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



Monday, April 3, 1995, Val Verde Insurance Agency officially became a part of the Brackettville business community as they were welcomed by Kinney County Chamber of Commerce president Larry Sofaly, right. Bill Mitchell, top left, is resident agent. Mike Williams, top right, and Louey Younts, lower left, both of Del Rio, own the firm.

## Val Verde Insurance Agency Opens Brackettville Office

Louey Younts and Mike Williams, owners of Val Verde Insurance Agency, Inc. were in Brackettville Monday, April 3, 1995, to officially open an office of their agency to service their many area clients.

Neither Mr. Younts nor Mr. Williams are strangers to Kinney County. In addition to servicing clients in the area, Mr. Williams has made informal visits to the community and Mr. Younts was owner/manager of a TV cable company prior to selling out to Falcon Cable.

Bill Mitchell is the resident agent and will be happy to help you with your needs for coverage through Aetna, Union Standard, Hartford, American States, General Accident, and other insurance companies.

Location of the new office is 208 Military Drive (Highway 90, in the Kinney County Land Office building, in front of the Fort Clark Springs gate.

Val Verde Insurance Agency, Inc. has been one of the leading insurance agencies in Del Rio for over 60 years. Owners Younts and Williams expect Brackettville will be an important part of the agency plan of offering quality companies for complete coverage of all insurance needs.

Bill Mitchell and his wife, Mary, have lived at Fort Clark Springs since 1989. He is well known from previous employment stints with Fort Clark security and the Fort Clark golf course. He holds a BBA degree, with a major in insurance, from North Texas State University. He has experience as a claims examiner, insurance adjuster, and in field production.

He also had his own independent adjusting service for 15 years.

He can be contacted by a visit to his office or by calling 210-563-3111. His home phone is 210-563-2904. He also has a FAX number 210-563-2429. He will welcome your visit or call.

## OB Services Return To LAFB Temporarily

LAUGHLIN AFB- Inpatient obstetrical services temporarily returned to the Laughlin AFB hospital April 4.

The resumption of OB services at the hospital is due to an evaluation period set by officials in Washington, D.C., to review the Laughlin/Val Verde Memorial Hospital joint venture.

Due to an acute shortage of assigned specialty nurses in the late fall of 1994, Laughlin's Hospital had to arrange a new method to deliver quality, accessible, and economical inpatient obstetrical services. An evaluation determined these three goals could be met through an affiliation or joint venture with VV-MH.

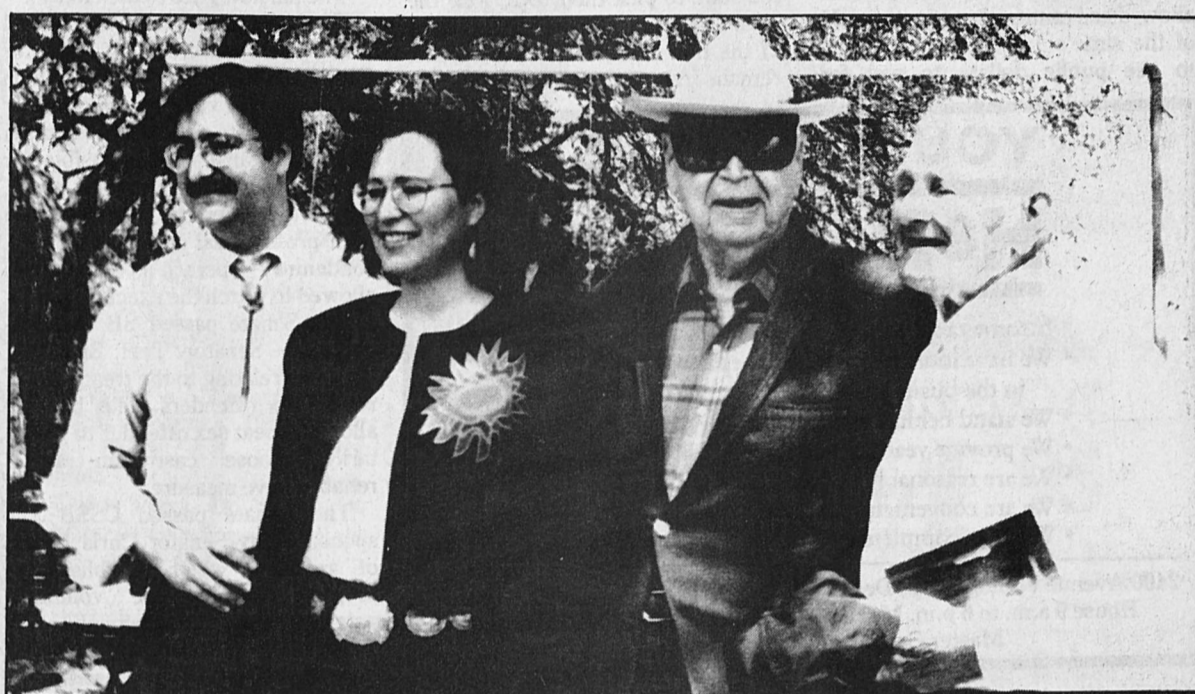
Under the proposed joint venture, Laughlin OB physicians will provide prenatal/outpatient services at the base hospital and perform deliveries at VVMH using their birthing facilities, newborn nursery and inpatient services.

In January, Laughlin's inpatient OB service was transferred to VV-MH; however, the use of a civilian partnership provider was arranged to perform deliveries while the Memorandum of Understanding that would allow Laughlin physicians to practice at VVMH was being written, coordinated and approved. The MOU, recently signed by VVMH, now requires lead agent and fiscal intermediary approval.

This interpretation requires Laughlin to temporarily resume inpatient OB services at the base hospital while the period ASD/HA requires to evaluate the joint venture proposal. According to hospital officials, this should take two to three months. Accordingly, OB inpatient services will resume at the base hospital with help from temporary duty manning assistance nurses provided by the Air Education and Training Command Surgeon's office.

Expectant mothers due within the next 90 days will be personally contacted by Laughlin hospital representatives and the new procedures explained.

For more information, call 210-298-6470.



From left, State Representative Pete P. Gallego, Maria Elena Gallego and Sterling Evans congratulate Spofford Mayor J.B. Herndon after he was named Kinney County's Outstanding Citizen, 1995, at the Kinney County Chamber of Commerce's annual meeting.

## Herndon Outstanding Citizen 1995

The Kinney County Chamber of Commerce held its annual meeting barbecue in Columbus Park, Brackettville, at noon, Saturday, April 1, 1995.

Rev. Gil Ash, pastor of First Baptist Church and chamber member, offered the invocation. Following a meal of brisket and all the trimmings, Chamber president Larry Sofaly gave a review of the year's activities. The Cavers Convention in June was a head liner.

Chamber treasurer Jean Faulkenberry introduced keynote speaker State Representative Pete P. Gallego with these remarks about him:

•born and reared in Alpine, Texas  
•serving a third term in the State House of Representatives, District 74, representing the counties of Brewster, Culberson, Hudspeth, Jeff Davis, Kinney, Maverick, Pecos, Presidio, Terrell, and Val Verde

•Recognitions received  
•Resolution of Appreciation from Texas Rehabilitation Commission  
•Honorable Mention on Texas Monthly's List of Ten Best Legislators

•Named Regional Statesman of the Year by Middle Rio Grande Development Council

•Awarded Star of Texas Public Service Award

•Winner of Advocate For Justice Award from Texas Crime Victims Groups

•As a member of the House Appropriations Committee he helped directed \$529,587 in grant funds to Kinney County

•Construct ground storage tank and renovate an elevated tank

•Replace water lines and provide chlorination system for Spofford

•Public library addition/paving

•Rehab and expand medical clinic

•Construct Senior Citizens Center

•Swimming Pool

•opposed to health/environment dangers throughout District 74

•currently serves

•Chairman of House General Investigating Committee - investigate conduct of public officials

•member of 9-person committee of Higher Education - oversight of colleges/universities, certain state agencies including Texas Higher Education Co-ordinating Board

•member Appropriations Committee - appropriates money from the state treasury, and proposes a house budget for House consideration.

Rep. Gallego held his audience's attention as he spoke in his trademark informal yet authoritative manner saying that party alignment was not, and would not, be an issue but getting the job done for the state of

Texas and District 74 was his priority.

He has retained his feeling for life in the rural area that makes up District 74 and truthfully projects his feelings of being a part of it. He made a point that he reads all his mail and telephone messages.

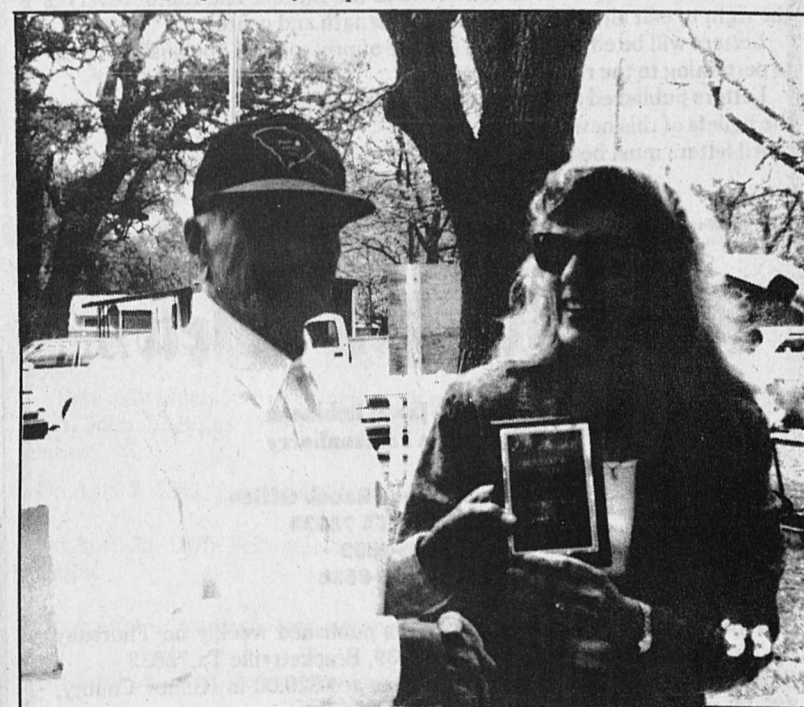
His advice, and challenge, was for Fort Clark, Brackettville, Spofford, and all of Kinney County to get together, decide what the community needs and wants, and work together to achieve it. He asserted that he would be there to assist. He advocated the "squeaky wheel gets the grease" approach, or "ask not, receive not."

He is acutely aware of the diversity of his district - the geography, the culture, the economics, and his feeling for the people is very deep.



Chamber executive secretary Kathryn Letsinger presented Gallego with a plaque of appreciation.

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From a field of eight nominees, former commissioner, former Brackett school board member, current mayor of Spofford, 83-year old J.B. Herndon was announced as the Outstanding Citizen 1995 and was presented a plaque by Letsinger.

You Are Cordially Invited To A  
**REPLACEMENT BLOOD DRIVE**  
For  
**CHARLES HADSELL**

Blood donations to help offset the cost of any blood Charles Hadsell may receive during the course of his treatment will be held.

April 14, 1995 (Good Friday)  
2:30 through 6:30 p.m.  
Rio Grande Electric Coop Lineman's Room

REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED



## Old Quarry Society Installs New Board

Monday evening, April 3, 1995, the Old Quarry Society met at the Palisado Building for a social hour and to install the 1995-96 Board of Directors.

Pictured above is the new board, from left, vice president Harrell Floyd, director Pat Melancon, treasurer Larry Sofaly, director Amie Skelton, president Lynn McNew, director Howard Skelton, secretary Lynda Conrey, and director Merry Beth Mills.

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UIL Results  
Next Week

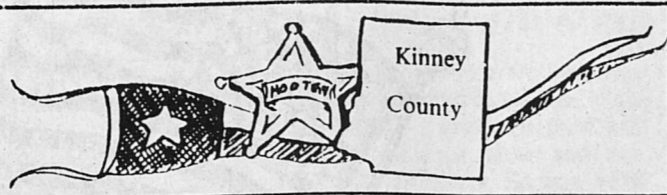
## National Telecommunications Week

April 9 - 15, 1995

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# Sheriff's Corner

By Sheriff Norman H. Hooten



Not Available This Week

## Texas Senate Action

Committee Substitute Bill (CSSB) 1, sponsored by Senator Bill Ratliff of Mt. Pleasant, the education reform act, with over 70 amendments was adopted by the Senate on final passage. The bill is the biggest rewrite of the education code since the 1940s and is over 1,000 pages in length. Some of the highlights of the bill include the reduction of the no-pass no-play provision from six weeks to three weeks for the first offense with the students being allowed to continue to practice, and approval of a pilot project that would allow disadvantaged students in 20 of the state's 1,058 school districts to use public dollars to pay for

tuition in private schools. The bill allows school districts to adopt a charter specifying whether it is a general-law, home-rule, or special purpose district. General-law district would follow all the provisions of the new education code; home-rule and special-purpose districts would have more flexibility to regulate their classes and be exempted from some state laws. Textbook selection was left to the State Board of Education, but local districts can obtain a waiver from the state to pick their own, with the local district paying for half the cost of the new books. Textbooks must remain free of racial slurs and fac-

tual errors. Also included in the legislation are provisions enabling teachers to remove disruptive students from class and prevent them from returning. These students would be placed in an alternative setting. Assault, substance abuse, selling drugs, or public lewdness would be reason for placement. Students would be expelled for crimes such as murder or sexual assault.

