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

Fort Clark Officers Row Dedication

Ben Pingnot, President of the Fort Clark Historical Society, provided the history of getting Officers Row designated as a Texas Historical District for last week's paper.



Lt. Col. William F. Haenn arranged for the giant 19x33 flag, shown in background, that flew over the parade ground during the dedication ceremonies. Col. Haenn also made the arrangements for the Eagle Pass Color Guard. Col. Haenn plans to retire within the next two years and move to his Fort Clark home, #25 Officers Row.

OFFICERS' ROW QUARTERS

FORT CLARK WAS ESTABLISHED AS A U.S. ARMY GARRISON IN 1852. THE ORIGINAL QUARTERS WERE CRUDE LOG HUTS AND HOUSES OF PALISADE CONSTRUCTION. IN 1857, A NEW PROGRAM BEGAN TO REPLACE BADLY DILAPIDATED STRUCTURES WITH BUILDINGS OF QUARRIED STONE.

DESIGNED AND CONSTRUCTED IN 1873-74 AS DUPLEXES TO ACCOMMODATE TWO OFFICERS' FAMILIES EACH, THESE EIGHT RESIDENCES CLOSELY RESEMBLE THOSE BUILT ON OTHER MILITARY POSTS DURING THAT TIME PERIOD. THE BUILDINGS REFLECT AN EVOLUTIONARY ADAPTATION OF MILITARY DESIGN SUITED TO LOCAL CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS AND THE REGIONAL CLIMATE. EACH DUPLEX HAS THREE LARGE ROOMS ON EACH FLOOR, TWO FIREPLACES AND A FIFTY-FIVE FOOT FRONT PORCH. AN 1885 REMODELING PROJECT CHANGED THE HOUSES FROM RECTANGULAR TO T-PLAN. THE ARMY CONTRACTED WITH CENTRAL POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY FOR ELECTRICITY IN 1918.

FORT CLARK WAS DEACTIVATED IN 1946 AND SOLD TO THE BROWN & ROOT CORPORATION. IN 1971, THE FORT PROPERTY BECAME "FORT CLARK SPRINGS," A PRIVATE RECREATIONAL COMMUNITY. THE OFFICERS' HOUSES WERE RENTED TO MEMBERS AND GUESTS UNTIL 1974, WHEN THEY WERE OFFERED FOR SALE TO MEMBERS OF THE FORT CLARK SPRINGS ASSOCIATION.

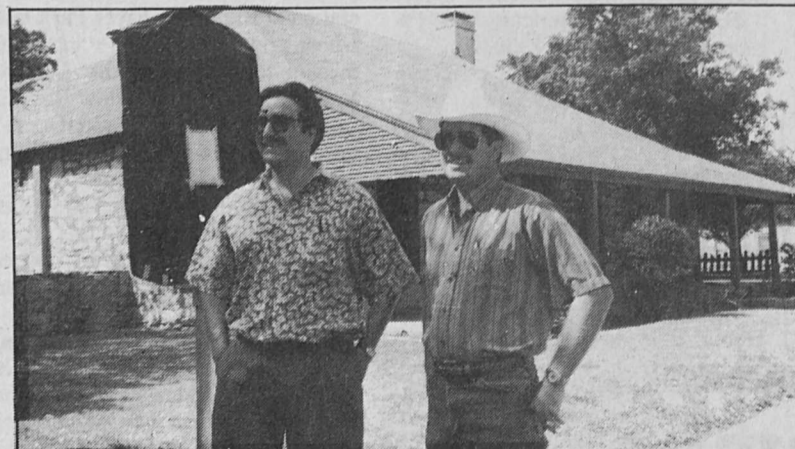
RECORDED TEXAS HISTORIC LANDMARK - 1971



Col. (Ret) D.M. McMains was on hand for the dedication. When he was stationed at Fort Clark, he quartered on Officers Row (#11) where Saturday's reception was held. That home is now owned and occupied by Bob and Barbara Niemann.



FC resident Peter Pohl visits with Ron C. Tyler, Ph.D, Director, Texas State Historical Association, who gave the principal address on Fort Clark's significance to the history of the Southwest.



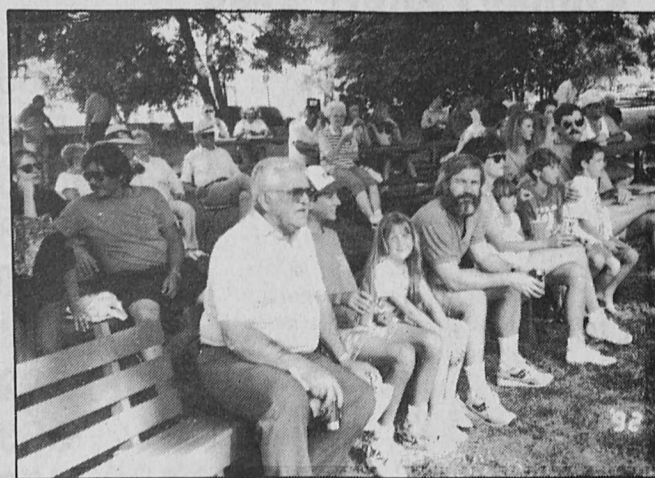
State Representative Pete Gallego and Kinney County Judge Tim Ward await in front of the Historical Marker for the ceremonies to begin.



The Eagle Pass Color Guard presented the colors at the dedication ceremonies.



FORT CLARK DAYS: (Left) Vance Ray of Midland tries the Rotary Club's Sling Shot Golf; Kinney County Chamber of Commerce President Larry Sofaly and Mark Johnson take a break from cooking chili; part of the crowd enjoying the fiddling of the Haygood Family.



New Ambulance Ready For Service

Editor's Note: The Brackett News pictured the new ambulance last week. A salute goes to the E.M.S. for all their service including working to obtain the Meadows Foundation Grant. Special appreciation to Kay Smith for the following information.

By KAY SMITH
EMS Director/Coordinator

The Kinney County Emergency Medical Service (E.M.S.) is a county administered department located in Brackettville, Kinney County, Texas, 120 miles west of San Antonio on Highway 90. It is surrounded by 4 other rural counties, Edwards to the north, Uvalde to the east, Maverick to the south, and Val Verde to the west.

A salaried Director/Coordinator manages the daily operations of the service. In addition six Texas certified attendants receive monetary incentives of \$100.00 monthly, with a supplement of \$20.00 per transport. Depending on the work force available and the needs of the service, these paid technicians are expected to accept calls approximately 30+ hours a week in addition to their regular job and family obligations. In addition, four volunteer technicians and five volunteer drivers remain available to supplement the regular staff. Acting as first responders, covering staffing shortages and multi-casualty incidents, the volunteers continually support the County Emergency Medical Service.

All continuing education courses, drills and seminars are attended by volunteers and paid personnel on personal time. This often requires using annual leave from their regular employment.

The E.M.S. responds to all emergency calls in Kinney County, presently operating two Basic Life Support ambulances, answering an average of 15 - 20 calls per month. Calls range from Multi-Casualty/Multi-Trauma Motor Vehicle Accidents, General Trauma, Cardiac and Diabetic emergencies to interdepartmental standby for the Volunteer Fire Department, Police, Sheriff, and U. S. Border Patrol agencies. On a voluntary basis technicians provide coverage for all local events such as home football games, rodeos, fairs, etc., at no cost to the various organizations served.

United Medical Center, a small Family Practice Clinic located in Brackettville serves all of Kinney County. The clinic has a minor emergency treatment room. As a doctor and medical personnel are not available on a 24 hour, 7 day a week basis, the clinic cannot be considered for receiving all emergency patients requiring skilled care.

The nearest hospitals are located 35 miles west in Del Rio, 45 miles east in Uvalde, and 45 miles south in Eagle Pass. Laughlin A.F.B. Hospital, 25 miles west, receives only military personnel and dependents. The closest major Trauma Center is 120 miles east in San Antonio.

In mid 1991, we began to realize there was a definite need to consider the purchase of a new ambulance. Our secondary ambulance (donated to our service by Nat Mendolshon the original developer of Fort Clark Springs Association) is a 1976 Type II, (High Top Van). The communication and medical equipment had become obsolete, difficult and expensive to maintain. The vehicle and it's equipment had proven to be unreliable, often breaking down while transporting patients to the hospital.

When this vehicle was urged into service, technicians not only faced the prospect of critical life threatening emergencies, but had to cope with the likelihood of vehicle breakdowns while anticipating essential equipment failures. Additionally, they had to contend with outdated communication equipment, requiring the technician to interrupt patient care to communicate with dispatchers, law enforcement, support personnel and hospital medical direction. Diminished trans-

mission distance and communication channels being used to capacity was another burden on the technicians.

Owing to the many problems encountered by using the secondary ambulance, the primary ambulance, a 1985 Type III (commonly called a specialty van or modular) was required to support the greatest part of the emergency load. Consequently it exhibits signs of age and rapid deterioration. Therefore the same problems faced in using the secondary ambulance could soon be expected with the primary ambulance if a remedy was not initiated in the near future.

