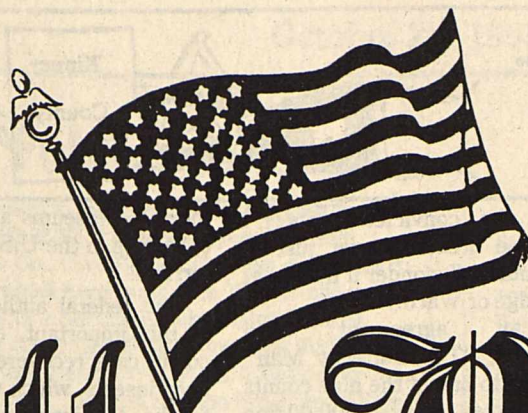




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The Brackett News

Vol. 7 No. 37 Brackettville, Fort Clark, Spofford, and Kinney County, Texas October 26, 1995

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

Circus! Circus!

In the words of Brackett's own Happy Shahan, "Everybody wants to see the Elephants." After some leg work and many phone calls we finally got the scoop.

The Allen Bros. Circus will be at the High School FFA Rodeo Arena, Highway 2804 and West Highway 90, on Monday, October 30th, for two shows at 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m., under the big top.

Children under 12 years of age admitted free. Part of the proceeds will go to the Brackett F.F.A.

Watch for the posters around town and be sure and attend one of the shows.

See the Circus ad on page 4.

PTO Fall Festival

It is that time of year again, for the annual P.T.O. Fall Festival to be held this coming Saturday, October 28, 1995 from 11:00 - 3:00 p.m. at the back parking lot of Brackett Independent School District.

Some of the booths that will be sponsored at the festival are the P.T.O. hamburger and soda booth with proceeds going towards the scholarship fund; **Headstart** - dart game and frito pies; **Pre-K** - cookie sales; **Kindergarten** - Pumpkin toss and food basket raffle; **1st Grade** - Cascarones; **2nd Grade** - Cake Walk; **4th Grade** - Raffle for a cake donated by Lopez Bakery; **5th Grade** - Turkey raffle, purchased by 5th grade class; **Sophomores** - Basketball Free Throw Contest; **Juniors** - Jail and Buckin' Barrel; **Seniors** - Face Painting.

SEE YOU THERE!!!

7th Annual Miles For Meals

Crystal City: The Middle Rio Grande Development Council Area Agency on Aging will host the 7th Annual Miles for Meals Walk-A-Thon on Saturday, November 11, 1995 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon. This year the walk will be combined with a community health fair for all ages. In the previous years, this event has proven to be successful due to the community's response to the cause of raising funds for local Senior Citizen Nutrition Programs and the MRGDC-AAA Regional Food Bank.

The Nutrition programs provide Home Delivered Meals to home bound elderly, as well as congregate meals within the MRGDC 9 county region with emphasis placed on the frail elderly. The elderly participating in the walk raise funds for their local meal programs and will be from the surrounding counties of Maverick, Zavala, Dimmit, Uvalde, La Salle, Kinney, Real, Edwards, and the City of Del Rio. The Miles Walk-A-Thon is a pledge walk from friends, family, fellow employees, businesses, and others who will be contributing money for each lap walked. All proceeds raised will go directly back to each individual nutrition center participating to allow financial support for this much needed program.

The MRGDC Regional Food Bank has been established to assist those elderly who have no family, friends or other resources to assist with the basic necessities of life. The Regional Food Bank works closely with the Adult Protective & Regulatory services throughout the region and the Texas Department of

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Second Phase Of Sports Complex

The second phase of the "Sports Complex" project is underway. Included in the next phase of the project are the restrooms, concession stand, and boys baseball field, shown here in the beginning stages of construction. The City, school, and several local contractors are all working together to complete this phase by the beginning of the 96 baseball-softball season. So far everything is on schedule.

If there are any community members who would like to contribute to this worthy project in the way of donating trees, or black dirt for the fields or playground equipment etc...they can contact Kathy Bader 563-2198.

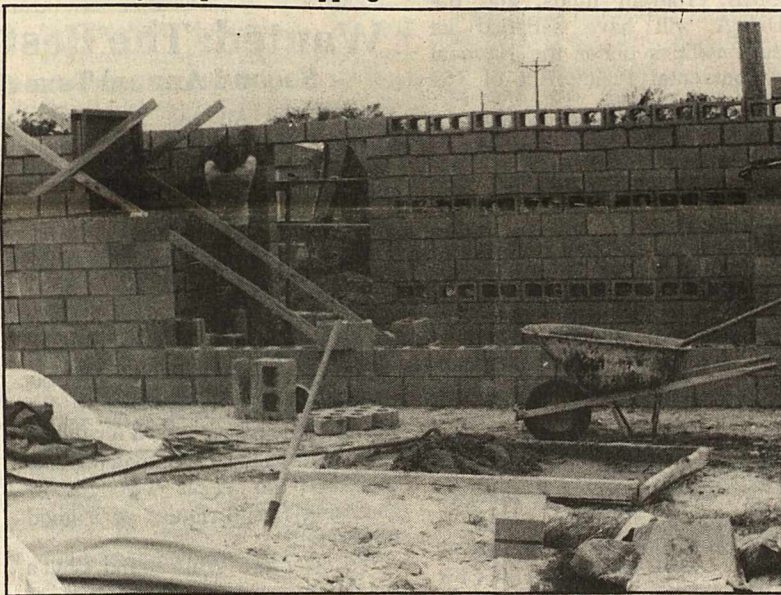
The City of Brackett will be very proud of this complex that is being built for our youth!!



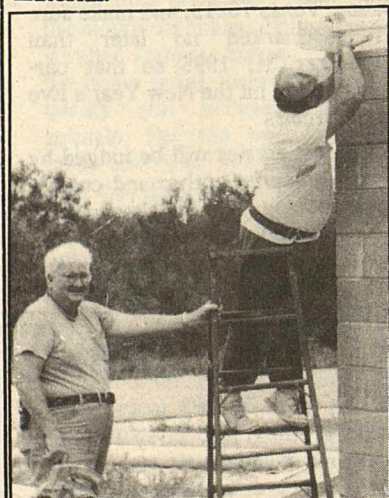
City dump truck dropping a load of dirt on the field.



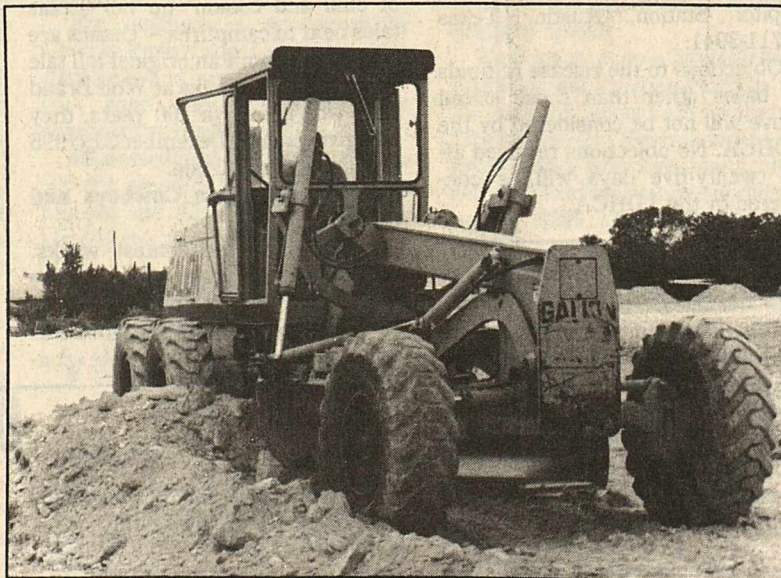
Jimmy Bader surveying field for material.



Mario Hernandez doing brick work on concession stand.



Rocky Hill and Garlin Hill building bathrooms.



Tom Gomez on Bader Equipment Company maintainer.

Gooooo Tigerettes!

Final District Girls Volleyball

Game will be played Thursday, evening against Dilley in Brackettville. If the girls win they will be undefeated district Champs. They will then begin playoff competition probably against Lytle in Hondo on

the 4th of November. If not then there will be a 3rd game against Dilley set.

Please come out and support our girls!! They are doing a great job.

Jones Elementary Receives Award

Brackett ISD's very own Jones Elementary has attained the commended school status from TEA. This award was reached because Jones Elementary Title I students performed so well on the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS Test). A school receives the commended status when 70% or more of their participating Title I students pass the reading and math section of the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) during the 1994-95 school year.

On Wednesday evening October 18th in Corpus Christi, Texas, the award was presented at the 21st Annual Fall Conference of the Association for Compensatory Educators of Texas (ACET). After musical selections by the A.C. Jones high school singers of Beeville, Texas, opening remarks, in-

troductions, and greetings the awards were handed out.

Steve Mills, Superintendent of schools and Carl Glass, Principal of Jones Elementary were present when Dr. Jay Cummings, Associate Commissioner of the Texas Education Agency presented the award. During the ceremony, 316 campuses were recognized in front of a very large crowd in the bayfront Plaza Convention Center Auditorium. Afterwards a very informative keynote address was delivered by Carlos Bruno Villanueva, President and CEO of Tierra Films.

The award which is hanging in the hall of Jones Elementary is a tribute to the countless hours of work and effort put forth by all the staff involved in striving for excellence.



Left To Right: Mike Miller - Director of The Del Rio Memorial Park Cemetery and Cherron Rinehart, Program Presenter.

Rotary Club

By Frances McMaster
Contributing Writer

Cherron Rinehart introduced the October 19th Rotary program in the absence of Chairman Taylor Stephenson who was out of town. Mike Miller, Director of the Del Rio Memorial Park Cemetery spoke. Mike prefaced his remarks by saying that in this culture, people are reluctant to talk about death. They also tend to have some vague, ghoulish ideas about the work done by undertakers.

As a child, one of Mike's jobs was to help his father take care of the family cemetery. As he cleaned out the grass around the headstones etched with the names of his kin, Mike developed a sense of his own roots and a reverence for his forebearers. When he became an adult, he felt a need to help other people. Becoming a cemeterian was a natural choice for him.

