

The Brackett News



Tigers Host Leakey
Friday at 7:30 p.m.
Homecoming



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BRIEFS

Council meets Tuesday evening

City of Brackettville Joe Garza announced a Special Called Meeting for the Brackettville City Council on Tuesday, Sept. 20 at 6:30 p.m. The special called meeting will be at the City Hall Matias Sandoval Meeting Room.

Seminole Indian Celebration set

The public is invited to attend and participate in the 133rd annual celebration honoring Seminole Indian Scouts' ancestors and heritage on Sept. 17-18. The traditional parade will start on Saturday at 10 a.m. by the high school and end at the Carver School Grounds on Beaumont Street. The festivities will continue with the Buffalo Soldiers Program at 11 a.m. followed by a BBQ plate sale at noon. Sunday's services will be at the Seminole Cemetery at 11 a.m. Please contact Beverly Wright at beverly-wright52@yahoo.com or Augusta Pine and Willie Warrior at 830-775-7079 or ww78840@aol.com.

Las Moras AA meets locally

The Las Moras group of alcoholics Anonymous (A.A.) meets each Monday and Friday at Slator Hall, across the street from the First Methodist Church on James Street at 7 p.m. AA is not a religious program, although spiritual in nature.

If you have a family member or friend that you think may have a problem with alcohol or other drugs, this is the place to seek help. There are no dues or fees for membership. It is a simple program that will help your life become what you deserve. If you have further questions please call Tom at 563-6206.

Chamber logo contest underway

The Kinney County Chamber of Commerce invites residents to create a new logo and win cash! All submissions must be a free-hand drawing from county residents only. Requirements: Color: two; Form: circle shape; Size: 8 1/2 x 11. Deadline for Submissions are Dec. 1. Mail drawings to: Kinney County Chamber of Commerce, PO Box 386, Brackettville, Texas 78832.

Schedule home visit for newborns

Submitted by BARBARA HOGAN

A Home Visit by a nurse on the third or fourth day after delivery cuts down the chance of a newborn baby going to the emergency room or being admitted to the hospital. Possible reasons for illness might be jaundice or dehydration.

The nurse can answer any questions the mother may have, check the infants weight and refer the mother and infant to the doctor if necessary.

(Nurseweek 11/04)



Tigers thump Panthers 48-0

Brackett gathering steam for state playoffs

The Fighting Tigers thumped the Nueces Canyon Panthers 48-0, making their way to another state playoff berth.

According to head coach Greg Voyles, the best play of the game belonged to Brand Wylie's three punt returns for a total of 105 yards.

Voyles also named Wylie as the game's Most Valuable Player with his four touchdowns.

The Tigers took to their homefield in force, shutting



down the Panther defense and running over the offense.

"I thought we executed much better than last week," Voyles said.

Miles Braesicke had 7 carries

for 100 yards and had two touchdowns.

Ivan Pinales had 8 carries and 65 yards; Fermin Villanueva had 10 carries and 48 yards and scored 1 touchdown.

Wylie had 6 carries for 37 yards and 2 touchdowns. He also had 3 punt returns for 105 yards and 2 touchdowns.

The Tigers go up against the Eagles Friday night during their Homecoming activities. Kickoff is at 7:30 p.m.

Brackett bonfire burned

Five arrested in Homecoming 'stunt'

By Leigh Volcsko Staff Writer

Five Brackettville men were arrested early Monday morning, with charges stemming from the intentional lighting of the high school bonfire.



Tiger Bonfire was almost a week early, thanks to five Brackett men, were all arrested.

Raul Escamilla, Ryan Garcia, Rolando Ortiz, Charlie Slaughter and Noe Talamantes, all 19 years old, were charged with criminal mischief and criminal trespassing.

Acting on tip, Kinney County Sheriff Deputy Ramon Gutierrez arrived at the scene at 2:01 a.m.

The five suspects quickly gave chase but were later apprehended and booked into the Kinney County Jail. School officials did not comment on the criminal incident. The school however, was encouraged by the outpouring of support from the City of Brackettville including local resident Randall Moore to pool their resources and prevent the event from being canceled.

City workers scrambled around town to pick up any brush not collected in a recent clean up drive and Moore has been credited with contacting some of his business associates and having some lumber companies in Del Rio deliver wood pallets to the track field.

Local sentiment reflects feelings of disappointment about the traditional homecoming event possibly being ruined and shock that it was done, not by the opposing team, but allegedly by former Brackett students. Though the not-so-funny prank was a setback for the senior class, the bonfire is scheduled to go on as planned tonight at 8 p.m.

Minute Man Militia eyeing Kinney County

Roy Lasley, president of the Midland-Odessa Chapter of the Minute Men, was in Kinney County recently speaking on the possibility of establishing a Minute Man group in the area.

The Minute Man is a "militia of able-bodied and eligible citizens to help prevent individuals from unlawfully crossing an international border and entering the United States anywhere other than a port of entry."

Locally, the Moody Ranch is the only land that borders right on the Rio Grande.

"Bill Moody ain't going to let him on the Moody Ranch," Kinney County Sheriff Buddy Burgess said after explaining that Lasley was looking for a location to set up camp.

"The major concern is weapons," Lasley said. "We can do without the weapons." Lasley explained that the shift supervisor would have a weapon. "Just in case something does happen. We won't be drawing unless they're coming after us."

Jewel Robinsom, publisher of the Brackett News asked if a liability waiver would be available to the landowners, waiving any liability the landowner might have. "We can do that," Lasley said. "Lawyers could write it up an dlet each side know what they are expected to do or not do."