Kinney County is a rural to wilderness area covering 1,391 square miles having a total population of 3,119. The county is comprised of the towns of Brackettville (population of 1,740), Spofford (population 68), and the private resort community of Fort Clark Springs (estimated population 780).

The remoteness of the area increases response time combining to form major factors in patient morbidity. At best, quick response to emergency calls is difficult and taxes the resources of our emergency medical system. With inadequate, unreliable, and outdated equipment, the task of responding to and safely transporting our citizens and the countless visitors to our area could become nearly impossible.

To improve vehicle reliability, we hoped to retire the 1975 Chevrolet Type II ambulance by August of 1992 placing it into service as a much needed Rescue Vehicle for the Brackettville Volunteer Fire Department. A new Type I truck would be purchased and assigned as the primary ambulance, with reassignment of the Type III modular ambulance currently in use as our primary unit to a secondary vehicle. This would improve response and transport reliability and minimize much of the expense of repairs.

Secondly, installation of new mobile multi-channel radio equipment on each ambulance would give technicians access to all medical facilities, law enforcement and support personnel. The addition of hand held two-way radios would allow technicians in the field to communicate critical information to support personnel, without interrupting patient care.

The installation of mobile telephone equipment in each ambulance would allow technicians to communicate directly with physicians and nurses. Transmitting and receiving vital information critical to care, while maintaining complete patient privacy. This also would permit technicians to receive lifesaving directions from the receiving hospital, while eliminating many problems encountered by using multi-user radio channels.

Last, replacing outdated medical equipment and adding specialized patient monitoring equipment would enable the technicians to improve the quality of care, enhance patient comfort and confidence, and reduce morbidity.

The E.M.S. Department had been spared cuts in 1991-1992, retaining its operating budget of \$37,000 which includes salaries and estimated revenues generated of \$5,000. Since no provisions had been made in past budgets for capital replacement, no plan could be made in the 1991-1992 budget for immediate purchase of a new ambulance. The 1991-1992 budget did provide a designated fund allowing for replacement and repairs in future years.

The possibility of achieving our goals was discouraging, until we contacted several ambulance sales representatives in regards to the cost of a new unit. They all en-

couraged us to look into obtaining a private grant for at least a portion of the funds we would need. Then by coincidence a tiny ad appeared in The E.M.S. Messenger, a monthly publication for Texas E.M.S. services.

The ad advertised a grant writing workshop being held by The Texas Historical Commission's Main Street Project. E.M.S. Director/Coordinator Kay Smith was sent to the workshop by the county in hopes of obtaining some insight into the process and feasibility of obtaining a grant for a new ambulance. Kay came home with an arm load of information and a basic plan of action. With the commitment of matching funds obtained by the county through certificates of obligation, as well as letters of support from the County Commissioners Court and the City of Brackettville the project began.

The project involved the development of a needs analysis, basic proposal, bid specifications and cost analysis for the ambulance and equipment. With all this completed, research was begun to ascertain which foundations would be most likely to respond favorably to our proposal. Finally three foundations were chosen. The Meadows Foundation located in Dallas was the first choice. The proposal was made.

We had been told numerous times the probability of receiving a grant from the first foundation we applied to was unlikely. We were prepared to receive a rejection. To our amazement we received a positive response. On January 10, 1992, we received word our proposal was being considered and would go to the foundation's Grant Review Committee for final decision. We began to pray. On February 24, 1992, it happened - our grant proposal was approved. On April 10, 1992, a check in the amount of \$39,624.84 was received by County Judge Tim Ward. Our prayers were answered.

On June 26, 1992, Crew Chief Steve Stafford and EMT Electronics and Technical Systems Advisor Chet Puda flew to Orlando, Florida, to take possession of our new ambulance. They, with the new ambulance, arrived in Brackettville on Monday, June 29, 1992.

The ambulance is now undergoing preparations for the Texas Department of Public Health Inspection for certification. We expect to begin using it by Monday, July 13.

The E.M.S. would like to take this opportunity to give a very heartfelt thanks to the Meadows Foundation and to all those who took part in the planning and the preparation of the grant proposal. A special thanks to Judge Tim Ward, Janice Floyd, the Kinney County Commissioners, Jean Hood (for editing), Candy Tyer (for typing), Steve Stafford and Chet Puda (for their expertise, time and technical assistance). We would also like to thank the many who gave us a word of encouragement and lots of moral support.

Cost Of Ambulance Equipped

\$79,249.69

Meadows Foundation Paid \$39,624.84

Paid From Local Funds \$39,624.85

Those of you in the community who would like to send their personal thanks to the Meadows Foundation should address their correspondence to: Michael K. McCoy, The Meadows Foundation, 2922 Swiss Avenue, Dallas, TX 75204.

Sheriff's Corner

By Sheriff Norman H. Hooten



A folding steel ladder valued at \$200.00 reported stolen from a Telecoin service truck while the installer was working on Ft. Clark June 24th has been recovered and turned in to Ft. Clark Security. The ladder was found in a drainage ditch near the golf course by a Ft. Clark resident on July 3rd who then contacted Ft. Clark Security. The ladder will be returned to Telecoin at the earliest possible opportunity.

At approx. 5:30 am on the morning of July 3rd a report of a drunk woman causing a disturbance near a residence on East Spring St. in Brackettville. The report was investigated by this writer, with the end result being that the woman, a 40 year old Brackettville resident, was placed in Protective Custody at the Kinney County Jail until such time that she had sobered up enough to be released. The woman suffers from mental disorders and alcoholism and we have had numerous problems with her over the past few years and have

transported her to the Kerrville State Hospital on mental health and alcoholic commitments several times. She has been fined hundreds of dollars by Justice Court for public intoxication and we have reached the point where we have accepted the fact that she will be one of those recurring problems we have to learn to live with. Everybody has to be somewhere, and she's here.

We have received several complaints over the past few weeks of someone shooting from public roads in and around the Spofford area creating apprehension and danger to Spofford residents. Though we have had an identified suspect during this period we had been unable to catch him in the act until our luck changed on Sunday morning, July 5th. A local Border Patrol Agent working in the Spofford area was an eyewitness to our suspect shooting across a public road from his vehicle near the railroad crossing on Hwy. 131 in Spofford. The agent approached and identified the man and subsequently

turned the information over to the Sheriff's Department and local State Game Warden Dennis Gazaway. Warden Gazaway filed formal charges in Justice Court on Monday, July 6th, and the man appeared before the Court and was fined \$200.00 plus costs of court. Hopefully this will stop the dangerous shooting incidents in Spofford, at least for awhile.

Ft. Clark Security and the Kinney County Sheriff's Department worked together in a coordinated and cooperative effort to provide law enforcement service and protection for residents and visitors on Ft. Clark during the Ft. Clark Days celebration held over the 4th of July week-end. Chief Deputy Sheriff Johnny Fritter and myself worked extra hours on patrol and security on Ft. Clark along with Ft. Clark Security guards and though there was a large number of pedestrians and vehicle traffic throughout the Fort over the week-end we neither observed nor received reports of any problems or accidents during the safety watch.

The Fort Clark Days celebration and the dance at the swim park Saturday night, July 4th, seemed to be a huge success and the crowd was a "happy" one with everyone seeming to be interested only in having a good time.

Good times, No problems, and No accidents, a success in anyone's book!

THAT'S ALL!

State Agency To Sponsor Homebuyer Workshops

Program To Offer Mortgage Loans At 7.41%

The Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) has announced that it will hold eight homebuyer workshops throughout the state. All first-time homebuyers and real estate professionals are encouraged to attend.

The purpose of the workshops is to inform the public about the department's Single Family Bond Program and the homebuying process. Lenders and representatives from the department will discuss the program and be available to answer questions.

The Single Family Bond Program channels low interest mortgage money through participating Texas lenders to eligible low to moderate income individuals and families who are purchasing their first home or have not owned a home in the last three years.

The department plans to start a new bond program on July 8. Under the program, the department will offer \$132 million in mortgage financing at 7.41% interest rate for low to moderate first-time homebuyers statewide.

The department is also offering a down payment assistance program for low and very low income persons. Through this program, TDHCA hopes to assist those Texans who don't have the equity to make a down payment. The loans are available at 0% interest and do not have to be paid until the borrower sells the home.

Persons who are interested in attending a homebuyer workshop may call the agency's toll-free hotline number, 1-800-792-1119.

"Cactus Jack" Festival

The Uvalde Chamber of Commerce is accepting applications for Food and Drinks, and Arts and Crafts booths for the 17th Annual Cactus Jack Festival which will be October 10 & 11, 1992, in Memorial Park.

For information call 512-278-3361, or stop by the Chamber office at 300 E. Main.



"DIANA! THERE'S A DR. REVORKIAN HERE TO SEE YOU!"

Between Us

By Joe Townsend



It's wonderful to live where you can hear the birds sing. I have lived where the occasional twitter of the sparrows was the extent of bird song.

The mediocre call of so many birds here is a joy but when you add the real songbirds, the Cardinals, the Painted Buntings and above all the Mocking Birds it is truly joyful to just hear and enjoy.

