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The Brackett News

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



Kindergarten Field Trip: Friday, October 2, 1992, the Kindergarten classes of Mrs. Hagler, Mrs. Phillips, and Miss Wallace made a field trip to *The Brackett News* office. Later they sent a beautiful "thank-you" book made from words cut from a *Brackett News* after each student had signed his or her own name.

Operation Clean-Up

Kinney County Sheriff Norman H. Hooten has announced that on Monday, October 5, 1992, "Operation CLEAN-SWEEP" was initiated by the Amistad Area Narcotics Task Force finalizing a three month undercover operation. Agents from the following law enforcement agencies began a pre-dawn roundup: Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), U. S. Customs, U. S. Border Patrol, Department of Public Safety Narcotics Service, Eagle Pass Police Department, Del Rio Police Department, Val Verde County Sheriff's Department, Edwards County Sheriff's Department, and the Kinney County Sheriff's Department.

Armed with 31 felony arrest warrants, agents arrested 23 suspected narcotics dealers and seized 12 vehicles. In Del Rio, 25 felony arrest warrants were issued along with 9 vehicle seizure warrants, and in Brackettville, 6 felony arrest warrants were issued along with 4 vehicle seizure warrants.

Charges on the suspected narcotics dealers were Delivery of Marijuana, Delivery of Cocaine, and Delivery of Heroin.

See the "Sheriff's Corner" in this issue for related story.



1992 Brackett Homecoming
King John Ingram - Queen Myrna Gonzalez

Queen candidate Myrna Gonzalez is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Sandoval. Myrna has been a homecoming duchess her freshman, sophomore, and junior years. She was voted funniest and most popular freshman, sophomore, and junior by her classmates. She was also voted friendliest her sophomore and junior years. Myrna has been class president her freshman, junior and senior years and was class vice-president her sophomore year. She is currently vice-president of the student council. This is her third year to be drum major of the Tiger Band. Myrna has participated in golf

and varsity basketball. She plans to attend Angelo State University and major in Marine Biology.

John Ingram, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ingram, is a king candidate who has participated in football for the past three years and is currently serving as co-captain. John has been a member of FFA for three years. He participated in track and was selected by his classmates as funniest junior. John plans to join the Air Force. Following the Air Force, he wants to go into law enforcement.



Kinney County Commissioners Approve Roof Project Cost Covered By Insurance

At a special meeting of the Commissioners Court at 1:30 p.m. on Friday, October 2, 1992, Commissioners Alvin McClure and Plunker Sheedy were present with Judge Tim Ward presiding.

No library contracts needed to be presented but the report was that the library expansion project was right on time, and right on budget.

One bid from York & Hall for paving was opened and read and taken under advisement.

Approval was given for Belding Roofing, who had submitted the lowest cost, to repair roof damage to county buildings caused by wind and hail on March 16. Belding Roofing will guarantee all their work, and all costs will be covered by insurance re-imbusement.

Although not an agenda item, Judge Ward shared information he had just received from the Texas Department of Transportation regarding a second traffic survey conducted August 13 - 20. They indicated no traffic signal was warranted (as did their earlier report) but they did indicate a stop sign could be moved 15 feet south from its present location at the intersection of Hwy. 334 and Hwy. 90. A 4-way stop sign was justified for the intersection at 5-Corners but the responsibility rested with the City of Brackettville.

A third count is scheduled for November when traffic is normally heavier.

Estate Settlement Benefits Local Groups

Kinney County lost a couple of friends - Benjamin E. and Mary M. Davis - to death this past year but their memory will be long lasting through provisions in their estate wills. Monday morning, Estate Administrator Peter Pohl, fourth from left, presented a \$10,000 check to the Methodist Church. Pastor Gordon Miller, left, Finance Chairman Ron Buckles, and Treasurer Margaret Holt accepted the check. Rosemary Slubar and Sidney Sponholtz received a \$10,000 check for the Kinney County Health Clinic. Mary Mitchell and Earline Thurber, president and treasurer respectively of Friends of the Library, received a \$5,000 check.

Tiger Band Claims Trophies At Laredo



In preparation for the UIL District Marching Contest in Hondo on October 24, the Mighty Tiger Band participated in the J. W. Nixon Festival on Saturday, October 3. The festival is sponsored by the Laredo ISD and co-ordinated by Carlos Luna, Laredo ISD Band Director.

Twenty-eight band members marched, and brought home the first place trophy for "Best Marching Band."

Two additional trophies were earned - one unusual for a small band to earn - and that was the "Best Horn Line." Judging is on the sound of the brass section.

The third trophy was for "Best Drum Major." That designation is not surprising to Tiger Band fans who have watched Myrna Gonzalez perform.

BISD Band Director Lynette Crane was especially proud since the seventh and eighth grade musicians are the ones she started three years when she became band director.

Winning three trophies does not justify "lazing around" though and Laredo ISD Band Director Carlos Luna was at Brackett High School this week conducting a pre-contest clinic for the band. He is one of the most respected band directors in South Texas and has been very cooperative in coming to BHS to conduct clinics.

Clinician Carlos Luna, Award Winning Drum Major Myrna Gonzalez, and Tiger Band Director Lynette Crane proudly display newly earned band trophies.

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PROTECTIVE AND REGULATORY SERVICES

On September 1, 1992 the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services (PRS) was created. Initiated by HB7, this new agency focuses on services crucial to the citizens of Texas.

Led by Interim Executive Director Camille Miller, PRS will be one of the largest agencies in Texas, encompassing Child Protective Services, Adult Protective Services and Child Care Licensing, and is now a separate agency from the Texas Department of Human Services.

For more information contact Rose M. Orsborn Regional Director at 512-337-3183.

Sincerely,
Rose M. Orsborn
Regional Director

Kinney County 4-H and FFA Members and Parents
Livestock Show Committee Meeting
Monday, October 12, 1992
6:30 P.M.
At the NEW F. F. A. Building, High School

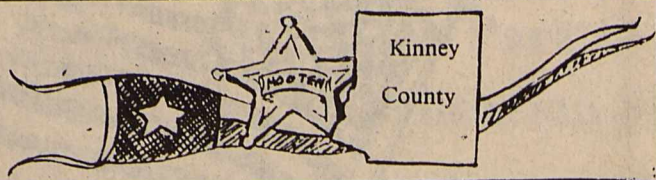
Brackett ISD Dedication
Wednesday, October 14, 1992

Building Dedications
5:00 P.M.-5:30 P.M.
School Cafeteria

Tour Of Buildings
5:30 P.M.-6:30 P.M.
Middle School/Cafeteria
Mittie E. Jones
Elementary School
Vocational Building

Sheriff's Corner

By Sheriff Norman H. Hooten



Operation "CLEAN-UP", the months long undercover narcotics operation reported on page one of this issue of The Brackett News, was carried out smoothly and professionally by law enforcement officers and drug agents from various local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies associated with the Amistad Area Narcotics Trafficking Task Force. The tactical raids conducted in the early morning hours of Monday, October 5, 1992 were completed in a flawless manner and I want to take this opportunity to extend my gratitude and appreciation to all the officers involved, which included D.E.A. agents, U.S. Border Patrol agents, and deputies of the Kinney County Sheriff's Department. A job well done!

The raids in Brackettville and Kinney County resulted in the arrests of five (5) male suspects, with one female suspect being located and arrested in Del Rio by tactical raid teams operating in Val Verde County. After their arrest the suspects were transported to the Kinney County Jail and formerly charged and booked on various narcotics violations, all 3rd degree felony or above.

The cases against the six suspects arrested on Monday, October 5th, were presented to the Kinney County Grand Jury the same day along with several other narcotics cases against other suspects. The "CLEAN-SWEEP" suspects all had True Bills of Indictment returned against them as listed below:

1. Floyd Washington-Cause # 1783, Delivery of Marijuana, F-3, \$100,000.00 bond.

2. Floyd Washington - Cause # 1785, Enhancement-Habitual Offender, Bond Denied.
3. Jose Antonio Sanchez - Cause # 1784, Delivery of Marijuana, F-3 \$2,500.00 bond.
4. Jesse Estrada, Jr. - Cause # 1786, Delivery of Marijuana, F-3, \$2,500.00 bond.
5. Glen Morgan - Cause # 1788, Delivery of Marijuana, F-3, \$2,500.00 bond.
6. Juan Sanchez - Cause # 1789, Delivery of Marijuana, F-3, \$2,500.00 bond.
7. Melissa "Missy" Goodloe Davis - Cause # 1782, Delivery of Marijuana, F-3, \$2,500 bond.

Of the five suspects jailed in Kinney County only Floyd Washington and Juan Sanchez remained in jail in lieu of bonds at the time of this writing. Melissa "Missy" Davis, the female suspect arrested in Del Rio was released on \$5,000.00 bond from the Val Verde County Jail a short time after her arrest on Monday.

The three month long undercover narcotics operation which had targeted suspected illegal drug dealers and users in the tri-county area served by the Amistad Area Narcotics Trafficking Task Force (Val Verde, Edwards, and Kinney counties) is considered to have been a success due to the number of arrests made. However, it is believed that the operation would have been more successful with more drug cases made had not a former Kinney County Sheriff's Department employee "tipped-off" some of the suspects that they were on the undercover "target list". This serious breach of security by the so-called peace officer (?) repor-

tedly occurred during the middle of the undercover operation and not only compromised our undercover drug operation, but also seriously compromised the safety and security of the undercover drug operatives assigned to the operation. One fact that leads us to believe that the act occurred is that only one drug case was made in Kinney County by undercover agents AFTER the serious breach of security reportedly occurred.

This type of action, if it occurred as reported, and we have strong evidence that it did, is an act unforgivable by the law enforcement profession and is under investigation at this time to determine if that act is a criminal offense. If a determination of a criminal act can be made charges will most certainly be filed against the suspected offender, the act is at the very least one of low character, dishonesty, and total disloyalty to the law enforcement profession and to the officers who lay their lives on the line in any undercover operation such as the one just completed. One must wonder just how such a man can live with himself and face other law enforcement officers who are now aware of his most treacherous act. A man such as that does not deserve to be a law enforcement officer in any capacity, anywhere!

Though we did not make cases against all the suspected drug dealers and users in Kinney County, we did put them all on notice that they deal and use illegal drugs in our community at their own risk. Another benefit of the intensive undercover operation is that it answered several questions related to illegal drug dealing and use in Kinney County. The most important assessment is that illegal drug dealing and use in our county is on a small scale and appears to be contained within a loose group of small time dealers and users who sell and use illegal drugs among themselves. There was NO indication of any large scale illegal drug operation in Kinney County. There was very little indication of illegal drug use of drugs other than marijuana, with indications of very limited use of cocaine.

The intensive undercover drug operation joined by the use of drug sniffing dogs at our local schools leads us to believe that there are no drugs directly in our schools. There are some suspected users on a small scale attending our schools but not one indication that any drug dealers are waiting outside the school grounds to sell drugs to our young people. There are no "crack houses" nor street corner dealers in Kinney County.

No, the job is not over, and probably never will be. But all in all we feel good about the operation, we feel a reassurance about the questions answered by the operation, and we believe that we at least have the drug situation in Kinney County under control. We will continue to the best we can in a combined cooperative effort with TRUSTED law enforcement officers and agencies to wage war on drugs in Kinney County and throughout the tri-county area served by the Amistad Area Narcotics Trafficking Task Force.

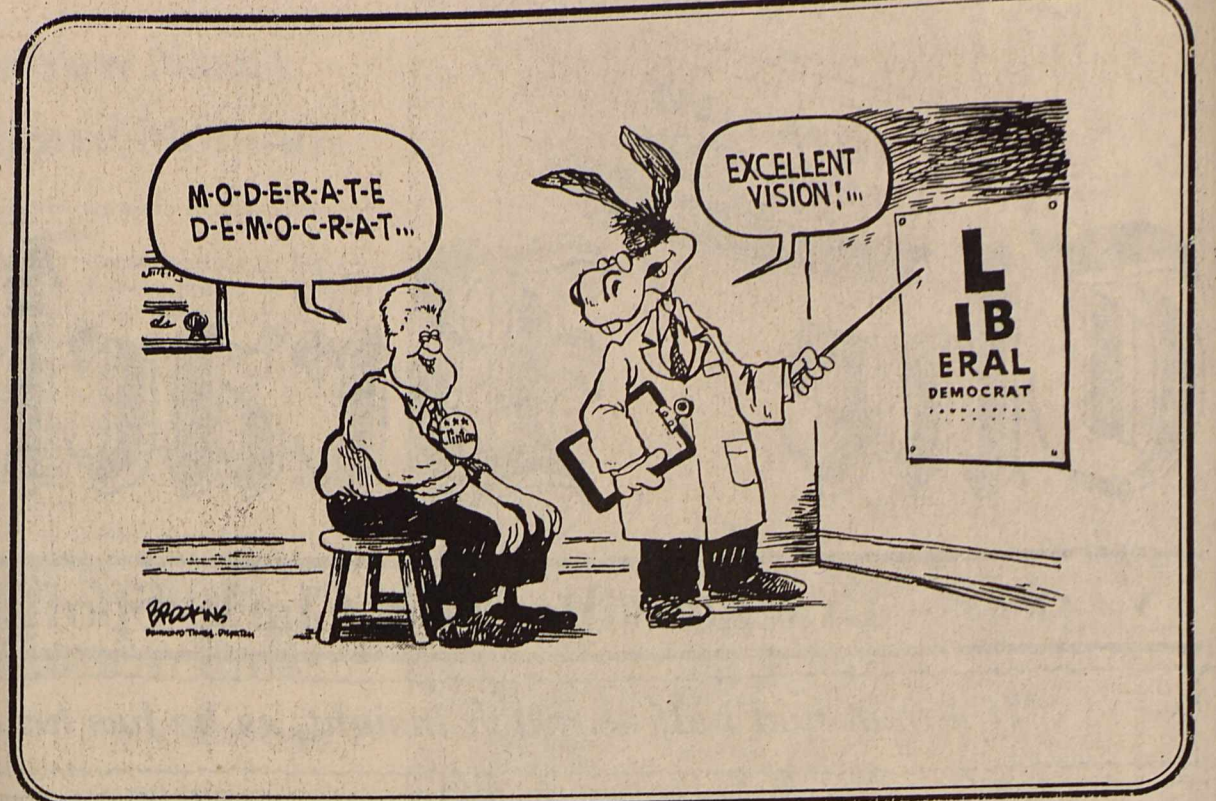
THAT'S ALL!