Lasley noted that beginning Oct. 1, the group is looking at a group of about 200 people to set up a static line. "We might have

anywhere from 10 to 15 stations. The stations would include lawn chairs, bottled water, walkie-talkies and cell phones.

"They'll sit in the lawn chairs and observe. The shift leader would check on them every half hour."

"If they spot someone, that person would contact the leader, who will have a communications set up and may contact the Border Patrol. We do not want the observer to have any verbal or physical contact with anyone," Lasley said.

Lasley explained the static line would be along the river, far enough away from the river, but close enough to see.

"We had 900 people come out to the Arizona border from 48 states," Lasley said. He explained that the volunteers are tired of illegal persons crossing into the United States.

"Towns are being swamped (with illegal aliens) Lasley said. "You go into any town - Denver, Salt Lake City, and you drive around. You're going to see a big herd of illegal aliens. Then you'll see a construction worker with a pick up truck and 10 of those (illegal aliens) will jump in the back of the truck."

"You'll see them and they are 13 to 18 years old. No education at all. They are moving in to every state. All these people are not going to get jobs. They might be lucky to get a construction job for one day. What are they go-

ing to do with the rest of their time? They have to pay the coyote. They have to send money back home, which is their main purpose in being here."

HR 3622 would organize and call into service the militia and appropriate funds to support this service and for other purposes.

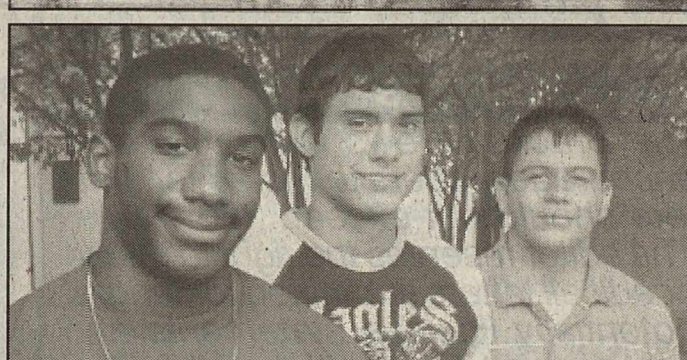
The act is titled "Border Protection Corps Act."

In it, the bill reads that Federal authorities do not have sufficient manpower or resources to patrol and defend the international borders of the United States to prevent individuals from entering the United States illegally.

"An ever-increasing number of heavily armed and dangerous criminals, violent gang members, and drug smugglers are entering the United States illegally over our international borders."

"Federal and state law enforcement authorities have identified an alarming increase in the number of foreign nationals from countries with known connections to terrorist organizations who are hiding among this crowd of dangerous illegal immigrants, and camouflaging themselves among an immense and rapidly growing number of foreign nationals who are entering the United States illegally in search of work."

No action has been taken on the bill by Texas government. And there are no plans to move into the Kinney County area, yet.



Brackett News photos by Gus Garcia Homecoming Royalty candidates include: Queen nominees: Jessi Crane, Dana Bonner and Tanya Molinar. King candidates are: Clyde Adams, Tres Rueda and Martin Flores.

Tiger homecoming activities set Friday

Tiger Homecoming is set for Friday night when the Eagles from Leakey drop in.

Homecoming Queen Candidates include: Dana Bonner, daughter of Vance and Maxine Bonner. Dana is an active member and captain of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and secretary of the National Honor Society. She has been a varsity cheerleader for four years and has participated in varsity basketball and softball.

Jessi Crane, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Curvin Crane. Jessi has participated in Varsity Volleyball for the past two years and has been a member of the Varsity Track team for the past three years. She is a member of the National Honor Society and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Tanya Molinar, daughter of Tony and Elena Molinar. She has participated in Tigerette volleyball the past four years, currently playing her second season on varsity. She is Senior Class President and Student Council Vice-President. She is a probationary member of the National Honor Society and a member of FCCLA and the History Club.

King nominees include Clyde Adams, son of the Rev. William P. Adams and Mrs. Judith E. Adams. Clyde is participating in Varsity Football and a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Martin Flores is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Flores Sr. He has been a member of varsity Tiger Football team for the last two years and has participated in golf for the past three

years. He is co-captain for the Tiger Football team and a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and plans to attend UTSA.

Tres Rueda is the son of Gilbert and Yolanda Rueda. He has participated in varsity football, golf, track and baseball during his high school years. Tres is an active member of St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church and plans to attend Texas State University.

