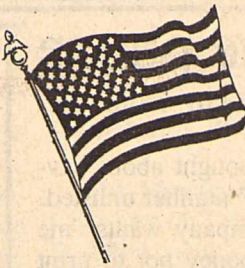


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## Two fires over weekend cause arson suspicions

By Tino Gomez

Brackettville Volunteer Fire Dept.

Arson is suspected in the fires which occurred on Friday and Saturday nights at the Veltmann building and Gonzalez General Store.

The investigations are being led by Deputy State Fire Marshall, Mitch Wilson, of Corpus Christi.

At approximately 11:20 p.m. on Friday night, a 911 call was received by the Kinney County Sheriff's Department reporting that the Veltmann building was on fire.

The building was located at the corner of Ann and Crockett Street, behind Pico's.

The intense fire burned a telephone pole and caused a power outage for hours.

The Val Verde Rural Fire Department was contacted and provided assistance. Local law enforcement and EMS assisted in control and evacuation of the area.

Both fire departments departed the scene around 1:45 a.m.

The Brackettville Fire Department returned several times on Saturday to put out small areas that were still burning.

At approximately 10:20 p.m. on Saturday, a call was received that the Gonzalez General Store was on fire.

The building was located on El Paso and Brown Street.

The Val Verde Rural Volunteer Fire Department was contacted and provided assistance. Local citizens assisted the fire departments in containing the fire, which spread to a second small building. Luckily, the fire did not spread to other buildings, houses or brushy areas. Local law enforcement and EMS assisted in control and evacuation of nearby residents.

The fire departments departed the scene after 1:30 a.m.

The Brackettville Fire Department returned at 4 and 6 a.m. and

at 2 p.m. to put out small areas that were still burning.

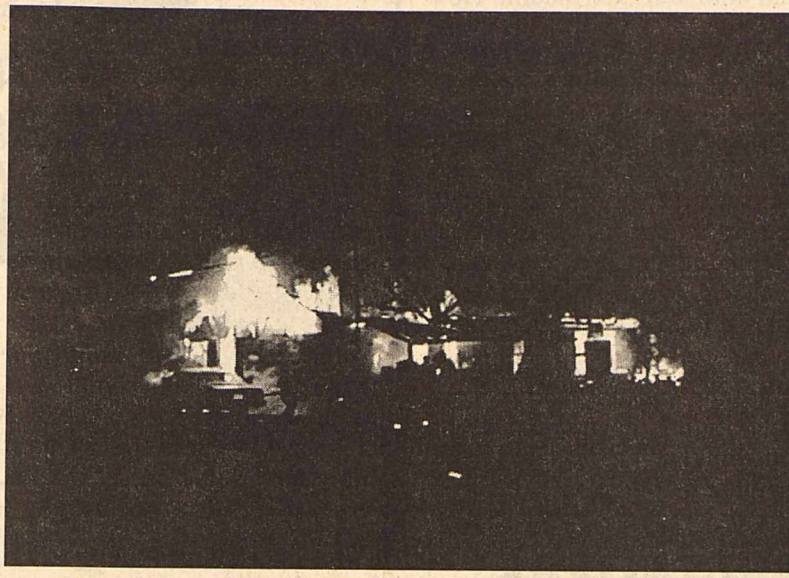
The family store was opened around 1906 and closed years ago.

Although there was no historical marker, the store was part of Brackettville's history. It still had numerous general items of sentimental and historical value. Only burnt wood and metal remains on the property.

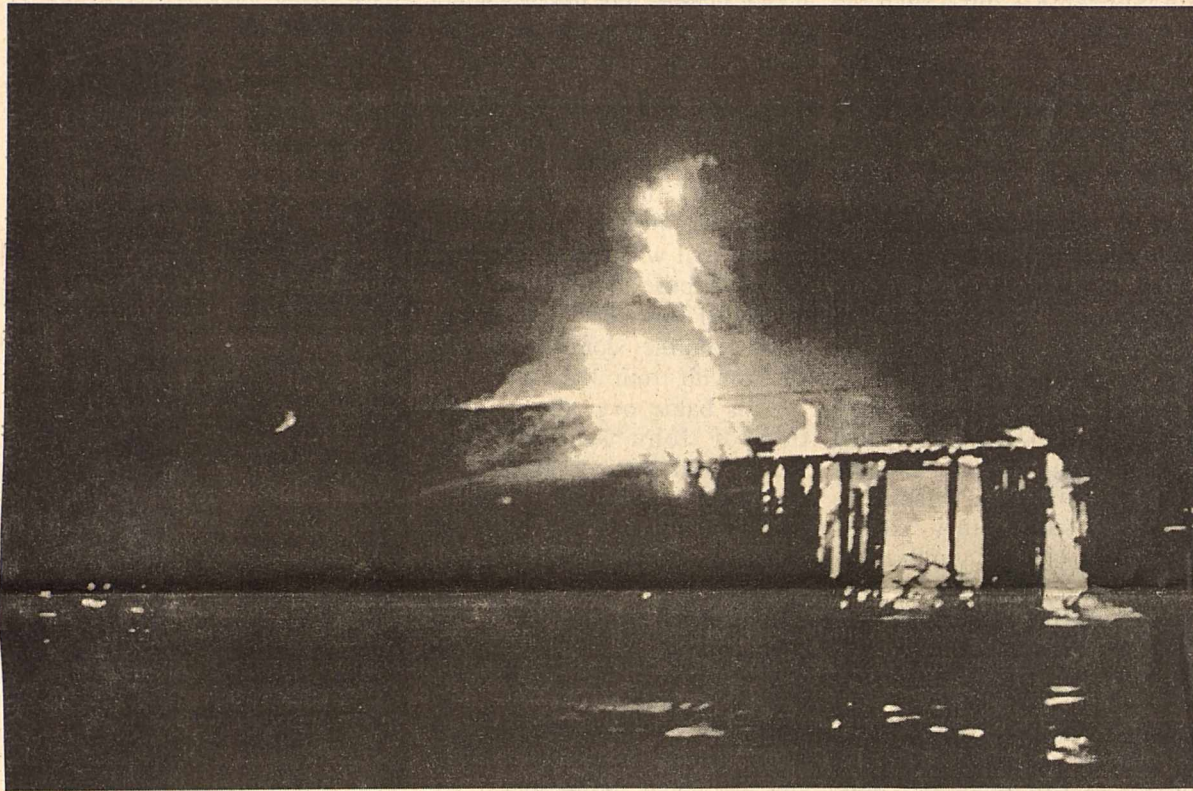
The cause of the fires remains undetermined.

Anyone who has information, may contact the Kinney County Sheriff's Department at 830-563-2788.

A million thanks to Jerry Rust and the men and women of the Val Verde Rural Volunteer Fire Department members, law enforcement officers and local citizens who assisted the Brackettville Volunteer Fire Department. Please support your local volunteer fire fighters.



The Veltmann building, which used to house the first car agency in Brackettville, burned down on Friday night. The fire is being investigated for arson. Photo courtesy of the Sheriff's Office



Volunteer firefighters quench the fire at the Gonzales General Store on Saturday night. This and the fire at the Veltmann building on the corner of Ann and Crockett Street, on Friday night, are both under investigation. Photo courtesy of the Sheriff's Office

## Southwest Texas exhibit to be built in Uvalde

By Patsy Callan

Contributing Writer

Susan Anderson, Director of El Progreso Memorial Library in Uvalde, was the guest speaker for the Brackettville Rotary Club on Thursday, February 8.

In 1998, faced with the mounting need to find a larger and more modern space for the El Progreso Memorial Library and to secure storage and exhibition space for the wonderful artifacts, photos and papers that document the history of Southwest Texas. The Uvalde Historical Commission, Inc. and El Progreso Memorial Library formed an ad hoc committee to acquire land, raise funds and build an architecturally significant building to house a state of the art library, museum and archives.

This unique facility, located on a 6.10 acre oak shaded block, will serve as the educational and cultural heart of the Southwest Texas Area. Southwest Texas is located at a unique cultural, environmental and geographical crossroads.

This semi-arid region is characterized by rugged limestone hills and canyons in the north carved by clear streams that flow south across a flat to rolling landscape covered with brush and savannah. The limiting factors of water and its effect on settlement patterns and the geological process that created the landscape shape its history.

The people of Southwest Texas are a mixture of cultures and of the past and present on the roads and in the fields as migrant workers; on ranches and farms as sheep-shearers or cowboys; and in the small villages and communities as guardians of family histories and futures. They have come from schools private and public, segregated and then integrated. They have carved out our West-

ern-settling history in harshly beautiful, isolated landscapes. They are parents, children, grandparents, padrinos, teachers, priests, ministers, doctors, curanderas, bankers, merchants, Grammy award-winning Tejano musicians, saddle-makers and seamstresses; writers and Hollywood actors, artists and artisans, vice-presidents and governors; speakers of English and Spanish; and decorated veterans.

They are members of time-honored community, political and civic clubs, church parishes and congregations; they are entrepreneurs who invent and manufacture the new and technological and teachers of the old, made-by-hand ways.