Overwhelming Response To New Home Improvement Loan Program

The Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) has received an overwhelming response to its new Home Improvement Program. The Department has taken in almost 400 applications totaling requests for more than \$4 million during the two months the program has been in operation. Due to the response and with approximately \$3 million available, the Department has stopped taking applications for the current program year.

The Home Improvement Loan Program offers interest-free loans of up to \$15,000 to eligible low income homeowners to make permanent structural improvements to their home.

"The Department is very pleased with the success of the program and the response has demonstrated to us that there is a real need for this type of program," said Susan J. Leigh, executive director of TDHCA. "At this point we feel we will be able to allocate all of our funds available for this year with all the applications we have received. In order not to mislead people into thinking there's possibility of receiving a loan this year, the Department has stopped taking more applications."



Between Us

By Joe Townsend



One organization essential to the colorful history of Fort Clark, Brackettville, and Kinney County is the Seminole Indian Scout Cemetery Association.

This organization has plowed ahead under adverse situations and keeps alive the history of the Seminole Scouts. No need to detail

LETTER TO EDITOR

There ain't no free lunch! But, Congress sure would like us to think so.

In doing so, they have increased the deficit to \$3.5 Trillion. That is \$30,000 for every American taxpayer.

Quote from October Readers Digest, *Pork and Gravy and Damn the Cost*, "Deep in our hearts, we know we have given our children a legacy of bankruptcy," Sen. John Danforth declared recently in a remarkable speech on the Senate floor. "We have hurt America for the purpose of getting ourselves re-elected."

In this article it tells how Congressmen pass bills that dole out money to their home state to make sure they get re-elected, and they do this by tacking these bills to the end of other bills that are good and will probably get passed.

In this same article a Senator from Alaska wants \$25 million for some computer to study something that makes no scientific sense.

Florida got \$18.6 million to beautify a 1.8 mile stretch of Biscayne Blvd. in Miami.

Mississippi is getting \$3 million to construct a solid-rocket fuel project that the space program doesn't need. It already has something better.

In another article it said the Social Security Administration is renting office space in Chicago, 14,082 square feet at \$28 a square foot. The going rate is \$10 to \$16 per square foot. Again, wasting our money.

Suppose I bought your lunch and you bought mine, or we each bought our own lunch, it would cost each of us about \$4 or \$5. But, let Congress buy us the free lunch and you can bet that it will cost around \$10.

/s/ Roland Boysen

the outstanding work of the Scouts because anyone who cares is familiar with their heroic exploits.

What many may not know is the struggle through the years to bring the cemetery to the point it is today.

When Carver School was merged with other schools, the building was to be sold. Some of the Seminoles met with the school board and a deal was struck to sell the school to the Seminole Cemetery Association. The chief spark and dynamic was a lady by the name of Della Watson. She with Hannah Daniels and a few others went to work.

Albert Postell, president of the bank loaned them the money simply because of his faith in them. He carried them along as they paid it out.

Their principle money-maker was bingo. A small group met and played to make a little money regularly.

When Bud Breen came up with the idea of The Frontier Fair, the ladies of the Seminole Association quickly came aboard.

Various organizations selected some young lady as their candidate in the Queen's Contest. Each organization then raised money for their candidate with the one raising the most to be Queen.

The Seminoles always had a candidate and worked hard for their candidate. One year their candidate was chosen Queen.

They always had a bar-b-que booth at the Fair. The Seminoles were always working on some project.

They would borrow the money from the bank and work to pay it off. They worked to have an Historical Marked placed at the cemetery.

There was need for a fence, they built that. A well was needed and soon they had that.

Pride was generated and the graves were shaped up. Military markers were procured for the Congressional Medal of Honor winners. The entire cemetery was cleaned and has been kept well-dressed until today.

When Della Watson went to be with the Lord suddenly, others took up the battle. Gradually as the older ones passed on younger ones stepped in. Willie Warrior led for a good while.

Ms. Charles Wilson, all through the years, served in a capable way. The annual celebration has come to keep alive the spirit.

This year many came from far distances to participate. The history and memory of the Seminole Scouts by all means must be kept alive.

The Seminole Scouts Cemetery Association is doing a great job of this. Kudos to all the "Seminoles" and particularly those who justly are proud of their heritage and want to keep it vibrant and meaningful.

Lions Club Rummage Sale

Saturday, October 31, 1992 - 8:00 A. M. - ???
Old REA Building, Corner Ann & Spring Sts.

Donations Of Items Accepted. For Pick-up Call
Sid Sponholtz, 563-2189
Tom Faulkenberry, 563-9323
Lou Sofaly, 563-2043
Ron Frisby, 563-2613
Tom McNew, 563-9229

EXPLANATION FOR NOT MOVING SHOP

I thank the people that signed for me to move my flower shop to Ann Street but it wasn't possible to move even after paying the City \$400 or \$500 to clean the lots.

I write this letter because some people have asked why I didn't put my flower shop there, and some people are saying I didn't pay a nickel for the lot.

I paid \$1800 in payments to Mrs. Berlanga and I lost the money without using the lots and the reason I am writing this letter is because people have asked me why I did not put my flower shop there.

Thanks again to all my friends who encouraged me to put my flower shop there. This is why.

/s/ Martha Tovar

Veterans Post by Freddy Groves

HURRICANE ANDREW ASSISTANCE: At its recent annual convention, the Board of Directors of the Paralyzed Veterans of America, voted to provide \$100,000 to help PVA members and other veterans with a disability whose property was damaged by Hurricane Andrew, or who were otherwise directly affected by the devastating event.

Vets who qualify can get up to \$2,500 per family (priority given to PVA members) for transportation, temporary shelter, food, modifications for wheelchair accessibility, prosthetic appliances, and medical supplies. PVA members, and other vets with disabilities, should call PVA's Veterans Benefits Department at 1-800-424-8200 for more information on how to apply.

LETTER TO EDITOR

Shocking News - Sad But True
How would you like to go into the only bank in town and walk out with empty pockets? Well, it happened to me.

My name is Elva and I have been going into the bank now since April, at least twice a month, to cash my payroll corporate check. On October 2 I walked into the bank to cash my check and walked out with empty pockets.

The bank refused to cash a perfectly "handwritten check" just because it was handwritten. No other excuse was given except that they would not do it. They won't even take 30 seconds to call a toll-free number to verify that the check was good.

What I don't understand:
1. Why we have people working at the bank or for that matter running the bank if they don't want to work. You tell me - what harm was it going to do to pick up the phone and call a free number to verify a check.
2. Since when are handwritten checks not accepted? Do all checks have to be computer printed? I don't think so.
3. Why was I refused to be helped? Maybe just because I didn't have an account there or what.

Whatever the reason was for the bank to be as cruel and as lazy as they were on Friday, no one should be treated non-professionally at any time.

The bank is supposed to be professional in actions and have professional people working there. If no one there does not know how to deal with the public they shouldn't be there at all.

A problem was created and it was not necessary for me to leave the bank empty handed.

/s/ Evla Vial

Big Mama Sez!



A good man is always a beginner.

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. Letters published and columnist's viewpoints do not necessarily reflect the beliefs of this newspaper. All letters must be signed and include an address and phone number. Thank You!

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Library Notes



By Cynthia Lockwood

**Monday, Wednesday
Thursday, Friday
9:00 A.M.-5:00 P.M.
Closed Tuesday**

Do something wild, collect stamps! October is National Stamp Collecting month and the library has coupons for the kids to send off for a free *Do Something Wild* activity book.

October is also the time for ghosts and goblins. Just in time for Halloween, we have how-to costume books. Check out *The No-Sew Costume Book* by Michaeline Bresnahan, *Costumes For You To Make* by Susan Purdy, and *Halloween Crafts & Cookbook* by Nancy Hathaway.

It's a three-way race for the '92 Presidential election again, and with only a month until the election, we've prepared a book display about politics and the presidency. Get filled in on H. Ross Perot in *Perot: An Unauthorized Biography* by Tod Mason and *On Wings Of Eagles* by Ken Follet in both large and regular print. *Simply Barbara: A Portrait Of America's Candid First Lady* is the only biography we have on the Bush family.

Also check out The Saturday Evening Post's *The President, Upstairs At The White House: My Life With The First Ladies* by J. B. West, and *Dog Days At The White House* by Traphes Bryant, the presidential kennel keeper.

We also have books on the politics of the presidency. Read *Who Owns America* by Walter J. Hinkel, *The Imperial Presidency* by Arthur M. Schlesinger, *Breaking Cover* by Bill Gulley tells about the shocking abuse of resources and power in the last few administrations, and P. J. O'Rourke's *Parliament Of Whores* is a satire on Congress. A few books on the Reagan Era are *October Surprise* by Barbara Honegger, about Reagan-Bush and the hostages in Iran, *The Triumph Of Politics: Why The Reagan Revolution Failed* by David A. Stockman, and *Politics Of Rich & Poor: Wealth & The American Electorate In The Reagan Aftermath* by Kevin Phillips.

Many thanks to those who donated books and magazines to the library this past week: Leticia Kaminski, J. Lee Ballantyne, Dave & Irene Blair, and Walter & Marge Geeze.

The library will be closed on Monday, October 12, 1992 in celebration of the 500th anniversary of Christopher Columbus discovering America.

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

Kinney County Library
Staff & Volunteers

Bridge Anyone

By NORMA GOULD



The Fort Clark Springs Duplicate Bridge Club met Tuesday, September 29, in the Saber Room. A Howell Movement was used with 4 1/2 tables in play.

Rozetta Pingnot and Tina Bauguess were in first place. Nita and Fred Clayton of Del Rio tied with Ann Hibler and Betty Inman for second place.

All bridge players interested in Duplicate are welcome.

Unsung Hero

by Joe Townsend



There is a man in our county that has been here all his life.

He has a fine family and is devoted to his wife and family.

He has been involved in business in Brackettville. He is active in community activities, particularly school activities.

He is at present very active in the Tiger Athletic Booster Club of which he is president.

He is a kind person with many friends and no enemies. To know him is to like him.

Surely Manuel Pena is an "Unsung Hero."

Book Review

By Mary Mitchell



Sahara

By CLIVE CUSSLER

Occasionally, we find that an excellent author seems to remain generally anonymous despite his writing skills. This seems to be the case with Clive Cussler.

He has written at least ten books prior to his latest *Sahara*.

Mr. Cussler has a well developed main character, Dirk Pitt, and a riveting plot which will keep you thoroughly engrossed to the end. If you enjoy Ken Follet type books, Mr. Cussler will be a welcome addition to your "authors to read" list.

Read *Sahara*, it's dynamic and entertaining. Then, treat yourself to the earlier works of this very talented writer!

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Beyond The Horizon

By Dorothy Payne



In the spring of 1757, six Franciscan Friars cleared ground on the bank of the San Saba River near what is now Menard, Texas. They cut timber and built homes and a church, the first Catholic Church northwest of San Antonio, and it was built in Comanche and Apache country. The Rev. Alonso Giraldo de Torreras financed the building of the mission which was named San Saba.

They built their first station about three miles downstream from the new Presidio San Luis de los Amarillas, at that time the largest and most important Texas fort. No converts showed up and by the first of the new year four of the priests left with only one replacement arriving. Father Alonso, Friar Jose Santiesteban and Friar Miguel Molina were left.

That winter the Indian raids on the Mission began and the Commander asked the Franciscans to move to the fort, but Friar Alonso thought the mission was safer than the fort. At this time there were about 35 people living in the mission.

On March 18, 1785, the Indians struck. Friar Jose ran to the church to alert Friar Alonso who was preparing for mass. The Comanches had come to the mission in friendship (so they said) and were permitted inside by the padres. As soon as they gained entrance, they began to plunder.

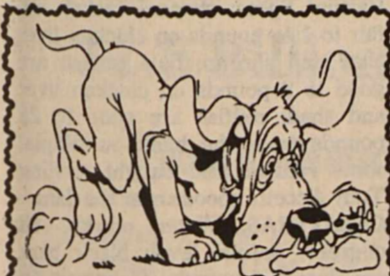
Father Alonso jumped to his horse to ride for help, but was shot, mortally wounded. Then the Comanches set fire to the mission, destroying it. Friar Miguel was also wounded, but crawled into a room with others who were forced to seek help when that room began to burn. Friar Miguel crawled three miles down the river to the Presidio which took him twenty-four hours.

In the meantime, Father Jose was killed in the church at the foot of the Altar. The next day when the soldiers came, all they saw was the smoking ruins. Dead were two Friars and seventeen laymen. Their graves are unknown today.

The 2,000 Indians (Comanches, Tejas, Bidais, and Tonkawas) rode on to Paint Rock where they reported the raid, claiming the death of three priests, not two. The mission was moved into the Presidio, which was abandoned in 1770 by the Spanish.

The remainder of the ruins was carted off by people of Menard and used in other buildings. It was restored in the 1930s by the WPA but flood waters washed most of it away.

