



Wednesday, March 10, 1993 - the Texas Water Commission referred the Texcor License Application process back to Hearing Examiner Gordon Hardin for clarification and tentatively set another hearing on June 2.



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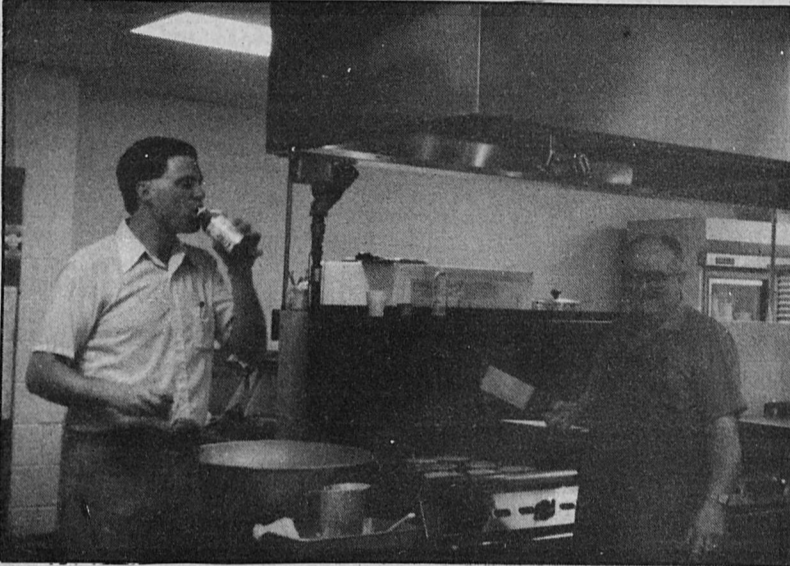
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"If a man had half as much insight, as he has hindsight, he would have twice as much foresight."

## BISD Open House/Fairs



Principals Carl Glass and Don Sims were the "pan cake flippers" that raised \$600 for the Administrators' Scholarship Fund.



Among the many Science Fair and Drug Education Fair winners were 4th graders Jeffrey Mills, Josh Coe, and April Crumley; fifth graders Zachry Davis and James Burks. Burks' entry was also judged Best of Science Fair and Crumley was alternate. More pictures are on page 5.

## City Secretary Resigns

With all members present, the City Council met in a special session at City Hall at 6:00 p.m., Thursday, March 4, 1993.

Mayor Carmen Berlanga called the meeting to order, the council answered roll call, visitors were acknowledged, and the council went into a two-hour executive session for: (a) evaluation of city secretary; (b) evaluation of municipal judge; (c) update and discuss police department functions; (d) roles/functions of council members.

Back in open session, Councilman Ralph Gonzalez moved to approve agenda items 5 (evaluation of city secretary) and 6 (evaluation of municipal judge). Councilwoman Fuentes seconded the motion and it passed.

Councilwoman Jean Seargeant requested to table items 7 and 8 both of which pertained to personnel policies.

Mayor Berlanga requested to table item 9 which also pertained to personnel policies.

Item 10 was to review/discuss contract with City Attorney Ralph Brown. In a brief explanation, there is no contract with Mr. Brown, he is not on a retainer, but works on a need-be basis at an hourly rate.

The meeting was then adjourned.

At 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 9, 1993, the Brackettville City Council convened at Slatton Hall for their regular meeting. Answering roll call were Mayor Carmen Berlanga and council members Chuck Hall, Jean Seargeant, Mary Flores, and Julie Fuentes. Councilman Ralph Gonzalez was absent due to the timing of his wife's doctor's appointment.

Minutes, financial and operational reports were reviewed and approved as printed.

Mayor Berlanga was chosen to serve as the city representative to the Southwest Texas Community Council.

Mr. Reimer Calhoun of Calhoun Property Management spoke to the council of his firm's desire to build 24 affordable multi-family apartments adjacent to the 24 apartments he previously built, and manages, known as Brackett Senior Apartments. He requested the council to authorize the mayor to sign three letters to be presented to FmHA verifying that his proposal would violate no zoning law, water and sewer would be available at his expense, and a housing need existed. The council complied.

Mayor Berlanga read a letter from an attorney representing Joe York, Jr. informing the city that as of August 1, 1993, the York-owned, city-operated landfill would not be available to receive solid waste, and that within 60 days from that date,

the city must have closed, filled, and compacted the location to Mr. York's satisfaction.

Mrs. Nat Martinez appeared before the council to request the city trade Block E, Lot 6-6 1/2 to her and her husband for Block E, Lot 13. They had purchased a lot from Mrs. Vondy several years ago, cleaned the lot, and upon requesting permission to demolish an old house learned they were mistaken in the location. Any possible action was tabled pending study of what might be done, if anything.

Mrs. Earline Thurber requested the city to consider assuming responsibility of a waterline from the city limit to her property. Enlargement of the line would probably be necessary to adequately supply water to the existing taps and a possible expansion of meters needed. The council asked for time to study the proposal with the city's water department director and to place it on April's agenda.

Historical tax exemptions were approved for the Schroeder owned property commonly referred to as "the well" and the Masonic Lodge building.

After discussion, Utility Ordinance 244-E, Sec. C, #7, superceded by 244-F, was left as adopted.

Discussion/action on Ordinance #1993-03-09 was tabled since Mr. Gonzalez was absent, and Mrs. Flores stated she had not requested its placement on the agenda as printed.

Debra Bland read a letter signed by the majority of the city employees in support of any decision Ms. Mendeke might make regarding her employment with the city and commending her for leadership by example, hands-on supervision, and giving credit where credit is due.

Councilwoman Flores then stated that she had been given a sealed envelope, contents unknown, by Judge Clementz with a request to open and read it before the council. Directed by the council to do so, the document was the resignation of Cordelia Mendeke as city secretary.

Ms. Mendeke stated that in view of her evaluation on March 4, which she considered an interrogation with no written review, she was submitting her resignation with a request she be paid what she rightfully had due. The council voted to accept the resignation.

Mayor Berlanga ordered an election on Saturday, May 1, 1993, to elect two council members and appointed Clifford Fritter as election judge. Deadline for candidate filing is 5:00 p.m., March 17, with candidates drawing for ballot placement on March 18.

The council then adjourned.

## Does Kinney County Need A Nursing Home?

Last week *The Brackett News* printed a copy of a needs assessment survey, the same one that is being distributed by county commissioners, local businesses, and city and county governmental agencies. The survey results have not been tabulated...there is still time to complete and return a survey form. To date, completed forms indicate a positive interest. Your input is needed...does Kinney County need a nursing/retirement home?

Though not in a numeric sequence of action that will need to be taken to secure/operate such a facility, this week the thought process turns to the economic advantages to the community.

Generated revenue would for the most part be "new money" to Kinney County derived from residential fees whether private or Medicaid.

But even before that would come the construction. A 100-bed facility would run in excess of over \$1.75 million. That would involve obtaining land on which to construct the building(s) and landscaping. A big project in anybody's language! Construction creates the need for supplies, equipment, and personnel.

A "home" would not be tax exempt therefore tax roll valuations - school, county, and city (depending on the location) would increase.

Utilities would be needed. At least part of the supplies would be purchased locally with much additional buying power developed through increased employment.

Possibly the greatest benefit, after establishing desirable housing for residents, would be the employment opportunities created. A

100-bed facility would employ approximately 100 people: RNs, LVNs, nurses aides, dietitians, cooks, kitchen workers, custodians, maintenance - electrical, mechanical, carpentry, lawn, office personnel, and this is a very incomplete list. So far as possible, hiring would be done from the local labor force. Any staff brought in from outside Kinney County would create a demand for housing and related services.

Motel accommodations, meal services, and gasoline purchases would be only a few of the needs of those who come to Kinney County to visit residents of the home.

Are you interested in employment? What are your skills? Would your temperament allow you to fit into this type of operation? Would you be willing to re-train and/or upgrade your training?

*The Brackett News* repeats that if a nursing home becomes a reality, it will not be a county owned/operated enterprise; however, Judge Tim Ward and Commissioners Freddie Frerich, Plunker Sheedy, Cordelia Mendeke, and Alvin McClure have been willing to step out and explore the feasibility. Let them know if such a project excites you either as an available employee, a potential resident, or a provider for a family member.

Future issues of the paper will be devoted to the "ideal location," funding, ownership, applying for Medicaid, or other aspects you might be concerned about.

*The Brackett News* will welcome Letters To The Editor addressing this issue.

## BISD Extends Teacher Contracts

A public hearing was held at 6:00 p.m. Monday, March 8, 1993, in the Board Room to discuss/approve the expenditure of Chapter II funds over and above the original designated figure which was \$4805.00. The additional \$485.00 increased the amount to over \$5000.00 thus necessitating the public hearing.

Curriculum Director Taylor Stephenson recommended the entire amount be expended on supplementary library materials. Title II is the only federal program that allows funds to be used for general student population benefit. All other title funds are designated for special groups. No objection was made and the recommendation will be implemented.

At 6:30 p.m., Board President Jimmy Bader called the Brackett Independent School Board of Trustees regular meeting to order. A quorum was established with all members present: Jewel Robinson, John Jones, Jim McDaniel, Lingo Sandoval, Gloria Garcia, and Lloyd Lee Davis, Jr.

Minutes of February 8 and 18 were approved. Additional historic exemptions were approved for Charles Downing, Masonic Lodge, and the museum, commissary, Lee House, and Fire Station on Fort Clark.

A resolution was passed supporting payment of County Education District (CED) funds immediately after May 10.

The board voted to retain its policy of requiring Valedictorian/Salutatorian to attend BHS their entire high school career, and class rank to be determined by averaging grades, if applicable, earned at other accredited high schools.

Seven bus routes plus a Special Education run was approved for 1993-94.

Athletic Director Petrosky presented his athletic coaching manual and student athletic handbook for discussion. The board adopted his recommendations. These documents will supersede all previous policies.

For information, the board reviewed a "letter of reasonable assurance" for paraprofessionals,

and approved an amendment to the teacher contracts asserting the legal authority to terminate the contract if the Texas legislature does not pass a constitutional school finance plan on or before June 1, 1993.

The board voted to extend contracts to all classroom teachers and the curriculum director; and authorized a May Professional Payoff if funds are frozen.

Reappointment to the Career Ladder was verified for Judy Burks, Dorothy Oliver, Mary Sam York, Chuck Hall, Tony Ramon, Frank Taylor, Pauline Hilliard, Carroll Petrosky, Candace Bader, Susan Harrison, Don Sims, Taylor Stephenson, Carl Glass, and George T. Burks; a June Career Ladder payment was approved.

An insurance broker will be invited to the April board meeting to analyze the district's current coverage and identify future needs.

