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Commissioners hire an interim EMS director

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Bank reluctant to give loan to city



Discussing finances

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Brackettville City Council members Mary Flores (from left), Tomas Gomez Jr., Mayor Carmen Berlanga, Francisca "Chica" Garza, Bonnie Wardlaw and Johnny Samaniego discuss the city's finances Tuesday.

City Council hires auditing firm to handle municipality's finances

By J.J. GUIDRY

Brackettville city officials has fixed the problem yet." were expecting to approve a loan Tuesday night to pay off the municipality's debts, but instead found that the Bank & meet with Cauthorn. Trust was leery of lending the money to the city.

"The bank is just not willing to sign on the dotted line just yet," said Carl White, representhappen again."

of the Bank & Trust asked the officials until Nov. 1 to pay the city to provide its anticipated outstanding balance. revenues and operating expenses for the last four months of the Newsome of Del Rio Tuesday as

fiscal year.

working with the city," White said. "Their only problem is they're not convinced the city

The City Council tabled action on the loan until White and Mayor Carmen Berlanga could

Total cash assets of the city have decreased \$572,583 or 97 percent over the last five years, according to the mayor.

Berlanga said last week that ing an investment firm out of the city has only \$5,348.67 in San Antonio. "The bank wants cash assets, while it has to be sure the city has its house \$204,766.44 in outstanding in order and has taken steps to debts, including over \$80,000 correct its problems so this won't to West Texas Gas. The gas company threatened to terminate ser-White said that Sid Cauthorn vices with the city, but has given

The council hired Hardin and its auditors and to perform fi-"They are committed to nancial services for the city.

State Champions



Twisters qualify for World Series

The Southwest Twisters recently went undefeated in 12 games to win first place in the NSA state softball tournament in Beaumont. Now the Twisters will be competing in the NSA World Series in Beaumont on July 19-27. The Twisters, who won the NSA Best Dressed Team Award, also qualified for the World Series in Panama City, Fla. In addition, Nat Terrazas received the Manager of the Year Award. Team members include: Richelle Morales, Nadine Terrazas, Angelica Montejano, Sam Munoz, Dani Villarreal, Melanie Gonzales, Laurie Gomez, Emily Johnson, Monique Pedraza, Crystal Dickinson, Caitlan Alva and Ana Lucy Corona, manager Nat Terrazas coach Jerry Montejano, coach Ernie Garcia, coach Richard Villarreal, coach Joe Garcia and team mom Olga Garcia.

Historical marker reflects legend of Seminole scouts

By J.J. GUIDRY Editor

Kinney County's annual June-teenth celebration included something a little extra special this year.

The Seminole-Negro Indian Scouts were honored with a Texas Historical Marker at their camp site on Fort Clark.

Subject markers commemorate topics significant in Texas history," local historian Bill Haenn said. "The Seminole Scout camp on Fort Clark commemorates a particulary significant subject — a community. A community of exceptionally unique people — people who are the stuff of legends.

"To be legendary, you must have something handed down from an ancestor, a tradition of accomplishments, and individuals whose fame promises to be enduring. The Seminole people embody that legacy."

Haenn said he hopes the historical marker "will educate all who read it as to the importance of this place and the legacy of the Seminole Scouts.'

"The Seminoles happened to be a very cost-effective arrangement for the Army because they were always producing more scouts," he said. "Oral tradition Historical marker was born in the Seminole camp, ■ See HISTORICAL/Page 3



recounts that when a male child Sterling "Smiley" Goodlow (left) and Erica Meyer unveil the new Texas Historical Marker commemorating the Seminole Scout Camp on Fort Clark.

INSIDE

Taylor Stephenson

Have you ever seen Brackettville and Kinney County greener in June? The rains and cool temperatures have been wonderful. Community/Page 3

Chuck Hall

Several years past, the mascot for Del Rio High School was the Wildcat. Until recently, I was never sure exactly what that was. Lifestyles/Page 4

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Too many married couples are living in a hell that they unintentionally created by spending too much time judging their mates. Religion/Page 7

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Commissioners name Burch interim EMS director



Working for the community

Photo by J.J. Guidry County Judge Herb Senne (seated) visits with Steve Burch, the county's new interim EMS director. Burch has over 20 years of experience in EMS.

Editor

After months of searching, Kinney County now has a new EMS director. Nebraska native for a week before being hired. Steve Burch was hired on an interim basis last week by the Commissioners Court.

and Commissioners Joe Montalvo, Nat Terrazas and Francie Wylie all voted to hire Burch. Pat Melancon was absent.

of field work, seven years of ment of Health. teaching experience and five degree in paramedicine.

"We want to see how he runs for three or four months," Senne said. "If his ability proves to be close to his capabilities, as we see in writing and were evident in his interview, then we will take the interim word out of the title.

"He has a set of creditentials would make anybody happy to come involved in EMS."

have him a part of our community. He will prove to be a great asset."

Burch worked for the EMS Department on a part-time basis

"I love Kinney County," he said. "I have been looking for a place to settle in and call home County Judge Herb Senne for 30-plus years, and I have finally found it.'

Lee Sweeten had been serving as the interim EMS director since Carolyn Rutherford re-Burch has over 20 years of signed from the position in EMS experience, including 14 April. Rutherford is now emyears of management, 13 years ployed with the Texas Depart-

"Carolyn brought this from years of Level II trauma center a very-small town South Texas experience. He is a licensed EMS to something that has a paramedic with an associates high standard and a high quality," Burch said. "I am going to bask in her glory and take off from where she left off. I know I can improve from there, but she laid some excellent groundwork."