San Saba Mission existed only a year but then everything was short lived on the Texas frontier. At the last, only three Friars were alive and the nine Tiascolteca Indians who were sent to the mission from Mexico were dead, too. They had been sent to teach the other Indians agriculture. Only 120 soldiers survived.



Sniffin' Around For Bargains!
Try Classifieds!

The Brackett News

512-563-2852

Just For The Fun Of It

Where were you born: Blackwell, OK.

What is your favorite food: Anything that won't eat me first.

How do your friends describe you: Mischievous!

Describe yourself: Indescribable!

What is your favorite movie: *Lonesome Dove*.

What is your favorite book: *Lonesome Dove*.

If you could go anywhere, where would you go: Australia; Alaska.

What would you like to be if you could change your life: Archaeologist; work with dolphins, etc.

If you could change Brackettville, how would you change it: Although we've only been here a short time, like it like it is.



June Smith

Community Calender



AA: Mondays, 8 p.m., Slator Hall, 109 W. James St.
Al-Anon: CAN HELP. Call 563-9205 for time & location of meetings.
Altar 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.
BISD School Board: 2nd Monday, 6:30 p.m., School Board Room.
Chamber of Commerce: 2nd Thursday, 7:30 p.m., Cavalry Room.
City Council: 2nd Tuesday, 7 p.m., Slator 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., 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 Post #8380 & Auxiliary: 4th Wednesday, 6 p.m., Pot Luck, 7 p.m. Meeting, NCO Club.
FCS Bingo: Friday, 7:30 p.m., Shafter Hall.
FCS Las Vegas Night: 4th Saturday, 8 p.m., Las Moras Restaurant.
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Days Past

by Dorothy Payne

October 10, 1774 - Lord Dunmore's troops defeated the Shawnees at Point Pleasant on the Great Kanawa and Ohio Rivers and ended the Shawnee War.

October 1774 - In the treaty of Camp Charlotte between the Shawnees and Kentucky, more Kentucky land was opened for settlement by the Shawnees. However, the Cherokee Indians still claimed some of the land ceded over by the Shawnees.

October 9, 1776 - Franciscan missionaries, led by Juan Batista de Anza, founded the Mission of San Francisco de Asis (present day San Francisco) at the fort on this site.

October 10, 1780 - Congress passed a resolution urging the states to cede their western territories to the Union, which would create new states from the territories. Connecticut did so at once.

October 15, 1783 - A Congressional committee issued a report on the status of the Indians, and urged a meeting between the Indians and the new government. The meeting did not happen.

October 22, 1784 - The six Iroquois Nations, in the second treaty of Fort Stanwix, ceded all remaining territory west of the Niagara River; however, the Ohio Indians did not recognize this as binding.

October 10, 1785 - Spain was still ordering Georgia to turn over Bourbon County, but Georgia still refused.

October 18, 1790 - The Ohio Indians defeated an expedition of Americans near Fort Wayne, Indiana, and began five years of hostilities in the Northwest Territory.

October 28, 1790 - England and Spain attempted to quell the crisis of Nootka Sound (off present day Vancouver), in which Britain, Spain and the United States advanced claims to the same territory.

October 27, 1795 - In the treaty of San Lorenzo, Spain promised to abandon two forts just recently built on the U. S. side of the Mississippi, to relinquish claims north of the 31st parallel and to open the Mississippi to navigation.

October 29, 1796 - Captain Ebenezer Dorr sailed the "Ottor" along the California Coast and into Monterey Bay, the first American ship to explore this coast.

October 1, 1800 - The secret treaty of San Ildefonso between France and Spain was signed. This treaty met the immediate needs of the two European powers, but its ramifications would eventually double the area of the young United States.

THANK YOU

I sincerely thank everyone for the gifts, cards, and prayers. They are so gratefully appreciated.

All the loving support from friends and family have helped me pull through the first stages of recovery, and the memories of your concern will carry on throughout the rest of my recovery.

Thanks again for everyone's love and prayers.

/s/ Evelyn Sofaly

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QUERECHO FLATS

By Curt Brummett

Where Is Belief

BY CURT BRUMMETT

I met this girl in Texas,
She was religious to say the least.
And she referred to all us cowboys
As non-believing freaks.

And us, according to her,
Was just alive by the grace of God.
She said that God used us as examples,
To make others fear the rod.

She said we didn't believe in God
Cause we lived the life of sinners.
I started not to tell the poor dumb thing
That cowboying wasn't for non-believers.

But then I changed my mind.

I kinda got up in her face,
I was getting mad as hell.
She was the one that needed straightened out
And maybe a paddling as well.

I asked her if to be a Christian,
You had to be two-faced.
And if we had to bad mouth others
To keep up her religious pace.

I asked if to be a Christian,
You had to sneak around
To drink and dance and cheat on your spouse,
Till Sunday rolled around.

Then go and sit in the front row
Of the church you say you built.
Then think and say the grandest things
That make you look as sweet as milk.

I asked her how much she gave
To the Mexican's family
After the storm and they were destitute
When all they had owned had blown away.

She pretended she didn't know
That it was the cowboys, after the storm,
That took the family in, Give 'em beef and clothes
And what they could to keep 'em warm.

I asked her if she had ever been jerked down
Out in a pasture by a bull.
Ten miles from camp and all alone
The wreck made you look a fool.

But when the wreck was over,
And you and your horse were still both sound.
Then you took a breath and then looked up
And said thanks, Pard, I'm glad you were around.

I asked her if she had ever seen
The work the Man put in,
To make the sunrise really great,
Or the art work of days end.

Or if she'd seen a pasture full of colts
Sleek and shiny from being fat.
Bucking, jumping, squealing, kicking,
I told her that's where God is at.

I said we may just be cowboys,
But we've a religion all our own.
And we didn't need some old biddy
Chunking us with words of stone.

One last thing I asked her,
"Say, do you mind if I ask, the next time
I'm in Big Spring and see you at the bar,
Reckon I could have a dance?"

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Fishing Report



AMISTAD: Water clear, 80 degrees, normal level; black bass are fair to good to 6 pounds on Power Worms and buzz baits, spinners are good early and late; striped are picking up to 12 pounds on Bananahead jigs and large slabs; crappie are slow; white bass are fair but scattered on slabs and spoons at night on minnows; channel catfish are fairly good in 12 to 57 feet of water on cheese baits, shrimp and nightcrawlers.

BRAUNIG: Water murky, 84 degrees, normal level; black bass are slow; hybrid striped are fair to 5 pounds on tilapia, chicken liver and Rattlin' Spots; channel catfish are fair to 1 1/2 pounds on chicken liver, shad and shrimp; blue catfish are good to 9 pounds on chicken liver and shad; redbass are good to 22 pounds from the bank on tilapia, some redbass also caught trolling Tony Accetta spoons near the dam.

CALAVERAS: Water murky, 83 degrees, normal level; black bass are slow to 4 pounds, 14 ounces on artificials; striped are slow to 5 pounds on artificials; catfish are good to 3/4 pound on tilapia, shad and cheese baits; yellow catfish are slow to 17 pounds on live bait; redbass are fair to 16 pounds on live perch, shad and artificials.

CHOKE: Water clear, 81 degrees, 9 inches low; black bass are good to 10 pounds in 2-6 feet of water around the grass beds on topwaters, spinners and plastic worms; best areas are Calliham, Mason and Greyhound Points, Three Fingers, Four Fingers and South Shore Park; striped are slow; crappie are fair with limits caught around 99 bridge area in 15 to 30 feet of water on minnows; white bass are fair in the dam area trolling cranks; catfish are good with many limits on cheese baits with rod and reel in 2-6 feet of water, fish are

beginning to move back into the cove and creeks; fish are concentrated around old tank dams, humps and road beds in 10-15 feet of water on cheese bait, shrimp and liver. Trotlines are producing catfish from 15 to 20 pounds along the south shore flats using cut bait.

COLETO CREEK: Water clear, 83 degrees, 1 foot low; black bass are good above 14 inches on Slug-Gos and spinners; crappie are good to 13 inches on minnows in the weed beds at night; catfish are fair to 9 inches and above on live perch and liver.

FALCON: Water clear, 83 degrees, normal level; black bass are good to 8 pounds on worms; striped are fair to 15 pounds trolling lures; crappie are slow; white bass are slow; crappie are good to 5 pounds on shrimp, larger catfish to 56 pounds are caught on rod and reel with live bait.

MEDINA: Water clear, 10-inches low; black bass are good to 3 pounds on Power Worms; striped are slow; crappie are slow; white bass are slow; catfish are good to 6 pounds on nightcrawlers and stinkbait.

TEXANA: Water murky, normal level; black bass are slow to 5 1/2 pounds in the jungle on white spinners; crappie are fair on minnows; catfish are slow.

FISH STOCKING REPORT

AUSTIN-Texas Parks and Wildlife Department fish hatcheries have stocked 213,640,349 fingerlings, fry and adult fish into the state's waters through September 25.

Lake Amistad received 507,075 Florida Largemouth Bass and 339,369 Striped Bass.

Kinney County Health Fair Flu Shots Will Be Available

The Texas Department of Health, Public Health Region 6 Nursing Division, will administer influenza immunizations at the Kinney County Health Fair on Thursday, October 22, 1992, 12 noon to 7:00 p.m.

A \$3.00 donation will be asked for the immunization.

Influenza immunizations markedly decreases the incidence of complications, hospitalization, and death due to influenza, especially in the elderly. Annual immunization is recommended particularly for patients with chronic pulmonary or

cardiovascular diseases, those in chronic care facilities, patients with diabetes or other metabolic diseases, severe anemia or renal diseases, immunosuppressed patients, children and young adults on long term aspirin therapy, and for everyone more than 65 years old.

It is also recommended for household members and for physicians and other health-care personnel who may have contact with high-risk patients. Because the flu virus mutates (changes), a dose should be received each year for maximum protection.

Top C&W Singles

1. Little Texas "You And Forever And Me," (Warner) Last Week: No. 4
2. George Strait "So Much Like My Dad," (MCA) No. 6
3. Collin Raye "In This Life," (Epic) No. 7
4. Chris Ledoux "Whatcha Gonna Do With A Cowboy," (Liberty Album Cut) No. 9
5. Trisha Yearwood "Wrong Side Of Memphis," (MCA) No. 8
6. Randy Travis "If I Didn't Have You," (MCA) No. 8
7. Wynonna "No One Else On Earth," (Curb/MCA) No. 11
8. Billy Ray Cyrus "Could've Been Me," (Mercury) No. 2
9. Diamond Rio "Nowhere Bound," (Arista) No. 12
10. Joe Diffie "Next Thing Smokin'," (Epic) No. 23

Do you live in a Growing Community?

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Golf News



Ladies Day Tuesday, September 29

AB/CD Two Best Ball Format
The best score of the AB players is added to the best score of the CD players. In first place with a total score of 159 was the team of:

- A- Jane Young
- B- Chick Cruse
- C- Odette Mills
- D- Jane Heninger

In second place with a total of 165 were:

- A- Gwen Ladd
- B- Mary Stephenson
- C- Leslie Houk
- D- Marge Adams

Third place with a 173 were:

- A- Shirley Stephenson
- B- Betty Mathison
- C- Avis Anderson
- D- Doris Eckenroth

Mens Day Wednesday, September 30 A and B, Low Ball

Roy Dyer and Tom Faulkenberry teamed up to tie Jim Swinney and Bob Houk for first place.

Coming in third with a score of 70 was the pairing of Charlie Smith and Bob Gaston.

C and D Low Ball
Taking first honors with a 74 were James Stafford and Roger Berset.

Second place with a score of 76 was the team of George Miller and Don Packer.

In third place with a 77 was the Bill Mills/ Rick Bacon twosome.

Couples Tournament Thursday, October 1

Each Thursday a scramble is played. The winning foursome then hosts the play for the following Thursday.

This week in first place was the foursome of Julian Garza, Shirley Stephenson, Mussey and Dorothy Edwards.

There was a tie for second, third, and fourth place. The teams sharing honors were: Ralph and Hilda Vestienz, Andy and Avis Anderson; Doc and Chic Cruse, Gordon and Betty Mathison; Charlie Smith and Mary Stephenson, Bill Koons and Gene Graham.

Fish Fry and Dance Saturday, October 17, 5:00 P.M. - Everybody come! It's loads of fun - good food, good folks, good music!

Fort Clark Golf Club House

Guys and Gals Tournament

It's time to sign up for the "Guys and Gals" Golf Tournament scheduled for Saturday, November 14, and Sunday, November 15.

The Ladies Golf group is planning an outstanding tournament so get your partner and join us.

Applications are available at the Pro Shop.

Patty Barnett, we're so pleased to hear how well you are doing. We're all anxious for your return to Fort Clark! See you soon.

3-Par Scramble Monday, October 5

Twenty-nine men and women, divided into seven teams, played in the scramble.

The first place team with Jane Young as captain came in at three under par 24. Her team members were Bill Koons, Harold Kauffman, A. T. Guerra and Ruben Martinez. Gerald Gallion's team and Robert Correa's teams tied for second place at one under par 26. Gallion's team was made up of Dutch Schoolfield, Lou Green, and Jerry O'Brien. Dave Yates, Mary Stephenson, and Dwite Gilliland made up Correa's team. In a chip-off to determine the second place winners, Gallion's team was victorious.

Two teams tied at even par 27 and they were Julian Garza, Art Ray, Mickey Braun, and Amie Skelton; James Stafford, Roger Berset, Pat McKelvy, and Frank Eckenroth.