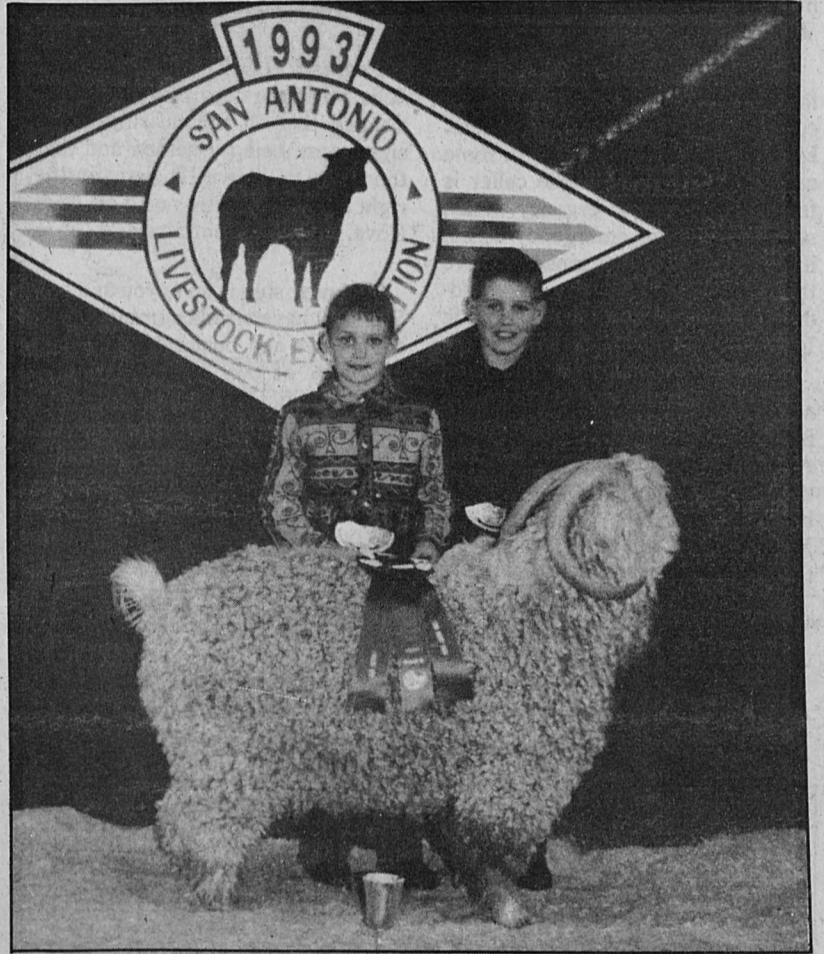
Business Manager Dottie Heninger made a financial report that noted 97% of CED and 87% of Kinney County tax funds collected; the February payroll was \$187,733, and accounts payable ran \$60,302.

Elementary Principal Carl Glass reported 301 students enrolled and plans were complete to offer a TIE-IN program offering Elementary Spanish for thirty minutes three times a week next year.

High School Principal Don Sims reported that the Administrators' Pancake Supper netted \$600 for the Scholarship Fund. Twenty-nine students are enrolled in Coach Burton's 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. Drivers Education class. The classroom fee is \$75 and the driving phase is \$50. Mr. Sims invited the board to attend the National Honor Society Initiation Friday, March 12, 2:30 p.m. in the auditorium.

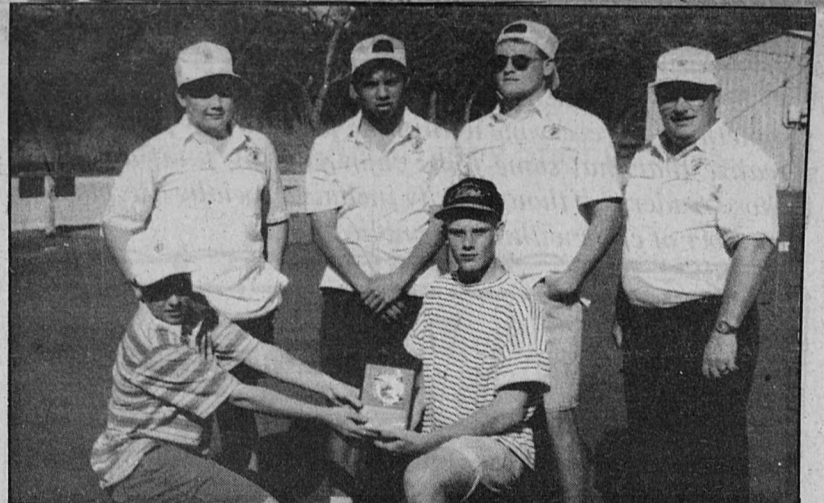
Superintendent Steve Mills discussed building plans with the board, most of which will go back to the planning/revision stage; however, improvements to the football stadium and some building maintenance will begin immediately.

A brief executive session, which required no public action, was held before the board adjourned.



Grand Champion - Zachry and Susannah Davis showed this Champion Angora Billy of the Junior Show at the 1993 San Antonio Livestock Show.

They also showed the Reserve Champion Angora Billy of the Open Show.



Tiger "A" Golf Team: Jared Shahan, Owen Brandt, Albert Coronado, Lynn Floyd, Coach Tom McNew, and Patrick Melancon.

## Tiger Golfers Win Second At Home

Fort Clark Springs hosted the first annual Tiger Invitational Golf Tournament Monday afternoon, March 8, 1993. Golf Coach Tom McNew had two teams ready to take on the course.

The Brackett "A" team tied for first place with Junction with a score of 390. Because this was a tie, the first place trophy was decided by the fifth man's score. Brackett's varsity "A" team consists of Albert Coronado, Lynn Floyd, Jared

Shahan, Owen Brandt, and Patrick Melancon. Coronado was last year's medalist at district.

Third place went to Eagle Pass JV, Natalia placed fourth, and Brackett's "B" squad was fifth.

Matt Fry of Rocksprings received first medalist and Cash Joy of Junction was second medalist.

Brackett ISD thanks all the people at the Fort Clark Springs Golf Club for their time and hard work in support of this tournament.

## Commissioners Choose Audit Firm

The Kinney County Commissioners Court met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. Monday, March 8, 1993. Judge Tim Ward presided with Commissioners Freddie Frerich, Plunker Sheedy, and Alvin McClure present. Commissioner Cordelia Mendeke was in San Antonio at Humana Hospital with her mother.

Judge Ward led the pledge to the flag and Jean Faulkenberry offered the invocation.

Minutes of meetings held on February 8, February 12 and February 25 were read by County Clerk Dolores Raney and approved.

Bills were reviewed and approved for payment.

Road Administrator Clifford Fritter presented a monthly activity report. County Agent Allan McWilliams reported on 4-H Club participation in the Houston stock show. Of the eleven Kinney County lambs entered through 4-H, nine made the cut to show. He also reported that Jarrett Meeks had the Grand Champion Meat Pen of rabbits in the San Angelo Show. The 4-H will have 40 lambs and 22 goats in the San Angelo Show.

The court approved using Beyer & Telford as the county auditors for another year.

Judge Ward shared information from the Texas Highway Department showing that U. S. Highway 90 and U. S. Highway 277 had been approved as principle arteries which means that they take top priority in federal funds for maintenance/upkeep.

The needs assessment survey being circulated on a nursing home for Kinney County was discussed, and reported that many positive comments had been received. At a later date the results of the survey will be printed.

## Sheriff's Corner

By Sheriff Norman H. Hooten



March 10, 1993, citizens of Kinney County made the trip to Austin to be present for the final (?) hearing on Texcor's license request for a waste disposal site before the Texas Water Commission. In a one-hour

public comment time slot, by pre-arrangement, speakers who had not previously testified with party status were allowed to briefly speak. Attorney Richard Lowerre indicated that Sheriff Norman Hooten

would be an excellent choice from Kinney County. With very short notice, Sheriff Hooten accepted the responsibility. Time did not permit him to prepare for both the hearing presentation and his regular column. His column will be back in its regular place next week.

## Mayor's Report

By CARMEN M. BERLANGA  
Mayor of Brackettville



On July 29, 1992, 9-1-1 was implemented in our community with what is called "Automatic Number Identification" (ANI). This means that the 9-1-1 dispatchers can see the phone number from which the call is coming from. The phone number identification is great, but WHERE ARE YOU?

Fortunately, in our small community, most times, the Law Enforcement, EMS, and Fire Department know the streets and roads. In some cases, they know who the caller is for that particular emergency. When seconds count in emergency cases, it is of utmost importance to have the implementation of "addressing." This is "Automatic Location Identification" (ALI).

With ANI and ALI the phone number and address are "seen" by the dispatchers. Without proper ANI and ALI there will come a time that the emergency services will not be required or obligated to respond. Many times we have all complained that it took the emergency services

"too long" to reach their destinations. The response time could be less with proper location identification.

February 8, Road Administrator Cliff Fritter reported to the County Commissioners that all the county roads had been identified.

February 9, City Secretary Cordelia Mendeke reported to the City Council that all the missing street signs were being assessed and that the alleys will have ID signs on the right hand side going north on Ann, Gove, and Beaumont Streets.

The next step is up to you and me. We must have visible numbers on all the houses and businesses. Currently, 90% of our buildings do not have identification numbers.

It is of great importance, and soon to become imperative, that we have all houses and businesses numbered.

Your cooperation is appreciated. Thank you.

## College Of The State Bar Honors Area Attorneys

The College of the State Bar of Texas recognized 3,305 attorneys as certified members of the College in ceremonies held in Austin during their Annual Awards Luncheon on Saturday, January 23, 1993.

The College was created by the Supreme Court of Texas as a means of recognizing members of the State Bar who voluntarily attain an extraordinary number of continuing legal education credits each year.

To qualify for membership, attorneys must complete 80 hours of continuing education (CLE) within a consecutive three-year period or 45 hours during the current year. In succeeding years, an attorney must then complete 30 hours of CLE each year to maintain membership in the Bar College.

Judge George Thurmond was among those so honored.