In addition, school district would get money to build classrooms. This part of the bill will cost 286 million dollars over the next two years and would allow school districts to use that money to finance two billion dollars in new construction debt and one billion dollars in existing debt.

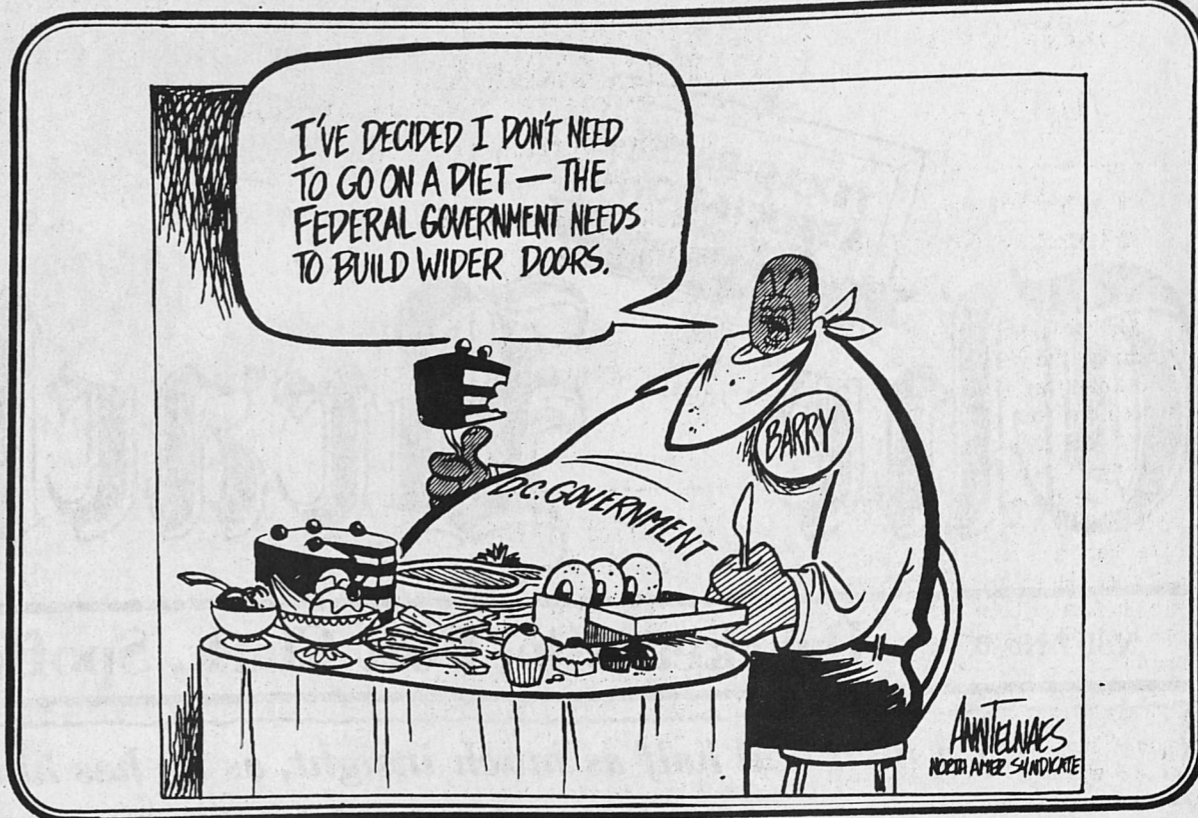
The bill now goes to the House. The Senate passed Senate Bill (SB) 38 sponsored by Senator Buster Brown of Lake Jackson which permits victims of a crime or their families to attend the execution of the capital felon responsible for committing the crime against them. Other than persons observing in their professional capacity, only the condemned person's family is allowed to watch the execution.

The Senate passed SB 40 sponsored by Senator Teel Bivins of Amarillo relating to the treatment of repeat sex offenders. This bill will allow a repeat sex offender to voluntarily choose castration as a rehabilitative measure.

The Senate passed CSSB 121 sponsored by Senator Chris Harris of Arlington which establishes a program to increase voluntary paternity acknowledgement at a hospital birth. Identifying biological fathers early will assist in establishing child support orders.

The Senate passed SB 540 sponsored by Senator Judith Zaffirini of Laredo which would require counties or municipalities to make reasonable efforts to accommodate the employment needs of pregnant employees.

Senator Jerry Patterson of Pasadena attempted to bring up for debate SB 473 which would repeal the motorcycle helmet law for riders over the age of 18. Without the votes for consideration, the bill will not be debated this session.



## Between Us

By Joe Townsend



So much to say and so little time and room to say it.

One of the greatest ideas developed in the school was the Dinner Theater. Those who attended were treated to a good dinner of roast beef and all the trimmings.

After the meal there was a sparkling play, "Louder, I Can't Hear You," was presented by an enthusiastic cast.

The cast included Charlie Hall, Brian Hooker, Katie Hall, Jared Shahan, Denice Frerich, and Pat Melancon. The cast gave every evidence of hard work and

dedication.

Their lines flowed freely and fluently. Their actions were well done and the total output was exceptional. Kudos to the entire cast.

As always those behind the scenes are an integral part of the total play. Sean Burks and Zoila

Herrera did an excellent job as the crew.

The play gave every evidence of good direction by Mrs. Merry Beth Mills.

All who missed "Louder, I Can't Hear You" lost an opportunity to witness a fine performance.

The Voices of Fort Clark gave a wonderful concert Sunday night. The Voices this year are the best ever.

They have some excellent male voices which give a good balance. Their choices of music was a most enjoyable array of memorable music from the past. They presented music that ranged from World War I

through choice musicals of the 40s and 50s.

The sad thing about modern music is that it often flames high but soon fades. The music of the days remembered lasts and lasts and lasts.

The presentation thrilled the audience. A solo presentation of "Old Man River" brought the audience to their feet with a prolonged ovation.

A closing medley from "Oklahoma" truly caught fire with the audience.

The area is certainly blessed to have such a talented and dedicated group.

The director, Mrs. McNew, has certainly developed a fine musical group. There is no better accompanist in the area than Cathie Conrey, who so unstinted gives her time, talent and energy.

This is certainly an outstanding part of our community.

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

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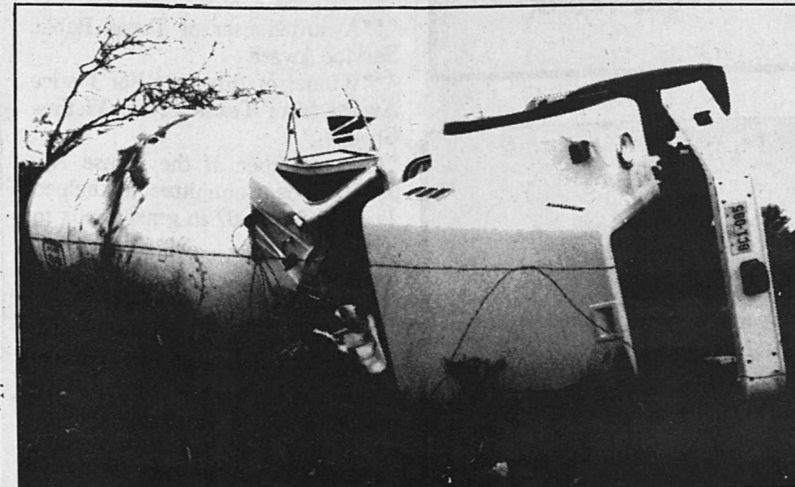
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## VFW Post #8360 Work Day At Cemetery

Members of Fort Clark Springs VFW Post #8360 reported for a workday at the Veterans Cemetery Wednesday, March 29, and finished up the work the city had been helping them with. Shown above are Felix Gonzales, Agapito Saenz, Tino Cervantes, Tom Faulkenberry, R.H. Salmon, and Howard Wakefield.



## Cement Truck Overturns

Few details are available concerning a cement truck overturn Wednesday, March 29, on FM 2804 about 3/4 miles north of Highway 90. Reportedly it was one of two trucks returning from the Zack Davis homesite after delivering cement. Miraculously the driver was able to walk away. The accident occurred at a location where at least two other accidents have happened in the past few years.

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## NOTICE OF MEETING

### COMMISSIONERS COURT OF KINNEY COUNTY

Notice is hereby given that a Regular Meeting of the above named Commissioners Court will be held on the 10th day of April, 1995, at 9:00 a.m. in the County Courthouse, Brackettville, Texas, at which time the following subjects will be discussed, to-wit:

- APPROVE/DISAPPROVE
1. 1 County Judge to call meeting to order and determine quorum
  1. 2 Commissioners Court Minutes of March 13, 20, 23, 29
  1. 3 Court to examine and approve all accounts, bills, and Department Records with comments
  1. 4 County Auditor/Treasurer monthly and quarterly Financial Reports
  1. 5 Consider Personnel Policy
  1. 6 Consider TDHC Contract
  1. 7 Consider QCCADA Letter of Agreement
  1. 8 Consider Resolution on term limits for County officials
  1. 9 Consider Mr. Rodriguez' request for water pipeline easement on County Road
  - 1.10 Little League's request for 6-8 tables and adequate chairs for Annual Bar-B-Q fund raiser
  - 1.11 Executive sessions personnel
  - 1.12 Budget Workshop
  - 1.13 Consider Status Report on County Government by Ernest Galindo, TAC

Commissioners Court of Kinney County, Texas  
/s/ Tommy Seargeant, County Judge

I, the undersigned, County Clerk, do hereby certify that the above Notice of Meeting of the above named Commissioners Court, is a true and correct copy of said Notice, and that I posted a true and correct copy of said Notice on the bulletin board at the Courthouse door of Kinney County, Texas at a place readily accessible to the general public at all times on the 5th day of April, 1995, and said Notice remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.

Dated this 5th day of April, 1995.

/s/ Dora Elia Sandoval, County Clerk  
Kinney County, Texas

## 1995 Texas Legislative Guide

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# Library Notes



By Sara Terrazas

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

In March we had 706 patrons use the library. We issued 17 new cards and 3 volunteers helped 58 hours. Children checked out 329 books. A total of 2,661 books, videos, and magazines circulated. We are pleased the public uses the library and especially the children.

We had a wonderful group of second graders visit the library last week as part of their field trip. We hope they all had a great time, we sure did.

Most of our Winter Texans have come by to say good-bye until next winter. They are wonderful people and we will miss them. We wish each one a safe trip back home, and we hope to see them again in the fall.

New books: *Angel of Death* by Jack Higgins, *The Glass Lake*, and *How To Write A Winning Resume*.

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

Kinney County Library  
 Staff and Volunteers

## Unsung Hero

by Joe Townsend



It's always great when young people return to their roots. We have a young man in the school system who grew up in these parts.

He is a part of a fine family and has an exceptional wife. He is well liked by his students and the athletes under his tutelage. He's a great asset to the school system and the community.

Surely Dutch Wardlaw is an "Unsung Hero."

## Bridge Anyone

By NORMA GOULD



A very special evening was enjoyed by nine tables at the Duplicate Bridge Club on Tuesday, March 28.

We celebrated the 50th anniversary of Nita and Fred Clayton and the 58th anniversary of Gertie and Arnie Trautwein.

Guests of the Claytons, Harvey Hicks and Don Heatherington from New Mexico, won first place in the N/S direction. Tina Bauguess and Rozetta Pingenot won second place with Betty Inman and Marie McCandless taking third place.

Helen Lynch and Flo Stafford won first in the E/W direction. A close second was won by Molly Schroeder and Carol Benfield with Arnie Trautwein and Jerry O'Brien only two points behind taking third place.