Mike explained that many types of cemeteries exist. One is a donation cemetery. It is owned by a church, a family or extended family and volunteers. This type must have support or it will fall into disarray. Another type is an association of property owners. An elected board of directors disburses funds. Other cemeteries are tax supported by city, state or county. Some states have national cemeteries.

The perpetual care cemetery is ideal from the point of view of an employee. It is self supportive, operating on the sale of spaces and memorializations. A certain part of the income is put into a trust fund that is never touched. Regulations are enforced that assure its upkeep to protect the investment. Del Rio's Memorial Park has a regulation that markers must be flat bronze rectangles. However, Section 10 is now being developed which will accommodate upright headstones. There is a chapel used for funeral services in the center of the Park.

After speaking briefly about caskets and vaults, Mike spoke of the importance of pre-arranging funerals. Death imposes itself on people. The law requires that the next surviving kin bury the dead person. There is expense involved. Preplanning is prudent. Making selections while emotionally upset invites unwise decisions.

After Mike spoke, several members admitted that when his subject was announced, they thought, "Who wants to hear about cemeteries?" However, we listened and were informed. He also managed to sandwich in a couple of funny incidences which he recounted with sensitivity and we enjoyed. Perhaps his greatest accomplishment was getting us to open our minds to the topic of death. Thank you, Mike Miller.

High Risk Persons Urged To Update Shots

The Texas Department of Health (TDH) has issued its yearly warning that anyone who may be at increased risk of complications of influenza should be immunized before the flu season begins.

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) each year predicts which strains of influenza pose the greatest public health danger. The vaccine CDC has recommended for the 1995-96 season is designed to combat the A/Johannesburg, B/Beijing and A/Texas (first isolated in Houston in 1991) strains of the disease.

Flu vaccines change yearly to combat mutations in the virus, and the effectiveness of each year's shots declines with time. Therefore, annual immunizations with the appropriate vaccines are necessary for people most at risk.

People most at risk of severe or fatal complications of the disease include those 65 or older, anyone with chronic respiratory or heart problems and children weakened by disease.

"Usually most threatening between December through April each year, influenza kills about 20,000 in the U.S., most of them in high-risk categories," according to Robert D. Crider Jr., director of TDH's Immunization Initiative Division. Crider said that the elderly are among the hardest-hit by influenza and its complications.

"Fewer than 30 percent of Americans in high-risk groups heed our repeated warnings to seek influenza vaccinations," he added. "We know that one reason some older people fail to be vaccinated is because of an unfounded fear that the vaccine can actually cause influenza. The truth is that a vaccinated person may still contract some strain of influenza, but not from the vaccine. If they do become ill, the vaccine usually helps lessen the severity of the case."

The categories of people who are most likely to develop influenza complications are:

- *Persons 65 years old and older;
- *Adults and children with chronic

heart or lung disorders, including children with asthma;

*People under medical care for chronic metabolic diseases, kidney or blood problems or weakened immune systems; and

*Children (18 and younger) who already are receiving long-term aspirin therapy, which can place them at risk of developing Reye syndrome after influenza.

"We strongly recommend influenza vaccinations for all people in high-risk groups, especially if they are international travelers of if they are pregnant," Crider advised. "People infected with the human immunodeficiency virus (the virus which causes AIDS) also may be at increased risk for flu complications." In addition, CDC recommends that physicians, nurses and other health professionals should be immunized against influenza to avoid spreading the disease to their patients. Residents and employees of nursing homes and other facilities treating

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Sheriff's Corner

By Sheriff Norman H. Hooten



The world rests easier today following the arrest and conviction of "The Butterfly Man" (a Dripping Springs, Texas man). This heinous "hardcore criminal" (tongue in cheek) was finally brought to justice and indicted by the federal government on nine (9!) counts of "importing foreign commerce", "smuggling merchandise without an invoice", and "failing to file a declaration for importation of wildlife"! Heinous crimes all!

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, the agency that saved us all by conducting the successful investigation into the activities of this "dangerous criminal" (tongue in cheek again) is to be commended for their efforts in the time consuming, costly (money is no object when on the trail of "The Butterfly Man") operation. The lead agent, no doubt a modern day Sherlock Holmes, said he hopes the agency has sent out "a chilling message" to others that "they better follow the rules or they could end

up like the convicted suspect"! Makes one breathe easier just to think about it! (I wonder if he was at Ruby Ridge or Waco?)

In an agreement with prosecutors, "The Butterfly Man" pled guilty to one of the nine counts and is expected to pay a \$500.00 fine and serve a year's probation. (Take that you heinous criminal!) Had he been convicted on all nine counts against him he could have received up to 30 years in a federal prison!

At the conclusion of the case the lead agent (old Sherlock) stated, "It's sort of an unusual case, and it will probably never happen again, a lot of people have learned from this."

The terrible crimes committed by "The Butterfly Man" will, I'm sure, go down in the crime history books in infamy. What were the heinous crimes this man committed against society? Collecting butterflies in Mexico, transporting their dead bodies across the border, and selling

them to museums and other insect collectors in the U.S.! Terrible, just terrible!

The federal authorities involved in this important, exhaustive, and costly case recovered some 15,000 dead insects, which will be returned to the Mexican government at a later date. I'm sure they are waiting anxiously for the safe return to them these representatives of their national resources!

I've been somewhat concerned since reading of this case as on my last trip to San Antonio I "murdered" several hundred butterflies with the front of my pickup! I hurried to the car wash on my return to destroy the "evidence" and wash it down the drain before the feds got after me!

At any rate I'm sure you will all rest easier in your beds tonight knowing that the dreaded "Butterfly Man" has been captured at last and received his just due!

THAT'S ALL!

Notice To Public By Community Council Of Southwest Texas, Inc., Of Intent To Request The Release Of Funds In Connection The Home Investment Partnership Program

To All Interested Agencies, Groups, and Persons:

On or about nine days after the publication of this notice, the Community Council of Southwest Texas, Inc. (CCSWT), will request the Texas Department of Housing And Community Affairs (TDHCA) to release funds under Title II of the National Affordable Housing Act of 1990 for the following project:

Home Program Contract Number: 534279
Description: First time home buyers down payment and closing cost assistance

Location: Kinney County
Total Estimated Cost: \$52,000.00

An Environmental Review Record respecting the within projects has been made by CCSWT, which documents the environmental review status of the projects. This Environmental Record is on file at CCSWT, 713 E. Main, Uvalde, Texas and is available for public examination and copying upon request between the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Comments will be received 7 days following the publication of this notice.

CCSWT will undertake the project described above with the HOME Investment Partnership Program funds from the TDHCA under Title II of the National Affordable Housing Act of 1990. CCSWT is certifying to the TDHCA that CCSWT and Jorge Botello in his official capacity as Executive Director, consent to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to environmental assessments, decision making, and action; and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The legal effect of the certification is that upon its approval, CCSWT may use HOME Program funds, and the TDHCA will have satisfied its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and 24 CFR Part 58.

The Texas Department of Housing And Community Affairs (TDHCA) will accept an objection to its approval of the release of funds and acceptance of the certification only if it is on one of the following basis:

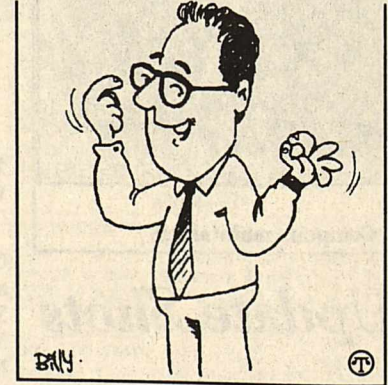
a) that the certification was not in fact executed by the chief executive officer or other certifying of the Grantee approved by the TDHCA; or

b) that the Grantee's environmental review record for the project indicated commission of a required decision, finding, or step applicable to the project in the environmental review required procedures (24 CFR Part 58), and may be addressed to the TDHCA, P.O. Box 13941, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711-3941.

Objections to the release of funds on bases other than those stated above will not be considered by the TDHCA. No objections received after twenty-five days will be considered by the TDHCA.

Give Your Eyes A Safety Check

(NAPS)—Glasses with scratch-resistant glass lenses can help you see better and make life safer.



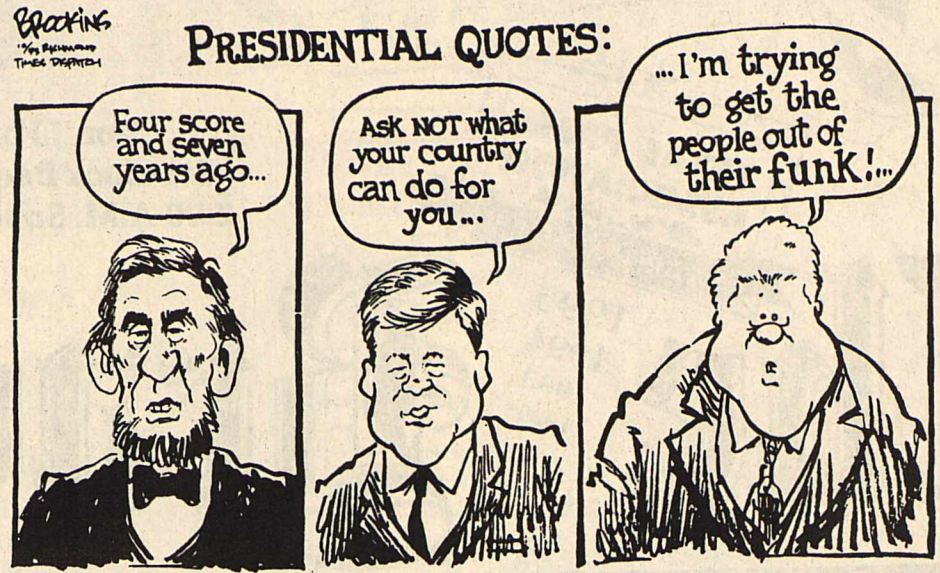
Glass is the most scratch-resistant lens material available, which means that glasses with glass lenses are more durable.

Regular eye exams are important since visual needs may change so quickly and subtly that they can create a safety hazard—like missing an important road sign or not being able to accurately read a prescription label.

During your next exam, ask about the extra advantages of glass lenses. Many eye care professionals recommend them because they are:

- Strong and scratch-resistant, which guarantees they remain clear and never become clouded by scratches.
- Heat- and chemical-resistant. Glass lenses can be left on a car dashboard without warping or changing color. They're also immune to chemical changes from common substances like household detergents, fruit juices or nail polish remover.