## Texas Leads Nation In New Manufacturing

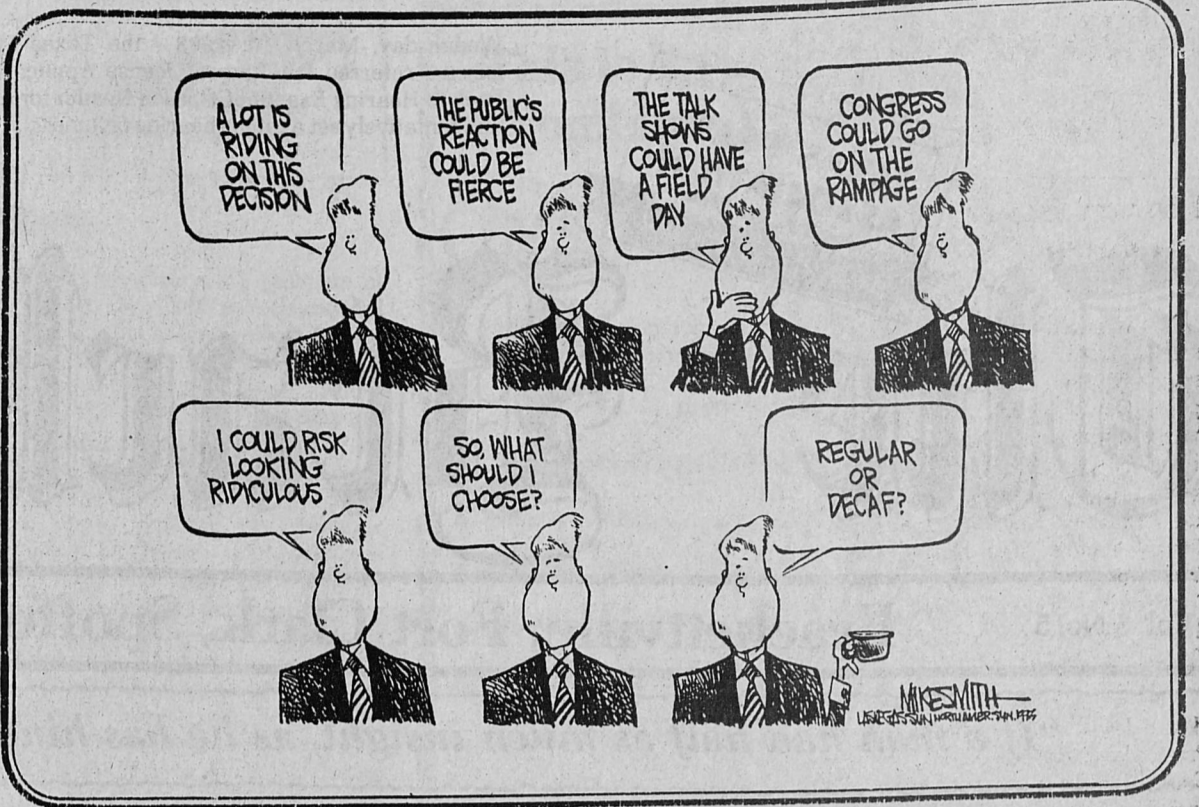
Texas outpaced the nation last year in the number of new manufacturing facilities, and tied for first place in the number of new and expanded corporate facilities, according to Site Selection magazine.

"This news puts numbers to the trend we have been seeing over the past two years," said Texas Department of Commerce Executive Director Cathy Bonner. "The eyes of the nation are on Texas as the best place to do business. This study also shows existing businesses are confidently expanding as well. The hard work of Commerce and our economic development allies is paying off." Bonner added.

The Lone Star State led the country in new manufacturing facilities, landing 134 factories last year.

North Carolina came in second with 129 facilities and California was third with 87 plants. When new and expanding corporate facilities were counted, Texas tied in a dead heat with North Carolina, landing 405 facilities each last year, far ahead of Ohio, which came in second.

In additional good news for Texas, for the fourth year in a row, the Dallas metro area attracted more new and expanded corporate facilities than any other metro area.



## Between Us

By Joe Townsend



The world about us is truly fascinating. If we just pause once in a while and isolate ourselves from the frets of being human, thrilling experiences can enrich life.

We have a fascinating situation at our house. During the summer I noticed two pairs of quail. These couples were to be seen almost daily. One pair were blue quail and the other were bob white quail. As time passed there was to be seen a covey of young quail, all bob white.

I don't understand how quail survive where I live because of the number of cats. Some are pets and others run wild and live in the woods.

I have no idea what happened but both adult bob whites have disappeared along with the blue quail hen. Now daily, I see a covey of young bob white quail led by the adult blue quail cock. He looks out for them. He warns of approaching danger. If they scatter, he calls them back together. If he finds a feeding bonanza, he calls them to it. He stands tall and struts about as though he is King.

It's somewhat amazing and certainly different to see this blue quail cock with his stately crest parading with his covey of bob whites.

I have a chair where I sometimes sit while I fill the water trough for my cattle. About five feet from me is a stump of a tree about four feet high. Atop the stump is a box used for feeding cats. There are a number

of cats lolling around and sometimes playing. A mocking bird likes to perch in a nearby tree and sing.

The other evening he gradually flitted lower and lower and finally dropped down to the box holding the cat food. He no longer landed than he flew to the top of the nearby tree to sing some more. He cautiously and coyly made his way to the lowest limb and suddenly swooped down to the cat food. This time he fed until he apparently had all he

wanted. He then unhurriedly flew out to the water trough.

Rather than drink from the trough which by now was filled, he found a cow track full of water and drank his fill. He then flew back to his high perch in the tree and was serenading the world as I turned off the water and left.

There are so many enjoyable experiences to be had if we just pause and watch the birds.

## Editorial

### Why Did The Well Go Dry?

We love our charitable, non-profit, and governmental organizations that provide needed services to the citizens of Mills County.

And we certainly feel we give our fair share to their sustenance, both financially and especially in the columns of this newspaper.

No one at the newspaper begrudges this fact. We give freely, often, and cheerfully. It is one of the reasons we are here and the services provided by the organizations are prime reason why "small town Texas" is more than just a slogan, it is a way of life.

There is, however, a reason that the well may go dry someday.

Whenever these organizations need things - either donations or free space in the newspaper, we give. But whenever there is "real" money to be spent for supplies, printing, or miscellaneous items, that money is sometimes disbursed at Wal-Mart, Sam's, mail order catalogues or some such place.

Wells hold a finite amount of water. How refreshing to think that the water will continue to flow because the needed "regeneration" will be provided from those who have the rain clouds under their control.

Persons with an idea that the price is always lower need to take a look around. A little thought about volume purchasing, for example, can often yield substantial savings. And sometimes other personal and satisfying touches can be offered by local businesses.

One doesn't have to ponder the "balances of payments" scenario with Japan or Europe. The exact same relationship exists here. A balance will occur when an attitude of mutual support is used.

Maybe then, the wells that supply "small town Texas" won't dry up.

G. Frank Bridges  
Editor/Publisher  
The Goldthwaite Eagle

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### SWTJC Offers "Signing" Workshop

Southwest Texas Junior College, Uvalde, will offer a special 24-hour Sign Language Course taught by Keena Haby who is currently an interpreter at Uvalde High School.

Cost of the course will be approximately \$48.00 and will be open to anyone. It is scheduled to start Wednesday, March 24, and will be held for eight consecutive Wednesdays from 6 - 9 p.m.

Haby has five years experience signing, having worked at the Texas Lions Camp for Handicapped Children in Kerrville.

Anyone interested in the course is asked to contact Jerald Underwood, SWTJC dean of community services, at 210-278-4401, ext. 284, prior to the sign-up date of March 24.

**Big Mama Sez!**



Medical science says aspirin can't cure the common cold. Neither can medical science.

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.

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MEMBER 1993

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

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

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

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## PLANT TREES!



### This Week In History

On March 11-14, 1888, a raging blizzard in the eastern United States claimed 400 lives ... **March 11, 1895**, the Spanish cruiser, Reina Regenta, foundered near Gibraltar, killing 400 people ... **March 13, 1907**, financial panic and depression started ... **March 12, 1912**, the American Girl Guides was founded; the name was changed in 1913 to Girl Scouts ... **March 9, 1933**, the "100 days" special session of Congress began ... **March 11, 1941**, the Lend-Lease Act was signed, providing \$7 billion in military credits for Great Britain ... **March 12, 1947**, President Truman asked Congress to aid Greece and Turkey to combat Communist terrorism (Truman Doctrine) ... **March 12, 1956**, massive resistance to the Supreme Court desegregation rulings was called for by 101 Southern congressmen ... **March 14, 1960**, a train crash in Bakersfield, California, resulted in 14 deaths ... **March 10, 1971**, a Constitutional Amendment lowering the voting age to 18 in all elections was approved in the Senate by a vote of 94-0 ... **March 14, 1980**, a Polish Ilyushin 62 crashed after making an emergency landing in Warsaw, killing 87 people, including 22 members of the U.S. boxing team.

### DPA Schedule Driving Tests License Renewal

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

The officer will be available to give driving tests, or to renew drivers licenses.

### How To Contact Your State and National Officials Federal

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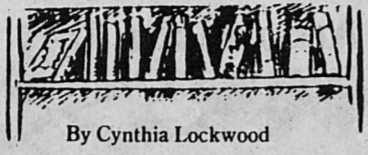
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# Library Notes



By Cynthia Lockwood

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

This month's shipment of circuit videos from San Antonio is especially good. Check out *2001: A Space Odyssey*, *12 Angry Men*, *Presumed Innocent*, *The Karate Kid*, *Ferris Bueller's Day Off*, *The Accused*, *Shining Through*, *Annie Hall*, and *Donovan's Reef*. We also have Christy Lane's *Line Dancing* and *Steel Stomachs* the exercise video. For the kids we have *Fables of Harry Allard*, *Heidi*, *101 Things For Kids To Do* and *Elephant Show*.

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



By Mary Mitchell

### Voyage Of The Devilfish

By Michael Dimercurio

We have the tried and true confrontation between the United States and Russia. However, the setting is below the Arctic icecap which provides the reader with such excellent technical detail that he feels he is there.

We see submarine cat and mouse with the chilling probability of only one survivor.  
 Truly an excellently written adventure and especially apropos for students of submarine warfare.

### A Sensitive Case

By Eric Wright

Charlie Salter, sleuth personified is assisted by Sgt. Mel Pickett, an expert at homicides.

Here is who-done-itness at its best. It gives great insight into the actions and thoughts of the characters which allows us to identify more closely.

There are many unexpected twists and turns and the solution is actually two-fold. Those who enjoy mysteries without the typical graphic language will enjoy this book.

An excellent choice!



Claude and Anna Owen

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**Claude and Anna Owen**  
 Celebrating Their 60th Wedding Anniversary  
 NCO Club, Fort Clark Springs  
 Thursday, March 18, 1993, 1:00 to 4:00 P.M.  
 Your Presence And Good Wishes Are The Only Gifts We Desire

### Beta Sigma Phi Meets At Gilliland's

Thirteen members responded to roll call on March 1 at the regular meeting of Theta Sigma held in the home of Luella Gilliland.

President Shirley Hadsell called the meeting to order and all recited the opening ritual. During the business meeting, plans were discussed to participate in the "Great Texas Trash Off" April 3.

Social chairmen Pat McKelvy and Dee Curry encouraged members to attend the Pancake Supper at the high school which will benefit local students in college scholarships. The group also made plans to caravan to Del Rio Saturday, March 6, for a production by the Upstagers at the Paul Poag Theater.

