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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."*



Phil Ricks, left, and Scott Keith, right, presents a flag to Fort Clark Springs VFW Post #8360 Commander Tom Faulkenberry. Additional pictures page 14.

## VFW Receives Flag In Commemoration Of Pearl Harbor

In memory of the surprise attack by the Japanese on Pearl Harbor 53 years ago, representatives from the offices of U.S. Senator Phil Gramm (R-Texas) and U.S. Rep. Henry Bonilla (R-Texas-23) came to Brackettville Wednesday, December 7, 1994.

Scott Keith of Gramm's office, and Phil Ricks of Bonilla's office, joined with members of Fort Clark Springs Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post #8360 to commemorate Pearl Harbor Day. Kinney County Judge Tim Ward was also on hand for the event.

Gramm and Bonilla presented an American flag which has been flown over the U.S. Capitol and a certificate of commemoration to the VFW Post.

The message sent was "no single event in the history of our great country has served to galvanize our nation as the bombing of Pearl Harbor. On December 7, 1941, Americans pulled together in a struggle that would ultimately lead to victory, ensuring once again the freedom we all enjoy today.

Those gathered for this ceremony know that the price of victory in the Pacific theater was high, and that along the way, as Americans fought for freedom, the battle cry 'Remember Pearl Harbor' was often heard, and that's why in Brackettville today, December 7, 1994, this flag is proudly presented to say 'Remember Pearl Harbor...never forget Pearl Harbor.'

## BISD Moved Funds From TexPool

Immediately preceding the regularly scheduled meeting of the Brackett Independent School District Board of Trustees, a public forum was held to review AEIS. High school teacher Frank Taylor, Middle school teachers Susan Davis and Gary Grubbs, and Elementary teacher Mary Sam York discussed the status of the district academically and revealed plans for on-going upgrading.

At 7:05 p.m. board president Jimmy Bader called the regular meeting to order with Rose Mary Slubar, Jewel Robinson, Stan Conoly, Jim McDaniel, Gloria Garcia, and Darlene Shahan present.

Minutes of the November 14 meeting were approved. The board re-affirmed its commitment to develop acceptable softball facilities to be co-used by Little League and authorized President Bader and Superintendent Mills to proceed with negotiations to reach its goal.

A resolution was passed to request an extension for records control schedule implementation.

School auditor Stephen Horton of Coleman, Horton & Company, presented a detailed, state mandated, audit report for 1993-94. Increases in total assets (\$8.8 million up from \$8.1 million in 1993) were noted and there were no irregularities to report.

Direction was given to participate in an Interactive Distance Education Administration (upgrading to fibre optical from satellite) and Superintendent Mills was appointed as the school's representative for the program.

Jimmy Bader, Sam Heninger, and Henry Fuentes were reappointed as

the district's representatives to the Kinney County Tax Appraisal Board.

An agreement was reached to advertise for bid the sale of certain school vehicles and to order a new 35-passenger bus to be delivered after September 1. During the summer one selected bus will be taken to the Texas prison system for refurbishing.

Budget amendments were approved, financial statements reviewed, and Mr. Mills reported that the district had removed its funds from TexPool.

The board set January 12 for superintendent evaluation and approved postponing the January board meeting to January 16.

Jones Elementary Principal Carl Glass reported 311 students enrolled in Pre-K through 5th grade, a Christmas music program, Pre-K through grade 3 scheduled for Thursday morning.

Secondary principal Don Sims reported 137 in Middle school, 146 in High school, and 10 in Alternative school. First semester final exams are scheduled for Wednesday and Thursday, and a basketball tournament at Tiger gym Thursday - Saturday.

Assistant secondary principal Stoney Burks and Curriculum Director Taylor Stephenson also addressed the board.

TASB update 48 was passed into policy.

The board entered into executive session with an agenda listing superintendent evaluation, administrative review, employee dress code, and employee evaluations. Back on open session no action was required.

The board did discuss bus routes.

## Robinson To Head Kinney County Historical Commission For 1995-96

Monday, December 12, 1994, Judge Tim Ward called a regular session of the Kinney County Commissioners Court to order at 9:00 a.m. Present were Commissioners Freddie Frerich and Cordelia Mendeke with Commissioners Plunker Sheedy and Alvin McClure absent.

Judge Ward led the Pledge of Allegiance and Jean Faulkenberry offered the invocation.

Minutes of meeting held November 14, 22, and 29 were approved after minor corrections.

A number of items, after discussion, were deferred until later in the week as adequate information or background material was not available: Kinney County Personnel policy; Resolution on TCDP contract #703419; Implementing an inventory bar coding system; Approval of sub-division plat 37-permanent RV at Fort Clark; Interlocal agreement with Las Moras SWC District; Resolution to retain local SCS office.

The 1995 county holiday schedule was approved: January 16 - Martin Luther King; February 20 - Presidents Day; March 2 - Texas Independence Day; April 14 - Good Friday; April 21 - San Jacinto Day; May 29 - Memorial Day; July 4 - Independence Day; September 4 - Labor Day; October 9 - Columbus Day; November 22 (noon) 23 & 24 - Thanksgiving; December 25 & 26 - Christmas; January 1 & 2, 1996 - New Years.

The court approved a Civic Center payment plan for Ermenia Hernandez after her financial loss on a Thanksgiving Dance and approved her use of the facility for a Christmas Dance at a previously agreed upon fee.

Beatrice Kuhns gave an update on the upcoming EMS class scheduled for early February. There is room for 3 or 4 more to attend and application should be made to Mrs. Kuhns immediately. There is a vital need for additional certified personnel to serve with the EMS which provides emergency care service for all of Kinney County.

Precinct III Commissioner Cordelia Mendeke was appointed to supervise the Kinney County EMS Department.

At 10:00 a.m., as advertised, the lone bid (J. Miller Construction, Del Rio) for constructing Pinto Creek Bridge was opened. The figure was higher than funds available and the court asked the company's representative, Engineer Charles Rothe and grant supervisor Charles Trost, all of whom were present, to evaluate the project and attempt to get the two figures together.

The court agreed that the Kinney County Historical Commission should co-ordinate the recently awarded TxDOT grant for the restoration of the Court House with all accounting to go through the regular county channels, and directed and authorized the Commission to raise the 20% matching funds.

At a later time a commissioner will be named to also work with the co-ordination.

In compliance with the Texas Historical Commission to have local commission members approved in December, the following, on recommendation of Kinney County Historical Commission chairman B. Peter Pohl were approved as the 1995-96 commission: Chairman - Wes Robinson; Vice-chairman - Tracy Gilbreath;

Secretary/Treasurer - Ailene Reid;

**Community Unity  
First Annual County  
Wide Christmas Gathering  
City Hall  
Sunday, December 18  
6 to 8 p.m.**

members - Ken Bell, Carmen M. Berlanga, Nakai Breen, Mary M. Canales, Lisa Conoly, Zack Davis, Walela Gum, Ruben Martinez, Mike Bowlin, David Olesen, Warren Outlaw, Alfred Pena, B. Peter Pohl, Jewel Robinson, Don Swanson, Earlene Swanson, Mary Jane Talamantez, Sarah Terrazas, Joel Terrazas, Marcus Tidwell, Mary Sam York, Tim Ward. Named as Honorary Members were J. Lee Ballantyne, Else Sauer, Agnes Vondy, Charlie Ward, and Charles Emily Wilson. Incoming Kinney County Judge Tommy Seargeant will also be a member.

Judge Ward presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Mr. Pohl for his outstanding leadership of the Commission.

County Auditor Cordelia Barlow was appointed as a central-contact and supervisory contact for Albert Payne, maintenance and groundskeeper.

AANTF project manager presented a detailed activity report (see Sheriff's Corner in this issue).

County Librarian Sara Terrazas reported to the court and that report is also incorporated into her weekly column this issue.

Auditor Wayne Beyer of Beyer, Telford & Co., Pleasanton, explained in detail the audit report of the county's financial status. After favorable figures were pointed out, his management letter further emphasized the county's steadiness and good management by naming only three areas of correction suggested: (1) TAC should use pre-numbered receipts; (2) Nutrition Center file copies of all invoices with auditor; (3) fixed asset records need to be computerized.

Tony Parker, PCI, discussed the storm warning signal proposed for Fort Clark and only a few details remain to be worked out.

Bills were approved for payment.

Court recessed until 9:30 Friday morning, December 16.

## LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

*The Brackett News will print letters to Santa in next week's issue. Pre-K classes and second grade classes have already written and turned in letter. Any other child (up to 100 years old) may do so bringing them to the news office by the end of the day, Monday, December 19.*

## Hall Resigns From City Council Seat

Tuesday, December 13, 1994, at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Carmen Berlanga called the regular meeting of the Brackettville City Council to order.

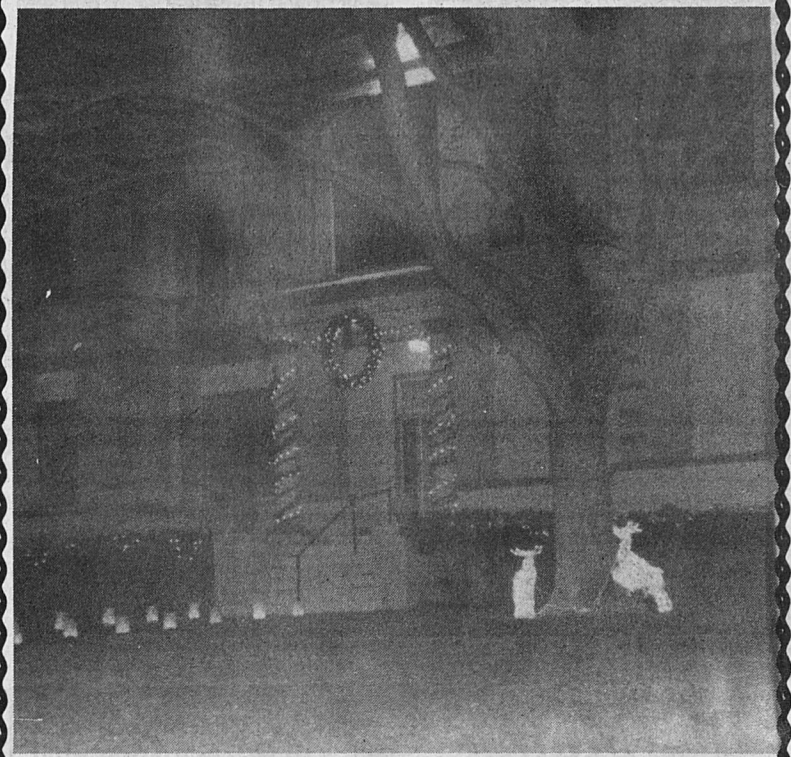
Answering roll call were Council Members Jean Seargeant, Mary Flores, Charles Bushart, and Ralph Gonzalez.

Minutes of the November meeting were approved as printed as were financial statements.

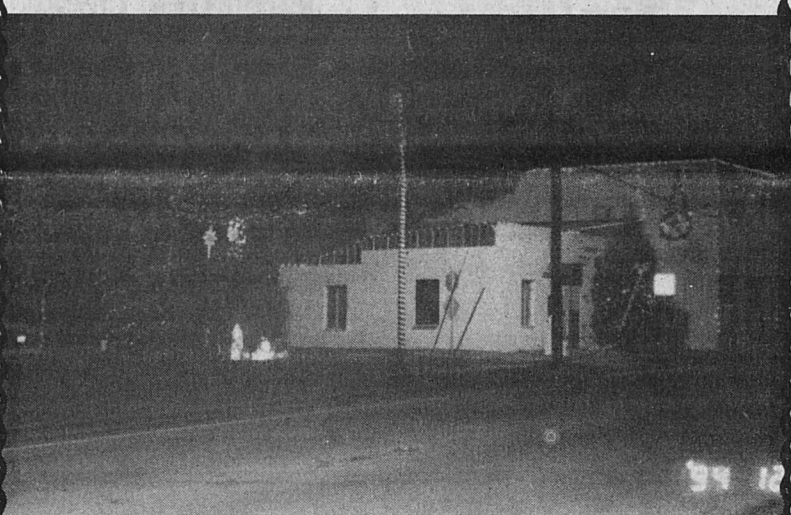
A letter of resignation from Councilman Charles (Chuck) Hall was read and the council voted to accept it effective immediately.

December 30, 1994, was approved as a city holiday and the 1995 holiday schedule was approved: January 16 - Martin Luther King Day; February 20 - Presidents Day; March 2 - Texas Independence Day; April 14 - Good Friday; May 29 - Memorial Day; July 4 - Independence Day; September 4 - Labor Day;

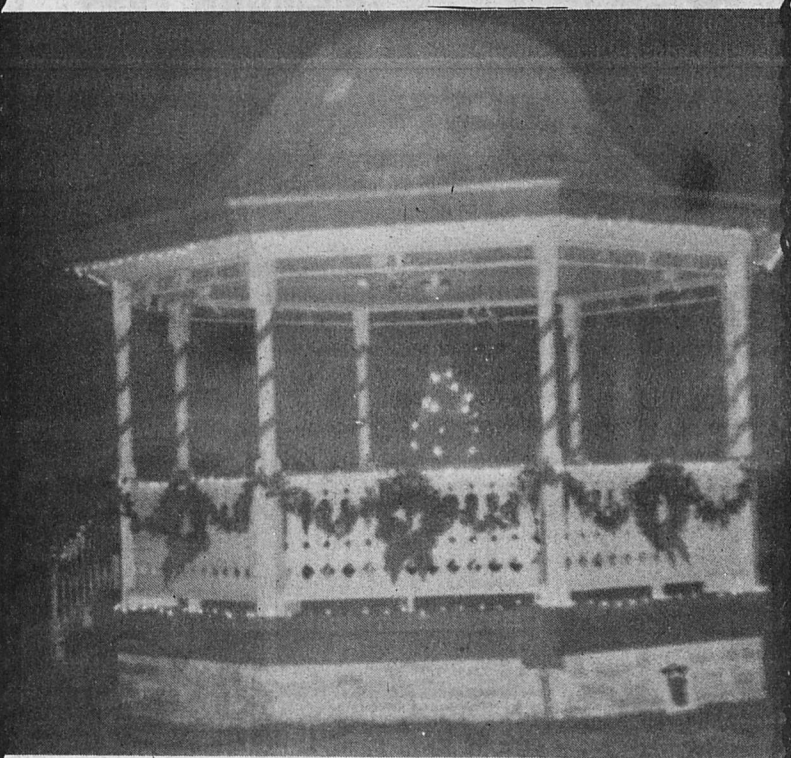
## "The Spirit Of Christmas"



Kinney County Court House



Brackettville City Hall



Band Stand at Fort Clark Springs

October 9 - Columbus Day; November 23 & 24 - Thanksgiving; December 25 - Christmas Day; January 1, 1995 - New Years.

The council entered into an hour plus executive session with City Attorney Pat Dodson, Engineer Roy Rosin, and Jim Warren regarding a billing statement for archeological services performed by Mr. Warren.

Back in open session at 7:31, Jerry Horn presented the 1993-94 annual audit report which he termed extremely favorable. He pointed out increases in revenue while holding expenses steady, a pattern which followed last year's procedures. He also stated that the books were in excellent condition which expedited his audit process. The audit report was formally accepted.

