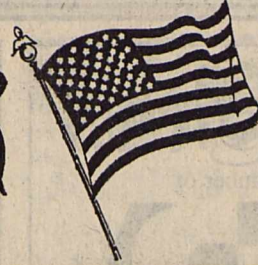


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Briefs ...

Committee to discuss sesquicentennial event

The San Antonio-El Paso Road Sesquicentennial Committee will host its next meeting on Monday, Jan. 18, at 10:30 a.m. at the Historic Koch Hotel Bed and Breakfast in D'Hanis.

On the agenda is the finalization of plans for the May 1 horseback mail run from Brackettville to San Antonio. The event will include stops at Cline, Uvalde, Knippa, Sabinal, D'Hanis, Hondo, New Fountain and Quihi.

The committee plans to help organize and support area historic and special events along the lower section of the San Antonio-El Paso Road, now U.S. Highway 90 West. Among the first activities is the sesquicentennial of the founding of Fort Inge at Uvalde on March 13.

In addition, Forest Glen Productions of Fort Worth is producing a special video on the road. They will be in Castroville, Quihi, D'Hanis and Uvalde the weekend of Jan. 30 completing taping of related historic sites along the old road.

For more information on the committee, contact June Secrist or Kevin Young at the Landmark Inn S.H.P. in Castroville at (830) 931-2133.

City names its official newspaper, bank

The Brackettville City Council named its official newspaper and depository at its regular meeting Tuesday night.

On a 2-1 vote, The Brackett News was named the official newspaper of the City of Brackettville.

Council members Mary Flores and Tencha Pena voted in favor of The Brackett News and Mayor Pro-Tem Ralph Gonzalez was opposed. Aldermen J.J. Guidry and Wes Robinson abstained.

The City Council unanimously voted to make the Del Rio Bank & Trust Brackettville Branch the official depository of the city.

City, county offices to close on Monday

City of Brackettville and Kinney County offices will be closed Monday, Jan. 18, in observance of Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday.

Kinney County Public Library to host sale

The Kinney County Public Library will host a book sale from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday.



Commissioners Joe Williams (left) and Pat Melancon listen to comments from the audience during Monday's meeting. It was Melancon's first meeting since being elected in November. He was sworn in Jan. 1. Brackett News Photo by J.J. Guidry

Commissioners to study plans for EMS building

County officials agreed to reevaluate the floor plans for the new EMS building before proceeding with construction Monday at the monthly Commissioners Court meeting.

"The EMS building is going to be with us for a long time," County Judge Herb Senne said. "We need to know going into it that the floor plan will meet the needs of emergency medical activities for the next 20 years."

Lee Sweeten, the director of regional EMS ser-

vices, will take county officials to tour EMS buildings in Rocksprings, Camp Wood, Uvalde and Hondo.

"I think it's a good idea to go visit other EMS buildings that have good EMS operations and good working facilities. We need to build a floor plan that meets our needs."

The EMS facility will be funded through a Texas Community Development Program grant. It will be located on the corner of Ellen and Henderson.

Rodriguez, friend charged in murder of Sabinal man

UVALDE - Country singer Johnny Rodriguez was charged with murder last Thursday in connection with the Aug. 29 shooting death of a Sabinal man.

Carlos Tovar, the singer's life-long friend, also was charged with murder, in a single indictment returned by the Uvalde County grand jury.

A Jan. 19 arraignment was set for both defendants to enter a plea before a judge, although District Attorney Tony Hackebell said Rodriguez has already indicated he will waive the hearing.

Rodriguez, 46, was arrested the day Israel Borrego, 26, was

killed, but Tovar's involvement in the case became public last week upon his indictment.

"We issued a subpoena for Tovar to appear as a witness, but we were unable to serve the subpoena," Hackebell told the San Antonio Express-News.

Tovar is a heavy-equipment operator who is about the same age as the singer and has known him all his life, the district attorney said.

Alan Brown, Rodriguez's attorney, had said earlier that the shooting occurred at the Sabinal home of the singer's mother when Rodriguez thought he was encountering an intruder.

Borrego, also an acquaintance of the country singer, died of a single gunshot wound to the abdomen.

Hackebell said the case, originally presented to the grand jury Sept. 24, required extensive investigation.

Even though only one shot was fired, a person assisting or aiding in the commission of a homicide can be held criminally accountable for the conduct of another, the district attorney said.

Rodriguez, who lives in Sabinal, had more than a dozen Top 10 country albums and singles in the 1970s.

Border Patrol seizes more than \$1 million in drugs

DEL RIO - U.S. Border Patrol agents from the Del Rio sector seized more than \$1 million in drugs in four incidents on Saturday and Sunday.

Friday, agents from the Brackettville station seized 455 pounds of marijuana with an estimated value of \$364,000 approximately 14 miles southeast of Del Rio near Highway 277. Arrested for possession with intent to distribute a controlled substance were Juan Luis Saldana-Robles, 35, Jesus Moreno-Estrada, 45, Jesus Moreno-Olvera, 29, and Jose Cristobal Cardona, 32.

Saturday morning, agents from the Eagle Pass station seized 97.85 pounds of marijuana with an estimated value of \$78,280 along the Rio Grande River approximately a quarter-mile west of the Eagle Pass Port of Entry. Agents spotted two individuals standing next to four duffel bags on the riverbank. The two individuals jumped into the river and swam back to Mexico.

Saturday evening, agents from Eagle Pass seized 25.45 pounds of amphetamine with an estimated value of \$610,000 approximately a half-mile west of Eagle Pass near the Rio Grande. Two individuals were observed carrying a large backpack. They fled the scene.

A few hours later, agents seized 154.10 pounds of marijuana valued at \$123,280 near the same site. Three individuals were spotted. They dropped the backpacks they were carrying and fled the scene.