The chapter's 1992-93 program theme of U. S. First Ladies proved interesting and entertaining as Patty

Barnett, a native Missourian, spoke on Bess Truman of Independence, Missouri. The first lady was a popular senator's wife, loved being vice presidential wife, but never lost contact with old friends back home. Bess Truman was a private and loyal person. Her epitaph reads "Elizabeth Wallace Truman, 1st Lady."

Luella Gilliland served an assortment of tasty cookies, cream cheese, punch and coffee. The cookie recipes were taken from the Beta Sigma Phi cookbook that the chapter sold last fall.

Members in attendance were Nina Batson, Betty Inman, Lou Green, Patty Barnett, Nancy Frerich, Pat McKelvy, Luella Gilliland, Shirley Hadsell, Leslie Houk, Dee Curry, Doraline Keller, Milo Unhr, and Dee Gaston.

### Unsung Hero

by Joe Townsend



There is a young lady here who, aside from her years in college, has spent her life here. She was born here and went to school here.

She was selected to a vaunted position as the one for the entire state of Texas for that year.

She was Director of Public Relations for Fort Clark where she did an outstanding job. At present she fills that position at Alamo Village where her capability and dedication find full vent in doing a very good job.

She is a great emissary for Brackettville and Kinney County. She presently serves as president of Rotary Club.

She has an outgoing personality, is very friendly, and loved by all who know her.

Surely Lashawn Wardlaw is an "Unsung Hero."

### JWJ Places High In Two Shows

Wil and Jared Shahan are 2/3 of the JWJ Partnership with their sister, Jenifer, the third partner.

For years they have operated their own finewool cross breeding program, and selected lambs from their own herd to feed out and enter into stock shows. After they make their selections, they offer for sale to other feeders project lambs.

They have been highly successful not only in their breeding programs but in the show ring.

This year Jared placed a finewool cross lamb fifth at San Antonio while Wil placed sixth with a finewool cross.

At Houston, Wil had a ninth place finewool cross and Jared had a 21st place finewool cross.

At least three lambs from their flock, fed and showed by other youth, placed first in area stock shows.

### Another Winner

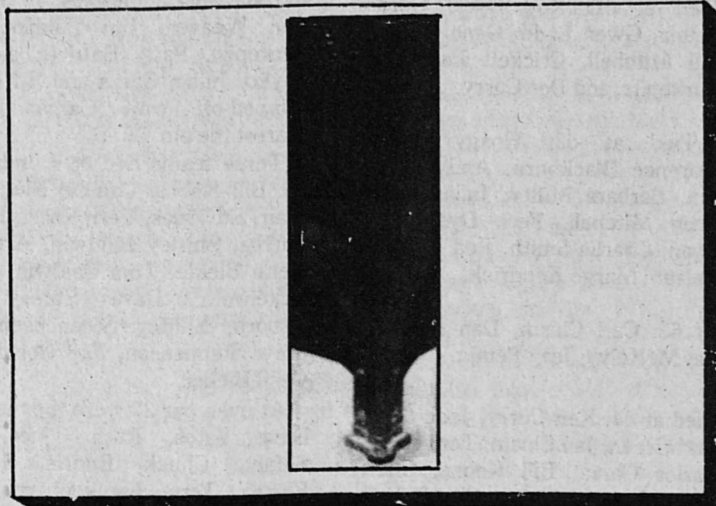
At 8:30 Friday morning, Keith B. Suever was in *The Brackett News* to correctly identify the mystery picture as the supports underneath the Brackett water tower. (Yes, we know now that the picture was printed upside down. Mistakes do happen sometimes).



Keith got his paper at the Stop-N-Shop.

### Identify The Picture

The first person to come by The Brackett News and correctly identify this picture will be given a Brackett News Cap.



### Just For The Fun Of It

Where were you born: Baytown, Texas.  
 When is your birthday: October 1.  
 What is your favorite food: Mexican Food, Seafood.  
 What is your favorite movie: *Alive*.  
 What is your favorite book: Anything by Danielle Steele.  
 What are your hobbies: Gardening, refinishing antiques.  
 How do your friends describe you: Energetic, friendly, outspoken.  
 Describe yourself: Friendly, very outspoken.  
 How long have you lived in Kinney County: 19 years.  
 If you could change Brackettville (Kinney County) how would you change it: Brackettville is a wonderful little town if the politics weren't so vicious.

**Joyce Fuentes**  
 What would you like to be if you could change your life: Surgical Nurse.

Answers to Super Crossword

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	
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ALAR	TAHOE	ERIES	AUTO	TON	CORONA	SEAS	WALLOW	HOP	TINE	BRA	SEANEMONE	ARTIST	DRAB	EAR
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## BISD

March 15 - 19

### Community Calendar

AA: Mondays, 8 p.m., Slaton 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.  
 Beta Sigma Phi  
 R of J Beta Epsilon Omicron (Sept-May) 1st & 3rd Monday, 7 p.m.  
 Preceptor Theta Sigma (Sept-May) 1st & 3rd Monday, 7 p.m.  
 Laureate Iota Epsilon (all year) 3rd Monday, 7 p.m.  
 Book Club Thursdays, 9:30, Golf Club  
 Chamber of Commerce: 2nd Thursday, 7:30 p.m., Cavalry Room.  
 City Council: 2nd Tuesday, 7 p.m., Slaton 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., Shafter Hall.  
 FCS Art Club: Work days Monday and Saturday 11 a.m., Meeting 1st Monday, 1 p.m., Art Studio.  
 FCS Community Council: 2nd Saturday, 10 a.m., Shafter Hall.  
 FCS Board of Directors: 3rd Saturday, 9 a.m., Board Room.  
 FCS Historical Society: 4th Saturday, 10 a.m., Shafter Hall.  
 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 #8360 & 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.  
 FCS Old Quarry Society: 1st Monday, 7 p.m., Sabre Room.  
 Friends of Library: No regular schedule. Call library for information.  
 KC Historical Preservation Society: 4th Thursday, 7 p.m., Court House.  
 KC Kickers: 2nd and 4th Thursdays, 7:30 p.m., NCO Club.  
 Knights of Columbus: 1st Sunday, 12 Noon, Parish Hall.  
 Lions Club: 1st and 3rd Thursday, 6:30 p.m., Las Moras Restaurant.  
 Masonic Lodge #444: 2nd Tuesday, 7 p.m., Lodge Hall, Ann St.  
 Order of Eastern Star #204: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Hall, 407 Bedell St., Del Rio.  
 Shriners: 4th Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., Las Moras Restaurant.  
 Rotary Club: Every Thursday, 12 Noon, Las Moras Restaurant.  
 Methodist Ladies Luncheon: 3rd Wednesday, Noon, Slaton Hall. Please make reservations.  
 12-Step Program: Every Thursday, 7 p.m., Fellowship Hall, First Baptist Church.  
 Creative Writing Group: Fridays, 9:30 a.m., Golf Club Snack Bar.

**QUERECHO FLATS**  
By Curt Brummett

**Man Hunt In Querecho**

Since the over throw of the Beef Advisory Council as we know it today has started, things have picked up in Querecho Flats.

Most everyone knows that Arlo Farnstarter has declared his craving for public office to the public (so to speak).

There are a few in the Backcow organization that seem to think he just may have a chance at being elected to the official office of official President.

Now their reasoning behind this form of thinking is pretty simple once you stop to think about it.

It seems as though there is a certain group of lawyers somewhere out in Prunieville (that's California for those of you that have never had to cowboy with natives of that really strange state) that on occasion have found out about the down trodden, the oppressed, the ne'er-do-wells, and personally persecuted people of the plains that were treated unjustly by the masses.

Yep, these lawyers have taken it upon themselves to see to it that no matter how sorry, low down, or totally worthless a person is, he will have his day in court in order to get what he doesn't deserve, as well as what everyone else has had to work for.

The people of the Backcow crew are having nightmares about these clowns finding out about Arlo not having any credentials to serve as the president of the Backcow organization.

But what they don't know is -- that ain't near the problem it looks like. Cause you see, there is another problem that has reared its ugly head and has yet to be noticed by anyone and that includes poor old Arlo.

That problem is commonly referred to as "Roseilee Scalebender."

Now as most of you know, Roseilee has the reputation of being somewhat of a gossip. She is also Querecho's resident man-hunter. As well as the most sneaky, conniving, and vindictive woman South of Paduca.

I heard old Roseilee sharing her plot to help Arlo with her foreign exchange student/gardner. In case you are wondering, Alfonso is three days older than dirt and has worked for the Scalebender family since Shep was a pup as well as Roseilee. His real name is Alfonso Santiago Swattaflyer and old Roseilee just refers to 'im by his initials most of the time. Back to the story.

Seems as though old Roseilee figures that no man has a chance in the political field unless he has a woman to back 'im up. She has noticed that Arlo cleaned up pretty good for a septic tank type feller and she figured he was probably well off financial wise, simply because he had been cleaning out septic tanks for over 35 years that she knew of and he sure as hell hasn't spent any of that money on clothes or vehicle repair so it just stood to reason that he was rich.

But this was her plot. She would make a move on Arlo and when she had 'im in total control, she would coach 'im on the finer forms of political politeness so as to secure his rightful place in the powerful world of political politics. And maybe someday, he would become the governor of New Mexico. Lord knows there has been a couple of 'em that was dumber than old Arlo.

Any who - once I got the chance to visit with Alfonso alone, I found out all the neat stuff concerning Roseilee's plans for Arlo. It only cost me a fifth of tequila and two dozen tamales from "Juan's Whatta Taco" over in Alamogordo to do it, but with the promise of more booze and another batch or two of tamales, Alfonso promised he would keep me informed.

Well, Roseilee made her move on Arlo. It was four days before the next meeting of the Backcow organization and as well known as Roseilee was to Arlo he accepted her attempt at friendship anyway (I mean when you smell like Arlo even Roseilee looks good).

It was kinda like one of them whirlwind courtships you hear about them movie stars having. Arlo and Roseilee went out to supper three times in a row and she even helped 'im clean out the septic tank at the Gritty Oil Company's field office.

Yep, all things had the appearance of the two being in love. Then, the weekly meeting for the Backcow group came up. It was on Tuesday night, I'll never forget it. (I went out of curiosity).

The president of the local group called the meeting to order, and all the formalities were gone through in order to get the meeting going. And that's when it happened.

Roseilee stood up and told every one that she was backing Arlo for president of the Backcow crowd as well as backing him for the rest of his life in anything that Arlo ever wanted to do...because they had become engaged just that afternoon. And everyone knew that if she was backing something, it would work.

Marthalean passed smooth out, Garlan pert-near choked on his cigar, and Juan Padilla crossed himself three times and backed into a corner.

