoons and white grubs; catfish are fair on cut and cheese bait.

CALAVERAS: Water fairly clear; normal level; 72 degrees; black bass are fair on Power Worms and perch and crawfish; catfish are good on cheese bait fished around the bridges and dam.

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 good on rod and reels and trotlines cut bait.

catfish are fair to good on rod and reels baited with cheese and cut bait; yellow catfish are fair on trotlines and

rod and reels baited with live bait. FALCON: Water clear; 31 feet low; black bass are good on spinners, spinners: redfish are fair to good on crank baits, worms and topwaters; striped bass are fair to good on spoons and live bait; catfish are fair to good on rod and reels baited with minnows and prepared bait.

MEDINA: Water clear; 23 feet low; black bass to 4 pounds are slow on Power Worms; hybrid stripers are slow; white bass are fair to good on Li'l Georges; crappie are fair on minaround the boat docks; catfish are nows; catfish are fair on cheese and

### The Story Of The Real First Thanksgiving

#### Dear Friends,

"If Thanksgiving Day is a Sunday in April, then this must be Texas. (Wall Street Journal, April 28, 1989). If you're now thoroughly confused about where the 1st Thanksgiving really took place, the following story should explain:

The Story Of The Real **First Thanksgiving** 

Pilgrims, Plymouth Rock, Indians. turkey? Well, yes, there were Indians, but the first Thanksgiving was held almost a quarter century before the Pilgrims landed on Plymouth Rock...and it happened in El Paso, Texas.

Don Juan de Oñate, the son of a was the granddaughter of Cortez and the great-granddaughter of Montezuma, led the first major colonization effort into what is now the United States. He began this momentous journey in January, 1598, nearly a quarter of a century before the Mayflower sailed from England.

Over 400 brave and courageous men, 130 of whom had their families with them, made up the expedition. Several Franciscan monks also traveled with the colonizers. All of their possessions were packed into 83 oxdrawn, wooden-wheeled wagons and carts. Over 7,000 horses, oxen, sheep, goats, and cattle joined the group to form a four-mile long procession through the desert!

These colonists began their jour-Chihuahua, Mexico, and carved a to the landing of the pilgrims at Ply- ciation, Inc.

desert north to El Paso. (Previous explorers had followed the Rio Concho to its junction with the Rio Grande, thence followed the Rio

ous desert for more than four months, often forced to eat roots and berries, drink water from the occasional water holes or from cactus and other plants, these weary and ragged pathfinders arrived at the banks of the Rio Grande on April 20, 1598.

What a sight it was! A beautiful noble Spanish family and whose wife river, replete with fish below and ducks and geese above. "They drank and drank again, finally laying their waterlogged bodies beside the stream like foul wretches stretched upon some tavern floor". (Villagra, "History of New Mexico", written between 1598 & 1610, published in 1611)

For ten days they swam in the deep cool waters of the Rio Grande, rested in the shade of the giant cottonwoods, hunted, fished and ate as they had not eaten in months. Then, on April 30, Don Juan ordered all to put on their best clothing and to gather for a feast of thanksgiving. He memorialized the occasion with a proclamation (La Toma) that claimed the land for the King of Spain. This "La Toma" is one of the great historical events of Post Story Book. Write Pete, Box ney from Santa Barbara, south of North American history, comparable

new and shorter trail through the mouth. A play, the first in America, was written and presented and everyone ate and drank and gave thanks for the welcome bounty.

The day after the feast the colo-Grande toward present day El Paso.) nizers began their journey toward a After plodding through the tortur- new life. It took them four days to arrive at the Rio Grande crossing, near what is now downtown El Paso, and another four months to reach their final destination north of present-day Santa Fe.

> Eight years ago, the El Paso Mission Trail Association, Inc., began a tradition of celebrating the memory of that historic day. This tradition has turned into a three-day event that now includes festivals, parades, armed cavalry battalions, entertainment and much, much more in Socorro, San Elizario and Ysleta as well as El Paso. The culmination of this event is the re-enactment of the colonists' arrival on the banks of the Rio Grande. Set against the grassy slopes of the Chamizal National Memorial, this re-enactment comes to life before the eyes of hundreds as the conquistadors, peasants, monks and fancy ladies appear in full period costume. Horses, sheep, wooden carts, chickens and doves lend the finishing touch to this historical recreation.

Don't miss this unique and extraordinary event April 26-28, 1996. For more information call 1-800-351-6024 El Paso Mission Trail Asso-





### **The Good Weekend**

Anna, Pedernales Falls State Park. der water and listened to the sound I An unseasonably warm weekend with remembered making in the Bosque temperatures well up in the 90's was river when I was 14. The same kind a welcomed break from a very stress- of peace surrounded me that whole ful couple of weeks. The park was weekend. I climbed down inside a wonderful with panoramic views of hollowed out giant cypress tree and rolling hills covered in cedar trees. squatted there pretending to be the old The rocky river valley with its crys- momma raccoon I stole babies from tal blue pools of fresh cold water with when I was 12 in Tyler. I felt her

things at an open fire and felt safe ing up through the roof of my new from the worry of wildfire like in replacement tent we had gotten be-Bastrop county. Anna poked at an cause my Christmas tent was stolen. armadillo that thought he was hidden. We walked and climbed cliffs of gigantic white boulders and yelled to weekend's peaceable feelings. Things the tops of our voices just for the fun have come to take away those good of it. Terry read magazines while feelings but thanks so far that weekreclining in a hammock I'd rigged over a gurgling spring that sprung out and death. It's wonderful how good of the heart of the earth. Anna fished sometimes good things are. but failed at it but was never discouraged and we swam in what felt near

I visited along with Terry and to freezing water. I clicked rocks unwonderful sandy beaches was en-chanting. excitement and then her remorse. We took pictures and told made-up We were all calm and roasted stories and slept on rocky ground star-

> This weekend we were happy and came home longing to hold onto that end was more powerful than injury /s/Michael R. Moncus

Playing the leading role of Jenny

is Samantha Hall, a junior at Leakey

# **"Insurance Scams Target Seniors**"

Older Texans' Special Need for financial security and concern about burdening their families make them inviting targets for insurance fraud and misrepresentation.

Fighting insurance fraud is our highest priority at the Texas Department of Insurance (TDI), and we come down particularly hard on those who victimize senior citizens.

To avoid becoming a victim, you need to know what insurance fraud looks like and how to protect your-It is especially important to self. verify the license and check the complaint status of agents or companies that approach you by calling TDI's Consumer Helpline, 1-800-252-439.

Here are some signs of potential fraud and misrepresentation, along with tips for protecting yourself:

· An agent or other insurance sales representative urges you to pay cash.

Pay only by check or money order made out to the insurance company or insurance agency - not to the individual agent.

A sales person or telephone caller claiming to be from Medicare or the Social Security Administration makes an insurance sales pitch.

This is against the law. File a complaint with TDI (P.O. Box 149091, Austin, TX 78714-9091) against anybody who claims to be from Medicare, Social Security or another government agency and tries to sell you insurance.

last chance at a special deal or appealing to your sympathy with a hardluck story.

Ask someone you trust to be present during an agent's visit to your home. Don't buy on the first visit.

# **More on Supplements**

**Contributing Writer** 

The article is based on uncopyrighted writings of Earl Mindell, R Ph., Ph.D., America's best known pharmacist.

The F.D.A. (Federal Drug Administration) would like to ban all vitamin supplements containing more than its recommended daily allow-ance, (R.D.A.) It claims that vitamin supplementation above this level is unnecessary; however according to Dr. Mindell its recommendations are too low.

You would need to eat large amounts of food in order to get the

· You receive a mailer offering special information on Social Security or new federal tax laws if you'll just return a postcard. The mailer looks like it came from the government and might even have a Wash-ington, D.C., return address.

Before giving out any information about yourself, be aware that the card may bring an agent to your door with an unwanted - and possibly high-pressure - sales pitch.

· You are told you need an insurance policy to avoid burdening your family.

Resist appeals to guilt. Buy only the insurance you need and can afford.

· A salesperson urges you to cash in your certificates of deposit (despite the interest penalty) and put the money into investments, annuities or life insurance policies.

Seek advice from your accountant, attorney, financial adviser or a trusted friend or relative before committing to any unsolicited investment. Read life insurance and annuity contracts carefully to make sure you understand the guaranteed interest rate, surrender charges (early withdrawal penalties), and - in the case of annuities the payment starting date. Remember that the primary purpose of life insurance is to replace a family's income if a breadwinner dies prematurely. Life insurance rates can be quite high for people past retirement

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healthy person.

Excess of vitamin C beyond a person's need is excreted from the body, not stored; therefore toxicity is not a consideration. Antibiotics are useless against viruses, but vitamin C helps to prevent viruses from penetrating cell walls where they can create damage. The over prescribing of antibiotics for bacterial infections has resulted in certain bacteria developing immunity to the treatment, requiring the development of newer and stronger antibiotics, a vicious cycle.

Dr. Mindell declares "Vitamin and mineral supplements taken in appropriate doses are capable of conquering today's most serious diseases and dosage of vitamins and minerals that health problems." As compared to prescription drugs they are safe, nontoxic and have no deleterious side effects.

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### **Casting Call** "The Glory Road" presented by The Old Quarry Society Directed by Harrell Floyd **Music By Lynn McNew Performances will be:** June 28th and 29th, July 6th at the Fort Clark Amphitheater Auditions will be held at Town Hall 7 P.M. April 22, 23,24,25,29, and 30 **Openings** for: Male & Female Speaking Parts Soldiers & Townspeople **Remember The Heat Last Year?**





### **Uvalde Arts Council Presents** "Jenny Kissed Me"

Uvalde Arts Council, Inc. will present its next production "Jenny Kissed Me" with opening night on Saturday, April 27 at 8:00 P.M. Joe Stevens of Austin has been hired to direct this play. Stevens will be making his fifth directorial visit to Grand Opera House, having previously directed "Butterflies Are Free", "Picnic", "Steel Magnolias" and "The Rainmaker". Stevens has acted professionally in 20 feature films includ-Massacre: The Return". He has also performed in several TV movies and mini-series including "Streets Of Laredo" and has made one or more appearances on TV shows such as "Walker, Texas Ranger", "Heaven Help Us" and "Unsolved Mysteries."