Matt Sandoval reported that the city had responded to 78 calls ranging from animal control to gas/water turn-ons and turn-offs to

cleaning vacant lots to pavement repair to brush removal.

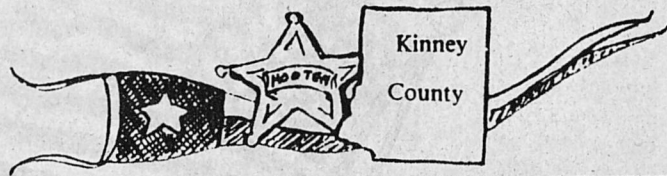
City manager David Luna commented on plans for the City-sponsored First Annual Christmas Community Gathering scheduled for 6 - 8 p.m., Sunday, December 18, and the positive response from the community to it; December 21 the FHA grant for water enhancement is scheduled for presentation; and on January 18, he along with Mayor Berlanga and others will meet in Austin with FHA and Texas Historical Commission in connection with the proposed waste water facility.

The council, as a unit, complimented Mr. Luna for his service, his management skills, the "Christmas Wonderland" created at City Hall, and the city's financial status. He, in turn, gave credit to the staff, and to the Council for their support, understanding, and leadership.



### Sheriff's Corner

By Sheriff Norman H. Hooten



The Allied Area Narcotics Task Force (AANTF) Control Board held a meeting on Monday, December 12th, to discuss and take action on several items of importance to the continued effective operation of the AANTF. Control Board members present were Frank Seib, RAC-DEA, Eagle Pass; Edwards County Sheriff Warren Guthrie; Dennis Schuman (representing Sheriff James Earl Bryce of Real County); and this writer as Chairman. Eagle Pass Police Chief Tony Casteneda was absent.

A new Deputy Commander of Field Operations, Mr. Larry Leon, of the Eagle Pass DEA, was officially appointed. Mr. Leon has been Acting Deputy Commander for the past month or so. His addition to the AANTF is welcomed as he brings with him a wealth of expertise and experience in narcotics law enforcement and investigation plus the added benefit of supervisory experience.

The Control Board also approved the appointment of former Del Rio police officer Dennis Weaver as a HIDTA investigator with the AANTF. Mr. Weaver is highly proficient in fingerprinting and on-site criminal investigation skills that will strongly enhance the efforts of the AANTF in narcotics enforcement and investigation.

Another personnel item on the agenda was the unanimous approval of the Control Board for the appointment of current Field Operations Commander Bill McDonald to carry on as AANTF Field Commander after his retirement from the DEA on December 31, 1994. Mr. McDonald is retiring after 31 years service with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA).

He has done, and is doing, an outstanding job as AANTF Field Commander and we are pleased that he has decided to stay on with the AANTF as Commander following his retirement from DEA.

The Control Board also approved and authorized Project Director Steve Woollen to proceed with the preparation of the AANTF Grant Application for FY '95-'96. Preliminary estimates indicate a request in the amount of \$415,762.00 will be made to the Criminal Justice Division of the Governor's Office (CJD) through the Texas Narcotics Control Program (TNCP). The budget for FY '95-'96 has not yet been totally and completely finalized but soon will be. The grant will allow the AANTF to continue the very important and highly effective mission of narcotics enforcement and investigation in our area which includes the counties of Edwards, Real, and Kinney, and the city of Eagle Pass.

AANTF Project Director Steve Woollen and the AANTF Control Board attended the regular meeting of the Kinney County Commissioners Court Monday morning where Mr. Woollen presented the quarterly report of 09-01-94. The report is as follows:

**DRUG SEIZURES**  
 Marijuana - 3,900 pounds, 13.5 ounces, street value \$6,241,350.00  
 Cocaine - 5.4 grams, street value \$540.00  
 Barbiturates - 87.5 dose units, street value \$437.50  
 Methamphetamines - 2.3 grams, street value \$230.00  
 Total Street Value \$6,242,557.50

**ASSET SEIZURES & FORFEITURES**  
 Vehicles - 15 valued at \$27,700.00  
 Currency - 4, Dollar Amount, \$7,868.00  
 Total \$35,568.00

**ARREST/CASE REPORT FELONY**  
 Marijuana - possession 35, sale 1, total arrest 36, total cases 22  
 Cocaine - possession 4, total arrest 4, total cases 4  
 Meth - possession 3, total arrest 3, total cases 2  
 Non Drug - possession 1, total arrest 1, total cases 1

**MISDEMEANOR**  
 Non Drug - total arrest 8, total cases 8  
 Drug - possession 39, sale 3, total arrest 42, total cases 37  
 Totals - possession 39, sale 3, arrest 50, total cases 45

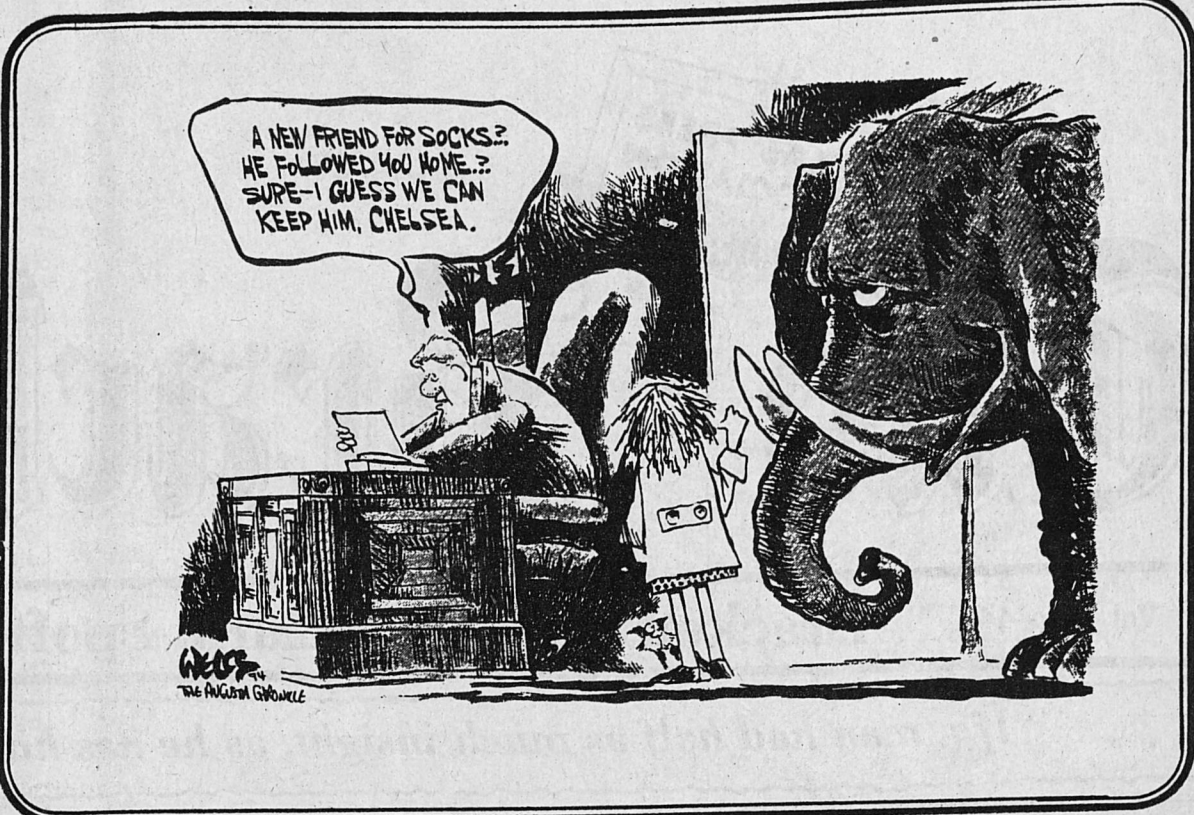
**GRAND TOTALS FELONY/MISDEMEANOR NON DRUG**  
 90 arrested for possession  
 1 arrested for sale  
 3 arrested for sale (Juveniles)  
 94 Total Arrest

74 Total Cases

**ASSIST INVESTIGATIONS**  
 The Allied Area Narcotics Drug Force assisted various outside agencies during the reporting period resulting in the following arrest and seizures.

Marijuana - pounds 150, grams .3, street value \$240,000.00  
 Cocaine - 52.8 grams, street value \$5,280.00  
 Barbiturates - 134 dose units, street value \$670.00  
 Total Street Value \$249,950.00  
 Total arrest 5 Felony and 6 Misdemeanor

Also discussed with the Commissioners Court was the fact that the City of Del Rio and Val Verde County have steadfastly refused to adhere to the mandates of the Criminal Justice Division of the Governor's Office and the Texas Narcotics Control Program to turn over to Kinney County in excess of \$62,000.00 in cash that was generated by the AANTF. As per a mandate handed down by the CJD and the TNCP to settle a dispute between the City of Del Rio, Val Verde County, and the AANTF as to how the assets should be divided following the "drop-out" from the program by the two Val Verde County entities. Both the City of Del Rio and Val Verde County attempted in every way possible to "shut-down" the operations of the AANTF in our area and officials from those entities put this writer under heavy fire in verbal comments and other ways due to my efforts to keep the drug task force alive. We have succeeded so far and will continue our efforts to maintain the efforts and operations of this very valuable and effective law enforcement tool in the on-going war on drugs. As you can see by the report contained in this column, the AANTF contributes greatly to the interdiction of illegal drugs either in our county on the street level or passing through our county on the way to other communities.



### Between Us

By Joe Townsend



If you missed the annual Christmas concert by The Voices of Fort Clark, you are the loser. Since the beginning of The Voices soon after the beginning of Fort Clark Springs, this group has been a fine part of

Fort Clark Springs.

Their participation in the Community Thanksgiving Service, and the Community Easter Sunrise Service make these services distinct.

Their annual Christmas and Spring concerts are always a delight to those who attend.

This is a group who love to sing. They work hard in practice.

This Christmas concert was the best ever. More men have joined the group lending a better balance of voices. The program showed a lot of initiative and good production. The audience was most respon-

sive giving testimony to the quality of the production.

The accompaniment by Cathie Conrey always bolsters the group. The leadership of Lynn McNew has molded the group into a fine musical cadre.

From the opening introduction through various combinations and musical renditions to the final

climax of Lee Herron's singing the most widely loved Christmas solo, "Oh Holy Night," it was a most enjoyable musical feast.

Thanks, Voices, you are great.

### THANK YOU

The family of Mr. Mario Munoz wishes to acknowledge the gifts of food and flowers and to thank everyone that attended his services.

Minerva Munoz and Family

### Big Mama Sez!



Words may show a man's wit, but actions his meaning.

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

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Sale Starts Thurs. Dec. 15  
 Sale Ends Sun. Dec. 18

Mens Wranglers, Blue Denim	\$19.49
Mens Wrangler Shirts	20% off Reg. Price
Ladies Skirts & Dresses	20% off
Silver Larks	20% off
Diamond J Roper Boots	\$24.99
Diamond J Cowboy Boots	\$34.99

Get your Wrangler Country Christmas Cassette with purchase of Wrangler Item. Just ask for it.

Ring In The New Year  
 With The  
 Brackettville Volunteer  
 Fire Department  
 Kinney County Civic Center  
 Saturday, December 31, 1994  
 9:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Music By **Borderline**

TICKETS  
 IN ADVANCE (FROM ANY FIREFIGHTER) \$8.00  
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Plan On Spending The Day  
 Dine at Cantina Visit Museums



Library Notes



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

We had a very exciting week. Last Thursday, we held a Western Country Committee meeting in the Fritter Building. Attending were nineteen representatives from twelve different county libraries. All were very impressed with our beautiful library and the Fritter Building as well.

We also had a very special guest attend the meeting. She is also one of the founders of our first library...Miss Else Sauer...we are so fortunate to have such a wonderful lady in our community.

Our Phonics classes are going very well. We have four great ladies who volunteer their time each Thursday to work with the preschoolers and kindergarten. A big thank you to Molly Hunt, Anjanette Moore, Ellen Pastor, and Nadalee Allen.

We also want to give a big thank you to Sunshine Garden Center, the Episcopal Church, and Else Sauer for the beautiful poinsettias and to Ester Cruz for helping with the decorations.

No new books this week, but we have ordered some good ones.

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

Kinney County Library  
 Staff and Volunteers

Bridge Anyone?

By NORMA GOULD



The Fort Clark Springs Duplicate Bridge Club met Tuesday, December 6, with 7 1/2 tables playing the Mitchell Movement.

LaMont and Marie McCandless won first place in the N/S direction. Betty Inman and Ann Hibler took second place with Nita and Fred Clayton winning third.

Gertie and Arnie Trautwein won first place in the E/W direction. Helen Lynch and Flo Stafford won second. Dorothy Edwards and Ruth Wilks won third.

Around the Fort



Ladies Exercise

Activity Center. Monday, 10 a.m. Wednesday 9:30 a.m. Friday 10 a.m.

Ceramics & Crafts Hours

Monday, 1:00 - 10:00 p.m.; Tuesday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; Friday 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.; Saturday 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon.

The Living Christmas Tree

Sponsored by Amistad Christian Academy  
 December 22 & 23, 7:30 p.m.  
 Paul Poag Theatre, Del Rio

More than 90 people will unite to present "The Gift Of Christmas," Worshipping The Gift & The Giver.

Tickets are \$5.00 per person and are available at Amistad Christian Academy - 901 Amistad Blvd., As Always Simply Beautiful Florist - 510 Avenue F, and A Touch of Relief - 102 Center Dr., Ste. D. For information call 210/775-0870

Camel Caravan Spent Thanksgiving In The Alamogordo Area

Howdy Fowler and his family, mounted on camels, created a lot of interest when they spent a week in Kinney County during late September. They dubbed themselves "Beale Expedition II" and followed closely the route of the first Beale Expedition from Indianola, Texas, to California, in 1857. Their message then, as now, was to youth...avoid gangs and the things that lead to involvement in gangs and the violence resulting from gangs. The journey is dedicated to the memory of a Tucumcari youth, "Peanuts" Lewis, who was attached by a gang February 1 and died soon afterwards as a result of the attack.

Thanksgiving week found them in the Alamogordo, New Mexico, area near their home; however, the trip is not complete.

Howdy, Yahooskin, and Toby, will continue on to Fort Trejon, California, and expect to arrive there in January.

Fowler, an ordained, non-denominational minister, directs much of his message to parents. He tells them to stop relying on the government and schools to raise their children. He tells parents they need to reclaim their full rights and use them and get their kids off the streets.

The camels were chosen for transportation simply to attract attention so people would stop and talk (and listen) to them.

After a couple of days at Fort Clark and four days at Alamo Village, Kinney County bid the Fowlers farewell like they were a part of the "county family," and their progress remains highly interesting.

Holiday Safety

A Message From The Middle Rio Grande Development Council

As your run errands, buy gifts, and play host to friends and family this holiday season, put safety at the top of your list. Paramedic Ready Teddy, Texas Department of Health's EMS mascot, says: "Making safety a priority will set a good example, especially for younger family members. Make your holiday season a safe and happy one by putting on your safety thinking cap."