Burch said his top priority is to work on community involvement with the EMS Department.

"We need the citizens to be that are astounding. The places more involved in EMS," he said. he's been and the success sto- "We're here to serve the people, ries that he's been able to tell and we would like them to be-

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

City Council should pass a noise ordinance

meowner and resident of Brackettville for four years, now starting our fifth year. We do enjoy our retirement in this community and I hope to be able to continue my contributions in tion. I see Fredericksburg's pen- are voluntary listeners thereto. teaching amateur radio classes.

One large negative aspect of is not out of line. our residence here is being harassed and terrorized by loud music being amplified by vehicles either parked or driving past our house. My inside TV and stereo system cannot be heard very far outside my doors and windows if they are open, so why am I subjected to the "boom boom" noise/music being transmitted from some inconsiderate idiot with a very loud music system inside my home?

Research shows that persons responsible for this probably were generally ignored as children and are trying to be "rec-

one thing: summer is here!

Many of you have already

fired up the grill. And others

of you are in the process of

digging through the garage,

trying to find the picnic bas-

ket. I will admit that I spent

some time this weekend look-

ing for my favorite barbecue

recipe. If there's one thing I

love about summer, it's the joy

the heat of July. You know

grocery list for the picnic or

the beach, I hope you'll add

food safety to your checklist.

Just because the eating has

that we can skip food safety.

are always present in our en-

soil, air, water and the bodies

what I mean.

of Del Rio and Fredericksburg. If that amplified sound can be heard over 50 feet from the

Here is a paragraph form the noise ordinance in Fredericksburg that I want to see implemented:

"It shall be unlawful for any person to make, assist in making, permit, continue, cause to be made or continued, permit the continuance of any sound using any sound amplifier that is part of or connected to any speaker system, radio, stereo receiver, compact disc player, cassette tape player, microphone, or any other sound source, when operated: in such a manner as to disturb the peace, quiet, and comfort of the neigh-I have a simple solution to boring inhabitants, or at any

I have been a taxpaying ho- this problem. Let's get a city time with louder volume than is ordinance, much like the cities necessary for convenient hearing for persons who are in the vehicle or within the property or premises in which such sound source, then they are in viola- amplifier is operated and who alty for violation is \$250, which The operation of any such sound amplifier in such a manner that bass sounds are plainly audible at a distance of 50 feet or more from the property line of a property or premises in which the amplification is located shall be presumed to be violative in this section.

If the City Council decides not to pass a noise ordinance, my only other alternative is to identify the offenders and file a lawsuit in District Court, asking for payment for loss of property values, distress and harassment. That will mean selling my property at a loss and moving to a community that has control of noise violators.

perishable food like luncheon

meats, cooked meats, chicken

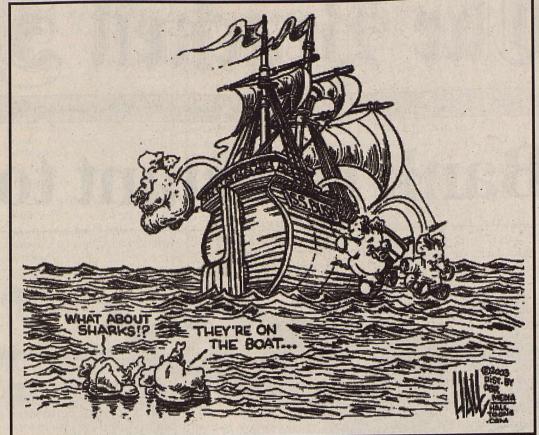
and potato or pasta salads

should be kept in an insulated

cooler packed with several

inches of ice, frozen gel packs

Del Pfranger



U.S. has seen dramatic changes in last decade

As I contemplate a decade in the United States Senate, it is plain to me that I have been privileged to serve during a unique time in our nation's history.

From the breakup of the Balkans, to the impeachment of a president, to Sept. 11, 2001, and the war in Iraq, I have been awed and inspired by the challenges, the tragedies and the triumphs of the American people.

So many critical issues have been considered in the past 10 years, and our world has is every bit as important as a changed dramatically since I was woman's role in the workplace, sworn in on June 14, 1993.

Military As a member of the Defense chair of the Military Construction Subcommittee, I have focused on improving the quality of life for military personnel and strengthening Texas bases. My highest priority has been a investments in IRAs. strong national defense.

Colonias

Ten years ago, I was led through the streets of a colonia, a community that lacked paved running water. Quite frankly, I could not believe I was in I wrote.

I offered as my first amendment in the Senate a bill authorizing \$50 million for a colonias clean-up project, and I have consistently worked to improve the quality of life for people who live on the border. Since then, I have helped secure more than \$615 million to upgrade the

Homemaker IRA When I learned from personal experience that homemakers could not fully contribute to an

Capitol Comment

Kay Bailey Hutchison

(IRA) as could their counterparts in the workplace, I knew this

inequity needed to be eliminated. A woman's role in the home

and the savings and investment opportunities should be equal. I made it my mission to en-Appropriations Committee and sure that our laws did not discriminate against homemakers. I was proud my legislation passed and today homemakers and those who work outside the

home may make equal savings

Anti-Stalking In 1996, Congress passed "in-When I first ran for the Sen- terstate stalking" legislation I ate in a special election, I vis- introduced to protect people cal schools to ensure we are acited every corner of the state. from predators who travel across tively pursuing federal research One visit remains particularly state lines with the intent to kill, dollars and highlighting the cen-

Two years later, an Alabama man accused of threatening his ex-wife and sons here in Texas became the first in the nation to roads, wastewater facilities and be convicted and sentenced for interstate stalking, under the law

This was a landmark case for a number of reasons. It was the first to be tried by a jury after the legislation was enacted; it was tried here in Texas; and most important, this legislation stopped him before violence occurred. It was clear from his words and actions that this predator intended to harm or kill his ex-wife. Fortunately, he was sent to prison for 20 years before he could act.