The local production he will direct is the story of a charming young girl who comes to live with her aunt who works as a housekeeper for the pastor of Mt. Matthew'st Father is in the late middle years and a tower of authority. The 18 year old is the precise opposite of the kind of smart, sophisticated lady that exasperates Father Moynihan, the plot centers

High School who just recently made her Opera House debut as Lilli in "Carnival". The role of Father Moynihan is being portrayed by Willis Springfield, who last appeared on this stage as H.C. Curry in "The Rainmaker" and as E.K. Hornbeck in "Inherit The Wind". Willis lives with his wife, Ford, in the old family home and raises cattle, sheep, and ing "Lone Star", "What's Eating Gilbert Grape" and "Texas Chainsaw cast are some of the other members of the "Carnival" crew who portrayed the following roles in that production: By Tom Powell, N.D. Alex Garver (Jacquot, Paul, The Puppeteer's Assistant), Terasee Houlihan (Greta, The Fortune Teller), Ramon "Sandy" Sandoval (The Smooth-Talking, Womanizing Magician) and Rachel Woodman (The First-Card Girl). Also coming back to the Opera House stage are Jan Elliot, Ralph Carpinteyro, Vicki Arnold, Amanda Dulin, Jennifer Ellinger, Jenni Smith, Erin Elliot, Haylea Ray, Mendi Woodward, Jordan Winston, Michelle Gonzalez,

Becca Elliot and Camille Landman. Performances are scheduled for around the priest's clumsy edeavors Saturday, April 27th, May 2, 3, and to make Jenny attractive to the boys. 4th at 8:00 P.M. with a 2:30 matinee The priest is so successful in doing on Sunday, April 28, 1996. Tickets are \$8.00 for orchestra seats and \$6.00 for premium seats with \$1.00 discount for senior citizens (over 65) and students. Seats can be reserved by calling 210-278-4184. The Uvalde Grand Opera House also takes Visa,

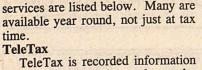
Someone uses high-pressure tac-

so that he nearly overplays his hand. A romance runs through the play, which ends with the engagement of Jenny to an attractive, somewhat older man, who tries in earnest to be fair and give her the chance to meet eligible, younger men. He risks losing Mastercard and Discover Cards. her in the process.

are available in supplements as I pointed out in the previous article. For example, you would have to drink eight glasses of orange juice daily to get 1,000 mg of vitamin C, and that's only half of the amount, 2,000 mg, recommended by Dr., Mindell - a maintenance amount for the average

Statistics from the American Association of Poison Control Centers and the National Center for Health Statistics show "zero" annual deaths from all vitamins, uncontaminated

Country Legend Ray Price sings a few songs at Memós **60th Anniversary Celebration.** 



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on specific tax topics such as who must file and the earned income tax trained volunteers to prepare basic tax credit. Many topics are in Spanish. In addition, TeleTax provides automated refund status checks. Instruc- abilities, and non-English speaking tions on how to use TeleTax, the list taxpayers with their taxes in locations of topics and telephone numbers are convenient to their customers. Call in the tax forms package, in Publication 910, Guide to Free Tax Services, and in the Spanish-language Publication 579SP, Como Preparar la Declaracion de Impuesto Federal. To order, call 1-800-829-3676.

### Tax Help for Hearing Impaired

Tax information over the telephone is available for the hearing impaired who have access to TDD equipment. To get tax help, call 1-800-829-4059. Check the tax forms instructions for the hours of operation

### **Tax Forms and Publications**

essary to fill out federal income tax returns, the IRS has a number of publications to help taxpayers understand taxes. The tax package has information on publications and forms that may be used in filing a return. To order publications and forms, call 1-800-829-3676.

### **Braille and Large Print Material**

Braille federal tax materials are available at Regional Libraries for the Blind and Physically Handicapped in conjunction with the Library of Congress. These materials include Publication 17, Your Federal Income Tax; Publication 334, Tax Guide For Small Business; and Forms 1040, 1040A and 1040EZ, and Schedules A and B, with instructions. Publication 1614 has large-print copies of Form Check Tax Return for Mistakes

The Internal Revenue Service pro- 1040, its schedules and instructions. Publication 1615 has large-print copies of Form 1040A, Schedules 1, 3 trained volunteers. Some of these and EIC, and their instructions. They services are listed below. Many are can be used as worksheets to figure your tax.

Free Tax Help

### Tax Help from Volunteers

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) and Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) provide speciallyreturns. VITA and TCE volunteers help older individuals, those with disthe IRS office for the nearest location.

### Help to Fix Tax Problems

People who have not been able to resolve a problem with the IRS can get help. The Problem Resolution Program (PRP) can cut through red tape to help resolve problems that form and schedule. haven't been settled through normal channels. Call the IRS and ask for PRP

#### **Guide to Free Tax Service**

Publication 910 describes yearround services, tax time assistance and frequently requested free publi-In addition to the tax forms nec- cation. Use the handy order form in tion 910 or call 1-800-829-3676. File Late, Sort Of

> People who can't meet the tax filing deadline can send Form 4868 to the IRS and get an automatic fourmonth extension of time to file...sort of like permission to file their tax news, is available in a variety of forreturn late. But along with the form, they should send in the estimated tax they owe. People who can't pay the full amount should still send in the form and pay as much as they can, because the penalty for not filing, or filing late, is higher than the penalty for paying late. And the IRS charges interest on any taxes paid after the due date.

Some of the more common errors could easily be eliminated if people and publications is available by calltook the time to double check tax re- ing the U.S. Government Printing turns. Omitting important informa- Office's Superintendent of Docution, such as a Social Security num- ments at 202-512-1800. Ask for stock ber, can delay the processing of a number 648-095-00004-0. return. The refund, if one is due, TeleTax Recorded Tax Messages 1will be delayed while the IRS writes to ask for missing tax schedules or other information. A refund may be ish, to assist people lost without the correct name and address.

After completing the return, review each line to be sure that the right information is on the right line. Check math to avoid mistakes in figuring total income, taxable income, balance due or refund amounts. Verify that name and Social Security number are correctly written on each

Many people make the mistake of using a tax amount from the wrong column in the tax table or forget to line. sign and date the return. On a joint return both husband and wife must sign and date the return.

One last reminder to those rushyour tax package to order Publica- ing to meet the tax deadline on April 15th at midnight, put the correct postage on the envelope before dropping Technical help is available at 703it in the mail.

#### Tax Help Is A Call Away

Tax information, like today's mats. The Internal Revenue Service offers tax help in print, through computer. Here are some helpful phone numbers to remember at tax time and all through the year. Numbers beginning with "1-800" are toll free. **To Order Forms and Publications** 1-800-829-3676

Most publications, some in Spanish, are listed in Publication 910

800-829-4477

A CD-ROM with most IRS forms

Over 140 messages, some in Span-

**Automated Refund Information 1-**800-829-4477\*

Check on a refund - Publications 910 and 579SP (Spanish) have details (\*California residents, please check either publication for correct phone number in your area.) Hearing Impaired 1-800-829-4059

Tax assistance - Must have access to TDD equipment FedWorld\*\*

Federal tax forms, publications and other information available on-

\*\*Access "IRIS" on FedWorld by modern at 703-321-8020; or through the Internet via Telnet (fedworld.gov); file transfer protocol (ftp.fedworld.gov); or World Wide Web (http://www.ustreas.gov). 487-4608.

#### **Sending Mail To The IRS?**

Always remember to use enough postage and put a complete return address on any mail to the IRS. Otherwise, it can be delayed getting there, and that could cost a person penalties, interest and frustration. **Missing W-2** 

Employees must get their Form W-2 by January 31. Those who haven't received their W-2s shortly after that should ask their employer for one. If by February 15 there is still no W-2, call the IRS for help at



The Calderón Sisters shown left to right Jacque Calderón, Moisann Calderón Holt and Jana Calderón.

### Memó s 60th Anniversary

Blondie Calderón and family wish Wednesday, the 13th, the Calderón to thank their customers for joining in the celebration, March 12, 13, and

The entertainment was fabulous! Along with Blondie, his daughters Jana Calderón, of Dallas, Jacque Calderón of Houston, and Moisann Calderón Holt of FlowerMound all joined in to sing a few songs. drove in to help celebrate. Blondie's son, Cinco, who is attending Sul Ross State University at Alpine also joined the celebration! Blondie's wife, Dolly and his daughter Patricia Ray took care of the party arrangements. One lots of fun and entertainment.

family celebrated the 80th birthday of None Calderón who along with her husband Memo Calderón established Memo's Restaurant in 1936. This was one of the many joys in the celebration! To end the celebration with a bang - country legend, Ray Price

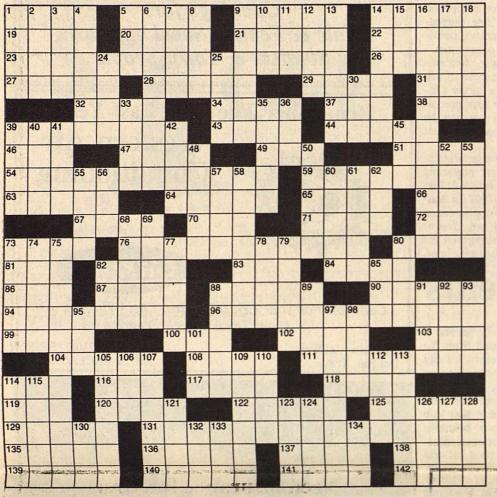
For the icing on the cake, Blondie's grandson - James Frederick Holt joined the Band on vibes and timbales, doing "La Bamba".

Bottom line: 3 sold out nights and

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## The Brackett Rews.

### Natasha's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You're charismatic and a joy to be with this week. Singles are apt to meet with romantic introductions unexpectedly. In general, things are going pretty much your way now. This weekend is a great time to get out and about and enjoy social activities.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Early in the week, a social function connected with work brings career opportunity. Be sure you explore how best to take advantage of this good fortune. The weekend brings a positive financial development for the whole family.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Couples will want time for just themselves this week. However, this isn't really possible until work is out of the way. Good news may come about a financial matter. New inspirations relate to business.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) It's a lovely week for interests of the week is strongly on partnership and heart and activities with children. Couples are on the same happy wavelength as well. Don't let all this good feeling sway you from tasks at hand. Otherwise, part of your CAPRICORN (December 22 to hand. Otherwise, part of your weekend is spent making up for lost January 19) You could be making a time

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Benefits come through friendship early in the week. Some are invited to visit friends who live far away. Singles find their romantic prospects are excellent at this time. This weekend, accept social invitations.