The Museum will occupy 4,575 square feet of the West Main Center. The museum exhibits will focus on the long and colorful human history and pre-history of Southwest Texas. Visitors will gain an understanding of the rich and diverse story of the people, environment and culture of this region of Texas through artifacts, images, dioramas and multimedia. The library will occupy 25,000 square feet. It will provide traditional library services as well as 21st Century technology. An expanded outreach service will assure that may of the educational, cultural and social needs of its growing population of users are met.

The 1,420 square foot meeting room will be a flexible studio type space with a demonstration area, multimedia equipment area, kitchen facility and movable furnishings to accommodate classes, workshops and community events.

The archives will encompass 1,765 square feet and will serve as the anchor for the multi-use complex, integrating the museum artifacts and displays with the li-

brary resources. This repository will collect, preserve and make available for research the fragile documentary history of Southwest Texas in a state of the art facility. This will allow the people of this region to save and savor who they were and who they are.

The facility will be located on Highway 90 on a 6.10 acre sight located just across the street from the Super S grocery store in Uvalde. This will make it easy to locate for Southwest Texans and other visitors who do not reside in the Uvalde County area.

It will also provide a connecting route to the museums located on Ft. Clark and in Brackettville and then on to the other museums located in Val Verde County and the city of Del Rio area. Traveling the old military highway that is now Highway 90 will connect the dots of the pre-historic era through the space age in our southwest history.

## \$7.5 million in cocaine seized; eight arrested

Del Rio, Texas - U.S. Border Patrol agents, working near the Rio Grande Monday morning, discovered suspicious footprints that led to the seizure of more than 250 pounds of cocaine and the arrests of eight people.

Two agents who were performing signcutting, or tracking duties, south of the Del Rio International Bridge, spotted tracks that led to five large sacks hidden in the brush.

Subsequent surveillance of the area by Border Patrol agents, agents from the Drug Enforcement Agency and Val Verde County Sheriff's deputies resulted in the

## BISD high school principal resigns

By Amy Davis

Staff Writer

Michael Hall, Brackett High School Principal, read his letter of resignation to the BISD School Board members at Monday night's meeting. He cited personal reasons as the reason for his resignation.

"It is my desire to relocate to the Gulf area [of Texas] and go back to teaching history and coaching and enjoy a semi-retirement life with my wife who is a veteran kindergarten teacher of 25 years," Hall said.

Taylor Stephenson, BISD Superintendent, says the resignation was a surprise. Members of the School Board were equally surprised.

"This wasn't what we were anticipating. It is something we regret," School Board president, Tim Ward told Hall, "But, however, we understand your feelings, what your plans are to take a different course in life. We wish you well."

Hall says he will finish the year continuing to do the best job that he can.

"I will keep doing my job to the utmost of my ability until the end of my contract in June. When I take a job, I finish it and I will do it with tremendous pride," he said. "My vocal coach once said,

make sure you go out on top - which is exactly what I'm going to do."

He added that the choice to move out of administration and resign from Brackett ISD was not an easy one.

Stephenson says he would have recommended Hall for the position again next year and that he has been very pleased with Hall's disciplinary skills.

"Michael has done a particularly good job with student discipline. That's been a strength," Stephenson said. "He will be missed in our community. He will be missed by all."

The search for a new high school principal began Tuesday morning. The vacant position will be advertised in local and area newspapers, on the Internet, and by various other means. A search committee will be established by the School Board in order to guide the process of seeking a new principal.

Hall has been the principal at Brackett High School since the fall of 2000. His resignation will become effective in June of this year. The end of this year marks his 20th year in the Association of School Administration as an assistant principal, assistant superintendent or district superintendent.

## Tipps makes 2nd chair

On February 7, the top 10 bass clarinetists in the state auditioned for chair placement in one of the Association of Texas Small School Bands state bands. (ATSSB is made up of 1,2, and 3A schools and students must compete at the regional and area levels first.) The top five to perform in the ATSSB Symphonic band and the other five to perform in the ATSSB Concert band. Jeffrey Tipps, a sophomore at Brackett ISD placed 2nd.

The auditions were followed by two ten-hour days of practice and

instructions for all participants culminating with a rehearsal on Saturday, February 10, followed by both concerts. Jeffrey had the honor of playing with the ATSSB Symphonic band, which was under the direction of Colonel Arnold D. Gabriel (USAF Ret.)

Colonel Gabriel retired from the USAF in 1985 following a distinguished 36-year military career, at which time he was awarded an unprecedented third Legion of Merit for his service to the USAF and to music education throughout the country. He served as Commander/Conductor of the internationally renowned USAF Band, Symphony Orchestra, and Singing Sergeants from 1964-1985.

In 1990 he was named the first Conductor Emeritus of the USAF Band at a special concert held at DAR Constitution Hall in Washington D.C. One of the world's most widely traveled musicians, Col. Gabriel has conducted ensembles in all 50 of the United States and in 48 countries around the world. Col. Gabriel continues to appear as a clinician at major state, regional, and university music festivals and guests conducts outstanding school, college, municipal, and military bands as well as orchestras around the world. He is currently Conductor and Music Director of the McLean Orchestra in Virginia.

## Briefs ...

Commodities to be given

Monday Feb. 19, 2001 at St. John's Missionary Church 116 W. Crockett St. Time: from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

Support elementary PTO

If you eat, then you can help Jones Elementary P.T.O. raise money for their school! The P.T.O. is collecting box tops for the General Mills "Box Tops for Education" program. These box tops can be found on everything from cereal to mashed potatoes to yogurt. The school receives .10 for every box top collected by March 20, 2001. Please help the P.T.O. by clipping your box tops and placing them in collection cans in town at the Post Office and Kinney County Library or on the Fort at the Administration Office, Adult Center, RV Park and Golf Course. Thank you for your assistance.

Jazz concert on Friday

If necessary, tie a string on your finger as a reminder of a special evening in the offering on February 23rd at 7:30 p.m. in the Brackettville Civic Center. "The Rainbows," consisting of four talented singers and musicians will be in concert playing jazz and toe tapping sounds of the past and the present. Brackett ISD students will benefit from an afternoon of free concert and the rest of the population will have an opportunity to attend the evening performance. The Kinney County Arts Council and The Texas Commission on the Arts seek to enrich this area with a variety of cultural presentations. Tickets for the 7:30 p.m. performance are available from Bank and Trust, Ft. Clark's Adult Center or from any member of the Kinney County Arts Council.

Duplicate Bridge Club

By Dianna Daniels

Duplicate Bridge was played on Tuesday, February 6, in the Gorgas Room at Fort Clark Springs. There were nine tables and the Mitchell Movement was used. The winners in the East/West were: 1st-Sharon and Bob Bou-cher; 2nd-Evelyn Whately and Ann Legg; and 3rd-Molly Sch-roeder and Carol Benfield. The winners in the North/South were: 1st- Sara Richhart and Nelda Thomason; 2nd-Tina Bauguess and Rosetta Pingeno; and 3rd-Joyce Bell and Alice Seargeant. There was an enthusiastic group participating.

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TAAS exams will be given to Texas school students in grades 4, 8 and 10 this next week. TAAS exit level tests will be given in high school in reading, writing and math. 4th and 8th grade students will take the writing test. This is the beginning of statewide assessment of student skills. School/Page 5

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But I could be wrong  
By Chuck Hall

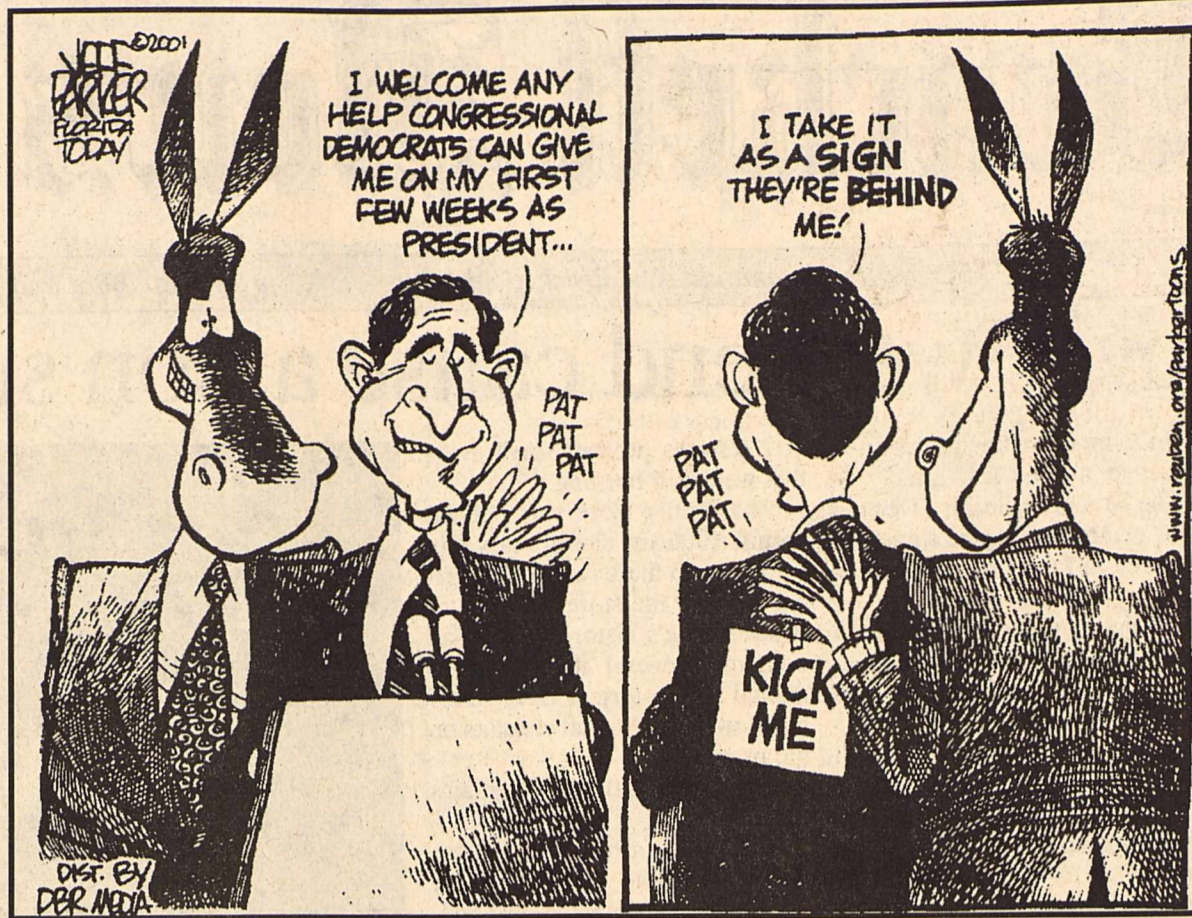
I'm The Second Charles Hall. I have two phones in my home. It's not an uncommon thing in today's society, especially those families with teenagers in the home. If you happen to have ankle biters, curtain climbers, hip huggers, or what ever you call the little darlings in your household, then you know what I'm talking about. My girls told their friends which number to call to avoid speaking to "the dragon." I constantly reminded that was no way to refer to their mother. I wonder why they would just laugh and walk off?