The last two teams tied at one over par 28 and they were Charlie Smith, Dave Blair, Ron Frisby, and Howard Skelton; Tom Faulkenberry, Bill Mitchell, Shirley Stephenson, and Andrew Stephenson.

An invitation is extended to all golfers to participate in the weekly scramble. A hole-in-one during the scramble is worth \$50.00 cash. Patty Barnett is the only person to claim this prize in the past four years!

Putting Contest

This same group sponsored a putting contest on Monday evening at the practice putting green of the Fort Clark Golf Course. Twenty-five individuals divided into five teams competed. Two teams tied for first place with 20 putts per team. Those teams were Frank Eckenroth, Bill Mitchell, Jerry O'Brien, Ron Buckles, and Flo Stafford. The other team was Bill Koons, Shirley Stephenson, Walt Baugess, Mickey Braun, and Charlie Smith. Each player received a new golf ball and a bag of tees.

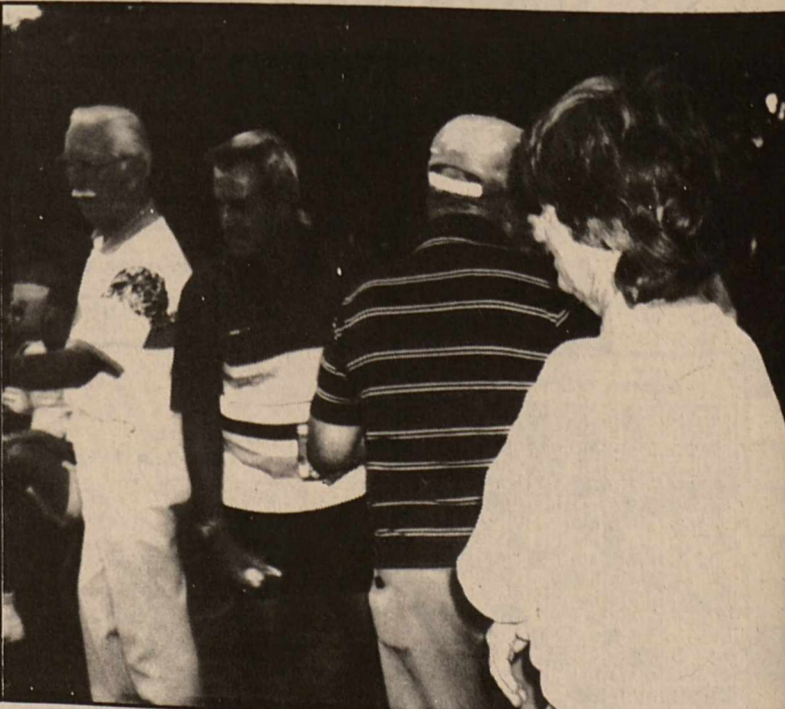


Charlie Smith won the prize for the individual making the most putts - 7. He received a free round of golf on the 3-par course some Monday, and a sleeve of golf balls.

Following the tournament, the golfers and their guests gathered on the veranda overlooking Las Moras Creek for a Hamburger Festival.

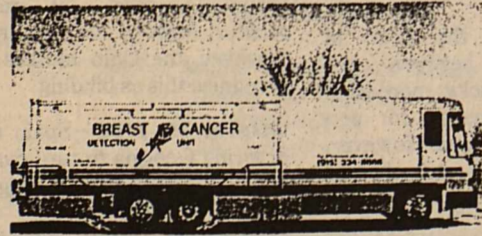
Gerald and Catherine Gallion cooked the burgers on their fancy rotisserie, and Vivian and Bob Grenon prepared the beans, potato salad, and trimmings. Fort Clark Recreation Director Harrell Floyd was in charge of arrangements.

The fellowship was warm-hearted, the food delicious, the weather and the setting were perfect.



Lining up to receive prizes from Recreation Director Harrell Floyd after the putting tournament are, left, Roger Berset, Bill Mitchell, Jerry O'Brien, and Shirley Stephenson.

BREAST CANCER DETECTION UNIT AVAILABLE TO AREA WOMEN



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Ninety percent of breast cancers are diagnosed by women or their physicians finding a lump in the breast. Women who are diagnosed with a lump large enough to feel have a 50 percent five year survival rate. A woman who is diagnosed as having breast cancer by mammography, before a lump can be felt, has a 97% five year survival rate and a 90% 10 year survival rate.

A mammogram can detect a cancer this small, even before it can be felt.

Guidelines For Screening Mammography Established by the American Cancer Society.

- I. 35-40 years of age - One baseline mammogram.
- II. 40-50 years of age - A mammogram every 1-2 years depending on breast type and risk factor.
- III. 50 years of age and over - An annual physical examination and annual mammogram.
- IV. Asymptomatic women under 50 years of age with significant high risk factors should be examined at appropriate intervals. These risk factors include previous breast cancer and family history of cancer.

V. A symptomatic woman should have a mammogram at any age when she experiences a mass, nipple discharge, skin changes or unexplained breast pain.

A screening mammogram is an x-ray of the breast using extremely low dosages of radiation (usually comparable to dental x-rays) and is designed to find very early cancers.

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Texas Dept. Of Agriculture

By RICK PERRY Commissioner

DEL RIO AND EAGLE PASS GET ECONOMIC BOOST FROM REPAIR WORK AT LIVESTOCK EXPORT PENS

AUSTIN - Repairs at the Texas Department of Agriculture's livestock export pens in Eagle Pass and Del Rio are doing more than simply enhancing the facilities' efficiency, the renovations also are spurring an economic boost for the two border cities. At the request of Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry, TDA was awarded a \$400,000 industrial development grant by the Farmers Home Administration. The repairs are expected to provide about 18 full-time and part-time jobs with a \$100,000 payroll.

"It is critical that our export pens be in top shape to handle the booming numbers of livestock being shipped into Mexico," Perry said. "These repairs will help us do precisely that by enhancing the efficiency of these vital facilities."

In 1991, a record 1.3 million head of livestock valued at \$202 million passed through the TDA livestock export pens - doubling the previous record of 621,713 head valued at \$90 million in 1990.

The pens temporarily hold animals while they are waiting to be inspected by Mexican government veterinarians to ensure the animals meet certain health requirements. Livestock export pens are certified by the Mexican government and must meet its criteria. The renovations also will allow the facilities to meet recent changes in Mexican government standards.

Of TDA's six export pens, the Del Rio and Eagle Pass facilities handled 86% of the export traffic in 1991. TDA's other pens are in Brownsville, Laredo, El Paso, and at Houston Intercontinental Airport.

"We are pleased that the FmHA was able to provide this crucial help and, at the same time help us create new jobs and opportunities for the Del Rio and Eagle Pass areas," said Perry, who commended U.S. Rep. E. "Kika" De La Garza, chairman of the House Agriculture Committee, for his support.

In addition to hiring local labor, all materials and supplies used in the repairs are being bought locally whenever possible. Work at the Del Rio building is expected to be completed by Thanksgiving. Repairs are scheduled to begin at the Eagle Pass facility in early December.

Renovations include redesigning the pens' layout to increase efficiency; creating small animal inspection stations; repairing and replacing fences and loading chutes; installing water troughs, improving the drainage and runoff systems; improving parking for trucks; and creating handicapped access. On a full-time basis, the Del Rio pen employs five and the Eagle Pass pen employs three. All of TDA's pens, which are about 20 years old, are in need of repair. However, only Del Rio and Eagle Pass were able to qualify for the FmHA grant, which requires money to be spent in rural cities with populations of less than 50,000.

National 4-H Week

National 4-H Week, October 4 - 10, is a time to reflect on a program that brings a practical learning experience to the youth of America.

Today, one out of every 10 Texas youngsters is involved in 4-H, and many of their learning experiences revolve around animals. Whether it's raising a pen of rabbits or feeding and grooming an animal for the show ring, these young people are learning a strong sense of satisfaction and commitment that comes with tending and caring for an animal. Walk through a county fair, or regional livestock show, and you will see that sense of duty and pride beaming from ear to ear.

We also find that more than 2/3 of our children live in an urban setting, and so 4-H has changed with our shifting population trends. Nowadays, you might find a group of youngsters in downtown Dallas tending to a roof-top garden, or kids in Houston working with natural resource or wildlife programs. Or it may be that group of youngsters in Austin learning leadership skills and group planning on a county recreational team.

4-H embodies all that is right with our country's young people - embodies their hopes and dreams for the future. But what's more, 4-H is helping them turn their hopes and dreams into fact and reality.

Texas agriculture is proud to take this opportunity to salute 4-H and all the extraordinary people who make it a shining success.

/s/ Rick Perry Texas Commissioner of Agriculture

PERRY URGES BUREAU OF THE CENSUS TO CORRECT UNDERCOUNT OF TEXAS RESIDENTS

AUSTIN-Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry has urged the U.S. Bureau of the Census to adjust its population count for Texas, saying an undercount will cost the state millions of dollars in federal funds.

In a letter to Dr. Barbara Bryant, director of the bureau, Perry said that the results of the survey will help correct any previous deficiencies in the undercount of Texas residents during the 1990 census.

A follow-up survey has identified an undercount of 2.763 percent in Texas which represents more than 480,000 Texans.

"Given the importance that correct population estimates have for our state and local governments in the allocation of federal funds, I believe there is full justification for this adjustment," Perry said.

Population estimates are calculated from the base year annually for each state and biennially for cities and counties. According to the Government Accounting Office, these population estimates are the basis for about \$10 billion in federal funding each year.

Perry is concerned that some rural areas across Texas were undercounted in the 1990 census. "This adjustment would produce a new base equitable to rural and urban areas alike," he said.

In addition, the adjustment would help return more federal funds to Texas for programs that would help all Texans.

Perry has made securing greater levels of federal funds for Texas one of his major priorities as commissioner.

TEXAS PICKLES PACK AN ECONOMIC PUNCH

AUSTIN - If you don't think pickles when you think of Texas, think again. Texas pickles pack an economic punch - last year 33,000 tons of cucumbers worth more than \$9 million were grown solely to make pickles and relishes.

"Everything from kosher to gherkin varieties are grown in Texas to supply both the brine and the fresh refrigerated-packed pickle market," Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry said.

The last two weeks of September are recognized nationally as "Snack a Pickle Time."

Last year in Texas, 5,500 acres of cucumbers were harvested for pickle and relish processing. In contrast, only 2,900 acres were harvested during the same period for the fresh cucumber market. The value of cucumbers sold for the fresh market also is less than the value of those sold for processing, amounting to \$6.44 million in 1991, according to the Texas Agricultural Statistics Service.

The majority of the state's cucumber crop used for making pickles and relishes is grown in South Texas. In fact, the Rio Grande Valley produces the first and the last domestic crop of the season for fresh refrigerated-packed pickles.

The Rio Grande Valley's fall and spring crop produces fresh cucumbers when others are not available from late April to early June and from late September to early November.

Some of the state's largest pickle growers and packers are located in Hidalgo, MacAllen and Welasco.

County Agent News

By Allan McWilliams



All Kinney County 4-H parents and volunteer leaders are invited to attend a parents support group meeting on Sunday October 11, 1992 at 5:00 p.m. at the county courthouse. The 4-H club will begin operating on a "club manager" system in which most Texas counties are successfully operating under at the present time.

The Texas A&M Agricultural Research and Extension Center will celebrate its 20th anniversary with an open house on October 23. The center is located at 1619 Garner Field Road. The open house is from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

Events will include a tour of the center, a symposium entitled "Water for South Texas," an equipment and agricultural industry display and a barbecue lunch.

Displays will also feature exhibits on brush management, grazing behavior, cattle adaption, wildlife nutrition, Mexican steer systems, cotton, corn, peanuts, sesame, vegetable production, parent education, food safety and youth development.

Nineteen southwest Texas counties are served by the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station and the Texas Agricultural Extension Service headquartered at the center.

The center was opened in 1972 to help develop the full agricultural and agri-business potential of the area.

Home economics and youth development also are an integral part of the work done through the center. Those of you who are planning to attend the lunch should make reservations by October 15 by contacting Marilyn Weber at the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center, telephone (512) 278-9151.

Agri-business interested in displaying equipment or supplies should call Karen Dean at the Uvalde Center.

The counties the center serves are Atascosa, Bandera, Bexar, Comal, Dimmit, Edwards, Frio, Kendall, Kerr, Kimble, Kinney, La Salle, Maverick, Medina, Real, Sutton, Uvalde, Val Verde and Zavala.

SHEEP AND GOAT REFERENDUM GROUNDWORK UNDER WAY

The Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association is sponsoring an October Sheep and Goat Referendum for predator control. If passed by producers during an October 29 ballot election, the referendum will

provide funds solely for predator control. Funds are to be raised through a per-head-sold checkoff of not more than 20 cents per head.

Any sheep and goat producer whose operation lies within 111 designated Texas counties is eligible to vote. Ballots will indicate: First, whether or not the voting producer is interested in supporting a referendum dedicated to area-wide predator control, which would be additional control on predation to any program now in place and second, producers will vote for three directors to represent their district on the commodity producers' board, provided the referendum passes.

Prospective board member candidate must contact the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association offices for the necessary paper work. They also need ten producer names on a petition to be listed on the ballot.

The Texas Agricultural Extension Service will conduct the election with local county Extension offices serving as the voting sites in each of the designated counties.

Provisions For Disaster Program

The Agriculture Stabilization and Conservation Service is extending the period for producers to file for benefits under Phase II of the program to February 12, 1993, for those crops planted in 1991 for harvest in 1992.

The original deadline was October 2. Payment of benefits up to 50.04 percent will be made to producers as soon as they have furnished the required documentation and the application is approved by their local ASCS Committee.