Arlo just stood there with one of the strangest looks on his face I've ever seen. Looked kinda like he had just had a big old boil lanced and was confused as to whether or not to mention it to anyone. I guess to be civilized about his look, I should say, he looked pretty strange.

(to be continued)

**County Agent News**  
By Allan McWilliams

**GROWING ROSES IN KINNEY COUNTY:**

With proper care, roses can be grown successfully in our area. But proper planning plays a role in your overall success, also.

If planting only a few roses, dig individual holes for them. Holes should be at least 12 inches deep and 18 inches wide. Mix about 1/2 organic material (peat, pine bark, or compost) with some of the soil from the hole, along with a gallon or two of well-rotted cow manure, if available. A half cup of bone meal or superphosphate thoroughly mixed with soil makes a good addition.

Space plants according to their potential for natural development. This will vary from variety to variety. Check with the nursery for recommendations on spacing.

Bare root plants should be set out as soon as possible. Container grown plants may be set out at anytime, but most rose growers avoid the hot summer months when extra irrigation and care may be necessary to insure success.

Prune tops back an inch or two to just above a live and healthy bud on each cane. Cut back canes or roots damaged in stripping or handling to healthy tissue. Dig the hole large enough to accommodate the natural spread of the roots, and fill the soil mixture we discussed earlier. Firm the soil well around the roots, and water thoroughly to remove air pockets and settle the soil firmly around the root system. Set plants at approximately the same level at which they had been growing or slightly deeper.

Do not apply fertilizers until the first set of flowers begins to fade for ever-blooming roses, or in the case of once blooming roses, eight to ten weeks after planting. A heaping teaspoon per plant of a complex fertilizer such as 8-8-8 may be applied every four to six weeks until about September 10. Application after that time can promote soft fall growth that could result in freeze damage.

**TRANSPLANTING NATIVE PLANTS:**

Many desirable native or wild Texas plants are adaptable for the home landscape. The natives are hardy to local weather conditions, local soils and perhaps more tolerant of local garden insects and diseases. Most natives are easy to grow, yet transplanting them is often difficult and must be done with care.

The wet, cold days of winter are ideal times for transplanting plants. Due to the cold, most plants are dormant, or in a state of rest, and will not suffer the shock of moving and the interruption of growth.

In choosing the native plant to transplant, do not attempt to transplant an overly large specimen. Small plants are usually more vigorous. They grow much faster and are easier to handle.

You may need to prune the root system, especially in larger specimens, prior to digging. Prune the plants lateral roots one growing season prior to complete transplanting. Making spade cuts around the plant helps the plant adjust to shock prior to transplanting and develop a more intensive root system.

When transplanting, lift the plant with a ball of earth if possible. Wrap the ball with a moist burlap sack or similar material for easy transferal and to prevent disturbance of the roots system. Plant the native plant at its normal growth depth immediately after digging. Water well after planting and mulch over the root areas with leaves or straw.

Pruning and transplanting plants is often difficult for the gardener, but usually essential for livability. Cut back the upper branches and end shoots of limbs to compensate for loss of root area and to encourage new branching and foliage growth in the spring.

Have a Good Day  
Janice

**Fishing Report**

**AMISTAD:** Water clear, 55 degrees, 2 feet above conservation level; black bass are good to 8 pounds on worms and spinners; striped are fair and beginning to pick up some; crappie are slow; white bass are fairly good up the river on slabs; catfish are fair from 80-100 feet of water on cheese baits, shrimp and worms.

**BRAUNIG:** Water murky, 61 degrees, normal level; black bass are slow to 8 pounds on pig and jig combinations; striped are slow; catfish are slow; redbass are slow.

**CALAVERAS:** Water murky, 60 degrees, normal level; black bass are good through 5 1/2 pounds on artificials; striped are fair in number of 7 pounds on artificials; crappie are slow; catfish are good to 2 pounds on shad; redbass are good to 13 pounds; corvina are slow.

**CHOKO:** Water clear, 60 degrees, 1 foot low; black bass are good to 11 pounds in 1-4 feet of water on spinners, weedless spoons and floating lizards; in 4-7 feet of water, spinners, shallow running cranks and topwaters are good in the midlake section around Greyhound, Calliham, Mason Points and Possum Creek with best fishing early and from 2 p.m. til dark; striped are slow; crappie are fair and scattered in shallow water in heavy cover, some caught around 99 bridge on live minnows; white bass are good around 99 bridge during the night

with limits to 3 1/2 pounds on live minnows, white jigs, grubs and chrome cranks; some fish caught in San Miguel Creek and up the river near Tilden; catfish are fair and are moving into 2-5 feet of water on cheese bait and liver under a cork; jug line and trotline fishing are good.

**COLETO CREEK:** Water clear, 57 degrees, normal level; black bass are fair in the 14 inch range on a variety of baits; striped are excellent with some limits caught on spoons; crappie are poor; white bass are slow; catfish are good in number to 40 pounds on minnow baited trotline.

**FALCON:** Water clear, 64 degrees, 18 inches low; black bass are excellent to 12 1/4 pounds on black shad, Power Worms and large cranks; striped are slow; crappie are slow; white bass are good up the Rio Grande on Knecker Spoons and Fleaflies; catfish are excellent in number to 8 pounds on frozen shrimp.

**MEDINA:** Water clear, 57 degrees, 2 feet low; black bass are good to 5 pounds on Power Worms; striped are slow; crappie are slow; white bass are fair on L'il Georges trolling in 20 feet of water; catfish are slow.

**TEXANA:** Water muddy, 60 degrees, normal level; black bass are slow; white bass are beginning to show up in the creeks and rivers; catfish are fair to 10 pounds on trotlines baited with cut shad.

**Around the Fort** By Mike Bowlin

**Art Association**

The Fort Clark Art Association will host a workshop March 15 - 16. Ever popular Bud Breen will be the instructor. Contact Jo Sponholtz for registration.

**Rec Department**

The Recreation Department will host the monthly Adult Center Party on Saturday, March 13, 7 p.m. Bring snacks. Tea and coffee will be furnished.

**Bridge Anyone**

By NORMA GOULD

The Fort Clark Springs Duplicate Bridge Club met March 2 with 9 1/2 tables playing the Mitchell Movement.

Helen Lynch and Rozetta Pingent won first place in the N/S direction. Vernon and Betty Ebert won second with Ruth Wilks and Carmelita Blackman in third place.

Ruth Theis and Gloria Borough won first place in the E/W direction. Evelyn Whitley and Ray Kurtz won second. Betty Inman and Ann Hibler won third place.

**Plan Now To Attend Chamber Mixer**

**March 11, 1993**  
**Las Moras Restaurant**  
**Hosted By President**  
**Larry Sofaly**

**Sixth Season At Sea World**

Sea World of Texas will open its sixth season. The week of March 13 - 21 will open daily for spring break, and April 3 - 11 for Easter Week.

Beginning April 16, Sea World will be open each Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.

May 31, Sea World will be open for a special Memorial Day observance and the daily operation for the summer will start June 1.

For information call 210-523-3611.

**Golf News**

**Mens Golf**

**Best 3 Balls**

Wednesday, March 3  
1st place, 226: Julian Garza, Doc Cruise, Carlos Garza, and Bill Koons.  
2nd place, 238: Gordon Lundquist, Charles Deeschemaeker, Gordon Petaja, and John Long.

3rd/4th, 240: Charlie Smith, Mo Turner, E. W. Williamson, Gordy Mathison; Tom Beatty, Pat Grout, Harrell Floyd, and Vern Ebert.

At 244: Karl Dooks, Dave Sharp, Fay Gooch, Jim Smith.

At 245: Hoagy Nelson, Bobby Derrickson, Don Herron, Rick Bacon.

At 244: Bill Woolston, Clem McKelvy, Dwite Gilliland, James Stafford, and Ron Buckles.

At 255: Vern Kailey, Charlie Dillahunt, Ed Theis, Carl Green; Chuck Titus, Bob Houk, John Osborn, and Bob Burkepile.

**Oh, Just Another Ace**

A hole-in-one is becoming old hat to Jack Legg. In November and already in March, Jack has aced #11. Congratulations!

**Monthly Scramble**

**A - B - C - D**

Saturday, March 6, 1993  
Tied at 61: Roy Dyer, Gordon Petaja, Gwen Ladd, Gene Graham; Bill Mitchell, Cricket Ladd, Bob Burkepile, and Dee Curry.

Tied at 62: Hoagy Nelson, Clarence Blackburn, Andy Anderson, Barbara Miller; Julian Garza, Treg Mitchell, Fern Dyer, Loris Ryan; Charlie Smith, Red Udy, Pat Nelson, Margo Kendrick.

At 63: Carl Chism, Dan Isenberg, Pat McKelvy, Jean Petaja.

Tied at 64: Ken Curry, Jack Gillen, Carl Green, Jan Chism; Tom Beatty, Carlos Garza, Bill Koons, Odette Mills; Clem McKelvy, Guy Crippin, Don Warren, and Louise Williamson.

**Golf Tournament**

The 4th annual Las Moras Invitational Golf Tournament will be March 13 - 14 at the Fort Clark Golf course.

The two-man select shot event will be preceded by a practice round on Friday, March 12. A Bar-B-Que and dance will be held Saturday (13th) night. For information, call 563-9204.

**Community Council**

Outgoing Community Council President Vicki Nichols encourages a good attendance at Community Council Saturday morning, March 13, 10:00 a.m., Shafter Hall.

A check for \$2000.00 will be presented to the City of Spofford to be applied to attorney fees and/or related expenses in opposing the Texcor licensing for waste facility.

Fort Clark Springs General Manager Pete Cook will be the keynote speaker.

Officers for the ensuing year will be elected and installed.

**Sofalys - Mother/Son To Re-enlist**

Linda and David Sofaly - mother and son - will re-enlist in the Air Force and the ceremony will take place at the bandstand.

That's 1 p.m., Saturday, March 13.

**Old Quarry**

First Ever Old Quarry Revue  
Friday, March 26, 7:30 p.m.  
Town Hall

Tickets are now on sale at the Adult Center. Call 563-2024 for information.

**Membership Meeting**

Fort Clark Springs Membership  
Annual Meeting  
22nd Annual Meeting

9:30 Registration  
10:00 Business Meeting  
Announce Board Election Results  
12 Noon Member Bar-B-Que  
2:00 p.m. Bandstand Dedication

The multi-award winning Brackett School band, the Voices of Fort Clark, and Harrell Floyd will all perform.

**Fish Fry**

Top off the annual meeting day with the monthly "all you can eat" fish fry and dance, NCO Club, Saturday evening, March 27.