Trustees appoint three to Appraisal District board

By J.J. Guidry
News Editor

The Brackett School Board of Trustees appointed three people to the Kinney County Appraisal District Board of Directors Monday night, including two of its own members.

The trustees unanimously voted to have Gloria Garcia, Tully Shahan and Tim Ward represent the school district on the Appraisal District board during the School Board's regular meeting. Garcia and Ward are both school trustees. All three will serve two-year terms.

In the past, one trustee has served on the Appraisal District board. The School Board chose to have two of its own on the board to improve communications between the two entities.

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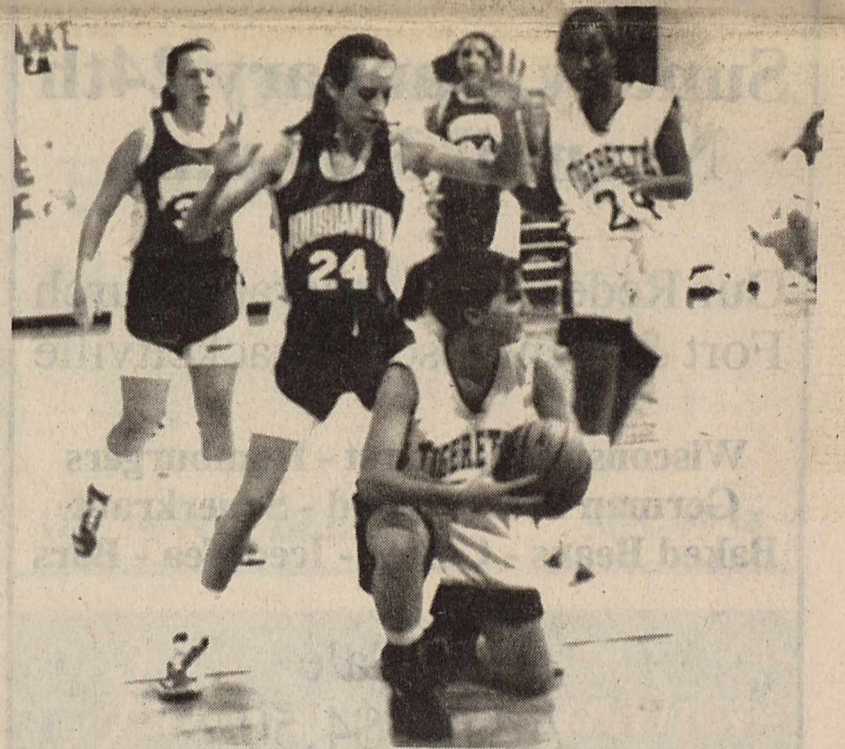
Lloyd Lee Davis

School Board President Lloyd Lee Davis said.

The Appraisal District Board of Directors is made up of three representatives from the school district and two from the county, appointed by the Commissioners Court.

Mike Holley and Tommy Seargeant are currently representing Kinney County on the Appraisal District board. Both have one year remaining on a two-year term.

Garcia, Shahan and Ward replace Jimmy Bader, Henry Fuentes and Don Moore as the school district's representatives.



Brackett forward Lindsey Brotherton (kneeling) grabs a loose ball during the Tigerettes' game with Jourdan on Tuesday. See related story, Page 5. Brackett News Photo by J.J. Guidry

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Joe Townsend

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County Project Show

The Kinney County Project Show has been set for Jan. 22 during the county's annual livestock show at the Civic Center. Community/Page 3

Yeager honored

David Yeager was named the co-coach of the year and five Tigers made the All-Southwest Texas area football team. Sports/Page 5

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Costs of postage stamps rises by one more penny

By J.J. Guidry
News Editor

Who says a penny doesn't go very far these days?

For the United States Post Office, a 1-cent increase in the cost of a stamp will yield \$1 billion in

revenue.

On Sunday, the cost of a first-class stamp rose a penny - the first increase in more than three years - along with a slew of postal rate boosts which took effect.

The rate increase will pay for new services, as well as rising

costs for a massive system that brags of delivering mail from the bottom of the Grand Canyon to the top of the Empire State Building.

The new stamp worth 33 cents went on sale in November. Labeled with the letter "H," it depicts Uncle Sam's red-white-and-blue top hat.

"We have sold quite a few of the new stamps," said Leonel Juarez, a 19-year Post Office veteran who returned to his hometown of Brackettville last August as post master.

The 33-cent stamps are currently available in sheets of 10 and 20.

"A lot of people have been coming in and asking for the rolls of 100, but we haven't gotten them yet," Juarez said.

For people stuck with rolls of outdated 32-cent stamps, the postal service is offering a 1-cent stamp depicting an American Kestrel.

The last increase boosted the price of a first-class stamp 3 cents in January 1995. A 4-cent leap preceded that one in 1991.

"We have sold quite a few of the new stamps."

Leonel Juarez

The added revenues will help cover new services such as a tracking service for packages shipped priority mail.

Rate increases also took affect Sunday for some package deliveries. Postcards will remain at 20 cents.

"The only difference is the postcard that they buy from us is going to be 21 cents," Juarez said.

Altogether, the increases average about 2.9 percent across domestic services.

Among other rate increases:

- Priority mail rates for packages up to 2 pounds jump 20 cents, to \$3.20.
- Express mail (next-day delivery service) half-pound rates increase \$1, to \$11.75. The 2-pound rate goes to \$15.75.
- Basic parcel post rates for packages less than 2 pounds rises 52 cents, to \$3.15.

Some receive unreadable newspapers

Some subscribers of The Brackett News were surprised last week when two pages in the last edition of the newspaper were unreadable.

Some copies of the Jan. 7 edition of The Brackett News had large ink smears on Page 3 and Page 6.