Marriage Penalty Relief

alty, which places a tax on couples simply because they get married.

In 2001, I was able to pass a law to lessen this fundamental inequity.

With this year's jobs and growth package, we eliminated temporarily this added tax by doubling the 15 percent bracket and the standard deduction for married couples. In June, I introduced a bill that would eradicate permanently this penalty levied on American couples.

Higher Education

One of my top priorities since I joined the Appropriations Committee in 1997 has been to increase the amount of federal research dollars coming into Texas' institutions of higher edu-

When I began looking at the funds coming into our state, I was astounded to learn we ranked sixth nationally. Since that time I have worked closely with our universities and medisities to federal agencies.

We are now ranked fourth in the nation, bringing in nearly \$1 billion in 2001.

Aviation Security

After Sept. 11, securing our nation's aviation system became a top priority.

As the chair of the Senate Aviation Subcommittee, I worked closely with my colleagues, the airlines, and the administration to make our skies safe again.

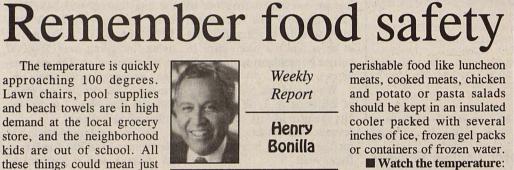
The changes we enacted were dramatic and clearly made a difference. Flying today is safer than ever before.

As I reflect on 10 years in the United States Senate, I am honored to serve the greatest state I have long advocated the in the union and to represent the Individual Retirement Account elimination of the marriage penfinest people in the world.

these microorganisms grow faster in the warm summer months.

quickly multiply to large numbers. When this happens, get sick. That's exactly why we need to take extra precautions this time of year.

committee, I work closely with the Food and Drug Adwith food safety tips. We use cooked food. these tips everyday in our



Weekly Report

Henry Bonilla

house. They're as simple as only packing what you intend to eat.

These tips are easy and will become second nature before you know it. I encourage each of you to clip out this column, stick it on the refrigerator and use it as a reference. Summer's about having fun and enjoying the outdoors. By following these of outdoor eating. Barbecue simple tips, we can keep it that just somehow tastes better in way.

■ Keep your hands clean: Wash your hands with hot, But as you're making that soapy water before handling food and after changing diapers scheduling some activities for and handling pets.

■ Plan ahead: When eating away from home, find out if there's a source of clean water. moved outdoors doesn't mean If not, bring water for preparation and cleaning. Or pack clean, Many of us forget that wet, disposable cloths or moist foodborne illnesses increase in towelettes and paper towels for taking food with you on an the summer months. Bacteria cleaning hands and surfaces.

vironment. They're in our Always marinate food in the re- it in the shade or shelter and frigerator, not on the counter. out of the sun whenever posof people and animals. But If some of the marinate is used sible. Chill cold drinks in a as a sauce on the cooked food, reserve a portion of the marinade. Don't reuse the marinade taining perishable foods. Pre-Given the right circum- used on raw meat or poultry serve the cold temperature of stances, harmful bacteria can unless it's boiled first to destroy

any bacteria. ■ Don't cross-contaminate: someone eating the food can When packing a cooler for an outing, wrap raw meat and poul- your outing, move food imtry securely to prevent juices from coming into contact with As chairman of the Agri- ready to eat food. Wash plates, culture Appropriations Sub- utensils and cutting boards that held the raw meat or poultry before using again for cooked ministration. Each summer, food. Carry a clean plate out to the FDA provides the nation the grill to hold the safely handy. I hope each of you has

or containers of frozen water. **■** Watch the temperature: When cooking outside, take your thermometer along. Meat

and poultry cooked on a grill often browns very fast on the outside, so be sure that they are cooked thoroughly. Check them with a food thermom-■ Cook it completely:

Cook hamburger and other ground meats (veal, lamb and pork) to an internal temperature of 160 degrees and ground poultry to 165 degrees. Beef, veal and lamb steaks, and roasts may be cooked to 145 degrees for medium rare. Whole poultry should be cooked to 180 degrees as measured in the thigh; breast meat to 170 degrees. All cuts of pork should reach 160 degrees.

■ Travel wisely: When outing, keep the cooler in the Marinate and refrigerate: coolest part of the car. Place separate cooler to avoid constantly opening the one conthe cooler by replenishing the ice as soon as it starts melt-

■ Follow-through: After mediately into refrigeration. Bacteria multiply rapidly between 40 and 140 degrees. Never leave food in this "danger zone" more than two

I hope these tips prove a fun, relaxing and most im-■ Keep cold food cold: Cold portantly — a safe summer!

vivid and continues to motivate me to this day.

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Historical marker reflects legend of Seminoles

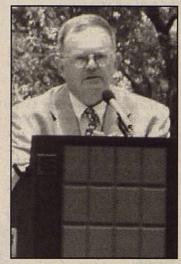
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during the time when (Lt. John L.) Bulls was in command of the scouts, the child was presented to the lieutenant for him to determine if the boy would ever be a scout. So fathers and sons and brothers served side by side, each new generation becoming scouts.

"Soldiering and scouting came naturally to the Seminoles, whose quiet pride, dependable performance and habitual courage made them perhaps the most distinguished auxiliary unit in the history of the United States Army," he said.