Paramedic Ready Teddy's Tips For The Safest Holiday Season:

- \*If you give a bicycle or tricycle, make sure the new owner gets a good-fitting, high quality helmet.
- \*With in line skates or skateboards, give a helmet, and knee and elbow pads.
- \*Regardless of the length of the journey, always buckle up and make sure kids buckle up. Since 84% of crashes happen within 25 miles of a victim's home, even a short trip can end in tragedy. When used correctly, manual lap and shoulder belts reduce the risk of fatal or serious occupant injury by 40 to 55%.
- \*Air bags offer only supplemental crash protection in frontal crashes. If you have a side, rear, rollover, or any other kind of non-frontal crash, the air bag will not inflate. Always wear a lap/shoulder belt for the best crash protection.
- \*Post the poison center number, 800-POISON-1, in a prominent place along with other emergency numbers. Visiting family members should have child-resistant caps on medications and all medications should be locked away.
- \*Don't let friends or family drink and drive. Offer to drive them home, or keep phone numbers of taxi companies handy and call a cab. As a host, you may be held responsible for guests who leave a party and drive drunk, particularly if that guest causes injury while in the driver's seat.
- \*On long car trips, pull over often to change drivers or rest. When traveling, you may come across traffic patterns you aren't familiar with or changing weather conditions. It's important to stay alert.

Unsung Hero

by Joe Townsend



A young man became enamored with the Alamo and its filming. He came to Brackettville. After a short stint here he left.

He returned off and on through these years until a few years ago when he returned to be employed by Happy Shahan at Alamo Village.

He has come to be an integral part of Village life.

He is a most capable guide and informant to tour groups at the Village.

He is a scholar of Texas History. He has written the script for and directed a movie at the Village.

He has had parts in a number of movies made at the Village. These are only a part of his activities.

He is a warm-hearted, friendly individual. He is a highly principled and morally strong person.

No reasonable person who knows him would count him other than friend.

Surely Richard Curilla is an "Unsung Hero."

CARD OF THANKS

I would like to thank every one who prayed for me, sent cards, flowers, and visited me during my stay in the hospital.

/s/ Norma J. Conner

\*Any organization interested in having the Brackettville Volunteer Fire Department present a program may call 563-9965.

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MasterCuts

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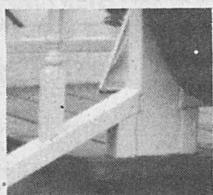
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Sun. 12 noon - 5 p.m.

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Community Calendar



- AA: Mondays, 8 pm, Slaton Hall, 109 W. James St.
- Al-Anon: CAN HELP. Call 563-9205 for time & location of meetings.
- Altar Society: 1st Monday, 5:30 pm, Parish Hall.
- BISD School Board: 2nd Monday, 6:30 pm, School Board Room.
- Beta Sigma Phi
- Phi J Beta Epsilon Omicron (Sept-May) 2nd & 4th Monday, 7 pm
- Preceptor Theta Sigma (Sept-May) 1st & 3rd Monday, 7 pm.
- Laureate Iota Epsilon (All year) 3rd Monday, 7 pm.
- Mountain Laurel Garden Club: 2nd Thursday, (Sept-May) 10 am
- Chamber of Commerce: 2nd Thursday, 7:30 pm, Cavalry Room.
- City Council, Brackettville: 1st Tuesday after 2nd Monday, 6 pm, City Hall.
- City Council, Spofford: 2nd Tuesday, 7 pm, Spofford City Hall.
- Commissioners Court: 2nd Monday, 9 am, Court House.
- Del Rio Christian Women's Club: 1st Wednesday, 12 Noon, San Felipe Country Club, Reservations required.
- FCS Pot Luck Supper: 3rd Wednesday, 6:30 pm, Service Club. Bring covered dish, plates and utensils.
- Duplicate Bridge: Tuesday, 7 pm, Shafter Hall.
- FCS Art Club: Work days Monday and Saturday 11 am, meeting 1st Monday, 1 pm, Art Studio.
- FCS Community Council: 2nd Saturday, 10 am, Shafter Hall.
- FCS Board of Directors: 3rd Saturday, 9 am, Board Room.
- FCS Historical Preservation Society: 4th Thursday, 7 pm, Court House.
- KC Kickers: 2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7:30 pm, Service Club.
- Knights of Columbus: 1st Sunday, 12 noon, Parish Hall.
- Lions Club: 1st & 3rd Thursday, 6:30 pm, Las Moras Restaurant.
- Masonic Lodge #444: 2nd Tuesday, 7 pm, Lodge Hall, Ann St.
- Order of Eastern Star #204: 1st & 3rd Tuesday, 7:30 pm, Masonic Hall, 407 Bedell St., Del Rio.
- Shriners: 4th Tuesday, 6:30 pm, Las Moras Restaurant.
- Rotary Club: Every Thursday, 12 noon, Las Moras Restaurant.
- Methodist Ladies Luncheon: 3rd Wednesday, noon, Slaton Hall. Please make reservations.
- Creative Writing Group: Fridays, 9:30 am, Golf Club Snack Bar.
- Fort Clark Gun Club, 3rd Wednesday, 7 p.m., Adult Center.

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**Golf News**

Mens League

Wednesday, December 7  
 Best Two Balls  
 1st, 139, Julian Garza, Joel Terrazas, Charlie Dillahunt, Phil Fordahl, Tom Sampson

2nd, 145, Roger Kurz, Choppy Ambler, James Stafford, Clem McKelvy

3rd, 150, Blake Hinton, Ruben Martinez, Ken Frost, Ernest Hall, Dwite Gilliland

Tuesday, December 13  
 Best 9 - 1/2 Handicap  
 1st, 29, Pat McKelvy  
 2nd, 31, Gwen Ladd  
 3rd & 4th, 32, Luella Gilliland, Edith Zipperer  
 5th, 32 1/2, Kelly Dennis  
 6th, 33, Leslie Houk

Garden Club

The Mountain Laurel Garden Club enjoyed a Christmas party at their regular monthly meeting in December.

A Christmas story was read, gifts were exchanged, and a merry time was had by all those attending.

Hostesses Dee Gaston, Jean Land, and Molly Schroeder provided beautiful Christmas decorations and a bountiful array of holiday sandwiches, cookies, punch, and coffee.

**Monthly Scramble**  
 Saturday, December 10

1st, 62, Lou Green, Bob Gaston, James Stafford, Ernie Hall

2nd, 64, Tom Beatty, Bill Mills, Luella Gilliland, Vern Ebert

3rd, 66, Ron Ring, Al Wilson, Vicki Nichols, Carl Green

**Ladies Golf**  
 (Continued next column)

Answers to Super Crossword

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43	R	E	N	E	W	I	S	O	M	O	R	S	O	I	G	E	S	E	S	E	S	E	S
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45	M	A	R	S	H	P	E	P	P	Y	A	G	E	L	T	G	A	R	E	S	E	S	E
46	A	L	A	M	B	E	O	E	A	L	M	A	L	M	A	R	I	A	N	E	S	E	S
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DESKTOP ITEMS



**Chronicles Of Fort Clark,  
Texas By Donald A. Swanson**  
(To run in installments)



**Charles "Lucky" Lindberg Visits Nueces Strip**

February 1924, Charles A. Lindbergh and Leon Klink left Brooks Field, San Antonio, in a J.N.4C, Canuck (Canadian Jenny) headed for California. When they flew to the West Nueces River and mistook it for the Rio Grande, they turned north. Expecting to navigate by the railroad to El Paso, they were surprised when the rails ended at Camp Wood. They knew they had made a serious error but the remaining fuel was insufficient to correct the mistake so they landed in a small sheep pasture near Barksdale. After obtaining some gas this pasture was too small for take-off with both pilots, so Lindbergh flew the Canuck out of the field while Klink caught a ride to Camp Wood. Lindbergh flew the plane over to Camp Wood and landed in town square. With the wind blowing from the right direction, and by taking off under two telephone lines and over one road, the square afforded a long enough runway, provided the wind was blowing from the proper direction. The next day conditions were ideal for the take-off but Klink wanted to go to a dance that evening in Camp Wood. The next day the wind was blowing in the wrong direction but if Lindbergh, solo, could fly the plane to a larger field six miles south of Camp Wood, they would have enough room to take-off with both pilots and full load of gasoline. So that was the course decided upon. This Camp Wood street was wide enough to take off from, provided Lindbergh could get a forty-four wing span between two telephone poles forty-six feet apart, then he would have brush through a few branches on each side of the street later on. The plane was pushed to the middle of the street and fifty feet

from the two telephone poles. Lindbergh attempted to take off but before passing between the poles there was a rough spot in the street. One of the wheels got in a rut and the pole was missed clearing the right wing tip by three inches. This caused the plane to swing around and the nose crashed through the wall of a hardware store, knocking pots, pans, and pitchforks all over the interior. The merchant and his son thought that an earth quake was in progress and they came running out into the street. He was highly pleased to find an airplane halfway into his place of business. He not only refused to accept anything for damages, but would not even accept help having the wall repaired. The merchant thought the advertising value of the accident was much more than the destruction. The greatest damage to the plane was a broken propeller, although from that time on it always carried left rudder to fly straight. Lindbergh and Klink wired for a new propeller and a can of dope from Houston and in a few days were hedgehopping the mountain tops in true Canuck fashion on their way west. March 15, 1924, "Lucky" Lindbergh flew back from Mason to San Antonio, Brooks Field, where he became a flying cadet. He graduated in March 1925 and was commissioned a second lieutenant in Air Service Reserve Corps. (In a picture taken about this same time, Lindbergh and an unidentified enlisted Crew Chief are shown at an unidentified field which possibly was Fort Clark. The plane is a DH4B, DeHaviland with a Liberty Engine, which was utilized at Kelly Field for advanced training.)

**Moncus' Musings**



MIKE MONCUS

Park Ranger, Interpreter  
Bastrop State Park

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**The Right Wind**

Where the land across the first inlet out from the old park headquarters points due north in the dark of early morning I heard waves breaking hard. The winds were up to around 30 m.p.h. I shivered pushing my way towards where I write. I liked how cold a 50 degree wind felt blowing 30 m.p.h. Almost like freezing. Fresh as a new rain. The breaking waves sounded like crates full of bottles dropping. The room was cold and at first my heater loudly protested and it wasn't till after the coffee's own particular song was finished did I come to the place where I could write. This time I had been focusing on at first feeling the way I felt when I first thought I was really going to go to work for the Parks & Wildlife Department. I was young and though I knew there was never going to be much money I was sure I was going to have a nice fun job. I remember the feeling and I wrote about the feeling but not about the cause of it. I used the feeling to get me through an article about remembering. One in which I really was writing to my boys but had only to do with something generic so that everyone would pick up the feeling I was trying to make them get instead of the feeling I was having. Writing for me about the water and wind and waves sounding like dropping bottles is therapeutic. I have to write because I can't figure any other way to make things I see feel to others how they make me feel. I also have to write because of how I feel and want others to feel what I feel when I see things. Those two reasons for writing may sound similar but to me they're different. That the wind pushed the water and made the crashing waves is something like what and why there's articles from me to read but that land out there pointing always north across the lake doesn't always get such great waves and I can always change directions and try to find the right wind.

**Rambling Around  
Kinney County**

By THE K.C. RAMBLER



The first annual Community Christmas Get Together will be held Sunday, December 18, from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. at the City Hall grounds in Brackettville. There are many exciting plans underway - get a group of friends and come on down. Brackettville offers its citizens lots of activities and we should all support them. Who knows - you may even meet Santa Claus. Everyone come and have some fun. Speaking of citizens - I applaud folks here in town who are studying to become citizens of the USA and also the teachers of these folks. Have you seen the volume of questions for which they must have all the answers? I doubt that I could pass the test... Ann Legg will be displaying her collection of creches in her home at 418 E. El Paso Street from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, the 20th, and Wednesday, the 21st. This collection of Nativity scenes was shown at the Methodist Church at a Ladies Luncheon and was well received. There are examples from all around the world - the one from Hawaii is particularly interesting. Mary's halo is a blue sea shell, the baby has a crown of minutive shells, the star on the coconut manger is a tiny starfish. You will enjoy viewing this collection and observing the different interpretations by different countries. Have you toured Kinney County to see all the wonderful Christmas decorations that have been put up? Brackettville is sparkling, Fort Clark is sparkling, Spofford is sparkling. Each street light is adorned. The finished product is well worth all the effort expended. Do

take a ride all around the country. It's a sight to see. Another **must view** is the Living Nativity put on each year by Smiley. The visitors sing carols before entering to walk through the Nativity setting with each of the familiar cast portrayed by local folks. It is certainly worth a visit to get you into the true spirit of Christmas. This will be displayed on Sunday evening - the 18th of December. You can attend both the Community Unity Christmas at City Hall and Smiley's as well. The Thrift Shop will hold a half-price sale on Saturday, the 17th. Many, many very nice articles are on sale - vases, Christmas decorations, books, records, furniture, toys, jewelry, and on and on...the shop opens at 9:00 a.m. Before you head out of town to shop, try to find what you need right here in Kinney County. Try The Sutler's Store at Fort Clark. You will be delighted with the memorabilia. Opens Saturdays and Sundays from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Many Las Posadas will be held beginning this weekend, the 16th. Traditionally, nine families celebrate for nine nights re-enacting the trek of Mary and Joseph searching for a place to stay. The ninth night is at the "creche" in front of the church. Each house invites the wanderers in for a bite to eat. On the ninth night the ceremony is complete when Mary and Joseph find the manger to stay in while the Christ Child is born. Many churches have this ritual.

ENJOY THE FESTIVITIES!

**Beta Sigma Learns  
About Change**

The Beta Epsilon Omicron chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met Monday, November 28, 1994, at Pat Callnan's home. Flo Stafford started the meeting with the opening ritual and roll call. Committees made reports and Evelyn Whitely gave the treasurer's report. Betty Mathison, Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, reported a successful bake sale. Helen Lynch reported sending cards to members and friends who were ill. Betty Miller gave an interesting program about change. This was very fitting for Winter Texans change locations twice a year. Military wives also have learned to make changes; teachers change classes that they teach; children are born; grandchildren come; retirement is another pleasant change; death brings difficult changes. If we are successful in meeting change, we have an advantage for we all have to meet change. We, as sisters in Beta Sigma Phi, are fortunate in that we never have to make changes alone. Members who attended were Francine Collins, Hazel Ivey, Ruby Cheaney, Dorothy Frank, Pat Callnan, Betty Mathison, Barbara Miller, Evelyn Whitely, Pam Melancon, Flo Stafford, Opal Groce, Lynn McNew, Helen Lynch, Helen Peck, Betty Gibbs, and Sue Sims.

**County Agent  
News**

by Alan L. McWilliams



**Have A Reason For Pruning**  
There is no need to chop away at woody ornamental unless they really need it. Some of the right reasons for pruning include removing dead or winter-killed growth or balancing the top with the root system when setting out new plants.

during the dormant season. Always use sharp tools for any pruning operation. For more information about pruning, contact the Kinney County Extension office.

**Winter Storage Tips For  
Lawnmowers**

For smoother operation next spring, here are a few tips to keep in mind during the off-season for your lawnmower. --Operate the engine until it runs out of fuel or drain the fuel tank and carburetor. Gasoline left in the tank or engine will evaporate and leave varnish and gum which may clog small carburetor openings and lines. This gum and varnish can also cause valves, rings, and pistons to stick. --Drain and replace crankcase oil while the engine is warm. Use fresh oil as recommended in the owner's manual. --Remove, clean, recap and replace the spark plug. --Clean the entire mower, including the engine cooling fins. --Clean the air cleaner or replace it if necessary. --Store the mower inside a building if possible. If it must be left outdoors, cover it with a waterproof fabric or plastic sheeting.