Producers applying for U. S. Department of Agriculture disaster payments under Phase II and Phase III of the Disaster Assistance Program will be able to receive payments in a more timely manner. President George Bush had the USDA extend the disaster signup and ensure that producers who qualify for benefits under Phase II and Phase III of the Disaster Assistance Program will receive a payment rate of 50.04 percent of the payments for crop losses approved for coverage.

The extended signup period does not change the requirement for producers to purchase crop insurance on the same crop for 1993 if this year's crop loss was more than 65 percent, as required by the 1990 farm bill. The extension gives producers adequate time to file their claims under the disaster program.

U. S. Senator Phil Gramm said, "This streamlined approach will immediately provide funds for losses suffered in recent years. This will enable producers to meet current obligations and prepare for the new crop year. The continued stability of agriculture is important to every American."

The payment rate is the same used to determine disaster payments under USDA's 1990-91 disaster program announced April 13. Applications will be processed and checks mailed to qualifying producers as soon as possible. Producers desiring more information on the Disaster Assistance Program should contact their local office of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service.

\$1.5 Billion Spent On Key Mandates

Texas Association Of School Board Reports

An analysis of eight state mandates required of Texas school districts indicates local schools spent a minimum of \$1.5 billion in 1991-92 to comply with some of the most significant of the hundreds of state and federal requirements imposed on them, according to a Texas Association of School Board (TASB) study.

TASB's cost analysis was performed at the request of Governor Ann Richards, who had asked the Association this past summer to quantify the costs of complying with specific state requirements. In its reply to the governor, the Association targeted eight of the most financially burdensome state mandates required of local school districts including costs associated with implementing the: 1) Texas Teacher Appraisal System (TTAS), 2) teacher planning and preparation period, 3) duty-free lunch period, 4) teacher career ladder, 5) minimum salary schedule, 6) Public Education Information Management System (PEIMS) reporting, 7) records management, and 8) class size limits for certain elementary grades. In addition to analyzing the costs

of selected mandates, TASB published and delivered to the governor a report detailing the specific state and federal statutory requirements school districts operate under to provide accredited education programs.

The report, titled, "Legislative and Regulatory Mandates Imposed on Texas Public School Districts," includes a listing of 210 areas in which the state or federal government has created specific requirements affecting public schools.

In the Association's letter to Governor Richards, TASB Executive Director Dr. Billy D. Walker said, "The publication of this report should not be construed to suggest that the Texas Association of School Boards feels that all statutory requirements imposed on school districts should be repealed. For example, few would argue with the need for a well-balanced curriculum or basic safety and health requirements."

"At the same time," Walker said, "the report and the related estimates indicate the administrative and financial milieu in which school boards, ad-

ministrators, and teachers must operate."

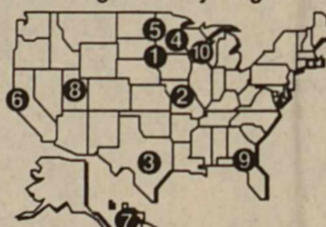
TASB has consistently called upon the state and federal governments to adequately fund their shares of requirements imposed on local school districts.

In addition to costs associated with state mandates, the Association reiterated results of a recent Texas Education Agency (TEA) study on school facilities. According to the TEA report, Texas school districts need an additional \$3.3 billion to meet current school facilities needs related to overcrowding, student population growth, renovation, providing adequate science labs, and building libraries and gymnasiums.

A copy of TASB's publication "Legislative and Regulatory Mandates Imposed on Texas Public School Districts," is available for \$6 plus postage and handling from TASB Publications. Contact Diane Aldridge, 512-467-0222 or 800-580-8272. For more information regarding the contents of this document, contact Patrick Francis or Nancy Cotton with TASB Government/External Relations, 512-478-4044 or 800-580-4885(GVTL).

Best place to live

Top 10 U.S. cities to live in, according to Money magazine:



- 1. Sioux Falls, S.D.
2. Columbia, Mo.
3. Austin, Texas
4. Minneapolis-St. Paul
5. Fargo, N.D.
6. San Francisco
7. Honolulu
8. Provo-Orem, Utah
9. Gainesville, Fla.
10. Madison, Wis.
SOURCE: Money magazine

NOTICE OF EARLY VOTING GENERAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 3, 1992

September 19, 1992, thru 10/27/92 Absentee Voting Clerk may send ballots by mail to applicants as soon as ballots are available. (Section 85.004) Texas Election Code

Absentee Voting by personal appearance in the County Clerk's office of the Courthouse in Brackettville, Texas will begin 10/14/92 and end on 10/30/92 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. each day during regular office hours. (Closed from 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m., each day.) (Section 85.001 (a), Texas Election Code.)

EMERGENCY ABSENTEE VOTING HOURS: After close of business on the seventh day preceding election, a voter's representative of a disabled voter who became disabled on or after the seventh day preceding the election 10/26/92 can obtain balloting materials from the absentee clerk under the provisions of Section 102.001 Election Code. Late absentee ballot due to death in immediate family that occurred on or after 10/29/92 may be voted under Section 103.003, Election Code.

DATE: 10-1-92

Dolores Raney, County Clerk and Absentee Voting Clerk Kinney County, Texas

AVISO DE VOTAR AUSENTE ELECCION GENERAL NOVIEMBRE 3, 1992

En el día 19 de Octubre hasta el 27 de Octubre 1992 la Clerica de Votar Ausente esta permitida para mandar balotas pro pedido postal tan pronto cuando esten los balotas disponibles. (section 84.007 Texas Election Code)

Para votar en persona en la oficina Clerica del Condado de Kinney, Ciudad de Brackettville, Tejas suscitar el precintado el 14 de Octubre 1992 y terminara el 30 de Octubre 1992 entre las oras de 8:00 a.m., hasta las 5:00 p.m. todos los durante los dias regulares de trabajo. (La oficina estara cerrada durante 12:00 a mediodia hasta la 1:00 p.m.) Section 85.001 (a), Texas Election Code.

Para votar en casa de una emergencia: Despues de horas en la septimo dia antecedar la eleccion un representante de un votante inhabilitado que parecio inhabilitado en o despues del dia septimo antes de la eleccion 10/26/92 podra obtener materiales para votar de la Clerica Ausente abajo la provision Section 102.00 Election Code.

Para obtener una voleta tarde nada mas en caso de fallecimiento en la familia inmediata que ocurrio en o despues del dia 10 de Octubre 1992 podra votar de bajo la Section 103.003 (b), Election Code

EL DIA: 10-1-92

Dolores Raney, Clerica del Condado de Kinney Estado de Tejas

ORDER OF GENERAL ELECTION (ORDEN DE ELECCION GENERAL)

An election is hereby ordered to be held on 3rd Nov., 1992, in Kinney County, Texas for the purpose of electing the following county and precinct officers as required by Article XVI, Section 65 of the Texas Constitution.

(Por la presente se ordena que se lleve a cabo una eleccion el dia 3 de Noviembre, 1992, en el Condado de Kinney, Brackettville, Texas, con el proposito de elegir los siguientes oficiales del condado y del precinto como requerido por el Articulo XVI, Sección 65, de la Constitución de Texas.)

(List offices) (Enumere los puestos oficiales)

- County Attorney (Procurador del Condado)
Sheriff (Sherife)
County Tax Assessor-Collector (Asesor-Collector de Impuestos Del Condado)
County Commissioner, Pct. No. 1 (Comisionado del Condado Precinto Num. 1)
County Commissioner, Pct. No. 3 (Comisionado del Condado Precinto Num. 3)
Constable (Condestable)

Proposition No. 1 - 3/4 County Sales and Use Tax within County to be used to reduce Co. Property Tax Rate.
Proposition No. 2 - local sales and use tax in Kinney Co. at 1/2% to Provide revenue Tax Rate.

for Health Service in County according to State of Tx.
Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at: County & District Clerks Office (La votación adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en:) La oficina de Clerica del Condado

Kinney County Courthouse - (En la casa de corte del condado de Kinney)

(location) (sitio)

Recommended but not required

between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on Oct. 14, 1992 (date)

(entre las 8:00 de la mañana y las 5:00 de la tarde empezando el Octubre 14, 1992 (fecha)

and ending on October 30, 1992 (date) by terminating el 30 de Octubre, 1992 (fecha)

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to: (Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán adelantada por correo deberán enviarse a:)

DOLORES RANEY (Name of Early Voting Clerk)

(Nombre del Secretario de la Votación Adelantada)

P.O. Drawer 9 (Address) (Dirección)

Brackettville, Texas 78832 (City) (Ciudad) (Zip Code) (Zona Postal)

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on: (Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán adelantada por correo deberán recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el:)

October 27, 1992 (date) (fecha)

Issued this the 21st day of Sept., 1992

(Emitted este día de Sept., 1992)

Signature of County Judge (Firma del Jefe del Condado)

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Making A Difference

By TAYLOR STEPHENSON, Curriculum Director

Brackett School Cafeteria

Headlights sharply contrast with the darkness each school day before 7:00 A.M. as the cafeteria staff arrives at the new school lunchroom and prepares for more than 100 hungry students. The pace quickens as the school lunch team mobilizes to get the school day off to a positive start for Brackett's School Students. The staff includes: June Kaminski, Cafeteria Supervisor, Mary Hernandez, Mary Koch, Dianne Reschman, Honeybee Gomez and Toni Pena.

Five of the six started working 10 years ago when the school lunch program began operating in Brackettville. The breakfast program came to the Brackett Schools two years earlier. This staff cares about the kids—knows the children by name...talks to them, encourages them...and tries to build morale when they are "down." It is a staff that takes the time to try to encourage participation in the cafeteria program with Easter baskets, animal crackers number guessing and through the decorating of the lunch room during the festive seasons of the year. The staff's caring attitudes make Brackett's lunchroom a pleasant place where students and staff may eat and socialize with their friends. Being a kid watcher, I enjoy watching the parade of children each day—first the preschool children, then the older children from Jones Elementary School, followed by Middle School and finally by our school veterans—Brackett's High Schoolers and finally the Seniors of 1993. All come to the cafeteria to share good food and happy times. They find what they seek!

Watch for breakfast specials this year that include the children and their parents. Two of the ideas that Mrs. Kaminski and the staff are going to try this year on special days are: "Doughnuts and Dads" and "Muffins and Moms". These will be opportunities for parents to eat breakfast with their children on special occasions. You will not want to miss this; so, watch for more information later in the year!

It's easy to brag about the facilities which are first class! Sanitation is greatly improved through the use of stainless steel equipment, clean white walls, and new cafeteria tables. The building also includes excellent lighting and a spacious look because of the raised ceiling for sound absorption. The room is comfortably air conditioned and is a beautiful new addition to Brackett ISD. The staff worked

hard over the Christmas holidays last year to move into the new facility. This fine, modern facility is a major improvement in the master plan for buildings and grounds planned and implemented by Superintendent Bob McCall and the Brackett ISD School Board with financial support from school patrons.

Can you imagine 125 guests showing up for breakfast and another 450 coming for lunch? Menus have to be planned in advance...delivery trucks have to bring just the right food supplies if the day is to work as planned. The food must be cooked, kept cool or warm and must be ready to serve at just the right time. The staff must then serve the meal and be ready to interact with the students making their daily visit to the cafeteria. After the meal is served, the pots, pans, dishes and trays must be washed and put away by the cafeteria staff. Five days each week for thirty six weeks, the same schedule is followed.

Favorite foods for the students are pizza, hamburgers, and enchiladas. For breakfast, students enjoy cinnamon rolls or taquitas the best! The kids in our homes would probably select the same! In the Brackett Schools, students and staff can select from the regular menu, "B" line, or salad bar. The "B" line usually consists of a hot sandwich and some of the items usually found in fast food outlets which have become so popular in recent years. A third choice given for children in grades four through twelve is a salad bar. This is the most recent innovation (as it is in many restaurants), and certainly offers an alternative for those who enjoy this fare! The school lunch program in Brackettville participates in the National School Lunch Program and must meet rigid federal standards.

Mrs. Kaminski has some thirty years experience, in Illinois, in school lunch programs and has worked for Brackett ISD in the same capacity for the past three years. Together with the 40 plus total years of experience from the rest of the staff at Brackett ISD, one of our finest programs is the School Lunch Program.

The cafeteria staff at Brackett ISD makes a difference as it supports the instructional program and school activities of the school district. This week, take time to say thanks to the hardworking, cheerful cafeteria staff at Brackett ISD! They have earned our respect!



Tigers Lose Homecoming Game

The Tigers fell to the Asherton Trojans last Friday evening in front of a packed crowd at Tiger Stadium.

Brackett scored on their first possession on a run by Adrian Pena for thirty yards. Pena then scored the two point conversion. With just under five minutes remaining in the opening quarter John Ingram scored his second touchdown of the season on a run of twenty-three yards. The two point pass attempt from Lynn Floyd was knocked away.

What looked like a sure Tiger lopsided victory turned into a come from behind mauling for the Trojans.

Asherton came back to take a one point lead just before halftime 15-14. Costly penalties and mental mistakes took their toll.

Pena was sidelined for the remainder of the second half with an ankle sprain. The Tiger offense drove the ball into Trojan territory several times with the help of some great catches by J.J. Sandoval and Jesse Terrazas from Floyd. Angel Jaso who missed the entire week of practice due to "cat scratch fever" suited up in the second half to gain over 40 yards of offense.

But Brackett couldn't convert. Asherton took advantage of the weak spots on the defense and scored 22 unanswered points for a final score of 37-14.

This was the first time in Brackett history that Asherton beat the Tigers.