The historical marker was unveiled Saturday at a dedication ceremony at the Red Bridge picnic grove on Fort Clark by Sterling "Smiley" Goodlow of the Black Seminole Indian Scout Association and Erica Meyer, former president of the Brackett High School History Club.

Meyer and the History Club, under the guidance of sponsor Kathy Bader, submitted the application for the subject marker to the Texas Historical Commission in 2001.



Bill Haenn

"The application is an involved process, and Erica did a self," Haenn said.

Meyer was a junior in high school when Jeff Guinn, author The Proud Story of the Seminole Negro," spoke to the History Club and challenged the students to seek a historical marker.

about the Seminole Indians,"

showed us. He said there used that an important part of our homa). Texas history took place right here on the fort.

"He challenged us to get a know the history," she added.

Meyer used books, Internet sites and maps to write a narrative about the historical signifi- along the Rio Grande. cance of the site for the applica-

"I thought it was exciting," she said. "It took me quite a long time. I didn't know it took so much work to do it. We had to vast majority of the work her- send all of that in and it took a marker approved."

marker, which reads:

"He was writing a book many integrated into the Semi- struction and thatched roofs. The moved to Oklahoma, where the Payne, John Ward and Pompey nole tribe, intermarrying and scouts and their families also Seminole Nation was granted Factor."

anything about the Indians and became a U.S. territory in 1821, the camp that they had back here. and after approximately 30 years He brought us all back here and of warfare, the majority of the Seminoles were forced to reloto be homes here, and explained cate to the Indian territory (Okla-

"Tribal leaders Coacoochee (Wild Cat) and John Horse gathered a group of Seminoles in marker erected here so every- 1850 and left the Indian terribody that came back here would tory for Mexico. There, under an agreement with the Mexican government, they settled and fought against raiding tribes

"In 1870, the U.S. Army offered the group pay and rations to move to Fort Clark, estabalong the border. The Black Seminoles became scouts for the Army, serving under Lt. John L. couple of months to have the Bullis and other noted officers built dams and irrigation sysduring Texas' Indian Wars. The tems along Las Moras Creek for sovereignty. Still others re-Meyer's narrative was used Seminole-Negro Indian Scouts, of "Our Land Before We Die: for the inscription on the as they were known, lived on the fort in a settlement referred fort until 1914, when the scouts in 1872. Among those buried "Under Spanish rule, Florida to as "the camp." They built were disbanded. Some returned are four scouts who earned Conwas a haven for freed or escaped homes in the Mexican jacal to Mexico, many stayed in the gressional Medals of Honor: slaves in the 1700s. Once there, style, using wattle and daub con- Brackettville area and some Adam Payne (Paine), Isaac



lished in 1852 to protect settlers **Dedication ceremony**

Erica Meyer (left) and Kathy Bader of the BHS History Club were on hand for Saturday's dedication.

farming.

mained, buried in the scouts' "The Seminoles lived on the cemetery, which was established

Kains bring cooler temperatures

peratures have been wonderful.

We have had over six inches of rain in the past three weeks Springs.

The trees have clean leaves, grass is green and people are smiling more. Whatever the reason, keep the rains coming to in the school's Hunt Library, Kinney County, Texas.

NBA Champs

How about those Spurs? It is good feeling. unusual for the good guys to win the big games.

you have the positive influences of Tim Duncan, David Robin-Spurs, you want the guys with done. the white hats to come out on

Have you ever seen Brackett- Spurs Go! Next year, I predict ville and Kinney County greener that the NBA championship will in June? The rains and cool tem- be played once again at the SBC Center.

Community Party

The community party to wish at my home at Fort Clark the "old superintendent" a fond farewell and to give encouragement to the "new superinten-

> Held this past Monday night plagues our fine city. there were positive things said that made all of us leave with a city finances work to support the

the occasion, and it was a good Winning the NBA champion- one. Susan Esparza did a reship is a remarkable feat. When markable job planning and doson, Steve Kerr and all the other Board and Susan for a job well Scout Camp on Fort Clark.

Financial Crisis

top.

I hope that the City of Bill Adams gave an invocation my new life next week.

It happened this week. Go Brackettville figures out how to and the history of the camp was Have a great week!

Making A Difference

Taylor Stephenson

dent" was a very nice occasion. manage the financial crisis that

It's a fine place to live, and we must find a way to make the last regular column for The city. I am sure that wise folks The School Board sponsored are guiding this process. Our prayers are with you.

Historical Marker

ing the work behind the scenes dedication of the Texas Historifor the party. Thanks School cal Marker for the Seminole

The ceremonies were ably led stopped me in the past. I'll write by historian Bill Haenn. Rev. more about my retirement and

related by prime architect of the research, Erica Meyer.

Kathy Bader, faculty advisor, was recognized for her sponsorship of the 2001 BHS History Club, which did the research and submitted the application for the marker. You did a fine job with this one folks. I was proud to be in attendance.

> **New Columnist** Next week, I will write my

Brackett News. Bobby Templeteon, incoming superintendent, will take over this column after July 1. He will

keep you posted on school was pleased to attend the events and will do a good job. I will write occasionally as a guest columnist. I don't have a topic yet, but that has never

Korean War Honor Roll grows

Photo by J.J. Guidry

veterans in Kinney County has fought was achieved. swelled the "Honor Roll" to 34.