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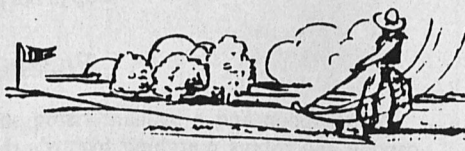
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One is never tired of painting, because you have to set down not what you know already, but what you have just discovered.  
 —William Hazlitt

# Around the Fort

## Golf News



### Ladies Spring Fling

Once again the annual FCS Ladies Spring Fling Invitational Golf Tournament, held March 28, was a success. Lady golfers from San Antonio, Bandera, Carrizo Springs, Devine, Crystal City, Pipe Creek, Utopia, Del Rio, Alpine, Marfa, and as far away as El Paso participated. The Social Hour on Monday evening was real popular. The food was outstanding and it was fun to see golfing friends that come back year after year.

The format was a four lady tournament. The pairing of the teams was very close as evidenced by the results.

1st place, 66, Lou Green, Norma Reivitt, Jean Miller, Mary Conley

2nd place, 67, (4 way tie) Jane Young, Willie Null, Ruth Spencer, Jane Robinson; Janice King, Kay Roberts, Jo Workman, Sue Kruse; Shirley Stephenson, Joann Freeman, Flo Stafford, Judy Taylor; Missy Byrd, Carol Benefield, Betty Inman, Christine Booth.

3rd place, 68, (2 way tie) Gwen Ladd, Helen Miller, Jerry Upton, Barbara Young; Maxine Lawson, Jane Cowart, Jeanine Donahoo, Betty Schlatterer.

Four teams tied at 69, three teams tied at 70, and one team came in at 71.

Prizes were awarded for Long Drive as follows: A - Joyce Galloway, B - Kelly Dennis, C - Joyce Williamson, D - Kay Bridges.

Closest to Pin:

A - Molly Stehle, B - Willie Null, C - JoAnn Mayberry, D - Mona Anderson.

A Taco Salad Bar, prepared by Jana Ring and her assistants, was complimented by desserts brought by Gene Graham, Kelly Dennis, Betty Mathison, Barbara Miller, and Elizabeth Dillahunt. Thanks to the outstanding work by Gaye Kurz every lady went home with a door prize.

The women on the committees and the men that volunteered their time to make this year's Spring Fling a success are to be commended.

A very special thank you to Lorraine Lundquist for her tireless work, to Ann Legg who donated golf balls to every player, Edie Sharp for a cash donation in memory of David Sharp and to the following for donations: FCS Mens Golf Association, First State Bank, Fort Clark Springs Association, Jug Store, Sunshine Nursery, Rose Petal, Giftbox, Jean's, Bill Bizzell, Harrell Floyd and the FCS Recreation, T-Shirts, Etc., Southwest Coors, Pepsi, Dr. pepper, 7-Up, Carson Distributing and to Ruth Spencer and her friends in Turquoise Valley, Arizona.

### THANK YOU

To friends in Brackettville and Fort Clark:

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/s/ Evelyn Whitely

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THE SOUNDS OF ANIMALS



### Special Appreciation

A special expression of appreciation goes to Allen McCord for the many, many things he did to make the recent Men's Invitational Golf Tournament go so smoothly.



### Arts & Crafts Show

An array of barn yard critters greeted visitors to the Second Annual Arts and Crafts Show hosted by the Fort Clark Arts Club. They included fowls with both paint and feathers, sheep with woolly coats, and pigs real enough to "hear grunting."

April 1 found lots of visitors to the Second Annual Arts and Crafts Show sponsored by Fort Clark Arts.

Everyone enjoyed beautiful ceramics, jewelry, and crafts done by Fort Clark Springs locals: Betty Bickle, Lois Endris, Norma McIntire, Ruth Pack, Juanita Robertson, and Betty Wright. There was hand-thrown pottery from Halamicek's Pile Pottery of Del Rio, stained glass by Edenborough of Fort Clark and San Antonio, woodcraft and stichery by the Clarence Goods; crewel by Evelyn Fiske; flower arrangements and jewelry by Sharon Hall, t-shirts and jewelry by Ruth King, crochet, crafts, and family trees by Linda Conrey and Pat Nelson, special fashions by Pat-

sy Holguin from Odessa, Indian crafts by Susan Denmark and homemade candy by Joan Lindley.

Eileen and Herb Voracek and Nicki Nichols served coffee, cake and pie provided by Good Government.

Marge Geeze won the cake baked by Elby Beard.

Fort Clark Arts showed and sold some of their oil, water colors, and scratch board art.

There were lots of satisfied customers and vendors. Fort Clark Arts welcomes visitors to the studio on Mondays and Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. and 3:00.

### Mountain Laurel Garden Club

The Mountain Laurel Garden Club will meet April 13, at the Adult Center.

There will be election of officers and a tour of Sunshine Garden by Jill Woodson.

Anyone interested in gardening is invited to join.

## Fort Clark Remembers April As John Bullis Month

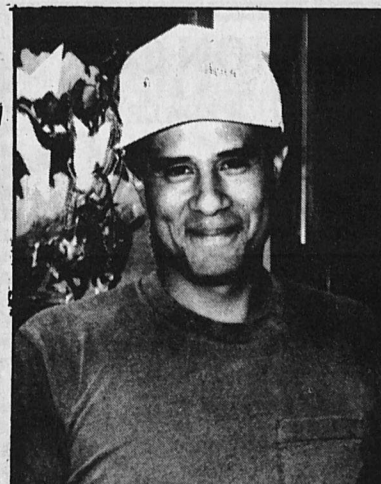
Few individuals left more of a mark on the development of Fort Clark than John L. Bullis. April is a month which marks many highs in his career.

On April 7, 1841, John L. Bullis was born.

On April 25, 1875, Seminole Scouts win Medal of Honor for the rescue of Bullis.

On April 7, 1882, Bullis was commended by the Texas Legislature.

On April 14, 1905, Bullis retired as Brig. General.



Madrid Earns 14th

I knew where he was when I took the mystery picture featured March 30. He was playing in the Las Moras Invitational Golf Tournament. He couldn't have known in advance what it was! And, I thought nobody would recognize it right away.

But...Friday morning, here he came, identified the picture, claimed a bright yellow Brackett News cap, his 14th, for correctly identifying the mystery picture.

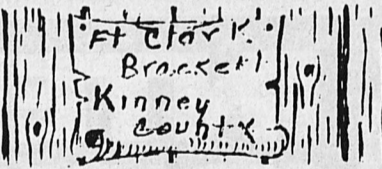
Have you recognized it yet? Near "5-Corners" where the traffic light is, there is the remains of a red building. Just to the south of it, there is an old tree with so much character. Stop by and see it. It is fascinating.

Congratulations, Manuel Madrid. You are observant I must say.

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 This makes me so sore it gets my dandruff up.

—Samuel Goldwyn

## Community Calendar



- Las Moras Masonic Lodge 444: 2nd Tue. 7 p.m., Lodge Hall, Ann St.
- Altar Society: 1st Monday, 5:30 p.m., Parish Hall.
- Band Booster Club: 1st Tuesday, 7 p.m., High School Band Hall
- BISD School Board: 2nd Monday, 6:30 p.m., School Board Room
- Beta Sigma Phi
- R of J Beta Epsilon Omicron (Sept-May) 2nd & 4th Monday, 7 p.m.
- Preceptor Theta Sigma (Sept-May) 1st & 3rd Monday, 7 p.m.
- Laureate Iota Epsilon (all year) 3rd Monday, 7 p.m.
- Creative Writing Group: Fridays, 9:30 a.m., Golf Club Snack Bar
- Mountain Laurel Garden Club: 2nd Thursday, 10 a.m. Adult Center
- Kinney County Chamber of Commerce: 2nd Thurs, 7:30 p.m., FC Rest.
- City Council: 1st Tuesday after 2nd Monday, 6:00 p.m., City Hall
- K.C. Commissioners Court: 2nd Monday, 9 a.m., Court House
- Del Rio Christian Women's Club: 1st Wednesday, 12 Noon
- San Felipe Country Club. Reservations required.
- FCS Pot Luck Supper: 3rd Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Service Club. Bring covered dish, plates and utensils.
- FC Duplicate Bridge: Tuesdays, 7 p.m., Shafter Hall.
- FCS Art Club: Work days Monday and Saturday a.m., Meeting 1st Monday, 1 p.m., Art Studio
- FCS Community Council: 2nd Saturday, 10 a.m., Shafter Hall.
- FCS Board of Directors: 3rd Saturday, 9 a.m., Board Room.
- FCS Historical Society: 4th Saturday, 9:30 a.m., Palisado Building.
- FCS Museum/Sutler's Store: Saturday & Sunday, 1-4 p.m.
- FCS Ladies Luncheon: 2nd Wednesday, Noon, Las Moras Restaurant.
- Make reservations at Adult Center.
- FCS VFW #8360 & Auxillary: 4th Monday, 6 p.m. Pot Luck, 7:00 p.m. Meetings, Service Center.
- FCS Old Quarry Society: 1st Monday, 7 p.m., Adult Center.
- Friends of Library: No regular schedule. Call library for info.
- K.C. Historical Preservation Society: 4th Thursday, 7 p.m., Court House.
- KC Kickers: 2nd and 4th Thursdays, 7:30 p.m., Service Club.
- Knights of Columbus: 1st Sunday, 12 Noon, Parish Hall.
- Lions Club: 1st and 3rd Thursday, 6:30 p.m., Las Moras Restaurant.
- Order of Eastern Star 204: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Hall, 407 Bedell, Del Rio.
- FC Shrine Club: 4th Thursday, 6:30 p.m. Las Moras Restaurant.
- Rotary Club: Every Thursday, 12 Noon, Las Moras Restaurant.
- Methodist Ladies Luncheon: 3rd Wednesday, Noon, Slaton Hall, Please make reservations.
- Kinney County Heritage Museum: 2nd and 4th Saturday, 1 - 4 p.m., Filippone Building.

**Kitchen At Mi Tierra**

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From 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.  
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**County Agent News**

by Alan L. McWilliams



**Thinning Fruit Trees For High Quality Fruit**

This week's column deals with a subject which is sometimes hard for clientele to understand. People are very reluctant to take growing fruit off of trees. Why do we thin fruit trees anyway? Removal of excess fruit reduces the chance of limb breakage, and helps assure satisfactory size, shape, and color of the remaining fruit. It also encourages fruit bud development for the following year's crop. Apple and pear trees benefit greatly from thinning as most set more fruit than the tree is capable of carrying in a heavy crop year.

The best time to thin most fruit varieties is four to six weeks after bloom. Peaches tend to grow in cycles. During the first three weeks or so after bloom, the fruit increases in size rapidly. During this time the peach pit gains most of its size. Hence, those fruit which do not grow rapidly during the first few weeks after bloom, probably were not pollinated or were damaged and will eventually fall off anyway.

Beginning late in the third week or early in the fourth week, the fruit stops sizing and just looks like it is hanging there, not doing much of anything. This slow development stage lasts through the fourth, fifth and sixth week after bloom. At this time the peaches are a little larger than your thumb. This is the time to thin as the fruit is not held as tightly to the tree as it is in other stages of growth.

Strive to visualize fruit that is 6-8 inches apart, scattered out evenly all over the tree and about 300 to 600 fruit on each tree -- depending on the variety, size and age of your tree. These same principles we have discussed about peaches can be applied to plums, apples and pears as well. Apricots could be thinned, but we have such a difficult time even getting a crop of apricots in Texas that it is usually not done.

**Get Ready For High Pest Populations**

I am receiving reports that entomologists are predicting excessive pest numbers around the home and gardens this spring due to the almost nonexistent winter weather. The lack of freezing temperatures this year allowed annoying insects in residential areas to live longer, more productive lives. The reports are

especially concerned with the overwintering of lawn and ornamental insects like white grubs and scale insects -- pests whose populations are normally kept in check by cold temperatures. The key to control is anticipation of each pest's outbreak and subsequent treatment. Be sure to follow the instructions on any label of a pesticide.

**Flea Control Can Start Now**

Before your pets start scratching from annoying fleas, it's time to start thinking about flea control now. There is a new product on the market called PROGRAM that can be purchased from veterinarians and it is a departure from control methods like flea dips most consumers have grown accustomed to. It's a pill that can be given to dogs once a month and will prevent any eggs that the fleas develop from ever hatching -- sort of a birth control pill for fleas. The pill works like this: when a flea bites your pet, a chemical is then incorporated in the flea's eggs and the eggs are prevented from ever hatching. There are also growth regulators available like Latorus and Precor that can be used inside on carpet and furniture to help with overall control.

**Landscape Checklist For April**

-Roses have a high fertilizer requirements. For most soils, use a complete fertilizer for the first application just as new growth starts, then use ammonium sulfate or other high nitrogen sources every 4 to 6 weeks, usually just as the new growth cycle starts following a flowering cycle.

-For instant color, purchase annual plants. Select short, compact plants. Any flowers or flower buds should be pinched to give plants an opportunity to become established.

-Check new tender growth for aphids. A few can be tolerated but large numbers should be controlled. Use a labeled insecticide and follow directions.