I have my own personal friend, a mockingbird. He's here the year round. It seems he sings the clock around. I'm not sure he ever sleeps. I hear him all through the night and all through the day.

He has a favorite perch on the wire from the utility pole just where the line leaves the pole. Sometimes he jumps to the top of the pole without missing a tweet. Occasionally he flies to the top of a nearby tree and continues his serenade.

To keep the birds from eating fruit on the trees I tie bright orange streamers of surveyors tape at strategic spots on the trees before the fruit begins to ripen. Even the birds realize ripe fruit is better than green. This kept the birds away from the peaches and plums.

As the apples began to show a little color, I went to my apple trees to tie some streamers on them only to find my mocking bird had built a nest in the heart of the tree.

Right then I gave him a deed to the tree and all the apples he could eat.

He's had his fill of apples but what are a few apples compared to the continuous beautiful song of the mocking bird.

I really hope he doesn't build nests in the peach and plum trees nor in the figs. I'd much rather provide him feed than deed him any more fruit trees. I guess I'm a little

selfish but I'd rather feed him traditional bird feed and keep the fruit.

I surely want him to know I appreciate him and want him to keep up the wonderful entertainment he provides. He's come to add a great deal of elation to my life and I surely want him to keep it up.

He reminds me so much of a painted bunting that used to perch high in a tree and entertain Staff and Bess Fritter as they sat under the trees in their lovely yard.

It's great to live where the birds sing.

TSTC Receives Grant

Texas State Technical College System campuses in Waco, Harlingen, Amarillo, and Sweetwater were awarded \$455,000 in Carl Perkins discretionary grants to continue and expand activities provided by the colleges' Women's Resource Centers.

The Women's Center activities include educational and personal counseling, seminars and workshops, information and referral to social service agencies, and support services for disabled female students and/or their children.

The grant was funded in part by the need to attract women into technical fields. Statistics indicate that women, especially those who have critical technical skills, will be increasingly needed in the workforce. Many women, economically and educationally disadvantaged, have never worked outside the home and will need new skills to qualify for high wage jobs that require critical technical skills.

For more information on the Women's Resource Center call Texas toll free 1-800-792-8784, ext. 3634.

Friends Of Amistad

Formation of a local non-profit, publicly-funded, support group for the Amistad National Recreation Area to be known as "Friends of Amistad" came a step closer to reality when individuals signed Articles of Incorporation to be submitted to the Secretary of State's office in Austin.

One of the first targets of the Friends of Amistad is the completion of a new visitor contact station at the Pecos River Park site, where many visitors including foreign tourists enter the Amistad Recreation Area to view the invaluable and world famous pictographs drawn on cave walls by the ancients of the Pecos River.

The organization of this support group is patterned after the dozens that have been chartered in recent years to assist other National Park areas.

Those wishing to participate and help insure the enhancement of the facilities at Amistad National Recreation Area may contact Friends Of Amistad, P. O. Box 420367, Del Rio TX 78842-0367.

Do you live in a Growing Community?

If not, remember, it's your responsibility to help make it grow. Support local business in your neighborhood, your city, your state and your country.



SAN ANTONIO - By the month of August, everyone wishes to escape the doldrums of summer and take an exciting vacation. The joy of vacationing, however, is often quickly squelched by high tourist rates, crowded vacation spots, or picky traveling companions. If only all vacations could be affordable and hassle-free, while boasting the flair of an international excursion.

offering four days of culture and fun for everyone.

Approximately 10,000 representatives of the state's many ethnic and cultural groups offer a diverse menu of their music, dances, foods, crafts, and customs to over 100,000 visitors eager to experience the best of Texas.

For information about the festival write the Texas Folklife Festival, P. O. Box 1226, San Antonio TX 78294, or call 512-226-7651.

Big Mama Sez!



The principal objection to old age is that there's no future in it.

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



MEMBER 1992

The Brackett News welcomes letters to the Editor. The Editor reserves the right to edit all letters submitted for length and context.

Letters will be edited to avoid the use of profanity or libelous statements pertaining to the rights of citizens.

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All letters must be signed and include an address and phone number. Thank You!

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CLAYTON WILLIAMS

JIM MATTOX

Statistics Lie

Clayton Williams

We're all familiar with the dismal prognosis about marriage - one out of every two will end in divorce. Jim, the actual divorce rate is one in eight.

You've heard that 75% of mothers are in the work force. The Bureau of Labor Statistics says that 75% of children under five are cared for by their parents. Something doesn't jive!

Remember back in the early 70s before Roe vs Wade, we heard that there had been 10,000 deaths annually from back alley abortions. An abortion rights group admits that number is totally false. The real number is 39 deaths, not 10,000.

What if incest, racism, marital infidelity and abuse are wrongly exaggerated and actually the habits of only a handful? Consider the damage done to our attitudes and our belief in decency.

Let's be real skeptical about statistics pushed by special interest groups to gain their goals.

Jim Mattox

Claytie, I agree people need to be skeptical of statistics which are touted as "fact."

One of the worst offenders is the political pollster. News organizations release poll figures as if they were fact, when in reality, poll figures are frequently slanted based upon the way the question is asked. At best they are just a snapshot of the voter's mood at a particular point.

Unfortunately, pollsters can sway voter opinion to make their predictions come true.

Claytie, here are some statistics, courtesy of American Demographics Magazine, which I think you will find interesting and reliable.

Women control the checkbook in three out of four American households.

Half of all American workers today were born after 1950.

Eight out of ten Americans live near a source of toxic wastes.

And the proportion of people who get seven to eight hours of sleep a night rises with income levels.

Americans spend fifteen times more money on gambling than they donate to churches.

Some statistics are, sadly, all too true.

Classifieds Are Cash

All Classified Ads placed in The Brackett News including garage sales must be paid in advance. Thanks for cooperating.

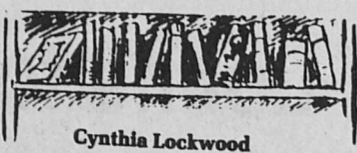
Emergency Numbers

Kinney County Area

- Sheriff's Office
- Ambulance
- Police
- City
- CP&L Electric
- Rio Grande Electric
- Falcon Cable TV
- Fire Department
- Gas (night)

- 563-2788
- 563-2757
- 563-2100
- 563-2412
- 800-999-8050
- 563-2444
- 800-292-4502
- 563-2233
- 563-9585

Library Notes



Library Hours

Mon., Tue., Thu., Fri.
9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Wed. 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

There is a common statement that is spoken by everyone who comes into the library these days. "It's hot outside!" The best remedy for the extreme heat is to stay inside an air conditioned building and relax. The one and only way to do this is to first come down to the library and pick up a book or two and then settle down with a cool glass of iced tea and get lost in a book. We always have something new so there's no excuse for staying away.

With the recent earthquakes in California, people's interest in the subject has been stirred again. We have a few books for all reading levels on the subject of earthquakes and plate tectonics. *World Disasters: Earthquake* by Brian Knapp and *Earthquake* by Jerry Korn both fully illustrate the destructive effects of this natural disaster. *Plate Tectonics: Earth's Shifting Crust* tells the theory behind earthquakes and volcanos. These books will be on the display table as you enter the library.

The San Antonio circuit videos are in with 30 English and 10 Spanish videos. Some of the titles

are *Edward Scissorhands*, *Three Men And A Baby* with Tom Selleck, Steve Guttenberg, and Ted Danson, *Memphis Belle*, *The Quiet Man* starring John Wayne & Maureen O'Hara, the musical *The King And I*, *The Thin Man*, Charleton Heston in *The Plant Of The Apes*, and Humphrey Bogart and Lauren Bacall in *Key Largo*. For the children there are *Beany and Cecil* and Disney's *Darby O'Gill And The Little People*.

Many thanks to those who donated books and magazines this past week: Earlene Thurber, Sandy Herman, J. Lee Ballantyne, Pat & Ken Callan, and Richard Mountain.

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

Kinney County Library
Staff & Volunteers

Bridge Anyone

By NORMA GOULD



Seven pairs of bridge players met at the Fort Clark Duplicate Club on June 30.

Winning first place was Walt Geeze and Martin Sheets.

A close second place was won by Rozetta Pingenot and Norma Gould with Flo Stafford and Trudy Harber coming in third.

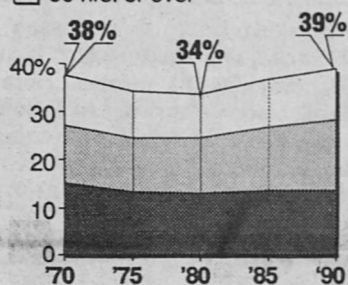
Changing work hours

People are working longer hours; more women outside the home

Working overtime

Percent of full-time workers putting in more than 40 hours a week:

41-48 hrs. 49-59 hrs.
60 hrs. or over



Housework vs. workplace

Hours worked per year:

1969 1987

On the job

Gender	1969	1987	Change
Women	1,406	1,711	+305
Men	2,054	2,152	+98

Household work

Gender	1969	1987	Change
Women	1,268	1,123	-145
Men	621	689	+68

SOURCES: Bureau of Labor Statistics, "The Overworked American"

No Mystery Picture Winner This Week Keep Trying You've Seen This Place

Children and Teens Theatre Workshop

July 13 - 17
Ages 8 - 16

For More Information
Call 563-9229

WHITEHEAD MEMORIAL MUSEUM

Arts & Craft Show
Saturday, July 18, 1992

Booth space available on a first come/first serve basis for arts, crafts, food. All booth fees must be paid in advance. Contact Whitehead Memorial Museum Del Rio, Texas 512-774-7568

Just For The Fun Of It



Andrew Stephenson

Where were you born:

Kyle, Texas.