Exposing the structural form of plants such as crape myrtles can be done by removing overly dense growth or small, twiggy limbs that cross one another. Also remove diseased or insect-injured wood as well as storm or accident-damaged limbs. Shrubs can be rejuvenated by removing older branches at the base. Pruning also can help develop a desired shape or size as well as aid in producing better flowers and fruit. If possible, avoid severe pruning. It is better to prune lightly and more often to prevent sunscald to sensitive inner branches. Never leave stubs that invite insects and diseases to enter. Plants which bloom in early spring with the appearance of new leaves should be pruned after they flower. Those that bloom later in the spring or summer should be pruned

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**QUERECHO FLATS**  
By Curt Brummett

**More About Politics**

Well, since I announced my running for the presidential slot for the good old U.S. of A., I have learned a few things to be fact not just rumor. One of the things that I learned is the fact that facts can and will be changed by, not only your opponent, but by some of the trusted ones in your campaign headquarters. Example... When I was a kid in the fifth grade, along with Larry and Terry, we got into just a tad bit of trouble at the state fair. Little did I know that years later, when I would make plans of great political advance, this little situation of us trying to help out the needy, would come back to haunt me. I guess I'm more of a threat to the present administration than I realized. Because they have already started digging up the past and making it a part of the future. You see, at the state fair there were these nuns from the church of the perpetually needy. They were taking donations in order to get money for milk for the orphans. We thought that was a pretty good cause, simply because we were fixing to tell our folks to give 'em all of our milk instead of making the use of us that didn't want it in the first place drink it. We had been walking around the livestock barns making our professional judgments on all the show stock when we chanced to enter the dairy barn. Right there in front of us was the solution to all the milkless kids them nuns was trying to help out. Yep, the Association For The Betterment Of All Dairy Farmers was having a raffle. They were selling raffle tickets for a three year old Holstein milk cow. Proven productive milk producer. When you're in the fifth grade, you sometimes don't think about the problems that can be caused by a really good solution. Well, we figured that since they were going to give that goffy cow away we would just help 'em out. We located the nun's bus and then planned our surprise presentation of a life long milk machine. The fact that we was only in the fifth grade, didn't mean we were plumb stupid. We knew them dairy farmers wasn't gonna just rig the raffle so's them nuns got the cow. So we more or less just borrowed the cow. Hell, they was gonna give her away anyway. Have you got any idea how tough it is to get a three year old, really

big, cow into a 1956 retired bread truck converted to mini-bus? Did you know that when you get a three year old, really big cow stirred up mentally she gets what a lot of dairy farmers call loose? Did you know that it takes three kids, ten hours, four boxes of soap, six scrub brushes and about a zillion gallons of water to clean up a 1956 retired bread truck converted to a mini-bus. We was never sure just how they knew it was us that put that cow in the bus, but we knew for a fact that the nuns, the fair board members, and the dairy farmers were the ones that got up the petition to keep us from every being together again and never being allowed to come back to the state fair. I hadn't even thought about that little incident in over 30 years until I saw the headlines on the Logaville Daily Wipe. Seems like the Democrats and Vegetarians did a little research and come up with their own version of what was a charitable action. The head lines read: "X-CATTLE RUSTLER MAKES POLITICAL BID" Yep, I think me and old Arlo had 'em worried. **Chairmanship Goes To Zaffirini** Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock has announced that Senator Judith Zaffirini of Laredo will lead the Senate Health & Human Services Committee in the 74th Regular Legislative Session. "Senator Zaffirini has demonstrated in her years of service to Texas that she has the expertise and experience to be chair of this very important committee. I've put the most qualified people in positions where they can best serve the state of Texas. Clearly no one is better able to lead this committee than Senator Zaffirini," said Bullock. Bullock also appointed Zaffirini to serve as a member of two other committees: Education and Finance. Bullock said he was breaking his own tradition in announcing committee appointments before the session begins on January 10 but with the work load facing the Senate and wanting to hit the ground running, he announced appointments to all Senate committees and subcommittees. The Senate will be made up of 11 standing committees and two special committees.



# Tiger Turf



**Making A Difference**  
By TAYLOR STEPHENSON  
BISD Curriculum Director

## The Balance Sheet

You heard it right! The first semester ended today. Half the school year is over, and it's a time to take stock on our accomplishments. Let's look at the balance sheet. Here we go!

**1. Curriculum articulation.** We're doing better. There's more networking from one grade level to the next. We're trying harder to focus on what kids are supposed to learn. We've been fitting instructional materials to this grand design. The materials aren't running us. We're trying to test and to monitor progress for each child on the things that s/he is supposed to learn. Our Instructional Management System - Abacus - is running in four subject areas - math, science, language arts, and social studies. Teachers have been trained on Abacus. We will have alignment of curriculum training after the first of the year. It's been difficult, but it's a good system, and it's in place.

Will it make a difference? Yes, definitely. It's a system built to help teachers. Principals and teachers must use the system now that it is in place. We must improve our data bases to include additional information given by teachers. We're on our way. For Abacus and curriculum coordination, I give a high grade to BISD for making a difference.

**2. The ISL (Instructional Support Lab) at Jones Elementary School.** In this lab, special programs of migrant Chapter I, and special education combine efforts to deliver a support system for students. It's a way of learning more with the support of the ISL lab. It's not perfect, but it's far better than the system we had. Our teachers and aides have done a good job adjusting. We have much more to do. Judy Blankenship has coordinated the lab for BISD and has done this job well.

A good grade goes to implementation of the ISL at BISD.

**3. Improved School facilities.** Those who came to football games saw a new field house and public restrooms - a big improvement. We've redone gym floors and now have water, both hot and cold, in gym shower rooms. We have a nice concession stand in the gym. We have new roofs. We're still hammering and fixing, but on our way to a school system that has excellent facilities. High marks!

**4. BHS Alternative School.** A major improvement. About 12 students attend night school and earn credit toward graduation. Classes every night beginning at 4:00 p.m. Teachers and students are doing a good job. The alternative school is making a difference in kids' lives. Good going! A big improvement.

**5. Addition of an ESL teacher.** We added a teacher supported by an instructional aide to help kids. Studen-

ts must read, speak and understand English or all other goals of schools become impossible to achieve. High marks here!

### Problem Area & Goal Time For The Second Semester

**1. TAAS scores must go up.** Campus leaders (teachers and principals recently addressed this in a series of meetings). They have a good plan. Go get it done. TAAS is criterion referenced that measures what the kids know about the required curriculum. Our scores will go up. We're working hard on this one. How about the TAAS test scores on the retest? High marks especially in math at the high school. Good going. More to do. Focus, implement your plan and improve.

**2. Parent involvement must increase.** Parents must become partners with schools in the teaching of children. It's impossible to teach and to learn without reinforcement in the home. Schools have tried to offer parent training programs like Project Plus to help parents. We need to do more. We need to raise the literacy level of our adult population. Let's get it done - a good community project. We can do it.

**3. Getting Fort Clark & Brackettville adults involved as volunteers.** We must find a way to get the folks at Fort Clark and Brackettville to help us as volunteers at school. There are so many folks that could help us if we could just start talking to each other. I have a new volunteer helper named Carol Salladay. She helps with my office work three mornings a week. Carol knows how to do lots of things well. She makes my job easier. She is a shining example of what I'm talking about - putting her expertise to work to help Brackett children.

Maybe you could call the school and volunteer some help. We could use you.

**TIME TO STOP.** The balance sheet has lots of pluses, but we have some minuses. We must plan and implement together. Never mind whose idea it was. Just take the idea and make the school better for kids. Let's make this the best school system in the best community in Texas.

### A TIGER SALUTE TO

Band members who tried out for the 1995 ATSSB Region Band and made the band!

- Alfred Rodriguez, Freshman Bass Clarinet
- Valerie Jimenez, Junior Clarinet
- Brandy Meeks, Sophomore Flute

The band consists of students who attend school in A through AAA size schools. They will practice and perform in San Antonio on January 20-21. We're proud of you.

### Cubs Roll Past

#### Comstock

BH

Monday, December 12, the Cubs played the Junior High team from Comstock and rolled past them by a score of 53-27.

Matthew Smallwood had 12 points. The rest came from the rest of the team who did a great job of filling in.

"They're improving," were the simple words of Coach Dutch Wardlaw.

The Cubs are now 1-3 and their next game is January 12, 1995.

### Cubettes Fall To

#### Comstock

BH

Monday, December 12, the Cubettes played Comstock Junior High team and was outscored 17-33.

When Cubette Coach Tammy Coggins was asked who really did good, she simply replied, "When you lose, it's hard to say who did really well. We lost as a team. We didn't play up to our abilities."

## AROUND CAMPUS

By Student Reporters  
Brian Hooker and David Mann

### Tigerettes Embarrass Trojanettes At SWTJC

BH

Thursday, December 8, the Tigerettes played the Trojanettes in the first round of the Southwest Texas Junior College Tournament, Uvalde.

The Tigerettes were on fire...they couldn't miss! They lit up the scoreboard defeating Asherton 78-17.

High scorer for the Tigerettes was Jennifer Terrazas who scored 26 points. Also in double digits was Lolly Hernandez - 10 points. Amanda Meeks and Windy Goodloe each chipped in 8, Chica Garza, Denise Frerich and Courtney Harrison each contributed 6 points. Sandra Hernandez and Lindy LaMascas each scored 4 points.

This victory put the Tigerettes in the winner's bracket.

### Tigerettes Fall To Lady Rockcrushers

BH

After defeating the Asherton Trojanettes, the Tigerettes were scheduled against the Lady Rockcrushers.

The Tigerettes fell to the Lady Rockcrushers 33-50. The Lady Rockcrushers played a good game with each player that entered the game scoring points. (They went on to win the lady's division of the SWTJC Tournament.)

In that game, the Tigerettes only had three scorers: Lolly Hernandez with 18; Amanda Meeks with 9; and Jennifer Terrazas with 6.

This loss put the Tigerettes in position to win Consolation for the second week in a row.

### Tigerettes Roll Past Lady Cowboys

BH

Saturday, December 10, the Tigerettes played the Lady Cowboys from D'Hanis for Consolation at the SWTJC Tournament.

The Lady Cowboys found out what the Tigerettes were about real fast. Eight of the ten players for the Tigerettes scored to lead the team to a 65-37 victory.

Leading Tigerette scorer was Lolly Hernandez with 22 points. Also in double digits were Amanda Meeks and Jennifer Terrazas with 19 points each.

Denise Frerich and Lindy LaMascas pitched in four each, Sandra Hernandez had 3 points, Windy Goodloe and Courtney Harrison each contributed 2 points.

### SWTJC Tourney Stats

Lolly Hernandez was named to the All-Tournament Team.

Nine of the ten Tigerettes scored in tournament play, total points scored 176.

Lolly Hernandez was credited with 50 points; Jennifer Terrazas earned 46; and Amanda Meeks raked up 31 points.

Also scoring in double digits were Windy Goodloe and Denise Frerich each with 10. Courtney Harrison garnered 8 points as did Lindy LaMascas. Sandra Hernandez had 7 points and Chica Garza had 6.

Coach Gregg Nowlin said, "We didn't play bad. We did a good job bouncing back after the tournament champs beat us."

### Tigers Romp Trojans SWTJC Tournament

BH

The Tigers opened their first round of play in the Southwest Texas Junior College Tournament, Uvalde, against the Asherton Trojans. The Tigers ate the Trojans with a final score of 48-17.

In that victory, the leading scorer was Tiger point guard Michael Padron who shot 16 points. Ruben Terrazas had 8 points, Ramon DeLeon had 7 points as did Wil Shahan.

Raymond Talamantez and Patrick Melancon each added 3 points. Kelly Henrich had 2 points and Carlos Martinez had 1 point.

This victory pointed the Tigers to the winner's bracket.

### Tigers Win A Close One Over Knippa

BH

Also on Thursday, December 8, the Tigers had a rematch with Knippa in the second round of the SWTJC Tournament.

Last time the two teams met was

November 29. In that outing the Rockcrushers defeated the Tigers 42-60. It was clearly a different story this time as the Tigers clinched a 49-46 victory. The Tigers played well holding the lead the whole game. They fought off a large fourth quarter comeback by the Rockcrushers and came out with a win to send them on toward the Tournament Championship for the second week in a row.

Leading scorer was Ramon DeLeon with 19 points. Michael Padron scored 11 points, Wil Shahan had 6 as did Ruben Terrazas.

Kirkland Hill had 3 points as Brian Hooker and Patrick Melancon each pitched in 2 points.

### Tigers Lose A Close One To Rocksprings

Saturday, December 10, the Tigers played for the Championship at the SWTJC tournament. Their opponent was one that they had beaten twice already this year.

The officiating did not in any way help the Tigers. Call me crazy but when your opponent shoots 42 free throws and you shoot 17 something is definitely wrong!

The Tigers came in second place for the second straight week. They missed on the Championship by three points, 43-46.

Michael Padron was the leading scorer with 11 points, Ruben Terrazas had 10 points. Ramon DeLeon had 9 points, Patrick Melancon had 6 points, Wil Shahan had 4 points, and Kelly Henrich added 3.

### Tiger Stats At SWTJC

"This was another good tournament for us. We are way ahead of where we were last year. We're molding and as a team, we're doing a great job." These were the words of Coach Gary Grubbs, the coach of a Championship destined team. The Tigers have brought home two second place trophies in as many weeks.

Michael Padron was named to the All-Tournament team.

Padron was also the leading Tiger scorer with 38 points. Ramon DeLeon was just behind him with 35 points. Ruben Terrazas had 24 points, Wil Shahan had 17, Patrick Melancon had 11 points, Kelly Henrich had 5 points.

Kirkland Hill and Raymond Talamantez each had 3 points, Brian Hooker had 2, and Carlos Martinez had 1 point.

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### JV Tigers Compete In Uvalde Tournament

Saturday, December 10, the Junior Varsity Tigers were scheduled to play in a freshman tournament in Uvalde. They found out when they showed up it was a JV tournament.

The Tigers, who have 10 players, were pitted against 4A and 5A teams who had 30 players.

When the Tigers got to the tournament they thought it had to be a joke...not only was it a JV tournament but they were playing at an elementary school where the scoreboard didn't even work.

"The kids played real well. They gutted it up and did the best they could," said Coach Dan Swaim.

The Tigers played one game and then were forced to play another game immediately following with only 20 minutes to rest.

After this pathetic treatment, Coach Swaim simply said, "We will not go back...ever!"

### If There Had Just Been 1 More Second!

Tuesday, December 13, the Tigers played a notch above...they played the 3-AAA Hondo Owls in Tiger Gym.

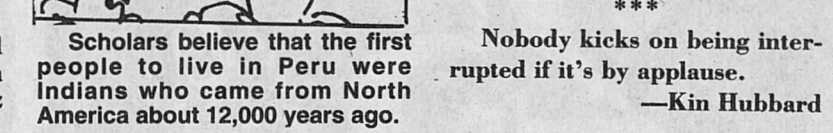
Since the referees failed to show up, the game was wiped off of the record and was played as a scrimmage.

The Tigers led most of the game but in the second half Hondo took over. In a feisty fourth quarter comeback by the Tigers, they brought the score to 61-61 with less than 10 seconds on the clock.