22) You'll be happily engaged most you this week rather than your intelof the week with a do-it-yourself lect per se. Others are impressed by the office. As the week progresses, week. This weekend, enjoy leisure you feel the need to kick up your events and happy romance. heels a bit. The weekend is excellent

for entertaining guests at home. happily now to your best advantage. Couples make happy decisions inhaps it's time to splurge on that home-improvement project you've



been contemplating.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) It is easy to reach agreements with others. Some will be enjoying local sightseeing early in the week or an exciting day trip to somewhere special. This weekend, leisure events and romance are happily highlighted.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) The emphasis this cooperation. At home, your feelings for your mate grow stronger. Later in the week, you meet some interesting

major purchase for your home this week. Some will receive a gift or favor from a family member which doesn't require reciprocation. This weekend, there's a happy emphasis on domestic interests.

AOUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) It's your charm and VIRGO (August 23 to September friendliness that will open doors for project or work brought home from what you have to say later in the

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) It's worth your while to look for LIBRA (September 23 to October bargains if you're out and about 22) Business and pleasure combine shopping this week. Despite pressing demands at work, rest and relaxation will appeal to you. You need to pace volving the use of joint funds. Per- yourself so that you can accommodate this feeling.

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# **GREAT CUTS** For Back to School

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# **Tiger Tracks**

### **Tiger And Tigerettes Tennis**

This weekend, the Tiger and went on and fell in the 4th round 0-6, Tigerette tennis team traveled to a 1-6. meet.

Caleb Crumley, a sophomore from Brackett, fell in first round action to Bubba Moerbe from Uvalde 3-6, 4-6. David Melancon and Lional Caleb lost to Jose Jimenez 3-6, 2-6.

Ramos, Tiger partners, also lost in the first round to Cruel and Ramirez from Crystal City 3-6, 6-3, 5-7. Jackie Smith, Terri Esparza, and lost in the final round 0-6, 2-6.

James Hernandez and Colby Crosby all got a bye the first round.

Terry Esparza lost to Ashley Hahn from Jordanton 3-6, 2-6. Jackie Smith lost to Jucknies from Knippa 1-6, 0-

In the third round, Terry Esparza lost a close one to Garza from Pleasanton 6-4, 4-6, 6-7.

In the third round Jackie Smith picked up a win by default. Jackie Tigerettes.

# **Tiger Track**

traveled to Uvalde to compete in a Lional. track meet full of larger schools.

says, "We're doing good. Our effort is outstanding. Every kid on the team tries his hardest and gives 100% all the time.

We get experience with each track meet we attend. Last weekend was a good learning experience for us. Each meet we attend prepares us better for district.'

Lional Ramos ran a personal best in Uvalde. He ran 1 mile in 4 minutes and 58 seconds. Most of us couldn't run a mile in under 10 min-

3rd round they were beat 1-6, 2-6. At this meet there were 3 5-A schools, 3 4-A schools, 6 3-A schools, 2 1-A schools, and us, the only 2-A

> school there. Keep up the hard work Tigers and

Caleb Crumley beat Gallegos from

David Melancon and Lional

Jordanton 6-1, 6-1. He then won 6-0,

7-5, and in the next round he won 2-

6, 6-0, 6-2. In the consolation finals,

Ramos went on to win their next 2

matches 6-1, 6-1; 6-4, 4-6, 6-4. They

James Hernandez and Colby

Crosby went on to lose their first

match 2-6, 2-6. They then won their 2nd round match by default. In the

> matched the Lady Pirates of Lytle and the Tigerettes together. The Tigerettes were defeated 18-

control in the first inning outscoring the Tigerettes 6-2. In the second in- and 1 R.B.I. ning, the Tigerettes gained a run to take a 6-3 deficit into the 3rd inning. In the fourth inning, the Lady Pirates scored 8 runs and shut the Tigerettes out. The Lady Pirates, scored 4 more drew 10 walks, stole 6 bases, and had runs in the fifth inning to give the 3 R.B.I.'s

another district battle. This one

Friday, the Tigerettes suited up for final score of 18-3.

Lindy LaMascus, and Suzie Hernandez did it at the plate for the Tigerettes.

Lindy went 2 for 3, had 2 doubles, 3. The Lady Pirates started taking 2 R.B.I's, and scored once. Suzie went 1 for 3, had 1 sacrifice, 1 single,

> The 2 other runs came from walks to Debra Frerich and Patty Lopez.

> As a team, the Tigerettes went 3 for 15 from the plate, scored 3 runs,

### **Tigerettes Fall To Cowgirls**

eled to D'Hanis to face a district op- Tigerettes gained two in the second ponent. The previous meeting of the to take a 5-4 deficit into the 3rd intwo teams resulted in a 13-3 victory ning. The Cowgirls took that run in favor of the Tigerettes.

Tigerettes were sitting at the top of their district until this upset. The Cowgirls defeated the Tigeretttes 13-

Lindy LaMascus took the loss on the hill for the Tigerettes.

The Cowgirls turned it on from the beginning taking a 5-2 first in-

Last Tuesday, the Tigerettes trav- ning lead over the Tigerettes. The back in the third. In the fourth, the This time it was different. The Tigerettes scored 4 and the Cowgirls scored 5. In the fifth the Cowgirls took 2 more.

The Tigerettes earned one more run in the seventh inning to give us our final of 13-9.

D'Hanis scored 13 runs on 11 hits and 9 errors.

The 9 errors killed the Tigerettes.



### The Brackett Mews.



Lady Pirates Roll

**Past Tigerettes** 

Saturday, the Tiger track team utes; Lional ran it in 4:58. Way to go

"The Tiger Track Team is full of Track Coach Art Finkenbinder young runners who are improving each meet," says Finkenbinder.

Brent Smith in the 300 Intermediate Hurdles. Demetrius Williams, J. Wayne Ballew, Luis Guajardo, and David Honstein run the sprints for the

Tigers. David also runs the 800 meter run. Moses Hernandez, James Hernandez, Wes Baker, and Aaron Taylor throw the shotput and discus

for the Tigers. Good luck in District Tigers!

## **Tigers Crush Utopia**

to Utopia for their second match-up with them.

ate them 19-0. This meeting was a bit closer at 15-2.

The Tigers started Ruben Terrazas on the mound as he picked up his first win. Ruben faced 13 batters, struck 1 out, and gave up only 2 hits and 2

runs. Brian Hooker came on in relief in the fourth inning. Brian faced 10 batters, struck 5 out, and gave up no hits and no runs. Ramon DeLeon and Mike Padron

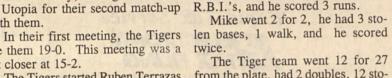
did it at the plate for the Tigers. Ramon went 2 for 2, he had 2 record to 10-5.

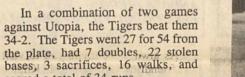
Last Tuesday, the Tigers traveled doubles, 2 stolen bases, 2 walks, 2 R.B.I.'s, and he scored 3 runs.

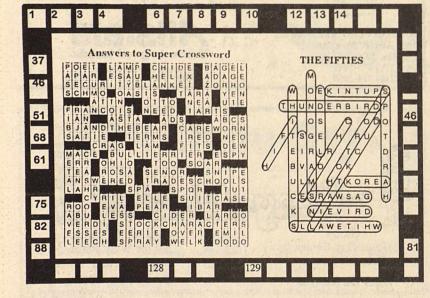
from the plate, had 2 doubles, 12 stolen bases, 1 sacrifice, 9 walks, and scored 15 runs.

In a combination of two games scored a total of 34 runs.

This victory jumped the Tigers







### **BISD Cafeteria Menu**

Parents Welcome To Join Their Children At Breakfast Or Lunch

There are 16 School Days In The Month Of March. Clementary @ \$1.10 = \$17.60 Middle And High @ \$1.25 = \$20.00 Milk Served With All Meals "B" Line Everyday Salad Bar Daily.

**Breakfast Menu** 

FRIDAY, MARCH 29 Sweet Potato Bread Fruit Or Fruit Juice

MONDAY, APRIL 1 Waffles Syrup Fruit Or Fruit Juice

TUESDAY, APRIL 2 Grilled Blueberry Muffin Fruit Or Fruit Juice

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3 Cheese Toast Fruit Or Fruit Juice

THURSDAY, APRIL 4 HOLIDAY

Milk Served At All Meals Three Choices For Breakfast: 1. Printed Menu; 2. Cereal, Toast, Fruit Or Juice; 3. Two Toasts, Fruit Or Juice Grades 6-12 Will Be Offered One Earen Bread (Cenin Product Extra Bread/Grain Produc

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### Lunch Menu

FRIDAY, MARCH 29 Cheese Pizza Choice Of Veggie Fruit

MONDAY, APRIL 1 April Fool's Day Hot Dog French Fries Veggie Sticks Peanut Butter Cup Fresh Fruit

**TUESDAY, APRIL 2** Baked Ham Slice W/Pineapple Glaze **Ouick Bake Potato** Seasoned Veggie Sweet Potatoe Pie Roll

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3 Hamburger Burger Salad French Fries Puddin' Cake

THURSDAY, APRIL 4 HOLIDAY

Saturday the Tigers held only their came on in relief for the last 2 insecond home game of the year against nings Asherton.

The Trojans were scheduled for double, 1 triple, 1 stolen base, 1 walk, a double header but only played one. The Trojan coach said they only had enough players for 1 game, go figure.

Ramon DeLeon picked up his 7th win from the hill as the Tigers trashed the Trojans 14-0.

Ramon faced 12 batters, got 6 strike outs, gave up 0 hits, 0 runs,

and upped his record to 7-1. Jorge Rodriguez and Mike Padron

Michael went 2 for 2 with 1

4 R.B.I's, and he scored 3 runs. Brian went 2 for 3, with one double, one single, and scored 2 runs. As a team, the Tigers went 12 for

25, with 6 doubles, 2 triples, 8 stolen bases, 1 sacrifice, 4 walks, and they scored 14 runs. The Tigers upped their record to

11-5 with this win. Way To Go Tigers

### **Tiger Batting Average**

**Tigers Trash Trojans** 

Name	At Bats	Hits	Average
Mike Padron	58	.31	.534
Beau Smallwood	39	18	.461
Rene Luna	34	13	.382
Ramon DeLeon	52	31	.574
Brian Hooker	47	21	.446
Jorge Rodriguez	50	20	.400
Ruben Terrazas	38	12	.315
Butch Lopez	27	12	.444
Micheal Meyer	14	5	.350
J. Wayne Ballew	17	6	.352
Demetrius Williams	11	2	.189
Patrick Munoz	20	8	.400
Jacob Mann	3		
Wes Baker	2	1 1 1 1	.500
Luis Rivas	1	-	81.205 (01th)

The Tigers finished non-district play on Saturday. They were off Tuesday and they will open district in Dilley on Friday. Good Luck Tigers!!!!!!!