What is your favorite food:

Enchiladas (I cook).

How do your friends describe you:

Friendly.

Describe yourself:

Agreeable.

What is your favorite movie:

Alcatraz, Lonesome Dove.

What is your favorite book:

Lonesome Dove.

If you could go anywhere, where would you go:

Alaska.

What would you like to be if you could change your life:

Athletic Coach (football).

If you could change Brackettville, how would you change it:

Would like it all to be Fort Clark.

Beyond The Horizon

By Dorothy Payne



In New Mexico the "curanderas" serve as the village doctors. Before modern medicine curanderas delivered babies, and treated illnesses and injuries. They used herbs and other remedies to treat their patients.

In the early days women were usually curanderas, the knowledge was handed down from grandmothers. Occasionally, they were unsuccessful, but it was rare.

Curanderas traveled many miles to see their patients. People in those times had little money and paid the doctor with food from their crops. Some patients came to be treated and asked if they could pay later.

I spent some time in the mountains of northern New Mexico doing research and while there made the acquaintance of a curandera. She was older than I but more agile, she

took me with her to dig her supply of roots and herbs that she used for medicine to treat her patients.

Of course, I couldn't remember the names of the herbs and roots we gathered. She used a root to rub over our shoe tops and pant legs to keep away snakes. It probably worked because the pungent odor would keep away the most deadly snake.

She explained her work by quoting an old Spanish proverb: "De Curanderas, poeta, y loco todas tenemos un poco," which translated means "we all have in us a little of the physician, the poet and the madman." In other words, it is normal for people to be helpful, feel poetic, and do crazy things from time to time.

The people in the little village used her treatments when they needed them. They all seemed in good enough health and were content with their curandera.

Dispatch From The University World

BOTTOM LINE

Texas A&M's new goal is not only to educate its graduates, but to teach them how to crash the job market.

This fall, the school will offer Reality 101 - a seminar designed to make freshmen and sophomore students aware that they need to start thinking about preparing for the job market while they're still learning.

It's a part of the program of Aggieland's new Career Center. Dr. Wayne Terrell, the acting director, says students will be taught the importance of achieving high grades, acquiring related work experience and developing personal skills.

The new center will operate three divisions to aid students - Career Education, Cooperative Education and Placement Services.

YOU MIGHT LIKE TO KNOW

Life Flight of Houston, the second such air ambulance service in the U. S., claims Dr. James H. "Red" Duke as one of its founders. Duke, a professor at The University of Texas Medical School, known nationally for his television health reports, is director of Life Flight.

CORN ON THE MACABRE

How accurate are horoscopes? Do UFO's really exist? Are there abominable snowmen roaming the world?

This spring at The University of Texas at Austin, Physicist Roy Coker taught an undergraduate course aimed at investigating the scientific source, if any, for many such

enduring beliefs. He calls the course "Pseudoscience."

KUDOS

When 1,000 board certified certified physicians across the country were asked recently to name the ten best hospitals in the U. S., they chose The University of Texas M. D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston as one of them.

Meanwhile when a new book, "The Best Doctors in America," was published recently, it included 50 from Dallas.

Forty-two of them are faculty members at The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas.

NOTHING PIGGISH ABOUT THIS

Scientists at Texas A&M University are studying 600 pigs hoping to discover why they live happily with melanomas, a cancer that kills three out of four humans who develop it.

The Sinclair breed of pigs usually have this type of skin tumor when they are very young. For reasons unknown, however, only one of ten cases is fatal.

Melanoma is particularly dangerous for the 600,000 humans who are diagnosed with it each year because the tumors tend to metastasize, or spread throughout the body. The melanoma cells also metastasize in the pigs but then stop growing. Some pigs covered with melanoma have survived eight years.

Book Review

By Mary Mitchell

Night Of The Ice Storm

By David Stout

It is easy to see why this young mystery writer has already won the Edgar Allan Poe Award for Best First Mystery Novel *Carolina Skeletons*.

This third book is equally chilling and spine tingling as his first. A must for who-done-it fans.

It truly has something for everyone. Excellent reading and difficult to solve before the solution is revealed by the author.

Unsung Hero

by Joe Townsend



There is a fine lady in Brackettville who has spent her life here. She has mothered a fine family who are all grown to be fine adults.

She was devoted to her husband through the years.

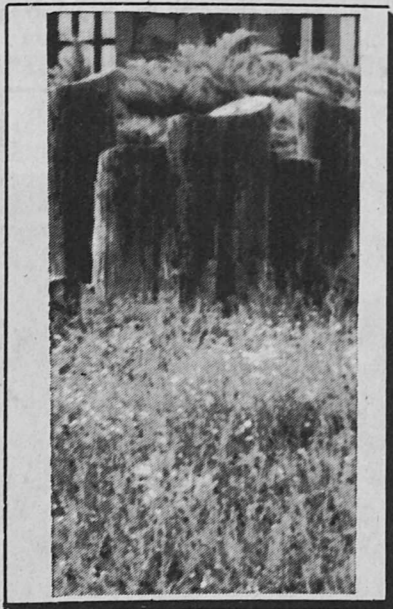
In the autumn years of his life when he began to fade, she was attentive and helpful. Down to his last days in the hospital she was caring and deeply concerned.

She has been through the years a faithful homemaker. She is warm hearted and tender and through her life and her family has been a great asset to the community and the world.

Surely Mrs. Faustino Sandoval is an "Unsung Hero."

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Community Calender

AA: Mondays, 8 p.m., Slatior Hall, 109 W. James St.
Al-Anon: CAN HELP. Call 563-9205 for time & location of meetings.
Alter Society: 1st Monday, 5:30 p.m., Parish Hall.
Band Booster Club: 1st Tuesday, 7 p.m., High School Band Hall.
Bass Club: Last Thursday, 7 p.m.
Chamber of Commerce: 2nd Thursday, 7:30 p.m., Cavalry Room
City Council: 2nd Monday, 6:30 p.m., City Hall
Commissioners Court: 2nd Monday, 9 a.m., Court House.
Del Rio Christian Women's Club: 1st Wednesday, 12 noon, Laughlin AFB. Reservations required!
FCS Pot Luck Supper: 3rd Wednesday, 6:30 p.m., NCO Club. Bring covered dish, plates and utensils.
Drivers License: 1st, 3rd & Last Thursdays, 9 a.m.-12 noon; 1 - 3 p.m., 2nd floor, Court House.
Duplicate Bridge: Tuesday, 7 p.m., Sabre Room
FCS Art Club: Work days Monday and Saturday 11 a.m., Meeting 1st Monday, 1 p.m., Art Studio.
FCS Community Council: 2nd Saturday, 9 a.m., Shafter Hall.
FCS Board of Directors: 3rd Saturday, 9 a.m., Board Room.
FCS Historical Society: 4th Saturday, 10 a.m., Sabre Room.
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 & Auxiliary Post #8360: 4th Wednesday, 7 p.m., NCO Club.
FCS Bingo: Friday, 8 p.m., Shafter Hall.
FCS Las Vegas Night: 4th Saturday, 8 p.m., Las Moras Restaurant.
FCS Old Quarry Society: 1st Monday, 7 p.m., Sabre Room.
Friends of Library: No regular schedule. Call Library for information.
KC Historical Preservation Society: 4th Thursday, 7 p.m., Court House.
KC Riders: 2nd and 4th Thursday, 7:30 p.m., NCO Club.
Knights of Columbus: 1st Sunday, 12 noon, Parish Hall.
Lions Club: 1st and 3rd Thursday, 6:30 p.m., Las Moras Restaurant.
Masonic Lodge #444: 2nd Tuesday, 7 p.m., Lodge Hall, Ann St.
Order of Eastern Star #204: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Hall, 407 Bedell St., Del Rio.
Shriners: 4th Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., Las Moras Restaurant.
Rotary Club: Every Thursday, 12 noon, Las Moras Restaurant.
Methodist Ladies Luncheon: 3rd Wednesday, noon, Slatior Hall. Please make reservations.
BISD School Board: 2nd Monday, 6:30 p.m., Board Room.
Preceptor Theta Sigma Sorority: 3rd Monday, 7:00 p.m.
NA: Thursdays, 7 p.m., St. Andrews Episcopal Church Parish Hall.



Querecho War Paint

Women will never cease to amaze me. The things they do just to look beautiful/sexy/friendly.

I've known some old gals that has taken as much as 3 hours trying to make their selves presentable. (Didn't work).

Don't get me wrong, I appreciate the fact that they want to look great, and I generally like the results. But there has been a time or two that all the best efforts in the world was just plain old wasted.