-Many flower or vegetable seeds left over after planting the garden can be saved for the next season by closing the packets with tape or paper clips and storing in a sealed jar in the refrigerator. -Start weeding beds early. Competition from weeds can delay flowering plants. Use of a good mulch can sure cut down on the amount of weeds in beds.

**Moncus' Musings**



MIKE MONCUS



Park Ranger, Interpreter  
Bastrop State Park

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**Feral Cats**

A half moon and a brilliant rising sun all at the same time. Crows cawing and robins marching towards the underbrush as if under their command. Grasses beginning to need mowing again. Mostly, the tall green clover and milkweeds. Going to need a lot of fire-ant poison just to get by this year. The willows are beginning a slight change and I suspect some mesquite here near the warm lake will soon respond to it.

I saw things in the winter that made me know that spring would be coming. Nothing slept so soundly that it couldn't awaken at short intervals to speak of what they could be like with a little sunlight and heat. Now voices speak everywhere of the warmth. The winter begins to drop its reins and soon the speaking will break out in songs.

Along with all of this a pile of feathers that once was a coot lay upon the shore among the weeds that were tossed up by the last hard northerly driving fury. A wild cat must have noticed the flocks standing thickly upon the bank and taken full advantage as cats are oft known to do. Just the feathers in a circle. Every one a reminder of flight and swimming and life and hunger. A kittens cute and so is a coot but a cat's a beast to say the least when left out on its own. A poem was not intentional, but I couldn't resist it with the experience so fresh.

How often have you seen a cat run across in front of your lights at night? I venture to say often. When they come from and where do they go? Birds rest at night and sleep sometimes in plain sight. A hungry cat can take easily an occasional meal and very little is ever missed, but how many cats can there be before the occasional meal becomes wanton wasteful feasting? When winter drops its reins and the nights grow warm and short and before caution becomes a need, many things are not braced for the quietly stalking pets gone wild and the loss is unexpected but complete.

Weighing one thing against the other and being wise enough to give justice in a closely balanced eco-system, I wonder and propose and hope that everyone will use similar caution when caring for their domestic animals and the natural ones that rely greatly upon our cooperative concern.

**POSTMASTER'S COLUMN**

BY FELIX HERNANDEZ

**Universal Service A Postal Trademark**

**Mules in the Postal Service?**

The Postal Service uses mules and whatever else it takes to get the mail delivered to all its customers, no matter where they live. Make no mistake about it, the Postal Service is committed to giving all customers, even those in difficult to reach places, the best possible service.

It takes the world's largest civilian transportation network to move America's 171 billion pieces of mail a year, which amounts to 45% of the world's total mail volume. But most people do not realize the lengths the Postal Service goes to ensure delivery of that mail.

Besides using a nationwide fleet of trucks, jeeps and jets to get the mail through, mail is also moved by less orthodox methods.

The Postal Service delivers by bush plane in Idaho and has similar air taxis to more than 30 other remote areas nationwide. A postal mule train goes to the bottom of the Grand Canyon. Customers on the Detroit River are served from a ship that has its own ZIP Code, and mail is delivered by train in the California redwood forests.

Water delivery routes, such as on the San Joaquin Delta in California and in Pilottown, Louisiana, rely exclusively on speedboats to deliver mail.

Alaska's unique terrain also presents many delivery challenges. Nevertheless, mail is delivered by seaplane, helicopter, four-wheel drive jeep, dog sled, and snowmobile. In fact, during the winter, a runway is built on a frozen ocean outside of Little Diomedea, Alaska, allowing a small mail plane to land.

Remote locales are not the only major delivery challenge.

Congestion and traffic patterns in large metropolitan areas also can be a problem. In Oakland, California, the Bay Area Rapid Transit system (BART) is used to speed Express Mail around the immediate area, and in New York City, underground pneumatic tubes are used to move mail by compressed air between 25 postal stations.

Delivering mail during disasters can also be a formidable task. After earthquakes, hurricanes, tornadoes, or flooding, one of the first services to resume is mail delivery. Being able to count on postal services helps all victims of a disaster return to some sense of normalcy.

The Postal Service is a public service agency for every American and



"Requesting permission to trade hats, sir."

**Rambling Around Kinney County**

By THE K.C. RAMBLER



Because of conflicting dates, the BBQ and Craft Fair at the Senior Center has been postponed until Saturday, April 15. Be sure to see all the wonderful art pieces made by these folks. Even if you don't purchase anything, just to get to view the variety of offerings is worth your while. Come by for lunch and browse. The Senior Center is located across from the Court House on Ann Street.

Many of our "Winter Texans" are trekking back north. They miss one of our nicest seasons - our cool nights and warm days - the greening of our world. More and more of them are staying longer and longer in our secret paradise. Welcome! Our year round weather is hard to beat.

Have you toured Kickapoo Caverns yet? It will be open again in May for primitive tours. Trips through the caverns are available May 11, 13, and 25. The number to call for further information is 210-563-2342.

If your interests do not include spelunking, perhaps you would like to view the bat flights. Each evening, the bats leave Green Cave at Kickapoo Natural Area to consume tons of pests. This can be seen May 11, 13, 25, and 27. Again, call 210-563-2342. Not many folks can so easily experience such phenomena.

What a lovely, gentle rain we have had this week and just in time to quench our thirsty earth. April showers will bring May flowers. The past few years our county seems to be greener and greener. The mesquite trees are such a lovely pale green - the oaks are golden with their new leaves and the deep green of the Mountain Laurel is welcome all year round. Oleaners are abundant. Soon the seneca sage will bloom its beautiful pink against gray foliage and the lowly prickly pear will burst into yellow flowers in total contrast to their sharp stickers. All this will surely be a welcome time for the bees and birds as well as all of God's creatures.

If it were not for volunteers and the many hours they donate each week after week in our community, we would not have nearly the quality of life that is offered here in Kinney County. There is always a place to give of your time and efforts - not necessarily for any sort of recognition - but for the satisfaction of making a difference.

Maybe being a good neighbor is a way of volunteering. Keep an eye on any odd things in your neighborhood - report them if they seem threatening. Know when your neighbors are ill - help them if you can. Be there for those around you.

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Riches are chiefly good because they give us time. —Charles Lamb



**Rodriguez Retires From FCS**

Evangelina Rodriguez, seated, was joined by co-workers for lunch at Las Moras Inn to celebrate her retirement from Fort Clark Springs. She had more than twenty years of service and for the past several years had been a part of the staff at the Adult Center with the Recreation Department.

Mrs. Rodriguez said she was born in the Fort hospital which incidentally is now the Adult Center. Her future plans include spending more time with her husband who enjoys having her home.

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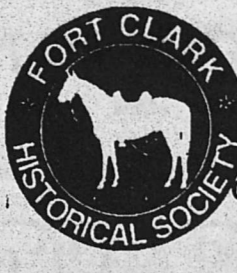
Francis Henry French was born in Fort Wayne, Indiana on September 27, 1857. Deeply impressed from his youth by the stirring deeds and stories told by veterans of the Civil War, he realized his ambition for a military career by entering the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York where he graduated twelfth from the Class of 1879. He was assigned as 2nd Lieut of "E" Company 19th Infantry and came West. Following service at Fort Garland, Colorado Territory and Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, the regiment moved to Fort Brown at Brownsville, Texas where Lt French was detailed as the Regimental Adjutant. In December of 1882 the 19th Infantry was posted to Fort Clark.

At Fort Clark, on January 1, 1883, Lt French began diaries which he faithfully maintained for the next thirty years.

April 1883: Lt French enters his third month in camp, as commander of the Seminole Scouts, at Mayer's Spring (now Meyer's Spring) on the newly completed Southern Pacific Railroad, near present day Dryden. He improves his accommodations by building a frame for his tents; feels the Scouts are being unjustly treated by being kept out in camp so long; participates in a "senseless Indian scare"; and by the end of the month is relieved by a troop of cavalry. He starts the journey back to Fort Clark where he "...shall have to obey others. But there will be pleasant society there which will more than make up for a little brief authority."

Friday, April 6 1883

Flint left this morning. Sent over to Thurston but the nails did not come. Resumed work on tents and this evening I spend in my new tent. Have two wall tents facing each other with a space between covered by a fly. This will make a cool pleasant arrangement for hot weather. Shall fix the Doctor's tents the same way as soon as the nails come. This evening a cowboy by the name of Weaver came over from the Pecos to meet his brother at Thurston, but not finding him has returned to pass the night here. Four men who were on pass returned this evening bringing me a letter from home and some official mail. In the evening wrote to Crowder returning invoices signed, to Friedlander for a San Antonio check for \$5, to Geary to pay 30 cts. telegraphic charge in Brackett, and letters to Capt. Randlett & Dr. McLain, and shall send them by Luce who expects to go to Del Rio tomorrow to see his wife.



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**FOOTSTEPS ECHO**  
The Fort Clark Diaries and Letters of Maj Gen Francis Henry French  
Old Fort Clark Guardhouse Museum  
Courtesy of Bill Haenn  
Curator, Guardhouse Museum

Saturday, April 7, 1883

End of the first week in this month. The Seminoles are becoming very tired of staying out here, and today Sgt. Kibbets told me that many of the men would not re-enlist if kept out here next month when their time is up. I don't blame them for it is very unjust to them to keep them here. Wrote a personal letter to Gen'l Smith and asked him to consider this matter. Did not say anything about the men not reenlisting for he might consider it a threat. People will think I am asking for this more for myself than for the Seminoles so as to get to see Marie before she goes North. But I know that al-

though I would prefer to stay in the Post whether she is there or not, that this letter was written solely for the scouts, who have been treated unjustly. I don't care much for the remarks of people so long as I feel sure I am doing right. Rode over to the station this morning but no stores came from Clark. Two ranchmen came up today and went with Weaver over to their ranch on the Pecos. Rather chilly this evening. Commenced to make out Quarterly Return of Ordnance but must wait until Monday to finish it. Wrote letter home this evening.

Sunday, April 8, 1883

Sent letter to Thurston this morning to be mailed, and sent horse for Smith, section boss, to come over to spend the day. Train was very late and they did not come from railroad until noon. Smith is a young Irishman but he is very attentive to his business and will succeed. Mr. Stone a ranchman on the Pecos came up from Del Rio bringing me a nice cake Sophie sent by Dr. Harmer to Del Rio. Dr. will telegraph this evening when he will come up. Wrote a letter to Grandmother in the evening. Dr. telegraphed that he will return Thursday morning.

Monday, April 9 1883

Spent the day in camp working on the Ordnance Return and got it all finished except having Dr. Harmer make a true copy of an order. Tomorrow he will be back and the couriers are due with the mail, so I hope to get a good deal of mail. It is becoming very lonesome here without the Doctor. Read a French novel, "Nana" by Zola, a thoroughly licentious work. If it is a fair sample of Parisian life, no

wonder that Paris is such an immoral place.

Tuesday, April 10, 1883

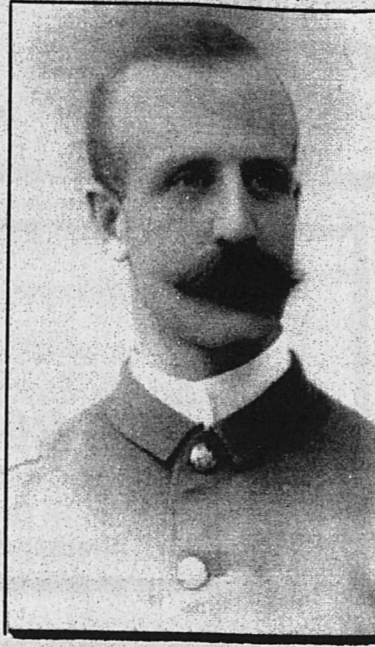
Rode over to Thurston in the wagon and met the Doctor who had come up on the freight train. He brought me a letter from Marie, one from home and the news that Gen. Neill, the commandant at West Point while I was a cadet had been retired, promoting Luff the A.C.S. at Clark, that Morris' and Wells' troops are ordered to Dun-

can & McIntosh respectively and two troops from those places to Clark, changes that I was sorry to read about as they take away some very pleasant ladies from Clark. But such is Army life. The couriers came in late in the afternoon and brought some more mail. Spent the evening in reading mail.

Wednesday, April 11, 1883

Wrote a letter home and took it over to Thurston to mail in the afternoon. Sent a letter home, some official mail to Clark. The Ordnance Return is all completed now and in the letter sealed ready to go to Del Rio with the couriers tomorrow. This completes the last Quarterly Return. Made arrange-

ments to start tomorrow for Shafter's Upper Crossing of the Rio Grande, go down to Antonio's Crossing, then over to Willow Spring, Fielders' Ranch on the Pecos, up that River to Independence Creek and then back here. Expect to be gone about a week, and hope to find a letter from Gen'l. Smith on my return.