The girls are gone now and on several occasions I have considered having the second phone disconnected. For some reason I still haven't done it. Probably a deep psychological wish for them to return I sup-

pose. I need to have that checked.

I've even thought about having that "other" number unlisted. The phone company wants me to pay them money not to print my listing. Sounds funny to me too. Kinda like unleaded gas. When we had regular and unleaded, we paid extra for the gasoline companies not to put lead into our petroleum. Now what is wrong with that picture?

Back to the phone business. I never answer the other number. I hear it ringing, and I'm not rude, but the habit created over years of letting only the girls answer that phone is forever engrained into my brain. I have saved myself hundreds of unsolicited business messages. I'm sure I've missed a few personal calls, but those who really know me, know which number I answer. Others now know why I don't answer the phone. But I could be wrong.



### Focusing on education in the year 2001

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

Nothing is more important to our future than ensuring a high-quality education for our nation's children. President George W. Bush made education the cornerstone of his campaign for the White House. He followed through on his promise to "leave no child behind." The President sent Congress a plan to improve our nation's education. His education plan provides an excellent framework for moving forward quickly on bipartisan legislation in the Congress.

President Bush's proposal calls for an equal and quality education for all children. A child should not be left behind just because he or she is poor. Under President Bush's education plan, failing schools will have three years to get up to standards. If after three years a school is still not up to par, parents of students at these failing schools would have the option of sending their children to a school that meets their needs. No student should have to be trapped in a school that consistently fails to meet the students' needs. This plan gives parents the freedom to send their children to a school that gives the child the best possible education. A good education must be the end goal.

Decisions concerning our children's education should be made at the local level — first by parents, and then by teachers and local communities. I was pleased to see that President Bush's education proposal provides for a limited government approach to education. The federal government remains responsible for setting education standards. But, the plan ensures that all decisions on how to implement the education standards are made by the states and local school districts. No one knows what students need more than parents, teachers and local communities.

A main theme in President Bush's education proposal is putting power back in the hands of the people. State and local governments should have the freedom to administer federal education dollars. At the same time, the plan recognizes that schools must be held accountable. This can be accomplished through annual state assessments in reading and math for students in grades three through eight. Annual state assessments will allow schools to give parents information on how their children are doing in school. The data will also allow schools to detect and correct problems in a timely fashion.

Education is not about government or bureaucrats or tax credits or federal mandates. Education is first, last and always about children. I applaud President Bush's education proposal. It is a strong approach to reforming our education system.

Every child deserves an opportunity for a bright future - we can make this a reality by giving children the best education possible. President Bush's plan is an important step to restore our nation's education system and "leave no child behind."

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### Liberals continue to blame Conservatives for their problems in politics

The Way I See It  
By Steven R. LaMascia

Well John Ashcroft is our Attorney General and the Democrats did not filibuster. Teddy "Mary Jo who?" Kennedy ranted and raved and threatened and showed his true colors, but was in the end impotent to effect the evil he desired.

Other liberals were less vehement and less vocal, but just as determined. Fortunately they too were in the minority.

I can't recall the exact quote, but one leading Democrat said something to the effect that he hoped that President Bush had seen the pain, dissent, and anger that his nomination of Ashcroft had caused and would see fit to refrain from causing more such intolerable anguish by nominating Supreme Court Justices that were acceptable to the liberals (meaning pro-abortion, pro-gun control, and anti-Christian).

I find this remarkable in that President Bush only nominated a person who was honest, upstanding, truthful, moral and Christian. He nominated a person who he felt was just exactly what was needed in the chief law enforcement officer of the nation. He nominated a person who would do the job without bias, who will do what he feels is right, without regard to the wishes of political parties. He nominated a man of integrity, a conservative. And that is precisely what the liberals hated.

Now they are trying to blame their unreasonable anger, their

lies, their back-stabbing personal attacks, their rabid slander of Ashcroft, on Bush. Talk about spin.

Now they want Bush to nominate Supreme Court Justices who are liberal and diametrically opposed to what Bush believes, so they won't have to get mad and throw temper tantrums again.

This is another perfect example of why the liberals are so dangerous. Nothing is their fault. It is always someone else's fault. There is only one way to get along with liberals and that is to let them have their way. They will not compromise, they vote almost totally along party lines, and they resort to personal, and untruthful attacks on individuals because they cannot stand on their principals, because they have no principals. All the time they are lying and cheating and stealing and profaning, they are mouthing words of reconciliation. "Oh, please, let us try to get along. Don't make us do this. If you would just roll over and play dead we wouldn't have to tell all these lies about you. It is your fault that we are destroying the nation with our ungodly ways."

Now is the time for us to stand firm. Now is the time for "Dubya" to stand tall and nominate people who believe in the Christian principals this nation once held sacred.

President Bush cannot knuckle under to the liberals. He, and we, must face them and defeat them in the arena they have chosen - politics. We have

right on our side. We have God on our side. They cannot defeat God; but they can defeat us, if we allow them to force their evil agendas on this nation. We have won a victory, but the war is not over. This was only one battle in the eternal war of Good v. Evil. We cannot relax. They won't. We must continue to fight on every front. Elect conservative, moral men and women to public office; denounce evil where and when we find it; expose the lies the liberals try to foist onto the unsuspecting public; combat lies and deceit with truth and facts.

This battle over the nomination of John Ashcroft was fought well and successfully. It was fought with facts, figures, integrity, and tenacity. We won in spite of every dirty trick in the liberals' arsenal. We won because we were right and they were wrong. We must not forget the lessons we have learned from this battle. Nominate liberal judges just so the liberals won't raise a hue and cry about intolerance, rabid conservatism, and religious radicals? That is not just stupid, it is cowardly and self-destructive. If liberals want to destroy their own thin veneer of respectability by trying to defeat honest, God-fearing men and women, let them! The louder they howl the more positive we can be that what we are doing is right.

Isaiah 60:12 - For the nation or kingdom that will not serve you will perish; it will be utterly ruined.

### Charitable giving without tears

Capitol Comment  
Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison

"I deem it the duty of every man to devote a certain portion of his income for charitable purposes, and ... his further duty to see it so applied as to do the most good of which it is capable." — Thomas Jefferson, 1806

Thomas Jefferson never imagined in his wildest dreams that the federal government which he helped to found would exact tribute from Americans' philanthropic efforts. But that is the case in our country today.

Right now, Americans who wish to donate assets held in an IRA to a charity of their choice have to pay federal taxes on those assets first. Under current law, Uncle Sam takes as much as 39 percent of such gifts out in taxes. So I have sponsored legislation, the Charitable IRA Rollover Act, to allow these generous-hearted individuals to roll over assets from an IRA to a charity without incurring a tax liability. Gifts to charity shouldn't be taxable events. This measure is written to encourage America's best charitable instincts, and to strengthen our charitable organizations as well as our colleges, universities

and other educational institutions.

Here's how it would work: Many people have done such a good job of saving for their retirement that, when the day comes, they find they do not need any or part of the assets they hold in IRAs for living expenses. They would like to donate those funds to a charity or educational institution whose work they support.

Under current law, they must remove the funds from their IRA, pay any federal taxes owed and make their diminished contribution to charity. My bill would change that burdensome and costly process by allowing a person who has reached age 59 1/2 to move assets from an IRA directly to a charity or into a qualifying deferred charitable gift plan without having to pay federal tax on the transfer funds.

This could provide a valuable new stream of philanthropy for our nation's charities. Recent studies show that retirement plan assets comprise a substantial part of the net worth of many individuals. So these IRA assets represent the main source of funds from which they can make charitable gifts.