Owls ball, they bring it down the court, and shoot a prayer shot at the buzzer. He missed, everyone thought overtime when an Owl player grabbed the rebound and put it back up all in mid-air. His went in to end the game 63-61...Owls.

Wil Shahan racked up 16 points. Ramon DeLeon had 14 points. Ruben Terrazas had 11, Michael Padron had 8, Kelly Henrich had 7, and Patrick Melancon claimed 5 points.

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Nobody kicks on being interrupted if it's by applause.  
-Kin Hubbard



Scholars believe that the first people to live in Peru were Indians who came from North America about 12,000 years ago.

BRACKETT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT  
COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES  
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES AND SIMILAR TRUST FUNDS  
YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 1994

	Governmental Fund Types				98 August 31, 1994
	100-199 General Fund	200-499 Special Revenue Fund	500-599 Debt Service Fund	600-699 Capital Projects Fund	
REVENUES:					
Local, Intermediate, and Out-of-State	\$1,104,763	\$ 38,715	\$ 960	\$ 641	\$1,145,079
State Program Revenues	2,252,456	2,954			2,255,410
Federal Program Revenues	5,622	367,654			373,276
Total Revenues	\$3,362,841	\$ 409,323	\$ 960	\$ 641	\$3,773,765
EXPENDITURES:					
Instruction	\$1,668,874	\$ 196,826	\$	\$	\$1,865,700
Instructional Administration	41,104	9,671			50,775
Instructional Resources and Media Services	125,922	5,107			131,029
School Administration	140,556				140,556
Curriculum & Instruct. Staff Development	17,796	69			17,865
Guidance and Counseling Services	26,640	12,655			39,295
Health Services	8,590	1,870			10,460
Student Transportation	151,203				151,203
Co-curricular Activities	105,945				105,945
Food Services		163,514			163,514
General Administration	197,139				197,139
Debt Services			194,563		194,563
Plant Maintenance & Operations	264,702	22,605			287,307
Facilities Acquisition & Construction				449,680	449,680
Data Processing Services	44,069				44,069
Community Service	241				241
Total Expenditures	\$2,792,781	\$ 412,317	\$ 194,563	\$ 449,680	\$3,849,341
Excess (Deficiency) Revenues Over Expenditures	\$ 570,060	\$ (2,994)	\$ (193,603)	\$ (449,039)	\$ (75,576)
Other Resources	78,568		191,220	570,796	840,584
Other (Uses)	(806,114)				(806,114)
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Resources Over Expenditures & Other Uses	\$ (157,486)	\$ (2,994)	\$ (2,383)	\$ 121,757	\$ (41,106)
Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)	1,527,484	7,901	3,157	48,174	1,586,716
Increase (Decrease) in Fund Balance	61,864				61,864
Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)	\$1,431,862	\$ 4,907	\$ 774	\$ 169,931	\$1,607,474

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### Underhill Brought K.C. Veterans Kindling Just For The Asking

Red Underhill visited at Alamo Village last week and stopped by *The Brackett News* for an interview.

He's not a veteran and he's stricken with arthritis, but that doesn't stop Red, who has chopped over 2,500 boxes of kindling wood, or about 125,000 pounds, for this

nation's military veterans.

It seems the warm glow of a crackling fireplace is something Underhill thinks veterans, especially disabled veterans, deserve. "I've always thought that those of us who didn't serve should do something for those who did," Underwood said. "I have felt that as far back as I can

remember and I'm talking back, to World War II when I was a kid. If it wasn't for the veterans, we wouldn't have any freedom."

He splits pine into 14-inch-long, finger-thick, kindling wood, stacks it neatly in a box, spray paints the top of the box in patriotic red, white, and blue, and delivers the boxes to disabled veterans.

He does this free of charge and

has traveled from New Hampshire to Seattle, Washington, from his home in Jacksonville, Florida. He has delivered kindling to President Ronald Reagan, the widow of football coach Bear Bryant, and to former Alabama Governor George Wallace.

Underhill, 55, said he came up with the idea to cut kindling wood for disabled veterans after watching a poignant scene at a flea market in Warren County, Ohio, in August 1984. He was following a woman pushing a man in a wheelchair when they stopped at a man selling kindling wood. Underhill noticed a decal on the back of the man's wheelchair reading "disabled veteran." The veteran had one hand that was totally destroyed and he was lucky to eat with the other one...he had one leg missing. The couple discussed whether they could afford to buy a small bundle to start a fire, although it was only \$2 for a bundle. They decided to wait.

Underhill paid the wood man \$10 for five bundles and then caught up

with the couple, explaining that somebody else had bought it and paid him to catch up with them. "I had to lie to them," he said.

"I'll never forget the appreciation and the happiness in the woman's face and he tried to shake my hand with the hand he had left," Underhill said.

Recycling is another interest of Underhill's. He continuously roams Jacksonville parking lots looking for pans of discarded motor oil to carry to garages for proper disposal.

He has collected over 21,000 pounds of newspaper to give to an elementary school that makes money from recyclable paper. He plucks old car batteries from the side of the highway and takes them to a battery collection site.

He routinely stops at numerous discount auto parts stores and tire retailers, picks up barrels of metal and plastic scraps and hauls them to city drop-off stations.

He compiles mammoth stacks of cardboard and has salvaged 550 barrels of glass and plastic.

In 1991, through a series of special requests, he got members of a Jacksonville-based Navy squadron to write his name on two bombs before they were dropped on Iraq.

When preparing for his departure from Alamo Village, he left boxes of firewood kindling at the entrance gate. So long as the supply lasts, any veteran may pick some up free of charge.

### Community Christmas Project

Churches, civic organizations, and individuals are again joining together to provide for the needy in the county. Collection boxes have been placed in businesses around town as well as the library for the convenience of those who wish to contribute staple food items and gift items. Boxes will be assembled at the old Sunshine Grocery building and will be ready for distribution on December 20.

Those who are to receive the boxes will be notified by mail and will be asked to come to the central location to pick up the items.

Cash donations are needed and may be made directly to the Lions Club.

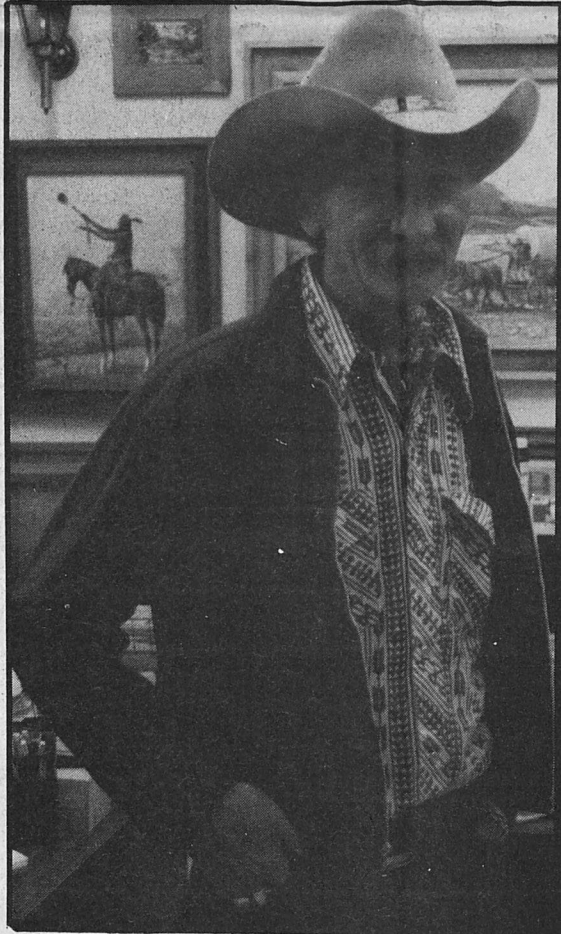
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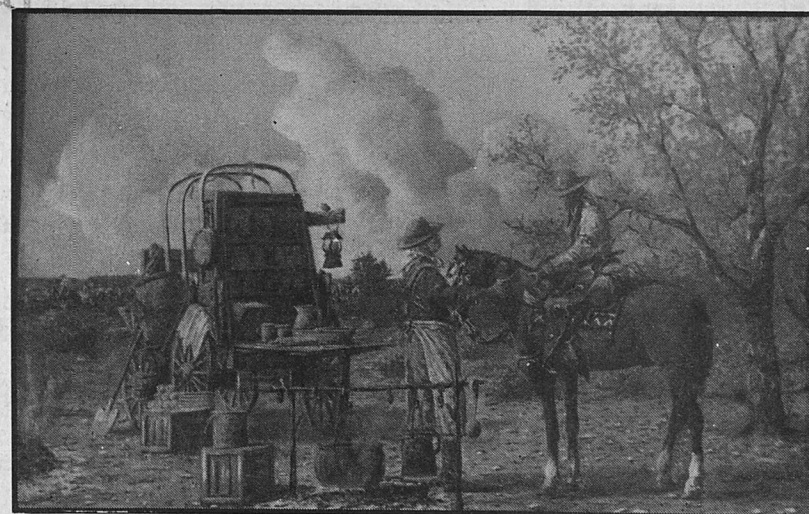
Born in Eagle Pass, Texas, Bud grew up on the ranches of Southwest Texas, and it is here he finds the scenic environment for his paintings...historical western subject matter painted into a setting as the terrain looks today.

A noteworthy resident of Brackettville since 1960, Bud's home is his studio, the kitchen table is his easel and his experiences are his inspiration.

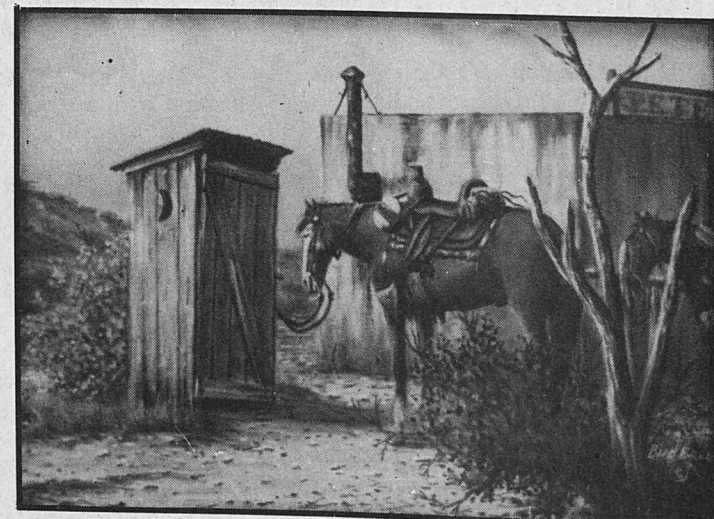
His wife, Nakai, a full blooded Cherokee, gives suggestions and help in his paintings of Indians down to the last feather.

Without the benefit of formal art training, Bud's livelihood depends entirely on his skillful handling of oil paints.

Paintings by Bud Breen can be found in collections from every setting of the compass, including such well-known collectors as Dean Martin, Roy Rogers, Joel McCrea, Jimmy Stewart, Tom T. Hall, Bobby Bare, Dolph Briscoe, and many others. Just about everybody with a love for the Old West is included among Bud's clientele.



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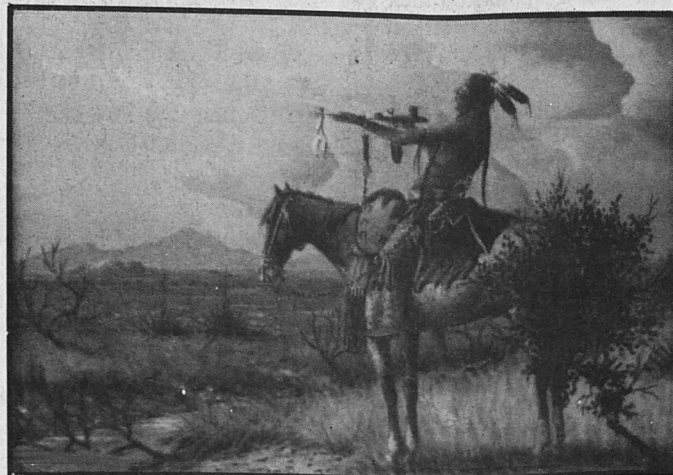
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**Natasha's Stars**

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) A person in business who plays on your sympathies may not be sincere. Otherwise, it's a time when you'll move closer to the realization of your goals. Undercurrents affect your relationships with those close to you this week.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) You'll be in an experimental mood when it comes to having fun this week. Travel or a visit to a recreational spot is likely to be on the spur of the moment. You may become a bit too involved in a friend's problems, and your own work may suffer.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) You'll make progress with do-it-yourself projects and domestic interests. In romance, be wary of those who are superficial. It's not a time to lend others money. This weekend is not a good time to combine business and pleasure.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) Things may not be as they appear to be in business this week. Take time to make decisions. Out-of-town guests or visitors who drop by unexpectedly may upset your domestic routine. You may experience strain with a relative.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) Though you'll make progress on the job this week, you may feel disappointed in a work colleague. Travel isn't especially favored, but financial prospects look good. Financial negotiations are hard to finalize.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) Though things will go very much your own way this week, you still need to exercise care where romance is concerned. This week you have a tendency to be impressionable or gullible. Check with a partner on money matters.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) Catching up on rest and getting a few uncompleted tasks out of the way may be a priority. A family member may not be telling you the full story. Some gentle probing on your part reveals the truth.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) Information you receive about a job concern may be misleading. However, it's a great week for getting together with friends. Singles meet with an intriguing romantic opportunity. Try not to lose your temper.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) You may have a big heart, but be skeptical if a sob story you hear ends up with a request for a loan. Career developments will be to your liking. Visit with friends over the weekend.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) Those who can get away will find this a lovely time for travel.

You may be inspired by a class or seminar. A family member may require extra consideration. Perfect ideas before presenting them to others.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) You may receive a confidential and useful financial tip this week. Business matters should proceed smoothly. Discount uncharitable rumors you may hear about a less-than-popular co-worker.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Friends and money don't mix this week. Otherwise, it's a good time for social interests. Couples will find their bond of affection growing stronger. You have a tendency to be inconsistent in your decisions this week.

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**Happy Birthday**

- Dec. 15 Ethel J. Hawkins
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- Dec. 15 Rickie Espinosa
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- Dec. 20 Jean Faulkenberry
- Dec. 20 Julie Terrazas
- Dec. 20 Jean Hood
- Dec. 20 Darlene Shahan
- Dec. 20 Juan Reyes
- Dec. 21 Shelley McDaniel

And Many More!

**Puzzle Answers On Page 3**

**MagicMaze**  
**DESKTOP ITEMS**

L U R O L I E B Y V S S O N K  
 H E B Y W R M T R O L L J S G  
 E B Y W U R O P N I L K T I G  
 D B Z S E R U T C I P A X V R  
 S Q O M K I S N A G P E C A E  
 Y W U S Q S E M L L P N K L T  
 J H F E C P N R E L U R C A U  
 Y X V U D M O R N S Q C O P P  
 N M K J H A H F D T N A L P M  
 E C B Z Y T P X A V P U C A O  
 U T R Q P S O M R E T S A O C

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

- Calculator Computer Pad Plant
- Calendar Cup Pencils Ruler
- Clock Mail Phone Stamps
- Coaster Mouse Pictures

**Vision Teaser**



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Find at least six differences in details between panels.