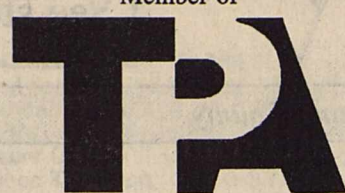
"One of our readers wanted to know what we wrote about him," Brackett News Editor J.J. Guidry said. "He was sure we were trying to prevent him from reading something."

Anyone who received an unreadable copy of The Brackett News should contact the newspaper at (830) 563-2852 or bring your copy of the bad newspaper by The Brackett News office at 507 S. Ann Street.

"We regret this mistake and any problems that it may have caused," the news editor added.

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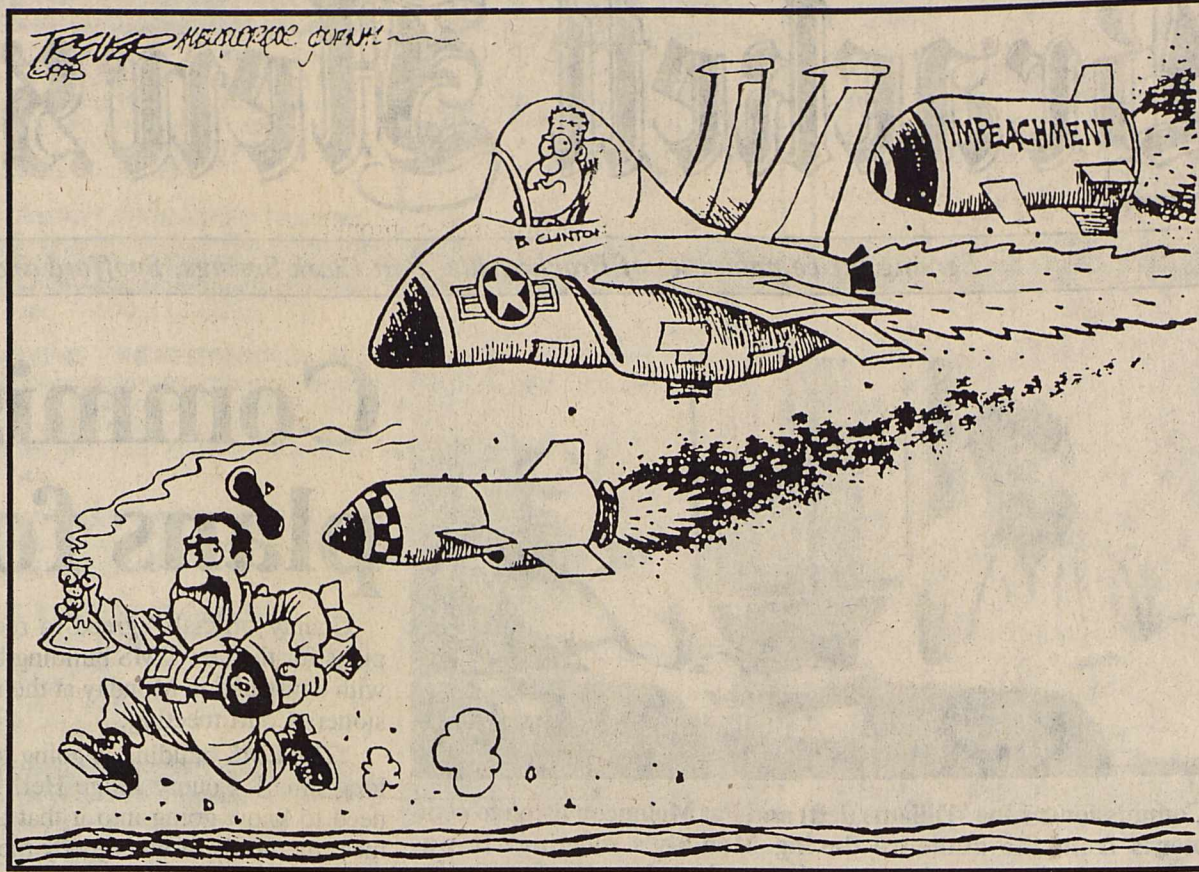
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Appearance is important

It's interesting but true how we react to others in accordance with the way they look.

I usually wear an Open Road Stetson hat. When I wear my hat, I note the deference with which I'm greeted by strangers.

I've come of late to wear a cap with the logo of my older son's business. Treatment and greetings by strangers is remarkably with less deference.

When I go without a lid, reaction to my bald head calls forth yet a different reaction.

When I see a man with a pony tail, I want to get some sheep shears and help him look more manly.

Recently, I accompanied a very ill lady to the emergency room at a hospital. There was a very good looking male nurse.

As I observed him, he seemed most efficient and my admiration rose. I suddenly noticed that he had a ring in each ear. My respect for him plummeted.

A mother once told me her son could dress any way he chose because what he wore was meaningless - it was what he was on the inside that counted.

My reply was, what he wore was a revelation of what he was on the inside.

Between Us

By Joe Townsend



A senior in high school, he defied the dress code even to wearing a full-blown beard and rings in his ears, and dared school authorities to do anything about it because his father was on the School Board.

With the attitude of his mother being what it was, it was easy to see he was in for hard times.

The way a girl or woman dresses expresses the character of the person.

Let me hasten to add that it is irresponsible to stereotype an individual because of untimely attire.

The nurse no doubt was a capable nurse in spite of his ear rings. The man with a pony tail may well be a fine man in spite of his pony tail. I'm the same individual whether I wear a stetson, a cap or nothing.

However, for appearance sake, a person does well to conform to the norms. It increases esteem of others. And regardless of the prating, "I don't care what people say

or think," everyone cares what people think. A defiance of the norm reveals a rebellious attitude that wants people to notice. It's a high price to pay for recognition.