The additional giving encour-

aged by my Charitable IRA Rollover Act would support increased public services through the nonprofit sector. I believe voluntary charity changes hearts and lives much more effectively than government programs — the hearts and lives of those who voluntarily help as well as those in need of a hand.

Americans are among the most generous people in the world — 70 percent of all U.S. households contribute to charity — but we have the potential to give even more. To those who argue we can't afford to forego this particular stream of tax revenue, I would counter with Thomas Jefferson's words once more: "I would rather be exposed to the inconveniences attending too much liberty than to those attending too small a degree of it."

I first introduced the Charitable IRA Rollover Act in 1998. Unfortunately, it was part of the tax relief bill that President Clinton vetoed in 1999. With a President who has expressed support for tax relief and for encouraging private charities to step in where government cannot, I'm hopeful the time is right to make the Charitable IRA Rollover Act the law of the land.

Big Mama Sez!



The greatness of a man is not evidenced by his finding faults, but by fixing them.

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**Kinney County Sheriff's Report .....**

**Monday, Feb. 5**  
12:00 a.m., Armando Prieto Sosa, 42, of Mexico, was arrested for bond forfeiture, by a Border Patrol. Sosa is still being held.

4:10 p.m., Chief Deputy Johnny Fritter spoke to a local woman about a 1988 red Chevy pickup which was used in a kidnapping out of Eules, TX.

6:49 p.m., A local woman requested a deputy to come to her residence. Deputy Fritter responded to the call.

10:34 p.m., Deputy Manuel Pena informed the Sheriff's Office about an individual on his bike traveling on Hwy 131 about 3 miles out of town, which he had almost hit with the patrol car.

11:28 p.m., Deputy Robinson responded to a call by a local woman about a possible fire on Hwy 131.

**Tuesday, Feb. 6**  
9:00 a.m., A city employee reported that someone had broken into the city's shed and took an 8 inch color t.v. Deputy Fritter responded.

3:15 p.m., Laughlin Air Force Base called the Sheriff's Office because there was an emergency landing. Sheriff Buddy Burgess made sure the plane landed safely.

5:11 p.m., An accident was reported on Ann and Spring street. The driver who hit the other car went to the Sheriff's Office and reported what she had done.

6:50 p.m., A couple reported someone had stole eight tires from their property. Deputy Fritter was informed.

6:56 p.m., A local man reported that someone was in one of the school buses behind the school. Constable Cordelia Mendeke found two juveniles and took them into custody.

9:22 p.m., A local man called about gun shots near his residence. Deputy Robinson was informed and reported the shots had been fireworks.

9:52 p.m., An employee from a local store reported a man who had broken the glass door because he was upset that they didn't sell him beer or cigarettes. Deputy Robinson responded to the call.

**Wednesday, Feb. 7**  
5:39 a.m., DPS Trooper Tony Ashley responded to a call about two horses that had gotten loose by a nearby store.

2:42 p.m., A woman reported a stranded pickup with a horse trailer twelve miles east of town. DPS Trooper Tom Wylie checked out the situation.

11:40 p.m., Deputy Manuel Pena Jr. responded to the call, by an employee of local store stating that the subject who had broken the door (2-06-01) was back. Deputy Pena approached the subject and read him his rights. He was being detained for criminal mischief, Deputy Pena was requested to press charges by store manager.

**Thursday, Feb. 8**  
6:29 a.m., A Border Patrol agent radioed to report a roll over of grey Toyota pickup five miles south on Hwy 131. Trooper Wylie checked it out and reported it abandoned.

7:45 a.m., Javier DeLeon, 18, of Brackettville was arrested by Trooper Wylie on delivery of controlled substance (marijuana).

DeLeon posted bond the same day.  
8:15 a.m., Eugene Flores Jr., 20, of Brackettville was arrested for delivery of controlled substance (marijuana), by Juan Lozano. Flores posted bond the same day.

8:20 a.m., Trooper Wylie arrested Noe A. Sanchez, 28, of Brackettville, for delivery of the controlled substance cocaine. Sanchez posted bond on Saturday (2-10-01).

9:30 a.m., Armando Estrada, 29, of Brackettville was arrested by Trooper Wylie for delivery of controlled substance (cocaine and marijuana). Estrada posted bond the following day.

9:39 a.m., Trooper Wylie arrested Jesus Josue Estrada, 36, of Brackettville, for delivery of controlled substance (marijuana). Estrada posted bond the next day.

9:42 a.m., Manuel Dimas Sanchez, 44, of Brackettville was arrested for possession of marijuana and delivery of controlled substance (cocaine), by Trooper Wylie. Sanchez is still being held.

**Friday, Feb. 9**  
12:26 a.m., Trooper Wylie responded to a call about a blue car that was recklessly driving and speeding on the Hwy.

1:00 p.m., Two juveniles were reported shoplifting in a local grocery store, the store manager did not press charges but banned them from the store for thirty days. Deputy Pena was the responding officer.

1:30 p.m., A Ft. Clark resident reported her neighbor's black rottweiler was in her yard and she was scared of it. Deputy Pena responded to the call.

2:30 p.m., Sheriff Burgess arrested John Amos Sheedy, 66, of Brackettville for criminal trespassing. Sheedy posted bond the same day.

7:06 p.m., Two 911 prank calls were made from a pay phone with a devise that made a high pitch sound. Constable Mendeke was the responding officer.

11:00 p.m., Deputy Robinson radioed that the building behind Pico's was burning down. The fire department, EMS, and CP&L were notified immediately. The building was taped for further investigation.

**Saturday, Feb. 10**  
2:15 a.m., Val Verde Sheriff's Office informed KCSO of a hit and run by a grey Surbaban that occurred near the base. Constable Mendeke pulled the vehicle over and the driver was taken into custody.

2:35 a.m., Christopher Alan Butler, 24, of Comstock was arrested by Trooper Slubar for unlawfully carrying a weapon and FSRA DWI 1st. Butler was released to Val Verde DPS the same day.

8:11 a.m., On FM 2804 there were at least 50 to 100 goats on the road. The owner was notified about the situation.

10:00 p.m., A fire was reported on W. El Paso & Brown. The Fire Department of Brackett and Del Rio were notified. EMS, Trooper Slubar, Sheriff Burgess, Constable Mendeke, Deputy Chism and Pena, Game Warden Henry Lutz were all at the scene.

10:02 p.m., Val Verde Sheriff's Office had a report of a stranded

motorist five miles east of their county line. Trooper Slubar responded.

**Sunday, Feb. 11**  
2:40 a.m., A 911 call was made by a woman involved in a roll-over on Hwy 90 east about 9 to 12 miles out, EMS was advised and a wrecker. Deputy Chism, Trooper Slubar, and Constable Mendeke responded to the call.

3:58 a.m., Constable Mendeke requested a fireman to check the

fire patches that were starting to pick up on W. El Paso & Brown.

6:15 a.m., A local woman notified the office that the fire at the abandoned building was starting up again. Advised Fire Chief Joe Williams and Tino Gomez about the fire.

5:04 p.m., A 911 call was made in reference to two illegals on the side of Hwy 90 past Fritter Park. United States Border Patrol was advised.

**Wanted: champion golfer**

The Fort Clark Springs Men's Golf Association will hold the 2001 Annual Men's Club Championship Golf Tournament on Friday, February 16th and Saturday, February 17th at the Fort Clark Springs 18 hole golf course. The contest will be a 36 hole, flighted, handicap, medal play, individual match.

To date approximately 50 members have entered the tournament. To be eligible, one must be a member of the men's club, have a current USGA handicap or be a member of the Glin system, and have paid the \$5.00 entry fee.

The field flighted by handicap in A,B,C, and D flights will tee off at 9 A.M. on both days with a shotgun start. USGA rules with

local changes will govern. Any ties after the 36 holes will be settled by a sudden death playoff.

An awards dinner for all members and spouses will be held at the Fort Clark Service Club on Saturday at 5 P.M. A certificate and cash prizes for first, second, and third place winners in each flight will be awarded. The names of the first place winners will be engraved on the trophy.

The championship trophy will be awarded to the golfing member with the low gross score (that's without handicap) regardless of flight. He will also be awarded a new putter and will be known as champ for the coming year.

The names of all winners will be published after the tournament.

**Garden Club celebrates Valentine's Day**

By Joyce Bergery  
Contributing Writer

The Mountain Laurel Garden Club met on February 8th at the Ft. Clark Adult Center. Members and guests enjoyed a Valentine theme assortment of cakes and cookies presented by hostesses Marge Geeze and Joyce Bergery.

The program for the meeting was presented by Al Jenkins, owner of Kactus Korral, Inc. He spoke to members about the many varieties of ornamental cactuses, their care, and how they are grafted to create interesting combinations. He generously provided books and small cactus plants for everyone present.

Our "Bucks for Beauty" project

to have a sprinkler system installed at the Service Club is coming along well with the much appreciated support of many local donations.

Our club is gearing up for our annual Flower Show, which will be held on April 21st at the Service Club. Our theme this year is "A Pretty Flower Is Like a Melody." Visitors will enjoy the sights of beautiful arrangements displayed in conjunction with a special song. Be sure to mark this date on your calendars to join us in this fun and free event.