2nd Lieut Francis Henry French (USMA '79)

Thursday, April 12, 1883

Started out this morning with 10 men, after sending the couriers with the mail. Rode Sgt. July's horse as Harvey's back is still in bad condition. Made camp at Shafter's Crossing about 3-30 P.M. Nothing of interest. The men killed a deer today and caught a fish in the river. The Rio Grande flows through deep canyons in many places and is a beautiful clear stream, much different from what it is at Brown. Plenty of wild flowers along the trail.

(To be continued next week)

The secret of fine painting is to render the invisible.  
—Eugene Fromentin

17-4140 Notice of Election (2/92)  
Prescribed by Secretary of State  
Sections 4.004, 83.010, 83.004, 83.007, V.T.C.A., Election Code

**NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION**  
(AVISO DE ELECCION)

To the Registered Voters of Brackettville, Texas:  
(A los votantes registrados del Brackettville, Texas.)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on May 6, 1995, for voting in a General election, to elect Two (2) Alderman.  
(Notifiquese, por las presentes, que las casillas electorales citadas abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el día de Mayo de 1995 para votar en la Elección para Ciudad.)

LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES  
(DIRECCIONES DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES)  
City Hall in Brackettville, Texas  
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(La votación en adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en)  
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(location) (sitio)

between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on April 17, 1995 (date)  
(entre las Ocho de la mañana y las Cinco de la tarde empezando el 17th de Abril, 1995 (fecha))

and ending on May 2, 1995 (date)  
(y terminando el Doa de Mayo, 1995 (fecha))

Additional early voting will be held at the same location as follows:  
(La votación en adelantada además se llevará a cabo en el mismo sitio de tal manera:)

Date (Fecha) Hours (Horas)

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(Nombre del Secretario de la Votación en Adelantada)

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**Product Liability Law In Need of Major Overhaul**

As anyone who's ever been on the wrong end of a lawsuit will tell you, our system of product liability law is slow, unpredictable and quite often inequitable.

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The courts have greatly expanded the scope of product liability law, and the number of cases has ballooned, clogging the court system. In the federal courts alone, these cases have increased by more than 250 percent over the last eight years.

As a result, individuals who deserve compensation for legitimate claims experience seemingly interminable delays. Currently, more than 60 percent of the most severely injured claimants wait more than three years for payment.

This system imposes enormous costs which hurt our ability to create new jobs. In Texas alone, the current liability system costs the state more than \$89 billion a year. In 1988, it impeded job creation to the tune of 79,000 jobs according to a study conducted by Baylor University.

The Texas Legislature has begun to work on tort reform at the state level, but businesses still face a maze of liability laws that differ from state to state. The costs imposed by such an uncertain system hinder manufacturing and reduce our ability to compete globally.

Liability costs in the United States are 15 times greater than in Japan, and 20 times greater than in Europe.

I believe the legislation proposed in Congress this year represents a balanced approach to product liability reform which will provide predictability for manufacturers and claimants. It will go a long way toward breaking the gridlock in our courts while providing swifter compensation to victims.

It will punish negligent manufacturers while protecting those who are not. It will enhance product innovation and boost American competitiveness.

This legislation would provide a uniform definition of product liability designed to discourage unreasonably excessive awards. And the bill would set individual manufacturers' liability for defective products based on their actual responsibility — not on the relative depth of their pockets.

We can and should enact product liability reform. It is my firm conviction that product liability lawsuits are the only equitable means for allocating responsibility for harm caused by unsafe products. This bill, I believe, would make our tort system swifter, fairer and far more predictable.



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| SUNDAY  | MONDAY   | TUESDAY  | WEDNESDAY  | THURSDAY   | FRIDAY  | SATURDAY                                    |  |
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| <b>2</b>                                      | <b>3</b><br>Dr. Richard Goad*<br>Podiatrist<br>210-278-6251  | <b>4</b><br>Dr. Arlo Terry**<br>Ophthalmologist<br>210-278-9465<br><br>Dr. Perry Nadig*<br>Urologist<br>210-278-6251   | <b>5</b><br>Dr. Steven Miller*<br>Dermatologist<br>210-614-3575<br><br>Dr. Fernando Triana*<br>Cardiologist<br>210-614-5400  | <b>6</b><br>Dr. Joel Rutstein*<br>Rheumatologist<br>210-690-8067<br>Dr. Shudde's Office<br><br>Dr. George Swanson*<br>Otolaryngologist/Ent<br>210-278-6251 | <b>7</b><br>Dr. David Dean*<br>Neurosurgeon<br>210-278-6251<br><br>Dr. Gregory Montoya***<br>General Psychiatry<br>210-278-6542 | <b>8</b>                                    |  |
| <b>9</b>                                      | <b>10</b>  | <b>11</b><br>Dr. Arlo Terry**<br>Ophthalmologist<br>210-278-9465<br>Dr. Clayton Hudnall*<br>Urologist<br>210-614-5400<br>Dr. Terry Seidel*<br>Plastic/Reconstructive<br>800-896-6445 Surgeon   | <b>12</b><br>Dr. Raul Vela*<br>Dermatologist<br>210-614-3575<br>Dr. Fernando Triana*<br>Cardiologist<br>210-614-5400<br>Dr. Thierry Vancaille*<br>Gynecologist<br>210-692-6205 | <b>13</b><br>Dr. Bob James*<br>Pediatric Dentist<br>210-278-6251<br><br>Dr. Christine Truitt**<br>Neurologist<br>210-692-1245<br>Dr. Shudde's Office       | <b>14</b>   | <b>15</b><br>Good Friday<br>Passover Begins |  |
| <b>16</b><br>Palm Sunday<br><br>Easter Sunday | <b>17</b><br>Easter Monday<br>(Canada)   | <b>18</b><br>Dr. Arlo Terry**<br>Ophthalmologist<br>210-278-9465<br><br>Dr. Perry Nadig*<br>Urologist<br>210-278-6251  | <b>19</b><br>Dr. Stephen Miller*<br>Dermatologist<br>210-614-3575<br>Dr. Richard Goad*<br>Podiatrist<br>210-278-6251   | <b>20</b><br>Dr. John Huff**<br>Rheumatologist<br>210-690-8067<br>Dr. Shudde's Office<br><br>Dr. George Swanson*<br>Otolaryngologist/Ent<br>210-278-6251   | <b>21</b><br>Dr. David Dean*<br>Neurosurgeon<br>210-278-6251<br><br>Dr. Gregory Montoya***<br>Neurosurgeon<br>210-278-6251      | <b>22</b><br>Passover Ends                  |  |
| <b>23</b>                                     | <b>24</b><br>Dr. John Pliska*<br>Pediatric Cardiologist<br>Associate of Dr. James<br>Simpson 800-242-0008      | <b>25</b><br>Dr. Arlo Terry**<br>Ophthalmologist<br>210-278-9465<br>Dr. Daniel Saltzstein*<br>Urologist<br>210-278-6251<br>Dr. Terry Seidel*<br>Plastic/Reconstructive<br>800-896-6445 Surgeon | <b>26</b><br>Dr. Raul Vela*<br>Dermatologist<br>210-614-3575<br>Dr. Fernando Triana*<br>Cardiologist<br>210-614-5400   | <b>27</b><br>Dr. Rodolfo Molina**<br>Rheumatologist<br>210-690-8067<br>Dr. Shudde's Office   | <b>28</b>   | <b>29</b>                                   |  |

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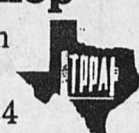
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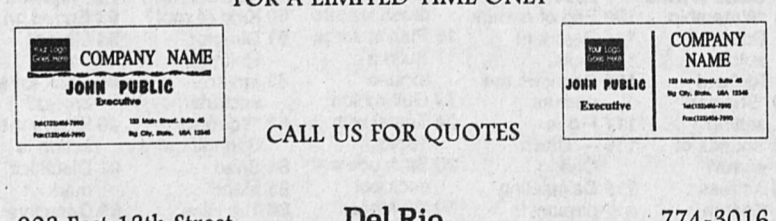


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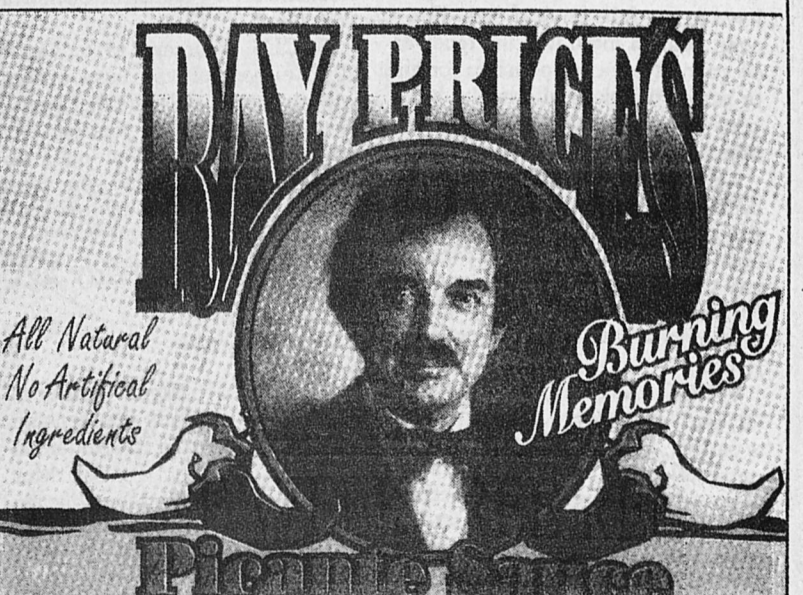
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The Brackettville Lions Thrift Shop needs furniture and appliances.  
As you do your spring cleaning or replace your items or clean out store rooms and closets...remember the Lions Thrift Shop.  
Call Peter Pohl - 563-9281, Sid Spohnholtz - 563-2169  
Carmen Berlanga - 563-2773, Walt Bauguess - 563-9360  
Or Any Lion!  
The Thrift Shop is open for business from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the first and third Saturday of each month.

**SWTJC**

**SOUTHWEST TEXAS JUNIOR COLLEGE**  
**"WHERE EVERYONE IS SOMEONE"**  
 207 Wildcat Dr. 210-775-1612  
 Del Rio TX 78840 FAX 210-774-5150

**DAY & EVENING CLASSES AVAILABLE**

**SUMMER SESSION REGISTRATION 1995 - 1st TERM 5 WEEKS**  
 May 23, Tuesday, 3:00-7:00 p.m. Del Rio Center Registration  
 May 24, Wednesday, 3:00-7:00 p.m. Eagle Pass Evening School  
 May 26, Friday, 8:00-10:00 a.m. Registration, SWTJC, Eagle Pass  
 May 30, Tuesday, 8:00 a.m. Registration of Students, Uvalde  
**FIRST DAY OF CLASSES**  
**SUMMER SESSION 1995 2nd TERM 5 WEEKS**  
 July 3, Monday, 3:00 - 6:00 p.m. Del Rio Center Registration  
 July 5, Wednesday, 8:00 - 10:00 a.m. SWTJC Center, Del Rio  
 July 5, Wednesday, 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. Uvalde Registration of Students  
 Evening School Registration  
 July 6, Thursday Eagle Pass  
 First Day of Classes

For more information please call 210-775-1612 or 210-278-4401

**BISD Cafeteria Menu**  
 Parents Welcome To Join Their Children At Breakfast Or Lunch.

**BREAKFAST**  
 Milk Served At All Meals  
 Three choices for breakfast:  
 1) Printed Menu; 2) Cereal, Toast, Fruit or Juice; 3) Two Toasts, Fruit or Juice.