For maximum safety, keep an extra pair of glasses handy in a convenient place.



Between Us

By Joe Townsend



We are living in a time of great shows. The "Million Man March" was a great show. The something over 200,000 men (official count) was a sight to behold. The day of speeches offered something for everyone. Some honest and thoughtful speeches offered substance. Some were vitriolic and abrasive. The man who instigated the gathering offered a polyglot of both. A careful analysis of what Farrakhan said bares the heart of a rabid, racist, egotistic bigot. If his message catches fire in the U.S. there will be seen the worst racist conflagration America has ever seen.

Another great show and sham is the 50th year celebration of the birth of the United Nations. I was present at the birth of the U.N. in San Francisco. When the great leaders of the world gathered we saw some truly great leaders. Men such as Mandela and Castro would have

been ignored. Nations gathered in unity of support to have a reign of peace in all the world. Now we see an abundance of nations, some smaller than several U.S. States with their hands out demanding financial help from the U.S. Because the U.S. has with held payment to the U.N. hoping to see changes in the radical and wasteful practices, these nations demanding money from the U.N. are furious. It has been the epitome of idiocy from the beginning for the U.S. to pay 25% of all the cost of the U.N. Of all the unpaid promises to the U.N. by participating nations only 25% is the U.S. portion.

We don't even hear the names of those withholding nations. If the people of New York City were as criminal as the foreigners in NYC jails couldn't hold them all. Irresponsible people of the U.N. claiming diplomatic immunity owe NYC more than a million dollars in

parking tickets alone. A recap of the other arrogant actions by the foreign visitors reveal a loathsome attitude.

The military actions by the U.N. that demand the U.S. furnish up to 50% of armed personnel is ludicrous. The search for egotistical glory by Bill Clinton in bowing to this calumny only stirs the nauseous mess. The vast numbers of empty seats in the assembly hall shows the lack of general concern. It shows the main concern by most of the delegates is a touristic vacation. For the U.S. to host a sounding board for radical elements like Mandela and Castro is unconscionable. We don't seem to remember that South Africa was a great nation with a strong economy when pressure from the U.N. demanded changes and Mandela took over. Chaos reigned and the first major step of Mandela was to seek millions of dollars from the U.S. A sensible policy for the U.S. would be to withdraw from the U.N. and let it stew in its own juice.

Wanted: The Best Of Texas Words, Wit And Wisdom Second Annual Texas Tall Tales Contest Celebrates 100-Year Milestone

DALLAS -- All you Texans and displaced Texans alike, put on your boots, grab your pens and start writin'. Wolf Brand Chili, Texas' favorite canned chili since 1895, is conducting its second annual Texas Tall Tales contest -- a test of words, wit and wisdom that celebrates the practice of telling tall Texas tales. As we all know, Texans have a penchant for anything big including big trucks, big hair, big Texas pride and big bull. A Texan's knack for telling tall tales is as innate as knowing how to dance the Texas Two-step or assessing the attributes of a good bowl of red.

To celebrate Wolf Brand Chili's 100th anniversary -- a century of cowhands whistlin' up steamin' pots of chili and cookin' up tall Texas tales next to campfires -- Texans are invited to submit an original tall tale entry. While the folks at Wolf Brand Chili won't give ya 100 years, they will give ya until December 31, 1995 to send in your tall tale.

Now Say It Again Cowboys and Cowgirls...

Here's how the contest works. Story tellers 18 years and older are encouraged to pick up a September or November '95 issue of *Texas Monthly* explaining complete con-

test rules. Contest participants are encouraged to use their own special flair of Texas humor to highlight or exaggerate some aspect of Texas life in a 500-word-or-less story (it's a good thing "y'all" counts as one!).

Story subjects are fair game, from Texas history, current events, and famous Texans, to the time your great, great grandmother skinned a 'coon with her bare hands. You name it, anything goes. And, in the true Texas spirit, don't let the truth stand in the way of a good story.

Oh, and before we forget, all entries must include the words, "100 years" and "Wolf Brand Chili," to commemorate 100 years of Texas' best chili, at least once (*nicey, please*, the good folks at Wolf Brand add). Mail entries to "Wolf Brand Chili Texas Tall Tales Contest," 3131 Turtle Creek Blvd., Suite 500, Dallas, Texas 75219, and make sure its postmarked no later than December 31, 1995 so that participants can hit the New Year's Eve party circuit.

Contest entries will be judged by Texas humorist author and contest spokesperson, John Erickson (*Hank The Cowdog*), Anne Dingus, contributing editor of *Texas Monthly* and well-known Texas author (*The*

Truth About Texas, The Book of Texas Lists) and Skip Hollandsworth, editor of *Texas Monthly*.

This year's grand prize winner will receive a Big Bend River Rafting trip for two consisting of three nights of camping under the West Texas sky and two days of rafting, and round trip tickets from any Texas city to Midland, Texas, provided by Southwest Airlines (Value \$1,100). The Texan with the next best tale will receive accommodations for two to a weekend getaway at a bed and breakfast in Fredericksburg, the heart of Texas Hill Country (\$250 value) and a pair of authentic Texas-made boots from Justin Boot Company (\$150 value). The third place cowhand will receive a cowboy hat from Resistol Hats (\$200 value) and prize pair of authentic Texas-made boots (\$150 value) from Justin Boot Company.

So, C'mon, all you Texans with a tale to tell. Put on your thinkin' cap (preferably one with a brim) and pen a little of your own Texas lore. One hundred year-old Wolf Brand Chili is giving you another opportunity to express yourself in a contest that could give you just that much more to brag about.

Did You Know?

Walkoberfest, an annual fund-raising walk-a-thon, helps you burn off calories for a worthy cause, raising funds for the American Diabetes Association.

Local stores now carry Tagamet HB, one of the most significant advancements in the treatment of heartburn in this country.

When setting up a home office, a combination printer-fax-copier, such as the Hewlett-Packard OfficeJet, can save you both space and dollars.

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Plaza del Sol Mall Halloween Activities & Trick Or Treat

October 31 - 4:30 - 8:00 P.M.

- Barrels Of Fun - Rides For The Little Ones
- Horseback Riding
- Trick Or Treat - 6:00 - 6:30 P.M.
- Costume Contest - Front Parking Lot
3 - 8 Years Old

Tent Outside Of Mall

Moncus Meditations



Mike Moncus
Park Ranger, Interpreter
Bastrop State Park

Change Is Part Of Eternal

The smoke mist rising straight up off the lake in the 7:30 sun looks like little friendly ghosts as the upper air dissolves them. Beautiful weather but a very busy time for me. Everyone is out and I have walks and talks and programs not to mention my normal work. I used to spend so much time alone. I needed it to be what I am now. Sometimes I miss some alone time where I could be really at rest. Around groups I talk of rest times and communion with nature but I've as yet not learned to do it with a group.

We've this season had our ragweed epidemic and now there's goldenrod and cedar. Goldenrod is beautiful standing up like clusters of candles and though many claim it as very irritable I believe it's appearance far out weighs its harmfulness.

I hope for this kind of day all winter long. These are the best, but I remember how well I've enjoyed

good days in snow and rain. I remember being locked in out of very wet cold days and staring out through glazed-over windows at a world of soggy cold. I remember a few games of monopoly and a thousand of UNO. All my life when the weather hasn't been stronger even on bad days I've pushed my way free of the trappings of mankind and gone to stand outdoors and feel and listen to the world. I don't always understand the attraction it all has for me. I don't know whether it's that there's always something new to see or that it's eternally the same. I know it's always changing. It always has but even its changing is a big part of its eternal sameness. I love that it attracts me to it to be familiar with it. I feel, some, that it even loves me as a part of it.

/s/Michael R. Moncus

Nueces River Authority

New officers were elected by the Nueces River Authority Board of Directors at its meeting, last week, in San Antonio. Robert D. Johanson, Three Rivers, will serve as President, replacing Robert Wagner, Crystal City, whose term as a director has expired. Mary B. Autry, Pipe Creek, was elected First Vice President; Janna Whatley Williams, Sinton, Second Vice President; Thomas R. Faulkenberry, Brackettville Secretary-Treasurer; and, George A. Finley, III, Corpus Christi, will be a member of the Executive Committee.

On Tuesday, following the Board meeting, eight new directors were appointed to the NRA Board by Governor George W. Bush. Appointed to serve six year terms are Ernestine Carson, Barksdale; William I. Dillard, Uvalde; James F. (Jimmy) Dodson, Robstown; Ariel Antonio Garcia, Corpus Christi; Hazel R. Graff, Hondo; Kay Lynn Jaski, Poteet; and Patty Puig Mueller, Corpus Christi. Beth Reavis Knolle, Sandia, was appointed to a four year term.

Other directors serving on the 21 member Board are Margaret Bowman, Spofford; Cleo Bustamante, Carrizo Springs; Ted Jones, Ingleside; Susan Allen Lynch, Rio Frio; Bob Mullen, Alice; Mary Melissa Ramos, Floresville; Patricia H. Sugarek, Skidmore; and, Alfredo Zamora, Jr., Cotulla.

The Nueces River Authority, officed in Uvalde, serves all or parts of 22 counties in South Texas and has broad statutory authority to preserve and develop surface water resources. It owns Choke Canyon Reservoir jointly with the City of Corpus Christi.

Public Notice

Pursuant to the Public Utility Regulatory Act of 1995 §§3.2532, 3.453, Southwestern Bell Telephone Co., (SWBT) has filed two applications for a new Local Access Service Tariff to allow: 1) Holders of a Service Provider Certificate of Operating Authority (SPCOA) to resell SWBT's local exchange service to the SPCOA's end user customer, and, 2) Local Service Providers (LSPs) to resell SWBT's new usage sensitive local connection (USLC) in the provisioning of their local exchange service to their end users. These services will enable LSPs to offer local exchange service to their end user customers.

Persons who wish to comment on or intervene in this proceeding concerning these tariffs should notify the Commission by November 28, 1995 in writing and refer to SOAH Docket Nos. 473-95-1209/473-95-1210 and Docket Nos. 14658/14659. The comment or intervention request should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, 7800 Shoal Creek Blvd., 400N, Austin, Texas 78757. If you have questions regarding the above docket numbers you may call the Public Utility Commission Public Information Office at (512) 458-0223 or (512) 458-0227, or (512) 458-0221 teletypewriter for the deaf.