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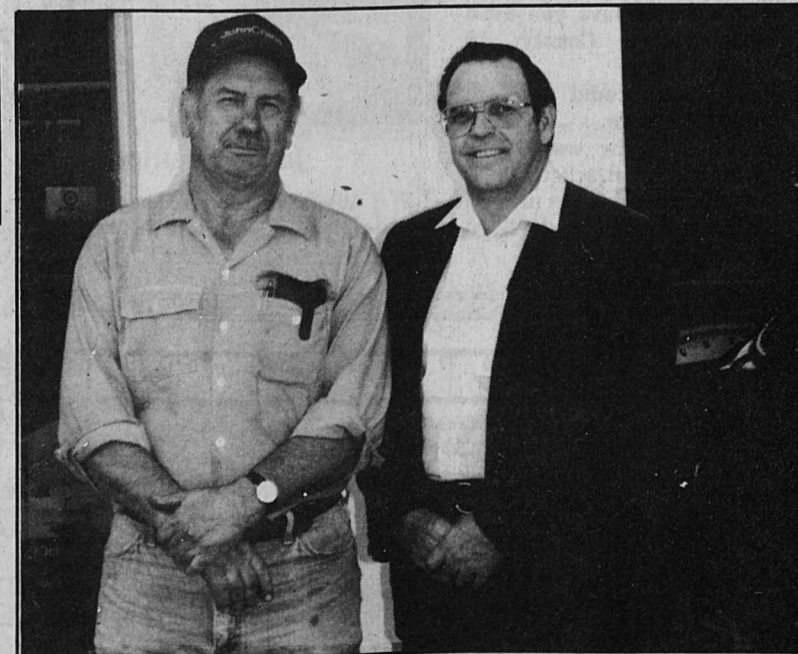
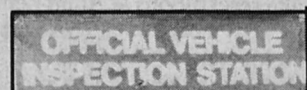


Larry Sofaly, President

**News Flash:** Mike Walsh, who is with Texas Cave Management Association, has confirmed that the Texas State Spelunker Association will hold their 1993 state meeting in Kinney County. Between 120 and 150 people are expected for the Spelunkers a complimentary Taco breakfast at the NCO Club on May 1. Chamber Director Jill Woodson is breakfast chairman.

**Chamber's Featured Business Member**

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## SCIENCE FAIR WINNERS

**Pre-K:** 1st place, Mrs. Raymond's A.M. Class and 2nd place, Mrs. Raymond's P.M. class.  
**Kindergarten:** 1st place: Mrs. Phillips' class, 2nd place; Miss Wallace's class and 3rd place; Mrs. Phillips' class.  
**4th grade:** 1st place: April Crumley, 2nd place; Josh Coe, and 3rd place; Jeffrey Mills.  
**5th grade:** 1st place: James Burks, 2nd place; Laura Lee Ballew, and 3rd place; Zachry Davis.  
**Best of fair:** James Burks.  
**Alternate best of fair:** April Crumley.

## DRUG FAIR

### Kindergarten Overall - Miss Wallace's room

**1st grade:** overall Curtis Thames  
 1st place; Alison LaMascus, 2nd place; Ashley Smith, and 3rd place; Amanda Klar.

### 2nd grade overall Megan McWilliams and Mayra Aguirre

1st place; Erica Galen, 2nd place; Brian Rose, and 3rd place; Adam Caton.

### 3rd grade overall Joey Escamilla

1st place; Candice Ingram, 2nd place; Martin Garcia, and 3rd place; Susanah Davis.

### 4th grade overall Nelson Smith

1st place; Kayla Cruz, 2nd place; Jeffrey Mills, and 3rd place; Melinda Villarreal.

### 5th grade overall Jerritt Meeks

1st place; Michelle Villarreal, 2nd place; James Burks, and 3rd place; Ricardo Castillo.

### 6th grade overall Hilda Aguirre

1st place; Mrs. Holland's class - video, 2nd place; David Foster - poster, and 3rd place; Brent Smith, Moses Villarreal, Matthew Smallwood, and Aaron Taylor - poster.

### 7th grade overall J. Wayne Ballew

1st place; Samantha Perez, 2nd place; Patrick Munoz, Brian Flores, and Jose Gonzales - poster, 3rd place; Cecilia Terrazas, Windy Goodloe, Brandy Ricks, Crystal Juarez, and Monique Pierce - video.

### 8th grade overall Courtney Harrison, Melissa Terrazas, Jessica Payne, Josh Fitzgerald, and Lindy LaMascus - poster

1st place; Brandy Meeks, Amy Bader, Jason Antillon, and David Melancon - travel brochure, 2nd place; Melissa Terrazas, and 3rd place; Becky Payne, Mirza Clark, and Cindy Vasquez.

### 9th grade overall Anthony Flores and Saul Hidalgo - poster

1st place; Katie Hall, and Valerie Jimenez - poster, 2nd place; Casey Tipps - poster, and 3rd place; Sam Luna.

### 10th grade overall Vicky Abrigo and Sandra Samaniego - poster

1st place; Oscar Garcia - poster, 2nd place; James Clarkson - audio tape.

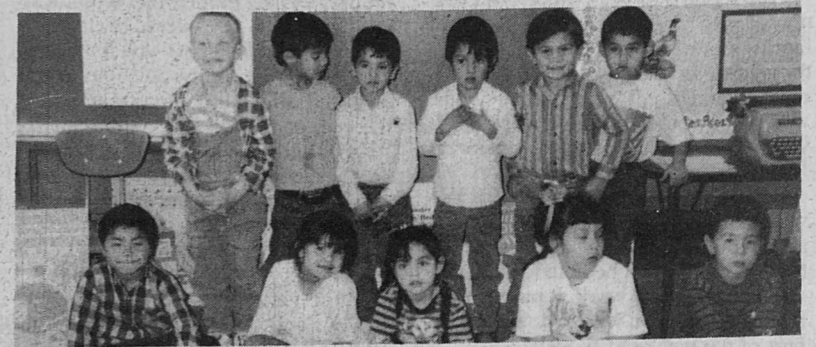
### 11th grade overall Amanda Davis - bumper sticker

1st place; Frank Guajardo, 2nd place; Jesse Terrazas, and 3rd place; Josie Talamantes, Bernie Allemeir, Willie Allemeir, and Owen Brant - poster.

### 12th grade overall Monica Cruz - poster

1st place; Tanya Frerich - poster, 2nd place; Angel Jaso - poster, 3rd place; Wendy McDaniel - poems.

### Overall of fair Courtney Harrison, Melissa Terrazas, Jessica Payne, Josh Fitzgerald, and Lindy LaMascus - poster



## Making A Difference

By TAYLOR STEPHENSON, Curriculum Director

Last week was a great week at Brackett ISD! Like all other Texas Schools, BISD celebrated public school week and opened its doors to the public. The celebration made you proud to live in Texas. One of the highlights was a scholarship fund raiser pancake supper which was a big time hit. Many heartfelt thanks go out to those of you who chanced the meal supervised by head cook Steve Mills. Our superintendent was ably assisted by Don Sims and Stoney Burks who were the number one cooks of pancakes. I was impressed with their ability. Don turned out fast pancakes while Stoney was a bit more artistic in his creations.

Carl Glass and Carroll Petrosky stood close to the hot grills and helped cart the pancakes to the serving line. Tough jobs for men, but someone had to do it! David Burton and Greg Nowlin kept the customers happy on the serving line with their usual uplifting conversation. Dottie Heninger, our elegant and efficient bookkeeper, took care of tickets and money.

My job was to keep the coffee hot and to make sure we had lots of syrup and butter. Cooking isn't my thing, so I was pleased to have a job in the kitchen that I could do.

There were several behind the scenes workers including the cafeteria staff and custodians that helped make the pancake supper a success. We raised about \$600 for senior scholarships for Brackett High School Seniors.

The evening included a Science Fair and also a Drug Media Fair. The science fair was a first, and even though participation was somewhat limited, the event was successful. Karen Crumley worked hard on the Science Fair.

Susan Harrison did a super job on the Drug Media Fair. This was the third year that the fair has been held and the students blitzed us with entries. The High School Library was covered with posters advising us to Be Smart! Don't Start!

Walk Away From Drugs stated the Pre-Kindergarten entry filled with lots of little folks' footprints. There were some fine student produced videos that showed our kids enacting messages about drug use and the bad that will result to users.

I liked the poster about an idea jar that said if you are about to think about using...make another choice. Stay Off The Dope Slope! Drugs put you in a different group. Huff & Puff & blow your brains away. You Booze - You Looze!

Jones Elementary had a great sign with bright Red, White, and Blue welcoming all to the school. The halls were decked out with Texas maps of every size and color. There were cowboys, cowgirls, kites, shamrocks, and even a skeleton or two. I saw lots of student work - writings, drawings, and art work.

I love to see student work displayed in school halls and classrooms. This wasn't done much when I was in public school, but I can see pride in children's faces when they show me their posted work of art.

The first grades had a life size paper cowboy sitting in each child's chair, and students and parents were entertained by this sight. Pre-K had footprints while the kindergarten liked western themes - cows, hay, cowboy hats, branding irons and all that goes with the West.

First grade had a name for each student on western looking folks and a great big Howdy Y'All! Second Grade chose Irish ideas with shamrocks and St. Patrick's themes. The third grade had the jelly bean theme...working with numbers. They did a magnificent research project in groups on bones and discovered that the 0-5 age group was the most likely to break bones.

The students discovered through interviews that this age group broke more bones because they were awkward and accident prone. They had statistics to exonerate the adult population from being leaders in this bone crushing research project.

Fourth grade used Shamrocks and displayed student writing. This is a time when our fourth grade is working hard on TAAS writing.

The fifth grade was the icing on the cake for me! Texas maps and student writing. The students were positive and had some good things to say. Examples of several themes were: I like Jones Elementary because: my school is carpeted; it has nice teachers; great new desks; because you get to meet people that become your friends; it's air conditioned; we have funny & (the) best teachers; laser discs; you study hard...and have time for fun; we have good books, discipline, computers, and the WICAT computer lab.

These are just a few of the examples. Lots of nice things said about the Principal (Glass) and the great teachers at Jones Elementary. Fifth graders, I loved what you wrote. I believe in our school, too. I would add two things - we have great kids and supportive parents.

## Tiger Baseball Team Takes Consolation At Eagle Pass

The Tiger Varsity baseball team got off to a great start as they won consolation at the Eagle Pass JV Invitational.

They opened up their first game against the Carrizo Springs JV Wildcats. After picking up a quick 3-0 lead in the first inning, the Tigers allowed Carrizo to rack up 10 unanswered points.

Brackett rallied in the fourth inning to pick up five runs but the two hour time limit ran out. Carrizo was a 14-9 winner.

J. J. Sandoval scored twice as did Jesse Terrazas. Angel Jaso, Mike Munoz, Ruben Terrazas, Brian Hooker and Lee Avila scored one each.