**LUNCH**  
 Milk Served At All Meals  
 Salad Bar Available Everyday  
 "B" Line Everyday

**April 10 - 14**

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <b>MONDAY</b><br>French Toast/Syrup<br>Fruit or Juice                    | <b>MONDAY</b><br>Chili Cheese Dog - Veggie Sticks<br>Peanut Butter Cup                 |
| <b>TUESDAY</b><br>Pancakes/Syrup<br>Fruit or Fruit Juice                 | <b>TUESDAY</b><br>BBQ Baked Chicken<br>Whipped Potatoes<br>Choice of Vegetable Roll    |
| <b>WEDNESDAY</b><br>Scrambled Eggs/Sausage/Toast<br>Fruit or Fruit Juice | <b>WEDNESDAY</b><br>Hamburger - Hamburger Salad<br>French Fries - Whipped Jello        |
| <b>THURSDAY</b><br>Breakfast Pizza<br>Fruit or Fruit Juice               | <b>THURSDAY</b><br>School Made Burritos<br>Spanish Rice - Pinto Beans<br>Peach Cobbler |
| <b>FRIDAY</b><br>Holiday   | <b>FRIDAY</b><br>Holiday   |

**TIGERS**

**BRACKETT ISD**  
 April 1995

**7 Friday**  
 4:00pm SOFTBALL - CENTER POINT - THERE  
 4:30pm V BASEBALL - LYTTLE - THERE  
 BASEBALL - LYTTLE - T  
 MS TRACK - LYTTLE

**8 Saturday**  
 1:00pm BASEBALL - EAGLE PASS - H  
 1:00pm JV BASEBALL - EAGLE PASS 9TH - H  
 1:00pm V/JV BASEBALL - EAGLE PASS - HERE  
 7:00pm MS EASTER DANCE  
 HS TRACK MEET - UVALDE

**10 Monday**  
 7:00am MILLS - BUSTON'S DR ED CLASS  
 6:30pm BOARD MEETING  
 7:00pm JV BASEBALL - SONORA - T  
 7:00pm JV BASEBALL - SONORA - THERE  
 DISTRICT GOLF - FORT CLARK

**11 Tuesday**  
 8:00am HEALTH INSPECTOR VISIT  
 4:30pm SOFTBALL - DEL RIO - T  
 4:30pm SOFTBALL - DEL RIO - THERE  
 7:00pm BASEBALL - LAPRYOR - T  
 7:00pm V BASEBALL - LAPRYOR - THERE

**12 Wednesday**  
 PAYDATE CUT-OFF DATES  
 LAST DAY OF THE FIFTH SIX WEEKS  
 33 DAYS  
 NO TTAS

**13 Thursday**  
 1/2 BAD WEATHER DAYS  
 DISTRICT HS TRACK - CARRIZO SPRINGS

**WinterGuard Exceed Expectations**



WinterGuard is a combination of flags and rifles, marching band drill, and dance line choreography. They perform a four minute routine on a gym floor to taped music.

The WinterGuard at Brackett was formed in November with a group of girls who had never spun or tossed a flag or rifle before. Since then, they have practiced very hard and have exceeded every expectation their instructors set for them.

The WinterGuard is made up of Valerie Jimenez, Renee Miller, Brandy Meeks, Windy Goodloe, Cherise Ward, Jessica Jaso, and Michelle Villarreal. They are instructed by Amy and Chris Cantrell.

This year the group competed against Guards from all areas of the state, many from 5-AAAA

schools. They received third place and Best General Effect at the Southwest High School Contest; third place and Best Movement at the John Jay High School "Silver Guard" contest; seventh place at the Lee High School "Volunteer Classic;" and eighth place in the State Finals at Judson High School.

In addition, Renee Miller and Valerie Jimenez were selected to the All-State WinterGuard.

The Guard members have represented the school and the community well this year and their instructors think they have done a wonderful job.

Their final performance for this year will be at the Spring Band Concert Thursday, May 11, 7:00 p.m.

**Attention Parents**

**PROJECT PLUS MEETING**  
**Wednesday, April 12, 1995**  
**Brackett H.S. Home Ec. Cottage**

Dr. Art Flores, school psychologist of San Antonio ISD, will be speaking on stress management for parents

12:00 Lunch will be provided  
 12:15 Dr. Flores will begin speaking

**BABYSITTING IS AVAILABLE**  
 Contact Judy Blankenship if you have any questions about this program. Project Plus is for parents of all Brackett School Children. EVERYONE WELCOME.

**SRSU Dean's List**  
**Includes 3 from K.C.**

Sul Ross State University named more than 200 students to the Dean's List for the 1994 fall semester.

Undergraduate students enrolled for 12 or more semester hours who maintain a grade point average of 3.3 or better are eligible for the Dean's List.

Students from Brackettville were:  
 -Walter T. Hunt, 3.500  
 -Kimberly Saunders, 3.667  
 -H. Clay Hunt, 3.700.

**Blake Ward**  
**We Are Glad You**  
**Are Home. Get Well**  
**Quick So You Can**  
**Come Back To School**

**NHS Bake Sale**

The National Honor Society will sponsor a bake sale Saturday, April 8, 9:00 a.m. in front of Super-S. Money raised will be used to buy new stools.

Protect our children...

**DRIVE SAFELY**

**SCHOOL SLOW**

Happiness, I have discovered, is nearly always a rebound from hard work.  
 David Grayson

**Natasha's Stars**

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) The best way to get over guilt feelings about a neglected or unfinished task is to get started on it without delay. Someone close to you is willing to help, so don't be shy about asking. You spend too freely when socializing.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) A social occasion this week may not live up to expectations, but it'll be pleasant nonetheless. A contact made there holds importance for your future. A friend's bad mood could dampen yours come this weekend.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) You may not have the patience for mental work this week, but try to apply yourself despite this. A career concern is also on your mind. Nevertheless, there are home matters that require your immediate attention.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) You will become upset if what you have to say falls on deaf ears. However, bear in mind that the receiver of your advice is responsible for his or her own actions ultimately. It's a poor week for getting feedback from others.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) Small differences could arise with close ties and an indebtedness comes due now. Hopefully, you are prepared to pay this bill since it's been looming for some time now. The weekend is more upbeat with the accent on family life.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) Early in the week, you could find a partner a bit too demanding, but upon reflection, you realize the need to spend more quality time together. Allow others around you to set the pace. Don't always strive to control the situation.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) Try not to be overly fault-finding with family members. Remember, you're not perfect either. Temper criticism with affection and understanding. A heavy workload could lead to changes in the way you schedule your time.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) In business, your moods could fluctuate from indifference to overintensity. This confuses co-workers and bigwigs alike. Strive for some middle ground and consistency. Romance awaits this weekend.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) You're right to take an interest seriously, but perhaps wrong in chastising another for not caring about this issue. Your causes are not necessarily the same for others. This weekend, home responsibilities are a priority.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) A project won't seem so difficult once you get started. It's your own hesitation that's making you fearful. However, by week's end, you are able to laugh at your fears and accomplish much. Social life is iffy now.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) Either you or a partner tends to nagging behavior early in the week. This leads to a period of disagreement and general dissatisfaction with each other. Take the weekend off to get back in touch with each other.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) You've been so busy dealing with the needs of others that you've lost sight of some of your personal goals. However, loved ones appreciate this and rally to your cause in the long run. Relax this weekend.

**Happy Birthday**

|         |                      |
|---------|----------------------|
| Apr. 6  | Norma Jean Cruz      |
| Apr. 6  | Judy Blankenship     |
| Apr. 6  | Martha Pat Anderson  |
| Apr. 7  | Toady Fritter        |
| Apr. 7  | John Mark Ingram     |
| Apr. 7  | Ruby Gooch           |
| Apr. 7  | Concepcion Jimenez   |
| Apr. 8  | Dave Blair           |
| Apr. 8  | Lee R. McIntire, Jr. |
| Apr. 8  | Flora Thaxton        |
| Apr. 8  | Sammy Trollinger     |
| Apr. 8  | Wayne Holloway       |
| Apr. 8  | Bob Rowe             |
| Apr. 9  | Maria Pena           |
| Apr. 10 | Lily Schwandner      |
| Apr. 10 | William J. Zwart     |
| Apr. 11 | Granville Griffin    |
| Apr. 11 | Amber Haag           |
| Apr. 12 | Marion Willis        |
| Apr. 12 | Peter Pacheco        |

**MagicMaze**

**THE SOUNDS OF ANIMALS**

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

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

|       |      |         |        |
|-------|------|---------|--------|
| Bark  | Cry  | Neigh   | Wail   |
| Bay   | Howl | Screach | Whine  |
| Bleat | Low  | Squeak  | Whinny |
| Bray  | Moo  | Squeal  |        |

**Vision Teaser**

King Features Syndicate, Inc.

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Moon is added; 2. Curtain is wider; 3. Calendar is missing; 4. Board is added; 5. Handles are different; 6. Notes are removed.

**Super Crossword**

**ACROSS**

1 Sharp  
 6 "...to soothe a savage—"  
 12 Corn portion  
 15 TV-listings abbr.  
 18 Telescope view  
 20 Guidance  
 21 Shreveport coll.  
 22 Computer acronym  
 23 Start of a remark by Milton Berle  
 25 Italian opera house  
 27 Stimp's pal  
 28 Idi—  
 29 After-bath wear  
 31 Goes for it  
 32 Zeppelin  
 33 Tranquil  
 36 Distorts  
 37 Texas twin  
 41 Jacob's twin  
 42 Pallid  
 44 A swan was her swain  
 45 Part 2 of remark  
 50 Cold storage  
 54 Vandyke site  
 55 He's paid to play  
 56 "One Day—Time"

**DOWN**

57 Mete out the minestrone  
 58 Joy  
 60 Heaps up  
 62 Used coupons  
 63 Lock  
 64 Geological feature  
 65 Diet and exercise, e.g.  
 66 Part 3 of remark  
 69 After the fact  
 70 Called to mind  
 71 "Watership Down" author  
 73 "Shogun" setting  
 74 Sounds of  
 75 Actress  
 76 Peace's partner  
 77 Dracula's alter ego  
 80 Monty's milieu  
 81 Match socks, e.g.  
 82 Nautilus relative  
 84 Part 4 of remark  
 89 Toast topper  
 90 Solo  
 91 Handy bit of Latin

**ACROSS**

92 Night worker?  
 95 Sylvester's snooze  
 100 High dudgeon  
 101 Sign of spring?  
 102 Correct a text  
 103 Maharashtra music  
 104 Research site  
 107 1962 hit for the Tornados  
 109 End of remark  
 114 Remnant  
 115 Belief  
 116 Pounded the podium  
 117 Pious  
 118 — Dawn  
 Chong  
 119 Calculating person, in brief?  
 120 Void  
 121 Bob Marley was one  
**DOWN**  
 1 Ice-cream ingredient  
 2 Sidewalk eatery  
 3 — Bator  
 4 Make a dolly  
 5 Do as the doctor orders?  
 6 Conrad of "Diff'rent

**ACROSS**

7 Sts.  
 8 — Marie Saint  
 9 Objective  
 10 Manage to gather  
 11 Mortise's mate  
 12 "Mirabella" rival  
 13 Simile center  
 14 Cattle crook  
 15 Wedding-dress feature  
 16 Pianist Jorge  
 17 Build a fortune  
 19 Gulf nation  
 24 Travel with Toronto  
 26 Stick one's neck out  
 30 '88 Midler movie  
 33 Grab  
 34 Punta del —  
 35 Super Bowl sound  
 36 Steer clear of  
 37 "M\*A\*S\*H" man  
 38 Borscht  
 39 Ingredient  
 39 Design  
 40 Pom's perch  
 43 Tend the sauce  
 45 Put the metal to the metal

**ACROSS**

46 Completes the cake  
 47 Cheerleader's maneuver  
 48 Castle or Dunne  
 49 Sniffed  
 51 Tongues of fire  
 52 Carried on loudly  
 53 "East of —"  
 58 Felony  
 59 Musical Myra  
 60 Kind of roof?  
 61 Director  
 62 Indian sectarian  
 63 "Younger—Springtime"  
 64 Shed  
 65 Mend  
 66 Tim Rice musical  
 67 "The Overcoat" author  
 69 Angler's danglers  
 71 Numskull  
 72 See socially  
 73 Sticks out  
 75 Escalator sign  
 76 Bee product?  
 77 "Showboat" song  
 78 Cruising  
 79 Adventurous Heyerdahl

**DOWN**

81 Bring to a halt  
 82 Canterbury cleaner  
 83 Pea soup, e.g.  
 85 Places for pins?  
 86 Stretchy  
 87 Make the old new  
 88 When the French fry  
 92 Prejudice  
 93 Egged on  
 94 Library patron  
 95 Cook for a crowd?  
 96 Where the action is  
 97 Diacritical mark  
 99 Detective Templar  
 102 "Cope Book" aunt  
 103 Discourteous  
 104 "Gigli" author  
 105 Border  
 106 VHS alternative  
 108 Nile silt-erarer  
 110 Say please too often?  
 111 JFK abbr.  
 112 Still  
 113 Dam-building org.



563-2852

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# CLASSIFIEDS

FOR SALE

563-2852

## REAL ESTATE

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

**For Sale**  
1 bedroom cottage, Unit 14, Fort Clark. Perfect for single person or couple. The low price will surprise you.

**For Sale**  
Furnished 2 bedroom townhouse with membership. Priced reduced. \$30,000.

**For Sale**  
Several RV lots with utilities for sale. Reasonable prices.

## MUST SELL

Must sell 3/2 Mobile. Call for directions and details. 210-673-7711.

## REPOS

Repos, double wide and single wide Mobile homes like new. Save thousands, low down. 210-673-7711

## HOUSE FOR SALE

House for sale, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, on 2 large lots, 2 car garage, screen porch, utility shed. Call 210-563-9416 after 5 p.m.