Raising funds

Nadine Terrazas of the Southwest Twisters soft-

ball team is presented a Bud Breen painting by

Jewel Robinson. The painting is being raffled

off to help fund the Twisters' trip to the NSA

World Series in Beaumont on July 19-27.

the honor roll will take place at as a fitting conclusion to the aware that "freedom is not free!" community's Fourth of July pa-

honoring and paying tribute to all its veterans, men and women, who fought 50 years ago in a

The response to last week's are beginning to understand that Martinez Sr., Tim Meridith, appeal for names of Korean War the purpose for which they Robert W. Nelson, Richard

They went to prevent the sub-The recognition ceremony for jugation of a free people by these and other Kinney County armed aggression. And in that Korean War Veterans yet to join they succeeded. They are no longer forgotten! Their service Ralph Vestenz, Howard the main flagpole at Fort Clark and sacrifice made Americans

The honor roll includes: Jerry Adams, Alfredo Alcala, Gerald Cruz, George Espinola, Ben Fuentes, Henry Fuentes, Albert your name added to the roll. Garcia, Felix Gonzales, Paul know. Now their fellow citizens Marion, Alfred Martinez, David finalized.

Olvera, Pedro Richard Pena, Emil Schafer, Richard W. Schafer, Charles Shipman, Leroy Slubar, Cecil Smith, Ruben Talamantez, Marcus Tidwell, Wakefield, Robert L. Windle

and Robert Yastic. If your name does not appear on this "honor holl" and you A coalition of community or- Anderson, Alfredo Castro, served your country in the Koganizations and clubs will be Henry Castro, Jose Castro, Joe rean War, contact Bill Haenn at 563-2323 or 563-2010 to have

All Korean War veterans will country they had never heard of Jones, Alex Longoria, Martin be notified of the plans for the and for a people they did not Luna, Gordon Lundquist, Simon parade as soon as those plans are

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KINNEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S REPORT

Sunday, June 8

Cheuvront, 17, Javier Rosales, 19, and Kenneth Wayne Stevens Jr., 19, all of San Antonio, were arrested by DPS Trooper Tony Ashley. Cheuvront was charged dence on W. Spring Street. for driving under the influence as a minor, while Rosales and Stevens were charged with pubtime served.

Monday, June 9

Antonio was arrested by Deputy Shannon on a warrant out of was booked into the Kinney County Jail, where he was still being held at press-time.

1:51 a.m., A man reported down and shoot him. men knocking on his kitchen windows at his residence on E. Thomas Street.

break-in at his ranch on Las Moras Road. The man reported the dows were cut and an upstairs agent. door kicked open. Nothing appeared to be missing.

a break-in at Brackettville hous-

8:34 p.m., A 911 caller re- patched to the scene. ported problems at the Senior Apartments.

Wednesday, June 11

5:50 p.m., A manager of a officials were notified.

local store on W. Spring Street 8:25 a.m., Brain David reported vehicles parking behind the business illegally.

8:56 p.m., A man reported that a man was acting strange on W. Spring Street. and lingering around his resi-

9:53 p.m., A U.S. Border Patrol agent reported a reckless cattle on his ranch on F.M. driver headed west from the 3348. lic intoxication. All three were Cline checkpoint on Highway released later the same day for 90. DPS officials were notified.

Thursday, June 12 8:45 p.m., A Rankin woman

1:33 a.m., Jose Guadalupe called stating that a Brackettville Medellin Sauceda, 30, of San man was harassing her daughter on the phone, calling her names and cursing at her. The man's Florida for sexual assault. He step-son is living with the family. Deputy Ron Ring spoke with the man, who said the complainant had threatened to come repossesed for non-payment.

reported a fight in the parking 1 p.m., A man reported a lot. Deputy Ring was dispatched to the scene. He arrived at the store to find the two men being kitchen screen door and win- separated by a Border Patrol bond.

3:29 p.m., A man reported that a trailer on W. Fulton Street 2:30 p.m., A woman reported was on fire. Brackettville Volunteer Fire Department and exhibition of acceleration. He EMS personnel were all dis-

7:30 p.m., Deputy Manuel Pena reported that the railroad crossing devices were down on 4:20 p.m., A woman re- Highway 131 with no sign of a quested assistance at City Hall. train. Union Pacific Railroad

Saturday, June 14 8:19 a.m., A man reported

that his brother's truck had been hit sometime through the night

10:24 a.m., A man reported that someone had cut through his fence and possibly stolen 4:50 p.m., Genaro Lozano,

54, of Houston was arrested by Trooper White on outstanding DPS warrants for speeding. He was released later that day after paying \$505 in fines. 7:30 p.m., A man reported

that his truck had been stolen from his residence on N. Brown Street. The individual was notified that the vehicle had been Sunday, June 15

Friday, June 13 9:30 p.m., Sheldon Ray 2:28 p.m., A Pico employee Tisdale, 29, of Hunt was arrested by Trooper Hopkins for driving while intoxicated, fourth offense. He was released later the same day after posting a \$2,500 bail 11:33 p.m., Javier Fuentes,

25, of Del Rio was arrested by Trooper Marcos Hernandez on outstanding DPS warrants for was booked into the Kinney County Jail, where he was still being held at press-time.

Monday, June 16

3:45 a.m., Deputy Shannon reported an unsecured residence on W. Spring Street with the

Rotary learns about Brackett's history

What remains of the "Original Town of Brackett:"

1. First county courthouse, Post Office, and Masonic Hall; now The Brackett News office. 2. County jail; now the Nutrition Center.

