

# The Brackett News



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Serving the communities of Brackettville, Fort Clark Springs, Spofford and Kinney County

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## BRIEFS

### City Hall Closed

The City of Brackettville will be closed on Monday, Feb. 20, 2006 in observance of President's Day.

### Little League Meeting

The Kinney County Little League will hold a board meeting to discuss the 2006 baseball season on Friday, Feb. 17 at Rio Grande Electric at 6:30 p.m. Individuals interested in participating in the 2006 season are invited to attend.

### Comic Opera Singer

Worldwide performer Colleen Mallette, a comic opera and cabaret singer will be performing Feb. 25, at 7:30 p.m., at the historic Post Theater on Fort Clark Springs. This special event is sponsored by the Kinney County Arts Council. Donations of \$6 will be collected at the door.

### LEPC meets

The LEPC meets Monday Feb. 27, 2006 in the EMS building at 6:30 p.m.

### Gospel singing group

The Gospel singing group called "2 Days Later" will be leading the morning worship services at First Baptist Church, Brackettville, on Sunday, Feb. 19 at 11 a.m. For more information call 563-2245.

### RGEC Poster Contest

Rio Grande Electric Co-op Inc. hosts a poster contest for grades 1-3 and 4-6. Posters will be judged on creativity and electrical safety principals represented. The winner of each division will have his/her poster incorporated into the design of the book covers RGEC supplies to schools next school year and will receive a \$50 Wal-Mart gift card. Certificates will be awarded for the best posters in each participating school. The contest is open to all students, grades 1-6 in any school district in the following counties: Webb, Uvalde, Val Verde, Reeves, Hudspeth, Dimmit, Kinney, Terrell, Presidio, El Paso, Maverick, Edwards, Pecos, Jeff Davis, Zavala, Crockett, Brewster, Culberson, Otero (NM) and Eddy(NM).

### Youth Essay Contest

Eligible students ages 14-18 could win a new computer system if selected as the winning entrant in the 2006 Rio Grande Electric Co-op's essay contest. The essay, between 500 and 700 words, should describe how and why the cooperative business model is preferable. A completed entry form must be attached to the front of the essay entitled "The Cooperative Advantage." Forms and additional information are available at every RGEC area office, on the Co-op's web site, www.riogrande.coop, or by calling 1-800-749-1509. Entries must be received by April 28, 2006.

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## City gas deficit of \$19,805 in December

By Allison Taylor  
Staff Writer

The City Secretary, Bonnie Mayes reported leaks in both gas and water lines. Gas lines were recently reevaluated and the monthly report stated a loss of 28 to 29 percent. In a sample of 1.3 miles of line, there were 17 leaks and 15 meters that did not work properly. In another sample of 2.5 miles of line there were 31 leaks and 20 meters that were not working properly.

The Silk Waters Mooney's complaint was tabled pending review by legal council. City council wanted a better understanding of what occurred during the alleged discriminatory behavior by a city employee and a legal opinion.

The council discussed providing Nathan Kaufold, a Spofford land owner, water service to his 500 acres. Tootsie Herndon, Mayor Pro-tem of Spofford, spoke to the council regarding the issue.

Herndon explained there was a contract in which former Mayor William Mendeke agreed to provide the city of

Spofford water service from Brackettville. Any new service needs to be approved by the Brackettville City Council before the City of Spofford could provide it. Herndon's understanding of the contract was, water service would be provided to citizens living within the Spofford city limits. City of Brackettville attorney Eddie Morales explained the contract was unclear regarding the city limits, the stipulation was the water could only be used for domestic purposes not agricultural. The council tabled the item for further investigation into the contract between the City of Spofford and the City of Brackettville.

The council also tabled evaluation of City Secretary Mayes due to previous items pending on the agenda.

A Resolution was approved for a four-way stop sign at the intersection of Gove St. and Fulton St.

A Resolution was approved for a City Officers General Election to be held Saturday, May 13, 2006.

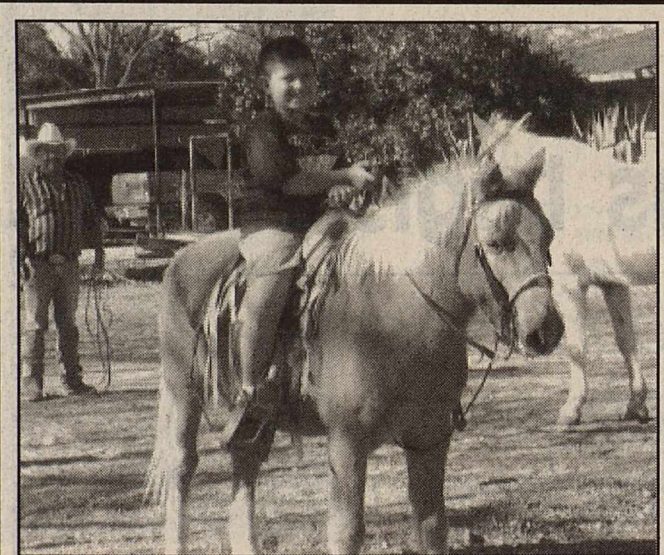
## Commissioners voted to change linebacker budget

The County Commissioners voted unanimously to authorize the emergency expenditure as an amendment to the original budget pertaining to the linebacker reimbursement grant in a special meeting on Jan. 31.

The grant calls for the spending of the \$30,000 per month and then requesting reimbursement for the linebacker program. The Sheriff's department must spend the whole \$30,000 on

only the linebacker program, which may include salaries for employees working under the program. It may also include any supplies or expenses concerning the program.

The commissioners also voted unanimously to pay for the tuition for an employee to attend a paramedic course pending legal review as part of a grant to bring a paramedic n  
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Cheaper than gas

Photo by Leigh Volcsko

Angel Villarreal, enjoying the mild winter temperatures, enjoys a ride around the yard on his pony while his uncle Oscar Salazar keeps a watchful eye.

## Patient dies after ambulance crash

A Del Rio man died after the ambulance he was being transported in blew a tire and rolled over on Highway 90 Tuesday afternoon.

The man was flown by helicopter to University Hospital in San Antonio where he later died.

The ambulance was taking the victim to his dialysis appointment in Uvalde when tire on the left rear side blew out causing the vehicle to skid down the highway and roll across the bar ditch, coming to rest on its left side.