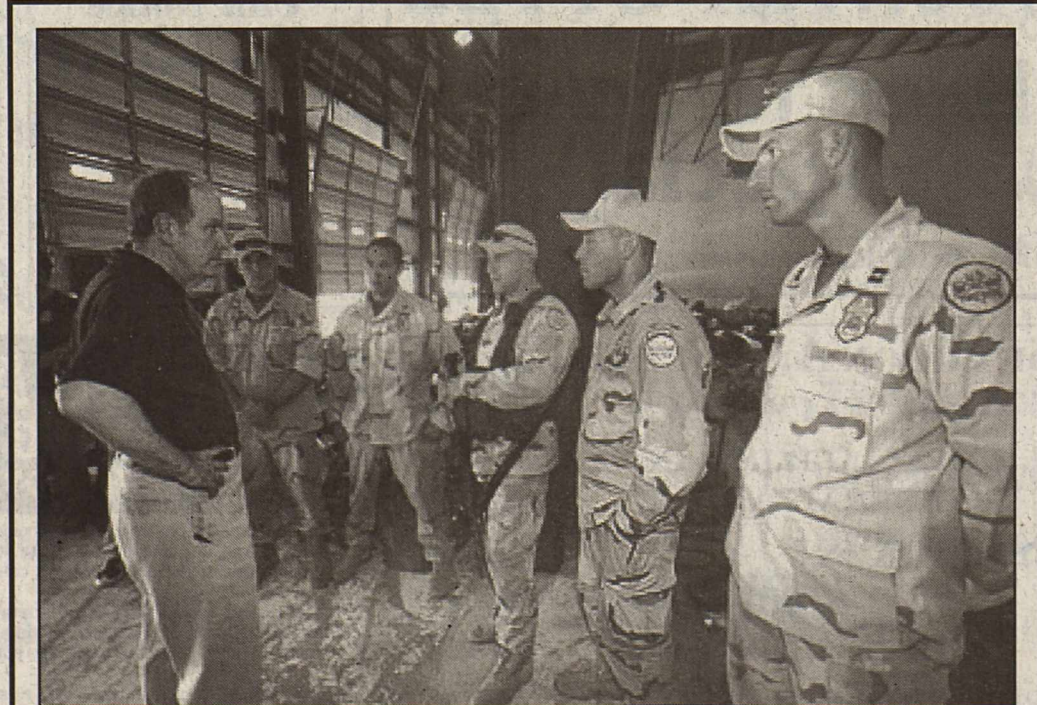
This year's homecoming court includes: Junior Prince Cesar DeLeon; Junior Princess Monica Talamantes; Sophomore Prince Lane Nowlin; Sophomore Princess Chaito Sanchez; Freshman Prince Jonathan Estrada, Freshman Princess Jessica Garza.

Dukes and Duchesses include Biana Stewart and Robert Davis from Student Council; Rachel Swinson and Brand Wylie from National Honor Society; Cassandra Gomez and Charlie Rose from Fighting Tiger Band; Laura Meyer and Justin Calk from Science Club; Lola Cano and Mason McWilliams of the History Club; Samantha Moore and Travis Nowling from FCA; Doolie Fernandez and Albert Flores FCCLA.

The bonfire is set for tonight at the Tiger Track.

The Homecoming Parade is Friday at 2 p.m. followed by the Pep Rally at Five Points (weather permitting).

The crowning of the Queen and King is set for halftime. Kickoff is at 7:30 p.m.



CBP SUPPORTS RELIEF EFFORT
Customs and Border Protection Commissioner Robert Bonner, left, speaks with CBP Border Patrol agents in Gulfport, Mississippi and New Orleans, Louisiana including Brackettville's Jim Volcsko (far right).

INSIDE

■ **Vada**
Do you get as excited as I do when company is coming? By company, that means people who you don't get to share time with but once in a great while. I begin searching for tried and true recipes plus a few new or different dishes to offer. What fun to surround myself with 30 or 40 cookbooks for an evening or two.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

A word from the Housing Authority of Brackettville

As Katrina hit the Gulf Coast, you and I prayed for all the people and animals that were in harm's way.

The death toll is staggering, as is the number of displaced residents, who now live without everything that they have worked a lifetime to accumulate.

Without home and jobs, they cannot at this time return to where they were. They are being relocated to every corner of this great nation.

HUD (Housing and Urban Development), FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) and the American Red Cross are finding temporary housing for these unfortunate souls.

When HUD called the Brackettville Housing Authority late on Sept. 1 to determine the number of available 2, 3 and 4 bedroom apartments, the first thought that hit us was "wait a minute, those units are empty,

totally unfurnished."

With Kinney County Judge Senne's help, the Brackettville Housing Authority secured the west end of the Kinney County Civic Center and spread the word far and wide that we needed donations of anything and everything that it takes to convert a house into a home.

The people of Brackettville, Fort Clark Springs and Spofford opened their hearts and wallets and donated their time (volunteers), their money, furniture, clothes, dishes, linens, bedding and a hundred other things.

Not that it needs to be said or that anyone of these wonderful people would expect it, but the Board of Commissioners and the staff of the Brackettville Housing Authority want to say, from the very bottom of our hearts, "Thank You."

Housing Authority of Brackettville

An important lesson from hurricane Katrina: Be prepared

It's been said that you can tell a lot about a person by the way he or she acts in really good times and really tough times. Seeing Texans instantly lend a helping hand to the thousands of evacuees doesn't surprise me one bit.

Huge signs and banners practically shouting "Welcome, Y'all" are shining examples of how remarkably Texans have responded.

In the midst of all of this tragedy and unspeakable loss, I take heart reading stories of real "hurricane heroes." I find hope upon learning about families reunited. But I believe there is one real message I'd like to see get out to the masses. It's two words: Be prepared.

Do your kids know what to do in case of a fire? Does your family have an emergency plan for a winter storm? Or flash flood? Does your work place

have an emergency plan? Don't you think one of the best ways to pay respect to the victims of Hurricane Katrina is to be prepared in the future?

To protect yourself and your loved ones during a time of natural disaster or other emergencies, please visit my website to download the American Red Cross official Emergency Preparedness Checklist at www.redcross.org.

This four-page printout details how you and your loved ones can better prepare for the next time disaster strikes. While not a detailed description, here are a few key points to keep in mind.