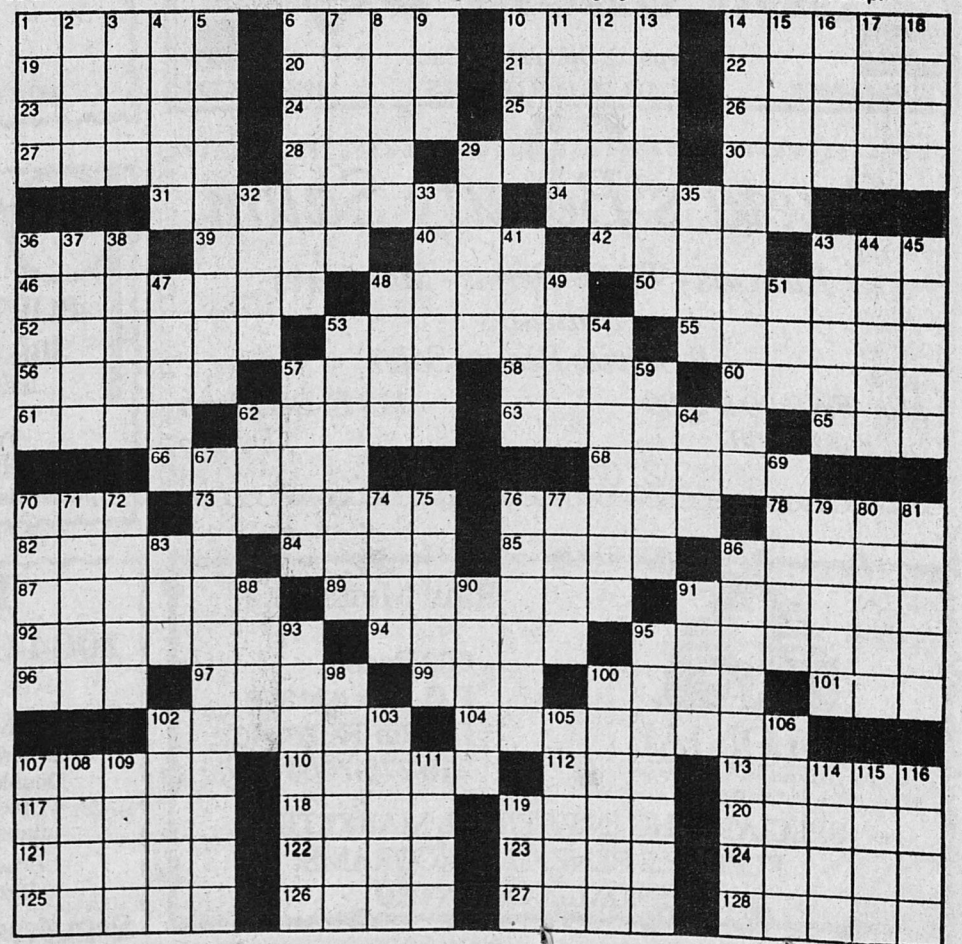


Differences: 1. House is wider. 2. Tree is missing. 3. Fieldstone is added. 4. Postcard is larger. 5. Cap is different. 6. Mailbox is smaller.

**Don't Be A Litter Bug**

**Super Crossword**

- ACROSS**
- 1 Sir, in India
- 6 Paragon of redness
- 10 Tiny particle
- 14 Exposes
- 19 Greek shopping center?
- 20 Singer Guthrie
- 21 - avis
- 22 Klotz
- 23 Biblical name
- 24 Color for a wolf or a whale
- 25 Jal -
- 26 Silly one
- 27 - evil
- 28 Earned the Blue Ribbon
- 29 As clear as
- 30 Wisen?
- 31 Furnished
- 34 Refuse bluntly
- 36 Turkish officer
- 39 Many are civil
- 40 Political org.
- 42 Box of bush starter
- 43 Sibling
- 46 Authenticate
- 48 A thick liqueur
- 50 Knight of the Round Table
- 52 Diesel or fire follower
- 53 Small suitcase
- 55 The same for all
- 56 Angered
- 57 Sand hill, in England
- 58 Gabor, et al.
- 60 Artificial waterway
- 61 Dutch South African
- 62 Wearied
- 63 Casual observation
- 65 Slight or sore starter
- 66 Belgian violinist
- 68 Have being
- 70 Cleo's executioner
- 73 Sharp mountain ridges
- 76 Wooden shoe
- 78 Horse or course starter
- 82 Gourd fruit
- 84 Central point
- 85 Isles off Ireland
- 86 Faux pas
- 87 Oscars, et al.
- 89 Lavae protector
- 91 Philippine seaport
- 92 Began again
- 94 They invaded Spain
- 95 Summaries
- 96 Singer
- 53 Small
- 97 Set of nested boxes
- 99 Wish undone
- 100 Platform in a synagogue
- 101 Opposite
- 102 Gas-pump number
- 104 One of an Ethiopic people
- 107 Bird sanctuary, often
- 110 Vigorous
- 112 Stone or iron
- 113 English composer
- 117 "...out like"
- 118 Oil-yielding tree
- 119 Soprano
- 120 Climbing vine
- 121 Yemen's capital
- 122 Completely engrossed
- 123 FBI agent
- 124 Sweater size
- 125 Employing meter or metry
- 127 Food cans, in London
- 128 Ancient chariot
- 1 Weakens gradually
- 2 U.S. author/critic
- 3 Golf course unit
- 4 Ireland
- 5 Blowhard
- 6 Moth larva
- 7 Baseball boo-boo
- 8 Oxlike antelope
- 9 Dog of a small breed
- 10 Bedouin
- 11 Former German colon
- 12 Papal vestments
- 13 Postal pouch
- 14 Magician's stock in trade?
- 15 Nazi Fuhrer
- 16 Cross
- 17 Gaelic tongue
- 18 Crystal gazer?
- 29 Stated further
- 32 Taxi charge
- 33 Merited
- 35 Rubber trees
- 36 Harsh in temper
- 37 Start for meter or metry
- 38 Special point of view
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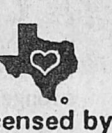
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**Second Quarter 1994 State Sales-Use Tax Analysis Report**

**DEFINITIONS**  
Reporting Outlets: The number of individual business locations with a sales and use tax permit who filed a return.  
Gross Sales: The total amount of all sales, leases, and rentals of tangible personal property and all labor and service charges made during the reporting period.  
Use Tax Purchases: The cost of all taxable items removed from inventory for personal or business use and all purchases on which no Texas sales tax was paid or use tax accrued.  
Taxable Sales: This number is not on the report, but an explanation is needed in order to understand amount subject to state sales and use tax. This is the total amount of sales, leases, and rentals of taxable personal property and taxable labor and service charges made during the reporting period.

Amount Subject to State Sales and Use Tax: The amount subject to the state sales and use tax. This amount is calculated by taking taxable sales and adding use tax purchases.  
NOTE: The numbers in this report do not provide information on either city, MTA/CTD, or county sales and use tax.

State Sales Tax Rate 6.25%  
Kinney County - All Industries

**Reporting Outlets**

1994 2nd quarter	52
1993 2nd quarter	50

**Gross Sales**

1994 2nd quarter	5,345,649
1993 2nd quarter	5,067,701

% Change 5.5  
**Use Tax Purchases**

1,602  
**Amount Subject To State Sales & Use Tax**

1,895,819  
**RETAIL TRADE DIVISION**

**Reporting Outlets**

1994 2nd quarter	30
1993 2nd quarter	29

**Gross Sales**

1994 2nd quarter	1,576,963
1993 2nd quarter	1,476,700

**Percent Change**  
6.8  
**Use Tax Purchases**

1,181  
**Amount Subject To State Sales & Use Tax**

**Monthly Sales Tax Rebate Report**

State Comptroller John Sharp has delivered payments of \$122.2 million to 931 cities and 111 counties. The payments are for taxes collected by monthly filers on October sales and reported to the Comptroller in November.

Brackettville's 1.000% rate generated \$3,437.24 for the city. This was an 20.88% increase over last year's \$2,843.45 for the same period. The YTD increase stands at 9.95% increase: \$52,332.32 compared to \$47,594.94.

Kinney County's rebate, at 9.500%, was \$1,900.83 compared to \$1,462.40, for an increase of 29.98%. Since the tax was not in effect all of 1993 comparison figures are invalid.

Kinney County Health Services received \$1,897.70 from a 0.500% rate compared to \$2,093.09, or down -9.33%.

**This Week In History**

**On December 16, 1773**, the Boston Tea Party took place during which colonists, upset by unfair taxation on tea, dressed as Indians and dumped an entire shipment of tea into the harbor ... **December 17, 1777**, France recognized the independence of the 13 American colonies from Great Britain ... **December 15, 1791**, the Bill of Rights went into effect ... **December 18, 1865**, the 13th Amendment, which abolished slavery, took effect ... **December 18, 1878**, the French steamer Byzantin sank after a collision in the Dardanelles, killing 210 people ... **December 17, 1903**, the first successful flight in a heavier-than-air, mechanically-propelled airplane, was made by Orville Wright near Kitty Hawk, N.C., in which he traveled 120 feet in 12 seconds; the fourth flight on that same day was made by Wilbur Wright, which encompassed 852 feet in 59 seconds ... **December 18, 1917**, Congress submitted the 18th Amendment (Prohibition) to the states for ratification ... **December 17-18, 1944**, three U.S. Third Fleet Destroyers sank during a typhoon in the Philippine Sea, causing 790 deaths ... **December 16, 1960**, a United DC-8 jet and a TWA Jet. collided over New York City, killing 134 people ... **December 18, 1964**, the U.S. offered to negotiate a new Panama Canal treaty ... **December 15, 1970**, a South Korean ferry sank in the Korea Strait, resulting in 308 deaths ... **December 18, 1972**, full-scale bombing of North Vietnam resumed after peace negotiations taking place in Paris reached an impasse ... **December 14, 1991**, the Salem Express, a ferry, rammed into a coral reef in Safaga, Egypt, claiming 462 lives ...

**Sports Quiz**  
by Larry Duncan

- Who is the only person to have won the Olympic decathlon twice?
- Who lost the first Super Bowl?
- Who was the winner of the "Fight of the Century" in 1971?
- If you hit a home run, how far must you run?
- What football coach's life story is depicted in the movie "Run to Daylight"?
- From what yard line do NFL teams kick off?
- What three elements make up baseball's Triple Crown?
- What country took home the gold for hockey in the 1960 Olympics?

1. Bob Mathias; 2. the Kansas City Chiefs; 3. Joe Frazier; 4. 360 feet; 5. Vince Lombardi; 6. 35-yard line; 7. batting average, home runs, runs batted in; 8. the U.S.  
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**Sports Quiz Answers**

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JTPA eligible individuals will qualify for paid tuition and other related training expenses. DUE TO A LENGTHY APPLICATION PROCESS, INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN THIS PROGRAM ARE ENCOURAGED TO IMMEDIATELY APPLY FOR THE PROGRAM. The JTPA offices will be closed from December 24 to January 1. The Middle Rio Grande Law Enforcement Academy will only accept 200 applications for the class.

Following is a timetable for the training program.

- \*\*Application due at SWTJC no later than 5:00 p.m., January 9, 1995
- TDCJ TESTING: January 24, 1995
- TDCJ INTERVIEWS: January 25-27, 1995
- TDCJ NOTIFICATION TO ELIGIBLES: February 6, 1995
- CLASSES BEGIN: February 15, 1995
- CLASSES END: March 10, 1995
- TOTAL INSTRUCTION HOURS: 149.5
- Classes are held 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

\*\*If you miss this application deadline, you may apply for the Spring training session. Applications for the Spring session will be accepted beginning March 1, 1995. The Spring application deadline is April 10, 1995.

**REQUIREMENTS**

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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.

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Saturday, December 17  
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An injustice to one is a menace to all. —Montesquieu

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Charming old building that has registered marker plus 4 commercial lots with main road frontage. Owner financing!

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Archeological Testing Brackettville/Fort Clark Wastewater Improvement Facilities

The City of Brackettville is requesting proposals for archeological testing. The property involved is all in the Fort Clark Springs Reservation.

The construction project consists of 40 acres of wastewater ponds, 3 lift stations, and 42,000 feet of sewer lines.

The purpose of the investigation will be as follows:

The project calls for formal testing on 11 archeological sites at Fort Clark/Brackettville. Testing is to determine the sites eligibility for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places and/or designation as State Archeological Landmarks. The sites (described in Warren and Uecker, 1994) to be tested include:  
41KY14 41KY26 41KY68  
41KY71 41KY73 41KY75  
41KY18 41KY67 41KY70  
41KY72 41KY74

Testing will involve mechanical excavation of trenches and manual excavation of controlled test units. The primary purpose of trenching is to provide subsurface views of the depositional environment for site burial in order to assess the integrity of subsurface cultural remains. The primary purpose of manual excavations is to determine the depths and contents of cultural materials in order to determine whether such materials can be used to address significant research issues.

Since this is a Federal and state project (falling under the jurisdiction of the National Historic Preservation Act and the Antiquities Code of Texas), the project Principal Investigator should meet the qualifications expressed in Archeology and Historic Preservation: Secretary of the Interior's Standards and Guidelines and Texas Antiquities Committee Rules of Practice and Procedure, Chapter 41. The project will require a Texas Antiquities Permit. Appropriate standards for documentation, reporting, and curation shall be followed. Proposals should include a short vita for key personnel.

Copies of the Warren and Uecker 1994 report and the Scope of Work may be obtained by contacting the City of Brackettville at the address shown below.

The proposal must be for a total price based upon units shown in the Scope of Work.

All proposals shall be submitted to David Luna, City Manager, City of Brackettville, 119 W. Spring St., Brackettville TX 78832, not later than 4:00 p.m. January 10, 1995. Any proposals received after that time and day may not be considered.

Top 10 Movies

1. Star Trek: Generations starring Patrick Stewart
2. Junior Arnold Schwarzenegger
3. Miracle on 34th Street Sir John Gielgud
4. Interview With The Vampire Tom Cruise
5. The Santa Clause Tim Allen
6. Stargate Kurt Russell
7. The War Kevin Costner
8. Mary Shelley's Frankenstein Robert De Niro
9. Pulp Fiction John Travolta
10. Forrest Gump Tom Hanks

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Middle Rio Grande Development Council is requesting proposals for ten (10) Personal Computers for use in operating GIS/MAPPING and related software. In addition, two laptops is also being requested. To receive a proposal packet with specifications, please contact Ramon Johnston, Deputy Director of Administration, at the MRGDC Central Office, 210/876-3533, Carrizo Springs, Texas 78834.

For inquiries into the specifications and other questions regarding the systems please contact Mr. M. Forrest Anderson, Director of 9-1-1 Planning Services in Uvalde, Texas, 210/278-2527. Request packet #12-12-94-045, 9-1-1 Computers.

The Deadline for Submission of the proposals is: 5:00 p.m. Central, at the Operations Office of the Middle Rio Grande Development Council, P.O. Box 1199 - 1904 N. First Street, Carrizo Springs TX 78834; Friday, December 30, 1994.

The Middle Rio Grande Development Council is an Equal Opportunity Employer and auxiliary aids and services may be made available upon request to individuals with disabilities. For more information, please contact our office through our Voice and TDD telephone: 210/876-3533.