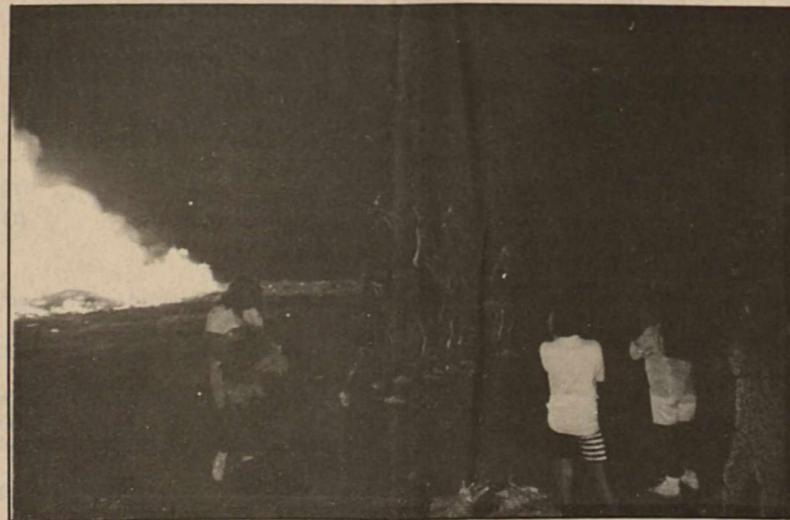
Brackett will open up district play Friday October 9 against Lytle at Tiger Stadium.



Top photo, a Trojan is stopped by an unidentified Tiger.

Above; John Ingram goes in for a touchdown.

Homecoming Activities



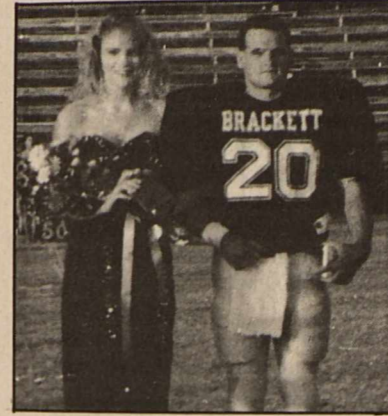
Top: Thursday night's Bonfire; left, Parade Marshall Sheriff Norman Hooten; below, Kindergarten parade float; bottom, Tiger football team float.

Queen Candidate

Wendy McDaniel

King Candidate

Lynn Floyd



Queen Candidate

Theresa Terrazas

King Candidate

Adrian Pena



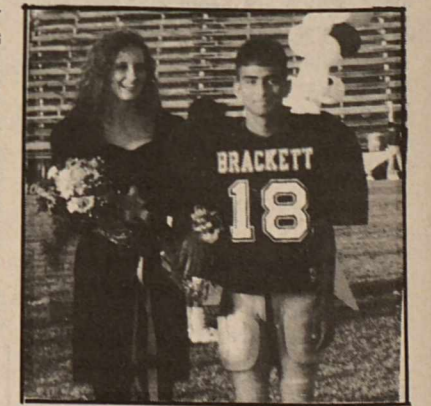
Queen candidate Wendy McDaniel is the daughter of Jim and Jennifer McDaniel. Wendy has participated in varsity basketball for four years and was named first team all-district her freshman and junior years. She has participated in varsity volleyball the past three years and was named all-district first team her junior year and all-district honorable mention her sophomore year. Wendy participated in track four years and was regional qualifier in high jump her sophomore and junior years, 100-meter hurdles her junior year. Wendy has been named all-around athlete of the year her freshman, sophomore, and junior year. Wendy has been a member of National Honor Society for two years and is currently president. Wendy has been a member of student council for three years and has been secretary the past two years. Wendy has been a varsity cheerleader for four years. Wendy has been voted most likely to succeed the past three years by her classmates. She plans to attend A&M or Texas Tech and study physical education or speech communication.

Queen candidate Theresa Terrazas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Terrazas, was named all-around athlete of the year her sophomore year. She has participated in varsity basketball the past three years and was named to first team all-district her sophomore and junior years. She has participated in varsity volleyball the past three years and was honorable mention her sophomore year and second team all-district her junior year. Theresa participated in track the past three years and was a regional qualifier the past two years. She participated in golf her sophomore year and was a regional qualifier. Theresa has been a varsity cheerleader her freshman, sophomore, and senior years and is currently head cheerleader. Theresa has been voted most beautiful by her classmates the past three years. She is currently a member of FHA. She plans to attend St. Edwards University in Austin and major in physical therapy.

King candidate Adrian Pena is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hector Pena. Adrian has played football the past four years and was named second team all-district running back his sophomore year; second team all-district linebacker his sophomore year; first team all-district quarterback his junior year; second team all-district defensive back his junior year; all Southwest Texas his junior year; and co-captain of the Tiger squad his junior and senior years. Adrian participated in track his freshman, sophomore, and junior years and was a regional qualifier each year. He participated in powerlifting his sophomore year. Adrian was voted most handsome by his classmates his freshman, sophomore, and junior years, and most popular his junior year. Adrian plans to attend college and major in wildlife management. He has been named Who's Who Among American High School students.

Junior Class

Amanda Davis - Frank Guajardo III



Amanda Davis, daughter of Doug and Melissa Davis, is the princess of the junior class. Amanda has participated in volleyball the past three years and was named honorable mention last year. She has also participated in basketball the past three years and was named honorable mention last year as well. Amanda was voted most beautiful her freshman and sophomore years, and most popular her sophomore year. She has participated in FHA the past two years and was vice-president and FHA duchess her sophomore year. This year Amanda is a member of FFA and 4-H. She participated in tennis her freshman year. She was a member of National Honor Society last year, and a one-act play participant. This year Amanda is junior class vice-president and a member of student council.

Frank Guajardo III, son of Estela Guajardo, is the prince of the junior class. Frank has participated in football for the past three years. He was a member of the Tiger baseball team his sophomore year and participated in track his freshman and sophomore year. Frank was voted class president his sophomore year and was a member of student council. He has participated in UIL ready writing and typing. Currently, Frank is a member of the Science Club.

Tigerette Volleyball

Natalia

The Brackett Tigerettes pushed their game record to 5-1 on Tuesday, September 29, by defeating Natalia 15-2, 15-8.

Tigerettes Slip Past Del Rio

On Saturday, October 3, the Tigerettes traveled to neighboring Del Rio to battle the Queens in Varsity Volleyball Action!

Kim Ahrens and Wendy McDaniel led the Tigerettes to their second straight victory 17-15, 15-12.

Brackett came out firing in the first game to take a quick 7-1 lead. Then, with service points from Amanda Davis and an "above the net" ace from Ahrens, the Tigerettes took a commanding 13-4 lead.

Somehow the Queens rallied back to pull within three points on six straight service points and three aces at 10-13. Brackett then scored on their next service possession to get them at game point. But Del Rio's "hot-shot" Sharon Slubar rallied her troops with three kills

and a blocked kill to take a one point lead 15-14. A Queen miscue tied the game at 15-all. McDaniel then put the game away with two kills.

Del Rio kept a small lead throughout the second game of the match until Brackett tied it up at 12 a piece. Another kill from McDaniel and a Del Rio error put the Tigerettes at match point. Amanda Davis then served an ace with an exclamation mark to give Brackett the victory.

The Tigerettes won this match with great team play. All of the Lady Tigers executed their offense well and played defense with aggressiveness.

Brackett will be playing the second half of their district schedule and should do some damage to their opponents.

SCHOOL MENU

Breakfast

Hey Mom! Hey Dad! Breakfast is important for you, too. Why not join your kid(s) for breakfast at school sometime!

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12
Hot Oatmeal
Buttered Toast - Fruit

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13
Biscuit/Sausage - Gravy
Fruit Juice

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14
Scrambled Eggs - Toast
Fruit

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15
Biscuit/Gravy - Sausage
Fruit

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16
Donut
Fruit Juice

Lunch

Salad Bar Daily
All Menus Subject to Change
"B" Line - Hot sandwich, French Fries, Fresh Fruit. Milk served with all meals.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 12
Chili Cheese Dog
French Fries
Fresh Fruit Salad

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13
Tortilla Wrapped Sausage
Green Beans
Vegetable Salad
Fruit

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14
Hamburger - Burger Salad
French Fries
Pudding

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15
Frito Pie - Ranch Beans
Corn Bread
Fruit

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16
Pork Chop/Gravy
Whipped Potatoes
Choice of Vegetable
Roll



Band Show: Trumpet soloist Tim Hale.



Brackett 1992 Homecoming Court

FFA

Ida Aguilar - Dale Smith



Duchess Ida Aguilar, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Aguilar, has been a member of the Future Farmers of America for two years. She has been a member of Future Homemakers of America for one year. Ida was voted friendliest sophomore. She participated in tennis her freshman year and in basketball the past two years. Ida is currently a member of the Tigerette volleyball team.

Dale Smith is the duke of the Future Farmers of America. Dale is the son of Richard and Beth Ann Smith. He is a sophomore and active in FFA and 4-H. Dale is a member of the varsity football team and also participates in varsity track. He is a member of the First Baptist Church Youth Group.

NHS

Mary Falcon - Charles Frerich

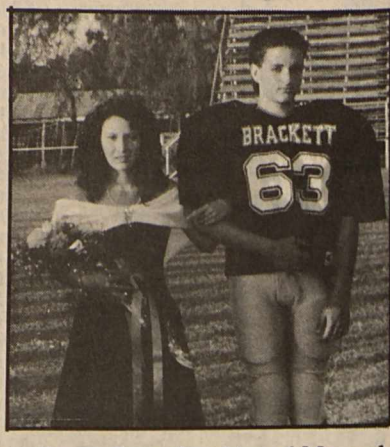


The National Honor Society duchess is Mary Falcon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Juan Ramon Falcon, Sr. Mary has been a student council member for the past four years, and secretary/treasurer of her class for the past four years. Mary has been a member of the National Honor Society her sophomore, junior, and senior years, and is currently serving NHS as secretary. Mary participated in UIL her freshman and sophomore years. She was selected the Rotary Youth Leadership Representative her junior year. Mary has been a member of FHA for three years and participated in basketball her sophomore year.

Charles Michael Frerich is the duke of the National Honor Society. He is the son of Jack and Gladys Frerich. Charles is the treasurer of the National Honor Society this year, and he has been on the "A" Honor Roll for the past three years. He played varsity baseball for two years and participated in varsity track one year. Charles has been a member of the annual staff, Science Club, and the FFA. He received the FFA Swine Production Award his freshman year and won the Grand Champion Swine Award at the 1990 Kinney County 4-H/FFA Livestock Show. Charles attended the Rotary Youth Leadership Conference last year in San Antonio. He has been voted most likely to succeed by his class for the past three years.

Tiger Band

Sonya Cruz - Michael Benacci

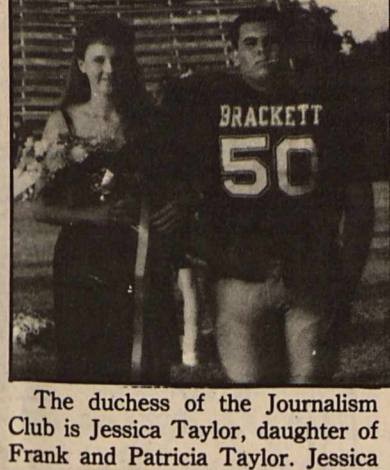


Sonya Cruz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cruz, Sr., is the duchess of the Brackett Tiger Band. Sonya has participated in band for the past three years. Sonya is a member of Future Homemakers of America, and has participated in that organization for the past three years.

Michael Benacci, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Benacci, is the Brackett Tiger Band duke for 1992. Michael has been a member of the band for the past two years and is currently the president of the Brackett Tiger Band. Michael has been elected secretary of his class both his freshman and sophomore years. He has participated in Tiger football for the past two years and is currently a member of student council.

Journalism

Jessica Taylor - Manuel Ramon

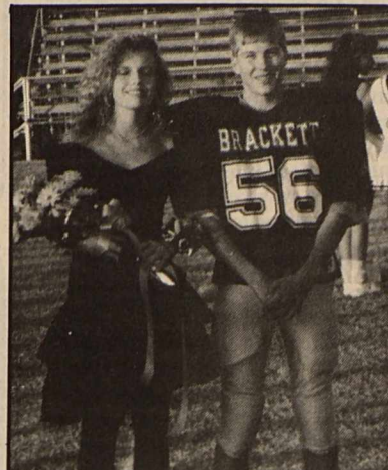


The duchess of the Journalism Club is Jessica Taylor, daughter of Frank and Patricia Taylor. Jessica has participated in volleyball the past three years and in golf her freshman year. She participated in track her freshman and sophomore years and was named regional qualifier both years. Jessica has been a varsity cheerleader for the past three years and was selected freshman duchess and sophomore duchess. Jessica was voted freshman class clown and most popular freshman. She has participated in FHA her freshman year and in UIL Literary both her freshman and sophomore year.

Manuel Ramon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Antonio Ramon, is the duke of the Journalism Club. He is an honor student who has participated in football the past two years and in track and baseball his freshman year. Last year Manuel was a regional qualifier in UIL current events and issues. Manuel was voted most friendly his freshman year.

Freshman Class

Denice Frerich - Justin Coates



The duchess of the freshman class is Denice Frerich, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Frerich. Her accomplishments include varsity cheerleader and a member of the freshman volleyball team. Denice plans to participate in basketball and golf this year.

Justin Coates, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Coates, is the freshman class duke. Justin is a member of 4-H and the Future Farmers of America. He has exhibited many grand and reserve champion lambs at local and major stock shows in Texas. He is a member of the varsity football team at cornerback and special team, and is also a member of the Science Club.