- Create an Emergency Plan
- Meet with household members to discuss the dangers of fire, severe weather, earthquakes and other emergencies. Explain how to respond to each.
- Find the safe spots in your



Weekly Report

Henry Bonilla

home for each type of disaster.

- Discuss what to do about power outages and personal injuries.
- Show family members how to turn off the water, gas and electricity at main switches if necessary.
- Teach children how and when to dial 911, police and fire.
- Pick one out-of-state and one local friend or relative for family members to call if separated during a disaster (it is often easier to call out-of-state than within the affected area).
- Pick two emergency meet-

ing places. 1) a place near your home in case of a fire and 2) a place outside your neighborhood in case you can not return home after a disaster.

- Keep family records in a water and fire-proof container.
- Prepare a Disaster Supplies Kit

These are just a few of the helpful tips listed in the comprehensive checklist. Other sections include: preparing an emergency car kit, if you need to evacuate, and fire safety. In addition, there are emergency plan contact information lists as well as escape plan sample designs.

While you can't plan out exactly when or where the next hurricane, tornado, or earthquake will be, you can plan to be prepared. Please consider examining this tremendously helpful resource.

If Mother Nature strikes, will you and your family be prepared? I hope that answer is yes.

Hurricane Katrina taking toll on energy costs

The aftermath of Hurricane Katrina will be felt by those in the Gulf Coast for years.

While our Texas cities are opening their doors, and Texans are opening their hearts, there is no way to fully prepare for the long-term devastation of Katrina. Yet, in the near term, people across the country are feeling the brunt of this storm in different ways, especially at the gas station. Before we ever heard the name Katrina, our gas prices were on the rise. The strong economic growth we have experienced over the past two years, coupled with growth in other countries such as China and India, has driven high demand for oil. The destruction of Katrina dramatically complicated the issue by affecting supplies of gasoline. The first day Katrina brutally slammed the Gulf Coast, a total of 615 manned platforms in the Gulf of Mexico and 90 drilling rigs were evacuated. These evacuations by week's end were equivalent to 52 percent of the 819 manned platforms in the Gulf of Mexico and 48 percent of the 137 drilling rigs which operate in the Gulf of Mexico. Five refineries along the coast were forced to reduce operations. In all, 90 percent of the oil production and 80 percent of the gas production in the Gulf Coast was temporarily impacted. In addition, the widespread damage of Katrina impacted major pipelines, with three either totally or partially out of service. There



Capitol Comment

Kay Bailey Hutchison

is progress being made to bring these major pipelines back on line. The Colonial Pipeline - which carries 100 million gallons of gasoline and diesel to the south and eastern U.S. - was brought back to full capacity this weekend. This will help significantly with the oil and gas demand. All said, Katrina brought with her a dramatic increase in gasoline prices around the country. The average price of regular grade in Texas rose to \$2.63 last Friday, with many consumers paying more than \$3 per gallon. A supply shock such as this is potentially much more harmful to the economy and consumers than the previous demand-driven spikes and must be addressed aggressively. The Bush Administration took several steps recently to relieve supply pressures while efforts are being made to bring the oil rigs, refineries and pipelines back into full service. Within hours of the hurricane passing, the Environmental Protection Agency issued a nationwide waiver on certain standards to allow for the use of "winter blend" reformulated gasoline in place of "summer blend" that is otherwise required to be used through Sep-

tember 15. This action makes available considerable stocks of reformulated gasoline that are in storage to fulfill consumer demand and immediately ease supply problems. President Bush also ordered oil from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve (SPR) to be released. The initial amount will add 30 million barrels to the market. Within 48 hours of receiving requests from oil companies, oil was on its way from the SPR to refineries. The SPR contains 700 million barrels, so we have plenty to work with during this crisis. At the same time, other countries of the International Energy Agency announced they will release an additional 30 million barrels of petroleum, and 20 tankers are making their way to the U.S. to deliver this energy. The U.S. Department of Homeland Security has also waived Jones Act restrictions which limit the use of ships under foreign flags in order to allow additional tankers and barges to transport oil and gasoline into ports around the country. These specific ports may have seen supply disruptions as a result of pipelines running below capacity. These bold moves immediately relieved pressures in the market. The price of a barrel of oil dropped to \$65 just over a week after Katrina first touched ground. While some of the supply problems will be resolved relatively soon, it may take some time to get all refining and drilling facilities online again.

IN MEMORY OF OUR BELOVED BUD BREEN

WE WANT TO EXPRESS OUR GRATITUDE TO ALL WHO WERE WITH US IN PRAYER AND WITH THEIR BLESSINGS OF FLOWERS, FOOD & GENEROUS GIFTS.

WE ALSO WANT TO THANK FATHER SCANLAN, ESTES-RUSHING KNOWLES FUNERAL HOME AND ALL WHO HAVE SENT THEIR CONDOLENCES. THANK YOU ALL,

The Breen Family, wife, sons, daughters, grandchildren, and adopted children.

Happy Birthday Mary M. Hernandez

Mary received a certificate of Appreciation from Children's International for 9 years of dedicated support.

Mama E. Nobby

Small Taxing Unit Notice

The City of Spofford will hold a meeting at 6 P.M. on Monday, September 19, 2000 at City Hall to consider adopting a proposed tax rate for tax year 2005. The proposed tax rate is 0.3676 per \$100 of value. The proposed tax rate would increase total taxes in the City of Spofford by 7.99% percent.

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Girls' varsity cross country team takes first

Brackett Varsity Girls Cross Country team took first place Saturday at the meet in Carrizo

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I would like to take the time to say Thank You to the people of Brackettville for all the donations for the cake walk and all the hard work.