## FOR RENT

Beautiful new 3 bedroom, 2 bath home. Fully furnished. Call 210-340-3506 or 210-690-0609.

## FOR SALE

Queen size waterbed with headboard, 12 underdrawers, with matching mirror and dresser. Call 563-2529

## LAWN MAINTENANCE

No job too large or too small. FREE ESTIMATES  
Sunshine Garden Center  
563-2610

## HUGE GARAGE SALE

3-Families at Jug Store Patio. April 8, 9 a.m. until?  
Furniture, appliances, toys, clothes & miscellaneous

All that mankind has done, thought, gained or been: it is lying in magic preservation in the pages of books. —Thomas Carlyle

## GOOD SHOPPING

**Sutler's Store**  
Fort Clark Springs  
Books, Post Cards, Honey Jewelry, Bolo Ties, Belt Buckles T-Shirts, Caps, Dolls, Knives  
Open Sat.-Sun., 1-4 p.m.

## Driving Tests License Renewal

An officer from the Texas Department of Public Safety will be at the County Courthouse, 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.

## Hearing Screening Free

Each Wednesday  
9 am - noon; 1 - 4 pm  
Front Lobby  
Val Verde Memorial Hospital  
801 Bedell, Del Rio  
No Appointment Necessary.

## REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Middle Rio Grande Development Council (MRGDC) is requesting proposals (RFP) from qualified telephone systems vendors for two (2) telephone systems expandable to 12 incoming lines and 48 stations.

The deadline for this RFP is Friday, April 28, 1995, 10:00 a.m. at the MRGDC Central Office, 1904 N. First Street, Carrizo Springs TX 78834.  
Proposal packets with full specifications may be obtained by contacting Ramon S. Johnston, Deputy Director of Administration at the MRGDC Central Office, VOICE or TDD telephone number 210/876-3533.

The MRGDC is an Equal Opportunity Employer and auxiliary aids and services may be made available upon request to individuals with disabilities.

The MRGDC reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. #6394

## FOR SALE

35 foot Contessa electric park model trailer, 4-piece bath, range, fridge, built-in heaters, 2 air conditioners. Price \$1600.00 Call 563-2132

## DEBBIE TRANT Janita Hinds Real Estate

210-563-2897; 210-563-2007 Hwy 90 (Next to Stop N Shop)  
House and 5 lots on Spring Street. \$9,500  
4 commercial lots on Hwy 90 across from Ft. Clark. Owner financing. Price reduced on 2 bed, 1 bth mobile home, Unit 3. Now just \$6,500  
For Rent: Nice furnished 2 bed. townhome with large private patio

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Hereby is due notice to the citizens of Kinney County. The Commissioners Court of Kinney County, Texas, has amended the Kinney County Subdivision Regulations as adopted in 1993.

The Kinney County Subdivision Regulations, as now in effect and as adopted in 1993 by the County Commissioners Court after due notice, was given and after public hearing was held on the proposition to adopt same, are a prerequisite to the obtaining of a grant of funds from the Texas Water Development Board for the construction of a water supply for the City of Spofford; and

The Texas Water Development Board finds that an amendment to Article I, Section 1.5 "Plat Required" of said Subdivision Regulations is required so that said regulations will qualify as a required condition for the Spofford water transmission line grant.

Citizens interested in reviewing the Kinney County Subdivision Regulations of 1993 reflecting the amendment to Article I, Section 1.5 may inquire at the office of Kinney County Judge Tommy Seargeant, Kinney County Courthouse, 501 Ann Street, Brackettville TX 78832.

## REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Middle Rio Grande Development Council (MRGDC) is requesting proposals from qualified vendors for network cabling services (installation and testing) for nine (9) satellite offices located in the Middle Rio Grande region of Texas. Total cabling will require approximately two hundred seventy four (274) drops. Cabling component specifications for this service include: CABLE UTP CAT 5 PLENUM; WALLJACKS CAT 5; WALLPLATE SINGLE; PANEL 24 PORT; CAT 5 RJ45; PATCH CABLE RJ45 5'. Cabling services for each site must be of star shape configuration. The locations and number of drops per location are as follows:

| OFFICE LOCATION | NUMBER OF DROPS |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| Cotulla         | 25              |
| Carrizo Springs | 32              |
| Crystal City    | 34              |
| Uvalde          | 35              |
| Eagle Pass      | 65              |
| Del Rio         | 43              |
| Brackettville   | 12              |
| Leakey          | 14              |
| Rocksprings     | 14              |
| TOTAL DROPS     | 274             |

The cabling service must be performed during April and early May, 1995, to fit our schedule.

The deadline for submission of proposals is Monday, April 10, 1995, 10:00 a.m. at the MRGDC Central Office, 1904 N. First Street - P.O. Box 1199, Carrizo Springs TX 78834.

Proposal packets may be obtained by contacting Ramon S. Johnston, Deputy Director of Administration at the MRGDC VOICE or TDD number (210) 876-3533.

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The MRGDC reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. #6382

## WANT TO RENT

Family of five looking for nice 3 or 4 bedroom, 2 bath house or doublewide trailer to rent. Prefers Fort Clark. Call 563-2240 or 563-9556

## REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

### NOVELL FILE SERVERS/ COMPUTER HARDWARE

The Middle Rio Grande Development Council (MRGDC) is requesting proposals from qualified computer hardware vendors for the following:

- \*ten (10) Fileservers with specific computer components/configurations;
- \*seventy-two (72) 486 DX2/66 MHZ computer processing units;
- \*twenty (20) 486 DX2/66 MHZ upgraded with media vision computer processing units;
- \*eight (8) HP IV Si Laser Printers;
- \*two (2) HP Color Laser Jet Printers;
- \*one (1) HP Scanjet II cx;
- \*and other computer peripherals including software as specified in the RFP packet 03-29-95-047.

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A quarrel between friends, when made up, adds a new tie to friendship, as experience shows that the callosity formed round a broken bone makes it stronger than before. —St. Francis de Sales

**KINNEY COUNTY LAND CO.**  
P.O. Box 1035  
Brackettville TX 78832  
210-563-2446 210-563-2447

3 bdrm, 1 1/2 bth home on Gove in Brackett. Fireplace, fenced yd., large covered carport, fruit trees. \$45,000.  
Ideal location on Hwy 90 for condominiums or motel, 1.7 ac. Brackett desperately needs more housing. Reduced price.  
Choice lots bordering 18 hole golf course on Fort Clark for new home construction.  
Historic district on Ft. Clark, 2 bdrm, 2 full baths, large living room. Fenced yard. Lots of attic space. \$69,500.

**Pets: Lost Or Found**  
To Report  
Lost Or Found Animals  
Call 563-2704

## REQUEST FOR BIDS ON TEXAS HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Sealed proposals for 441.240 miles of seal coat at various locations on IH 35, BI 35-B, SH 359, SH 44, FM 1472, FM 3338, US 90, SH 131, FM 481, LP 155, FM 393, FM 191, FM 582, FM 1866, FM 1668, FM 2691, US 83, LP 225, FM 1556, SH 85, FM 186, FM 2368, FM 2367, FM 2522, LP 517, FM 3252, FM 468, FM 624, FM 469, SH 16, US 59, SH 339, and FM 716 covered by CPM 18-3-33, CPM 18-4-35, CPM 18-5-49, CPM 18-5-50, CPM 18-6-118, CPM 18-11-2, CPM 86-4-20, CPM 2022-1-7, CPM 2150-2-3, CPM 2150-3-15, CPM 3483-1-7, CPM 3352-2-6, CPM 22-9-42, CPM 23-1-63, CPM 23-2-32, CPM 23-3-33, CPM 23-4-54, CPM 375-1-14, CPM 375-2-11, CPM 1590-3-10, CPM 37-4-13, CPM 878-1-7, CPM 878-4-9, CPM 37-4-14, CPM 1279-2-7, CPM 1590-2-4, CPM 1593-1-16, CPM 1593-1-17, CPM 1937-2-15, CPM 1937-2-16, CPM 37-6-60, CPM 37-7-12, CPM 37-8-28, CPM 37-13-8, CPM 301-1-56, CPM 301-4-10, CPM 301-5-4, CPM 878-2-7, CPM 878-3-11 CPM 2259-1-4, CPM 2434-1-6, CPM 2485-2-4, CPM 3353-1-4, CPM 18-10-4, CPM 652-4-38, CPM 652-4-39, CPM 652-5-13, CPM 852-1-20, CPM 1545-2-13, CPM 517-4-35, CPM 517-4-36, CPM 517-8-12, CPM 517-9-11, CPM 542-3-18, CPM 542-4-15, CPM 623-1-13, CPM 623-2-20, CPM 1083-2-10, CPM 86-3-22 and FM 3463 in Webb, Val Verde, Kinney, Maverick, Zavala, Dimmit, LaSalle and Duval County, will be received at the Texas Department of Transportation, Austin, until 1:00 p.m., April 13, 1995, and then publicly opened and read.

Plans and specifications, including minimum wage rates as provided by Law, are available for inspection at the office of Gregory C. Howard, Area Engineer, Carrizo Springs, Texas, and at the Texas Department of Transportation, Austin, Texas. Bidding proposals are to be requested from the Construction and Maintenance Division, 125 E. 11th St., Austin TX 78701. Plans are available through commercial printers in Austin, Texas, at the expense of the bidder.

The Texas Department of Transportation hereby notifies all bidders that it will insure that bidders will not be discriminated against on the ground of race, color, sex or national origin, in having full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation, and in consideration for an award.

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## TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

The Texas Department of Transportation is accepting applications for the following positions. Applications will be accepted during the posting dates only.

TITLE: **Roadway Maintenance Technician I**  
TxDOT Job#: 5 22 K505 021 (\$6.47/Hr)  
TEC Job#: TX7145857  
POSTING DATE: 04/03/95-04/14/95, 5:00 p.m.  
WORK LOCATION: Brackettville, Texas

Complete job vacancy notice and application information are available from your local Texas Employment Commission offices, TxDOT district offices, or TxDOT employment office in Austin. Out of state applicants may call (512) 416-3000 or (512) 416-2994 to obtain a copy of the job vacancy notice and application.

Applicants must submit completed applications. Resumes will be accepted for whatever additional information they contain, but not in place of a completed application.

FAKED APPLICATIONS ARE ONLY ACCEPTED FROM APPLICANTS RESIDING IN ANOTHER STATE. A HARD COPY MUST BE SENT IN ADDITION TO THE FAKED APPLICATION.

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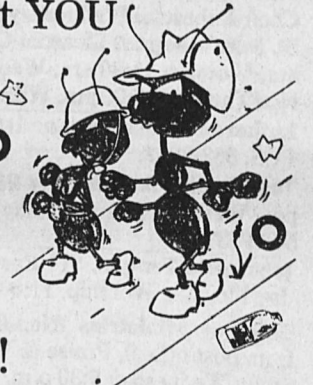
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## EMPLOYMENT POSITION AVAILABLE

POSITION: Secretary  
LOCATION: AANTF Financial Disruption Task Force  
Brackettville, Texas  
SALARY: \$12,000.00 per year.  
QUALIFICATIONS: Minimum of High School diploma or equivalent Texas Drivers License  
No criminal background  
Must type a minimum of 30 words per minute  
Required drug testing  
Some travel required  
All applicants will have a complete background investigation performed by investigators of the task force.  
Deadline for submission of resumes - April 20, 1995  
Send resumes to: Alicia R. Rush, Administrative Assistant  
AANTF Financial Disruption Task Force  
P.O. Box 1570  
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**First Baptist Church**  
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As he came into town on that particular day a great crowd gathered to meet and greet him. The picture in their minds a new king who was coming to rule the kingdom. They perceived him as a mighty war general who was coming in might and power to overthrow the wicked and harsh Roman rule. They expected him to appear as a warlord mounted on a prancing steed, with armor clad fighting men marching behind him. The time had come, they thought, when finally a man of the people would come to power to save them from tyrannical rule. Their eyes were to soon see that was not how he would come nor was his purpose what they thought it would be.

On arrival he did not go directly to the palace of the ruler Herod Antipas. Neither did he go to the Governor's throne. Instead as he entered Jerusalem his first stop was at the temple. The reason? He just looked around. It was perhaps nothing more than a time of examination. Mark 11 verse 11 says, *Jesus entered Jerusalem, and into the temple; and when he had looked round about upon all things...* then he left for the evening only to return on the following day. When Jesus and his disciples came from Bethany back to Jerusalem, *Jesus went into the temple, and began to cast out them that sold and bought in the temple, and overthrew the tables of the moneychangers, and the seats of them that sold doves.* (Mark 11:15)...