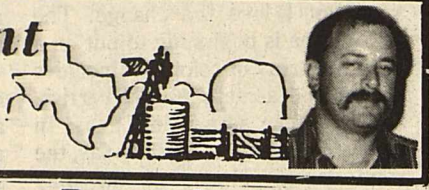
Aviso Público

Según el Decreto, §§3.2532, 3.453, del Reglamento de Servicios Públicos de 1995, la compañía Southwestern Bell Telephone, (SWBT) ha llenado dos solicitudes pidiendo una nueva Tarifa para Acceso de Servicio Local, la cual permitirá: 1) A los poseedores de un Certificado de Servicio Proveedor de Autoridad Operacional, (CSPAO) revender el servicio de la central local de SWBT al consumidor de los CSPAO, y, 2) A los Proveedores de Servicio Local (PSL), revender la nueva Conexión de Consumo Local Sensitivo (CCLS) en el abastecimiento del servicio de la central local a sus consumidores. Estos servicios permitirán a los PSL ofrecer servicio de la central local a sus consumidores.

Personas que deseen hacer algún comentario o intervenir en el procedimiento relacionado a estas tarifas, deben notificar por escrito a la Comisión para el 28 de noviembre de 1995 y referirse a SOAH números de rútolu: 473-95-1209/473-95-1210 y al números de rútolu: 14658/14659. El comentario o la intervención solicitada debe ser enviada a: Public Utility Commission of Texas, 7800 Shoal Creek Boulevard, 400N, Austin, Texas 78757. Si tiene alguna pregunta acerca de los números de rútolu antes mencionados, puede llamar a la oficina de información de la Comisión de Servicios Públicos al (512) 458-0223, (512) 458-0227 ó al (512) 458-0221 con teletipo para personas con impedimentos auditivos.

County Agent News

by Alan L. McWilliams



Understanding Deer Behavior

We have an abundance of whitetail deer in Kinney County. A camera or a gun, or just watching them from your front yard, understanding deer behavior may explain deer actions and enable you to have a better understanding of their nature.

Deer have a general aversion to the new, something startling or unfamiliar. A whitetail's common reaction is to flee from what it can not identify immediately. Animals can be trained to modify their natural behavior but not usually in a short time. Placing items that you expect them to eat or use requires that the object, such as a blind, be placed well ahead of the time you need to use it so the deer become accustomed to its presence and smell.

Deer can be trained to accept the unnatural, but this is a very slow process with limits on how well it is accepted. A young deer can be trained to wear a halter, come to a whistle, or ride in a trailer. However, when frightened or startled the deer will react like a wild animal in spite of its training.

Hunters and homeowners commonly condition deer to take bait or food. Corn is not a natural food, so the deer must be trained to eat it. However, there usually must be a strong motivation for the deer to test something new. Deer can be introduced to corn or protein blocks when native food sources are scarce. Hunger usually overrides the aversion to something new.

Jumping a fence is another learned behavior. Many of us assume that deer know what to do when they come to a fence. But this is simply not the case. Normally, deer would rather crawl under or through an obstacle, but low net-wire fences are barriers only for young animals who have not learned how to jump. Deer are capable of jumping over 8-foot fences. However, they generally jump just high enough to clear the obstacle. Accidents, like hanging in the top wires of a livestock fence when trying to jump it occurs all the time, although it usually happens when deer are in a weakened state from hunger or sickness. If the top fence wires are at least eight inches apart, the occurrence of deer hanging in the top wires is lessened. Many ranches have begun to space the top wires wider than when they were previously constructed.

Whitetails are not social herding animals. They are usually found in small groups of two to five head. In winter, they may be found in larger groups when feeding on oats or wheat or some other favorite feeding place. Dominant individuals even in species which do not herd, such as whitetails and mule deer, enforce their position in a number of ways. Males may use their hardened antlers. When antlers are absent, males, like females, use their front legs and hooves. In a dispute over rank or food, deer may rear up and flail with their front legs.

Around each individual there exists a zone within which it will not tolerate other individuals. This is a variable affected by social rank,

seasons of the year and sex of the individuals. Crowding may trigger excessive behavior as a result of food being placed in one particular area with dominant animals continually feeding at that spot.

When spring arrives, large groups associated with special winter locations break up and move on. Females groups tend to be comprised of an old doe with her previous year's fawns, both male and female. As time of birth approaches, individual females separate to themselves to give birth. Fawns remain close to where they are born for the first few days, moving about when the doe returns for them to nurse. The peak of fawning season tends to be in June, although it varies some over the entire state.

Within a few weeks, the fawns move with their mother at least part of the time. The mother and fawns may join up with the previous year's offspring. A yearling buck is usually driven away by its mother at the time she goes into seclusion to give birth to the current year's fawns. If the buck is large, frequently it is not accepted back into the female society. It is at this time the young buck must make the transition into the male society. They may wander greater distances than established males in an effort to establish themselves.

White-tailed deer habitat includes all those items necessary for them to exist. Sufficient food, cover, and water must be in this area in which the individual animal lives. This area is called its home range. The size of the home range varies with habitat quality and between sexes of animals. For the whitetail, home range size is 60-340 acres for a doe and 240-880 for a buck. These figures are over simplified to demonstrate the variance in the upper and lower limits to home range size that affects distribution and density, however, the key thing is good quality habitat.

Deer tend to stay within their home range. If food, cover or water is eliminated within an individual's home range through drought, grazing, clearing or fire, that individual will have a difficult time surviving. Most animals have a strong affinity to their home range and seldom desert it even under adverse conditions.

These are just some of the characteristics of the whitetail deer in Texas. So, next time you are watching deer you will know a little more about why they may be acting a certain way or how they have learned to interact with you.

All Kinney County 4-H and FFA members are reminded about county validation for the Kinney County 4-H & FFA Livestock Show. Validation will take place on Sunday October 29, 1995 from 1:00 - 6:00 p.m. at the Foust Vocational Ag. Building. To show in this county show, a member must present his or her animal to validation committee on the 29th. For more information or questions, call the County Extension Office.

Kinney County 4-H

The coveted Gold Star which is the highest recognition of 4-H achievement at the county level, was presented at the District 10 Gold Star Luncheon in Uvalde on October 21. The event was held at the Uvalde Country Club.

A gathering of about 200 4-Hers, parents, adult leaders, special guests and Texas Agricultural Extension Service personnel were in attendance. Members of the District Gold Star Committee conducted the luncheon and program. Award presentations were made by special guests and the keynote speaker.

Jared Shahan represented the Kinney County 4-H Program and is this year's recipient. Members are named Gold Star winners on the basis of personal development, leadership, achievement in project work and activities that contribute to the overall program in county 4-H programs.

The luncheon is sponsored by Central Power and Light Company each year and representatives were on hand to welcome and congratulate the honorees.

Also attending the luncheon were Jared's parents, Tully and Darlene Shahan and Kinney County Extension Agent, Alan McWilliams.

Public Hearings Set On Commercial Vehicle Registration In Texas

AUSTIN - Public hearings in El Paso, Laredo, McAllen and Austin will gather comment on proposed changes in commercial vehicle registration in Texas.

Conducted by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) the hearings will be open for public comment on the proposed repeal and adoption of new rules necessary to comply with Texas Senate Bills 981 and 1420.

Senate Bill 981 authorized TxDOT to issue annual registration for foreign commercial vehicles on Texas highways and eliminated the temporary 24-hour registration permit effective Sept. 1, 1995. Senate Bill 1420 authorized TxDOT to issue 72-hour and 144-hour temporary registration permits for commercial vehicles owned by residents of Mexico beginning Sept. 1, 1995.

The hearings are scheduled as follows: -Oct. 23, El Paso, Ysleta Independent School District Administration Building Auditorium, 9600 Sims Drive.

-Oct. 24, Laredo, Laredo Civic Center Meeting Room, 2400 San Bernardo Ave.

-Oct. 25 McAllen, McAllen International Civic Center Convention Hall No. 3, 1300 S. 10th St.

-Oct. 27, Austin, Dewitt C. Greer State Highway Building, First Floor Hearing Room, 125 E. 11th St.

Each hearing will convene at 1 p.m. Registration for those wishing to speak at each meeting will begin at 12:30 p.m. Written comments will be accepted until Nov. 7.

Hearing Screening Free

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

Val Verde Memorial Hospital Observes National Diabetes Education Week!

National Diabetes Education Week is October 30-November 6, 1995 and Val Verde Memorial Hospital has some activities planned in observance of this special week. During this one week, October 30 - November 6, 1995, the American Diabetic Association Exchange List system will be featured in the Hospital Cafeteria for breakfast, lunch and dinner menu selections. Wednesday, November 1st, from 11:30 AM-1:00 PM, Free Blood Sugar checks will be done in the Dining Room Annex; and educational material will be available in Spanish and English.

What is diabetes? Diabetes is a chronic disease in which the body fails to produce or respond properly to insulin, a hormone produced by the pancreas that helps the body process blood sugar. Is it serious? YES! Left untreated, diabetes can result in heart disease, kidney disease, blindness, stroke, amputations and death.

Diabetes is the seventh leading cause of death in the United States and the fourth leading cause of death by disease.

How many people have diabetes? Diabetes and its complications cost the State of Texas \$3.9 billion to \$6 billion annually! Recent studies have proven that effective management can reduce complications of diabetes up to 60%...In Texas, over 1 million people have diabetes (14 million in the US)...and 50% of those who have the disease don't realize it!

Who is at risk? Hispanics and African Americans are two to three times more likely to develop diabetes. Texans older than 55 comprise nearly 50% of those with diabetes. Diabetes occurs in all groups regardless of age, sex and race.

Is there a cure? No. But researchers are encouraged by recent advances. The complications of diabetes can be greatly reduced, and in many cases prevented, with proper diagnosis and treatment.

Early detection and treatment of diabetes limits the severity of the disease's impact in later life. Persons with diabetes can lead longer and healthier lives by exercising regularly and learning to control obesity, diet, and cholesterol and blood sugar levels.