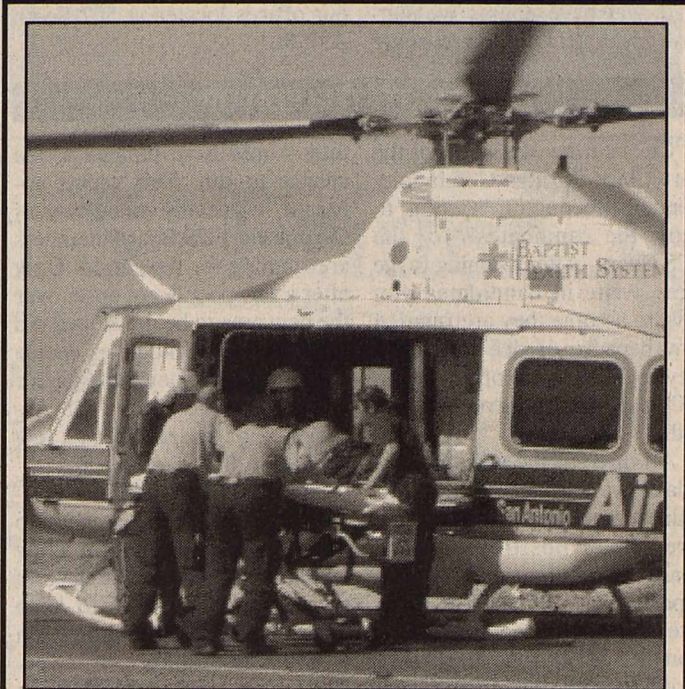
The victim, an ambulance driver and one attendant were all ejected from the vehicle. The driver and attendant were injured and transported by Kinney County EMS.

Law enforcement officials stopped the east/west flow of traffic while Air Life of San Antonio landed their chopper in a cyclone of dust and debris.

Prior to the emergency technicians arrival, several strangers quickly responded to the scene.

"I was grading my driveway when I heard a pop and then I saw this vehicle spinning out of control and rolling over," said Rusty Feuge the owner of the property across the highway from the crash site.

Other good samaritans in-



Highway Landing

Photo by Leigh Volcsko

Kinney County EMS Director April Guerra, far right, works together with Air Life and Uvalde EMS Technicians to prepare an injured man for his flight to University Hospital in San Antonio. The Air Life pilot made Hwy 90 a landing zone.

cluded a truck driver from Wyoming, a nurse from Del Rio and a heating and A/C technician from Del Rio.

Preliminary reports from the Kinney County Sheriff's Depart-

ment indicate that failure to control speed and a defective tire could be factors in this fatal crash.

It is not known if all the occupants were wearing seat belts.

## New election machines prepare for maiden voyage

By Leigh Volcsko  
Staff Writer

County Clerk Dora Sandoval unveiled a new voting machine on Tuesday as she gears up for the primary election on March 7.

The new voting machines are required by the federal government in the Help America Vote Act (HAVA) of 2002.

The HAVA Act requires Kinney County to have "at least one direct recording electronic voting system or other voting system equipped for individuals with disabilities at each polling place."

Kinney County has met and exceeded that requirement with the purchase of four Automark Machines and one M100 Scanner that electronically counts the votes.

"We will still have the paper ballot and voters may still vote by hand, but we have the touchscreen machines available for those who need or would like to use them," said Sandoval.

The election judges and clerks have participated in a special training course on the use and operation of the new equipment.

The election judges are Bob McMahon for Precinct 1, Monica Castillo for Precinct 2,

Honey Bee Gomez for Precinct 3 and Gil Raymer for Precinct 4.

Early voting for the primary starts on Feb. 21 and ends on Mar. 3.

**The Democratic Party Primary Election Summary:**  
County Judge

Herb Senne, incumbent, will face challenger John S. Fritter. Herb Senne has been the County Judge for the last eight years.

Fritter recently retired from his position as the Chief Deputy of the Kinney County Sheriff's Department and declared his candidacy two days later. Fritter's great uncle was a judge from 1933-1944.

**District and County Clerk**  
Dora E. Sandoval will run unopposed in the primary.

**County Treasurer**  
Joy N. Ralston is challenging incumbent Janis J. Floyd. Ralston is a resident of Fort Clark Springs.

Floyd, an 18 year county employee, has been the treasurer for twelve years.

**Justice of the Peace**  
Santos Yerena, a former Fort Clark Springs board member, Charles W. "Chuck" Hall, a retired school teacher and acting Justice of the Peace, Roy Lane Dyer, a retired Border Patrol

Agent, Francie Wylie, former county commissioner, Narce Villarreal, a clerk in the JP's office, Woody Massingill, a local businessman and Ron Ring, a deputy sheriff are all vying for the position left vacant by John Ford in December 2005.

**County Chairman**  
Mary Flores will run unopposed.

**County Commissioners:**  
**Precinct 2:**  
Joe Montalvo, incumbent, is being challenged by Vito La Gioia.

Montalvo is a railroad employee. La Gioia is a reserve deputy for the Kinney County Sheriff's Department.

**Precinct 4:**  
Incumbent, Pat Melancon, a local business owner, will be challenged by J.E. Meil, a former magistrate judge in Lovington, New Mexico, for the position. Melancon has held the commissioner's position for 8 years.

No information on the Republican Primary was available. The City of Brackettville, Fort Clark's Municipal Utilities District (MUD) and Brackett ISD are also gearing up for their elections this spring.

Mayor Joe Garza, Alder-  
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## Water board debates attorney fees

### Board has no knowledge of legal charges for last 4 months

By Wes Robinson  
Editor

KCGCD Board President Cecil Smith voiced concerns over the district's attorney fees during the Jan. board meeting.

According to C. Smith, numerous hours have been billed to the district for discussions, emails and correspondence between the district's Attorney Rick Lowerre and various unnamed board members.

"This, everybody writing, everybody emailing, everybody calling, is costing us a mint. I mean, it don't take 'bout four or five phone calls, we got over \$1,000 that's on our bill. If you need something, I think you should come to me, or you come to Darlene," said C. Smith.

Board member Chuck Hall suggested board members make any inquires during board meetings.

"Like I say ever time he picks up that phone and he does a little work that's 200 bucks," said C. Smith.

"That's not quite true, Cecil," said Duke Meek, Board member.

Meek explained that he recalled Lowerre saying, at the time of hiring, the district would not be charged for every phone call or email from board members.

"We need to get that in writing," Hall said.

"Well it should be on one of our tapes, because he (Lowerre) was at the meeting," replied Meek.

"I'll tell ya Duke, right now we can pull out and see where this has been answered, that's been answered on our bill," said C. Smith.

Beth Ann Smith asked the board president if he had seen the bill.

"I can't imagine he spends that much time on an email from a board member or a phone call compared to what the rest of the bill is," said B. A. Smith, Board member.

"I can tell you about our last one, I can tell that now. I bet

you can go there and on different things that he has charged us with, you're talking up in the, quite a few thousand dollars," C. Smith responded.

Meek suggested the board examine the bill.

"Why don't we see a break down. That's our responsibility to see that. Then we can make a decision," Meek said.

"All right, in our next one we'll bring y'all how we've been spending the money," stated C. Smith.

"Well if we can get him back on the phone; I'll ask him about what you just brought up," replied Meek.

Lowerre had been on a conference call with the board earlier during the meeting and said prior to hanging up, he would be available if the board had additional questions.