3. Veltmann Store; now owned by Doug and Melissa Davis.

4. Peterson Building circa 1870s; now owned by Zack Davis.

5. Blacksmith shop circa 1870s; now Las Moras Re-

6. Saloon and Pena Hardware; now Davis Hardware.

7. 1870s rock buildings, Ann Ross house, barber shop, post office; now privately owned. 8. Circa 1870s saloon; now Barbara's Table Restaurant. 9. Partrick Hotel circa 1885;

now Brackettville Funeral 10. Second county courthouse, then Post Office; now

Masonic Hall. 11. Site of current county courthouse.



Oracion Al **Espiritu Santo**

Espiritu Santo, tu que me aclaras todo, que iluminas todos los caminos para que yo alcance mi ideal, lu que me das el don divino de perdonar y olvidar el mal que me hacen y que en todos los instantes de mi vida estas conmigo, yo quiero que en este corto dialogo agradecerte por todo y confirmar una vez mas que nunca quiero separ r me de ti, por mayor que sea la ilusion material.

Deseo estar contigo y todos mis seres queridos en la gracia perpetua. Gracias por tu misericordia para conmigo y los

La pensona debera rezar esta oración 3 dias seguidos sin decir el pedido, dentro de tres dias sera alcanzada la gracia por mas dificil que sea. Publicar en cuanto se reciba la gracia.

"AGRADECE GRACIAS ALCANZADAS" G.S.

Use American main-dish leftovers to prepare an Oriental-style dish

I love rice and enjoy fixing it many ways as a side dish. We all have added a chicken or beef bullion cube to the water for seasoning or added a few English peas when color is needed. or fancier look is wanted.

Today's idea is a meal using main-dish leftovers to prepare an Oriental-style dish from your American dinner!

serves six.

of cooked rice (preferably long grain); 1/4 cup of cooked, slivered pork, shrimp, ham or utes to three hours, or 1 pound chicken; 1/2 cup of chopped celery; 1/3 cup of sliced green card used marinade. Grill meat. onions, including tops; 1/2 cup of drained bean sprouts; 1 sauce, dash of black pepper.

Heat the rice in a well-greased skillet, and toss and stir while heating. Add the meat, vegetables and egg. Cook, stirring card used marinade. for three minutes over high heat.

rve with additional soy sauce if desired.

Long weekends or anytime is no matter if it's two steaks or If done in the microwave, follook interesting to you.

Goodies From G.G.

Vada Baldree

For 1 cup of Asian five-spice marinade, we need 1 cup of This recipe for fried rice Asian sesame salad dressing, 1/ 4 cup of soy sauce and 4 tea-Here's what we need: 2 cups spoons of five-spice powder.

Mix together well. Any meat, marinate 1 pound for 30 minof fish for 15 to 30 minutes. Dis-For ready-mixed dressings as

a marinade, choose red wine, Caeser or ranch dressings. Marinate meats for 30 min-

utes to three hours, and fish for and the one in front of me. Sev-15 to 30 minutes. Always dis- eral feet is my preference.

spoon of taco seasoning.

Brush on each ear of corn, make that a house kitten. grilling as usual and brushing the right time to fire up the grill frequently with butter mixture. 20! See if today's taste teasers low the same directions. This will coat six ears of corn.

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Contributing Writer

tary Club meeting.

existed in the 19th century, the no roof. federal government "bank-

Kinney County was cut out

stage stop in 1874, eight years water and that the second stoafter the fort was re-established ries must have become heavy after the Civil War. Brackett was and endangered the first floors, appointed to organize the countherefore, they were removed to ty and the stage stop. It was save the buildings. named Brackett, then renamed Brackettville, and it was made the county seat.

by Sanborn Map Company.

The earliest of the buildings shown was The Brackett News office, which had two stories fied, and it was entertaining to 1876, met on the second floor. tory buffs.

This building later became the first county courthouse.

Haenn mentioned that Ann Bill Haenn presented slides Street was originally called Fort of the original buildings in Street. In the 1870s, it was re-Brackettville at last week's Ro- named Ann Street after Ann Ross, a pioneer settler of Kinney Haenn called attention to the County. She lived across the relationship between Brackett- street from The Brackett News ville and Fort Clark. Like any office in a two-story building small town in Texas where a fort which is still standing, but with

The presence of limestone in rolled" the towns through the the hills surrounding Brackettpresence of the U.S. Army. ville made stone construction Thus, Texas was greatly aided practical and economical and by the federal government to many are still standing because develop into the strong state it they are built of stone. Originally, most had two stories, but the second stories were later reof Bexar County in 1850, two moved. Brackettville suffered years before the fort was estab- severe flood damage in those lished and before the stage line years until dams were built that prevent this happening. Haenn's Oscar Brackett established a theory is that limestone absorbs

Haenn called attention to the people pictured in the photos. Soldiers and civilians mingled Haenn projected a map made in each one. Also present were dogs and an occasional goat.

A number of photos were shown and the buildings identiwhen it was built. The Masonic identify the sites. The meeting Lodge, which goes back to was well attended by local his-

Ever see a wildcat in Del Rio?

Several years past, the mascot for Del Rio High School was the Wildcat. Until recently, I was never sure exactly what that was. Maybe a bobcat. Perhaps even a cougar. Certainly, it wasn't a tame, gentle house cat.

I saw one recently. Yep, a real wildcat. It was in Del Rio too. Connie Jo and I were on our way to Mexico to eat supper with another couple.

At the first red light, I beaten egg; 2 tablespoons of soy wine vinaigrette, zesty Italian, stopped to give myself my customary comfort cushion. I like to move. Everyone held his or some distance between my car her breath as I pulled forward.