**Tigerettes Take 2nd In Home Tourney** 

their second annual Tigerette Tournament

Although the Tigerettes were the host team, they were also the smallest team there.

Among the schools were 5-A Eagle Pass, 5-A Del Rio, 3-A Devine, 3-A Pearsall, 3-A Bandera, and 2-A Brackett.

Despite the size difference, the Tigerettes tore it up. They opened their tournament action with 5-A Eagle Pass.

Against Eagle Pass, the Tigerettes grabbed a first round with 4-1.

Lindy LaMascus grabbed a win on the hill for the Tigerettes. Lindy pitched a 3 hitter and gave up only 1 run against a school 3 times the size of her own.

The Tigerettes scored 4 runs on 4 hits, 5 walks, and 1 error. The Tigerettes stole 10 bases throughout the contest.

Amy Bader had 3 at bats and walked 3 times; she scored twice, ning lead. after stealing 2 bases.

Lindy LaMascus went 2 for 3, stole 3 bases, had 2 R.B.I.'s, and scored the Tigerettes another 2 runs.

gave up 3 hits, only walked 3 batters, struck one Lady Eagle out, and gave up only 1 run. Her pitching record stands at 5 wins and 3 losses.

against the Lady Bulldogs of Bandera in second round action.

Bandera, who was defeated by Eagle Pass 15-0, wasn't quite ready for the Tigerettes.

The Tigerettes started slow in this second round action as the Lady Bulldogs took an early 6-2 first inning the championship, is nothing to be lead. The Tigerettes battled back in ashamed of. the second inning to take a 6-6 tie into the 3rd inning.

third outscoring the Lady Bulldogs 8-2 taking a 14-8 lead into the fourth and final inning.

through. They battled back in the and 5 singles. Lindy stole 7 bases fourth to score 5 runs to give the Tigerettes a scare.

Runners were on second and third, with 2 outs in the bottom of the fourth, when Lindy LaMascus caught a fly ball in center field to end the game at a score of 14-13.

This victory gave the Tigerettes an

Saturday, the Tigerettes hosted automatic trip to the championship. Courtney Harrison grabbed the win on the hill for the Tigerettes.

Lindy LaMascus went 3 for 3, with 2 doubles, 2 stolen bases, 3 R.B.I.'s and she scored twice. Chica Garza went 3 for 3, with 1 double, 3 stolen bases, 3 R.B.I's and she scored once. Debra Frerich went 1 for 1, with 3 stolen bases, 2 walks, 1 single, 1 R.B.I., and she scored 2 runs. JoLee Jones went 2 for 3, with 2 doubles, 3 R.B.I.'s and she scored 2 runs.

The rest of the runs came from Amy Bader with 2, Courtney Harrison with 1, Jessica Payne with 1, and Patty Lopez with 2.

In two rounds the Tigerettes outscored their opponents 18-14. They would face Devine in the championship, who in 2 rounds outscored their opponents 27-0.

The championship game started out fairly slow. The Tigerettes jumped out to an early 1-0 first in-

By the end of the third inning, the Tigerettes still had a 1-0 lead. Devine had a big fourth scoring 6 runs as the Tigerettes scored only 1 more. This Lindy LaMascus faced 17 batters, gave the Arabians a 6-2 lead to take into the fifth inning. The Tigerettes scored 1 more to take a 6-3 deficit into the 6th inning.

The Arabians scored 7 in the 6th This victory plotted the Tigerettes to give us our final score at 13-3.

A 13-3 loss is nothing to be ashamed of after looking back on what the Tigerettes accomplished throughout the tournament.

Beating the 5-A Lady Eagles 4-1, the 3-A Lady Bulldogs 14-13, and falling to the 3-A Arabians 13-3 in

Way to go Tigerettes!

The Tigerettes Lindy LaMascus The Tigerettes ran away in the and Courtney Harrison were named to the All-Tournament team.

Lindy won one game and lost one game on the hill. She went 8 for 9 at The Lady Bulldogs weren't the plate; hitting 2 doubles, a triple, and had 7 R.B.I.'s.

Courtney picked up a win on the hill, and went 3 for 7 from the plate. Courntey stole 4 bases and had 1 R.B.I.

Way to go Courtney, Lindy, and the rest of the Tigerettes. **CONGRATULATIONS!** 



can choose from activities of all sorts the school year. We usually don't to entertain or inform. This week, I want to talk about the following:

One Act Play "The Neighbors" - UIL Contest Public School Week In Texas Patrick Regan's Bagpipe Concert FCS Annual Meeting

Last week, I was fortunate enough to accompany Director, Merry Beth Mills, to San Antonio for the district UIL performance of Brackett High School's one act play entitled "The Neighbors." I accompanied the cast and helped chaperone them. Dee Curry also shared in this duty. The kids were wonderful. They behaved beautifully, represented BHS well, and gave an inspired performance. The costumes were well done as was the set. The play has a strong message about neighbors helping neighbors. It's about small town or rural USA in the olden times. The strength of community is what binds us together today in Kinney County, USA. Thanks for a great show students and sponsor. DON'T FORGET THE DINNER THEATER AND PLAY PERFORMANCE THURSDAY, MARCH 28

This week is public school week in Texas. Our staff has worked really hard to get a special show ready for the public. I spend more time in elementary school these days; so I will tell you that each teacher has gone out of the way to design beautiful art ing. work, special exhibits and to display student work in just the right way. The secondary staff is happy for you to visit, but we might be better served

The week is a busy one. Folks with a meet the teacher night early in get much of a turnout at the secondary school for open house. I believe in public schools. We get kicked

around a lot. But, folks let me tell you we perform better than schools did in the days of yesterday. I was there in fine schools and will put our public schools up against the best in the country. We work hard have a grand staff and go to school each day thinking that we can do the job better. With that attitude, we'll be better tomorrow than we were today. Public Schools, here's a tip of the hat to you.

I hope that you will take the time to come listen to the bagpiper, Patrick Regan Friday, March 29. His program looks like it will be fun and interesting to listen to. The Kinney County Arts Council continues to do an outstanding job bringing quality entertainment to Kinney County. We

The Annual Meeting for the Fort Clark Springs Association will be held Saturday morning at the Amphitheater. Fort Clark Springs welcomes its members home for the meeting. The meeting place will better accommodate the membership. Members, come to the meeting and enjoy the barbecue at noon following the meet-

That's about it. There's so much to do this week that you'll have trouble doing it all. Have a great this new service will work, you may week!

### **Brackett One-Act Play** Wednesday, the Brackett One-Act chosen to advance.

bers.

Play cast and crew traveled to St. Phillips College in San Antonio for their U.I.L. (Universal Interscholastic League) Contest.

The play this year is "The Neighbors". It is a play about a small town community that bends over backwards for each other. A lady's nephew is coming to live with her and the 'Neighbors" do everything they can to help her out.

That is not much information about the play. You will just have to come support the One-Act Play cast and crew tonight, (Thursday). It is the 2nd annual dinner/theatre. The dinner starts at 6:00, when everyone is finished eating, the play will begin. Please come support our young actors and actresses.

Phillips but unfortunately, it was not 3:30!

### **Kinney County Public Library**

We are very excited about all the new technology coming to our library, beginning with the Internet system that should be installed sometime next need your support, 8:00 P.M. at the month. We will soon have access to Fort Clark Springs, Amphitheater Friday, March 29. BE THERE! the CARL system as well, thru CARL patrons will be able to connect to the patrons will be able to connect to the San Antonio Public Library on a 1-800 number in search of books, magazines, videos etc. The San Antonio library system will be providing us with two new upgraded computers and will help provide for the Internet. The Computer that was given to us last summer was taken back to be upgraded or replaced. Later this year or early next year we should be receiving a Satellite System also thru SALS. For more information on how contact the library staff.

> We are so lucky to have such talented people living in our community, every now and then several of them will share their talents with us, right now we are proud to announce that Mr. Don Huebner has done some beautiful paintings regarding the history of Kinney County and surrounding areas. These paintings may be seen in the Fritter Building during our open hours. We are also fortunate enough to have a different painting each month done by members of the Fort Clark Springs Art Club. Drop in and take a look.

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

Library Staff, Board and Volunteers

SWTJC

Lackland and Lytle were chosen to advance. The actors and actresses are: Brian Hooker as Peter, Katie Hall as Miss. Abel, Denice Frerich as Inez Abel, Tina Meek as Grandma, Amanda Meek as Mrs. Moran, Windy Goodloe as Mrs. Trot, Reccia Jobe as Ms. Elsworth, Lealand Card as Ezra Williams. Debra Frerich, Amber Davis and Renee Miller crew mem-

Mention All-Star Cast at the U.I.L. Contest

The play is under the direction of Merry Beth Mills. Remember! The play will be performed one last time

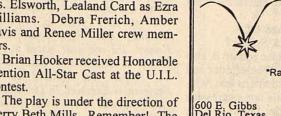
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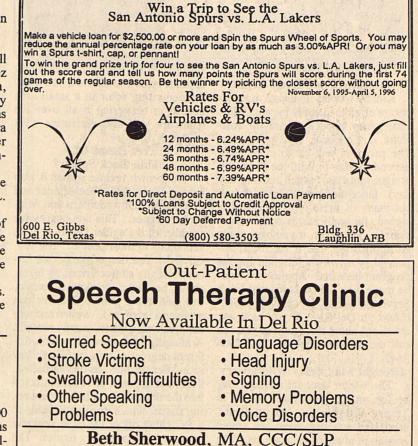
# tonight, March 28, come one come **BISD Board** Election

Friday, March 22, 1996, at 8:00 a.m. the ballot position drawing was held in the central office. The following names will appear on the Brackett Independent School District Board of Trustee ballot in the following order: Jim Bader, Travis Meyer, Steve LaMascus, and Carroll Petrosky. 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 shall be mailed to BISD Early Voting Clerk, Theresa Davis, P.O. Box 586, Brackettville, Texas, 78832. Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on April 26, 1996.

The general election will be held May 4, 1996, at the central office from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.





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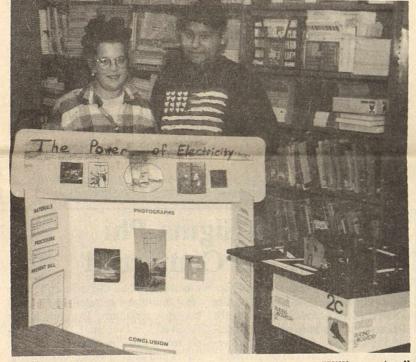
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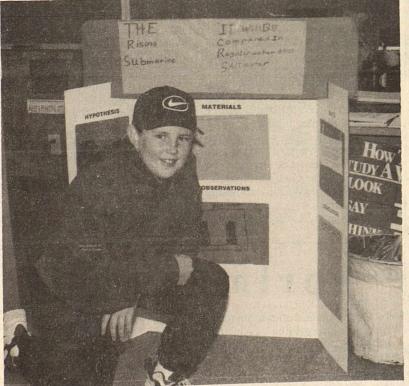
# **Brackett Open House**



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5th Grade - The Power of Electricity: Megan McWilliams, April Martinez, Nicole Mata (not pictured).