Thank you again and God Bless you all.

Santiago R. Hernandez Jr

Springs. Individually, Daphne Hunt placed 2nd overall with a time of 13:43; Gabby Schroeder: 4th with a time of 14:04; Harmony Pettett: 5th with a time of 14:29; Anolda Watkins: 8th with a time of 15:21; Ivory Perez: 12th with a time of 16:15; Elva Garcia: 15th with a time of 17:09 and Heather Baggett: 21st with a time of 19:00. Junior Varsity girls were represented by Lauren Cornelius. Cornelius placed 17th with a time of 17:40. The individual Junior Varsity boys standings, Justin Calk placed 6th overall with a time

of 21:05; Manny Rosas: 21st with a time of 22:48; Cullen Duncan: 30th with a time of 24:52; Travis Nowlin: 34th with a time of 25:37; Clint Conrad: 41st with a time of 26:12; Stanford Conoly: 45th with a time of 27:02 and Izzy Muniz: 50th with a time of 29:14.

The 2005 Cross Country Team Members are: Varsity Girls: Heather Baggett (Soph), Lauren Cornelius (Soph), Elva Garcia (Soph), Daphne Hunt (Soph), Ivory Perez (Sr), Harmony Pettett (Fresh), Gabby Schroeder (Soph) and Anolda Watkins (Soph).

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KINNEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S REPORT

Monday, Aug. 29

5:12 p.m., James Isaac Leyendecker, 24, of Austin was arrested by Texas DPS Trooper Joe Mariscal for driving with an invalid license. Leyendecker was released on Aug. 30 after securing a \$1000 bond from Best Bail Bond.

9:28 p.m., A woman called in and wanted to make a complaint for an unknown reason. Deputy Ramon Gutierrez was informed and fielded the telephone call personally.

10:15 p.m., A man called to report that his son's fiancé was involved in a car accident on Loop 410 and Callahan Road in San Antonio. The caller stated that his son's fiancé was complaining of back pains and that the driver of the other vehicle was pregnant. San Antonio Police Department was notified of the situation and dispatched an officer and EMS unit to the scene.

11:05 p.m., Jose A. Malgar, 27, of Venda, El Salvador, was arrested by Deputy Gutierrez on an arrest warrant issued by Harris County for aggravated sexual assault with a child. Malgar was still being held as of press time.

Tuesday, Aug. 30

4:30 p.m., Jaime Sandoval, 35, of Brackettville, was arrested by Texas DPS Trooper Tully Welch for driving while intoxicated; second offense. Sandoval was released on Sep. 1 after securing a \$2000 bond from Best Bail Bond.

8:11 p.m., An anonymous caller reported that a child was driving a green van on Beaumont Street. Deputy Gutierrez was informed of the situation and enroute to the location.

Wednesday, Aug. 31

12:53 p.m., A local business owner called in to report that dolly was missing from a beer delivery truck. Deputy Kenneth Freitag was informed of the situation and enroute to the location.

Thursday, Sept. 1

7:45 p.m., John Harold Maldonado, 34, of Del Rio was arrested by Deputy Freitag for driving with an invalid license. Maldonado was later released on a \$1000 personal recognizance

Friday, Sept. 2

12:01 p.m., Armando DeJesus Rojas, 35, of Houston was arrested by Texas DPS Trooper Joe Sanchez for driving while intoxicated with a child in the vehicle. Rojas was released on Sept. 5 after securing a \$5000 bond from Best Bail Bond.

3:30 p.m., Douglas C. Ward, Jr., 29, of Brackettville was arrested for driving while intoxicated and driving with an invalid license by Reserve Deputy Manny Pena. Ward was released on Sept. 5 after securing two bonds in the amounts of \$1500 and \$1000 from Best Bail Bond.

Saturday, Sept. 3

8:45 p.m., Fort Clark Security requested a deputy at the gate. Deputy Gutierrez was advised of the situation.

Sunday, Sept. 4

9:09 p.m., A woman called to report a man was driving too fast by her house. Deputy Gutierrez was advised of the situation.

9:10 p.m., A local business owner called to report that a man had been banned from her establishment and did not want him there anymore. Deputy Gutierrez was informed of the situation.

9:10 p.m., A woman called to report that she did not want a man to follow her to her house and wanted a deputy to check her home once in a while. Deputy Gutierrez was advised of the situation.

Monday, Sept. 5

8:55 a.m., A Border Patrol Agent at the Cline checkpoint called to report that a gray blazer was out of gas. Reserve Deputy Pena located the vehicle, but could not find the driver.

9:20 a.m., A man called and requested assistance at his residence.

5:44 p.m., Reserve Deputy Pena reported a minor automobile accident at the intersection of Hwy 90 and Gove Street. TxDOT was notified that a sign

Tuesday, Sept. 6

7:05 p.m., A 911 caller reported that an 18-wheeler had turned over on its side and its contents were spilling out. Deputy Freitag was notified of the situation and enroute. The fire department was also notified and enroute to the location.

9:00 p.m., A man called to report a suspicious vehicle east of Brackettville on Hwy. 90. Deputy Freitag was notified of the situation and dispatched.

Wednesday, Sept. 7

2:30 a.m., A man called to request assistance at his mother's house.