Suddenly, there he was. A Add mexican zip to corn on wildcat. He dropped out from ror and saw him on the road Add a little oil if rice tends to the cob by mixing together in a under the car in front of me. He scurrying for another vehicle to small bowl 1/3 cup of melted but- looked terrified. He fell from climb into. The car behind me Then add soy sauce and pepter, 2 tablespoons of fresh-somewhere in the rear of the axle swerved. I pulled over. I circled per and cook one minute longer. chopped cilantro and 1 table- assembly. He was a small the block and went back. So did Stamese-looking house cat. No,

> don't like cats. But I'm not cruel semi. The last I saw of the entire either. He needed a friend. As the light turned green and cars started to roll, I asked my friend tire of the trailer. Good luck. David to open his door and pick up the abandoned feline.

The furry creature had other

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ideas. He knew he had once found refuge up under a car. Mine was available. He disappeared into the framework of my auto. Horns were honking. I had No sign of kitten little.

About a block ahead, I glanced into my rearview mirthe other driver.

A man, woman and two kids Let me remind you that I chased the cat towards a parked group, they were trying to coax the wildcat out from under the

> He's a hitchhiking Del Rio Wildcat. Probably the last one. But I could be wrong.



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Pineda, Ashabranner win awards

Jose Pineda (left) and Juliann Ashabranner (right) were awarded the Ronnie Armbruster Fighting Tiger and Tigerette Award recently by Connie Armbruster at the annual Athletic Banquet, sponsored by the Booster Club.

Brackett set to host football, tennis and volleyball camps

camp on June 30 through July 3, along with the Sixth Annual Tigerette Volleyball Camp and the 2003 Brackett Tiger Football Camp on the same dates.

The first-ever high school vol-4 p.m. It will be led by Brackett year. High graduate Lindsey Brother-

career and has been named the that register by June 10. head volleyball coach at Lexington High School.

The camp will focus on cor- 5181. rect passing, setting and spiking fense and defense.

first-ever high school volleyball and the fee is due by June 20. For more information on the entering sixth through ninth camp, call Brotherton at (830) grades in the upcoming school 563-3303.

The annual Tigerette Volleyleyball camp will run from 1 to grades in the upcoming school skills with the football, defen-

Brotherton has just concluded cost of the camp is \$30, which and conditioning program. a four-year collegiate volleyball includes a T-shirt for campers

Rhonda Marquardt at 563-

The camp is open to students year. The cost is \$30.

The camp will include instrucball Camp is for students enter- tion on the Tigers' offensive and ing the fifth through ninth defensive schemes, offensive sive and offensive drills, a vari-The four-day camp will be ety of football games and an oriheld from 9 a.m. to noon. The entation of Brackett's strength

All participants will receive a camp T-shirt. To ensure a camp For more information, call T-shirt, registration must be turned in by June 23.

To pick up a registration The 2003 Brackett Tiger form, call Brackett athletic ditechniques, as well as team of- Football Camp will be from 9 rector David Yeager at 563a.m. to noon at the Brackett 2491 Ext. 190 or at 563-9344.

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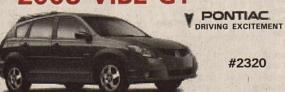
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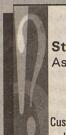
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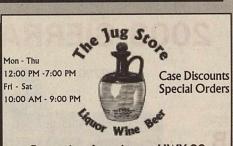
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22 to December 21) Travel is

favored this week. This could

be business or pleasure. Either

way, you have a grand time.

CAPRICORN (December 22

to January 19) Trivial matters

work your nerves on the job

this week. Don't let them get

the best of you. By week's end,

AQUARIUS (January 20 to

February 18) Early in the week,

the focus is on the homefront.

Family members demand more

of your time. Happily, you're

PISCES (February 19 to

March 20) While your career

is important, it's not wise to

sacrifice family time. Pay atten-

tion to the needs of loved ones,

particularly children. This

weekend, financial news is good.

able to indulge them.

the storm passes.

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by Charles Cooper

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) LIBRA (September 23 to Oc-A home-improvement project tober 22) It's not like you to takes more time than you'd an- give in to dark moods. Howticipated. Once it's done, ever, it's just one of those though, you're pleased with the weeks. Positive thinking gets results. Later in the week, your you out of it.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Friends and finances don't mix come to the fore this week. The well. Feel free to turn down that happy result is, bigwigs become request for a loan. You're remore reliant on you. Success ally not in the position to grant is assured. it anyway.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) ber has surprising news.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Most activities are home-based this week. That doesn't mean, though, work should be ignored completely. By week's end, you're ready for some serious socializing.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Your romantic life goes well this week. Singles could be ready to make a commitment. Over the weekend, impromptu gettogethers are possible.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) A friend gets on your nerves early in the week. Try to be more patient. This person is having problems you're not yet aware of.

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social life swings into high gear.

You're known for your original way of thinking. This comes in handy where work is concerned. This weekend, a family mem-

Stay grounded in God's word

Too many married couples much time judging their mates too little time judging their own would be from day one.

rected by putting our focus on But we often fool ourselves into God and stop looking to our believing that just because we mates as our only source for are married, that we are autoemotional, mental, social, physi- matically entitled to ultimate cal and spiritual gratification.

We have allowed ourselves to Remember, didn't he say that he was coming to seek, kill and destroy?

married couples today are facdience to God and his Holy Word. There is no spirit of oneness or harmony in their relationships. Hence, there is no joy.

This is not a new problem. The very first couple, Adam and Eve, did not have a perfect marriage once Satan entered into their relationship. From that day to this, married couples have had to work on their marriages to keep them afloat.