Our next meeting will be held on March 8th with the program "Spring Fling Floral Designs" given by the owner of The Love of Farel shop in Del Rio.

**Ft. Clark Ladies Golf League report**

Twenty-five members and one guest enjoyed the beautiful weather on Tuesday, February 6, 2001. Play began at 11:00 a.m. with the game being the total of either the Odd or Even Holes and deducting one-half the players handicap.

Tying for first and second place were Camille Niel and JoAnn Mayberry. Joyce Williamson won third place and Orlene Alvis placed fourth. Tying for fifth and sixth place were Ruth Spencer and Fern Dyer. All golfers are reminded of the "Rally For A Cure" cancer benefit tournament which

will be held on Tuesday, March 6. The fee is \$15.00 which must be paid before play. Everyone is invited to participate whether they play 18 holes, 9 holes, or even just the #11 hole which is the prize winning hole. The women will have organized play but the men can just play with their own groups and record their closest to the pin on #11 at their chosen times. Non-golfers are encouraged to donate to this worthy cause. Rosemary Johnson is chairman for this tournament and can be reached at 563-2567 for further details.

**Sons of the American Revolution announce essay winners**

Chapter #53, Sons of the American Revolution, met at Uvalde's Holiday Inn on Saturday, February 10, 2001.

The area winner of the George S. and Stella M. Knight Essay Contest was Richard Breiten, a 12th grade student at Del Rio's Amistad Dam Academy. Richard's essay on "The U.S. Constitution: Does It Stand The Test Of Time" was read as part of the program and will be entered in the State Essay Competition. Richard received a check for \$100 and a certificate from the chapter.

Placing 2nd with an essay on the same topic was Tara Taylor, a 12th grade student at Carrizo Springs High School who received a check for \$50 and a certificate.

Sixteen Boy Scouts earning their Eagle Awards were presented with certificates by the chapter

president.








The Poster Contest for elementary school children will continue through the month of February.

Officers for the upcoming year were elected: President: Charles McFarland from Sabinal; Vice President: Allen McCord from Brackettville; Secretary/Treasurer: Tom Casey from Montel; Registrar/Historian: Clemmy McKelvy from Brackettville.

Any male who can prove that his ancestors fought in, or supplied aid for, the American Revolution is eligible to become a member. If interested, please contact any of the above listed members.

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**Children face divided loyalties** **Del Rio Community Concert Association presents Roslyn Kind**

*Empowering Families*  
By Dr. Donald Smith

Children of divorce always wonder why their parents could not make it together. There are certain questions that divorced parents never want to hear. The following is an example.

"Dad, why did you and mom get divorced?" Ten year old David wanted an answer. He continued, "Mom says it is because you were running around on her."

"Well, she's lying. If she would have learned to act like a real wife should, I would not have had to leave her. She is just like your grandmother. Always trying to be boss and tell me what I can do and what I can't do. The next time your mother says something like that, you tell her that you know the truth."

Even in the best of circumstances, children of divorce face issues of divided loyalties. At worst they also have to face issues of continued fighting and of having to be the bearers of the cannonballs between the warring parents. What are the long range effects of such behavior? Almost every problem of childhood and

adolescence compounds in children of divorced and warring parents. They do poorer in school, they are a greater risk for drugs, early pregnancy, dropping out of school, and negative contact with law enforcement.

As unfortunate as divorce may be, children can survive quite well and the risks mentioned above minimized as long as parents remain amicable, supportive and cooperative. Consider the following in contrast to the above.

"Dad, why did you and mom get a divorce? When I ask her, she says that it is an adult problem that wasn't my fault."

"She is right, David. Your mom and I love you more than anyone else in the world can love you. We decided that we would not make our problems yours and that we would support each other in our respective parenting roles just as if we were not divorced."

St. Paul says in Ephesians 6:4 that fathers have a very important role in loving children and teaching them godliness. *This column is brought to you by the St. Henry deOsso Family Project working in Brackettville to strengthen families, faith and education.*

Brackettville concert-goers are going to have a real treat in store when they attend the Del Rio Community Concert Association presentation of singing sensation Roslyn Kind on Thursday, February 22 at the Paul Poag Theatre in Del Rio.

**Children killed in car accidents increases**

AUSTIN - In 1999, 202 children from birth through age 14 were killed as a result of traffic collisions in Texas - an increase of 27 deaths over 1998. Even though Texas has child occupant restraint laws covering this age group, more than half of the children killed were riding unrestrained.

"Seat belts, car seats and booster seats save lives, but you have to use them," said DPS Director Col. Thomas A. Davis. "Parents are responsible for the safety of their children, and they should do all they can to protect them."

Studies show that while more parents are putting infants and toddlers in safety seats, there is a gap when it comes to children ages four to eight. According to DPS statistics, 68 children in this age group were killed in crashes in 1999; 34 were unrestrained, 32 were in seat belts and only 2 were

Roslyn Kind thrills audiences all over the world with her unmistakable singing style and unique blend of new age and traditional material. Demanded by audiences and producers alike, Roslyn is recording title songs from motion pictures, including "Nico The

Unicorn," starring Ann Archer and Michael Ontkean. Her new material generates concert requests from Australia and Canada as she continually performs to sold out audiences in theaters, night clubs and concert halls across the United States, Europe and Canada.

A Brooklyn native, Roslyn's professional career started the day she graduated from high school and cut her first record with RCA. Roslyn has subsequently released many popular albums including "This is Roslyn Kind," "Give Me You," and her latest CD "Come What May." They all confirm her unique rich and lyrical depth.

Equally at home on stage and screen, Roslyn is well known to New York audiences from her critically acclaimed starring roles in "Three from Brooklyn" on Broadway and in "Show Me Where the Good Times Are" off Broadway. She received rave reviews in Los Angeles in "Elegies," directed by Marshall Mason and in "Ferguson the Tailor."

Roslyn's film roles include "I'm Going to Be Famous" and "The Underachievers." Numerous television appearances include CBS's "The Nanny," the NBC Movie of the Week "Switched at Birth," NBC's "Gimmie a Break" and the

ABC pilot "Ghost of a Chance." Roslyn has been a featured guest on "Saturday Night Live," "The Tonight Show," "Good Morning America" and "The Morning Show."

Be sure to catch this glamorous vocalist as she entertains the audience with her rich and lyrical interpretation of the music of Broadway and film, as well as popular standards from the Gershwins, Kern, Berlin and Arlen.

According to the London Times, Roslyn Kind "...has a voice that can encompass anything, with a richness and depth, and mellowness rarely found. With a wide vocal range, her technique is flawless... This is a great lady with a style all her own... You truly concentrate on that marvelous God-given voice... To say she is superb would be an understatement."

Roslyn Kind's concert, the third of this year's series of exceptional Community Concerts, will begin at 7:30 p.m. Individual tickets are \$15.00 and are available at the box office when the doors open at 7:00 p.m. For more information, call Lynn McNew at 563-9229 in Brackettville or Omega Zavala, 775-6882 in Del Rio.

**Health**

**Surgical options provide better life for some Parkinson's patients**

It is boxing legend Muhammad Ali's toughest opponent. For actor Michael J. Fox, it's meant a new starring role as a spokesperson and advocate. Both suffer from Parkinson's disease, a progressive degeneration of the nervous system that affects one million Americans.

The symptoms of the illness, whose cause is unknown, include tremors and muscle rigidity. Occurring most commonly in middle-aged and elderly, the disease causes difficulty with balance and walking. It can ultimately leave people unable to walk or care for

themselves.

The disease occurs when certain brain cells, or neurons, located deep within the brain die or become impaired. These neurons no longer produce enough dopamine, a chemical messenger responsible for transmitting signals within the "message centers" of the brain, to help coordinate the millions of nerve and muscle cells involved in movement. Most Parkinson's patients are treated with medications that relieve the disease's symptoms by restoring the brain's neurochemical balance. Anti-Parkinson medications are usually quite effective. But the medications have significant side effects and lose their efficacy over time. The tremors can then become more pronounced. When this occurs some patients may benefit from surgery.

Parkinson's is widely misunderstood as an affliction solely of the elderly or those who have suffered head injuries. While the average age of onset is 60, Parkinson's can strike children and teenagers. An estimated 5 to 10 percent of Americans with Parkinson's were under age 40 when diagnosed.

**When Surgery is the Answer**

"For years neurosurgeons have relieved the involuntary movements of conditions like Parkinson's disease by operating on the deep brain structures involved in motion control," said A. John Popp, MD, an Albany, New York neurosurgeon and AANS board member. Pallidotomy is the most common surgical treatment of Parkinson's for patients under 65. In this delicate procedure, the surgeon uses a hair-thin electrode

to transmit radiowaves that burn misfiring brain cells. This procedure works by either stimulating or destroying certain targeted cells in the deeper portions of the brain.

Another surgical procedure commonly performed, thalamotomy, works by using a radiofrequency current to destroy a small, but specific, portion of the thalamus. Surgery is not for everyone with Parkinson's disease. Most patients are treated successfully with medication. However, for the right patients, surgery can improve the quality of their daily lives.

For more information about Parkinson's disease, visit the Web site of the American Association of Neurological Surgeons at [www.aans.org](http://www.aans.org).