Without response or comment, C. Smith went on the next agenda item.

B.A. Smith asked if the district had received any bills from Lowerre since Sept. of last year.

"I'd have to look. I'm not sure, I think we have," replied General Manager Darlene Shahan.

"Well, why do we not know how much we owe," asked B.A. Smith.

Shahan said the balance due was on the Jan. financial statements that had been provided to the board.

"As of January, you haven't received any more bills from Lowerre, since Sept., is that what I'm seeing here," asked B.A. Smith.

"If I've received them, I haven't entered them yet," Shahan answered.

"So, we don't know how much we owe him since Sept. or what we've been charged for the last 4 months," B.A. Smith asked.

"No the bills have been received in detail," Shahan responded.

"Well, then why are they not

reflected on the amount due here," asked B.A. Smith referencing the Jan. financial statements.

"I don't know that they are not," replied Shahan.

B.A. Smith explained the 2005 local audit had a legal fee balance of \$26,000 as of Sept. 30, 2005. She then pointed out the Jan. financial statements indicated a payment of \$15,000 leaving a balance of \$11,000.

"So, my question is why does it (Jan. financial statements) not reflect any legal bills since Sept. 30," B.A. Smith asked.

"I'll check on that," Shahan said.

C. Smith recognized a member of the audience who had a question concerning the matter.

"I was just confused when Beth Ann was asking about the billing," said Jennifer McDaniels.

"I'm sitting here thinking you must have just received billing from Lowerre because you're bringing up about the emails and

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EDITORIAL

It has come to our attention some individuals are claiming *The Brackett News'* recent stories on Fort Clark Springs and the Kinney County Groundwater Conservation District are inaccurate and/or slanted.

Rumor has it we have misquoted, taken quotes out of context, misrepresented facts and/or omitted facts in an effort to spin the stories.

If you have doubts we suggest you listen to the recording

of the respective meeting before you form an opinion based on rumor.

For the cost of the media, *The Brackett News* will provide our readers, any Kinney County taxpayer or FCS member a copy of our digital recordings. If you provide your own media we will produce the copy free of charge. You must request the copy in person during business hours at our offices located at 507 South Ann St.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

On Saturday we attended the Fort Clark Springs Community Council Meeting on "Getting to know the candidates" for the FCS Board. After listening to the three write-in candidates you have to assume they are running now because of one issue that they and a minority of more than 1800 paid up members, disagree with.

All three of the write-in candidates were asked by the nominating committee to run for the three open positions on the Board. They all turned down the opportunity to do so. This indicates that all three must have thought, at the time they were asked to run, that the present Board was doing a good job or

they would have jumped at the chance to run. This seems apparent, especially since two of the present FCS Board members are running for reelection. Only after a few people got upset over the new area to be developed did these write-in candidates decide to run. So are they running for the good of the entire FCS Association or just to please a few people on this one issue?

A board needs to make decisions for the total membership and an association, not for a few who didn't even feel the need to attend board meetings to keep informed of what is going on with the association.

Roger and Georgia Martin



Cornyn meets with Texas Border Sheriff's Coalition

Discusses urgent need to address border security

WASHINGTON—U.S. Sen. John Cornyn (R-Texas), chairman of the Immigration, Border Security and Citizenship subcommittee, hosted a meeting with the Texas Border Sheriff's Coalition on Thursday in the Capitol to discuss the urgent need to address border security. Cornyn said the sheriffs want to be full partners with the federal government. He added that he'll work with them to ensure they have what they need to keep our border counties safe.

"For too long now, the federal government has not lived up to its responsibility in securing the border. After 9/11, it is an issue that all Americans must care about, and we are playing a big game of catch up when it comes to providing the resources we need to provide that security," Cornyn said. "The comprehensive bill I've introduced will bring significant and much-needed federal resources to our border, and bolster state efforts. We need a comprehensive approach to security—starting at

the border itself, with the federal government and its various agencies working together."

The coalition is comprised of the sheriffs of all 16 counties along the Texas border. It was formed last year to address border security and immigration-related concerns. The meeting was part of Sen. Cornyn's ongoing efforts to work with local law enforcement and find ways to further secure the border.

"We need to work with the sheriffs by providing the education, training and funding necessary for them to support the Department of Homeland Security in their effort to keep our country safe and enforce our laws," Cornyn said. "There's a lot of concern about this issue, not just along the border, but here in the nation's Capital as well. My commitment to the border sheriffs and to the people of Texas is to make sure that as we address immigration reform and border security we don't leave these sheriffs and our local law enforcement officials out, but rather engage them fully in the process."

Cornyn has taken swift action following recent reports of increased violence against Border Patrol agents, incursions, and seizures of weapons and drugs. Sen. Cornyn will co-chair a Senate hearing in Washington on March 1 to address border violence. The hearing, entitled "Federal Strategies to End Border Violence," will focus on border incursions, assaults on federal agents, gang violence, the role of physical barriers and cooperation with Mexico in securing the border region.

Sen. Cornyn introduced the *Comprehensive Enforcement and Immigration Reform Act*, S. 1438, to dramatically strengthen enforcement, bolster border security, and comprehensively reform our immigration laws. The bill would greatly increase the number of border patrol agents and ensure they have the equipment and technology necessary to provide security along our border. Cornyn also introduced legislation to combat narco-terrorism, largely in response to violence along the border in the past several months.

The ACLU—

Not in your best interest

By Nathan Tabor  
Contributing Writer

When you hear the word "America," the word "liberty" naturally comes to mind. This nation was founded upon the principle of freedom—that an individual citizen should be master of his or her own fate. We should be free to pursue the career of our choice, free to practice our faith, and free to establish homes and families.

Unfortunately, there are a number of threats to our liberty today. Big government, with its burdensome taxes and extensive regulations, threatens the liberty of small business owners. Corrupt judges threaten the religious liberty of schoolchildren who want to pray in public schools. Violent crime forces the elderly to be virtual prisoners in their own homes—an assault on their liberty. And the list goes on and on.

As a result of all this, you might think there's a tremendous need in this nation for something called the American Civil Liberties Union. After all, it seems as if our liberty is under constant attack—from the very government we finance with our tax dollars. We need organizations in the public square that are willing to safeguard our freedom.

However, the ACLU is terribly misnamed. Instead of defending our liberties, this radical organization threatens our freedom in courtrooms around the country. The ACLU will not defend the rights of the unborn child, opting instead to sacrifice babies on the altar of something called "choice." The ACLU is, in fact, one of the most vocal proponents of all forms of abortion.

If a public high school student wants to hold a prayer meeting at school, the ACLU is the first in line trying to sabotage the project. In the vocabulary of the ACLU, there is no such thing as religious liberty. Instead, the organization routinely fights for freedom FROM religion—not freedom TO exercise religion.