Jesus had begun the insurrection but it was not against the government but rather the violators of the temple, the House of God. Those in the temple received an indictment. *My house shall be called of all nations the house of prayer. But ye have made it a den of thieves.* (Mark 11:17).

When we go to the temple, the church, the place of worship and prayer, as Jesus enters what does he see? How does he perceive us? Would there be an indictment against us? How do we perceive him? Do we have misconceptions about him as did those of that first century? Do you see him as an earthly king or a Heavenly Father? How does Jesus see you? Does he see you as someone to be thrown out of the temple or as a child of the Heavenly King. The way you see and respond to Him makes an eternal difference in your destiny.

Today, see and know Him as the resurrected Son of God, the Lord Jesus. Call upon the name of the Lord today.



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

So many people have such varied ideas about praying. I remember as a young boy, getting on my knees before my mother as she sat in her rocking chair to say my "Now I lay mes."

I remember my father as each night before he crawled in bed he was on his knees praying for his family.

Some feel they must hold some icon as they pray. The muslim gets on his knees and bows his head to the ground and prays to Allah.

Some feel they must raise their arms and hands and wave them as they pray. Some feel they must vocally out loud others as they pray. Some feel they must glibly repeat some memorized rote as they pray.

All these physical actions have no place in actual prayers. Prayer is basically communication with God. It is a mental and spiritual exercise.

A prayer must be intelligent. God is intelligent. Real prayer must be a rapport of an intelligent heart with an intelligent God.

It is not prayer to ask of God anything that is contrary to His word, the Bible. Prayer must be definite.

A successful quail hunter shoots at the bird, not the covey.

Prayer must be earnest, the true expression of a concerned heart. The first and foremost prayer is for grace from God to be able to know His will with strength to follow His lead.

It should be for growth as a Christian; intellectual growth to understand better God and His way. Prayer for guidance should be the continuous communion with God. No decision that leaves out the leadership of God can be acceptable or truly successful.

I Chronicles 4:9, 10, gives a good example of effective prayer.

There will be another message from the Word of God at Frontier Baptist Church Sunday morning at 11:00.

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**Memorial Services Scheduled For Troy Williams**

Memorial services are scheduled for Troy Williams at the First Baptist Church, Brackettville, at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, April 11, 1995.



**St. John's Baptist Church**  
Rev. W. P. Adams, Sr., Pastor

Jesus saith unto her, thy brother shall rise again. Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life; he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live.

And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this?  
6 p.m. nightly Study the Book of Acts  
7 a.m. Come pray with us.

Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation; the Spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.  
St. Matthew 26:41

**Is It Really Illegal To Pick Bluebonnets?**  
Public Information Office: 512-465-2080

Each Texas springtime brings flowers to fields and roadsides and a question to the minds of nature lovers -- is it really illegal to pick bluebonnets?

The answer is no -- there is no law against picking our State Flower. However, there are laws against criminal trespass -- so make sure you're not on private property when you stop to take your annual kids-in-the-bluebonnets photo.

There are laws against damaging or destroying rights-of-way and government property -- so pick a few flowers, but don't dig up clumps of them and don't drive your vehicle into the midst of them. Remember, Mother Nature and in many cases, your fellow Texans, scattered wildflower seeds along medians and roadways so that everyone could enjoy spring flowers.

For the safety of yourself and others, as well as to limit your ticketability:

- There are laws against impeding traffic, so be careful about slowing down to enjoy the view. Pick areas with light traffic conditions for stopping.
- Signal before leaving or entering the roadway.
- Park off the roadway (off of improved shoulders), parallel to the road in the direction of traffic, on the same side of the roadway that the flowers are on. Don't walk or run across lanes of traffic to get to the flowers.
- Obey signs that prohibit parking on a particular stretch of roadway.
- And remember that in addition to a ticket, snakes and fire ants could also put more blue in your day than you bargained for.

**Texas Prisons, Universities Earn Acclaim For Health Care**

The success of the managed health care program in Texas state prisons has earned national recognition for the prison system and the two university medical schools which provide health care for the state's 100,000-plus prisoners.

The National Managed Health Care Congress awarded a Special Mention citation to the prison health care partnership of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, The University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston and Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center.

The unique prison-university partnership was cited for measurable improvements in health care quality and efficiency since the collaborative effort was approved by the Legislature in 1993. Prison health care costs declined 9.6% in 1994 under the new system.

The medical schools provide on-site medical care and supervision at the prisons, utilize university medical facilities in Galveston and Lubbock as needed and oversee contracting for private medical services when that is more efficient.

James E. Riley, executive director of the managed health care system, accepted the Texas award in Washington during the National Congress' annual conference.

**Mohair Council Meets April 11**

The Mohair Council of America will hold its Executive Committee Meeting at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 11, at the Santa Fe Depot Building, Brady.

Jeffrey Sutton, President of the Mohair Council, urges all mohair producers and persons with an interest in the U.S. mohair industry to attend. Items on the agenda include the 1995 Farm Bill, Texas Mohair Tour, Retail Promotion, Naturally Texas Show, New Publicity Photos.

A full morning's activities have been planned. Mohair Council officers, President Jeffrey Sutton, Vice President Layton Black, and Secretary/Treasurer Lanny Leinweber invite and encourage all mohair producers to attend.

For further information regarding the meeting, contact the Council office in San Angelo at 915/655-3161.

**Property Tax Protest and Appeal Procedures**

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

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

**Informal Review**

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

**Review by the Appraisal Review Board**

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

The ARB is an independent board of citizens that reviews problems with appraisals or other concerns listed above. It has the power to order the appraisal district to make the necessary changes to solve problems. If you file a written request for an ARB hearing (called a notice of protest) before the deadline, the ARB will set your case for a hearing. You'll receive written notice of the time, date and place of the hearing. The hearing will be informal. You and the appraisal district representative will be asked to present evidence about your case. The ARB will make its decision based on the evidence presented. You can get a copy of a protest form from the appraisal district office at Brackettville.

Note: You shouldn't try to contact ARB members outside of the hearing. The law requires ARB members to sign an affidavit saying that they haven't talked about your case before the ARB hears it.

**Review by the District Court**

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

**More information**

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

**Deadline for Filing Protests with the ARB\***

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

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

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

**Special Deadlines**  
For change of use (the appraisal district informed you that you are losing agricultural appraisal because you changed the use of your land), the deadline is before the 30th day after the notice of the determination was mailed to you.  
For ARB changes (the ARB has informed you of a change that increases your tax liability and the change didn't result from a protest you filed), the deadline is before the 30th day after the notice of the determination was mailed to you.

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

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

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**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 Eim Asamblea 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. Minister Raymond Goodloe.  
**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



**Kinney County Chamber of Commerce Annual Meeting**



Chamber executive secretary Kathryn Letsinger presented Sofaly with an engraved gavel, from the chamber board, to mark his fifth year as president.

The chamber sincerely thanks the City of Brackettville for use of the immaculately manicured park with its newly painted tables and benches, the Fort Clark Springs VFW Post #8360 for the U.S. flag presented to the City to fly at the park, Fort Clark Springs for loan of tables, First Baptist Church for use of chairs, Albert Payne for cooking the brisket and beans, Nece Snyder for the home made bread, the directors for paying for the meat, and all others who contributed to the success of the occasion.

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 What you see can be done with love you must do; what can only be done with debate must be left alone.  
 —St. Francis De Sales



**Daisy Girl Scout Award Ceremony**

The Daisy Girl Scouts met Tuesday, March 28, at the Civic Center for an awards ceremony. Shown from left, with parent, are Skyler and Tony Parker, Nadine and Elda Terrazas, Lauren and Sue Meyer, Nicole and Lisa Howell, Catylyn and Jim Holland, Emily and Mary Valenzuela, Hayley and Jennifer Harrison, Betty and Racheal Lattimer, Sharan and Anjanette Moore, Ashley and Paula Garey.

The Daisies and sponsors would like to thank those who have supported them: B&S Grocery, Jean's, Mary Valenzuela, Tony Parker, Elda Terrazas, The Rose Petal, Sunshine Garden, Sue Castro, and all parents.

**Preceptor Theta Sigma Chapter Met At Frerich Home**

Preceptor Theta Sigma chapter had the pleasure of meeting at Nancy Frerich's home April 3rd with nine members present. A sack lunch on the front lawn was enjoyed. Nancy served cake and ice cream for dessert plus an array of Easter candies and nuts along with iced tea.

President Dee Gaston conducted a short business meeting and committee reports were given. Dee read the results of the officer election for 1995-96. They will be installed at the next meeting.

Luella Gilliland read correspondence from the International office.

Beta Sigma Phi "Quality of Life" Award 1994-95 was presented to the members of Texas Preceptor Theta Sigma for Dedication to Improving The Quality of Life for all Women through donations to Breast Cancer Research. Beta Sigma Phi has donated, as of January 31, 1995, \$29,381.50. The local chapter is proud to be a part of this program.

Dee closed the business meeting and called on Nancy Frerich to present the program.

Nancy, the busiest of our members, called on all of us to "Stop and Smell the Roses." Each member related times through their lives they took time to appreciate the good things of life.

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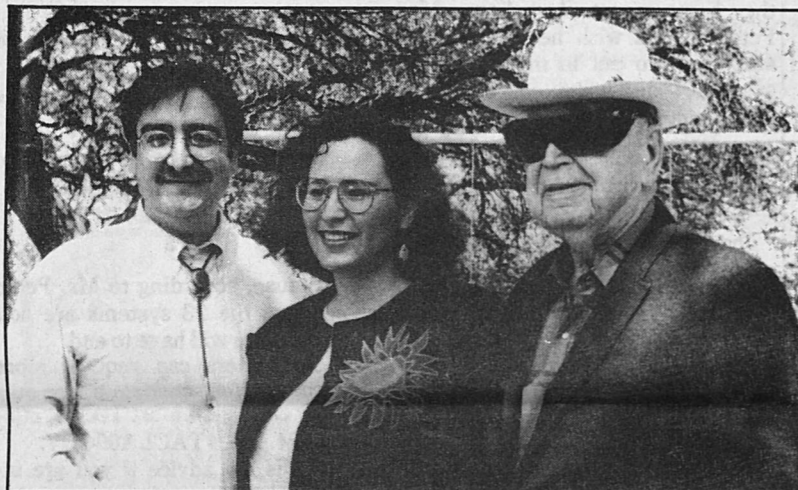
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Letsinger recognizes newest chamber member Clyde Hepline with a certificate.



Gallego and Maria Elena were not in a big rush to leave charming Columbus Park where the annual meeting was held but stayed around for some quality visiting as shown with Sterling Evans.



Enjoying a quiet moment at the park were Jewel Robinson, Maria Elena Gallego, and B.J. Hale.

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**Beginning To Transform The Federal Government**

As I sit down to write this weekly report, Congress is coming to the end of its first-100-days push. The last three months have been very busy, as Congress begins to transform the federal government. We've launched a serious effort to downsize the Washington bureaucracy, as well as reduce the massive federal deficit. While these changes sound good as citizens and taxpayers, you may wonder what these will actually mean to you.

It's critical that we reduce the size and scope of the federal government. Over the last 40 years, the federal bureaucracy has grown at an alarming rate. For example, in 1960 there were 7.9 million government employees. By 1992, however, the number of bureaucrats had exploded to 18.7 million.

Supporting a bureaucracy of that size requires a lot of tax money from hard-working American families. While in 1950, the average family spent 5% of its income to support the federal government, today's average family spends nearly 25% of its income to support the federal government. By reducing the size of government, families will be able to keep more of the money they work so hard to earn.

If we do nothing to shrink the enormous bureaucracy, it will be

impossible to balance the budget. Our national debt stands at \$4.5 trillion and growing. The huge budget deficits we run every year squeeze and drain the economy, threatening to raise interest rates. A balanced budget could reduce interest rates by 2%. That may not sound like much, but it would mean a much smaller mortgage, farm loan or car payment for you, as well as an extra \$235 billion in revenue for the government without a tax increase.

Downsizing government and reducing the deficit are two examples of what this Congress is doing to get the federal government out of your way. We are transforming government to return the power of decision making back to families on the local level. Families and leaders on the local level know better how to solve most problems than any bureaucrat in Washington ever will.

Now that the first 100 days are over and Congress is returning to a less chaotic pace, I look forward to spending more time in the district again. I am anxious to listen and talk with you about how our government could be more effective. By joining together to come up with solutions, we can transform our government and make it easier for hardworking families to achieve the American dream.

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Contrary to the self-serving efforts of a few special interest groups, the state's electric utilities have proposed legislation to increase competition in a way that will benefit all consumers. The proposal would open the wholesale generation market to all who want to participate, thus allowing every consumer to benefit from the least costly sources of power. Unlike the unregulated power producers' scheme, no consumers or group of consumers would face higher rates so a few could pay less.

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