5th Grade - The Rising Submarine: Jessie Davis



4th Grade - Ms. Hooker and Stephanie Coronado and parents John & Connie Coronado. Stephanie watching herself on the video.

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### **Phil Lyne** Roping

Ropers across the country are sharpening their roping skills for the 20th annual Southwest Texas Junior College Phil Lyne Roping that will take place March 29, 30 and 31 on the SWTJC campus in Uvalde.

The first event of the three day week-end will begin March 29 at 6 p.m. with the alumni team roping. This roping is open to anyone that has ever attended SWTJC.

"Yearly, we host the alumni roping in order to renew old acquaintances and allow our former students to see the changes that have occurred on the campus over the years," explained Merrill Angermiller, SWTJC public information officer.

An open team roping will follow the alumni roping where cowboys and cowgirls will compete in four separate go-rounds of competition.

March 30 roping action begins at p.m. with an invitational calf roping. The top professional calf ropers in North America will compete for a total purse of \$15,500 in prize money.

1995 Pro Rodeo Cowboys Association world champion calf roper, Fred Whitfield of Cypress will be one of the top flight contenders during the event March 30.

Cody Ohl, the 1994 PRCA Rookie of the Year, will go head to head in an eight calf match roping with 1995 PRCA calf roping national finalist, Shawn McMullin of Irran.

The 20th annual event will conclude March 31 with the invitational steer roping which will begin at 1 p.m. Guy Allen, eight times PRCA world champion steer roper will compete against the fields of 35 ropers for his share of the \$22,000 in prize money

The SWTJC Phil Lyne Roping is named in honor of SWTJC alumni Phil Lyne, a former PRCA world champion all-around cowboy and steer roping champion. All

proceeds from the three day event will benefit the SWTJC Rodeo

Scholarship Fund. "Harris Western Center in Uvalde will be the official ticket outlet for the 20th annual event. They have been a sponsor of the roping for well over 10 years and we value their contributions," explained Angermiller. Interested individuals can call

(210) 278-4401, Ext. 222 for more information.

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**Emergency Feed Program Established For Kinney County** Kinney County livestock producers are eligible to apply for the USDA Emergency Feed Program for costshare on livestock feed purchases. The program will be in effect until the end of May or until the Farm Bill is signed into law (which could be any day). Once the Farm Bill, which will cut many of these type programs is signed, no applications will be considered. However, if you have made an application and it has been approved, you will be eligible for the program benefits. Application must be made with the Consolidated Farm Services Agency, formally the ASCS office, in Del Rio. If you have any questions about the program you can call the CFSA office at (210) 775-3442. **Drought May Delay Wildflowers** 

The winter drought's effect may be felt on the wildflower season in Texas. Wildflowers, like all plants, need rain and they have not gotten enough in much of the state yet. The winter drought could delay the first bloom which means we won't get to enjoy them as long this year. Chances are the wildflowers will still bloom later in the season and will mean they will simply have a shortened season. However, with the lack of rain, those wildflowers that do bloom will be in plain sight and not covered in grass, as is usually the case when we receive a lot of rain in the spring. Bluebonnets, which are native to Texas, should not be as adversely affected by the dry weather because they are more accustomed to the lack of moisture than some of the other wildflowers.

#### More On Flowers... Perennial Vs. Annual

It's a decision anyone who enjoys flowers has to face. Do you plant annuals and have to replace them each year? Or do you choose perennials that come back year after year? Something that many people don't consider is that perennials take work, too. They need to be divided once a year. If you want spring blooms, you divide in the fall. If you want fall blooms, you divide in the spring. One good idea might be to plant both perennials and annuals. Cool season annuals such as pansies and snap dragons can be planted early in the year. Warm season annuals such as zinnias

spring. What you plant and where depends on how much color you want. Concentrating color in a small area instead of scattering it all over the landscape will also determine what to plant.

### **Ever Heard Of A Fiddle Back Spider?**

The brown recluse spider is also known as the fiddle back spider and is found in many southern and Midwestern states. This non-aggressive member of the spider family is quite venomous to most people. The sensitivity or reaction of the person bitten is usually characterized by fever, chills, headache, weakness, nausea, and pain in the joints. The bite can produce a large, red, swollen and tender area with a blister usually present. A stinging sensation along with different degrees of pain usually follow soon after the bite has been inflicted. The small amount of venom infected into the skin usually kills the surrounding tissue, which eventually leads to a sloughing off of the dead skin and exposing the underlying tissues. The area of the bite heals very slowly.

The coloration of the "fiddle back" varies from orange-yellow to dark brown. The whole body and nonhairy legs together are about the size of a half dollar. It is easily identified by the fiddle or violin shaped mark-ing on its back. This notorious pest usually is found both inside and outside the home in areas like storage buildings, garages, cellars, bathrooms, closets and in dark cracks and crevices. Another important area which they like to hide is in clothing that has been hanging undisturbed for a long time.

Living with any type of spider in and around the home or office can have its ups and downs. If you're like my wife, there are NO advantages to living with a spiders. But it should be emphasized that we are close to and live with numerous other spiders that contain venom and are capable of inflicting an irritating and painful bite, however, most of these spiders are seldom involved with human contact. The majority of these eight-legged creatures are predatory and highly beneficial when it comes to controlling small insects that invade your home.

If you suspect that you have been bitten by a brown recluse spider, it is certainly a good idea to seek medical attention from a doctor. If possible, and marigolds should not be put out bring the suspect with you so that a until the danger of frost is past in the positive identification can be made.

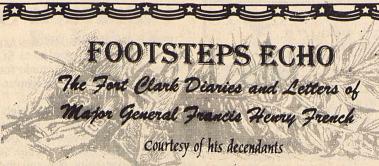
Francis Henry French was born in Fort Wayne, Indiana on September 27, 1857. Deeply impressed from his youth by the stirring deeds and stories told by veterans of the Civil War, he realized his ambition for a military career by entering the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York where he graduated twelfth from the Class of 1879. He was assigned as 2nd Lieut of "E" Company 19th In-fantry 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.

### Tuesday. March 25 1884

Took usual walk this morning. Sgts. Kibbets and July returned last night and reported after guard mounting. They found land all right, but are undecided whether to go over there or not. Advised them to go when their time is out. Went down to Quartermaster's to get coffin made for Thompson's mother who died last evening. Attended a murder trial in the court house in Brackett with Capt. Feche't & Geary. Judge Paschal presided. Went over for a while in the afternoon with Shunk. Returned to practice vocal lesson. Capt. Vance and Hewitt went out fishing today; so I dined alone. Went out to stables as usual. Received order in regard to July and was much disgusted to learn that he was acquitted. Gen. Smith approved the finding; so this is



ended. In evening called at Col. Bliss' and then spent time until ten o'clock in examination by Maj. Witherell in masonry. Commenced to read after coming home, but fell asleep. Geary came in & Shunk and I both went to sleep on him

#### Wednesday. March 26 1884

Took usual walk this morning. Was much disappointed in not getting a letter from home. After guard mounting Guard, Hewitt and I played tennis, the server having a partner. Enjoy the game more and more every day. Wrote usual letter home in the afternoon, and practiced vocal lesson. Went out to camp as usual. Went to promenade concert with Capt. and Mrs. Feche't after trying four or five houses to get a partner. The concert was very pleasant but rather warm. Walked home with Mrs. then read Feche't and "Communism and Socialism" until bed time. Took a bath before retiring.

### Thursday. March 27 1884

Overslept myself this morning and missed usual walk. Received a letter from home that ought to have come Monday. Was very sorry to learn of Date Nutteman's death. After guard mounting Guard and I vanquished Hewitt and Hammond at tennis but had hard work. Soon after one o'clock Shunk and I went over to make a short call on Judge Paschal and found him quite entertaining. Returning went to the store for a while and afterwards practiced vocal lesson and wrote to Lizzie T Hoagland. Went out to stables in evening. Chaplain, Capt. Boyd and King gave a literary entertainment to the men this evening. Went over for a while and then called on Mrs. Hall. Afterwards was fortunate enough to beat both Capt. and Mrs. Feche't at cribbage, playing separately with each of them. Played on the violin and read until bedtime.

Friday. March 28 1884

Eckerson was Officer of the Guard this morning, so missed usual walk. After breakfast played tennis a while with Mrs. Guard but it was pretty warm. Made engagement to go to a picnic tomorrow with Miss Kauffman. Issued clothing to Wilson (Wm.) this morning and then took clothing rolls and book over for Geary to sign. Received letter and bundle of papers from home this morning. Went over to the library and read for a while. Read papers from home and practiced vocal lesson until dinner. Went out to stables as usual and witnessed part of parade after coming back. In the evening called with Shunk on Mrs. Remington, Mrs. Hammond and Mrs. Heger. Played whist at the latter place, Mrs. Thomas & I against Mrs. Hall and Shunk. Made up with Shunk in it if possible to avoid it. He talks too much, sometimes laying down his cards just to talk. Hall told me that the Seminoles will start two weeks from today for Mayers Springs.

#### Saturday. March 29 1884

Took usual walk. A letter came from Nason this morning written before mine to him was received. After guard mounting went out on a picnic with Miss Kauffman. Miss Armour and Eckerson rode in same ambulance. Had pleasant weather and congenial company and enjoyed the day very much. Went out near Pinta Mountain about seven miles from the Post, returning before retreat. Afterwards played tennis with Hewitt, Hammond and Guard. Did not go out to stables this evening. Went to choir practice after dark and then went to Mrs. Hall's where she and Capt. Vance were beaten at whist by Hewitt and self. Had lunch of cake. Felt tired out at bedtime. Received letter from Marie today.

#### Sunday. March 30 1884

Eckerson overslept himself this morning; so did not take usual

# The Brackett Mews.



walk. Received a letter from Nason returning check for \$200 sent him to purchase pigs. Feel sorry to give up this investment but think it is best as they will need money at home to pay the expenses of Sue's wedding. Marched on Officer of the Guard in Shunk's place relieving Geary. Spent the day at the Guard House. Wrote a letter home and one to George. In the evening read "Communism and Socialism" and "Bread Winners." Officer of the Day inspected at 11-45 P.M.