If a mayor wants to place a Christmas display on the grounds of City Hall, the ACLU is at the ready to put a stop to it. If a judge wants to post the Ten Commandments in the courthouse, the ACLU is prepared to fight the idea—all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court.


When the ACLU is not being downright dangerous, it is engaging in silliness. Take, for instance, the recent case of a high school boy who wanted to wear shorts in violation of his school's dress code. As teenagers often do, the boy decided to rebel. His form of protest? Wearing a skirt to class.

Sound strange? Not to the ACLU. In a bizarre turn of events, the organization decided to get involved in the controversy. Recently, it was announced that the ACLU had reached an agreement with school officials allowing 17-year-old Michael Coviello to wear skirts to school.

What about the rights of Coviello's classmates to attend school without the distraction of a skirt-wearing boy? What about the rights of taxpayers to have schools that are orderly and abide by some kind of standards in dress and behavior? The ACLU was only concerned with the supposed right of a teenage boy to engage in cross-dressing.


In a statement, Coviello said, "I'm happy to be able to wear skirts again to bring attention to the fact that the ban on shorts doesn't make sense."

The only word that adequately describes the ACLU is "extremist." It is not extreme in the defense of liberty—it is extreme in imposing bizarre attitudes and policies on the rest of us.



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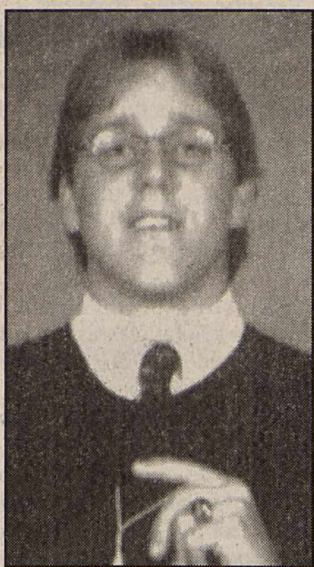
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**Sul Ross Dean's List**



Sam Hunt



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**Sul Ross Students**

Sul Ross State University has named Samuel A. Hunt, left, and Tony Jamail, right, of Brackettville to the fall semester Dean's List for 2005. On the Alpine campus, 226 students were on the Dean's List. Eligible students are undergraduates enrolled for 12 or more semester hours (full-time) with a GPA of 3.3 or higher on a 4.0 scale. Hunt graduated Brackett High School in 2001 and Jamail graduated in 2004.

**JV Tigerettes win last game**

JV girls basketball won last game of season 47-27 against Medina Feb. 7. The whole team went, including, Jessie Jones, Meghann Davis, Natalie Aguirre, Sam Moore, Bianca Terrazas, Bianca Martinez, Haley Harris, Capri Creech, Chaito Sanchez, Ashley Stephenson, Veronica Talamantes, Summer Allen, Marianna Salmon and Whitney Gum. "This entire season has truly been a team effort...from start to finish. It truly has been a pleasure to have coached this group of young ladies. Everyone got along, and encouraged each other," said Coach Schroeder.

**Cubs win**

Brackett 8th grade girls beat Center Point 28-15, on Feb. 9. Nydia Talamantes scored 15 points and had four steals. Elena Molinar scored six points and had four rebounds. Ivy Garcia scored four points. Brook Gose scored two points. Ashley Shadwick scored one point.

**Tigerettes beat Bobcats 52-42**

The high scorer was Timmeke Simmons with 13 points, five rebounds, one steal, one blocked and one assist.

Julie Castillo and Bailee Allen both had 10 points. J. Castillo had six steals, one blocked shot and two assists. Allen had seven rebounds and two blocked shots.

Daphne Hunt had seven points, four rebounds, one blocked shot and two assists.

Emily Valenzuela and Ashley Castillo both had six points. Valenzuela had nine rebounds, three steals, one blocked shot, and five assists.

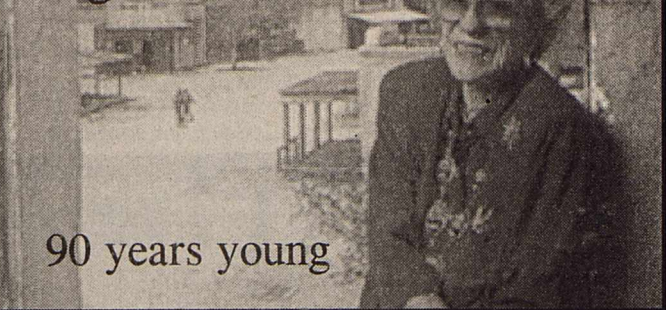
A. Castillo had 10 rebounds, two steals, six blocked shots and four assists.

The girls District record was 5-3 and their overall record was 16-8. The team finished 3rd in district.

"Thank you Tigerettes for a good season," said Coach Creel.

**Happy 90th Birthday**

Virginia Shahan



90 years young

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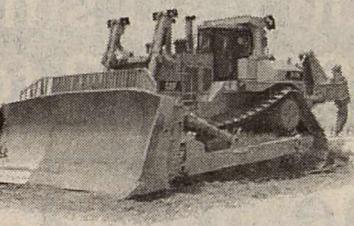
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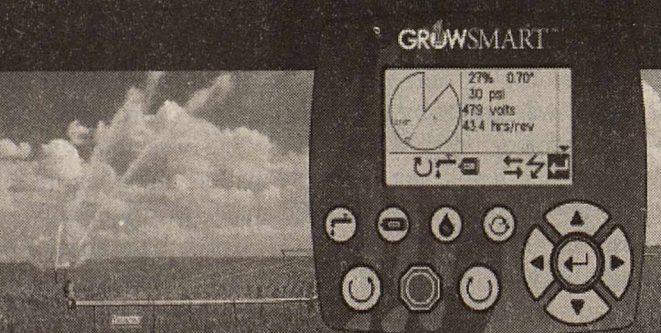
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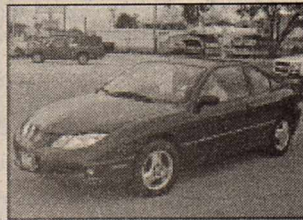
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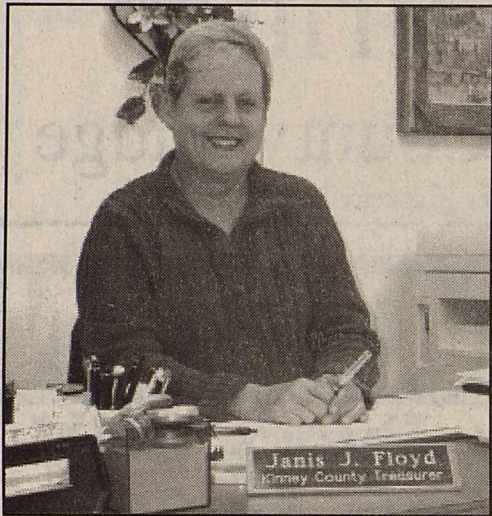
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Workers move the old Rose House on the west side of Ann Street to its new location on Fourth Street on the east side of town. Art Baker purchased the house by sealed bid from BIDS for \$555.55. Baker estimated the cost of moving the house at \$8500.