As a young preacher, I had a Seminary professor who was a gentleman of the first order. He was 93 years old and had tremendous desire for a preacher to go to the utmost in proper appearance.

He felt a preacher degraded the pulpit if he entered it wearing anything but a black suit, white shirt and a subdued color tie.

For years I dressed as he suggested. Then one year I attended the state convention. There were more than 10,000 preachers in attendance. I looked around and saw only 12 black suits.

I went down the next week and bought a blue suit. However, to this day when I wear a black suit I get more compliments than when I wear any other color.

It is important how we appear to others.

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Texans have many ideas for tax cuts

Texans were not shy when I asked for ideas on how to cut their taxes.

My annual questionnaire, which many newspapers published late last summer, asked:

"What would your priorities be for cutting taxes? Would you do away with the marriage penalty that imposes higher taxes on married people with two incomes than it imposes on single people in the same instance? Would you raise the levels of income at which tax bills go up, that is, the point at which taxpayers would fall into increasingly higher tax brackets? Would you reduce the capital gains tax?"

Most had a long list of suggestions for fixing the federal tax code.

A whopping 94 percent of you wanted to see the marriage penalty tax done away with, while 53 percent would like to see the capital gains tax lowered, and 83 percent wanted the tax brackets changed.

Here are some of your comments on how you would like to see our tax laws rewritten:

From Sugar Land: "I would like for my senators and representatives to concentrate on eliminating the marriage penalty tax. This year my wife and I will pay about a thousand dollars more than we would pay if we could file as separate taxpayers."

From Livingston: "I support doing away with the current tax code and replacing it with a simpler form of taxation, such as a national sales tax. Simplicity is the key."

From Edinburg: "Taxes should be cut for the middle class, who are bearing the brunt of financing the federal government. The wealthy get the loopholes."

From Dallas: "I disagree with changing the marriage penalty tax.

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Married people enjoy economies that singles do not share. They can afford it. If they have children, they get a deduction."

From Brownwood: "I am married. It takes both of our salaries to live. What does that tell you about my taxes being too high?"

From Alvin: "There is too much corruption in this country in the paying of taxes, from the people who never file a tax return to the billionaires who live outside the country making money here, but paying no taxes. You will never stop stealing completely. It is obvious that couple earning the minimum wages need

all the help they can get. Why penalize a married couple because they need two incomes to make a living? The tax brackets should be adjusted between the two groups to reflect equality, and go after the freeloaders who don't pay any tax."

From Corsicana: "It would make sense to reduce the capital gains tax. People who are retired and those trying to save for retirement are punished by this tax. I thought the government wanted to encourage investing."

From Kingwood: "Here are my priorities - marriage penalty, raise income levels for tax brackets, reduce the capital gains tax. Then, if we still want or need more, reduce or do away with the inheritance tax."

I, too, believe our country will benefit if people are allowed to keep more of what they earn. I will push for all of the tax cuts listed above. Americans deserve tax relief and a chance to get ahead.

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Big Mama Sez!
In music one must think with the heart and feel with the brain.

Hastert named house speaker

By Henry Bonilla
U.S. Congressman, 23rd District

On Jan. 6, the House of Representatives elected Dennis Hastert as the new speaker of the house.

While he may not be a household name, he has a proven track record of bringing people together and moving our nation forward.

The new speaker is no stranger to Southwest Texas. You may recognize his name. It wasn't all that long ago that he visited our area.

Just last June, Hastert, the chairman of the Task Force for a Drug-Free America, led a congressional delegation to the Texas-Mexico border. Their mission was to identify the drug trafficking problems border towns face.

Border communities like Eagle Pass and Del Rio hosted the task force during its visit. We helped give the task force a first-hand look at the serious challenges law enforcement officials face in stopping the flow of illegal drugs into the United States.

But stopping America's insatiable appetite for drugs is not the only thing Hastert has in common with Texans.

Hastert's congressional district in northern Illinois is home to many farms. He knows the difficulties farmers and ranchers face and is recognized as a leader in agriculture issues.

Hastert is also a leader in fighting wasteful Washington spending. Providing tax relief for all Americans is one of his priorities as the new house speaker.

In addition, Hastert will continue to stress the importance of saving Social Security and protecting and strengthening our national security. And he will work to get bipartisan support for these initiatives.

As a former high school teacher and coach, Hastert has first-hand knowledge of the weaknesses of our educational system. Improving our education system to provide a better future and more opportunities for our children is another of his priorities as speaker.

The new speaker is well respected by both Republicans and Democrats in Congress. He knows the importance of working together in a bipartisan effort to make sure good common sense ideas become laws.

We are fortunate to have a speaker so dedicated to ideals and principals so closely aligned with those of Texans.

Unsung Hero

By Joe Townsend

Some time back, a very fine lady moved on to Fort Clark from Colorado. She immediately became involved in many facets of community life.

She has spent many hours in helping Fort Clark Springs become a better place to live. She has become a vital part of the Rotary Club.

She is warmhearted and very friendly. She is devoted to the Lord and stays deeply involved in activities on his behalf.

She makes any group a little more lively just by her presence. She will do what she can for anyone with a problem. She will make anyone a better and happier person if only she is allowed to. Surely, Pat Callnan is an Unsung Hero.

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Border Patrol to hire 120 agents



Jeffery Parsons (left) is welcomed to last Thursday's Brackettville Rotary Club meeting by David Moody. Photo by Eric McMaster

By Frances McMaster
Contributing Writer

The U.S. Border Patrol is going to hire 120 agents, some of which will be stationed in Brackettville, according to Jeffery Parsons.

Parsons, an assistant chief patrol agent with the Del Rio sector, gave an overview of the border at last Thursday's Brackettville Rotary Club meeting.