There is a company based in Logaville that sells cosmetics. They are getting rich. They are getting richer off of the ladies in Querecho Flats than they ever imagined.

If you could see Rosalee Scalebender, Marthalean, and Annie Fykicker, you would understand why the cosmetics people are getting rich.

I'm not saying these old gals are ugly, but if they were to take up a career in the armed forces, they could go right in as 3-star generals in the K-9 Corps.

It's not so much their physical appearance, as it is their attitude. The only way you could cover up their vindictive, better than thou attitude is to make 'em wear a flour sack over their heads. I don't care what any one says, your attitude shows in your face (as well as your actions).

This line of thinking is what caused me to get banned from society for life, one more time.

The good ladies of the Querecho Flats Quilting Quorum had a painting party the other night.

The cosmetic people set up a date, and promised to show how to use all their powders, blushes, eye-lashes and lip dyes. They do this about every 3 months, just to keep up the payments on their Rolls Royces.

Any who, Garlan and Me and Karl, figured this time we would add our 2 cents worth.

We slipped down to the community center a little earlier than the rest and set a box up that looked official from the Ajax Cosmetic Company.

I had typed up an official looking document that explained about the contents being environmentally sound, ecological perfect and easy to apply. I had also left a letter stating that if I, Reggie Lashcara, didn't arrive on time just to go ahead and open the box and try any or all of the enclosed cosmetics.

While Karl and I was doing this, Garlan was calling the real Ajax Cosmetic Company and asking them to be there at 8:30 p.m. instead of 7:30 p.m.

The Little Woman and one of the ranch ladies went together and as usual, they were a little early. Both of these old gals appreciate a good joke every now and then, and when they studied the box for just a second or two, both realized that something just wasn't quite right.

The Little Woman and old Myrtle knew right off that I had been up to something. The Little Woman told me about the wreck when she got home that night.

She informed me that after being married to me for 23 years, she had gained an ability to figure a few things out. And her and Myrtle had decided to let the other good ladies of the community open the box. She

figured something would just blow up when the box was opened. She didn't figure it would be the women though.

Annie and Rosalee wanted to open the box first off, but Myrtle suggested that every one should be there, and finally won her point.

They waited for as long as they could, and then attacked the box. Something blew up, but it wasn't the box. It was all them women.

Garlan and Karl and me had put a few of our own style of cosmetics in the box along with instructions as how to use 'em.

There was everything for the improvement of one's appearance.

Yep, there was a can or two of blue paint that could be mixed with a can or two of red paint for just the right texture of eye shadow. There was a sack of really dry cow manure that could be mixed with a bottle of bluing for that natural suntanned cheek look, a can of Bag Balm for the wrinkled skin problem and a can of W-D 40 to keep the facial skin well oiled and the jaw hinges lubricated so they didn't squeak when they talked.

For brushes, we put in three paint rollers (extra wide, of course) and a tarp for 'em to stand on while they painted each other up.

The Little Woman advised me to stay away from the store and Karl's for a few days, cause there had been some discussion about where they would store the paint and brushes if I was seen around town for awhile.

What made the whole thing worth while, was the fact that the real cosmetic people brought out a new sales person. And his name was Reginal.

Boy I just love it when things work out right.

Golf News



TUESDAY, JUNE 30 LADIES DAY

PAR 3 EXECUTIVE COURSE SCRAMBLE JULY 6

Ladies' Day was warm but a welcome breeze kept everyone comfortable. The format was even hole scores minus half of handicap.

Flo Stafford won first place with a 29.5.

Coming in second was Mae Roper with a 30.5 but she didn't mind. Mae had an Eagle 3 on #17 and a gross score of 82. Her all-time best. Congratulations, Mae!

In 3rd place was Betty Dennis with a 31.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 1 MENS DAY

3 Man Team - ABC - 2 Balls. First Place Team 142, Tom McNew, Julian Garza and Ward Pomeroy. 2nd Place Team 146, Roy Dyer, Clarence Blackburn and Pat Owens. 3rd Place Team 153, Ralph Viestenz, Fay Gooch and T. Boutwell.

COUPLES THURSDAY SCRAMBLE JULY 2

A field of 32 golfers competed for the prizes.

The team of Charlie Smith, Vicki Nichols, Fred England and Betty Inman finished in first place with a 59.

In second with a score of 63 was the team of Julian Garza, Dee Curry, E.W. Williamson and Louise Williamson.

In third place with a 64 were Tom McNew, Betty Dennis, James and Flo Stafford.

The 30 golfers who entered the competition had a great time. Team number one with a 25 was Julian Garza, Jerry O'Brien, Jack Henderson, Dutch Schoolfield, and David Dalton.

Another tie (had one last week) for the 2nd place necessitated another chip off. The victors were Lou Green, Ron Frisby, Dave Yates, Gerald Gallion and Gregg Nowlin.

TRI-CITY GOLF

Tri-City Golf had to be cancelled due to conflict of dates.

Lady Golfers remember to arrive early next Tuesday, June 14 for a short meeting prior to the 8:00 shotgun.

Have a Good Day Janice

Fishing Report

AMISTAD: Water clear, 81 degrees, 10 inches above normal level; black bass are fairly good to 8 pounds on worms; striped are slow; crappie are fair up the Devils River on minnows; white bass are fairly good all over the lake either trolling during the day or on minnows at night; catfish are fair to good in 4 feet to 35 feet of water on cheese baits.

BRAUNIG: Water murky, 82 degrees, normal level; black bass are good to 6 1/2 pounds on worms in 15 feet of water; hybrid striped are good in the 5 pound range with many undersized fish caught on cranks, Rattle Traps, chicken livers, spoons; channel catfish are good in the 2 - 3 pound range on chicken livers, shad and nightcrawlers; yellow catfish are good to 9 1/2 pounds on shad; redfish are fairly good in the 13 to 20 pound range on spoons trolling near the jetties.

CALAVERAS: Water murky, 89 degrees, 18 inches above normal level; black bass are fair to 5 pounds on artificials; striped are slow; catfish are good to 2 pounds on shad, chicken liver and cheese bait; yellow catfish are fair to 20 pounds on live bait; redfish are fairly good to 17 pounds; corvina are good to 15 pounds.

CHOKE: Water clear, 87 degrees, lake full; black bass are slow; striped are slow; crappie are slow, a few caught along the river channel by Highway 99 bridge on minnows; some along the river channel from Mason Point to Greyhound Point,

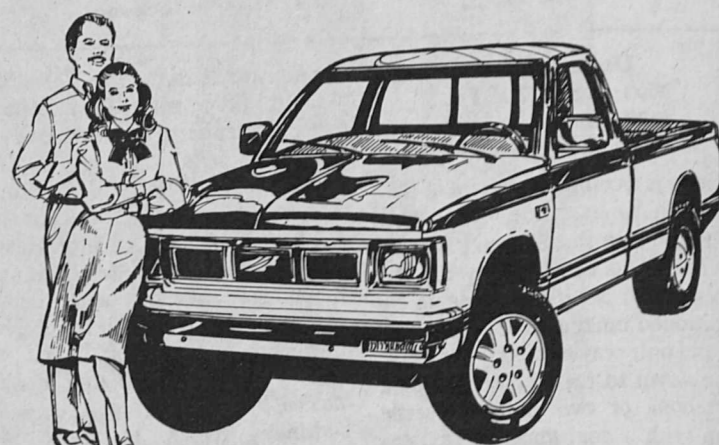
best fishing is early; white bass are slow; catfish are good with many limits caught, most are in the 8 to 15 inch range and are caught on cheese baits, nightcrawlers and shrimp under corks.

COLETA CREEK: Water clear, 76 degrees, normal level; black bass are fair to 9 pounds on purple worms; crappie are fair to 12 inches on minnows; catfish are good to 8 pounds on trotlines with liver and live perch.

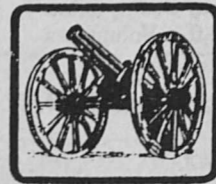
CORPUS CHRISTI: Water clear, 83 degrees, lake full; black bass are good to 7 pounds early on white buzz baits and spinners in three feet of water around Indian Cove, 6-inch black Ringworms are best later in the day; striped slow; crappie and white bass are good at night and early in the morning off both state park piers and at the Alice Pump-house in 10 - 12 feet of water on minnows; blue and yellow catfish are good to 18 pounds on trotlines with live perch in the river channel from KOA to Swinney Switch; channel catfish and gaspergoo are good below the dam on rod and reel baited with shad and nightcrawlers.

MEDINA: Water clear, 6 inches above normal level; black bass are fair to 4 pounds on cranks late in the afternoon in 18 feet of water; striped are slow; crappie are slow; white bass are slow; channel catfish are good to 5 pounds on rod and reel baited with nightcrawlers and shrimp; yellow catfish are fair to 17 pounds on trotlines baited with perch.

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County Agent News

by Allan L. McWilliams

FREEZE BRANDING

Freeze branding has been shown to be the best and most readable method of branding horses, said Dr. Doug Householder, Texas Agricultural Extension Service horse specialist at Texas A&M University.