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## C. Smith chastises board GM fails to account 4 months of legal bills

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about the phone calls," McDaniels added.

"That's not what she's (referring to B.A. Smith) talking about," C. Smith said.

"I'm talking about any legal bill since Sept.," responded B.A. Smith.

"All of a sudden you're (referring to C. Smith) addressing emails and phone calls like it's a new thing," McDaniels said.

"That your bill was astronomical because the emails and phone calls," added McDaniels.

"Yet, your (financial statements are) saying that you haven't received a bill since Sept., so why should this be brought up at the Jan. meeting," McDaniels asked.

"Well, she (Shahan) is gonna look into it again and ... if anything has come in she (Shahan) will give Beth Ann the ... on it and if there's anything came in, it'll be fine," reassured C. Smith.

Shahan recommended the board not approve the financial statements based on B.A. Smith's comments.

Without a motion being made or a vote taken C. Smith immediately went to the next agenda item.

Under the last agenda item, items for future consideration, Hall revisited the discussion regarding Lowerre.

"I would like this business resolved about who can and who can not contact our attorney. This thing has been a lingering problem for as long as I've been on this board. When I first came on this board, we had a board member that contacted our attorney at length everyday and he ran up bills that would choke a mule," said Hall.

"Why don't we just call Mr. Lowerre," Meek asked once again.

"Wait, wait, that's not the issue. We address this problem at least once a year. The time to bring up problems that need to be discussed with the attorney are here at this board meeting or through the president," Hall said.

Secretary Tootsie Herndon asked if a resolution was needed. Vice President Don Hood responded "I think so".

Editorial: What are the issues?

One issue is trying to make decisions without the information in front of you, more commonly known as an assumption. You can not chastise a board for wasting money; tell them it's right there on the bill and not present the bill for board review.

A second issue is not knowing how much has been billed by the district's attorney during the last 4 months. The board not knowing how much the KCGCD has spent in legal fees is a lack of oversight. This is one of the issues reported by state auditors.

A third issue is general manager's (GM) responsibilities, duties and accountability. The GM runs the day to day affairs of the district, that includes reading the mail and preparing the financial statements.

When asked about the districts legal bills since Sept. 30, 2005, Shahan gave evasive responses.

Initially Shahan indicated all the bills were reflected on the financial statements. Shahan then stated she wasn't sure if there had been a bill from Lowerre during the last 4 months. The largest line item in a budget is usually something a GM gives close attention.

Shahan then said the bills had been received in detail. Wait a minute, if Shahan knew the bills were in detail, she would

had to have seen them.

If the GM is responsible for the financial statements, receives and reads the bills, wouldn't Shahan have known they were not entered into the books?

After it was pointed out any legal bills since Sept. could not have been entered, Shahan said she would check on it. You'll check on it? Considering the evasiveness of the answers and state audit report, the GM should have been told to start checking the want ads for a new job. Instead the board granted the GM even more authority to act independently and without oversight.

The final issue regards the idea of passing a resolution keeping certain board members from talking to or corresponding with legal council. Some board members have asked to see the legal bills but have never been provided copies. We hate to recommend this, but the KCGCD board should probably discuss it with Lowerre. It may or may not be true, but we like the way Tony Frerich put it "That's illegal as hell!"

Why doesn't the board review the legal bills during an open meeting?

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1/4 cup onion, finely chopped

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Mix 1/4 cup soup and remaining ingredients, except water; mix thoroughly. Shape into six oval patties; place in shallow baking dish. Bake at 350 degrees for 30 minutes. Spoon off any fat. Mix remaining soup and water and pour over meat. Bake for 10 minutes longer or until done. Serves 4 to 6

**Pork chops with Browned Rice**  
4 pork chops  
2 tbsp. oil  
1 cup uncooked rice  
2 cups canned tomatoes  
1 1/2 cups water  
1/2 cup grn. pepper, chopped  
1/2 cup onion, chopped  
3 tsp. salt  
1/2 tsp. pepper

Brown pork chops. Remove from pan and season with 1 tsp. salt. Wash rice and brown in oil, stirring constantly. Add tomatoes, water, green pepper, onion and seasonings. Lay chops over the top, cover, and bake at 325 degrees until rice is tender.

Commissioners amend line-backer budget

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course to Uvalde County.  
Steven Stevens of the Uvalde County EMS explained that along with Uvalde County, Kinney County received a \$6,000 grant for an EMS education program. Stevens also gave the commissioners a presentation of how the grant works and what kind of program they were trying to start. The county would pay \$800 in tuition for the employee to take this course. The grant will also help other rural counties to further their medical staff.

The commissioners voted to give the Texas Association of Counties (TAC) authorization to reappraise our Kinney County buildings for insurance purposes. They also voted to give TAC authorization to change property, auto liability, auto comp., public official, law enforcement and general liability coverage renewal dates to be on a fiscal year instead of a calendar year.

New voting machines

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woman Francisca "Chica" Garza, Alderwoman Lydia Tipps and Alderman Tully Welch will be up for re-election this year.

The City Election will be on May 13.

Applications for candidacy are available at City Hall. The filing deadline is March 13.

The Fort Clark MUD election will also be on May 13.

Board of Directors Mike Holley and Hubert McKelvy will be on the ballot as well as an Operations and Maintenance Tax and a loan to repair streets on Fort Clark Springs.

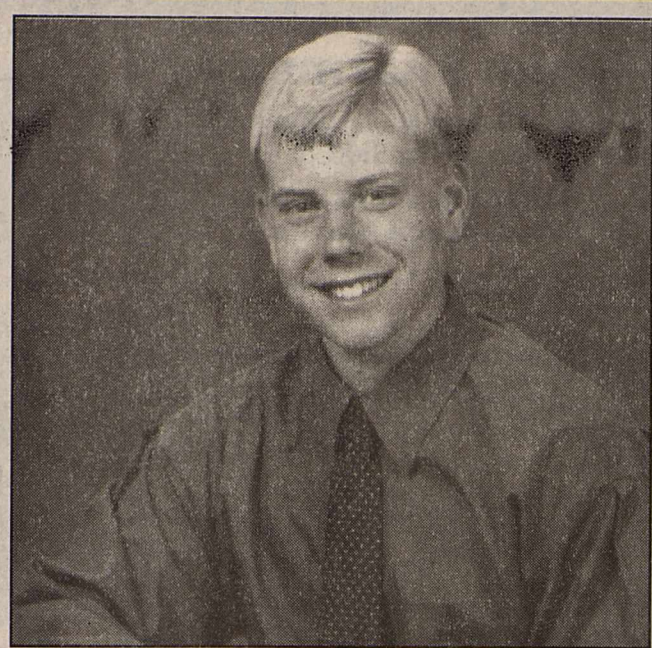
BISD school board members Mark Frerich and Sondra Meil will be facing re-election this year.