Parsons said that many changes have occurred since his entry into the service in 1977. From a small, insignificant agency, the Border Patrol is now expanding at a rapid rate.

Violence, guns and narcotics are now so prevalent that the Border Patrol has catapulted into prominence, he said.

Resources are now available that weren't in the past. Electronic sensor devices now make catching illegal aliens easier.

A data base has been accumulated. Identification of smugglers can be made within an average of 10 to 15 minutes which saves the agent hours of time.

When one crossing point becomes dangerous for smugglers, they shift to another. Presently, the shift is occurring in this direction and away from the valley.

Obituary

Geneva Ann Tresenriter Haag

Geneva Ann Tresenriter Haag, 55, died of cancer Thursday, Jan. 7, 1999 at Suburban Hospital in Bethesda, Md. She was born Jan. 25, 1943.

Haag attended Brackett ISD and graduated in 1960. She graduated from Texas A&M University at Kingsville, Texas and completed course work for a master's degree in counseling at Trinity College in Washington, D.C.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Elizabeth Ann "Betty" Deason, and stepfather, Glen V. Deason Jr.

She is survived by her husband of 35 years, George A. Haag; daughters: Amber D. Haag and Tara S. Haag, all of Bethesda, Md.; father: F.K. Tresenriter of Garland, Texas; brother: Steve Tresenriter of Garland; sisters: Marcia Grounds of Garland, and Terry Koschel of Las Vegas.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, Jan. 13, at St. Andrews Episcopal Church in Brackettville. Burial followed at the Masonic Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Bill Adams, Johnny Fritter, Richard Schafer, Herb Senne, Plunker Sheedy and Joe York Jr.

Funeral arrangements were under the direction of the Del Rio Funeral Home, dba Brackettville Funeral Home, 114 North Street.

Kinney County Project Show set for Jan. 22

The Kinney County Project Show has been set for Jan. 22 during the county's annual livestock show at the Civic Center.

Any adult over 19 years of age residing in Kinney County is eligible to enter the project show.

Any youth 19 and under residing in Kinney County or attending a Brackett ISD school is eligible to enter the project show in the youth division.

The project show is divided into the following age groups: under school age, pre-kindergarten and kindergarten, Grades 1-2; Grades 3-5, Grades 6-8, Grades 9-12, and adult.

Exhibitors in the youth division must be under the direct supervision of the vocational agricultural teacher, vocational home economics teacher, county extension agent, a classroom teacher or a parent. The exhibitor's entry form

1999 Kinney County Project Show

The following are divisions and classes for next week's 1999 Kinney County Project Show:

- Foods: cakes, decorated cakes, yeast breads, quick breads, 1 crust pies, 2 crust pies, jellies, jams and marmalades, pickles and relishes, candy, cookies, meat dishes. Needlework: crocheting, hand embroidery, knitting, needlepoint, hand quilting, machine used needlework, weaving, crewel, counted cross stitch, miscellaneous. Clothing: (one or more garments constructed by sewing as a unit of wearing apparel) tailored, non-tailored, evening.

- Clay, glass and wood sculpture: pottery, ceramics, stained glass, glass etching, sculpturing - any medium. Paintings: oil, acrylic, water color, pastels, miscellaneous. Drawings: ink, charcoal, crayola, pencil, miscellaneous. Flower arrangements: live material, artificial material. Photography: color, black and white. Leathercraft. Metal work. Educational exhibits: (all divisions) poster, displays, charts, science exhibits. Miscellaneous.

must be signed by the respective supervisor.

Entries for the youth division must be submitted in writing to the county agent, classroom teacher, vocational agriculture

teacher or vocational home economics teacher.

Exhibitors in the adult division may pick up entry forms at the Fort Clark Springs Adult Center or at the Kinney County Library.

Entry forms must accompany the project when submitted.

There will be a limit of five entries for all exhibitors.

Youth exhibitors will receive either a blue, red or white ribbon, based on the judge's opinion. Adult exhibitors will receive first, second or third place ribbons in each class. There will also be a best of show plaque in the adult division.

Youth entries will be accepted Thursday, Jan. 21, after 3:30 p.m. at the Civic Center. Food and adult entries should be brought on Friday, Jan. 22, before 9 a.m.

Judging will begin at 9:30 a.m. and the viewing of exhibits will start at 11 a.m.

Exhibits will remain on display under supervision on Jan. 22, and must be removed from the building between 5 and 6 p.m. because of the barbecue the following day.

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Brackett ISD Honor Roll

Brackett Independent School District's Honor Roll as provided by the district:

High School All A Honor Roll

Seniors: Jennifer Ashabranner, Lindsey Brotherton, Colby Crosby, Amanda Petrosky, Aaron Taylor. Juniors: Alexandra Arreola, Laura Lee Ballew, James Burks, Zachry Davis, Jacob Hughes, Jerritt Meeks.

Sophomores: Schiller Hill, Leslie Meyer, Brittany Shewbart. Freshmen: Lloyd Lee Davis, Susannah Davis, Erica Gloria, Migdalia Gonzalez, Duquesa Hunt, Erica Meyer.

A-B Honor Roll

Seniors: Jose Aguirre, Wesley Baker, Angela Childress, Sonya Correa, Mistie Herndon, David Honstein, Jessica Jaso, Phillip Juarez, Patricia Lopez, Amanda Orozco, Jose Perez, Brent Smith, Graciela Terrazas. Juniors: Jaime Bader, Ricardo Castillo, Elijo DeLeon, Jessica DeLeon, Tiffany Eckenrod, Steven Hagler, Daniel Hernandez, Cindy Jennings, Sunni Jones, Jeffery Luna, Donald Page.