Householder's recommendation is based on field tests done by the Extension Service and Texas A&M's College of Veterinary Medicine involving more than 500 horses in the past five years.

"Although freeze branding may inflict some nominal pain to horses, this apparently is minimal when compared with heat branding," Householder said. "It is important to mark horses to prevent theft and provide identification. Freeze branding takes only a short while, does not scar or damage the hide and produces a brand that can be seen easily at a distance."

In freeze branding an intensely cold instrument applied to the skin alters or destroys the hair follicles

that produce color and hair growth. Brands placed on young horses will obviously increase in size as the skin grows.

"For example, a brand two inches in size placed on a 6-month-old foal will grow to be three inches when the horse matures," Householder said.

Equipment needed for freeze branding includes a twitch (or other restraint on the horse); liquid nitrogen, or dry ice and alcohol in a container at least 18 inches by 10 inches by 12 inches high because irons must stand upright when submerged; branding irons of brass, copper or stainless steel with a minimum depth of one inch front-to-back for adequate mass for chilling; work gloves; with surgical blades preferred; a squirt bottle with alcohol and a stopwatch.

Branding times will vary with the type of metals in irons. If using the same iron, it should be chilled in the liquid nitrogen five to six minutes between uses.

Based on field experience, the procedure in freeze branding horses should include:

*Chill irons to -300 degrees in liquid nitrogen (when the iron is ready, the nitrogen will appear like pinhead bubbles).

*Clip brand site squarely (preferably a muscular site).

*Soak the skin of the horses with alcohol, since this removes skin oil and helps transfer cold through the skin. But don't expose to flame.

*Make certain horse is still.

*Immediately after alcohol soak, apply iron squarely to brand site with gentle rocking motion for good contact. Apply between 35 to 45 pounds of pressure. Timing is critical, and the duration of the branding should be marked with a stopwatch.

If stainless steel irons are used, branding time for dark horses is about 8 seconds; light-colored horses, about 12 seconds. After branding, expect the following to occur:

*Within five to 10 minutes, the brand pattern will thaw and begin to swell, as if from frostbite.

*After four days, swelling will leave the brand pattern.

*After one month, the superficial epidermis, or first skin layer, will shed.

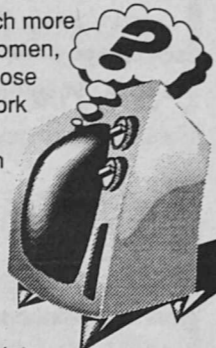
*Within two months, white hair will begin growing over the brand area, and within three months, the white hair brand will be complete. If the horse is light in color and the branding time is longer than average, the dark skin will show with no white hair.

Who watches TV

U.S. children spend much of their free time watching TV. Other facts about TV viewers:

- Elderly watch more television than other age groups
- Average U.S. child watches television about three hours a day
- Low-income people watch more than those with high incomes; those with less education watch more than highly educated
- African Americans watch more TV than whites; well educated, young adult African Americans watch the most
- Boys watch more than girls; women, especially those who don't work outside the home, watch more than men

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Days Past

by Dorothy Payne



July 26, 1758 - In one of the first English victories, a combined force of British and Colonial soldiers under Major General Amherst and Brigadier General James Wolfe attacked, and seized, the French-held fort of Louisbourg, Nova Scotia, near the mouth of the Saint Lawrence.

July 13, 1763 - Lord Jeffery Amherst, alarmed at Pontiac's destruction of seven English forts, suggested to Colonel Bouquet that blankets contaminated with smallpox be given to the Indians. The plan was rejected only because of concern that English troops distributing the blankets might contract the disease.

July 24, 1766 - Chief Pontiac formally surrendered to the English at Oswego.

July 1769 - Gaspar de Portola, the Spanish governor of the western territories the Spanish called "the California," led an expedition up the Pacific Coast and established the first colony in upper California on San Diego Bay. De Portola's expedition included the Franciscan missionary Father Juniper Sierra, who founded the first permanent Spanish settlement on the West Coast, San Deigo de Alcalá Mission. The Fran-

ciscans were as active in settling the west coast for the Spanish as the Jesuits had been in settling Canada for the French.

July 1, 1776 - English Captain James Cook sailed on a voyage of discovery along the North Pacific in the course of which he discovered Nootka Sound in 1778.

July 29, 1776 - The Franciscan explorer Father Silvestre Velez de Escalante accompanied by Athanasio Dominguez set off on a six-month, 1500-mile expedition to map and explore the mountains of New Mexico, Colorado, Utah, and Arizona. On the trip they saw the Great Salt Lake and the Grand Canyon, but did not find a northwest passage. Father Escalante's report of the "inhospitable land" west of Utah discouraged exploration of that area for some time.

July 15, 1788 - Arthur Saint Clair became the first governor of Ohio in ceremonies held at Marietta.

July 19, 1794 - The Connecticut Land Company bought land still known today as the Western Reserve beside Lake Erie and the next year founded Cleveland. The bulk of the land in the Western Reserve was sold by Connecticut to land developers for 40 cents an acre.

Nutrition Center Menu

MONDAY, JULY 13

Chicken Patties
Potatoes W/Cheese
Mix. Veggies

Hot Rolls - Applesauce
TUESDAY, JULY 14

Pepper Steak
Peas/Carrots
Corn

Biscuits - Prunes
WEDNESDAY, JULY 15

Liver & Onions
Mashed Potatoes
Italian Blend

Hot Rolls - Pears
THURSDAY, JULY 16

Chicken Fried Steak
Cauliflower - Carrots
Biscuits - Fruited Jello

FRIDAY, JULY 17

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Keep in mind, however, that there's a fire under the grill. More than 10,000 people are injured each year in barbecue accidents. Texas Safety Association offers these tips to keep your cookout a safe one:

*Make sure the grill is clean. Use steel wool or a hard brush to remove any baked-on grime.

*The grill should be sturdy and stable. Keep it on a level surface away from children, foliage, chemicals, and of course, the house and garage.

*Wear an apron, and avoid baggy clothing.

*Use long-handled utensils and sharp knives for cooking. Keep them close at hand to avoid having to leave the fire unattended.

*Have a water bottle and a fire extinguisher handy in case of a sudden flare-up.

*Line the bottom of the barbecue with aluminum foil and cover it with an inch of ash to absorb grease drippings. Stack the charcoal in a pyramid shape at the center of the grill.

*If using lighter fluid, read the directions carefully. Use only the suggested amount, and allow it to soak into the coals for a minute before lighting.

*To start the fire, throw a lighted match onto the coals or use a fireplace match. Wait until the coals are ash covered (half an hour or so)

and then use a poker to spread them out evenly in the grill. Replace the food rack and begin cooking.

*If the coals are too hot, spread them out. If they're too cool, gather them closer together. Never squirt starter fluid on a fire or hot coals.

*Douse the grill thoroughly with water when finished. Close the

grill's vent and allow the coals to cool overnight. Dispose of them in a non-flammable container.

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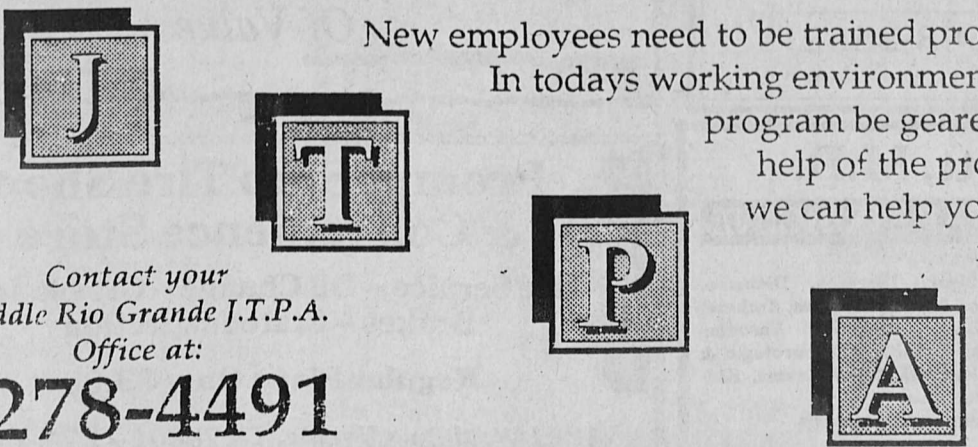
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Natasha's Stars

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Don't complain about what happens this week, because, even if there are some jolts, you get that long-desired attention and caring. Be open to input. Mid-week finds you huddled with another, perhaps strategizing, before you open up wide this weekend.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) The work week is less than classic. Though you start with a heavy push at "getting the job done," you lighten up about responsibilities in favor of more social opportunities. This is a necessary and an important build-up to a hot and heavy weekend.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Remember your priorities, and go to it this week. Open up to changes at work instead of resisting them. Evaluate where you are coming from with an important or potential loved one before the weekend. It will be better for you in the long run.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Be more playful, once you've determined what it is you want. Eliminate the unneeded in your life. Your libido does need to express itself, be it at work or in your personal life. You can no longer keep this high energy capped. Look to make several new resolutions this weekend.