The Middle Rio Grande Development Council reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals.

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Facts do not cease to exist because they are ignored.

—Aldous Huxley

Relatives and IQ

The more genes two people share, the more they tend to be alike in intelligence and behavior.

Relationship	Average difference in IQ scores
Identical twins	15%
Fraternal twins	40%
Brothers, sisters in same family	60%
Adopted children and their adoptive parents	80%

SOURCE: Robert Plomin, Center for Developmental and Health Genetics, Penn State, in Science Magazine

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Ideal winter home on Fort Clark. Marrimac Park Model travel trailer with custom built additions. Sunroom and extra large kitchen, bedroom and bath addition. Reduced to \$30,000.

27 Homeowners Will Get \$1,047 Cash Before The Christmas Season

Which is when we all need it the most

By KENNETH Sievers

For the first time in Brackettville, Mr. Dan Peterson has created a program that will allow 27 Homeowners to get \$1,047 cash right now before the Christmas Season. Plus, get a new heating and air conditioning system without taking a penny out of their pockets.

For homeowners that decide to pay cash, instead of financing, Dan will reduce their price by \$1,047.

Either way the homeowner can save \$1,047.

Just imagine, when Christmas is here many of these homeowners can

enjoy it like they never have before. That's because these homeowners will have \$1,047 cash to pay their Christmas bills.

Here Is Another Part Of This Concept That Impressed Me

The homeowners that are replacing an old system will get a guaranteed energy savings of 25% during the first year or Dan will pay them the difference. Plus, he will take care of any repairs on the new

system FREE for the next 5 years. And get this! Dan said "Many of our customers have found that the money they save on their energy and repair bills is more than their monthly payment."

My hat goes off to Dan for creating a remarkable program. Just look at everything the homeowner gets:

-A new system without taking one cent out of their pocket.

-\$1,047 cash at the time of year that they need it the most.

-\$1,047 discount if they decide to pay cash instead of finance.

-A system that could cut their energy and repair bills by more than their monthly payment.

The Only Way Homeowners Can Lose Is If Their Call Comes In Too Late

Because, according to Dan, once the 27 systems are sold this program will have to end.

Homeowners can request more information (or schedule a free survey) by calling Comfort Tech at 1-800-825-6694.

Here is my advice if you are interested in taking advantage of this opportunity...Do not delay calling.

My question when talking to Dan was...

Why Would He Make This Offer?

His answer made sense. He said "At this time of year I'm faced with a devastating problem and I know this can solve my problem. You see, during this Christmas season I already have two strikes against me:

1. The really cold weather hasn't hit us, so we don't get a lot of repair calls.

2. People have to spend so much for Christmas that they will do whatever they can to put off spending money on anything else.

Now I know many homeowners are faced with their own problems...They have all these things that they want to do this Christmas, but many of them don't know where all the money will come from. Well, this creative plan will take care of their problem and mine.

I believe that by giving homeowners this tremendous opportunity, these 26 systems will keep all of my employees busy until Christmas. I realize we don't have the profit in these jobs that we normally do, but it's worth it just to keep all our people working instead of having to send them home.

After discussing the advantage to the homeowners I believe Dan will wish he had enough employees to put in more than 27 systems, and I'm sure many homeowners will, too.

Here Is How The Homeowners Benefit

They can finance a new heating and air conditioning system without taking one cent out of their pocket. Then Dan will give them a check for \$1,047.

The advantage of a classical education is that it enables you to despise the wealth which it prevents you from achieving.

—Russell Green

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**First Baptist Church**  
Rev. Gil Ash, Pastor

"The Pastor's Pen"

Trend shows many believe the world will end." That was the headline of a Washington, Associated Press article in the San Antonio Express News December 11th paper. It went on to say that, according to a poll, "Nearly six in ten Americans believe the world will come to an end or be destroyed, and a third of those think it will happen within a few years or decades.

The survey had been conducted for U.S. News and World Report magazines. Those thoughts on the surface aren't very encouraging, especially at this season of the year. But a further look at the survey also revealed that 61% of the respondents believe that Jesus Christ will return and when he does He is coming to take those with Him to heaven who are expecting Him to return. The way that I see it, those findings are encouraging. If people are truly beginning to believe those things, there is hope for a change, a positive change.

For people to believe Jesus Christ is going to return, they must have a belief that He was once here and that the miraculous power of resurrection was in Him. That is about one-half of what is necessary to bring about a positive end result. The Bible says, "That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation" (Romans 10:9-10 KJV). The belief in the resurrection is there. All that is lacking is the confession. What do we confess?

...Our sinful condition and our need for forgiveness of that sin. That will bring about salvation, a salvation from a world that will be destroyed. Those that have experienced forgiveness of sin will be whisked away to heaven. That is encouraging. That is Good News!

If you want to know more about the Good News of Jesus Christ, we'll see you in church this Sunday. AMEN!

Sunday, December 18, the evening service at First Baptist Church will be dismissed and the congregation will join the Community gathering at City Hall.

**Hispanic Worship Services**

Each Friday Night At 6:00 P.M.  
**Spanish Service By Rev. Israel Rodriguez**  
First Baptist Church, Ann & Veltman Streets  
Everyone Welcome!

Sunday School and Worship  
Each Sunday beginning at 9:45 a.m.  
Fellowship Hall, First Baptist Church



**St. John's Baptist Church**

Rev. W. P. Adams, Sr., Pastor

Not because I desire a gift: but I desire fruit that may abound to your account...an odor of a sweet smell, a sacrifice, acceptable, well pleasing to God. Philippians 4:17-18

We, the people of St. John's Baptist Church, would like to give every person, church, organization, and business an opportunity to help us with a necessary building project.

We are by the grace of God and faith, converting the existing back room into restroom facilities (one for ladies and one for the gentlemen) and are adding an extra 22'x36' space for kitchen facilities, pastor's study, and seating area.

You may help with this project by agreeing with us in prayer and faith! Also, cash donations can be made to St. John's Baptist Church by calling the pastor, Rev. William P. Adams, at 210-563-9175 or Carl T. Walter at 210-563-9364.

Checks may be mailed to St. John's Baptist Church, Box 1647, Brackettville TX 78832.

It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing praises unto Thy name, O most high. Psalms 92:1

Praise the Lord!  
Services every night, 6:00 p.m., St. John's Baptist Church  
Praise God!

Sunday  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Worship Service  
6:00 p.m. Bible Study

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THE BRACKETT NEWS

**Church Directory**



**St. Andrews Episcopal Church:** Henderson & Fort, Sunday Church Service 10:30 a.m. Vicar: Rev. Bill Koons, 563-2071.  
**Frontier Baptist Church (A Southern Baptist Church):** Sunday Services 11:00 am, 6:00 pm, Joe Townsend, Pastor, 563-2158.  
**First Baptist Church (A Southern Baptist Church):** 307 N. Ann St., Sunday School 9:45 am, Sunday Worship 11:00 am and 7:00 pm, Wednesday Worship 7:00 pm, Gil Ash, Pastor, 563-2245.  
**Baptist Hispanic Mission,** 307 N. Ann Street, Friday, 6:00 pm, Rev. Israel Rodriguez, Pastor.  
**Church of Christ:** N. Ann St., Sunday School 9:30 am, Worship Service 10:30 am, Bible Study Sunday 6:30 pm, Wednesday 7:00 pm.  
**St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church:** Masses Monday and Friday 7:00 am, Wednesday and Saturday 6:30 pm, Sunday (Spanish) 8:00 am, Regular 10:30 am, Confession Wednesday and Saturday 6:00 pm, Religion Classes Wednesday 6:00 pm Sunday 9:00 am. Prayer Meeting (Spanish) Wednesday 7:00 pm, Dr. David G. Zumaya, Pastor.  
**First United Methodist Church:** "Celebrate and Witness" Fellowship 9:30 am, Church School Classes 9:45 am, Service of Worship 11:00 am, Choir Rehearsal Wednesday 5:00 pm, Gordon Miller, Pastor.  
**St. John's Baptist Church:** Crockett at Keene St., Sunday School 10:00 am, Worship 11:00 am, Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm, Worship Service Thursday 7:00 pm, William P. Adams, Sr., Pastor, 563-9175.  
**Lutheran Congregation:** 1st and 3rd Saturdays, 6 p.m., Shafter Hall, FCS, 563-2047.  
**Templo Elm Asambea de Dios:** North Street, Sunday 10:00 am and 6:00 pm, Wednesday and Friday, 7:00 pm, Rev. Abundio Mancha, Pastor, 563-9237.  
**Jerusalem Temple,** 514 East Louis St., Sunday School 10:00 a.m., Sunday Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.  
**Gateway Ministries (Non-Denominational)** 301 E. Spring St. (across from post office), Praise & Worship Fellowship Sunday 10:00 a.m. Bible Study Wednesday 6:30 p.m. Robert W. Corey, Pastor, Charolette Corey, Associate Pastor, 563-9331



**Frontier Baptist Church**  
Rev. Joe Townsend, Pastor

Christmas heralds the birth of Jesus Christ, Savior, Redeemer.

Seven hundred years before that blessed event in Bethlehem Isaiah the prophet said "Unto you a child is born."

Never was a birth like this. It had been foretold in essence from the Garden of Eden and in detail by the prophets. It was looked for by the saints, Elizabeth, Semion and Anna.

He was remarkably born in a stable, crowded out of the inn. His birth was announced by a chorus of angels.

The first message of His coming was carried by shepherds. His birth was marked by adoration of wise men. Most significant was His birth of a virgin.

Isaiah also said, "A Son is given." Never was there such a gift. He was the Son of God. He was sent forth from the Father. He came in the "fullness of time."

Roman materialism was at a peak. The value of human life was at its lowest point. Immorality, debauchery, homosexuality, sensual orgies were the hall mark of the time. Worship in the Temple had

become perfunctory.

The priesthood had become anarchy. God had been displaced. Into this spiritual devastation the Light of the World came. He came into humanity, God clothed in flesh.

He came as the gift of God to the world He had created. He came to bring the joys of Christmas. He came to give His life a ransom for the souls of all mankind who trust in Him.

The cross is the symbol of Christian faith but had there not been the Star welcoming His coming the cross would never have occurred.

Sunday will be celebration of Christmas at Frontier Baptist Church. Beautiful Christmas decorations and a beautifully decorated Christmas tree will greet the worshippers.

There will be a variety program of readings, both prose and poetry, special music and a Christmas message.

The service will be followed by the annual Christmas Dinner. Everyone is cordially invited to celebrate Christmas at Frontier Baptist Church. Come and see.

**Redeemer Lutheran Church  
Christmas Service**

Lutherans from Brackettville and Fort Clark held an organizational meeting on Saturday, December 3. Our Redeemer Lutheran Church was the name chosen by the congregation. Officers elected to serve a one-year term are Jerry O'Brien-president, and Ruth Spencer-secretary/treasurer. Installation of officers will be January 7, 1995.

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church holds services at Shafter Hall, Fort Clark, on the first and third Saturday of each month at 6:00 p.m. Visitors are warmly welcome to join the Lutheran gathering for all Synods.

Services are conducted by Rev. John Feierabend from Grace Lutheran Church in Del Rio.

A special Christmas Service with Holy Communion will be held Saturday, December 17, at 6:00 p.m. to celebrate the birth of the Savior. Fellowship will follow service with Christmas cookies and coffee served by Nancy and Jerry O'Brien.

The congregation is in need of a keyboard player to accompany hymns. Please call if interested.

**Brackettville Funeral Home**

(Formerly Humphreys)

114 North Street Brackettville  
210/563-9600

New Name - New Lower Prices

**Obituary**



**William Lee Stroman, Jr.**

William Lee Stroman, Jr., 70, passed away Monday, December 5, 1994, at a Pleasanton nursing home. Prayer service was conducted at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, December 7, at Howard-Williamson Funeral Home Chapel. Graveside services were held at 11:00 a.m. Thursday, December 8, at the Greenhill Cemetery.

He was a rancher, originally from Hebronville, and lived in Brackettville for 20 years. Seven years ago he retired and moved to Pleasanton.

He is survived by his wife - Antonia C. Stroman, Pleasanton; sons - Lee N. (Beverly) Stroman, Hondo, Robert (Barbara) Stroman, San Antonio, Dave (Cindy) Stroman, Lancaster, California; daughter - Connie (Bob) Jones, Fort Cobb, Oklahoma; step daughters - Becky (Jesse) Gil, Pleasanton, Rachel (Ray) Zulaica, Spring, Texas; eight grandchildren; eight step grandchildren; and seven step great grandchildren.

Also surviving are a brother-in-law, Barney Baldeschwiler of Hebronville, and a niece and great niece of Kingsville.

Pallbearers were Bryan Stroman, David Stroman, Jesse Gil, Michael Pacheco, David Gil, and James Gil.

**Carlotta Q. Wright**

Funeral services for Carlotta Q. Wright were held Tuesday afternoon, December 6, 1994, at Bethlehem Baptist Church, Big Lake, Texas. Pastor H.S. Smith officiated assisted by The Heroines of Jerico - #59.

Mrs. Wright was born September 16, 1920, to Mitchell and Ideliah Cervantes. She was married to Eugene Wright of Portland, Oregon. For many years she was a stalwart, faithful member of the Jerusalem Temple in Brackettville. She was also an active, certified missionary. When she became a resident of the Reagan County Care Center. She united with the Bethlehem Baptist Church under "Watch Care."

She went to be with her Savior Friday morning, December 2, 1994, in the Reagan County Memorial Hospital.

She is survived by one sister, Cresa W. Payne of Sweetwater, a young woman she chose to rear, Mary Nofi, of Brooklyn, New York; and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives and Christian friends.

Pall bearers were Willie Black, Lewis Colbert, Larry Freeman, Isaac Grinner, Sam Goodloe, Odel Perryman, William Grinner, with Ulysses Moton, Joseph Lucas, and Melvin Daniel serving as honorary pallbearers.

**NOEL**

**HOLIDAY GREETINGS**

*A New Tradition Is Born*

*First Annual Community Christmas Gathering*

**Spirit Of Christmas**

*Sunday, December 18, 1994, 6 - 8 p.m.*

**City Hall Grounds, Brackettville**

Caroling    Prayer    Christmas Story  
Refreshments    Fellowship  
Santa Claus

Churches, Civic Organizations, Individuals Are All  
Invited And Urged To Participate

Have a Merry Christmas

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of the SEASON

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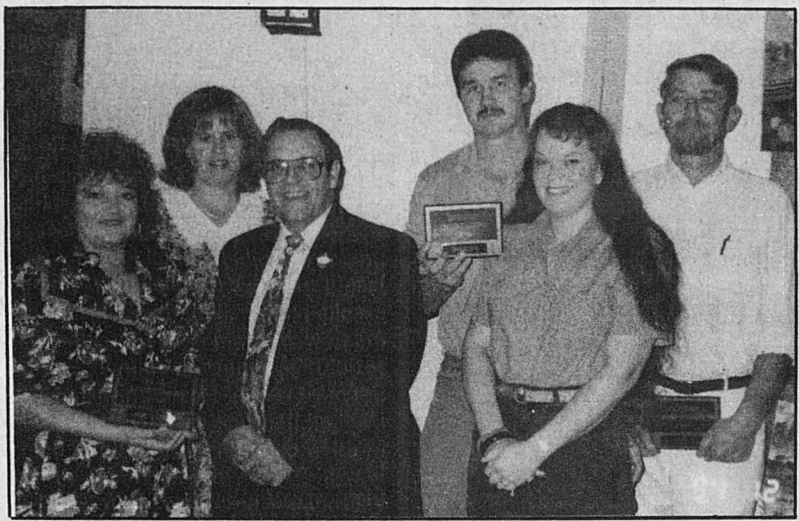
**Christmas Mixer**

At right, Allen Kreiger, Jr. of Kreiger Insurance Company, was host/sponsor for the Kinney County Chamber of Commerce's Christmas Mixer held at Las Moras Inn, Cavalry Room, Thursday, December 8, 1994.