Sophomores: April Crumley, Kayla Cruz, Carissa De Los Santos, Enriqueta Garza, Jarrett Harrison, Laura Martinez, Sophia Martinez, Savanah Massingill, Martina Payne, Damian Toms, Melinda

Villarreal, Chase Ward, John Wylie. Freshmen: Michelle Bizzell, Levi Duncan, Christina Flores, Sarah Gammill, Raymond Gomez, Stephanie Gomez, Candice Ingram, Michelle Kiser, Joseph Luna, Guillermo Molinar, Jaime Montalvo, Rodolfo Ramirez, Isela Ramon, Christine Tajchman, Ana Talamantez, Amanda Ward, Brandi Wilson.

Middle School All A Honor Roll

Eighth grade: Valerie Gunter, Jared Hobbs, Maria Martinez, Megan McWilliams, Coshena Meyer, Laura Negrete, Elizabeth Threadgill, Tiiara Ward. Seventh grade: Elizabeth Ballew, Amanda Davis, Dietrich Davis, Matthew Jackson, Allison LaMascus, Sarah Meyer, Emily Petrosky, Sabrina Silver, Ashley Smith. Sixth grade: Tillman Davis, Cody Robinette, Oscar Sierra III.

A-B Honor Roll Eighth grade: Amanda Cruz, Brittany Moore, Jennifer Nickerson, Pedro Pacheco, Douglas Sanchez. Seventh grade: Princess Benites, Stacey Castilla, Hector Febres, Nancy Hill, Avelardo Martinez, Ashley Thourot, Beau Watkins. Sixth grade: Juliann Ashabranner, Stephanie Bonner, Jaclynn Duncan, Courtney Frerich, Monica Gonzalez, Daniel

Gunter, Whitney Hobbs, Robert Looney, Sean Looney, Valerie Terrazas, Kody Yeager.

Jones Elementary All A Honor Roll

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Kinney County Sheriff's Report

Monday, Jan. 4 8:39 p.m., A Kinney County man reported three illegal aliens on Highway 334, approximately 15 miles north of Brackettville. U.S. Border Patrol were notified of the situation.

Tuesday, Jan. 5 8:08 a.m., U.S. Border Patrol officials reported an accident involving an 18-wheeler and possibly a small car in front of A.J. Hoyt's ranch on Highway 90, west of Brackettville. Officials reported that one of the 18-wheeler's saddle tanks had spilled its fuel. Sheriff L.K. "Buddy" Burgess and Deputy Sheriff Bobby Guidry were dispatched to the scene,

along with EMS and the Val Verde Fire Department. The Texas Department of Transportation was notified of the accident.

Wednesday, Jan. 6 10:45 a.m., A Brackettville woman reported that she had lost her wallet in the restaurant at Fort Clark Springs. 5:10 p.m., U.S. Border Patrol agents at the Cline checkpoint reported that a white Dodge pickup was driving recklessly. The agents said the pickup, which was pulling a flatbed trailer, almost ran over the cones at the checkpoint. The vehicle was travelling west. DPS Trooper Tom Wylie was dispatched to the scene but could not

locate the vehicle.

Thursday, Jan. 7 9:07 p.m., A Brackettville woman reported that a police officer from Del Rio had called to today asking another woman to bring the title and registration for the license plates on her car to the Del Rio Police Department. The woman told Deputy Guidry that she was afraid her mother or brother would be there and might start trouble. She asked if the emergency protective order that Justice of the Peace John Ford was going to issue was ready. She was told to contact Judge Ford.

Friday, Jan. 8 9:55 a.m., Pedro Perez, 24, of San Antonio was arrested for driving with a suspended license by DPS Trooper Richard Slubar. He was booked into the Kinney County Jail. Perez was released the following day after posting a \$750 bail bond.

ing rocks at his residence on Remote Alley. Deputy Guidry was dispatched to the scene. The man asked if deputies could patrol the area to see if they could catch whoever was throwing the rocks. He said the rock throwing began a week and a half ago and a window had been broken. Guidry said he would patrol the area.