#### Monday. March 31 1884

Read "Bread Winners" until 1-30 A.M.; felt very tired on retiring. Officer of the Day inspected just before reveille. Was relieved by Shunk. Guard mounting was earlier than usual on account of monthly inspection. After shaving went over to town & secured two postal orders for \$100 each. Then sent them to Father to apply on what I owe for that land. Afterwards played a few games of tennis, Guard & I versus Hewitt &

Hammond. Compared muster rolls & made out Monthly Return and then played billiards with Geary until dinner time. Went out to stables as usual. In evening read "Communism & Socialism". Vance Jr. came in & called until tattoo. He spoke very entertainingly about his service in the Mediterranean squadron. Went over to see Hewitt just before tattoo but he was out. Returned & completed some official returns. Sent pay accounts to Maj. Bash today and asked for a N.Y. check for \$25.00 to send to Father to take up the first note.



## Free Poetry Contest

A \$1,000 prize is being offered in a free poetry contest sponsored by the International Library of Famous Poets. There is no entry fee and everyone is free to enter by the deadline of May 7.

Poems may be written on any subject, using any style, but please keep copies as none can be returned. Winners will be notified by the end of June.

year," says the famed Beverly Hills Poetry Editor Dr. G. Charles Nash, "because it encourages beginners. We want to find the best grassroots poets among those writing in Texas, and in the Brackettville area in particular.'

To enter, send one poem of 21 lines or less to: Free Poetry Contest, 421 N. Rodeo Dr., Suite 15-544, This is our favorite contest of the Beverly Hills, CA 90210.



A.A.: Open meeting, Monday and Friday, 8 PM, Slator Hall, James St. Las Moras Masonic Lodge 444: 2nd Tue. 7 p.m., Lodge Hall, Ann St. Band Booster Club: 1st Tuesday, 7 p.m., High School Band Hall BISD School Board: 2nd Monday, 6:30 p.m., School Board Room **Beta Sigma Phi** 

R of J Beta Epsilon Omicron (Sept-May) 2nd & 4th Monday, 7 p.m. **Preceptor Theta Sigma** (Sept-May) 1st & 3rd Monday, 7 p.m. Laureate Iota Epsilon (all year) 3rd Monday, 7 p.m. Boot Scooters: Thursday 7:00 PM, Town Hall, FCS

Mountain Laurel Garden Club: 2nd Thursday, 10 a.m. Adult Center Kinney Co. Chamber of Commerce Board: 2nd Thu. 6:30 p.m. FC Restaurant

City Council: 1st Tuesday after 2nd Monday, 6:00 p.m., City Hall K.C. Commissioners Court: 2nd Monday, 9 a.m., Court House Del Rio Christian Women's Club: 1st Wednesday, 12 Noon San Felipe Country Club.

Reservations required.

FCS Pot Luck Supper: 3rd Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Service Club. Bring covered dish, plates and utensils.

FC Duplicate Bridge: Tuesdays, 7 p.m., Adult Center FCS Art Club: Work days Monday and Saturday a.m., Meeting 1st Monday, 1 p.m., Art Studio

FCS Community Council: 2nd Saturday, 10 a.m., Shafter Hall. FCS Board of Directors: 3rd Saturday, 10:00 a.m., Board Room FCS Historical Society: 4th Saturday, 9:30 a.m., Palisado Building. FCS Museum/Sutler's Store: Saturday & Sunday, 1-4 p.m. FCS Ladies Luncheon: 2nd Wednesday, Noon, Las Moras Restaurant.

Make reservations at Adult Center. FCS VFW #8360 & Auxiliary: 4th Monday, Service Club

6 p.m.Pot Luck, 7 p.m. Meetings FCS Old Quarry Society: 1st Monday, 6 p.m., Adult Center. Friends of Library: No regular schedule. Call library for info. K.C. Historical Preservation Society: 4th Thursday, 7 p.m., Court House.

KC Kickers: 2nd and 4th Thursday, 7:30 p.m., Service Club. Knights of Columbus: 1st Sunday, 12 Noon, Parish Hall. Lions Club: 1st and 3rd Thursday, 6:30 p.m., Las Moras Restaurant. Order of Eastern Star 204: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.,

Masonic Hall, 407 Bedell, Del Rio. FC Shrine Club: 4th 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.



Sunday after church hungry citizens line up for senior class barbe-



Alvin, Johnny, Tanya and George McClure.

### **McClure Brothers are really Cookin!**

The preparations completed for the Brackett High School Seniors Bar-B-Que. There were four professional sized cookers all stoked up and ready to use. Forty pounds of beans, 400 pounds of chicken and 5 large tubs of rice were prepared.

The McClure's; Johnny, Alvin George and Tanya (Alvin's daughter and the BHS Senior in charge) were all milling around armed with giant forks and spoons ready to turn or stir all the food as needed.

Cooking began at noon Saturday and the McClure's watched the food all through the night. The tasty meal was delivered to Happy Shahan Park just in time for the hungry public to devour.

Johnny McClure and Alvin McClure are well known and very sought after cooks for large Bar-B-Que's around Kinney County. George McClure travels around Texas and Oklahoma entering Bar-B-Que Cook-off competitions. George has several sponsors; Schafer Brewing Company, H.E.B. food stores and Winn Dixie Food stores. We couldn't find Sonny Girl

Dimmery for a picture, but want everyone to know she was the chef for all of the delicious rice. The seniors Bar-B-Que was a great

success, thanks to the McClure's, the Senior workers and of course all of you who purchased meals. Thank you all.

Members of Theta Sigma Chap- members circled the table and in the ter met in the Fort Clark home of Ann Hibler, Monday evening, March 18. Prior to the business meeting, beautiful Beta Sigma Phi candlelight ceremonies were conferred upon deserving members Ann Hibler, Alicia Rayner and Doraline Kellar.

Having completed pledge training, led by membership Chairman Marge Geeze, Ann Hibler and Molly Schroeder were eligible for the first Beta Sigma Phi degree, the Ritual of Jewels. The ritual was conferred upon Ann Hibler by Luella Gilliland with Clara McCord assisting. Molly Schroeder, unable to attend, will be honored in the near future.

The Laureate Ritual was conferred upon Alicia Raymer by Theta Sigma Laureate members. Lou Green served as officiant of the closed meaningful ritual with Bobbie Waddill and Marge Geese assisting.

Following the Laureate Ritual 17

final traditional candlelight and yellow rose ceremony Doraline Kellar received her Preceptor Degree conducted by Preceptor Dee Gaston with Jean Land and Pat McKelvy assisting. Doraline choose the Blue Jewel of Humility as her guide for the Futurek.

President Luella Gilliland conducted the business meeting where plans were discussed for the Annual Founders Day Celebration to be held April 30, a secret ballot taken for the chapters woman of the year to be announced on Founders Day and the officers for the 1996-97 year were elected with installation slated for a later date.

Hostess Ann Hibler served an attractive array of hot and cold snacks, tantalizing dips, moist crunchy cake squares, salted nuts, coffee and tea. This reporter over heard several request for recipes.

The April 1st meeting will be held in the home of Luella Gilliland.

# Spring Fling

There were 72 ladies in attendance Green, J. Sanchez, Flo Stafford, for the "Spring Fling" (Which the ladies renamed the Winter Round-up). Temperatures ranged from the high of 55° to a high of 44° the second day. These tough golfers came from Darden, Velma Odem, Nell Darling, as far away as; Marfa, Alpine, Marty Redman, Eilleen Voracek. Carrizo Springs, San Antonio and Bandera.

Silver hat decorated with 25 dollar Boyington, and Betty Schlatterer. bills, silver basket with 25 silver golf nated by Roger Kurz.

Gave Kurz.

Tie for second 67 - Pat McKelvy, Willie Null, Margo Kindrick, D.

Tied for 4th 68 - Betty Lee, M. Conley, K. Bridges, Jean Petaja, Door prizes were given away: Jackie Marrs, May Roper, C. Tie for 6th 69 - D. Hardin, Joyce balls, cooker and golf bag donated Williamson, Betty Inman, P. by the men's golf association, gift Mayfield, L. Benge, Marge certificates from Diane's, putter do- Madirich, Jo Workman, B. Young, Cissy Elkins, Luella Gilliland, Juanita

Winners: 1st place 62 - Lou Pratt, and Janet Christenson.

### ATTENTION !!!

Kinney County Little League registration & tryouts to be held at the Little League field. on

> Friday, 3/29 - 5 To 6 PM - Registration Friday, 3/29 - 6 PM - Tryouts Saturday, 3/30 - 3 PM - Tryouts

The Little League Association requires tryouts (Friday or Saturday), for a child who is registering, for the first time, with the KCLL

Assoc., or a player advancing to the next level; for example, T-Ball to Baseball/Softball or Baseball/Softball to SNR. League. Late and final registration will be 3/30 between 1-3 PM at the Little league field and late fee is \$20.00.



First Baptist Church Rev. Gil Ash, Pastor

Just a few days ago I received my copy of James Dobson's "Focus on the Family" magazine. On the back cover was a letter from a subscriber. She told of an incident that occurred while in school in which during an English class they began to discuss how symbols can communicate a concept quickly. The example of a skull and crossbones denoting poison was used. Several other symbols were presented to the class and the students were asked what each one meant. When the symbol of the cross was called out as a symbol of death, one girl disagreed saying it was a symbol of resurrection and life. The room fell silent for the point was well taken.

As we approach the "PASSION WEEK" because of the person of

The Pastor's Pen' Jesus Christ, everything about it points not to dying and death but to resurrection and life. The symbol we most often think of throughout this time is the cross, but the greatest symbol to me is the empty tomb. You see Jesus was buried in a borrowed tomb. It was just borrowed because he was going to give it back shortly. He didn't need it on a permanent basis, just for three days. For three days, Low in the grave He lay, Jesus my Savior, waiting the coming day, Jesus my Lord. Up from the grave He arose with a mighty triumph o'er

His foes. He arose a victor from the dark domain and He lives forever with the saints to reign. He arose! Hallelujah, Christ arose!

Frontier Baptist Church Rev. Joe Townsend, Pastor

There are many things about Heaven and Hell we cannot know. However the message of Jesus in the 16th chapter of Luke regarding Dives and Lazarus helps us to know many things. These two men went immediately to their eternal abode. There was no in between stopover. They went to places of fixed and eternal nature. There was no way for either to go the place of the other. One was in the eternal abode of God's children. The other went to an eternal Hell. He found it to be almost intolerable and begged for easing of the torture. It is conclusive that they recognized each other. One in Hell and another in Heaven recognizing each other and the difference of their situ-

less his brothers turned to Christ, they would join him in Hell. He recognized the value of trusting Jesus so as to avoid an eternity in Hell. Their destination was determined in this world and life. When they died, nothing could interfere with

their destiny. This was determined while they were alive in the flesh. If we cannot believe this message in God's Word from Jesus, how can we believe any part of His Word or Him. There will be another message

from God's Word next Sunday at Frontier Baptist Church. Come and See.