LEO (July 23-August 22) Anchor in and question alternatives available to you before jumping the gun. Strong foundations are imperative before you make any moves. Enact decisions on this wild and flirtatious weekend. Remember the lion is the sign of romance.

VIRGO (August 23-September 22) Your more possessive side emerges this week, and you find yourself wondering how come and why. Take responsibility for this side of you and enact changes. Spend a homey weekend sorting out what it is you need and desire. Tempers flare, so look to alternative ways to handle the heat.

LIBRA (September 23-October 22) Yes, you are "personality-plus" at the moment. Use your magic and make happen what it is you need. Remember that you cannot always count on this high electricity to carry you through the clinch. A chatty weekend is in store.

SCORPIO (October 23-November 21) Stay mum and handle a situation by observing life through "new" eyes. Stay connected to your high-energy midweek, and follow through on pursuing your long-term desires. You are Mr. (or Ms.) Personality. Watch that possessive streak this weekend.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22-December 21) Go for what you want. Lie back and gain that perspective that is long-overdue and needed. Friends are there to give you advice and, most important, support. Take action this weekend, when you are in full glory.

CAPRICORN (December 22-January 19) Be more directed with work this week. You may need to reverse gears for a while. The focus is on what you want and getting it. Reserve the weekend to mull over recent events. Be careful what you wish for, because you just might get it.

AQUARIUS (January 20-February 18) Read between the lines. You need to take responsibility and handle an authority figure or boss. Whatever you do, you do with finesse, mainly because you have reason for celebration this weekend. Settle back and enjoy the warmth of your friends.

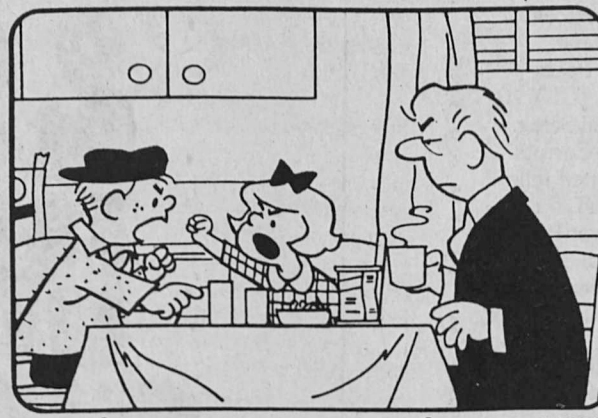
PISCES (February 19-March 20) One-to-one relating has you smiling. No longer can you handle a partnership as you have been. Money matters and emotional questions are up for discussion all week. Look to the unusual solution. By the way, do plan a weekend getaway. You'll want and crave the adventure.

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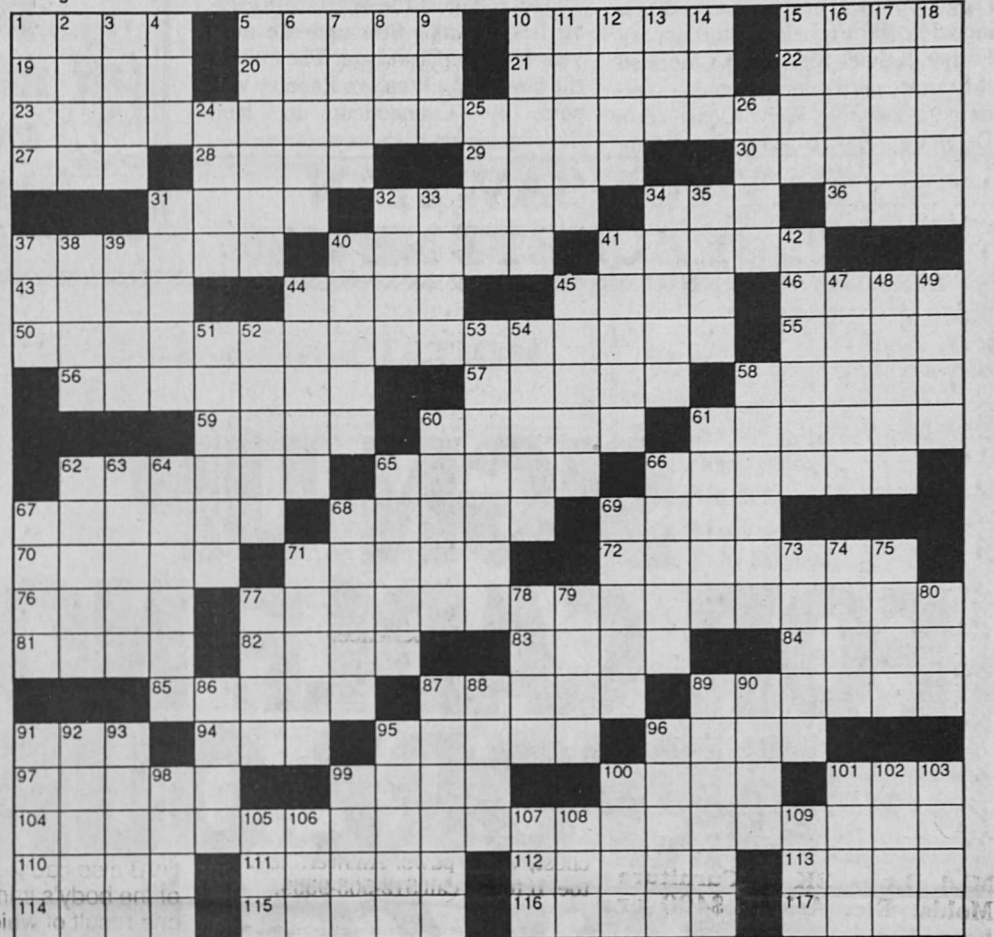
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- Bellow
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- Shout
- Shriek
- Snivel
- Squeal
- Vociferate
- Wail
- Whimper
- Whine
- Yelp

Answers On Page 3

Super Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Learning
- 5 Short fur rubbing
- 10 Irritate by usually
- 15 — media
- 19 Time in reverse?
- 20 Large sea duck
- 21 Word with palm or purple
- 22 Israel's Abba
- 23 Beginning of legend
- 27 Command to Fido
- 28 Narrow inlets
- 29 Ed or Leon
- 30 Tree of the birch family
- 31 Anagram for Nile
- 32 Grating
- 34 Egyptian king, for short
- 36 TV actor
- 37 Nuns' superior
- 40 Indianapolis team
- 41 Deals with problems
- 43 Word in a Doris Day hit song
- 44 Brutal hoodlum
- 45 Fountain fare
- 46 Size of type
- 50 Legend
- continues
- 55 TV actor
- West
- 56 Prom attendees,
- 57 Bright's partner
- 58 Where the action is
- 59 Fairway positions
- 60 Garments for superheroes
- 61 Anticipates the IRS audit
- 62 Mexican dish
- 65 Used secret writing
- 66 Sarcasically
- 67 Great with respect
- 68 Surfelts
- 69 Singer
- 70 "That's —" (Dean Martin hit)
- 71 Hangover remedy
- 72 Become tense with fear
- 76 Curve
- 77 Legend continues
- 81 Strong impulse
- 82 Places for mad scientists?
- 83 Public uproar
- 84 Anagram for lair
- 85 Zoo sounds
- 87 Gladden, with "up"
- 89 There are many in Norway
- 91 Band or chair
- lead-in
- 94 Ollie bread
- 95 Words to live by
- 96 Makes public
- 97 Quit the job
- 99 Word with rug or code
- 100 One, in Berlin
- 101 RR depot
- 104 End of legend
- 110 Stock-market order
- 111 River to the Danube
- 112 Shorten the skirt
- 113 Work as a cowboy
- 114 Weight allowance
- 115 Seed coats
- 116 Thin and piping
- 117 Affirmative votes
- DOWN
- 1 Mainlanders' souvenirs
- 2 Potent or present
- lead-in
- 3 Fissure
- 4 DDE's
- command
- 5 Sequence
- 6 Powerful person
- 7 Lyric poems
- 8 TV star
- 9 Horsley
- 9 White-tailed eagle
- 10 Presses into narrow folds
- 11 Apiary's product
- 12 Marine assents
- 13 Dieter's nemesis
- 14 England's Isle of —
- 15 Cry weakly
- 16 Dwelling place
- 17 Played the fiddle?
- 18 Bergen's Mortimer
- 24 "Trinity" author
- 25 Political cartoonist
- 26 London gallery
- 31 Fix in the mind
- 32 Dissolute man
- 33 Seaweed
- 34 The present
- 35 Javanese tree
- 37 Fine, volcanic lava
- 38 Workers and drones
- 39 Scottish hillside
- 40 Karпов's game
- 41 Monk's hoods
- 42 Treated with mercy
- 44 "— Men on a Horse" (movie)
- 45 Fragment
- 47 Perfect model
- 48 Comedian John
- 49 Wine vessels
- 51 Become wider
- 52 Shear cotton fabric
- 53 "I — loud and clear"
- 54 Recordings
- 58 Melodious valley (Brit.)
- 61 Caesar's 654
- 62 More docile
- 63 "— came a spider..."
- 64 Subject for Jessica Fletcher
- 65 Coagulates
- 66 Sovereign's decree
- 67 Elephant Boy of the movies
- 68 Fiddlers on the reef?
- 69 Detest
- 71 Exclaim
- loudly
- 73 Novices
- 74 Animal's retreat
- 75 Minced oath
- 77 Scold
- mercilessly
- 78 Surgeon's patient?
- 79 Evened the score
- 80 They loop the Loop
- 86 Soviet city
- 87 Reaches the highest level
- 88 Pay attention to
- 89 Elaborate clothing
- 90 Angered
- 91 City in Belgium
- 92 Allude
- 93 Twin crystal
- 95 Merciless
- 96 Gave help
- 98 Fencing leap
- 99 Hillside dugout
- 100 Grafted, in heraldry
- 101 Horn or lace
- lead-in
- 102 Bark cloth
- 103 Sweet, pulpy fruit
- 105 Dos Passos trilogy
- 106 Russian village
- 107 Rower
- 108 Rubber tree
- 109 Endeavor