**It's never too late to resolve to get fit**

The holidays are a memory and the bills are due. Perhaps you gained a few pounds or made a resolution that this was the year you'd get in shape. Is your resolution already a memory, too? It's not too late to begin again but you'll need to plan.

Many people fail in their fitness

efforts because they set unrealistic goals.

A smart approach, she said, is to start slowly and gradually build more exercise into your schedule.

First, eliminate excuses. "The number one excuse for not exercising is, 'I don't have time,'" Guzman said. "Anyone can add

fitness into their schedule if they look at the small things they can do rather than the bigger things they can't. A good example is taking the stairs rather than the elevator." Just 30 minutes of physical activity on most days can achieve improvements in overall fitness if you are sedentary. You can even break the 30 minutes up into smaller segments throughout the day. Simple changes such as parking the car further away or taking a brisk walk after dinner, even housework and gardening, can improve your fitness level.

Small changes in your diet can make a big difference, too.

"Think about the long term when looking at what you eat," Guzman said. "Stringent denial, fad diets, or fasting can lead to bingeing and weight gain later. A slower weight loss of one to one and-a-half pounds a week is much more likely to last."

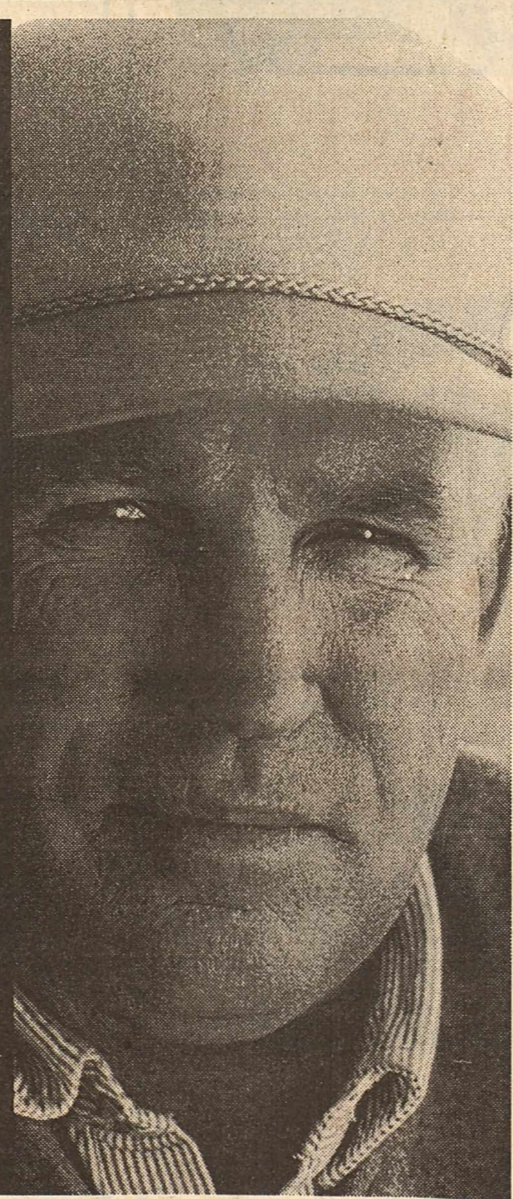
Cutting 500-750 calories a week by eating less or exercising more, will help you reach that goal. For example, drinking water rather than soda will save about 150 calories. A pat of butter or margarine has 50 calories as does a teaspoon of sugar. Over a week those extra calories really add up.

Another strategy for losing weight is to add more fruits and vegetables to your diet. The National Cancer Institute and the Department of Agriculture recommend eating five servings of fruits and vegetables daily.

The consequences of not taking action can be serious. "About 58 percent of Texans are overweight. "If these people take positive action now to change their eating and exercise habits they will reduce their risk of health problems such as heart disease, mobility problems, some forms of diabetes and colon cancer," says Dr. Philip Huang, Chief of the TDH Bureau of Disease, Injury and Tobacco Prevention.

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An election is hereby ordered to be held on May 5, 2001 for the purpose of Board of Trustees Election. Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at Central Office-Brackett Independent School District between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. beginning on April 18, 2001 and ending on May 1, 2001.  
Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to  
Susan Esparza  
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Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on April 27, 2001.  
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Dixie Brown  
Signature of Presiding Officer.

**Orden De Eleccion**  
Por la presente se ordena que se llevara a cabo una eleccion el 5 de mayo 2001 con el proposito de:  
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## TAAS testing begins this week, parents encouraged to talk to kids about drugs, utility bills continue to rise

Making A Difference  
By Taylor Stephenson

TAAS exams will be given to Texas school students in grades 4, 8 and 10 this next week. TAAS exit level tests will be given in high school in reading, writing and math. 4th and 8th grade students will take the writing test. This is the beginning of statewide assessment of student skills. February is early for a criterion based assessment. However, the Texas curriculum begins at kindergarten. It's very important for all teachers at all grade levels to teach the Texas curriculum as is, spelled out in the Texas Essential Knowledge & Skills (TEKS). Teachers at BISD are anxious as they try to get students ready for the assessment. Our teachers are good ones. Our students will do well next week!

Congratulations to the BHS Debate Team, Sheena Meyer and Carissa de los Santos who placed first in Team Debate. BHS' competition was with Poth. These young ladies won the debate! Poth placed second. Our debate team sponsored by Kaylia Thomas will go on to state in Austin on March 12 and 13. Great job!

The BHS boys golf team coached by Dave Wilkins won second at Kerrville this past Monday. This will be a great team and we look forward to a great season.

Parents who are looking for a topic to talk with kids about, have one this week. The topic is drugs. School surveys indicated last year that there has been more use. The biggest deterrent to drug use is that it is illegal and that you can go to jail for using or selling. I do not know the facts on the cases that have been brought forth in our community. I do know that our community needs to have less use of drugs from its adults and its students.

Jeffrey Tipps placed second chair Bass Clarinet in the all state band. We're very proud of Jeffrey and his director, Jason Guidry, on this very high accomplishment.

Our utility bills continue to soar. Gas and electricity prices are

high and we are using more. The entire country has the same problem primarily because the price of natural gas has tripled from the well-head. In schools, checks to utility companies use the same dollars that purchase supplies, pay salaries and pay for our student activity programs. Principals are seeking help from their staffs to turn off lights when no one is in the classroom and to turn down thermostats at the end of the school day and on weekends. It's like it is at home. We don't have a blank check at school for utilities; nor do we in our homes. With effort, we can control the increase by cutting down the use.

We're moving toward spring. The days this week are forecast to

reach temperatures of 70 degrees. The weather has been beautiful mixed with showers. Purple martin scouts, robins, and blue birds have been seen in our community this last week. We have an abundance of beautiful birds in Kinney County, Texas.

It's time to trim roses. Those rose bushes that have stayed tall and green all winter will produce more roses by cutting back to 4 or 5 main canes about 18 to 24 inches tall. Master gardeners say it's time to get this job done. This week, we have a grand celebration at school, Valentine's Day! Remember those days when the school valentine boxes were opened? Have a great week!

## Tigerette basketball season ends with win

By Greg Nowlin  
Contributing Writer

The Tigerette Basketball team finished their season with a convincing win over the Dilley Wolves. The score was 47 to 23. Leading the way for the Tigerettes was Ashley Smith with 13 points, followed by Queta Garza with 10 points. Next was Duquesa Hunt with 8. Also playing well was Cuddy De Los Santos, and B'Ann Gomez. The Tigerettes finish the 2000-2001 season with

17 wins and 11 losses. They finished in 4th place, and only one game away from the State playoffs. "I would like to thank my two Seniors Cuddy De Los Santos, and Queta Garza for their outstanding hustle and leadership throughout their careers. We will miss them greatly, and wish them all the luck in the future. As for next year we return 3 starters, and some experienced players off of the bench. We should have a great chance at returning to the State Playoffs in 2001. Go Tigerettes.

## Boys and girls golf travel to Kerrville

Brackett's Golf Teams went to The Kerrville Invitational Monday, February 12th. They played on the Schreiner Municipal Golf Course, it is a nice, but hard course.

"The kids did very well!" said Coach Dave Wilkins.

The boy's team placed second overall and received their silver medals. The team consisted of: Manuel Madrid, Chase Neuman, Sammy Flores, Jesse Davis, and Eliot Stone.

Manuel Madrid also received a gold for being the number one individual with a score of 76. We had only two girls go for this tournament, but they did very well as individuals. Erica Meyer and Leslie Meyer improved on their scores from last year by 27 to 30 strokes.

"Great job! I'm very proud of all of them!" said Coach Dave Wilkins, "They represented Brackett High School very well."

## BISD qualifies two students for 2001 UIL cross examination debate

Brackett High School has qualified two students for the 2001 University Interscholastic League State Cross-Examination Debate Meet to be held March 12-13 at The University of Texas in Austin.

Qualifiers include Brackett High School Senior Carissa Eli de los Santos and Sophomore Shena Meyer.

The students qualified for the state meet by placing 1st at the UIL

Cross-Examination District Meet, held at Southwest Texas Junior College in Uvalde on Saturday, February 10, 2001.