9:17 p.m., A Brackettville man reported that someone was throw-

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Super Crossword

ACROSS
1 Attention getter
5 Kind of sandal
10 Heavy blows
15 Punish by beating
19 Contradict
20 - Days (Woody Allen movie)
21 The Shady Rest, for one
22 Irritate
23 Caesar's
24 Distinct parts
25 Habituate
26 Sign of things to come
27 "Look, Ma, ...
29 Play on words
31 Windy
Rodgers and Hart song?
33 French novelist
34 Ponds, to poets
36 Greenland settlement
37 Soap plants
40 Prince of comics
42 Slumbers
46 Dove shelters
47 Sorority-house topic?
48 Night noise
50 Region of West
Pakistan
51 Grafted, in heraldry
52 Climbing pepper plant
54 Go by car
56 Plexus
57 Female ruff
58 Trailer-hauler
60 Australian marsupial
62 Satisfied
63 Admiral's sauna?
65 Glens or valleys
67 Exhausts gradually
69 Like pie?
70 Corolla leaf
71 Indian hemp
72 Flight of steps
75 Discharged
76 Musical token
"My -?"
80 Former chess champ
81 Move sideways
83 Soap operas, really
85 Hosp. designation
86 The same
88 Region beyond the suburbs
90 - and Joan
91 Bat without wings
92 Young eel
94 Deputy
96 "Rose -
97 A walk between trees
98 "I'll - in My Dreams"
100 Most refreshing: poet.
102 Beasts
103 Crescent-shaped figure
105 Skier's terrain
106 Nobelist
107 Mountain greeting?
111 School org.
112 Rap about.
116 " - a bone..."
117 Author Jong
119 Harbinger of spring
121 Stratford's river
122 Narrow strip of wood
123 Marine detecting apparatus
124 Son or daughter
125 - majesty
126 They're made of clay?
127 "Sarotoga -
128 Flexible tubes
129 Highland tongue
DOWN
1 African gazelle
2 Wheel or tiller
3 Arthurian lady
4 Rudy's question: "How Green Was -?"
5 Has faith in
6 Capital of North Vietnam
7 Norse god
8 - picker (overly fussy one)
9 Style of folk singing?
10 Pevnish
person's movie: "Days of -
Roses"?
11 Pet name, for short
12 "...three men in -"
13 Hollywood's Oberon
14 Showers as snow and hail
15 Soundtrack only: "to Eternity"?
16 VIP conveyance
17 Table spread
18 British actor Leo
28 Negative replies
30 "Exodus" author
32 Take mild exercise
34 French impressionist
35 Swimmer's breathing tube
37 Sour in taste
38 Bag or lender lead-in
39 Weasel's cousin
40 Fodder plant
41 Musical groups
43 Fragrant oleoresin
44 Metal disk or plate
45 Marks to let stand
47 Pitthy
49 Topsy's friend
52 Golf club
53 Sweetheart
55 In the ranks of the seniors
58 Ski lifts
59 Appraises
61 First sign of the zodiac
64 Agnus -
66 Loaded
68 Labor org.
70 Penetrates
71 Moslem shrine at Mecca
72 Filthy places
73 Word with talk or tennis
74 - and kicking
75 Not settled or fixed
76 Earliest
77 Mature person
38 One receiving a gift
79 English novelist
82 Caesar's 515
84 Bring up
87 Dawn on "A. Law"?
89 Retreat for unhappy fans?
91 Burl Ives' "The - Fly"?
93 Debauchee
95 Unruly tumult
97 Seed covering
99 Disquiet
101 Orthodox Eastern Christian bishop
102 Fair-haired men
104 Blunder
106 Roman magistrate
107 Tone or track lead-in
108 Dies -
109 Surfeit
110 Japanese aborigine
112 Wading bird
113 Declare positively
114 Word with leader or ratio
115 Cap or pad lead-in
118 Food container
120 Exclamation of triumph

A crossword puzzle grid with numbers 1 through 128 indicating the starting positions for the words listed in the adjacent text.

MAGIC MAZE

GOLD GLOVE THIRD BASEMEN
H N K H E B A Y W T R O L J G
E B Y W U R R O B I N S O N P
N K I G D B U Z B X V S Q O I
O M K I G E T C R A Y W U T R
S R O P N L N J E Z I E I E H
F E E C L S E L T T E N Y L A
Y X V D G L V I T U I O S D O
Q P N G A M E E K M B Z J N T
H F O E C R A B A B Z L Y E N
X B V U T G H C A L L A W P A
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions-forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.
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HOCUS-FOCUS
Two cartoon panels of a boy looking in a mirror. Differences to find: 1. Lamp is different, 2. Curtain is shorter, 3. Bottle is moved, 4. Foot is showing, 5. Sleeve is longer, 6. Tissue is higher.

Your Horoscope by Natasha

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Travel is in the stars, both short trips and those of a longer nature. Good news comes your way regarding a situation at a distance. A moody co-worker gets on your nerves toward week's end.
TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You shine as your work is recognized and your accomplishments are rewarded this week. However, a jealous co-worker is just waiting for an opportunity to steal your thunder. Stay out of harm's way.
GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Your business acumen is at a peak this week and you can accomplish much. Feel free to broach a delicate subject with a bigwig during a social event. This week, it pays to mix business with pleasure.
CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Privacy is best when considering how to woo that certain reluctant party. Creativity is accented at work and success follows as a result. Discourses this weekend revolve around money and joint finances.
LEO (July 23 to August 22) In some ways, you're very much in the spotlight, which suits your leonine nature just fine. It seems you can do no wrong in anyone's eyes. Later in the week, exercise caution with a co-worker who's touchy.
VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) You're not thrilled, but you need to face some important financial matters. Be on the lookout for new opportunities to make more money. Your income is increasingly important.
LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Travel and communications are highlighted. Added to that is your personal charm, which is in high gear. As a result, you get much done that requires far-reaching decisions this week.
ARIES (October 23 to November 21) You can accomplish much at home, provided you avoid being overly pushy. A co-worker seeks you out to tell you something astonishing. Don't buy it.
SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Something you've been waiting to receive for a while is delayed yet again. Keep your temper. Ultimately, the accent is on leisure and romance, particularly over the weekend.
CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A co-worker wants to introduce you to a new love interest. Avoid this matchmaking scheme. You can pick and choose a partner on your own much more successfully.
AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) You're upset with what's going on at work, but try not to bring this home with you. Put the situation into its proper perspective. This weekend, you feel good about getting out and about.
PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Finances are the issue for the major part of the week. Agreements ultimately reached, though, are satisfying to you and your mate. This weekend, leisure interests are highlighted.
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Jan. 14Veronica Rivas Jan. 19Chuck Endris
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Jan. 16Nancy O'Brien Jan. 20 ...Tommy Seargeant

Put on the armor of God while praying for freedom

By Pastor Charolette Corey
Gateway Ministries

After listening to TV news last Saturday, I heard where all religious activities would be monitored from now on to guard against militant activities directed against governments such as what happened when misguided people calling themselves "Christians" tried to help along the return of Christ by planning to damage the Dome of the Rock, an Islam temple, so that the Jewish temple could be rebuilt and therefore establish the eminent return of Jesus Christ. These people were escorted out of Israel by that government.

Any Christian should realize that it is the antichrist who will trigger the ability for the Jewish temple to be rebuilt and not "Christians."

To paraphrase it, it was said that all religious people would now be "monitored" to make sure their intent is not threatening. With that action, the government has just taken over a job that will lead to anyone believing in the eminent return of Jesus Christ and voicing it as being "politically incorrect" or "socially threatening."