Applications to run for one of these positions are available at the BISD Central Office on Ann Street and the deadline for filing is March 13.

The school board election is May 13.

The new election equipment will be available to the City, MUD and BISD officials to use for a fee.

The usage fee will be determined at the next County Commissioners Court meeting of Feb. 21.



**Robinette makes Dean's List** *Courtesy Photo*  
Cody Robinette, a 2005 Brackett High School honor graduate, has been named to the Dean's List at Abilene Christian University for the fall semester. Cody, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Robinette, is a sophomore studying business management / Pre-med.

SHERIFF'S REPORT

**Monday, Feb. 6**  
12:14 p.m. A woman called to report an incident at the alternative school.

**Tuesday, Feb. 7**  
4:23 a.m. Richard Arthur Chambers, 46, of Eagle Pass was arrested by Deputy Ring for DWI. Chambers was released the same day on a \$1,200 bond.

1:46 p.m. A Maverick County dispatcher reported a pursuit of a red Ford vehicle on HWY. 90 west bound. Val Verde Sheriff's Office requested a deputy. Deputy Ron Ring was dispatched and requested a wrecker to the scene.

3:20 p.m. Oscar Hernandez, 21, of Mexico was arrested on a warrant for DWI in Tarrant County. Hernandez is still being held at press time.

9:57 p.m. A woman called to report that a dog was fighting with her dog at her residence and asked to speak with a deputy. Deputy Kenneth Freitag.

**Wednesday, Feb. 8**  
11:57 a.m. Victor Antonio Sanchez, 31, of Brackettville, was arrested by Deputy Ramon Gutierrez for assault and trespassing. Sanchez was released later on \$2,000 PR bonds.

2:45 p.m. A local woman requested deputy assistance in reference to lottery tickets taken from a local store.

3:23 p.m. A 911 caller reported a brush fire on the Gun Hill Ranch in Uvalde County. Uvalde dispatcher was advised of the situation.

6:35 p.m. Val Verde fire department reported five possible illegals. Deputy Manuel Pena and Deputy Vito Lagioia located and handed the four illegals over to the Border Patrol.

**Friday, Feb. 10**  
11:53 a.m. A woman called to report a sick raccoon at her residence.

1:23 p.m. A school official requested deputy assistance.

Deputy Freitag was notified.  
2:10 p.m. A city official requested deputy assistance in reference to a disruptive person at City Hall.

8:50 p.m. A Border Patrol agent reported a fire on the Kinney and Val Verde county line by the Moody Ranch.

9:45 p.m. A man requested to speak to a deputy at the Sheriff's office.

**Saturday, Feb. 11**  
12:52 a.m. A 911 caller reported that a person had fallen off of a ladder and knocked out at the Mariposa Ranch. He requested EMS.

2:46 p.m. A caller reported loose goats on HWY 693. Deputy Ring was notified.

9:00 p.m. A woman requested deputy assistance in reference to a domestic problem.

**Sunday, Feb. 12**  
8:40 p.m. A man reported a trailer left on HWY 1572 with two flat tires.

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 14 Essayist's pen name  
 15 Fine netting  
 16 Palm's location  
 17 Drooping  
 18 Own up  
 19 Ceremony  
 20 Longshoremen  
 22 African nation  
 24 Have obligations  
 25 "It's \_\_\_ long time!"; phrase for old acquaintances  
 26 Theater section  
 29 Hirt and Jolson  
 30 Modify  
 34 Writing tools  
 35 Winged insect  
 36 Impede  
 37 Good

periods:  
 collog.  
 38 Winter apples  
 40 Digit  
 41 Felt dizzy  
 43 James Bond's profession  
 44 Remove wrinkles  
 45 Antitoxin  
 46 Beverage  
 47 Signs  
 48 Fathers  
 50 Garden product  
 51 Personal property  
 54 Business unions  
 58 Overdue  
 59 Singer/pianist John  
 61 Beginning letter; abbr.  
 62 State positively  
 63 Glacier pinnacle  
 64 African river  
 65 Cystis genus  
 66 Eliminate  
 67 Famous garden

DOWN  
 1 Spill the beans  
 2 Conglomeration  
 3 Capital city  
 4 Chihuahua & Pekingese  
 5 Long look  
 6 Slushy substances  
 7 Tree  
 8 Straightens  
 9 Fasten anew  
 10 Stringy; fibrous  
 11 Head covering  
 12 Opposed one  
 13 Thought  
 21 Bleater  
 23 Pests  
 25 Makes the Sign of the Cross over  
 26 Cowboy's items  
 27 Papoose's home  
 28 Goose genus  
 29 DDE's opponent  
 31 Love, to

an Italian  
 32 Tree with edible seeds  
 33 Young people  
 35 Early growth  
 36 Farm enclosure  
 38 Send in payment  
 39 Agcy. concerned with ecology  
 42 Sheens  
 44 Picture mentally  
 46 Bank employee  
 47 Poetic contraction  
 49 Pee Wee  
 50 British coins  
 51 Animal's defense  
 52 Common verb  
 53 Solar disk  
 54 Ostrichlike birds  
 55 City in Oklahoma  
 56 Influate  
 57 British gun  
 60 Singing syllable

**ROARING TWENTIES**

In the grid below, twenty words can be found that fit the category for today. Circle each word that you find and let 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?

Today's Category: Words That Rhyme with "HAIR"

Y	M	N	P	B	T	G	L	A	R	E	P
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A	C	U	H	E	K	B	E	A	R	H	N
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U	I	M	R	V	W	E	A	R	G	R	
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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

Feb. 16.....Roxie Brown	Feb. 18.....Irene Braun
Feb. 17.....Virginia Brady	Feb. 19.....Conrada Garcia
Feb. 17.....Carol Dimery	Feb. 19.....Reggie Pena
Feb. 17.....Elton Goodloe	Feb. 20.....Barb Brissette
Feb. 17.....Rochelle Mellen	Feb. 20.....Henry Yeackle
Feb. 17.....Ernesto Ortiz	Feb. 21.....Balente Aguilar
Feb. 17.....Basilio Pacheco	Feb. 21.....Jimmy Lutrell
Feb. 17.....Renee M. Pena	Feb. 21.....Lester Meredith
Feb. 17.....Jean Quigg	Feb. 22.....Francisco Arellano

**Roaring Twenties Solution:**

1. Air	11. Prayer
2. Bear	12. Rare
3. Care	13. Snare
4. Chair	14. Square
5. Ere	15. Stair
6. Fair	16. Tear
7. Glare	17. Their
8. Heir	18. There
9. Pare	19. Wear
10. Pear	20. Where