If you or someone you know has diabetes, we invite you to visit the hospital the week of October 30 - November 6 and learn more about diabetes. For additional information, contact Rolando Lira, RN, Patient Educator, (210)775-8566, Ext. 335.

SARA MORSE

Army First Lieutenant Sara Morse transferred from Fitzsimmons Army Medical Center Denver in July to a new assignment on the Oncology Dept. Nursing Staff at Walter Reed Army Medical Center Washington D.C. Sara's dad, Bill Morse, just returned from a 19 day visit with her at her residence in Silver Spring, MD. Father and daughter each completed the Army 10 miler footrace October 15 and also ran the Marine Corps Marathon (along with 16,400 other participants) this past Sunday, October 22.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of forty-two days after the date of issuance of this citation and petition, a default judgment may be taken against you.

TO MARIA DEL CONSUELO WOODSON
Defendant, Grievant:

You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Original

Petition at or before ten o'clock A.M. of the Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days after the date of issuance of this citation before the Honorable 63rd Judicial District Court of Kinney County, Texas at the Court House of said County in Brackettville, Texas, said Plaintiff's

Petition was filed in said court on the 23rd day of Oct. A.D. 1995, in this case, numbered 2989 on the docket of said court, and styled:

RORY DON WOODSON Plaintiff,

VS. MARIA DEL CONSUELO WOODSON Defendant.

The names of the parties to the cause are as follows:

RORY DON WOODSON are Plaintiff and

MARIA DEL CONSUELO WOODSON are Defendants

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit:

Original Petitioner's Petition For Divorce

as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in said court.

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates thereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Brackettville

Texas, this the 23 day of October, A.D. 1995.

Attest:
Dora Ella Sandoval, Clerk,
District Court, Kinney County, Texas.

By _____ Deputy.

(SFEAT.)
Insert names of ALL Plaintiffs and ALL Defendants. Do not use "et al" or "et ux" or "et vir".

There must be a statement of nature of suit, proper description of property, if any, and interest defendants are alleged to hold in said property, if they have an interest therein. See Rule 176, Rules of Civil Procedure.

'High Risk' Persons To Update Flu Shots

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chronically ill patients also should be immunized.

"We advise physicians to offer vaccine to their patients during routine clinic visits, beginning in September and throughout the influenza season," he said. "Children younger than 9 who have never received flu vaccine need their first shot, followed a month later by a booster. Adults, however, will need only one shot in a season." Crider explained that all unimmunized residents of chronic-care facilities, such as nursing homes, should be immunized during October and November since immunity may not reach full strength for a few weeks following vaccination.



The earliest known newspaper, a newsheet, actually, was the Acta Diurna (Daily Events), published in Rome in 59 B.C.

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Fruit Or Juice
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Middle And High School
@ \$1.25 = \$13.75
Milk Served At All Meals
Salad Bar Available Everyday
"R" Line Everyday

Breakfast Menu

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27
Fruited Muffins
Fruit Or Fruit Juice
MONDAY, OCTOBER 30
Waffles
Syrup
Fruit Or Fruit Juice
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31
Donut
Fruit Or Fruit Juice
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1
Breakfast Pizza
Fruit Or Fruit Juice
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2
Scrambled Eggs
Toast
Picante Sauce
Fruit Or Fruit Juice

Lunch Menu

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27
Pizza Wedge
Veggie Salad
Dressing
Fruit Mix
MONDAY, OCTOBER 30
Hot Dog With
Chili & Cheese
French Fries
Fruit Salad
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31
Country Fried Steak
Cream Gravy
Whipped Potatoes
Choice Of Veg.
Roll
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1
Hamburger
Burger Salad
French Fries
Fruited Jello
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2
Frito Pie W/Cheese
Spanish Rice
Pinto Beans
Fruit
Corn Bread



Tiger Tracks



Player Of The Week

Name: Mike Padron
Class: Senior
Sport: Football
Position: Rover and Receiver
Athletic Goals: Win District
Favorite Sports Moment: When the Tigers won district in baseball.
Favorite Subject: Yearbook
Hobbies: Basketball
Academic Goals: To graduate in top 1/2 of class.
Family: Ponce Padron, Irene Padron, and Eric Rivera.

Cubs Grab A Win From Nueces Canyon

Thursday, the Brackett Cubs traveled to Nueces Canyon to see what they had to offer. The Cubs walked away with a 14-6 victory over the Panthers.
In the last four games the Cubs have averaged 227.5 yards a game. 162.7 yards on the ground and 64.8 passing 6.9 yards a play. That is a wonderful average of gained yardage per football play.
In this victory, the Cubs rushed 34 times for 213 yards, an average of 6.3 per play. The air attack was just as well going 3 for 7 for 53 yards. The Cubs had 266 total offensive yards.



Making A Difference
By TAYLOR STEPHENSON
BISD Curriculum Director

The Changing Seasons A Time To Reflect On Change In Our Lives

Change is constant in life! We must learn to deal with it. Some change is welcomed and easily assimilated. Other times, change is not welcome. In these times, it is difficult. With a backdrop of changing seasons, let's look at some philosophy on change. Lets reflect on change in our lives and how education must adjust to a changing world. Here we go!
Take a look around you. The leaves look different on the trees like Red Oak and Pecan. One of the nicest in our part of the world is the Red Oak that can turn a beautiful red in late October. It's happening now. I don't understand exactly why, but I love the change. The Pyrocantha is beginning to put on a beautiful array of color that includes orange and sometimes red berries. Fall is a nice season in Texas. In New Mexico and in West Texas, the wind doesn't blow. It's the only season that I can remember without wind.

Tigers Fall To Wolves

Friday night, at "The Jungle", the Dilley Wolves came to challenge the Tigers in what was sure to be a war.

The Tigers fell to the Wolves 48-6. They now hold a district record of 1-1. The Tigers are down, but certainly not out. If the Tigers defeat their next 3 opponents, Cole, Lytle, and Natalia, they are looking good for the play-offs.

Head Coach Roy Rockovich says, "When you lose, it's very hard to find things that went well in the ball game but we found some things that were good. Our team certainly did not quit. When you score on the last play of the ball game you certainly show that never say die attitude. We are working very hard this week preparing for Cole. We are still the same football team we were last week when we won. We made mistakes against a good football team. Our effort was outstanding. We are bouncing back and preparing to beat the Cole Cougars."

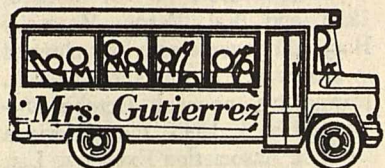
The Tigers travel to San Antonio Cole to suit up against the Cougars. See Ya There!

Player Of The Week

Name: Brian Flores
Class: Sophomore
Position: Corner Back and Receiver
Athletic Goals: Win district
Academic Goals: Go to college.
Favorite Sports Moment: Won 1st District Game.
Favorite Subject: Ag.
Hobbies: Playing video games.
Family: Blasa Chapa

JV PROFILE

Name: Brent Smith
Class: Freshman
Sport: Football
Position: Fullback
Athletic Goals: To win as many games as possible
Favorite Subject: History
Academic Goals: To get all A's and B's in his classes
Hobbies: Playing sports
Family: He has one older brother and a younger sister.



Guest Reader Program

Mrs. Gutierrez, 1st grade teacher at Jones Elementary, has started a Guest Reader program in her class. Different role models from our community are invited to visit her class, share a story with the students, and encourage them to stay in school and read in order to succeed.

This week's Guest Reader: Mr. Felix Hernandez (Post Master) Brackettville Post Office.
Thank you Mr. Hernandez for your encouragement!!!! Mrs. Gutierrez's Class.

Varsity Football Outstanding Defensive Player

Name: James Hernandez
Class: Sophomore
Sport: Football
Position: Defensive End
Athletic Goals: I want to be the best athlete that I can be.
Favorite Subject: Speech
Academic Goals: My goal is to make straight A's.
Favorite Sports Moment: My best moment yet was when I sacked the quarterback.
Hobbies: None
Family: I live with my two brothers, Josh and Gene Garcia, and my mother, Amanda Hernandez.



Make Your Home A Friendly Haunt: Parents And Neighbors Can Provide Frightfully Good, Safe Halloween Fun

TEMPLE, Texas - Is your house ready for a good haunting? Make your home ghost-friendly for all those trick-or-treaters for Halloween this Tuesday, Oct. 31.

"Halloween is a fun holiday for children, but it can be a devilish experience when accidents happen. A little planning will go a long way in preventing holiday hardships," said Jeff Smith, M.D., pediatrician at the Scott & White Clinic, College Station, and assistant professor at the Texas A&M University Health Science Center College of Medicine.

Scott & White Memorial Hospital and Clinic is one of the nation's largest medical centers, with about 440 physicians. The institution consists of the main site in Temple, and 14 regional clinics situated throughout Central Texas.
Many parents get spooked when pint-sized ghosts and goblins begin their Halloween trick-or-treating expeditions. The evening can pose special hazards for young tricksters and scare the daylight out of parents, Dr. Smith said.

If you expect a gaggle of spooks and specters to haunt your neighborhood on Halloween night, make sure your yard is free of hazards, he suggested.

"Remove obstacles in the yard, such as hoses, sprinklers, lawn furniture and potted plants. Turn your porch light on to let children know they're welcome."
"Keep lighted jack-o'-lanterns or candles away from the steps of the front door. A child's costume could possibly brush against the open flame and catch fire."

"Pets, especially dogs, may become agitated with so many visitors. Keep your pets indoor or out of harm's way for a few hours."
"Treats don't have to be full of sugar and fat. Consider giving

healthy treats such as boxes of raisins, prepackaged granola bars and sugar-free bubble gum. Some families give away pencils and colorful erasers for school."
"Parents should emphasize traffic safety rules before their children's nighttime trek. "In the excitement of Halloween, some children forget the rules they have learned about crossing streets. Encourage youngsters to remember the traffic rules. Stress that they must obey the traffic lights - even on Halloween," Dr. Smith said. These rules include:

"Look both ways and not to dash into the street from between parked cars."
"Travel with a group and walk on sidewalks or close to the curb (Not in the middle of the street)."
"Start trick-or-treating early while it's still light. Give each child a flashlight to carry no matter what the lighting."
"Use seat belts and child safety seats while driving. In their excitement to go trick-or-treating, children may forget to buckle up. Parents should not let their children hang on the back of pick-up trucks and ride on bumpers."
"Parents should accompany children on their haunting journeys or enlist the aid of a responsible older sibling who can serve as an escort."
"Instruct children to go to only lighted homes and to avoid houses where lights are turned off."