I can guarantee you this, have lost their joy and are liv- there is not a married person ing in a hell that they uninten- alive that can look you square tionally created by spending too in the face and tell you in all honesty that their marriage has and their "short comings," and been all that they've dreamed it

Make no mistake about this, A lot of marriages can be corpeople and things do change. respect and faithfulness!

So many of us have suffered become vulnerable to Satan's because of our own fantasy, tactics to destroy our oneness. which has been enhanced by movies and television, love stories, soap operas and in general by people not willing to teach Because of this, too many us the truth about what God has call the qualified, He qualifies to say about men and women, ing the consequences of disobe- virginity, sex, marriage, adultery and divorce. We've all seen the broken hearts, the broken

bones and the broken homes. There may be a few people reading this that would say that, "Dave has a lot of nerve preaching to us about marriage, seeing as he has been divorced twice and married for a third time."

right, I do have a lot of nerve because God gave it to me.



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I wish that when I was in the world" someone spiritual have inner peace when I was living in hell.

Perhaps, if someone had told me what I'm trying to tell you, I wouldn't have had so many failed relationships.

those that he has called.

For every person whose heart needs to be touched with a ray of hope and who needs inner peace, they can find it with just a little help and guidance.

have so many failed relationships, maybe we won't have so us many homicides and suicides, Well, you know what, you're and cases of domestic violence.

So many people have been living in hell because they were keep you safe.

not wise when they entered into bad relationships.

They did not have wisdom in their hearts and they did not have the knowledge of what a godly relationship is like. They have had some happy times, but no real joy.

Here comes the biggie. God wants each of us to learn to control our own body in a way that would have had the nerve to is holy and honorable. Pay athelp me to understand how to tention, listen carefully, guard your heart, for it affects everything that you do.

Keeping God firmly rooted in our hearts and in your spirits will help us all stay grounded in his Holy word and let us re-Remember this, God does not capture the joy that may have once been lost.

2 Corinthians 1:3-4 says, "Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is the Father who is full of mercy and all comfort, he comforts us everytime we have With more people telling the trouble, so when others have gospel truths, maybe we won't trouble we can comfort them with the same comfort God gives

> Wisdom will enter your heart, knowledge will fill you with joy and understanding will

Discipline, hard work will bring you success

"Dad, I've decided not to go back to school next fall." "And why is that David?"

Joe asked.

"I just think college is not for me. Besides you and Mom have to sacrifice too much," David replied.

Joe tried hard not to show the disappointment he felt.

"What's your plan, son?" David was evasive: "I dunno, Dad. I think I'd just like to hang out for a year or two while I decide what I want to do with my life.

"And where will you hang out?" Joe asked.

David looked at his dad with surprise. "Here, of course.'

Joe collected his thoughts.

"David, let me make something very clear. Nobody hangs out here in our family. Up to this point, you've been a good son and you've made some good decisions. You made good grades in high school and you worked hard to make good grades during your year at college. There's nothing wrong with needing time to decide your future. Hanging out will not help you decide. It'll only make you lazy and give opportunity for trouble to find a home in your

If it had not been the Lord

who was on our side, now may

Israel say: If it had not been the

Lord who was on our side, when

Then they had swallowed us



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"That's true, David. But if hanging out is your choice, then you'll have to find someplace else to do it," he said.

Joe paused and looked intently at his son. He tried to show love and solid resolve.

"Son, when you graduated from high school, you were talking wisely and made some good decisions. Going to college was one good decision. Now you're no longer sounding like the man, you're sounding more like the child you once were.

Discipline and hard work will bring you success. You've just three choices. You must return to school, get a job and pay your own way, or you can enlist in the military," he said.

"Long ago a very wise man said when hands are lazy, the rafters sag and when hands are slack, the house leaks," Joe said. (Ecclesiastes 10:18)

■ Editor's note: This column is brought to you by the St. Henry deOsso Family "But Dad, I can do what- Project, working in ever I want," David ex- Brackettville to strengthen family, faith and education.

Adults can learn from messages in kids' videos

We had our 2-year-old grandson with us last week. First of all, I know why God intended young people to have babies and be parents of toddlers! But what I really want to talk about is one of Patrick's videos.

Many of you are probably familiar with "VeggieTales." For the uninformed, this is a series of videos, and a movie or two, for young children based on Bible stories.

The heroes are Bob the Tohouse, they are trying to persuade Archibald the Asparagus out of his dressing room to fin- Message from the Lord." It tells you do, you know He'll be ish his role as Jonah in their children to "wash your hands, ready with a second chance for Magdalene Catholic Church.



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Archibald has a bit of a "fish phobia" and is trying to back out when he finds out he will end up in the belly of a whale.

The video is full of singing mato and Larry the Cucumber. and dancing, which is what tod-In the video we have at our dlers love. But, more impor-

tantly, there is a message. One of the songs is titled "A say your prayers, do not fight, you.'

do not cheat, be a friend," among other things.

Then it says, "If we follow God's commands, there will be peace throughout the land."

Another song on the video that really strikes my heart is called "Second Chances."

won't get real courage from movie heroes, that Jonah learned that real courage comes from the Then the song tells us our

God is a God of love and mercy. "You'll be floored how His love your life enhances. If you say you're sorry for all the stuff

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And, finally, "If you believe God's love is true, then you should know what you should

Wow! What a message! Not just for children, but for all of us. God makes things so easy for us — believe in Him, love one Bob tells Larry that Archibald another, follow the path He has set for us - easy, but not

> Yet, He is there to help us every step of the way.

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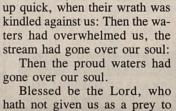
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men rose up against us:

their teeth. Our soul is escaped as a bird



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out of the snare of the fowlers: the snare is broken, and we are escaped.

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