**AOROSCOPIES**  
 by Charles Cooper

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) You're making too much of a minor problem. It's not as dire as it seems. If you take the time to put things into perspective, you'll find the solution.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) Trust your instincts this week. This is your best bet since some around you are being a bit misleading and deceitful. Later in the week, a loved one needs your reassurance.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) Temptation is all around you this week. You'll want to overindulge, spend too much, and ruin your diet. This isn't the time, though, to throw caution to the wind.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) You're a hard worker when you put your mind to it. However, you can't go it alone. Do your best to gain the cooperation of co-workers.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) Tap into your creativity this week. This allows you to put your unique touch on a special project, ensuring its successful outcome. This weekend, visiting and entertaining are pleasing.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) You're a great shopper and will find just the right gift for someone special. However, be careful with that credit card. You could misplace it if you're not careful.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) You sometimes go overboard when trying to be witty. This week, you could say the wrong thing to the wrong person. If so, set things right immediately by apologizing on the spot.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) You'd love to get away for a while, but this isn't the time. Your budget just won't permit it. Take heart, though, since better times are just around the corner.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) If entering into any legal agreements, be sure to read everything first. Once that signature is put in place, you won't be able to get out of it. Later in the week, you battle some moodiness.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) It's a good week to take a step back and reassess your goals. You've been doing well. However, you could do better if you just take some time to really think about it.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) You're too attuned to the depressed mood of a close friend. This person's problems aren't yours. While you want to help, you won't be able to if you give into those dark feelings.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) While you really don't enjoy the social scene all that much, try to be more outgoing. Your mate will appreciate it. The weekend is a good time to get some bookkeeping chores out of the way.

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He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God. St. John 3:16-18 Praise the Lord!

## May we be honorable and not fools

My father was sent on a temporary duty assignment to a large city in the north central part of the United States. It was totally different from the rural country atmosphere in the south.

There were gangs and all kinds of things going on. Sometimes there would be twenty to thirty boys throwing rocks at each other. The cry would ring out in our neighborhood; "Rock Fight!" and it caused a great deal of commotion.

One evening after school we heard those words and my little brother and I crept over to watch. We were hiding behind a tree because rocks were flying, and sure enough, my little brother looked out to see what was going on and got hit right in the forehead. Fortunately it



Jerry  
Davenport  
Brother  
J.

wasn't a very big cut.

That incident reminded me of a problem Christians can face in life. It is starting or trying to start arguments with Christians that may believe or worship a little differently than we do.

In Romans 14 we are told to accept believers that may eat different foods or dress a little differently or worship on a different day or some of the other differences.

The Bible (2 Timothy 2:24) talks about quarreling and we are told not to. In Proverbs 17:14 we are told to abandon it and in Proverbs 17:19 that quarreling leads to sin.

But Proverbs 20:3 says it all. May we be honorable and not fools. See you in Church next Sunday.

## Getting down to the business of change

The young man stood looking at the pictures in the hallway. A voice to his left got his attention. "Hi. Name's Rick. I'll be your counselor." Looking at the folder in his hand Rick continued. "Yer name's Joey. That right?" The young man nodded and followed Rick into an office.

Joey looked around the room. Pictures and certificates hung on the wall. Scanning the pictures, his gaze fell on one in particular. He got up from his chair to have a closer look. Rick said nothing. Joey looked at the picture and then at Rick and back at the picture. Pointing to one of the figures, he said, "That's Donovan isn't it?" Rick nodded affirmatively. Joey continued. "And that's Warden Graves?" "And the third one?" Joey asked looking at Rick. "It kinda looks like you!"

"That is me," Rick answered. "How come you're wearing a prison outfit?" Joey asked in disbelief.

"Once I was an inmate here," Rick answered. "But that's a story for another time. Right now we need to talk about you. I've got all your records right here. I've read every page. You got lot's of baggage to do something about."

Rick began his questions. "What're your plans for when you get outa this place?" Joey's



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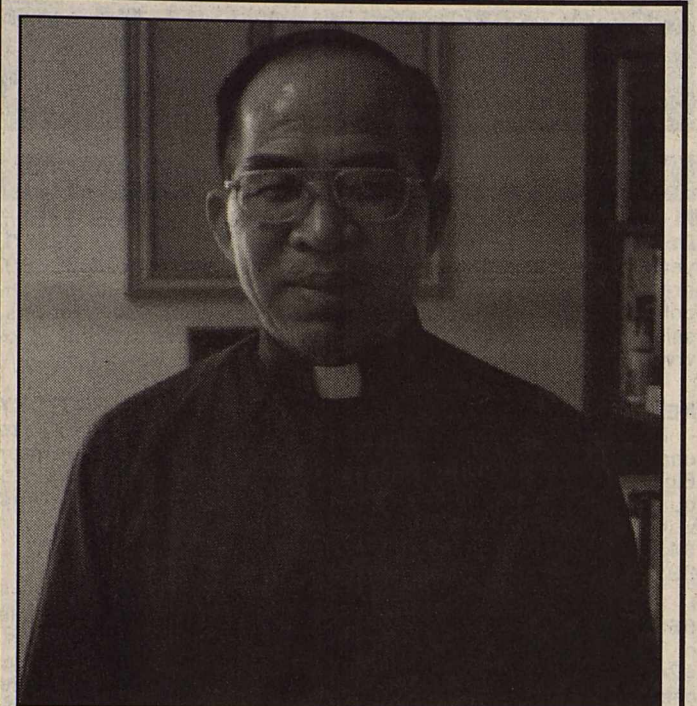
answer was confident. "Well I want to get my family back together and get a good job. I've got big plans and I know it'll work out."

"You sound like a blowhard, Joey." Rick's blunt words stunned Joey. "Every man in this place's got big plans."

"And you sound like Warden Graves," Joey shot back angrily. "He doesn't believe me neither."

Rick smiled. He remembered his own first visit with Jordan. Rick's smile softened his words but he was still blunt.

"Look Joey, let's get beyond the bull. You and I have different reasons for being in this room together. The reason you're here is to make your chances better for getting parole and getting outa here. The reason I'm here is to help you to become a different man before you get out. You've got to become a different man or you don't have a chance of makin' it on the outside. The sooner we get on the same page, the sooner we can get down to the business of change."



Father Quang D. Van Photo by Allison Taylor

The St. Mary Magdalene Church has had a new priest since October of 2005. Father Quang D. Van is from Vietnam. In 1981, he traveled to the United States to Denver, Colorado. He entered the Seminary at the age of 14. He has lived in San Antonio before he ventured to St. Mary Magdalene Church in Brackettville.

## OBITUARIES

### Diana Reschman

February 10, 1952  
February 7, 2006

Diana Reschman, age 53, entered into rest February 7, 2006 in Lubbock, Texas. She was born February 10, 1952 in Brackettville, Texas.