7:11 a.m., A U.S. Border Patrol Agent called to report a suspicious vehicle on Hamilton Lane, 4 miles north of Sycamore Road. Chief deputy Fritter was informed of the situation and enroute to the location. Fritter reported that the suspicious vehicle was a truck and license plate and vehicle identification number did not match.

8:34 a.m., A man reported that some dogs were in the school yard and one appeared to be a pitbull. The man also made a complaint at City Hall and offered to catch the dogs himself.

10:13 a.m., A man from Laughlin AFB called in to report that man on Fort Clark Springs may need assistance. The FCS man called the AFB and requested a chaplain and if he did not get a call back that

he was going to get a stick of dynamite.

12:40 p.m., A man called to request assistance at his mother's house.

2:35 p.m., A City employee requested that a deputy come to City Hall to speak with him.

5:16 p.m., A 911 caller reported a horse running loose near Julie's Restaurant on Hwy 90. Deputy Gutierrez was dispatched to the scene.

6:30 p.m., A woman went into the Sheriff's office to request assistance. The woman needed a deputy to go to her mother's house with her to get her baby and belongings.

7:55 p.m., Guadalupe Lumberras, 26, of Brackettville, was arrested for failure to appear for burglary of a vehicle and theft by Deputy Freitag. Lumberras was still being held as of press time.

Thursday, Sept. 8

7:22 a.m., A woman called to report that two cars were parked in front of the school and the adults in the vehicles were arguing. Chief Deputy Fritter was dispatched to the location.

8:00 a.m., A man from Michigan called in reference to a runaway that was tracked by his credit card to the PICO convenience store on Sep. 7 at 11:30 a.m. The PICO manager was advised of the situation. The U.S. Border Patrol was contacted and advised to be on the look out for a purple car at the check point.

Company's coming? Get the special recipes

Do you get as excited as I do when company is coming?

By company, that means people who you don't get to share time with but once in a great while. I begin searching for tried and true recipes plus a few new or different dishes to offer.

What fun to surround myself with 30 or 40 cookbooks for an evening or two.

Trying to make final choices on the food to be served to our five family guests the week they're here. The three side dishes today are ones that got the okay to serve.

Cheese Stuffed Zucchini
8 med. zucchini, about 2 1/4 lbs., 8 oz. cheddar cheese, shredded; divided, 2 lg. eggs, beaten, 1 cup cooked rice, 1/4 cup finely chopped onion, 1/4 cup fine dry bread crumbs, 1 tbsp. parsley flakes, 1/2 tsp. salt, and seasoned salt paprika.

Boil zucchini, whole, for about 5 to 7 minutes. Cool. Cut zucchini in half length wise. Scoop out the pulp, leaving the shell. Place zucchini cut side down to drain. Chop pulp. Mix pulp with cheese (reserving 1/2 cup) eggs, rice, onion, bread crumbs, parsley & salt.

Sprinkle zucchini shells with seasoned salt, then stuff with cheese-rice mixture. Place in a greased cookie sheet (15 1/2 x



Goodies From G.G.

Vada Baldree

10 1/2 x 1 in. pan). Bake at 350 degrees for 20 to 25 minutes of baking, top with remaining cheese. Cut in pieces to serve. Pepper cheese might be good too.

Corn Fritters
11/3 cups all purpose flour, 1/2 cup cornmeal, preferably yellow, 1 tsp. baking powder, 2 tsp. sugar, 1 tsp. salt, 2 lg. eggs, beaten, 1/3 cup milk, 2 tbsp oil, 1 (15 oz.) can cream style corn, 1 (15 oz.) can whole kernel corn, drained, and oil for deep frying

Spoon flour into measuring cup and level off using a knife. In medium bowl, combine dry ingredients. In large bowl, combine eggs, milk, oil and cream style corn. Blend in dry ingredients, stirring until moistened; stir in whole kernel corn. In deep fat fryer or heavy sauce pan, drop batter by tablespoonfuls and fry in 2-3 inches of hot fat at 365 degrees for 2 to 3 minutes on each side or until golden brown. Drain on paper towels.

Serve warm. Makes 28 fritters.

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Notice of Vote on Tax Rate
The Kinney County Commissioner's Court conducted public hearings on a proposal to increase the total tax revenues of the County from properties on the tax roll in the preceding year by 1.11 percent on September 6, 2005 and September 9, 2005. The Kinney County Commissioner's Court is scheduled to vote on the tax rate that will result in that tax increase at a public meeting to be held on Monday, September 19, 2005, at 9:00 AM at the Kinney County Courthouse.

Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase
Last year, the City of Brackettville property tax rate was \$0.7963. That rate raised \$180,668, a portion of which was used to fund operations such as: Water and sewer service to include installation and repairs; water and gas meter reading and billing; street lighting and repairs; debt reduction; animal control; operation of citizens collection site; fire protection; city employee compensation; maintenance of city parks; and flood control. This year, City of Brackettville is proposing a property tax rate of \$0.8957. That rate would raise \$194,665, which is \$13,997 more than taxes imposed last year. The second public hearing to consider that increase will be held on Monday, September 19, 2005 at 6:00 PM at City Hall Annex. You have a right to attend the hearings and make comments. You are encouraged to attend and make comments if you wish.


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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—forward, backward, horizontally, vertically and diagonally. An example is given to get you started. Can you find today's 20 words?

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| 5. Jersey | 15. Socks |
| 6. Jumper | 16. Suit |
| 7. Overalls | 17. Sweater |
| 8. Pajamas | 18. Trousers |
| 9. Panties | 19. Vest |
| 10. Pants | 20. Windbreaker |

HOROSCOPES

by Charles Cooper

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Any venture in which you have a partner is favored this week. This applies both to business and home life. This weekend, you're upbeat and positive.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You're finally able to see the big picture at work. This gives you a new direction. Later, an unexpected windfall comes your way.