"UIL debate competition develops skills in our students that directly prepare them for real world situations by challenging their problem-solving and critical thinking abilities," said Jana Riggins, UIL Debate Director. "This year's cross-examination debate topic required students to research extensively in order to examine how the right of privacy can best be protected. Learning to analyze the issues surrounding problems, process information, and effectively communicate ideas through the debate forum has chal-

lenged students and increased their awareness. Such an activity promotes the very leadership skills necessary for success in our society."

UIL academic contests range from feature writing to accounting, and from computer science to poetry interpretation. Of the 2.2 million students who participated in UIL activities last year, 418,000 competed in one or more of the 22 general academic contests.

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Girls Softbl v Uvalde Tourn. (A) TBA  
**Friday, February 16**  
Girls Softbl v Uvalde Tourn. (A) TBA  
**Saturday, February 17**  
Girls Softbl v Uvalde Tourn. (A) TBA  
**Monday, February 19**  
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM St. Henry DeOsso Parenting Session, Dr. Don Smith, Library  
**Tuesday, February 20**  
Test Day, Exit Math & Reading  
**Wednesday, February 21**  
Test Day, Exit Math & Reading

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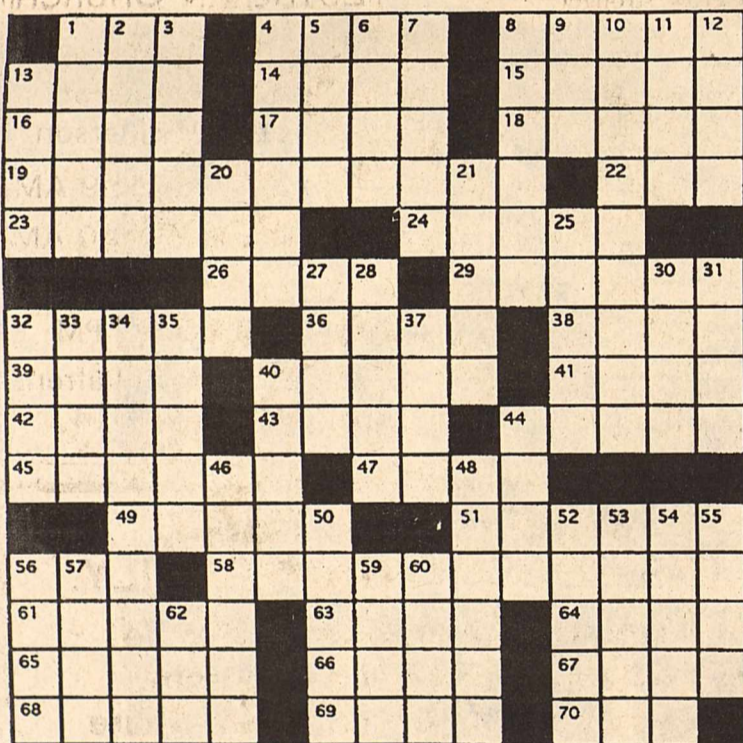
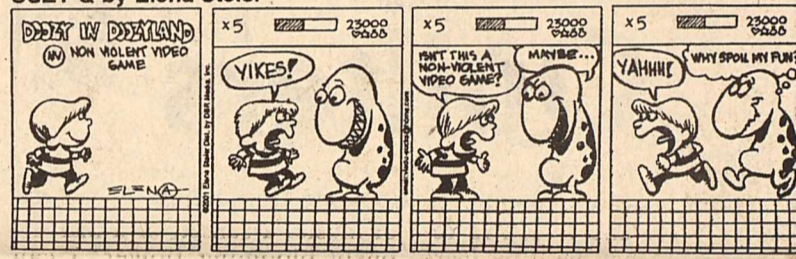
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4 Pools in motion  
8 Tropical tree  
13 \_\_\_ stick  
14 City in Hawaii  
15 Speak without a prepared text  
16 Abbr. after many poems  
17 Dash  
18 "...from \_\_\_ shining sea."  
19 Illumination for an intimate dinner  
22 Wind dir.  
23 Experiment with  
24 Begets  
26 Invites  
29 Affectionate  
32 In hiding  
36 Foreign currency  
38 Holy picture  
39 State confidently  
40 Great, enjoyable: slang  
41 Turner
- 42 Ms. Home  
43 This: Sp.  
44 Not \_\_\_ as; higher than  
45 Conclusion  
47 Comfy  
49 Unable to move  
51 Courtroom procedures  
56 Grandma Moses' field  
58 Banquet emcee  
61 Holdup  
63 Edible tuber  
64 Money: slang  
65 Overdo one's acting role  
66 Two December dates  
67 Ending for Polly or Jo  
68 Worked underground  
69 Relaxation  
70 3rd and 4th words in Home on the Range
- DOWN**  
1 Sound wave transmitter  
2 Terrible ordeal  
3 Apartment, of sorts  
4 Pieces of paper  
5 Tablet  
6 \_\_\_ Mountains  
7 Auld Lang Syne and Clementine  
8 One who became a president in 1976  
9 Squeezer's product  
10 Type of music  
11 Small islands  
12 Musical instrument  
13 Covenant  
20 Outdoor feast  
21 Like the Highlands  
25 Adversities  
27 Mr. Kristofferson  
28 Makes flour finer  
30 Item not to be touched  
31 Bite repeatedly  
32 Complexion shade  
33 Balanced  
34 Musical inter-pretation  
35 Down the \_\_\_; squandered  
37 Like \_\_\_ of bricks; heavily  
40 Black  
44 Site of the Taj Mahal  
46 Cleared as profit  
48 Extreme degree  
50 Idaho export, for short  
52 Kuwait's major religion  
53 Do penance  
54 Ms. Helmsley  
55 Mex. bride -to-be  
56 Sound used to get someone's attention  
57 Do's followers  
59 Store  
60 Uno y dos  
62 One with a feast day: abbr.

**ROARING TWENTIES**  
In the grid below, twenty words can be found that fit the category for today. Circle each word that you find and list it in the space provided at the right of the grid. Words can be found in all directions— forwards, backwards, horizontally, vertically and diagonally. An example is given to get you started. Can you find today's 20 words?

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**Trivia Time by Walter Branch**

- What is Alan Alda's real name?
- Who was vice president of the U.S. in 1964?
- What country's glaciers were found to have ice over 150,000 years old in 1966?
- What international organization built its headquarters on a site donated by the Rockefeller family?
- Whose life did Han Solo save on the ice planet Hoth in "The Empire Strikes Back"?
- What element has an atomic weight of one?
- Who was the first to take a bite of the forbidden fruit according to Genesis 3:6?
- What former Asian enemy of the U.S. saw American Express issue cards in 1994?
- What color was General Lee, the co-starring 1969 Dodge, in "The Dukes of Hazzard"?
- What food is hawked by an eirmonger?

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

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**HOROSCOPES**

by Charles Cooper

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19)  
This is a good week to get priorities in order. Set aside those things which are trivial. This weekend, a minor monetary crisis erupts.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20)  
Don't be tempted to be self-indulgent at this time. You're acting out of self pity. It's best to count your blessings instead.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20)  
It's time to rally family members around someone in need. You'll all become closer as a result. Over the weekend, time spent quietly is best.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22)  
You must believe the best is yet to be. Don't give in to those pessimistic thoughts. Later in the week, new inspiration comes your way.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22)  
You're tempted to lash out at a co-worker. Resist this impulse. The problem is more your sensitivity than what's actually happening.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22)  
You're in a sunny mood as the week begins. Those around you find this most attractive. This weekend, a child is uppermost in your thoughts.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22)  
You're feeling much more chipper this week. As a result, you're able to tackle tasks with alacrity. This weekend, get in touch with a long-lost friend.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21)  
A friend points out to you how minor your woes really are. Once you realize this, you're ready to take on life once again. Over the weekend, romance is highlighted.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21)  
Travel is in the stars, be it for business or pleasure. Be sure to pack carefully. Also, make an effort to safeguard your possessions.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19)  
Your need for down time is strong as the week begins. However, that's not entirely possible. Take short breaks to help alleviate stress instead.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18)  
It's back to business this week. You'll find more on your plate than you'd wish. However, you're up to the task.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20)  
Your charm is at an all-time high. Use this to present your ideas to bigwigs. They'll be most receptive.

**CELEBRITY BIRTHDAYS:**  
Christina Ricci, February 12;  
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**Roaring Twenties Solution:**

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3. Cobalt	13. Plutonium
4. Gold	14. Potassium
5. Helium	15. Radium
6. Hydrogen	16. Radon
7. Iodine	17. Tin
8. Iron	18. Uranium
9. Lead	19. Xenon
10. Magnesium	20. Zinc

- Trivia Time Answers**
- Alphonso D'Abruzzo;
  - No one;
  - Iceland's;
  - The United Nations;
  - Luke Skywalker's;
  - Hydrogen;
  - Eve;
  - Vietnam;
  - Orange;
  - Eggs
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Love of Christ is shown by loving our neighbors It is better to be appreciative

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Pastor Charolette Corey

People change and as people change, so do communities. People can choose to love their neighbors as themselves and the community will be known as a loving community. People can choose to backbite and tear down each other and the community will be known as one where everyone avoids each other and you see a lot of "For Sale" signs up on lawns of people escaping a bitter environment.