The Tigers then moved to the consolation bracket to face Uvalde JV, and Brackett jumped all over the Coyotes 11-5. The Tigers had seven hits in this game.

Coach Petrosky and his team continued where they left off by abusing Crystal City JV 13-5. Catcher Lupe Rodriguez got hits all four times at bat including one hit that fell twelve feet short of the fence.

J. J. Sandoval picked up the win. He pitched three innings giving up four hits, and struck out four.

Mike Munoz got the save as he came in to strike out four and didn't give up a hit.

Coach "P" was very impressed with his team. "We had a good tournament," he said. "We played well but we need to work on our base running and pitching." In other words...the fundamentals.

Lupe Rodriguez earned all tournament recognition. Lupe hit the ball six times out of nine times at bat. Two of those hits went to the fence.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

BRIEF EXPLANATORY STATEMENTS  
 OF PROPOSED  
**CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS**  
 SPECIAL ELECTION  
 MAY 1, 1993

### PROPOSITION NO. 1 ON THE BALLOT

Section 1 of Senate Joint Resolution 7 proposes a constitutional amendment that would allow the legislature to redistribute among other school districts ad valorem taxes levied and collected by a school district. The amendment would also allow the legislature to create county education districts with the taxable property of existing school districts in one of more counties combined. County education districts may levy, collect, and distribute ad valorem taxes as authorized by general law. The legislature would be allowed to set the rate of the ad valorem tax to be imposed in a school district or county education district or it may authorize the board of trustees of each school district or county education district to set the rate, provided that the rate of county education district ad valorem taxes may not exceed \$1.00 per \$100 valuation of taxable property, unless a higher rate is approved by the voters of the district. The amendment also provides that the amount of ad valorem taxes redistributed among school districts by the legislature and effectively redistributed within a county through county education districts may not exceed 2.75 percent of the sum of the state revenue appropriated for public schools and the revenue from local ad valorem taxes levied and collected for public schools. The term "state revenue" does not include revenue from ad valorem taxes, revenue for the provision of free textbooks, or contributions to a retirement system. Finally, the amendment provides that it does not affect the distribution of the available school fund under article VII, section 5, of the Texas Constitution.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment allowing limited redistribution of ad valorem taxes for schools, authorizing the legislature or local districts to set

a minimum tax rate in county education districts, and placing a cap on the ad valorem tax levied by county education districts."

### PROPOSITION NO. 2 ON THE BALLOT

Section 2 of Senate Joint Resolution 7 proposes a constitutional amendment that would provide that, except for state educational mandates imposed in compliance with the Texas Constitution or federal law, or unless enacted by a vote of at least two-thirds of the members elected to each house of the legislature, a school district may not be required to comply with an obligation requiring expenditure of school district funds unless the obligation is fully funded. The amendment also requires the legislature to provide by law a procedure for determining whether an obligation is fully funded. In the absence of such a procedure, and at the request of a school district's board of trustees, the comptroller of public accounts shall determine whether or not an obligation is fully funded. This amendment applies only to state educational mandates enacted after December 31, 1993.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment exempting a school district from the obligation to comply with unfunded state educational mandates."

### PROPOSITION NO. 3 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 4 proposes an amendment to article VII, section 5(b), of the constitution, which currently authorizes the legislature to provide for using the permanent school fund to guarantee bonds issued by school districts and certain education-related revenue bonds issued by the state. The amendment would repeal the provision authorizing

the use of the permanent school fund to guarantee state revenue bonds, but would permit the legislature to provide by law for the issuance of general obligation bonds or revenue bonds of the state for the purpose of making loans to, or purchasing bonds of, school districts for the purpose of acquisition, construction, or improvement of instructional facilities, including all furnishings. The amendment also provides that the state, pursuant to general law, may forgive the payment of principal and interest on all or part of a loan made to a school district under the amendment to partially finance an instructional facility. The cap of \$750 million on the amount of bonds that could be issued under article VII, section 5(b), as amended, would be retained. The amendment would repeal the current provision of the constitution permitting the legislature to authorize bonds in excess of \$750 million by two-thirds record vote of both houses of the legislature. While any of the general obligation bonds issued under the amendment or any of the interest on those bonds is outstanding and unpaid, there would be appropriated out of the first money coming into the state treasury in each fiscal year, not otherwise appropriated by the constitution, the amount sufficient to pay the principal and interest on the bonds that matured or became due that fiscal year.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment authorizing the issuance of \$750 million in state general obligation or revenue bonds to assist school districts in partially financing facilities, authorizing the state to forgive payments of loans made to a school district for partially financing facilities, and repealing the authorization for \$750 million in state revenue bonds guaranteed by the permanent school fund."

*Este es el informe explicatorio sobre la enmienda propuesta a la constitucion que aparecera en la boleta el dia 1 de mayo de 1993. Si usted no ha recibido una copia del informe en español, podra obtener una gratis por llamar al 11800/252/8683 o por escribir al Secretario de Estado, P.O. Box 12060, Austin, Texas 78711*

**Natasha's Stars**

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19) The challenge for you this week is to juggle at least five different things without dropping one. Can you do all this? Count on an escape this weekend.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) You may spend a good part of the week feeling out of sorts. That is no reason to grump or carry on. Stay in the present and don't worry about what was, is or could be. Others pound on your door this weekend. Don't answer. Just relax with one special person.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) We won't discuss in public what naughtiness could be going on this week, though others will be able to imagine. Don't slack off at work. It pays for the frolics, which you will be doing a good part of the weekend as well.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22) You have a far better perspective on basic security issues than you think. Try not to muddle yourself up in confusion and just zero in on what counts this week. You can't resist love this weekend, but, oh, you are so tired.

**LEO** (July 23-August 22) Follow through on a scheme that could bring much moolah into the household budget. Your casual way with others loses some of its magic presently. Develop a more authentic approach. Return messages and don't let anything fall by the wayside.

**VIRGO** (August 23-September 22) Don't wait to be asked. Take the initiative this week. Money and your need "to have" (control, power, possessions) drive you. You may be feeling a bit frayed by this weekend.

**LIBRA** (September 23-October 22) Do much soul-searching before you take action, because once you do, you may not have any recourse but to keep going. Something is out of synch. Before you point the finger, look at the holes in your own thinking.

**SCORPIO** (October 23-November 21) Be more playful and open up to the positives in your life, rather than brood about the hassles. The magic and the intrigue of the Scorpion comes out this week. You end the week on an all-time high. (Well, nearly all time high.)

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22-December 21) Push hard and fast this week for what you want. The key is to

take a leadership role at work and with friends. You make happen what you want. You are on top of the world this weekend.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22-January 19) Be more direct with those you work with this week, because an oblique approach gets you nowhere. You cannot be too responsible or too careful. Follow through on a project to the very end.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20-February 18) Make plenty of time to do your own checking, Aquarius, because what you know to be correct, is. You have taken a back seat long enough in a partnership. By the weekend you are ready to zero in on what is important to you, and don't settle for anything less.

**PISCES** (February 19-March 20) Others dominate this week, but don't get it into your head that you don't have a say, because you do. Be careful, however, trying to convince the bank or the IRS you are right. Except for this minor pitfall, you are on a real roll.  
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**Trivia Test**  
by Linda Luckhurst

1. Television: What was the name of the gang Fonzie was in during the first season of "Happy Days?"
2. History: How many candidates were there in the presidential election of 1860?
3. Fashion: Besides tight corsets, what else did women do to attain a tiny waistline in the 19th Century?
4. Crime and Punishment: Where was the electric chair first used?
5. Movies: Who directed "Spartacus?"
6. First Ladies: Who was nicknamed "Lemonade Lucy" for refusing to serve alcoholic beverages at the White House?

**Trivia Test Answers**

1. The Falcons; 2. four; 3. they had their two bottom ribs removed; 4. the state prison at Auburn, N.Y.; 5. Stanley Kubrick; 6. Lucy Hayes

**Vision Teaser**



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Fence is different. 2. Spots are added. 3. Paint cans is larger. 4. House is missing. 5. Hand is higher. 6. Shutter is changed.

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**Super Crossword**

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| <b>ACROSS</b> | 1 Corn-meal mush | 6 Smartly dressed | 10 Engrossed | 14 Knitting stitch | 19 Cast | 20 Luzon | 21 Negrito | 21 "Ain't She Sweet?" songwriter | 22 Mexican farewell | 23 Stinging jellyfishes | 25 Chain off the Georgia coast | 27 News | 28 Jazz dances | 30 German river | 31 O'Hara's "A to Live" | 32 Raided the ice box | 33 Box or bush lead-in | 34 Part or mart follower | 36 Dumbo's "wings" | 38 Bandleader Brown | 39 Unadulterated | 40 Narrow country roads | 42 ...and often quiet picturesque | 44 Large | 89 Desire strongly | 90 Assort without proof | 92 Plant of the mint family | 94 Scheduled | 95 Gay, light song | 97 Dutch cheeses | 98 FDR's fireside talk | 99 "Cheers" setting | 102 Portico | 104 Wee, in Dundee | 105 Coastal ship of the Indian Ocean | 106 It's past due? | 109 Assam silkworm | 111 Hop kiln | 113 Make beloved | 115 Isles off Ireland's coast | 116 Skill in sailing | 119 Marine sculptor monster? | 121 Mink's cousin | 122 French head | 123 House wings | 124 Gate device | 125 Poke fun | 126 TV reception problem | 127 Der (Adenauer) | 128 Wild West film | <b>DOWN</b> | 1 Confused | 2 Larceny | 3 Speak pompously | 4 Zoom, for one | 5 Meadow mom | 6 Car or man lead-in | 7 Spartan serf | 8 Ledger entry | 9 Body of water bordering on Iran | 10 Dasha (Ethiopian peak) | 11 Author/critic James | 12 Positive thinker | 13 Of a clan or family | 14 White House nickname | 15 Month after Shevat | 16 Twofold | 17 Resort hotel | 18 Dangerous curves | 24 Russian despots | 25 Silken | 29 - dute (certainly) | 33 Boat or board lead-in | 35 Legal documents | 37 Actress Gilbert, of | "Roseanne" | 39 Carson predecessor | 40 Pretend | 41 Reserve supply | 43 Entertain at a feast | 44 Lovers' quarrel | 45 Hawaiian city | 46 Verve | 47 Section of London | 48 Charles | 50 Last Jewish month | 51 Mother of Apollo | 52 Pack away | 54 Xylophone's cousin | 56 Predetermine | 59 Pith helmet | 61 Steak or cheese | 64 - amore (tenderly) | 66 Social insect | 67 English composer, born in Germany | 69 - precedent | 70 Actor James - Jones | 71 Inland sea | 72 Hodgepodge | 73 Saltpeper: var. | 74 Ancient chariot | 75 Part of the | Indian Ocean | 76 Reddish-brown horses | 77 Spanish bull | 78 Obnoxious child | 79 Rage or roar | 80 Retired | 84 Mild oath | 86 Shield | 89 Hatchet or hammer | 91 Singer John | 93 It's before plan or point | 94 Singer Dinah | 96 Browns the surface | 98 Gliding dance step | 99 Make silly | 100 Mountain crest | 101 Lariat | 103 Ghastly pale | 105 Apportioned | 106 River in England | 107 Cowboy's bailiwick | 108 Computer key | 110 Singer Ed | 112 Josp Broz | 114 Farmer's milieu | 115 South Seas port | 117 - You Lonesome Tonight | 118 Church bench | 120 Letter after p |
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**Happy Birthday**

Mar. 10	Delma Benites	Mar. 15	Greg Nowlin
Mar. 11	Claude Hooten	Mar. 16	Josie Pena
Mar. 11	Edwin Franson	Mar. 16	Stephen Foster
Mar. 11	Margo Hendrick	Mar. 16	Dense Bowers
Mar. 11	Bob Miller	Mar. 16	Taylor Pinnell
Mar. 12	Kathy Johnson	Mar. 16	Josie Pena
Mar. 14	Martin Sheets	Mar. 17	Norman Hooten
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I will be out of the office beginning March 12th until March 21st. For any information needed on real estate, or to see properties, call Janita Hinds Real Estate, Del Rio, at 210-775-0010. You may leave a message on my recorder at 563-2007 and I will return your call when I get back in the office.