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You're thrown by an unexpected turn of events this week. However, fortunately, this works out to your advantage. Later in the week, you're out and about on the social scene.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You finally achieve a long sought-after goal this week. Now it's time to relax and take stock. Take this success and make plans for the future.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) It's a good week to surround yourself with friends. One in particular can be helpful to you, both personally and professionally. Cherish this person's support.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You're able to resolve a personal problem that was plaguing you for a while. It may not be the resounding resolution you expected, but it will finally put things to rest. This weekend, home-based activities are favored.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You're on exemplary behavior this week at work. It seems everything you touch turns out well. Thus, feel free to bask in the praise of higher-ups; you've earned it.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Money matters are favored this week. In fact, things are really looking up. Take time this weekend on family activities.

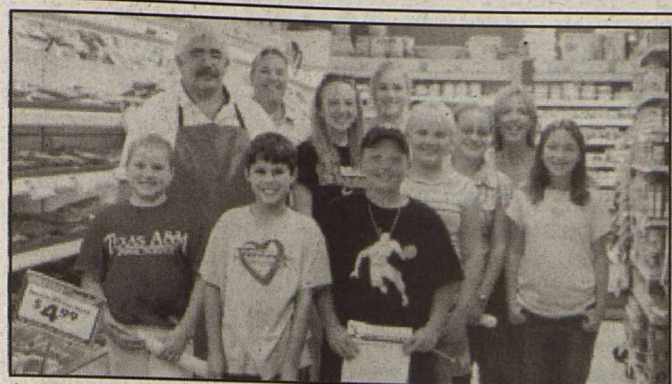
LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You get some good news this week. In fact, it's just what you'd been hoping for. Travel is possible this weekend.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) You should make it a point to be tactful with cranky co-workers this week. If not, a nasty dispute could arise. Tread lightly.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Romance is in the stars this week for singles. Those in committed relationships will also experience a renewal. Over the weekend, try not to force an issue with a family member.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Some are in line for a promotion or raise this week. In general, business matters are favored. You're definitely on the road to success.

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SUPER TIME

Courtesy photo

The Kinney County Foods and Nutrition group recently toured the local Super S meat department. Meat manager, Tony Beattie showed the group cuts of meat and explained the different internal temperatures required for each when cooking. Project participants: Front row: Koralee Allen, Garon Rueda, Austin Pettett. Second Row: Tony Beattie, Harmony Pettett, Shelby Schuster, Janine Rex. Back Row: Donna Schuster, Bailee Allen, Summer Allen and Carol Pettett.

I will change your lot

Rick found it difficult to respond to the Chaplain. Old Joe's voice played over and over in his mind. "Durin da naht God healed 'im."

Again he heard the Chaplain's voice. You need to be alone for a few minutes Rick. Go on to the chapel and let God speak to you."

Rick turned slowly and looked through the door into the chapel. "Yeah," he said. "I need to be alone for awhile." He paused at the door. His gaze was transfixed upon a large crucifix hanging behind the little altar.

He took a step into the room. He felt a presence, an unexplainable presence. His thoughts alternated between fear and longing. He kept walking straight toward the altar. Tears began to flood his eyes. The closer he got to the altar, the more the tears flowed until he could barely see. Sobs were coming from his throat. Blindly Rick held out his hands. Suddenly an unseen presence seemed to be in front of him. Then he saw what appeared to be a man in a white robe. He reached for the robe and fell to the floor. He could feel the garment touch his face.

He pulled it closer and held it to his heart all the while sobbing uncontrollably.

After what seemed like hours,



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Rick began to feel peace and calm wash over him. The air smelled like roses.

He breathed it deeply as if to feed his parched soul. The man in the white robe was gone.

Rick looked up at the crucifix. His mind came back to the present.

It felt like he had returned from a journey.

Rick felt a gentle hand on his shoulder.

He heard a voice. It was Jordan. Jordan sat on the floor beside Rick and opened his bible. From Jeremiah 29, he read, "For I know well the plans I have in mind for you, says the LORD, plans for your welfare, not for woe! Plans to give you a future full of hope.

When you call me, when you go to pray to me, I will listen to you. When you look for me, you will find me. Yes, when you seek me with all your heart, you will find me with you, says the LORD, and I will change your lot."

God's plan, come learn it Lion of the Tribe of Judah

As I reflect on the 4th anniversary of 9/11 and Hurricane Katrina's recent devastation of the Gulf Coast I ask, Why God? Why do these horrible events happen?

To what purpose do these events occur?

I think of the evil cruelty imposed on so many innocents on 9/11.

What is God's role in these events? What is God's plan?

Then I remember Joseph, and how unspeakable evil and cruelty was done to him by his brothers. Joseph was sold into slavery due to the jealousy and intolerance of his brothers.

Evil followed him in Egypt while in slavery resulting in imprisonment.

Yet Joseph remained faithful. Joseph realized that all these things had happened to him not due to God's desire, but due to human cruelty and evil.

Yet God transformed that evil cruelty into the fulfillment of His purposes. Joseph was able to save his family from famine



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by inviting them to come and live in Egypt where he had the power and ability to feed them as Pharaoh's right hand man.

I believe that God continues to transform all evil situations according to His purposes.