WHEN TREATS TURN TRICKY
The potential of Halloween poisonings is always present, said Doug Borys, director of the Central Texas Poison Center. That's why parents should emphasize to their children not to eat any treats before reaching home.

Once home, parents should carefully inspect all treats. "Throw away any candy that has a torn or open wrapper or that looks as if it has been tampered with. It's better to be safe than sorry," Mr. Borys said. "If your child gets sick after eating Halloween candy, try to find out exactly what he or she ate and where it came from," he said.

Neighbors should forego giving out homemade treats. "Unfortunately, these are not considered safe anymore," Mr. Borys said. "Parents should discourage their children from taking them."
The Central Texas Poison Center, based at Scott & White in Temple, is part of the Texas Poison Center Network of poison emergency treatment and information resource centers that provide comprehensive information and assistance to anyone. The Central Texas Poison Center serves 1.8 million Central Texans and encompasses the 30 counties in Texas Public Health Region 7, an area bounded by Hillsboro to the north, San Marcos to the south, San Saba and Llano to the west and Madisonville to the east. Other centers in Galveston, El Paso, Amarillo, Dallas and San Antonio serve their geographic regions. The centers can provide poison information to physicians and health-care professionals as well as to parents, grandparents, teachers, day-care workers and sitters.

Call the Texas Poison Center Network from anywhere in Texas: 1 (800) POISON1, or 1 (800) 764-7661. The phones are staffed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Callers will be connected with the nearest available Poison Center.

The Poison Centers are available free to anyone in Texas. The phones are operated by nurses and pharmacists and who have specialized training in poison information and toxicology. The centers maintain a computer database of 900,000 commercial products listed by common and brand names to help callers identify dangerous substances, he added.
Sixty percent of the calls to the

poison center concern children age 5 and younger. If you suspect your child may have ingested a substance, call the Poison Center immediately. Do not do anything until you have talked to a poison Center staff member.
PROPER FIENDISH ATTIRE!
Costumes should give children maximum mobility. Dr. Smith suggests that parents consider these guidelines before the little gremlins get dressed for their night to howl:
"Make sure the costume allows for easy movement and doesn't drag on the ground. This could cause the child to trip and fall. The child should wear shoes that fit well and feel comfortable. High heels, clown feet or heavy boots could cause the child to stumble."
"Since most trick-or-treating is done at sundown or at night, costumes should allow the child to see and to be seen by motorists. Make sure the costume is made of white or bright material so that the child can be seen at night. Use black only for trim or decorative touches."
"Elaborate headdresses and rubber masks can block a child's vision. A good substitute for masks and headdresses is face painting. Just make sure the paint is non-toxic and designed for use on the face. Use paint labeled specifically for the cosmetic purposes and safe for the skin. If you have doubts about using a paint, call the Texas Poison Center Network's toll-free number for information before applying it."
"Add plenty of glow-in-the-dark decals or reflective tape so the child can be easily seen at night. Let the child help decorate the costume, shoes, trick-or-treat bag and hat with reflective tape. Costumes made of non-flammable materials are essential. If you are buying a ready-made costume, read the labels carefully to make sure the fabric is flame retardant."
"Don't let your little trickster carry sharp objects. Safe and attractive replicas can be made with cardboard and spray paint."

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GO TIGERS!

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.

October 1883: Lt French is living in an upper room of Capt Vance's home (possibly the Pingnot house, based on French's letters) where he studies Phonography (shorthand), reads, and plays solitaire. Gen'l Smith offers him command of the Seminole Scouts, which he accepts, and to him it, "Seems natural to be back with them [the scouts] again." Lt French is often inwardly critical of his superiors but remains duty bound. His military duties are focused on qualifying as a marksman which requires almost daily target practice (the rifle range was then located to the west of the post near the present day gun range) and frequent visits to the Seminole Camp (situated along the creek at the Golf Course Clubhouse) for inspections, issues, and maintenance of order and discipline. During the month Fort Clark is visited by a light artillery battery, French's first love affair ends undramatically, and he participates in the funeral of one of the soldiers in his company. As the weather turns cooler, hops and promenades compete with sitting on porches as the foremost entertainments.

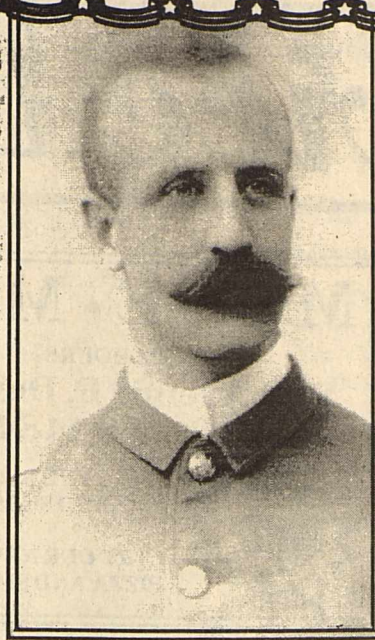
Thursday, Oct. 25 1883

The norther still continuing there was no target practice. Went to the office and down to the Commissary's. About 11 o'clock Capt. Vance & I went out on horse back five miles from the Post where he shot two teal. Returned at 4 o'clock, but did not go out to the Camp this evening. Had no opportunity to study shorthand today. In the evening Capt. Hall & I beat Capt. Vance & Mrs. Hall at their house, two rubbers of whist to one. Afterwards had cake & wine. Returned home about eleven o'clock after having a splendid time. Mrs. Hall is a true woman, one that a person likes to meet in these days when it is hard to find such ladies in the Army. I mean ladies who are guided by some principles and who will not do things that they believe to be wrong. Mrs. Hall is a thoroughly loyal friend to all whom she accepts as friends. I hope & believe I am one. Received a postal from Shunk saying my package ought to have left San Antonio last Saturday. It has not come yet much to my disgust.

FOOTSTEPS ECHO

The Fort Clark Diaries and Letters of Major General Francis Henry French

Courtesy of his descendants



Friday, Oct. 26 1883

The cold weather continues. No target practice this morning. Got out my cloak and found moths have been at work. Told George to air all my clothes & brush them thoroughly. Went down to the Quartermaster's stopping on the return to get some blanks from Guard. Made out clothing rolls for clothing issued last Friday and had them signed at stables this evening. Studied Phonography & read until dinner. In the evening read Vanity Fair & called on Flynn & Kendall. Intended to play duets with Miss Florence, but my stomach seems inclined to annoy me like it did at home.

Saturday, Oct. 27 1883

Cold drizzle prevented target practice this morning. Letter & bundle of papers from home. Went down to the office & around to Kendall's after guard mounting. Tried to get a decided opinion from the General about whether I could be ranked out of a certain house or not, but as usual he was unwilling to decide. What a pity he is such a weak man, afraid to definitely decide, afraid of a responsibility. After looking at the illustrated papers in the Library, read the papers from home & Vanity Fair, & studied short hand until dinner. After this attended the funeral of Pvt. Reith, "E" Co., 19th Inf'y., Capt. Vance, Guard & I being chief mourners, in full dress walking just after the corpse. Reith was very popular and was a very deserving man. He died suddenly yesterday, the autopsy today revealing a perforation of the intestines due to typhoid fever. The ceremony was quite impressive, especially the sounding of taps after the salute had been fired. In the evening went over to Dr. Heger's to play duets with Miss Florence, but she was not at home. Called at Chaplain Blaine's & on Col. Towle. Kendall, Flynn & Steele called this evening. What a pleasant gentleman Col. Towle would be if he could only forget his troubles.

Sunday, Oct. 28 1883

After shaving & bathing found that my mail consisted of an illustrated catalogue of iron beds, wire mattresses & c. Went to the office and over to Eckerson's this morning after breakfast. Hewitt called also. Wrote a letter home and read Vanity Fair until dinner time, afterwards going out to camp. Old Blanco is quite sick and stands a good chance of a stroke of paralysis. In the evening Col. Towle called. Played duets with Capt. Vance on violin & piano until tattoo when went to Cunningham's for a short time. Vedder and Gen. Smith went down to San Antonio Thursday night, returning yesterday morning. Last night Vedder went back there and tonight the General went down. Everybody is wondering what is it they are doing down there. Time will probably tell.

Monday, Oct. 29 1883

Cool Norther this morning, but clear. No target practice. Went to the Quartermaster's and Adjutant's and then to Dr. Heger's to play duets & sing with Miss Florence. Returned about noon to make out and send my pay accounts for October to Maj. Bash. Commenced work on the Muster Rolls for the Seminoles. Confound Guard, he has the blanks & books of the Seminoles still and I am put to a great deal of trouble in consequence. Paid bill at Commissary's this afternoon and went to the Quartermaster's. After stables played on the piano and went to a small hop in honor of Mamie Smith whose birthday is today. Had refreshments. Left before the hop was over to go out to Spofford Junction with ambulances & escort wagon to meet Gen. Smith & Mrs. Bliss. The ride was quite cool & my cloak was very comfortable.

Tuesday, Oct. 30, 1883

Had to wait over an hour at the station. Col. Bliss came in first from Arizona, Williams from Eagle Pass, while the San Antonio train brought Gen. Smith, Mrs. Bliss, little daughter, nurse, Miss Simmons & Mr. Fisk. Was introduced to the last two who are friends of Col. Bliss & are here to make a visit. After having baggage loaded on escort wagon, returned to Clark riding in the ambulance with Miss S. & Mr. F. a white haired old gentleman. Miss S. seems quite pleasant. We chatted all the way back. Ride very chilly. Got to bed about 3-30 this morning. No target practice as I got up too late. Marched on Officer of the Day & had breakfast after guard mounting. After visiting the sentinels and paying Q.M. bill worked on the Muster Rolls. Visited the sentries in afternoon. Did not go to stables. Hall dined

with us. Spent the evening at home, Hewitt being here most of the time. Visited guard about 10-30 o'clock.