Church

210-563-9175

First United Methodist Church Rev. Sheree Harris, Pastor

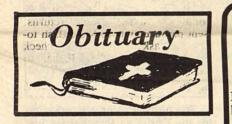
"And miles to go before I sleep, and miles to go before I sleep."

Those famous lines at the end of a poem by Robert Frost remind me of a fundamental of life: life is a journey

For the past five weeks, during this season of Lent, we have looked at five different spiritual disciplines: self-denial, prayer, Bible study, reflection, and confession. These disciplines are "tools" commonly practiced to aid in our journey through Lent to the cross and ultimately the resurrection. Now for the hooker in all this - they're also good tools for the journey through life.

To be sure, life has a purpose and we have goals, and hopefully we're "going somewhere." Sometimes, however, we're so busy going and goal-setting (even when the goal is resurrection) that we miss the point. Life is the "going" not the destination

eternal life, or life with God) doesn't have to begin after our physical death. Life with God is available to us right here and right now. The journey is traveling to God and ever closer with



God.

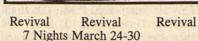
Where were you and God 10 years ago? How close were you? How about a year ago? Where do you want to be a year from now? How close do you want to be? If the answer is "closer," I commend to you the practice of the spiritual disciplines for your journey of life. They can help draw you into closer communion with God and closer community with other pilgrims.

Next week, Holy Week, we will look at worship, the gathering of the community of faith, as the final discipline and preparation for Easter Sunday. If you would like to do more than read about it, I invite you to gather with us at First Methodist at 7:00 p.m. Thursday, April 4, for a communion service as we remember Jesus' Last Supper, and 7:00 p.m. Friday, April 5, for a service of darkness (tenebrae) as we remember The life we seek spiritually (i.e. Jesus' suffering and death. Jesus promised to remember us when he got to heaven, let us remember him on earth.

> Until then, blessings on you, pilgrim.

ATTENTION !!! EX-STUDENTS AND FRIENDS OF J.L. BALLANTYNE You are invited to help Ms. Ballantyne celebrate her 95th said.

birthday. Sunday, March 31st



at St. John's - Time 7 P.M. Special Music byDebbie 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 2nd Chronicles forever. 20:21. Speaker PASTOR: Rev. "Capt." Malcolm T. Johnson of Del 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.

Praise The LORD. 116 W. Crockett Rev. William P. Adams Church Ph. 210-563-2582 Call the church for a ride if needed.

cent 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

quent taxes during the deferral time.

However, filing the deferral affida-

vit will not forgive penalties that were

already due. Also, if the taxes re-

main delinquent more than 90 days

after the deferral ends, a taxing unit

There is no penalty on the delin-

### TAX DEFERRAL AVAILABLE FOR ELDERLY HOMEOWNERS

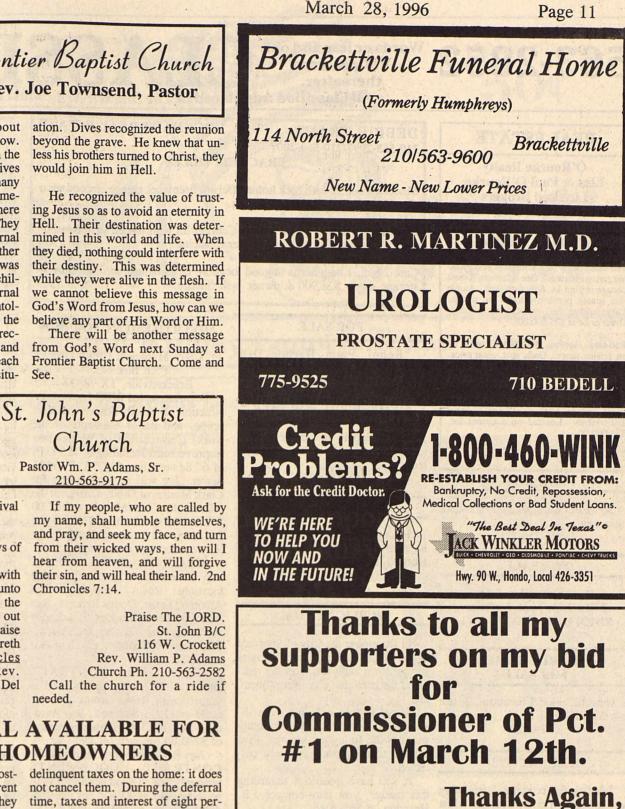
Texans aged 65 or older may post- delinquent taxes on the home: it does pone paying delinquent and current property taxes on their homes. They may take advantage of a tax option called "over-65 deferral" by signing an affidavit at the Kinney County Appraisal District office.

This special form of tax relief also halts a lawsuit filed to collect delinquent property taxes on an older 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 may charge an added penalty if the account goes to a delinquent tax athomeowner cannot lose a homestead because of delinquent taxes," Tidwell torney.

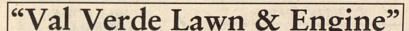
Tax deferral forms are available Once a homeowner files an overat the appraisal district office. "The

interest.'



I support -- Mr. Clean, the ex-Marine. **Re-elect CHARLES BUSHART** City Council, Place 4 - days elaur May 4, 1996 Pd. Pol. Adv. by Jerry Gibson, V.A. Hosp. Kerrville, TX

**Ruben C. Martinez** 

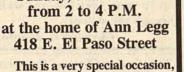


### **Dorothy Catherine** Swanson

Dorothy Catherine Swanson, 52, of Grand Avenue, died Wednesday, March 13, 1996, in her home.

She was born in Superior and lived in Duluth most of her life. She coowned, with her husband, Danish Bakery, Inc., for the past 26 years. She was a member of Elim Lutheran Church.

She is survived by her husband, Dennis; two daughters, Debra Vargason and Darcy Redenbaugh, both of Duluth; her parents, Gordon and Betty Mathison of Brackettville, Texas; two sisters, Marlee Miscevich and Shirley Pirkola, both of Duluth; a brother, Jerry of Duluth; and two granddaughters.



chance to honor a very special person. So Ya' All Come!!

### THANK YOU VERY MUCH

To all the customers who have stayed with Brackett Service Center throughout the 8 1/2 years Bob and I had the station. I want to take this opportunity to thank you for your trust and business. I hope you will continue to support the new owner.

Thanks Again Georgia Thompson



St. Andrews Episcopal Church: Henderson & Fort Sunday Church Service 10:30 a.m. Vicar: Rev. Bill Koons, 563-2071. Frontier Baptist Church (A Southern Baptist Church): Sunday Services 11:00 a.m., 6:00 p.m., Joe Townsend, Pastor, 563-2158. First Baptist Church (A Southern Baptist Church): 307 N. Ann St., Sunday School 9:45 a.m., Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m., and 7:00 p.m., Wednesday Worship 7:00 p.m., Gil Ash, Pastor, 563-2245. Baptist Hispanic Mission: 307 N. Ann Street, Sunday 9:45 a.m.; Wednesday 5:30 p.m.;Friday, 6:00 p.m., Eugenio Duran, Pastor. Church of Christ: N. Ann St., Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship Service 10:30 a.m., Bible Study Sunday 6:30 p.m., Wednesday 6:30

p.m. St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church: Sun. Masses at 8:00 A.M.(Spanish) and 10:30 A.M.(English); Mon., Thurs. and Fri. Mass at 7:00 AM:Wed. Mass 6:30 P.M., Religion Classes Wed. 4:00 and 7:00 PM; Sat. Rosary 7:30 AM, Sat. Mass 8:00 AM and 6:30 PM. Confession Wed. & Sat. 5:30 PM, Rev. Donald R. Lavelle, C.M.F.

St. Blaise Catholic Church: Sun. Mass 12:30 noon. Adult Catholic Explanation and Convert Classes Thurs. 7:00 PM Rev. Donald R. Lavelle. C.M.F.

First United Methodist Church: "Celebrate and Witness" Fellowship 9:30 a.m., Church School Classes 9:45 a.m., Service of Worship 11:00 a.m., Choir Rehearsal Wednesday 5:00 p.m., Sheree Harris, Pastor. St. John's Baptist Church: Crockett at Keene St., Sunday School 10:00 a.m., Worship 11:00 a.m., Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m., Worship Service Thursday 7:00 p.m., William P. Adams, Sr., Pastor, 563-9175. Our Redeemer Lutheran Congregation E.L.C.A: Henderson and Fort St., Sunday 9:00 a.m. Worship, Bible Study every other Sunday 10:00 a.m., Rev. Nathan La Frenz, 563-2047.

**Templo Elim Asambea de Dios:** North Street, Sunday 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., Wednesday and Friday, 7:00 p.m., Rev. Abundio Mancha, Pastor, 563-9237.

Gateway Ministries (Non-Denominational): 301 E. Spring St. (across from post office), Praise & Worship Fellowship Sunday 10:00 a.m., Bible Study Wednesday 6:30 p.m., Robert W. Corey, Pastor, Charolette Corey, Associate Pastor, 563-9331.

praisal district, no taxing unit can start and have the signature witnessed by or continue a lawsuit for delinquent a notary public," Tidwell said. For taxes as long as that person owns and more information, taxpayers may lives in that home.

Tidwell stressed that tax deferral for the elderly only postpones paying

### **"Citizens Concerned About Juvenile Crime**"

"Citizens Concerned About Juvenile Crime" will hold a meeting in the school auditorium on Tuesday, April 9, at 7:00 p.m. Any community member, parent, or business owner who is concerned about the increase in juvenile crime is invited to attend. There will be a presentation and discussion on ways our community can prevent juvenile crime, deal with offenders, hold parents responsible, etc. Please come.

## What Is Fraud?

Fraud is lies or tricks designed to get you to part with your money for products or services that have little or no value. Con artists are sharp, believable, creative -- and they want your money -- usually right now. They use the language of modern science and finance, the newest information and communications tools. Some are even making their operations international.

Being aware, informed, and suspicious is enough to beat fraud. Unlike most crimes, it doesn't involve physical force, guns, or knives. If you're alert to the signs of fraud, you can refuse to be a victim. Following are seven of the most common categories of fraud.