Nothing can separate us from the love of God - not terrorism, global warming, hurricanes, floods, cancer, unemployment or homelessness. God can and will transform hopelessness into hope, war and violence into peace, pain and suffering into the joy of His presence.

Let us always trust in God's providence, knowing that He has a plan for each one of us.

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And one of the elders saith unto me, weep not; behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, hath prevailed to open the book, and to loose the seven seals there of.

And I beheld, and, lo, in the midst of the throne and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, stood a lamb as it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent forth into all the earth.



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The recommended slate of officers for the year will be presented and those members present will vote to accept them or make additional recommendations.

Bonnie Ackermann, current Education chairwomen, will be discussing our nutritional Educational calendar project. We are

working to promote a calendar contest for hand-created children's interpretation of specific beef related and nutritional related topics.

These calendars will be produced and then distributed to children through the Schools and their parents.

Everyone keep an "eye looking and an ear-listening" for the calendar.

South Texas Cattle Women strive to keep their members and others abreast of current issues concerning the cattle/beef industry and private land issues. Many additional issues are also studied and reviewed.

We seek to keep true information and the facts on the forefront, contacting those making decisions which affect us all.

Many issues that we studied and gathered information on last year were private property rights, water rights, the eminent domain issue, the Highway department's toll roads, BSE cases, the new Animal ID program for tracking beef, environmental rights and issues, to just

name a few!! We will continue to study these issues and all those that present themselves during the year; keeping the information factual.

Please join us on Tuesday, September 20th, and let us share with you the exciting and active world of South Texas Cattle Women.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

BRIEF EXPLANATORY STATEMENTS OF PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS SPECIAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 8, 2005

PROPOSITION 1 (HJR 54)

HJR 54 would create a Texas rail relocation and improvement fund in the state treasury and would authorize grants of state revenue and issuance of public debt to relocate, rehabilitate, and expand privately and publicly owned passenger and freight rail facilities and to construct railroad underpasses and overpasses.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment creating the Texas rail relocation and improvement fund and authorizing grants of money and issuance of obligations for financing the relocation, rehabilitation, and expansion of rail facilities."

PROPOSITION 2 (HJR 6)

HJR 6 would provide that marriage in Texas is solely the union of a man and woman, and that the state and its political subdivisions could not create or recognize any legal status identical to or similar to marriage, including such legal status relationships created outside of Texas.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing that marriage in this state consists only of the union of one man and one woman and prohibiting this state or a political subdivision of this state from creating or recognizing any legal status identical or similar to marriage."

PROPOSITION 3 (HJR 80)

HJR 80 would provide that local economic development program loans or grants (other than debts secured by a pledge of ad valorem taxes or financed by the issuance of any bonds or other obligations payable from ad valorem taxes) do not constitute or create debt. Any provision of state constitutional law that may prohibit or limit the authority of a political subdivision of the state to incur debt does not apply to those loans or grants.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment clarifying that certain economic development programs do not constitute a debt."

PROPOSITION 4 (SJR 17)

SJR 17 would authorize a district judge to deny reinstatement of bail or new bail to a person accused of a felony, if the person's bail had been revoked or forfeited as a result of the person's violation of a condition of release related to the safety of a victim of the alleged offense or to the safety of the community.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the denial of bail to a criminal defendant who violates a condition of the defendant's release pending trial."

PROPOSITION 5 (SJR 21)

SJR 21 would authorize the Legislature to exempt commercial loans from state usury laws that set maximum interest rates. "Commercial loans" are loans made primarily for business, commercial, investment, agricultural, or similar purposes and not primarily for personal, family, or household purposes.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment allowing the legislature to define rates of interest for commercial loans."

PROPOSITION 6 (HJR 87)

HJR 87 would increase the size of the State Commission on Judicial Conduct from eleven to thirteen members by increasing from four to five the number of public members and by adding a constitutional county court judge. The additions would ensure that the commission has an odd number of members, which is required by another provision of the state constitution.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to include one additional public member and a constitutional county court judge in the membership of the State Commission on Judicial Conduct."

PROPOSITION 7 (SJR 7)

SJR 7 would authorize new options for reverse mortgage agreements for senior homeowners allowing them to draw advances at unscheduled intervals, if and when needed, and only in the

amounts needed, during the loan term. These are in addition to options that would allow a lump sum payment after settlement or regular periodic, predetermined equal amounts over a term of years or the lifetime of the homeowner. Additionally, SJR 7 would: (1) prohibit the agreement from requiring the use of a credit card, debit card or similar device to obtain an advance; (2) prohibit the charge or collection of a transaction fee solely in connection with any debit or advance, after the time the extension of credit is established; and (3) prohibit the lender or holder from unilaterally amending the extension of credit.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing line-of-credit advances under a reverse mortgage."

PROPOSITION 8 (SJR 40)

SJR 40 would clear individual land titles by relinquishing and releasing all claims of state ownership interests, including mineral interests, in two local areas, namely, a roughly 4,600 acre area located roughly 14 miles southeast of Gilmer, Texas, and a separate 900 acre area located north of Tyler, Texas.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the clearing of land titles by relinquishing and releasing any state claim to sovereign ownership or title to interest in certain land in Upshur County and in Smith County."

PROPOSITION 9 (HJR 79)

HJR 79 would authorize the Legislature to provide staggered six year terms of office for board members serving on regional mobility authorities, with no more than one-third of the board positions being appointed every two years.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for a six-year term for a board member of a regional mobility authority."

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