She is survived by her brother, Rogelio "Rocky" Reschman and numerous nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Juan and Enriqueta Reschman, brother, Johnny Joe Reschman.

Visitation was held Saturday, February 11, and Sunday, Feb-

ruary 12, from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Sunset Memorial Oaks Chapel, 114 North St., Brackettville, Texas.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held Monday, February 13, at 2p.m. at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church.

Interment followed at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Cemetery.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Sunset Memorial Oaks Funeral Home, 114 North St., Brackettville, Texas.

### Roy Max Hensley

July 5, 1940  
February 11, 2006

Roy Max Hensley, age, 65 entered into rest February 11, 2006 in Brackettville, Texas. He was born July 5, 1940 in Texarkana, AR.

He was preceded in death by his mother Essie M. Coker, father, Joe Hensley, sons, Roy Max Hensley, Jr., Paul Alexander Hensley, brother, Daniel C. Foreman and sister, Melba Jean Foreman.

He is survived by his son, Kenneth Raymond Hensley and wife Carla of Conroe, daughter, Diana Saathoff and husband Ron of San Marcos, sisters, Bobbie Schafer and husband Richard of Brackettville, Jewel Robinson of Brackettville, Dimple Henry and husband Jerry of Brackettville, Jane Custard and husband Chuck of Houston, Pat Bartkowiak and husband

Raymond of Willis, 12 grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation was held Monday, February 13, from 7 to 9 p.m. Chapel services were held last Tuesday, 11 a.m. at Sunset Memorial Oaks Chapel, Brackettville, with interment following at the Masonic Cemetery.

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Applications are presently being accepted for these two positions. The deadline for filing a candidate application is March 13<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m.

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday, at the Central Office, 400 Ann Street, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., beginning on May 1, 2006 and ending May 9, 2006.

March 14, 2006, is the first day applications will be accepted to vote early by mail. Applications for ballots by mail should be mailed to Susan Esparza, BIDS Early Voting Clerk, P.O. Box 586, Brackettville, Texas, 78832. All applications to apply for a ballot by mail must be received by May 5, 2006 at the close of the business day.

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The State of Texas To: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS/UNKNOWN TESTAMENTARY BENEFICIARIES AND ASSIGNS, IF ANY, OF O.W. ZUEHL and to all to whom it may concern, Defendant (s): "You have been sued. You may employ and attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of forty-two days after you were served this citation and petition, a default judgment may be taken against you." The Petition of the City of Brackettville, Plaintiff, was filed in the Court of Kinney County, Texas on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2006, against THE UNKNOWN HEIRS/UNKNOWN TESTAMENTARY BENEFICIARIES AND ASSIGNS, IF ANY, OF O.W. ZUEHL, Defendants, numbered 3510 and entitled CITY OF BRACKETTVILLE vs. THE UNKNOWN HEIRS/UNKNOWN TESTAMENTARY BENEFICIARIES AND ASSIGNS, IF ANY, OF JOSEPH VELTMANN and THE UNKNOWN HEIRS/UNKNOWN TESTAMENTARY BENEFICIARIES AND ASSIGNS, IF ANY, OF O.W. ZUEHL. This Trespass to Try Title suit requests to appraise Defendants of the pendency of this action. Plaintiff is the owner of a parcel of real property and all improvements thereon located in Kinney County, Texas and being 6.32 Acre Tract of Land being situated in the City of Brackettville in Kinney County, Texas, and being out of Survey No. 437 1/2, Abstract No. 768. P. I. A. & M. Co., original grantee, also being out of a 320 Acre Tract conveyed from S. Jos. McAllister to Joseph Veltmann by deed dated May 18, 1901 and recorded in Volume A-9, Page 547 of the Deed Records of Kinney County, Texas and 1/2 interest of said 320 Acre Tract conveyed from Jos. Veltmann to O.W. Zuehl by deed dated October 2, 1908 and recorded in Volume A-13, Page 367 of said deed records. Defendants claim some right, title, estate, lien or interest in these premises that is adverse to Plaintiff's ownership. This claim constitutes a cloud on Plaintiff's title, and is without any right whatever. Defendants have no right, title, estate, lien, or interest whatever in this property or in any part of this property. Plaintiff requests, on final trial, judgment for title of the real property and any other relief to which Plaintiff is justly entitled. Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court at Brackettville, Kinney County, Texas on this 11<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2006. Attest: Dora Elia Sandoval, Clerk of the Court, Kinney County, Texas.

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The State of Texas To: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS/UNKNOWN TESTAMENTARY BENEFICIARIES AND ASSIGNS, IF ANY, OF JOSEPH VELTMANN and to all to whom it may concern, Defendant (s): "You have been sued. You may employ and attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of forty-two days after you were served this citation and petition, a default judgment may be taken against you." The Petition of the City of Brackettville, Plaintiff, was filed in the Court of Kinney County, Texas on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2006, against THE UNKNOWN HEIRS/UNKNOWN TESTAMENTARY BENEFICIARIES AND ASSIGNS, IF ANY, OF JOSEPH VELTMANN, Defendant, numbered 3510 and entitled CITY OF BRACKETTVILLE vs. THE UNKNOWN HEIRS/UNKNOWN TESTAMENTARY BENEFICIARIES AND ASSIGNS, IF ANY, OF O.W. ZUEHL. This Trespass to Try Title suit requests to appraise Defendants of the pendency of this action. Plaintiff is the owner of a parcel of real property and all improvements thereon located in Kinney County, Texas and being 6.32 Acre Tract of Land being situated in the City of Brackettville in Kinney County, Texas, and being out of Survey No. 437 1/2, Abstract No. 768. P. I. A. & M. Co., original grantee, also being out of a 320 Acre Tract conveyed from S. Jos. McAllister to Joseph Veltmann by deed dated May 18, 1901 and recorded in Volume A-9, Page 547 of the Deed Records of Kinney County, Texas and 1/2 interest of said 320 Acre Tract conveyed from Jos. Veltmann to O.W. Zuehl by deed dated October 2, 1908 and recorded in Volume A-13, Page 367 of said deed records. Defendants claim some right, title, estate, lien or interest in these premises that is adverse to Plaintiff's ownership. This claim constitutes a cloud on Plaintiff's title, and is without any right whatever. Defendants have no right, title, estate, lien, or interest whatever in this property or in any part of this property. Plaintiff requests, on final trial, judgment for title of the real property and any other relief to which Plaintiff is justly entitled. Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court at Brackettville, Kinney County, Texas on this 11<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2006. Attest: Dora Elia Sandoval, Clerk of the Court, Kinney County, Texas.

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Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:  
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PO Box 586  
Brackettville, Texas 78832

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on May 5, 2006. Issued this the 13th day of February, 2006.  
Henry Lutz, Presiding Officer

**Orden De Eleccion**

Por la presente se ordena que se llevara a cabo una eleccion el 13 de mayo, 2006 con el proposito de:  
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