Poinsettia door prizes were won by Gracie Escamilla and Frances Outlaw.

Warren Outlaw's name was drawn from "The Chamber Pot," and he received \$70.00 cash. Outlaw is the first winner since the incentive attendance program began with a \$10 pot.

Plaques were presented to new members by Chamber president Larry Sofaly, third from left in lower photo. Present to accept their plaques were Gracie Escamilla of "Gracie's," Jennifer Harris of "The Rose Petal," David Mann and Lanette Mann of "Spartan Gym," and Kenneth Hale, new owner of "Parts Plus."



**Gateway Ministries**

Mrs. Charolette Corey

Gateway Ministries, Inc. would like to thank Esther Roller for the donation of an artificial Christmas tree. All donations of Christmas decorations are greatly appreciated.

We will open for a special decorating party Sunday, 18th, at 5:00 p.m., for the purpose of decorating the building. Refreshments will be served. We especially invite children of all ages.

Our grateful thanks also goes to the Lions Club for the donation of a small Proctor Silex Coffee Maker. This will be used by small groups meeting at the building for activities.

We are still praying for the donation of a larger coffee maker also.

The ministry also needs to purchase a video player and color TV for showing the youth Christian oriented movies, music tapes, and teaching videos.

Our goals are to eventually own a much larger facility to be used for a youth center for children of all ages, and for teaching crafts, counseling families, and encouraging Godly relationships between the elderly and youth.

We love everyone and desire one day to have a large sanctuary to meet the needs of those who would like to come and worship with us in a non-denominational fashion. We especially welcome single parents, single people, children, the elderly, and those who do not feel comfortable in a traditionally organized church setting.

If you feel lonely, have a problem, or just would like to feel like a part of a larger extended family, please feel welcome to come and worship with us Sunday mornings at 10:00 at 301 E. Spring Street across from the post office. Our present building is a small white stucco house with a yellow painted porch.

Bible Study is offered Wednesday evenings at 6:30. Presently Pastor Bob Corey is leading a "Walk Through The Bible" course.

Robert and Charolette Corey, the pastors, have had four years of working at the Fort Clark Springs Youth Center and are in touch with the needs of young people.

They have both been previously married and understand the pain of rejection and loneliness.

They have had children of their own to raise and understand the difficulties of raising children both alone and with a new spouse. They are acquainted with the yours, mine, and ours problems unique to having children from more than one marriage.

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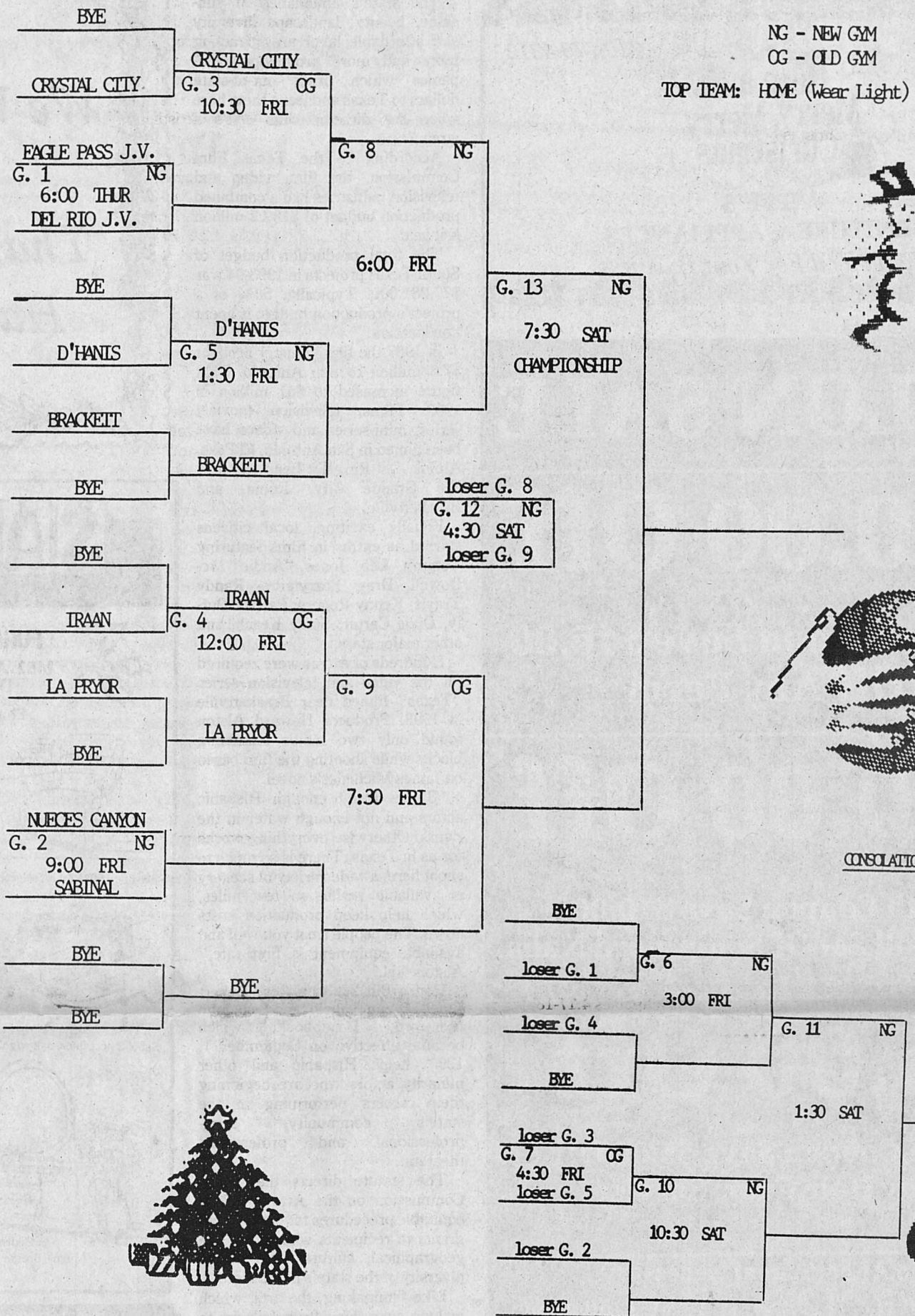


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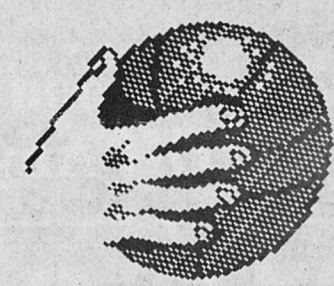
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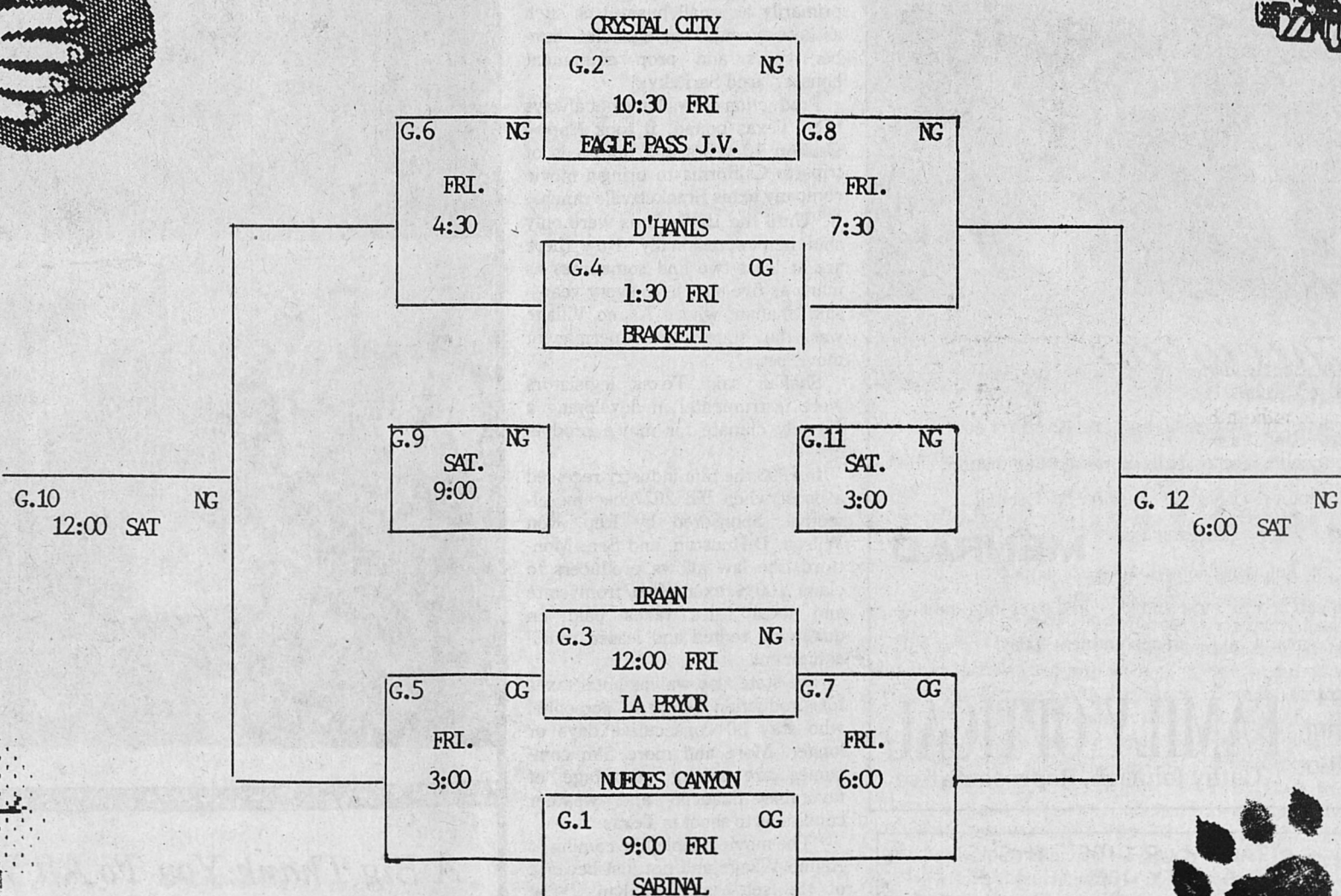
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**Film Industry Economic Boost For Texas**

By JUDITH ZAFFIRINI State Senator, Dist. 21

In "Power, Politics and People" C. Wright Mills wrote, "The mass production of distraction is now as much a part of the American way of life as the mass production of automobiles." Two of those mass-produced distractions, television and films, are having a positive effect on Texas' economy.

The state's abundance of sunshine, beauty, landscape diversity and affordable labor are attracting more and more production companies which bring out-of-state dollars to Texas and leave them here when the director calls, "It's a wrap."

According to the Texas Film Commission, the film, video and television industries had a combined production budget of \$189.2 million last year.

The total production budget of South Texas projects in 1993-94 was \$77,281,000. Typically, 50% of a project's production budget is spent "on location."

In 1987 the film industry brought \$7.8 million to San Antonio. That figure increased to \$51 million in 1993. Films, television movies, series, mini-series and videos have been filmed in San Antonio, El Paso, Alpine, Del Rio, Big Bend, Uvalde, Rio Grande City, Roma, and Brackettville.

Equally exciting, local citizens starred as extras in films featuring Tommy Lee Jones, Andie McDowell, Drew Barrymore, Randy Travis, Kenny Rogers, Patrick Duffy, Dixie Carter, Stacy Keach, and other major stars.

Hundreds of extras were required for the video and television series "Texas" filmed near Brackettville in 1993. Producer Howard Alston found only two major stumbling blocks while shooting the film based on James Michener's novel.

"There aren't enough Hispanic actors and not enough water in the rivers. Otherwise everything works for us in Texas. There is so much to shoot here, a wide variety of scenery is available within so few miles, which help keep production costs down. The people treat you well and available equipment is first rate," Alston said.

House Bill 2223 by Rep. Robert Junell, D-San Angelo, and Sen. John Montford, D-Lubbock, which became effective on September 1, 1993, helps Hispanic and other minority actors who are beginning their careers performing in the state's community, semi-professional and professional theaters.

The statute directs the Texas Commission on the Arts to adopt equitable procedures for distributing grants to recipients who reflect the geographical, cultural, and ethnic diversity of the state's population.

Like filmmaking, the arts, which include everything from folk art to grand opera, are an economic bonanza for Texas. They generate more than \$1 billion per year for the state's coffers.

Revenues of cities and small towns increase when movie crews come to town, according to Marlene Saritzky of the TFC.

"In addition to hiring Texas labor, film and television companies spend their production dollars primarily at small businesses such as hotels, rental car agencies, lumber yards and prop equipment houses," said Saritzky.

Production crews have not always been Texas bound. It took **Happy Shahan** 10 years and hundreds of trips to California to bring a movie company to his Brackettville ranch.

"Until the 1990s films were only shot here occasionally. Now there are at least two and sometimes as many as five shot here every year," said Shahan, whose Alamo Village was the state's first permanent movie set.

Shahan said Texas legislators were instrumental in developing a friendly climate for movie producers.

In 1993 the film industry received a boost when HB 2637 became effective. Sponsored by Rep. Ron Wilson, D-Houston, and Sen. Montford, the law allows producers to claim 100% exemption from state and local sales taxes paid on qualifying rented and leased rental equipment.

The state also waives hotel taxes for production company personnel who stay 30 consecutive days or longer. More and more film companies are taking advantage of favorable financial and weather conditions to shoot in Texas.

"The movie people like coming to Alamo Village and not just because of the set," said Shahan. "The people of Brackettville, Del Rio, and Uvalde should receive a lot of credit. They have welcomed the stars and the crews and as long as they feel welcome, they will keep coming back to Texas."

As Aeschylus said, "What is there more kindly than the feeling between host and guest?"

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Pictured in top photo, from left, are Auxiliary trustee Margaret Parry, Auxiliary president Jonnie Salmon, post members Darwin Plummer, George Lopez, Joe Sandoval, R.H. Salmon, Post Commander Tom Faulkenberry, Tino Cervantes, 99-year old World War I veteran Farrest Parry, Howard Wakefield and Agapito Saenz.

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Lower photo, standing from left, are R.H. Salmon, Phil Ricky, Bill Adams, Tino Cervantes, Farrest Parry, Scott Keith, Agapito Saenz, Darwin Plummer, Warren Outlaw, George Lopez, and Darryl Earwood. Seated and displaying the flag and certificate are Howard Wakefield, Tom Faulkenberry, and Joe Sandoval.

Judge Tim Ward participated in the presentation ceremony but was called away before the pictures were taken.