Wednesday, Oct. 31 1883

Last day of the month and muster day. Got up at reveille to receive the calls and inspect the guard. After marching off guard rode out to camp and inspected and mustered the Seminoles, & had the clothing book signed. Came back in time to witness the review of inspection of the garrison by Gen. Smith, viewing part at Mrs. Hall's and the rest at Col. Bliss', sitting on the porch in each case and chatting with the ladies. Then wrote letters home, to Harry enclosing check to pay bills, to San Antonio National Bank depositing money, postal to Shunk about the freight, package and letter home [sic]. Received letters from Marie, home & pay from Maj. Bash for October. Marie has at last concluded to forgive me for not visiting Cincinnati last Summer & has requested to renew our correspondence. Of course I shall write to her as before but I don't care to particularly. Letter from home brings report of Sue's engagement to Potter, which pleases me very well indeed. As far as I can see he is a gentleman in every sense of the word, and will make her a good husband. He knows his trade and is able to fill any position on the railroad. Worked on the Muster Rolls after writing letters. Went out to stables after dinner. In the evening called on Miss Simmons & escorted her to the promenade concert. She does not dance at all but is a bright lady & talks well. Had a good time at the concert. Felt quite sleepy after getting home.

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Proposed Medicaid Cuts Could Affect All Texas Residents

(Austin, TX) -- "Texas residents are just a serious car accident or illness away from needing the long-term care protection of Medicaid," said Robert W. Goodrich, Chairman of the Texas State Legislative Committee for AARP.

"Medicaid is for many Americans the only protection against the high cost of long-term care," said Goodrich. "The \$182 billion in cuts Congress has proposed over the next seven years -- about 30 percent less than needed based on current health trends and inflation in 2002 alone -- could mean millions of Americans will lose their coverage," said Goodrich.

According to AARP calculations based on the Senate Finance Committee's proposal to cut Medicaid, Goodrich said Texas would lose \$12.2 billion in federal Medicaid funds over the next seven years, almost a 20% reduction compared to estimated spending under the current program.

"In the year 2002 alone, Texas would lose \$3.2 billion, or 27.8% in federal Medicaid spending," said Goodrich. "That's money that Texas will have to replace, if we want to continue to care for our most vulnerable citizens."

Without these federal dollars, Texas is left with few options, according to Goodrich. Texas could replace those lost federal dollars by using funds from other programs such as education, highway or prison programs, or shifting the burden to local governments which could result in increased property taxes. Texas could also decide to reduce spending on Medicaid by covering fewer people or dramatically reducing the services

provided and payments to providers.

"Medicaid is not just for low-income families," Goodrich explained. "Nearly two-thirds of all program funds go to the elderly, disabled and blind. The program also provides health care coverage to more than 15 million children whose families are unable to get private health insurance."

"The seriousness of these proposed cuts will be felt across all generations," Goodrich added. "Adult children of aging parents will be in an especially tough situation. If parents need nursing home care, but cannot afford it -- and Medicaid is not available -- will their children have the money to help out?"

Goodrich observed, "Most middle class families have a tough enough time making ends meet. With the cost of a nursing home averaging \$37,000 a year, how many will be able to help their parents?"

"Americans of all ages should take these proposed cuts seriously," Goodrich added. Each and every one of us should be calling our representatives in Washington to respectfully but firmly insist on answers to tough questions concerning Medicaid reductions, because these cuts will affect us all."

AARP is the nation's leading organization for people aged 50 and older. It serves their needs and interests through legislative advocacy, research, informative programs and community services provided by a network of local chapters and experienced volunteers throughout the country. The organization also offers members a wide range of special benefits and publications including *Modern Maturity* and the monthly *Bulletin*.



Gwen & Glenn Ladd 50th Anniversary

Gwen and Glenn Hadd of Fort Clark Springs will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on November 2.

They were married at the Methodist Church in Oxford, Indiana in 1945. They have 3 sons and

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Around the Fort

Fort Clark Historical Society

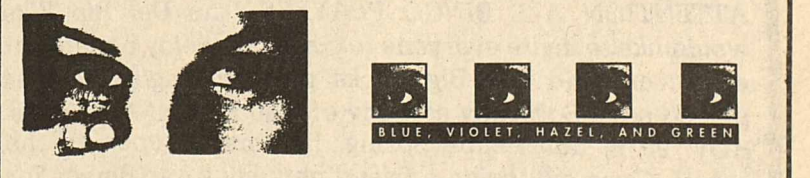
The Fort Clark Historical Society will meet at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, October 28, 1995, at the Palisado Building.

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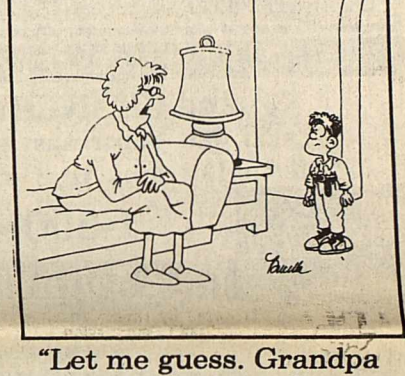
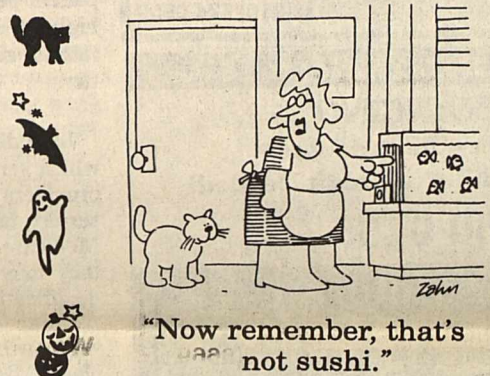
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| 5 Conceal | 61 Milo or Tessie | 118 JFK Library architect | 12 Twist or minuet | 53 Uruguayan title | 99 — one's ears (busy) |
| 9 Impressed immensely | 62 Doll up | 119 Place-kicker's prop | 13 Ocasek of the Cars | 55 "From — to Eternity" | 100 Perform a pressing task? |
| 13 Pee Wee or Della | 63 — Altos, Calif. | 120 Maui memento | 14 Cornerstone abbr. | 56 Spring spirit | 101 PDQ, politely |
| 18 Malarial fever | 64 Clear (of) | 121 Tall story? | 15 Make one's day | 57 Action area | 103 Cut and dried? |
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| 25 From C to shining C? | 82 "Bambi" extras | 137 "Swan Lake" skirt | 72 Zodiac crustacean | 73 Is in accord | 114 Bomb |
| 26 Fate | 83 — patriae | 138 Highway | 29 Have a mortgage | 74 — "You Glad You're You" prop | 115 A la King? |
| 27 Gene | 85 Freud topic | 139 Nag subtly | 32 Fancy vessel | 75 "I — vacation!" | 116 Intended |
| 28 Short relative? | 86 They cause hives | 140 Two-masted | 34 Steel beam | 76 Wax device | 117 "Rawhide" |
| 30 Jack's predecessor | 88 — into (attack) | 141 Pay to play | 35 XXI plus LXXXII | 77 "The Other" author | 119 Chore |
| 31 Mischief-maker | 89 Grind one's teeth | 142 Thai tutor | 36 Cremona cash | 79 Stage stuff | 122 "Scarlett" setting |
| 33 "The Color Purple" author | 92 Porthos' pal | 143 DOWN | 37 New Hampshire campus | 80 Coll. cadets | 123 Byzantine art form |
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| 43 Besch or Anderson | 102 Gets boring | 2 Turkish title | 39 "Oh, woe!" | 87 Maestro Georg | 126 "Blame — the Bossa Nova" |
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Natasha's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19)
Stop being such a shrinking violet this week. For some reason, you need to bolster your self-confidence. Once this is done, be alert for a new opportunity which comes up in connection with your career.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)
You'll be glad to finally put aside that private worry which has been plaguing you recently. Listen closely to what a loved one is telling you concerning a financial matter. There's an opportunity waiting in the wings.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)
Nothing can stop you now as you seem to be sailing smooth waters toward the fulfillment of your goals. Some receive an intriguing job offer from a surprising source. Be wary of someone who would lie to you.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22)
Tread lightly when it comes to financial matters, especially those of a mutual nature. Business partners don't see eye to eye until later in the week, so it's best not to press the issue. The weekend is not a good time for any gambling.

LEO (July 23 to August 22)
You are wise to doubt someone's word. This person has proven to be somewhat insincere in the past, despite having the best intentions. You need a bit of a lift later in the week, so make some plans for a sociable weekend.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22)
You have the feeling now that someone is deliberately trying to mislead you and you're right. Play along with this and you'll find out the ultimate motivation behind it. An unexpected gift is delivered this weekend.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22)
Anything of a financial nature should be avoided early in the week. You are not at your best and won't make prudent decisions. A friend has your head going in all different directions before you finally get to the bottom of things.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21)
You seek new avenues of self-expression this week and could find yourself taking some courses toward that end. A close friend is revealing a side of himself that has gone unnoticed by you until now. Try not to be too disappointed.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21)
Relationship problems are addressed early in the week and a satisfactory agreement results. On the job, you experience a big breakthrough toward the latter part of the week. Shed your inhibitions while socializing this weekend.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19)
You finally seem to have a good handle on just how much you are capable of accomplishing. This causes you to expand your horizons and make big plans. Tread lightly this weekend when it comes to romantic matters.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18)
Someone with whom you've been tempted to start a business deal really isn't all you think. Take a closer look before signing on the dotted line. Social circles widen this weekend.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20)
Early in the week, you uncharacteristically let a certain confidence slip. You will regret this as the week progresses. Take steps to remedy the situation as soon as possible. Finances are looking good this weekend.

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Vision Teaser



Happy Birthday

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| Oct. 30 | Alfred Pena, Sr. |
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| Oct. 31 | Ken Callnan |

First United Methodist Church



Rev. Sheree Harris, Pastor

Last Saturday I was a guest of the Gideons at a breakfast they sponsored in appreciation of pastors. As you probably already know, the Gideons International are some of the folks who help spread the good news by placing Bibles all over the world in such places as hotel rooms, prisons and doctor's offices. They do good work and I appreciate them too.