Sophomore Class

Cecilia Aguirre - Kelly Henrich



Cecilia Aguirre, daughter of Juan and Praxedia Aguirre, is the sophomore class duchess. Cecilia is active in 4-H, participating in cooking, sewing, swine and lamb projects for the past eight years. She participated in JV volleyball and track her freshman year. She was voted freshman duchess. Cecilia was named the Gold Star Winner for 1992.

Kelly Henrich, son of Paul and Darla Henrich, is the duke of the sophomore class. Kelly achieved all "A" Honor Roll in the ninth grade. He participates in varsity football as split end flanker on offense and corner back on defense. Kelly also participates in basketball. He is a member of the Science Club and is taking history honors this year.

FHA

Isela Valdez - Gabriel Flores

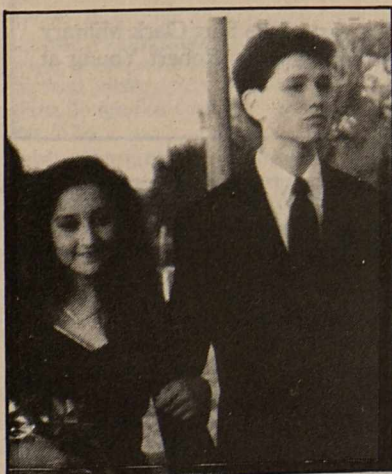


Isela Valdez, daughter of Honorio and Estela Valdez, is the Future Homemakers of America duchess. Isela has participated in FHA for three years and this year is the FHA secretary as well as the "Sweetheart." Isela is the Tigerette volleyball manager and a member of Student Council. She participated in UIL typing her sophomore year.

Gabriel Flores is the duke of the Future Homemakers of America. Gabriel is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Juan Manuel Flores. Gabriel participated in football his sophomore and junior years, and basketball and baseball his sophomore year. This year Gabriel is a member of the Science Club and FHA. Gabriel was selected for Who's Who Among American High School Students both his freshman and sophomore years.

Latin Club

Maria Terrazas - Bryan Gidge

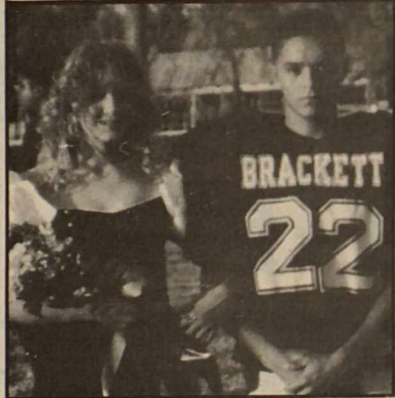


The duchess of the Latin Club is Maria Terrazas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Terrazas. Maria has been a member of the Latin Club for two years and is currently secretary. She is a member of the student council and is also a member of Future Homemakers of America. Maria has been a participant in Upward Bound, a program of Southwest Texas Junior College, since her freshman year.

The duke of the Latin Club is Bryan Gidge, son of Richard and Sandi Wills. Bryan is currently president of the Latin Club, and vice-president of the Science Club. Bryan is a member of the student council.

Science Club

Kim Ahrens - Jesse Terrazas, Jr.



The duchess of the Science Club is Kim Ahrens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Ahrens. Kim has been a varsity cheerleader her freshman and sophomore years. Kim has also been a varsity volleyball participant her freshman and sophomore years. She was named all-district volleyball honorable mention her freshman year. During Kim's freshman year, she participated in both varsity basketball and varsity track. Kim was on the UIL Science team her freshman year and is currently a member of the Science club. She has been an active 4-H member and has placed in major stock shows around the state for the past six years.

Jesse Terrazas, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Terrazas, is the Science Club duke. Jesse has participated in football and basketball the past three years and in baseball the past two years. Jesse participated in tennis his freshman and sophomore year, and in track for the past three years. He has been voted president of his class his freshman, sophomore, and junior years. Jesse was voted most popular and friendliest of his class the past two years and last year served as president of the Science Club, of which he has been a member for the past two years.



Band Show: Euphonium soloist Michael Benacci.

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Natasha's Stars

ARIES (March 21-April 19) A lot is out of your control this week. Don't worry, though, because even if it doesn't look like it, partners do have matters well in hand. So when you finally DO get the explanations this weekend, you'll feel adored because of how it all went down.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Humor, my dear Bull, helps you deal with all the changes of the week. Your role as the stable, easygoing nurturer is definitely needed. A loved one falls in love with you all over again because of your superb control. Do rest up this weekend — this is only the beginning.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) It'll be hard to put a halt to all the wild goings-on this week. Partners change course midstream, and of course, this is supposed to be okay with you. You might as well make it so, because you have little choice. This weekend you discover how much fun lies in this present uproar.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Turbulence and change are part of this week's scenario. Someone pops into your life whom you haven't seen or heard from since April. Be smart — don't be impulsive. Choose to mull everything over this weekend. Then see just how you feel. Hmmm...

LEO (July 23-August 22) Once you get started this week, you're on a roll. Your personality melts barriers. Surprises lurk on the work front, but the big Lion can handle them. You really are master of your destiny, but you do need to express your feelings. Get into loving vibes on the home front this weekend.

VIRGO (August 23-September 22) Count on an unusual week and you won't be surprised. Think over decisions carefully as the week begins, especially when it comes to a creative venture and/or a major flirtation. (Now, what have you been up to?) You can have what you want — just decide.

LIBRA (September 23-October 22) With the sun going into your sign, you shift into high gear this week. You feel good, though ever so slightly surprised, by what goes down. Money comes in more easily, but you may be spending even more easily. You peak this weekend.

SCORPIO (October 23-November 21) Venus goes into your sign this week, and there is no resisting you. It would be wise to think before you leap, because you may be unhappy with the end results. Look to the long run. Accept responsibilities, yet make plenty of time for fun and rest.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22-December 21) A money matter that's been on the back burner since April pops. Be focused on what you want. Friends are unusually vibrant, as they want you clearly to join them. Don't mope about what you think is a slight. Let it go and be happy. Your weekend is for celebration.

CAPRICORN (December 22-January 19) You surprise yourself this week, much less all those in your immediate circle. You reverse course and decide, not once, but twice, to go a totally different direction. Talks with partners are important, if you are to keep it together. Share those exquisite dreams, too.

AQUARIUS (January 20-February 18) Go with those flashes of insight this week. You are very much into significant others, joint assets and the gifts of a relationship. Go away this weekend, in your imagination if not really, with a loved one.

PISCES (February 19-March 20) Work is difficult, but as we all know, a must. By week's end, major distractions fall in your path. Make your choices quickly. Be careful with friends — the 'flaky' become stable and vice versa. Count on an intimate, close weekend.

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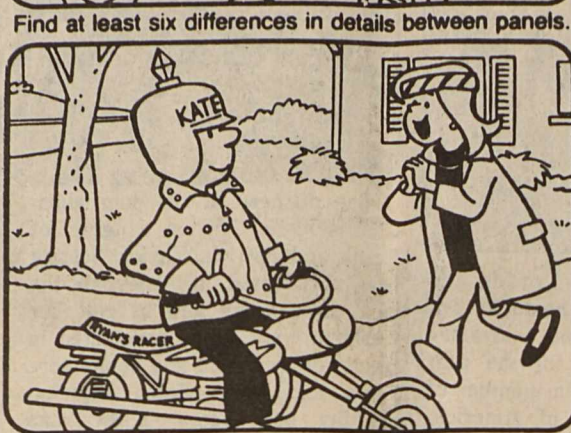
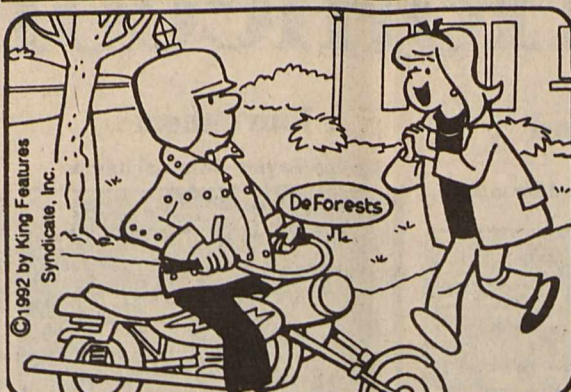
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Vision Teaser



Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Branches are missing; 2. Inscriptions are added; 3. Nameplate is removed; 4. Headband is changed; 5. Coat is longer; 6. Shutter is different.

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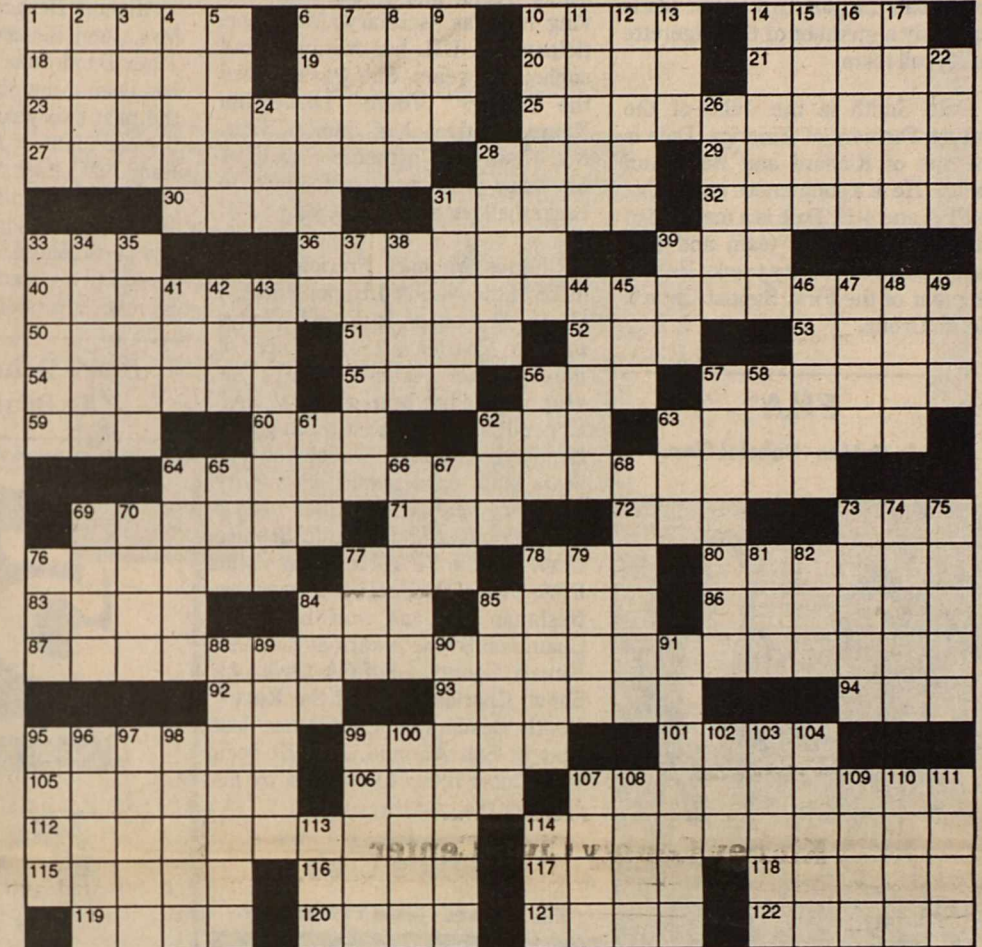
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions—forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

- Ace
- Attack
- Back set
- Block
- Bump
- Cut shot
- Dig
- Dink
- Dribbling
- Floater
- Rotation
- Screening
- Serve
- Switch
- Tape shot

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- ACROSS**
1 Unit of capacitance
6 Dirt-road hazards
10 Spanish measure
14 Mirror, in Munich
18 Start of Juan's year
19 French verb
20 King of Judah
21 First duke of Normandy
23 One of Ireland's "little people"
25 Cafeteria worker
27 He drove the snakes from Ireland
28 Rabbit's tail
29 Eastern Christian
30 Cook in cream: var.
31 Gaze intently
32 Flogs
33 The old — (Ireland)
36 One of two
39 Assistance
40 Description of 27 Across
50 Split up
51 Chest sound
52 Psychiatrist's concern
53 Rough in form
54 Fall collec-
- tion**
55 Sandy's remark
56 "Are you pulling my —?"
57 Examined thoroughly
58 They loop the Loop
60 Inventor's monogram
62 Make public
63 Shows to be true
64 It's said to impart smooth talk
69 Stick together
71 Satisfied
72 Hunter of Hollywood
73 Mountain in Bavaria
76 Palette choices
77 Clumsy lout
78 Brazilian macaw
80 Wild ass
83 Moslem ruler
84 Funnymen
85 Scornful
86 Inscribe music
87 The pale — green mountain...
92 Lawyers' org.
93 Zoroastrian sacred writings
- 94 Even, to Keats**
95 Opera star
99 Burden bearer
101 Coordinated group
105 Wards off the Loop
106 Series of rocks noted for fossils
107 They're found on news dispatches
112 "Crying — mussels, alive..."
114 Irish cudgel
115 Eagle's high home
116 Buddhist sacred mountain
117 Went by bus
118 Networks
119 Family members
120 Part of S&L
121 Is in debt
122 Lock of hair
- DOWN**
1 Cain of India
2 The dill weed
3 Corded fabric
4 Tapestry wall hanging
5 Biblical verb form
6 Put back on the payroll
7 Brain, in the Philippines
8 Islands in the Pacific
9 Capitol VIP
10 Actress Brenda
11 Love affair
12 Numbered highway
13 New England cape
14 One of the Windward Islands
15 Asiatic lemur
16 Egyptian dancing girl
17 List of candidates
22 Wallet fillers
24 Darnier —
26 Spring flower
28 Stone pillar
31 Sand bar on reef
33 Walk like a crab
34 Bay window
35 Good spirits, in Hindu mythology
37 Jewish homeland
38 Ski lift
39 Commotion
41 Actress Ullmann
42 Lemon follower
43 Birds, and some fish
44 Brown and cream-colored thrush
45 Head or plant lead-in
46 Valuable discovery, for short
47 A rustic
48 Poems
49 Beatty or Sparks
56 Position on the fairway
57 — publico: for the public good
58 Darling or Ely
61 President noted for his honesty
62 Picnic pest
63 School org.
64 Garden reproach
65 "Leave — to Heaven"
66 Valuable violin
67 Ump's cousin
68 — Mater
69 Lake or singer
70 Hodgepodge
73 Size of type
74 River in Hades
75 Get ready for a big date
76 Eccentric wheel part
77 Hockey's Bobby
78 Meara and Baxter
79 You can walk all over them
81 Oct. follower
82 Raided the ice box
84 Cool — cucumber
85 City in Turkey
88 Poles supporting thatched roofs
89 Humble or humiliat
90 Sultan of Egypt and Syria
91 Military engagements
95 Biblical reproach
96 Bacchanalian cries
97 Death: comb. form
98 Actor Alan
99 Texas shrine
100 Skin disorder
102 Moray
103 Wide awake
104 Certain
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108 Gal Friday?
109 Archibald of basketball
110 Shinto temples
113 Scale member
114 Sign of a hit



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Bud's Brackettville home is his studio, the kitchen table is his easel and his experiences are his inspiration.