We are fast losing freedoms in this country, but even as we do, our job is to pray for those who persecute us, forgive them because we

have first been forgiven by God, and love people unconditionally.

Jesus speaks to us in Luke 21:8-36, telling us what will happen in the last days. Besides telling us what signs to look for and the persecution that will be directed towards believers, it also gives us hope in I John 4:4, "Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world."

So, put on the armor of God, pray always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and speak boldly the word of God (Ephesians 6: 10-20).

Stand in faith, rest in hope, walk in love.

God will give ultimate peace to all Christians

By Rev. Joe Townsend
Frontier Baptist Church

I Peter 3:10 is a great hymn of praise. The first notation is of praise for God's abundant mercy.

It's amazing that God would even take notice of us. Every one of us were sinners, enemies of God, condemned before God, deserving of eternal death.

How great that God had mercy on us and sent his son to die on the cross to pay for our sins to bring us back into fellowship with him.

How great it is that God made all who have faith in Jesus to become children of God. Once children of wrath and disobedience and now children of God.

How great that he has given us assurance of eternal peace and joy. We have an inheritance,

incorruptible, undefiled that fadeth not away.

God has promised to keep us to our journey's end, "Kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation."

The Christian has been saved from the penalty of sin. Someday as Christians all will be delivered from the presence of sin.

No need for locks, no need for lawyers, no need for doctors, no need for police, even no need for preachers. God will give ultimate peace to all who are his. If this is true, what else matters?

In him is our all in all. The price, simply trusting Jesus Christ as Savior. How tremendous the promise of God.

There will be another message from God's word, the Bible, Sunday at 11 a.m. at Frontier Baptist Church. Come and see.

Readings from the book of Psalms

By Rev. William P. Adams Sr.
St. John's Missionary Church

"Thy vows are upon me, O God; I will render praises unto thee.

"For thou hast delivered my soul from death. Wilt not thou deliver my feet from falling, that I may walk before God in the light of the living?" Psalms 56:3-5, 8, 10-13.

The following is an update on times and days of services at St. John's Missionary Church:

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- Saturdays: Prayer night, 7 p.m.
- Sundays: Services, 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 7 p.m.

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Friendship takes time, effort

Submitted by
St. Mary Magdalene Church

"A friend loves at all times," Proverbs 17:17.

Friendship is a word full of growth potential. One can become bigger (as in character enlargement) or one can become smaller (as in narrow-minded).

Becoming a good friend is aerobic in that it takes time and effort. We don't just wake up one day and viola: we are Wonder Friend!

The need for companionship is built into our genes, but we don't come with the know-how to be a comrade. That is learned through giving, taking, forgiving, sharing,

praying and empathizing.

I love the fact that God is a God who encourages relationship not just with himself, but with each other. Jesus modeled that for us in the richness of his relationships with the twelve disciples.

We are indeed rich when we have many friends, and I think that God loves us, encourages us, nurtures us, and supports us through other human beings.

May we not become so busy, harried and overcommitted that we neglect that part of our soul that is fed and sustained by friendship.

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OUTDOORS

Hunters urged to enter Texas Big Game Awards

AUSTIN - Hunters who took a big Texas mule deer, pronghorn or whitetail during the 1998-99 season - or their first harvest, regardless of size - are encouraged to enter the Texas Big Game Awards (TBGA) program.

The annual awards program has been recognizing the skill of hunters and the role of landowners in big game management since 1991. And according to Bryan Richards, TBGA program coordinator with Texas Parks and Wildlife (TPW), it's more than just a big buck contest.

"A deer's age, nutrition and genetics all play a part in producing big racks," Richards said. "What we see in these award entries is the result of good range management, which allowed those animals to display their potential."

As a way to recognize young hunters for their skills afield, the TBGA has added this year a youth division.

"By creating a non-competitive category for youth, we hope to keep youngsters involved in the program," Richards said.

"Previously, once a kid received a first harvest award

A Little On The Wildlife Side
By Henry Lutz
Kinney County Game Warden




through the program, there wasn't an opportunity for additional recognition unless they took a trophy. Now, every year a youth hunting under a special hunting license harvests a big game animal in the state of Texas, they'll be eligible for recognition by the Big Game Awards," he added.

Richards said there is also a category for those who took their first mule deer, white-tail or pronghorn in Texas in 1997-98. The first big game harvest category recognizes their achievement in taking their first big game animal.

Texas Big Game Awards is co-sponsored by TPW, the Texas Wildlife Association, the Lee and Ramona Bass Foundation, Carter's Country outdoor stores and Hixon Land and Cattle Company.

The awards program honors recipients during special banquets

across the state each spring.

Entry into the program is open to wild-reared Texas native white-tailed deer, mule deer and pronghorn antelope that are legally harvested in Texas during the 1998-99 hunting season.

The program will recognize the quality of the animal, the hunter, the land manager or owner upon whose property the animal was taken (optional) and hunters harvesting their first big game animal and all youth who harvest big game animals in Texas.

All scoring is based upon Boone and Crockett Club guidelines utilizing net green scores.

A Texas Big Game Awards certified scorer must score entries. Almost 400 certified scorers are available statewide.

Entry into the ranked listing requires hunters to complete and sign an entry form and certified score sheet. Entries must meet minimum scores for the region of harvest. Deadline for all entries (scored, first big game harvest and youth division) is Feb. 15.

Eight regions have been established for white-tailed deer, two for mule deer and three for pronghorn antelope.

Minimum entry scores for white-tailed deer vary with each region, ranging from 125-140 for typical and 140-155 non-typical. Minimum score for mule deer are 145 typical and 160 non-typical. Pronghorn antelope must score at least 70.

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Answers to Super Crossword

GOLD GLOVE THIRD BASEMEN

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