When Christians shared things with each other, not only was Christianity spread, but their communities also grew. When they stopped acting like Christians and started acting like individual rulers of kingdoms and treating everyone else a vassals or servants, the community "imploded" or divided itself until it became a ghost town. People

can hold grudges until family wars invite gang activity and arson.

It takes love, forgiveness, patience, creative ideas and elbow grease to make a community grow. In the old days people had barn raisings, as well as helping their neighbors bring in their crops. They had "welcome wagons" where people put together welcome gifts to greet a new member of the community and make them aware of the stores and people they would be living around.

People are talented in many ways. Some have the gift of design, some have the gift of building, some have the gift of administration and some have the gift of labor. Knowledge comes in many forms and you don't have to have a college degree to be an asset to your community, just willingness to work together.

I've always gone by the premise that "honey draws

more flies than vinegar." With that being said, I say, "The best way to influence your neighbor is to be a good neighbor. Offer your ideas, your assistance, but don't be a bully. Sometimes adults can act like children who, when they don't get their own way, they grab up the point in question and say, I'm going home. Stomping off will not fix the situation, it only extends the aggravation.

Trying to see the other person's point of view without judging them or condemning them to hell is a big step in the right direction. Be creative in your thinking and ask God for wisdom. Ask God to show you how to touch your neighbor with love in a way that will cause your neighbor to see Jesus in you. Be a neighborhood minister by being an ambassador of peace.

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

First United Methodist Church  
By Rev. Ken F. Sellers, Jr.,

We Americans are often less than humble. If we do something for the good of our community or country, we like it better if it is covered by the news media with a front page story - with picture. When millionaires donate money to large institutions, like hospitals, they often expect their name to be used as an identity for the building - The J. J. Moneybags Wing! We see the philanthropist on TV, being honored for his merciful gift to a cause. It is the American way! We have to get something in return for what we give.

While we tend to see this characteristic in only the wealthy, we should probably take a closer look at ourselves. If a homeless person accosts us on the street and asks for money for a meal or coffee, we have two choices. Offer assistance or ignore the creep. Many times ignoring the request leaves us feeling a bit guilty, though not for very long. On the other hand, if we offer assistance we are frequently offended because the recipient doesn't say thank you or even kiss my foot! Those thankless people are only out to take us! And this happens in so many other ways. When our kids forget to say thanks, we correct them immediately. When a man opens a door for a lady, we expect a thank you. When we send a wedding present to the nephew or niece, we expect a card acknowledging our gift. When we give our love to a spouse, the appropriate thank you is love in return. This cause and effect attitude we have permeates our en-

tire life.

Yet, Jesus, in the Gospel of Luke is quoted as saying, "... if you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even the sinners do the same. ... love your enemies, and do good, and lend expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons (and daughters) of the

Most High;" (Luke 6:32-33, 35) The lesson is hard and seems beyond reach. Yet, as children of God we are called to stop wanting to hear thank you every time we do something. We must stop seeking appreciation and become more appreciating.

We invite you to join us at First United Methodist Church Sunday at 8:00 am or at 10:45 am as we join together, as struggling followers, trying to be better givers than receivers in our every day life!

Prayers, praises and promises

Frontier Baptist Church  
By Dave Crowe

How much time do you spend each new day praying to God? What are you praying for? Are you praying for God's will or your will? Are you praying for his blessings? Are the things that you are praying for really in your best interest?

Do you pray and pray and pray and yet feel that your prayers go unanswered, delayed or even ignored by God?

Make no mistake about this, God hears every prayer. Some prayers are answered immediately and some not at all, ever.

It is time for you and me, to regroup and approach God in prayer, in a slightly different way, with a slightly different attitude.

First, let's pray for the very presence of God in our lives. He is always with us. Let's pray to God for a new sense of his presence, one that we can really feel. Let's pray for his companionship, to guide and keep us and to help us in our daily lives. Let's pray for his comfort, in the trials, heartaches and disappointments, that life brings.

God's very presence, will give you courage. A new sense of fearlessness. It will no longer be just you against the world. Through God's presence, you will grow stronger.

Next, let's pray for God's protection. We live in an evil, wicked and cruel world filled with all kinds of poisons. Hatred, bigotry, deceit and debauchery, just to name a few.

This world that we live in belongs to Satan. Pray to God first thing each day to keep you out of the reach of Satan. God even has absolute power and control over Satan and his abilities.

Thirdly, it's o.k. to pray for prosperity. The will of God for

us, is our prosperity. God wants us to have spiritual prosperity. Jesus promised us an "abundant life," if we would but accept and follow him.

No matter what our material or physical handicaps may be, we need to work for our prosperity with and through God.

Fourth, let us not forget to praise God. How do we? How can we praise God? We praise God every time we talk to him. We praise God every time we tell others about him.

We praise and glorify God, when we remember that through his love, he redeemed us and purified us with the blood of his only begotten son, Jesus.

We praise God with our offerings. When we give of ourselves, our treasury, to him and to each other.

As we promise God he heals and gives us health. Let's praise God because, he cares for us and takes care of us. Let us never forget God's promises to us. God promises his presence, his peace, his power. The power to overcome Satan. The power to stay faithful to him.

God promises his provisions to us, which is in inexhaustible supply. God promises his pardon, trust him.

The face of God is in many places

St. Mary Magdalene Church  
By Lynn McNew

In preparation for his book, the Spiritual Life of Children, (Boston: Houghton Mifflin Co., 1990) Robert Coles asked hundreds of children about their images of God. In the chapter titled, "The Face of God," he quotes nine-year-old Betsy:

"They didn't have television then, and there were no movies, and you had no cameras, either, so we guess when we think of him—what he looked like. You close your eyes, and pray you'll see right. The teacher (in Sunday school) told us that's what to do. She said, if you have faith, you'll 'receive' him. She said he'll just come to you with his words, and what he wants you to do, and you'll see him, you can, sometimes. I mean, you won't actually see him, but you'll try to, and if you're really sincere, then he'll be there for you, and whatever way you see him, it'll be him, it will be."

After reading this in our

church bulletin on Sunday morning, I began to think about all the ways we see the face of God. I am reminded of a Christmas song titled "Some Children See Him" which says in part, "some children see him black or brown, the Baby Jesus come to town." Color is only one descriptive we can use to see the face of God. Personally, I don't believe God is any one color—I think he is all colors.

How else can we see the face of God? When I was teaching school, I could always see him in the faces of my students—dirty, clean, smiling, frowning, well-behaved, mischievous, sleepy or wide-awake. I can also see him in the wrinkles of an elderly person or the smooth skin of a small baby.

I think of the face of God as a presence to me. I can "see" God's face in a beautiful piece of music, a sunset, or a marvelously blooming flower. I can "see" God's face in a gently falling rain, fresh-baked bread or the delighted laughter of a

grandchild.

God's face is also there in tears and sorrow, pain and suffering. As nine-year-old Betsy said, "If you're really sincere, then he'll be there for you, and whatever way you see him, it'll be him." This is so true. God reveals himself to us every day, and we need just look around us and we will find him.

Lord, I thank you for showing your face to me in so many different ways. Help me to always recognize You in whatever way You present Yourself.

You are welcome to worship with us anytime at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church. God Bless You!

Justified in Jesus' name

St. Johns Missionary Church  
Rev. William P. Adams, Sr.

Brethren, if any of you do err from the truth, and one convert him,

Let him know that he who converteth the sinner from the error of his way shall save a soul from death, and shall hide a multitude of sins. James 5:19,20.

Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, Nor thieves, nor covetous,

nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God.

And such were some of you; but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.

What? Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom ye have of God, and ye are not your own?

For ye are bought with a price; therefore, glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's. 1 Corinthians 6:9-11;19,20

Obituary.....

**Tomas San Miguel** passed away on February 6, 2001 in his residence at Earth, TX. He was born March 7, 1907 in Brackettville, TX. He married Luisa Rodriguez in Brackettville, on July 2, 1932. She passed away on August 7, 1994. Tomas had lived in the Lazbuddie and Earth area since the early 1950s after moving from Brackettville. He was a member of the St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church of Earth, TX. Survivors are sons: Paul of Lubbock, TX, Henry of Earth, TX, Tom Jr. of New Braunfels, TX, and Robert of Fresno, California. Daughters: Clara Flores of Muleshoe, TX,

and Delores Ruiz of Earth, TX. He was preceded in death by one daughter, Belia Zamora in 1969. He had 19 grandchildren, 26 great grandchildren, and 3 great great grandchildren.

The church service for Tomas San Miguel age 93, was scheduled for 11:00 am, Saturday February 10, 2001, at St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church with Father Alfonso San Juan. The rosary took place at Parsons-Ellis Funeral Home, in Earth on Thursday February 8, 2001, at 7:00 PM. Following was the burial which was held at Earth Memorial Cemetery.

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- Worship Service - Childrens Church 11 a.m. nursery provided
- Choir all ages 4:30 p.m.
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**HELP WANTED**

**THE FOLLOWING POSITION** is open at BISD: School Nurse. Application Procedure: Application/ Job description may be requested by contacting the BISD Central Office, P.O. Box 586, 400 Ann Street, Brackettville, TX 78832, or telephone (830) 563-2491, fax (830) 563-9264. Applications accepted until the position is filled. Direct questions to Superintendent Taylor Stephenson. Brackett ISD is an equal opportunity employer.

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