Thank You, Debbie Trant

SIDEWALK SALE

Las Moras Masonic Lodge #444 is having a Fund Raiser Sale, Saturday, March 13, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Masonic Lodge Hall, Ann Street.

MASON SHOES & BOOTS

Over 300 styles, Men & Ladies Sold Money Back Guarantee 563-2993 Thank You!

FOR SALE

King size waterbed on drawer foundation. New cost \$600. will sell for \$175.

5-piece bedroom set \$125.00 Almost new sofa. Cost \$599. sell for \$400.

Twin soft side water bed \$100. Mahogany Dresser & Mirror \$150. 4-drawer steel, fire proof, legal file cabinet \$100.

1976 Cadillac, Coupe DeVille, 62,000 original miles. \$2995. or OBO. H. W. Miller, 210-563-9507

FOR SALE

Acreage in the City of Brackettville, 5 to 10 acre tracts with CP&L electricity. Call 563-2009.

FOR SALE

Completely remodeled 3-bedroom, 2-bath house on 2 large lots with nice trees. Call 563-2009.

FOR SALE

Cut plastic barrels in half to make flower pots. \$5.00 each. Call Wallace Dimery at 563-2075.

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

The Middle Rio Grande Development Council has a vacancy for a full-time Instructor at the Uvalde JTPA Office and Education Center.

Preferred requirements for this position include: (1) a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university (prefer TEA Teacher Certification), (2) at least two years teaching experience and/or equivalent professional level work experience (3) should be computer literate and able to use computer laboratory for instruction (4) must have strong ability to communicate effectively in English and Spanish to youth and adult groups, and (5) should possess demonstrated ability in working effectively with students, parents, and community agencies.

Salary range for this position is between \$18,141 and \$34,898 depending on education and experience.

Some regional and overnight travel required, therefore applicant must have reliable transportation.

Interested applicants should submit resume, application, and a copy of their college transcript to:

Ramon S. Johnston Deputy Director of Administration P. O. Box 1199 Carrizo Springs TX 78834 (210) 876-3533.

Applications will be accepted until position is filled. MRGDC is an equal opportunity program operator and auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities. #5127

As Good As The Lottery?

Well, it may not be quite as good as the lottery but the Texas State Treasurer has reported that the following people, last known address Brackettville, have funds of at least \$50 lying dormant that may be claimed by calling 1-800-654-3463 or 512-463-3120: Barragan, Rosa Maria Boyd, Milton C. Jones, Umar Lozano, Henry Mahefky, Leonard Martinez, Albert Mears, William/Martha Morgan, Wallace Jr. Portis, Percy Jr White, Robert

SEALED BID SALE

UNITS FOR SALE

Table with columns: Unit No., License No., Description. Rows include Ford PU 1/2 Ton, Ford PU 1/2 Ton, Ford PU 1/2 Ton, Ford Bucket 1 Ton, Ford PU 3/4 Ton 4x4.

These vehicles are being sold on as (as is) basis. Submit your bids to this office on or before March 16, 1993. We reserve the right to reject any or all bids. These units may be inspected at the office of Rio Grande Electric Cooperative, Inc., Hwy. 90 East in Brackettville, Texas, from 8:00 a.m. through 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. The successful bidder will be notified March 18, 1993.

Please contact Richard Olvera on any question in reference to the above bids. Phone 210-563-2444.

ATTENTION POETS

The National Library of Poetry has announced that \$12,000 in prizes will be awarded this year to over 250 poets in the North American Open Poetry Contest. The deadline for the contest is March 31, 1993. The contest is open to everyone and entry is free. Any poet, whether previously published or not, can be a winner. Every poem entered also has a chance to be published in a deluxe, hardbound anthology.

To enter, send one original poem, any subject and any style, to the National Library of Poetry, 11419 Cronridge Dr., P.O. Box 704-XJ, Owings Mills, MD 21117. The poem should be no more than 20 lines, and the poet's name and address should appear on the top of the page. Entries must be postmarked by March 31, 1993. A new contest opens April 1, 1993.

INCOME TAX PREPARATION

Income Tax Preparation Every Friday and Saturday Call 563-9224 Roland Boysen, CPA

A Dispatch From The Education Frontier

Healthy Seniors Die Young But At An Old Age!

Finding ways for Texas' spiraling population of oldesters to live longer while staying healthy, happy and active is the goal of several researchers at medical schools around the state.

It's a challenge as the number of aging citizens increases daily. By the year 2000, one out of every eight Texans will be 65 or older.

At the Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, Olivia Pereira-Smith and her husband, James, professor of cell biology, believe that genes affect aging. Their experience with tumors lends credence to the gene theory.

Accent Mark

The University of Texas at Arlington ranked eighth nationally in the number of master's degrees it awarded in computer science and electrical engineering last year.

Two other Texas schools ranked in the top 25. Texas A&M was 21st and UT Austin tied with Columbia University for 23rd.

Among schools offering master's degrees in industrial engineering, Texas A&M ranked eighth in the nation and UT Arlington ninth. No other Texas schools were in the top 25.

Making The Grade

If the Legislature follows the request of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, applicants for admission to any four-year state college or university would have to pass a college preparatory curriculum in high school.

Three public universities presently have an open admission policy. They are The University of Texas - Pan American, the University of Houston - Downtown, and Texas Southern University in Houston.

The law would require students to have passed four years of English, two years of mathematics, four years of social studies, two years of science and three years of foreign language.

Match Points

Fraternity parties at Southern Methodist University in Dallas and The University of Texas at Austin will be dry affairs in the future.

Greek organizations at both schools have voted to ban booze and beer from future socials. Individual members who break the rule will be subject to suspension and a possible cash fine.

KINNEY COUNTY LAND CO. 210-563-2446 210-563-2447 P.O. BOX 1035 BRACKETTVILLE, TX 78832

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Taxpayers' Guide is free and, beginning in April, it will be available in Spanish. Ask for yours today at

KINNEY COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT P. O. Box 1377 Brackettville TX 78832 Telephone 210-563-2323 or write to

Comptroller's Property Tax Division 4301 Westbank Dr., Bldg. B, Suite 150 Austin TX 78746-6565

A public service announcement courtesy of this newspaper.



Meditations

Someone has declared, "Horse Sense is stable thinking." Here are a few lines which may cause you to think -- and hopefully smile, too.

jaws together. During that time she suffered mental anguish because her husband nagged at her, and she couldn't talk back to him.

Obituary



Elmer P. Shannon

Funeral services were held in Rockdale, Texas, at Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home, Tuesday morning, March 2, 1993, for Elmer P. Shannon. His pastor, Rev. Morris Cook, First Baptist Church, Rockdale, officiated. Burial followed in the Madisonville, Texas, City Cemetery.

Mr. Shannon was a graduate of Madisonville High School and Sul Ross State University. Both he and Mrs. Shannon taught school at Madisonville two years before moving to Spofford. There they not only taught but were engaged in the ranching business with their relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Joe York, Sr. From Spofford, the Shannons moved to Uvalde where he was Elementary Principal from 1950 until his retirement in 1971.

This Is Your Opportunity To Nominate Kinney County's Outstanding Citizen

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

NOMINATION FOR OUTSTANDING CITIZEN
Nominee's Name
Nominee's Address
Nominee's Phone
Reason for nomination:
(Attach additional sheet if needed)
Nomination submitted by:

Deadline for entries April 2, 1993
The Outstanding Citizen will be announced at the Chamber of Commerce General Membership Meeting, Saturday, April 17, 1993.

News from... The Pastor's Pen GIL ASH
First Baptist Church

There is an old story of a man in West Virginia who had a reputation for being wise and for giving sound advice. He perhaps was a little like Solomon of the Bible. A young person went to him one day and asked, "Uncle Jed, how come you have such good judgement?"

"You cannot help small men by tearing down big men." "You cannot strengthen the weak by weakening the strong." "You cannot lift the wage earner by pulling down the wage payer."

Frontier Baptist Church

By Joe Townsend

Each Sunday at Frontier Baptist Church is an outstanding opportunity to be blessed. The entire interest at Frontier Baptist Church is to offer an opportunity to worship God.

songs. All hearts join in prayer for those in need. The pastor, cognizant of his tremendous responsibility, brings a message boldly but lovingly delineating the Word of God as it is set forth in the Bible.

St. Andrews Episcopal Church

The Rt. Rev. John H. MacNaughton, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of West Texas, will be the celebrant and preacher at a 6:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist on Saturday, March 13, at St. Andrews Episcopal Church according to the Rev. Bill Koons, priest-in-charge of the Brackettville church.

Immediately following the service, a dinner will be held in the church's parish house to honor the Bishop.

St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church

The five free throw district winners from Brackettville participated in the regional competition in San Antonio on March 6. Sandra Hernandez took third place in the thir-

teen year age group; Angelida Jayo took first place in the fourteen year age group.



Knights of Columbus #8223 welcomed three new members into the council. On Sunday, March 7, 1993, Pat Foster, Fred Fay, and Pedro Abrego received their first degree in Del Rio.

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.

Beta Epsilon Omicron

Members of Beta Epsilon Omicron have been busy this month. On March 1, a St. Patrick's Rush Party was held at the Adult Center on Fort Clark. The room was decorated with shamrocks, leprechauns, green derby hats, and green and white balloons.

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