**Health Fraud Investment Fraud Home-Related Fraud Credit Fraud** Telemarketing and Direct Marketing Fraud **Insurance Fraud Car-Related Fraud** In the end, all you need to defeat con artists and their scams is to remember and adhere to this adage: If it sounds too good to be true...it is.

If you need more information or want to report suspected fraud, do call your local Area Agency on Aging at 1-800-224-4262

65 tax deferral affidavit with the ap- homeowner should fill out the form contact the Kinney County Appraisal District, P.O. Box 1377, Brackettville, Texas 78832, (210) 563-2323.

Nobody roots for Goliath.

PARTS ACCESSORIES SERVICE SALES Has Moved to Del Rio Honda Located at 1400 Ave. F. (Former Address was 415 South Main.) 210-775-4618

-Wilt Chamberlain

Come See Us At Our New Home

This is You Opportunity To Nominate Kinney County's **Outstanding** Citizen

Make your nomination for Kinney County's Outstanding Citizen. Use this form (or plain white paper) complete, and mail to Kinney County Chamber of Commerce, Box 386 Brackettville, TX 78832

### NOMINATION FOR OUTSTANDING CITIZEN

Nominee's Name

Nominee's Address

Nominee's Phone

Reason for nomination:

(Attach additional sheet if needed)

Nomination submitted by:\_\_\_\_\_

### Deadline for entries March 29, 1996

The Outstanding Citizen will be announced at the Chamber of Commerce Annual Membership Barbecue Saturday, April 13, 1996



March 28, 1996

### The Brackett Mews.

**Only \$3.00 for 10** Words or less and only 20¢ per word thereafter. CLASSIFIEDS EDR 54 63-2852 563-2852 All Classified Ads placed in The Brackett News must be paid in advance.

### **REAL ESTATE**

**O'Rourke Realty** Elsa & Paul O'Rourke **Licensed Brokers** 210-563-2713 **FCS** Memberships And **Rentals Available** 

For sale: Enjoy inexpensive but very pleas ant living quarters. One bedroom, 1 bath cottage in Unit 14, fully furnished. Ample size screen porch overlooks the woods Large storage shed, membership included Great price at \$25,000.00.

For sale: Approx. 80x100 golf course lot on driving range. Great spot, great price. Build now!

For sale: Maintenance free yard, 2 bed, 1 bath fully furnished townhouse. All appliances, includes washer and dryer, portable dishwasher. Located on a corner lot. \$36,000.00.

### FOR SALE

30 REPO's in stock save thousands - like new.

1-800-756-7711

### FOR SALE

Pizza Ovens For Sale 2 Stackable Lane Airdoors \$2,100 OBO. 210-278-3011

#### **MOBILE HOME** FOR SALE

New 16' wide 4 bedroom, 2 bath only \$247.00

677-0089

#### **HELP WANTED**

2 ladies for cooking & cleaning during Spring Turkey Season. Must Herndon, at 563-2046. be honest and dependable. 563-2883

#### **HELP WANTED**

Need 1 male person for ranch work. Temporary. 563-2883

### FOR RENT

A 3-bedroom Mobile Home Beautiful Fully Furnished Call (210) 690-0609

#### LOCKHART REAL ESTATE **DEBBIE TRANT** 210-563-2997/210-563-2007 BRACKETTVILLE

Modern 3 bed, 2 bath rock home offering fireplace, garage, fenced yard & more! Close to school and store.

Comfortable 3 bed, 2 bath home on corner lot with fenced yard & separate shed. Just \$34,900 with owner financing.

Cute 2 bed, 1 bath home in good location, large fenced yard, carport & storage shed. \$28,900 & owner will finance!

#### FOR SALE

"Repo" Palm Harbor D/W \$26,900 DEL w/ac and appliances. 1-800-756-7711

**MEMBERSHIP FOR SALE** 

Ft. Clark paid up membership w/ lot option available. \$850. Transfer fees paid. 210-620-5962

#### HORSES FOR SALE

Paint pony with complete Cart and harness set \$500. Mexico Ranch Horses1 mare, \$650 - \*1 gelding \$650 Evenings 563-2641

### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

In December the City of Spofford Water Supply collected water samples for coliform analyses. Results indicated the presents of coliform bacte-

Water supply officials were directed to collect five routine monthly samples the following month. Five routine monthly samples were collected.

If you have questions regarding this matter, you may contact J.B.

### **CLOTHING SALE** Saturday, March 30

9 A.M. Till ? Bldg. between Stop-N-Shop & Brackett Service Center

#### **MOBILE HOME** FOR SALE

3 bedroom, 2 bath only \$159.00 per month

677-0089

**MOBILE HOME** FUR SALE

### Ft. Clark Municipal Utility District P.O. Box 1437

Brackettville, TX 78832 Separate sealed BIDS for the construction of (briefly describe nature,

scope, and major elements of the work) Construction of Wastewater Improvements Including 8, 125 L.F. of 6" Sewer Line, 5,425 L.F. of 8" Sewer Line will be received by Ft. Clark Municipal Utility District at the office of Ft. Clark M.U.D. until 2:00 P.M. (Daylight Savings Time) April 16, 1996, and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud.

The CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be examined at the following locations: Rosin Group, Inc. - San Antonio, Texas, Dodge Reports - San Antonio, Texas, Builder's Exchange San Antonio, Texas, and Associated General Contractors - San Antonio, Texas.

DOCUMENTS may be obtained at the office of Rosin Group, Inc. located at 11933 Starcrest, San Antonio, TX 78247-4117 upon payment of \$100.00 for each set.

Any BIDDER, upon returning the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS promptly and in good condition, will be refunded \$50.00, and any non-bidder upon so returning the CON-TRACT DOCUMENTS will be refunded \$25.00.

3/11/96 Ft. Clark Municipal Utility District

#### FOR SALE

Tile top table and four chairs, Honda Passport, Stair Stepper and misc. other things. 563-2089 or 2518 Oak Lane - Fort Clark. Saturday Only

> **CONCEALED HANDGUN** CLASS

### nouncements, and engagements. Thank you notices will be charged at the regular display ad rate. The Brackett News will not be responsible for returning pictures that are not picked up within two weeks. **ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS** City Of Brackettville, Texas

119 W. Spring Brackettville, TX 78832

PUBLIC NOTICE

will be a maximum charge of \$35.00

for wedding announcements, birth an-

Effective March 14, 1996 there

Separate sealed BIDS for the construction of (briefly describe nature, scope, and major elements of the work) Wastewater Improvements including Pond System, Five (5) Sewage Lift Stations, 16,000 L.F. 6"-8" Force Main, 30,000 L.F. 6"-15" Gravity Sewer Line will be received by The City Manager at the office of City Hall until 1:00 P.M., (Daylight Savings Time) April 16, 1996, and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud.

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### ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

### **POSITION VACANCY:** Custodian LOCATION: Brackett Independent School District

TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT:

High School Diploma or GED CDL Driver's license, or completion of CDL, within first six months of employment. **APPLICATION PROCEDURE:** 

Applications will be accepted tracted period). through Wednesday, April 3, 1996. Interviews will begin on Tuesday, April 9, 1996. All interested parties may come to the Central Office to pick up an application. The Brackett Independent School District is an equal opportunity employer.

### **REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

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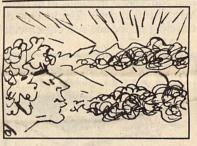
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Sincerely HIS, /s/Marsha H. Harrell Marsha H. Harrell, Secretary WN-LM S.W.C.D. #236 U.S.D.A. - N.R.C.S. Texas Agricultural Extension Service

I will however come in on a volunteer basis for Mr. McWilliams to finish up K.C.L.S. BUSINESS for

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Should anyone care to visit, conis April 12, 1996, 5:00 p.m. at the sult or pray, please feel free to do so Middle Rio Grande Development at my new office location: Marsha Council (Central Office), 1904 N. H. Harrell, HARRELL CONSULT-First Street, Carrizo Springs, Texas ING, 205 S. SWEENEY ST., 78834. Proposals may not be sub- BRACKETTVILLE TX. 78832 or 383.



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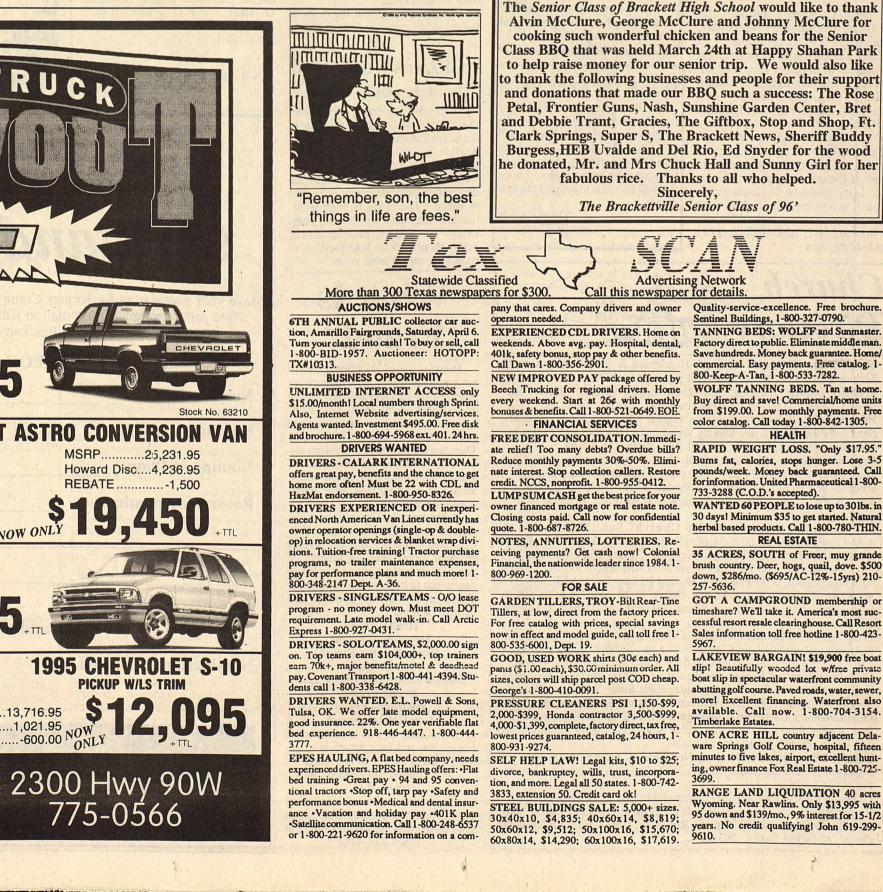
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