Breen Gallery
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Fort Clark Military Band

If you would like to participate and be a part of the Fort Clark Military Band, please call Taylor Stephenson at 563-9071, or Robert Young at 563-9275.

Deaf Awareness Day Planned At Sea World

Sea World of Texas will host its fifth annual **Deaf Awareness Day** on Saturday, October 17, a day dedicated to raising awareness of the special needs of the hearing disabled.

Throughout the day, volunteers from the Professional Interpreters of Texas will interpret all shows, front gate and medical facilities information using both American and Signed English language. Hearing-disabled visitors will have reserved seating at shows so that interpreters are easily visible.

Presentation of a "Deaf Awareness Day" flier at the ticket window allows up to six people to receive the following special admission rates for the day: \$11.50 plus tax for deaf adults and \$8 plus tax for deaf children ages 3 to 11.

Sea World of Texas is open 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays through November 29. For information call 512-523-3600 or 512-662-6812.

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Cauliflower
Hot Rolls - Fruit Cocktail

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15
Pork Chops
Carrot - Raisin Salad
Italian Blend Veggies
Biscuits - Jello

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16
Chicken Fried Steak
White Rice - Mixed Veggies
Hot Rolls - Tapioca Pudding



Meditations

Every farmer and rancher has taken a drink of water from a spring, tank, or river. If trash is in the water, we push or blow that foreign substance out of the way before swallowing the water.

We put "processed gasoline" and clean water in our vehicles. We never put sand in a gasoline tank or put dirt in motor oil. The result would be costly.

Much is said today about "environmental controls." We want air and water around us kept clean. Our government declares that we do not need factories, automobiles, and laboratories "belching" deadly by-products into the air.

A tragedy comes upon us as we patronize filthy movie industries, pornography-hounds, and listen to those who contaminate us with "filthy talk."

Our minds are priceless. Children,

youth, and adults go on destructive rampages today because their minds have become twisted and turned away from morality. The standards of rightness and truth and justice are being by-passed and destroyed. We need to "clean up our act."

Tell any business people that operate with mind-twisting, soul-destroying products that you may appreciate them personally, but not their products. Take another person or two with you during such a visit.

Our town needs to "clean up its environment." Pickets and paddles can't do the job. Your testimony and your prayer can make a difference. Let those who peddle products for profit with no concern about destroying the lives of others know that you are praying that God will turn them around, or put them out of business. Speak the truth in love, however! Can we afford to do less than this?

St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church

October 4 marked the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi, one of the church's most popular saints.

The Archdiocese of San Antonio, together with Olor Church and Father Richard Beck, O.M.I. in Eagle Pass, extends an invitation to an Eucharistic Mass on October 8-9 at Our Lady Of Refuge Church in Eagle Pass. In order to accommodate as many faithful as possible, the mass will be held in the church parking area. Sister Brieghe McKen-

na, O.S.C., and Rev. Kevin Scallon, C.M. together with area priests will conduct the mass both days.

Sergio Rodriguez, representing the San Antonio Archdiocesan Seminarians, spoke at the 10:30 mass at St. Mary Magdalene Church Sunday. Once a year each of us has a chance to contribute for the educational and formational expenses through the Archdiocesan Seminary Collection.

City Park Gets New Name Dedication Planned Monday

On Monday, October 12, at 10:00 the city park at 210 West Spring Street will get a new name in formal dedication ceremonies. It will become the "Christopher Columbus City Park" in commemoration of the 500th anniversary of Columbus' discovery of America.

The dedication is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. and a new name marker

will be unveiled. Refreshments will be served.

In a special meeting on September 14, at the request of the Knights of Columbus, the Brackettville City Council agreed to rename the park with Mayor Carmen Berlanga and City Secretary Cordelia Mendeke signing the resolution.

Grand Knight Agapito Saenz is in charge of the program for the dedication.

Brackett High School 1st 6-Weeks Honor Roll

ALL "A" HONOR ROLL

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Amanda Petrosky, Cheryl Vernor and Jessica York.

7th Grade
J. Wayne Ballew, Wendy Goodloe and Samantha Perez.

8th Grade
Joshua Fitzgerald, Courtney Harrison, Lindy LaMascus, Brandy Meeks and David Melancon.

9th GRADE
Jared Shahan

10th Grade
Kimberly Ahrens and James T. "Wil" Shahan.

11th Grade
Bernie Allemeier

12th Grade
Charles Frerich

"A" & "B" HONOR ROLL

8th Grade
Miguel Aguirre, Sonya Correa, David Foster, Brent Smith, Aaron Taylor and Moses Villarreal.

7th Grade
Caleb Crumley, Katy Hagler, Regina Johnson, Jo Lee Jones, Michael Meyer, Monique Pierce, Brandy Ricks, Alfredo Rodriguez Jr., Charlotte Rose, Christina Terres, Cecelia Ann Terrazas and Cherise Ward.

8th Grade
Amy Bader, Miguel Aguirre, Francisca Garza, Jessica Payne and Christina Reschman.

9th Grade
Ignacio Aguirre, Amber Davis, Mary (Terry) Esparza, Denise Frerich, Kathleen Hall, Saul Hidalgo, Valerie Jimenez, Tanya McClure, Talaximo Mendoza and Raymond Talamantez.

10th Grade
Victoria Abrigo, Matthew Benacci, Michael Benacci, Sean Burks, Gerardo Cedillo, Lisa Dalton, Matthew Foster, Christopher Hale, Karla Hall, Kelly Henrich, Zoila Herrera, Patrick Melancon and Manuel Ramon.

11th Grade
Amanda Davis, Daniel Martinez, Guadalupe Rodriguez, Jessica Taylor and Jesse Terrazas.

12th Grade
Jason Ash, Lynn Floyd, Dee Ann Frerich, Myrna Gonzales and Wendy McDaniel.



VFW Post # 8360 Anniversary

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #8360 Commander Lee Cremer and Ladies Auxiliary #8360 President Lydia Cremer prepare to cut the anniversary cake in observance of the Post's 8th "birthday" and the Auxiliary's 6th "birthday."

Brugmanns Visit Boyens

While on their way to El Paso to attend the U. S. Horse Cavalry Association Reunion, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Brugmann of Victoria stopped

by to visit Mrs. Roland Boyens last week. Carl served with the 12th Cavalry in the early 1930s and spent some time in Fort Clark.

A couple of years ago while they were attending a Troopers Reunion at Fort Clark, Mrs. Brugmann had an idea she hoped would catch on. She thought it would be nice if the units

that served at Fort Clark had flower beds dedicated to their units.

Roland Boyens made a sign for the small one on Fort Clark Road between the NCO Club and Patton Hall and planted the Bluebonnet seeds that Mrs. Brugmann sent. When the flowers were in bloom, Mrs. Boyens took pictures and sent them to the Brugmanns. They in turn sent them to the U. S. Cavalry Association newsletter who published them.

None of the other units followed through on the idea.

Kickapoo Caverns

Asset Or Liability To Kinney County

Read this letter dated April 22, 1889:

"At the great Kickapoo Cave. This wonderful place is some twenty-five miles north of Brackett. Since coming to this frontier, I have heard much of it, and have been contemplating a visit to it for some time...

"There is an opening in the rock, twelve feet square, more or less, overgrown with shrubbery and grass. By bending our bodies almost double, the ingress was easily made. An abrupt descent of a few feet, and we were on our feet, and with raised torches, peered into the Egyptian darkness of the subterranean wonder. Massive rocks and huge boulders lay before us and around us on all sides.

Over there we stumblingly passed into the silent and awful depths of the cave, now constantly increasing in dimensions, to a distance of about 100 yards. A massive pillar, extending from the floor to the gracefully arching top, and about thirty feet in diameter, stood before us, while immense perpendicular gorges lay on either side.

"Passing round to the left of this pillar, we descended very abruptly to a narrow passageway, which, tending still to the left, led us to that part of the cavern known as the water-cave.

"We drank from a beautiful little basin, formed in the solid rock, which was kept filled with pure refreshing water by constant dripping from above...

"It took over four hours to make this subterranean tour. I shall never regret having made this visit."

Hal T. Cunningham
Methodist Preacher
1889

services for the visitor, return investment costs, and still come out ahead. Before deciding to convert a natural cave to a show cave, the following questions must be considered, and answered yes:

1. Is the cave scenic, superior, suitable, and safe?
2. Is the location convenient to travelers?
3. Can I obtain professional advice in the design of trails and lighting in the cave?
4. Am I prepared to invest the funds necessary? Kickapoo Caverns may require \$1,000,000 or more.

Unfortunately, the answer to all four questions, in this case, must be no. While Kickapoo Caverns is large, it is not on the same level as Caverns of Sonora, Inner Space, or Natural Bridge Caverns. The location is not near any major highways. (Even the Caverns of Sonora, considered by many to be the most beautiful in the world, suffers from being off the intrastate Highway). While it is possible to obtain the professional advice to develop, the money probably is not available. The State of Arizona is spending almost \$500,000 just to plan the development of Kartchner Caverns. The development expenses will be much more. Fortunately, there are other ways to develop caves open to the public.

Editor's Note:

Just over four years ago the property containing the Kickapoo and other caves was purchased by the State of Texas and removed from the Kinney County tax rolls.

Plans to develop this area into a revenue-producing attraction have not materialized and Kinney County has derived no income from this property since it was removed from the tax rolls.

Is it feasible to develop it? Will it remain non-productive? At least the potential to realize some indirect revenue is in place for the near future when, in 1994, the National Speleological Association will be bringing approximately 1500 people into Kinney County for their annual meeting.

Kickapoo Caverns is part of the reason Kinney County was chosen. The Texas Cave Management Association has provided some interesting background and research reports on this particular network of caves along with possible ways to develop it.

Since the report is rather lengthy, The Brackett News plans to print the report in a series of articles as space, permits and interest demands.

More Later



Get The Tiger Spirit!



Church Directory



St. Andrews Episcopal Church: Henderson & Fort, Sunday Church Service 10:30 A.M. Vicar: Rev. Bill Koons, 512-563-2071.
Frontier Baptist Church (A Southern Baptist Church): Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 A.M., Sunday Evening Service 6:00 P.M. Joe Townsend, Pastor, 512-563-2158.
First Baptist Church (A Southern Baptist Church): 307 N. Ann Street. Sunday School 9:45 A.M., Sunday Worship Service 11:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M., Wednesday Worship 7:00 P.M. Gil Ash, Pastor. 563-2245.
Church of Christ: Sunday School 9:30 A.M., Worship Service 10:30 A.M., Bible Study, Sunday 6:30 P.M., and Wednesday 7:00 P.M.
St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church: Masses Mon. & Fri. 7:00 A.M. Wed. & Sat. 6:30 P.M., Sunday (Spanish) 8:00 A.M. regular 10:30 A.M. Confessions Wed. & Sat. 6:00 P.M. Religion Classes Wed. 6:00 P.M. Sun. 9:00 A.M. Prayer Meeting (Spanish) Wed. 7:00 P.M. Father David G. Zumaya, Pastor.
First United Methodist Church: "Celebrate and Witness" Morning Fellowship 9:30 A.M. Church School Classes 9:45 A.M. Service of Worship 11:00 A.M. Choir Rehearsal Wed. 5:00 P.M. Gordon Miller Pastor.

For over 100 years, people have been visiting Kickapoo Caverns. It is one of the larger caves in the state. The cave is approximately 1500 feet long and reaches a depth of over 120 feet. The passage is 100 feet wide in some areas and is up to 60 feet high. It does not have a large number of formations and would not even be considered one of Texas' most beautiful caves. What then, is its value to the people of the State of Texas? The answer was given by Hal T. Cunningham over 100 years ago. It is that special feeling of discovery experienced by each person who enters the cave.

KICKAPOO CAVERNS COMMERCIAL POTENTIAL

In the United States today, there are over 200 new caves; however, there are nearly 250 that were formerly open and have not been successful business enterprises. The operators of a show cave must make sufficient money to maintain the property, pay employees, provide

OLD QUARRY TRY-OUTS

Try-outs for the dinner theatre production of the Old Quarry Society, scheduled for November 21st, will be October 12 at 7:00 pm at the Sabre Room on Fort Clark.

A two person cast, one man and one woman, will be chosen.

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