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Another difference is that ultraviolet B rays are most intense in the summer and during midday, while ultraviolet A is almost equally potent throughout the day and year—and it can even penetrate clouds and glass. Experts predict that as many as 12 million cases of skin cancer and more than 200,000 skin cancer deaths will occur in the U.S. over the next 50 years. That's 12 million cases of potentially preventable cancer.

Skin cancer is a preventable disease mainly because if you can change your attitude about the importance of getting a suntan, you can, for the most part, avoid the cancer-causing rays of the sun. Of course you can't entirely avoid being exposed to the sun, nor would anyone really want to do that.

But you can avoid the dangerous practice of lying for hours under intense burning rays at the beach or in your backyard. And if your profession calls for you to spend your day outdoors, you should begin to regard sun exposure as an occupational hazard and take the necessary precautions to protect your skin.

Unfortunately, sunscreens play a limited role in skin cancer prevention. While there are products available that seem to be effective against UVB rays, very few sun-protection products contain the only chemical ingredient that has been granted approval by the Food and Drug Administration for its protection against UVA rays. However, using a sunscreen—especially one with a high Sun Protection Factor (SPF)—is better than not using anything at all.

Despite the limitations of most sunscreen products, it's only human nature to want to spend as much leisure time as we can outdoors—especially in warm weather. If your occupation places you outdoors, you'll inevitably be exposed to the sun throughout your work day. Therefore, you should make a point not only of protecting your skin, but also of becoming aware of the warning signs that signal skin cancer. When detected early, skin cancer is usually curable.

According to the American Cancer Society, any unusual skin condition, especially a change in the size or color of a mole or other darkly pigmented growths or spots, can be a sign that should be checked out. In addition, scalliness, oozing, bleeding, or change in the

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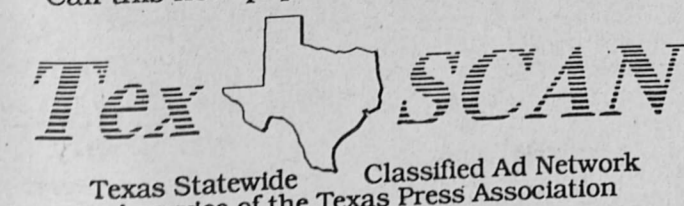
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The good news is that we have golden moments that stare us in the face every day. We can witness and be a participant in them if we simply get involved.

A beautiful sunset or sunrise is a great opportunity. You don't think so? If you were blind you would! Smell the rugged plowed land, look at the purple sage in bloom, or listen to the howl of a coyote. Soak in a

part of God's masterful creation every day. Deafness, blindness, or arthritis takes people away from all this every day.

Have a wholesome time with your family. Laugh, weep, forgive, play, and work together. Grab a few precious moments every day. They get away from everyone too soon!

Get in on worship. Man is more than a physical organism, more than animal. Our innermost being cries out for God -- unless we smother that craving with actions that can never satisfy the immortal soul.

Everyone of us "goof up." We miss opportunities that are "once in a life time" moments. But we don't have to miss out on what enriches life now and forever. Jesus has come that we may have "life and have it more abundantly." Do we know this life every day?

Obituary



Oscar F. Miller, Jr.

Oscar Frank Miller, Jr. of Del Rio died July 3, 1992. He was born July 4, 1909 in Brackettville, Texas.

Mr. Miller was a veteran of World War II and served in combat in Europe with the Fourth Armored Division as tank commander. He was awarded five Bronze Stars in the Campaigns of Normandy, Northern France and Rhineland. On September 26, 1945, Mr. Miller received an Honorable Discharge from the Army of the United States.

Oscar had been employed by civil service on Guam, M. I. before retiring to Del Rio several years ago.

Mr. Miller is survived by his son and daughter-in-law, Joseph and Johnita Miller, and grandson Scott

Miller of Irving. Other survivors include his sister, Lillian Fitzgerald of El Paso, brother and sister-in-law, Charles and Lucille Miller of Devine, sister and brother-in-law Goldie and Tom "Shorty" Applegate of Del Rio, sister-in-law, Pearl Miller of Brackettville, and many nieces, nephews, and good friends.

Visitation at Humphreys Funeral Home, Del Rio, was Monday until 9:00 p.m. Graveside services were Tuesday, July 7, 1992, at the Kinney County Cemetery in Brackettville. Pastor Will Paradeaux officiated with Humphreys Funeral Home in charge of the services.

St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church

We welcome Fr. Amando Saenz to our community. Fr. Amando comes from Madrid, Spain. He will serve as our priest while Father David is on vacation in Mexico until August 20. We wish him Godspeed and hope he enjoys the rest and relaxation, both of which he needs.

The Knights of the Altar successfully carried out their latest fundraiser, a softball tournament, last

weekend. All who donated their time, money, and effort are thanked and appreciated. A special thanks goes to Mrs. Mary Talamantez, who helped all day, and to Mr. Eddie Garcia, who helped organize the event.

Sunday, July 5, we were privileged to have a Catholic youth choir from Corpus Christi at the 10:30 mass. They were all in good voice and made the mass special.

Frontier Baptist Church

by Joe Townsend

Sunday was another exceptional day at Frontier Baptist Church.

It was the day for observance of The Lord's Supper which within itself is an enriching experience.

The fellowship dinner that followed was characterized by an exceptional variety of delicious foods. The time of fellowship before and after the worship hour was an enjoyable experience.

The message of the pastor dealt with freedom in keeping with the season. It was a message designed

to enlighten and encourage the personal freedom of the individual.

Highlighted were: Freedom from fear, Freedom from legalistic bonds in religion, Freedom from sin and its consequences. The point was made that these freedoms come from a personal faith in Jesus Christ and a close association with Him.

There will be another day of enrichment at Frontier Baptist Church Sunday. Everyone is cordially invited to attend. Come and see.

The Bible Says

"Even the hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not; you are of more value than many sparrows."

It is an exciting thought that God cares for us. It is even more exciting to know that his care and concern is so definite that he even knows the number of hairs on our head.

This is God's way of telling us that we are important and important to Him.

The fact of the importance of man has been discarded in many parts of society today. To some radicals the dolphin is more important, and the whale, the gorilla, the snail darter, the salamander, and even some in-

sects.

If the time, energy, and money spent in the defense of such schemes were to be turned to helping humanity, a great impact for the benefit of hungry, homeless, and down-trodden people of the world would be made.

If man is more important to God than "many sparrows" he should be this important to his fellow man.

Some people have a difficult time keeping their priorities in order.

"Even the hairs of your head are numbered. Fear not; you are more important than many sparrows." Luke 12:7.

Hondo Church's 110th Anniversary

The First Baptist Church of Hondo is celebrating their 110th Anniversary on Sunday, July 12.

Former pastor James Reid is to speak at the 11:00 o'clock service, and several musical groups are to sing.

A Bar-B-Que luncheon is being prepared by the Church for all "old timers" and everyone else who attends on that day.

A singing group known as the "Teen Tones" who were a part of the Church 20 years ago are returning to sing at 2:00 o'clock. Also "History Highlights" of the Church will be given at the two o'clock singspiration time.

The Church extends a cordial invitation for everyone to celebrate the activities with them on Sunday, July 12, at the First Baptist Church in Hondo.

If anyone wants more information about the events of the day, please call the Church at (512)426-2272. The Church address is 2400 Avenue P, Hondo, Texas 78861.

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Extended Life Tournament

HOUSTON--Few golfers can honestly claim that their game is a life-affirming act. But when a group of cardiac patients gathered recently for a tournament at Kingwood Country Club, the event was truly a celebration of extended life.

The first-ever tournament assembled 100 former Methodist Hospital patients who all suffer from arrhythmia, a potentially deadly heart disorder. What made the gathering even more unique was the fact that each participant's disease is being controlled by the implantable defibrillator, a battery-powered device that delivers an electric shock to the heart when it begins to beat erratically.

"It was an amazing gathering," said Dr. Antonio Pacifico, the Methodist cardiologist who implanted the devices in many of the participants at the tournament. "Without the device that each of them carry in their bodies, most would not be alive."

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