As I listened to them tell about the different publications of the Bible that they distribute in various places, I found myself thinking about all the people who would never pick a Bible up and read it. If just one person picked up one of those Bibles, it was worth the effort and expense of putting it there, but if grieves me to think of all the people who won't pick it up for whatever reason - whether it's because they're short on time, or they think they already know all

that's in it or that a 2,000-plus year old book is irrelevant to people living in the post-modern era.

Then I remembered something I heard once: "You may be the only Bible a person ever reads." There's some truth to that. The Bible tells the good news. So can we. There's a lot more to it, but the central message of the Bible is that **God loves us**. We can live our lives in such a way that we are examples of what the Bible proclaims. God can love others through us if we are willing. So while reading the Good Book is still a great idea and I highly recommend it, it's not the only way one can hear from God.

As you go through the coming week remember, you are a walking, talking, living Bible, and ask yourself, "If someone is reading me right now, are they getting the right message?"



St. John's Baptist Church

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

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall NOT WANT. He MAKETH me to lie down in green pastures; he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul; he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies; thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever. Psalms 23:1-6 Praise the Lord

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GOD BLESSED everyone that prayed and gave Judith E. Adams gifts for the baby and us during her pregnancy. GOD BLESSED us with a 7lb 7 oz baby girl, Friday, September 22, 1995 at 3:11 A.M. The baby's name is Judith E. Adams II. Thank You from Rev. Adams & Family.



Frontier Baptist Church

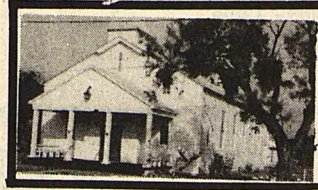
Rev. Joe Townsend, Pastor

"The Lord God Omnipotent Reigneth." This is the theme of the Book of Revelations. So much of the time this book of the Bible is used to try to establish a calendar of events leading to the end of the world. A careful reading and study will show this was a promise to the Christians under persecution by the Roman Government that God was omnipotent and that His church would in the end be victorious and the Roman government would be destroyed. Hence near the end of the prophecy the world is reminded that, "The Lord God Omnipotent Reigneth". The entire Bible is a testament that God always holds the whole world in His hand. Many times the people and nations of the world have departed from God even mocked Him but never has any person or people gone beyond the power of God.

History is replete with nations being blessed and punishment being meted out in dramatic ways by

God's hand. This is true in the lives of individuals as well as nations. No person is ever beyond the touch of God. "What goes around comes around" is another way of saying God is omnipotent. For sin and wrong God brings return payment. For good and right God pays the dividends. Whatever one does there is pay day some day. For the person who has a personal faith in Jesus Christ the ultimate penalty for sin is atoned for by the death of Christ. This does not present the consequence as a boomerang bring reaction to the person. A life or action of wrong, God knows and cares and punishes. A life of right and good God knows and cares and richly rewards. Our lives are never hidden from God. "The Lord God Omnipotent Reigneth."

There will be another message from the Word of God at Frontier Baptist Church next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Come and see.



First Baptist Church

Rev. Gil Ash, Pastor

"The Pastor's Pen"

Do you have that tired, worn-out run down feeling? Take Geritol. That might be the answer for some but many have found that when they were worn to a frazzle by the pressures of everything around them, pep pills couldn't help. When the times in your life seem to be just too much; when one more straw will break you; when one more problem will put you over the edge, it is time to slow down.

I fully understand how the pressures of daily living can become so overwhelming. There are so many things that must be accomplished "right now" and if I don't get them done my world will fall apart. Sound familiar? Workaholics feel that way. They are what falls apart for trying to accomplish it all today.

following words with a particular counselor who wants to help. "Slow

me down, Lord. Ease the pounding of my heart by the quieting of my mind. Steady my hurried pace with a vision of the eternal reach of time. Give me, amid the confusion of the day, the calmness of the everlasting hills. Break the tensions of my nerves and muscles with the soothing music of the singing streams that live in my memory. Help me to know the magical, restoring power of sleep. Teach me the art of taking minute vacations - of slowing down to look at a flower, to chat with a friend, to pat a dog, to read a few lines from a good book. Slow me down Lord, and inspire me to send my roots deep into the soil of lives enduring values that I may grow toward the stars of my greater destiny."

Take time to talk to the "Counselor." Slow down. Save the Geritol.

Improvement Needed In Fight Against Breast Cancer

AUSTIN - Although progress has been made in detecting breast cancer early on, there is still much room for improvement, according to the American Cancer Society.

"For the first time since the 1950s, fewer women are dying from breast cancer," said Mary Nowotny, R.N., Ph.D, chair of the Texas Division Breast Cancer Detection Committee. "And in Texas, the number of women whose breast cancers are detected at the earliest stages - when the range of treatment options and the chances for survival are greatest - has increased."

This decrease in mortality has been linked to more mammography screening and advances in treatment. Among black women, however, mortality has not fallen, perhaps because they do not have access to early detection and early treatment options.

Also, only 49 percent of Texas women 50 and over have had a mammogram in the past year, according to the Texas Bureau of Chronic Disease Prevention and Control. Seventy-eight percent of breast cancers occur in women of this age group.

"We want to encourage physicians to refer women to have mammograms according to American Cancer Society guidelines," Nowotny said. "We also want older women to know they may not be taking advantage of mammography screening benefits

they are eligible for." Medicare covers one screening mammogram and physician consultation every two years for women over 65. In Texas, only 32 percent of women eligible for this benefit actually take advantage of it.

The American Cancer Society recommends that all women have a baseline mammogram by age 40, followed by a screening mammogram every other year. Women 50 and over should have a mammogram every year. Also, a doctor should conduct a clinical breast examination every three years for women 20 to 39 and every year for women 40 and over. The Society recommends a monthly self-examination for women 20 and older.

Breast cancer is the most prevalent form of cancer among women, second only in deadliness to lung cancer. The American Cancer Society estimates that about one of every nine American women will develop breast cancer by age 85. This year, an estimated 182,000 new breast cancer cases will be diagnosed; about 46,000 women will die from breast cancer.

For more information about breast cancer, please contact your local American Cancer Society office, or call 1-800-ACS-2345.

The American Cancer Society. If you have cancer, we can help. If not, you can help.

Vehicle Title Applicants Required To Provide Social Security Number

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) will soon require additional information on title applications for motor vehicles. Beginning November 1, Texans who request title transactions in counties using the Registration and Title System (RTS) must provide their social security number. RTS is an automated system that electronically links county tax offices to TxDOT Headquarters in Austin.

The Kinney County Tax Office (and its substations) use (s) RTS to process motor vehicle transactions. The social security requirement is part of House Bill 1863, passed by the 74th Legislature; the bill addresses fraud prevention in public assistance programs. TxDOT is mandated to collect the social security numbers and make them accessible to other state agencies for the purpose of determining eligibility for those programs. Individuals who do not have a social security number, or are not eligible

for one, must complete a statement before their title application is processed.

Disclosure of the social security number will be voluntary in Texas counties not using RTS. Questions concerning the new requirement should be directed to the Kinney County Tax Office, or the nearest Vehicle Titles and Registration Division (VTR) office.

TxDOT is implementing RTS statewide, with completion expected by December 1996. The computerized system makes it possible for registration records to be updated within 48 hours, which is a major benefit to law enforcement. Customers will also receive their vehicle titles within five days of the date the title applications arrive at TxDOT Headquarters.

For more information, contact: Martha P. Hooten/T.A.C. Kinney County Tax Office (210) 563-2688

Val Verde Memorial Now Offering Hospice Care...

For almost a year now, Val Verde Memorial Hospital has been providing hospice care to patients and their families in Del Rio and the surrounding area.

What is Hospice? A hospice provides special care for dying people and their families that treat the patient's medical, emotional and spiritual needs. A team of health care professionals and volunteers help the patient and family make the most of the time that is left.

Is Hospice Like A Nursing Home? A hospice is not a nursing home. Hospice patients usually remain at home. A key focus of hospice is to train family members to care for the patient themselves.

Is it easy to care for a dying loved one at home? It's never easy to care for a dying loved one at home, and nights can be especially hard. Hospice staff are available around the clock for consultations and to make visits when necessary. Hospice volunteers can also provide 'relief' for families to run errands and allow them a break.

What about medical care? Hospice teams include a physician, who supervises all medical care, including pain management. Because their diagnoses are terminal, hospice patients usually forego efforts to 'cure' their disease, but they can always return to aggressive therapy if their condition improves.

Is hospice covered by insurance? It's covered by Medicare (Part A) nationwide, by Medicaid in 33 states (Texas is included) and by private

health insurance policies. To be sure of coverage, families should check with their employers or insurance provider.

When should a decision about entering a hospice program be made? Hospice care is available to terminally-ill patients who are no longer under treatment for cure of their disease and who have a life expectancy of six months or less. The patient is usually referred by the primary physician, but can also be referred by family members, clergy or a health professional.

Does the patient's primary physician work with the hospice team? The patient's personal physician refers and works with the hospice staff to care for his or her client.

Are living wills necessary? No, but these written instructions on what you want done when you become gravely ill help ensure your wishes are followed. Equally important is a "durable power of attorney for health care," which authorizes a person of your choosing to make decisions for you if you become unable to do so.

As the National Hospice Organization puts it, "Hospice is a special kind of caring." Thirty-one patients and their families have participated in hospice care in our community. If someone you know might be interested, or for additional information about Val Verde Memorial Hospital's Hospice Program, you may call 775-8566, Ext. 453.

Monthly Grief Support Group To Meet Friday October 27

Hospice Uvalde Area will have a special grief support group in Brackettville called Living with Loss through the Holidays. Recognizing that the holiday season comes with its own memories and

expectations, participants will have a safe place to talk about preparations and decisions that face the bereaved this time of year. It is open to anyone in the community who has experienced the death of any loved one. The group will meet on Friday, October 27, from 2:00 - 3:30 PM in Slater Hall at First United Methodist Church. For more information, call Edwin Sasek, Bereavement Services Coordinator, at 1-800-339-6691.

Thank You

The Family of Antonia B. Flores wishes to thank all our friends from Brackettville, Fort Clark Springs, and Del Rio for your thoughtful kindness, prayers, flowers, food at a time when it was greatly appreciated.

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- 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 Co. Chamber of Commerce Board: 2nd Thu. 6:30 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., Golf Club.
- 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, 10:00 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.
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- 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.
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