

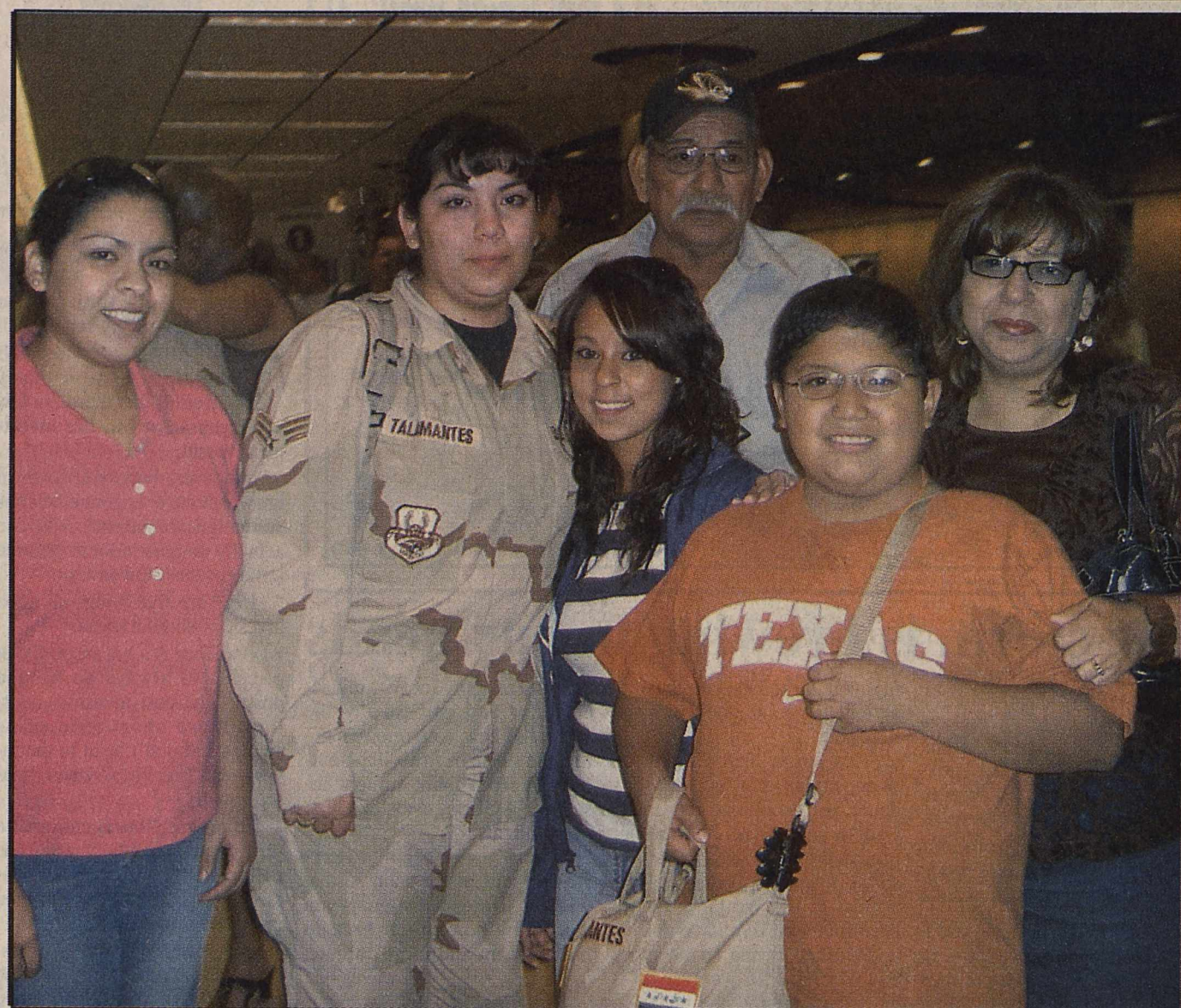
# The Brackett News

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### A Return From Iraq

The family of SRA Ana E Talamantes welcomed her home from Iraq on Sep 20. Talamantes is the daughter of Ana Belia Reyes and granddaughter of Adrian Reyes Sr. Talamantes is a 3 year Air Force Reservist from the 433 Alamo Wing out of Lackland AFB in San Antonio. She was deployed to Balad, Iraq for 4 months and her mission consisted of monitoring the whereabouts of aircraft and patients through out Iraq. Talamantes reported she was part of a medical group that was responsible for moving over 2700 patients both civilian and military and had a 97% survival rate, the highest ever in a combat zone. From Left: Angie Talamantes, SRA Ana Talamantes, Christina Flores, Adrian Reyes Sr., Popz Flores and Bertha Reyes.

Courtesy Photo

## Carlos Uresti visits with Kinney County voters

Candidate for the Texas State Senate District 19, Carlos Uresti, made a campaign stop in Kinney County Sept. 26. In the crowded district courtroom, the well-spoken, former Marine Captain gave insight into what the largest state senatorial district in the country would be like under his leadership if he were to win

the "double" election on Nov. 7. In March of this year, Uresti defeated Frank Madla in democratic primary that put his name on the general election ballot Nov. 7. In May, Madla resigned and Gov. Rick Perry called for a special election to fill the open position from Nov. 7, 2006,

through Jan. 9, 2007; thus Uresti's name will appear a second time on the ballot. Uresti, comfortable in his surrounding, touted that, if elected, he would continue to use the successful "open door" policy he currently uses as the State Representative for District 118, a district entirely within Bexar County. This policy includes listening to the concerns of his constituents and responding to them quickly.

"I want to balance the needs of the entire district," said Uresti. Uresti's platform includes greater care for the elderly, balancing the water needs of the entire district and improving the state's educational system. "If teachers are only teaching TAKS (Texas Assessment of Knowledge & Skills standardized test) then they limit the (students) way of thinking and limit their opportunities." Uresti is a practicing attorney and lives with his wife Yolanda in San Antonio.



Carlos Uresti in Brackett

## FCS to levy property tax

The Fort Clark Springs Association Board of Directors approved the levy of a common property tax at a regular meeting on Sept. 16.

The taxes are paid by the Association on the land and improvements owned by the Association, then prorated equally for each membership.

Each membership will receive a statement for their share of the property tax after the first of Oct.

The amount of the Association's tax bill and estimated cost per membership was not available at press time.

Other business addressed by the board included appointing a Nominating Committee for the 2007 election.

Dianna Daniels, B.J. Eckenrod, Mona Miller, Woodie Frances Trotter and Bob Willimason were all appointed to the committee that will select four candidates for the two outgoing directors, Monica White and Larry O'Keefe.

O'Keefe was appointed earlier this year to fill the unexpired term of Robert Wendell.

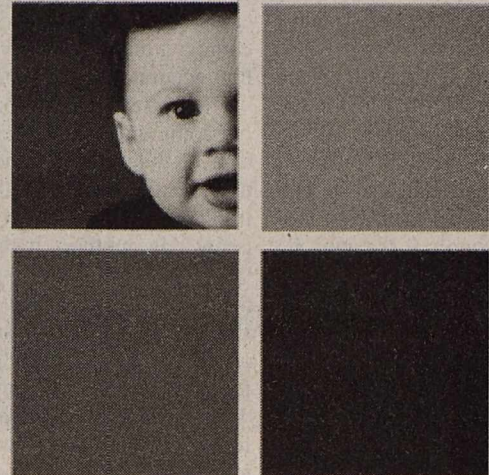
Glen Graf & Bowers, certified public accountants in Del Rio, were appointed by the board to serve as the election auditors.

Nancy Frerich was named as the official election judge.

The next FCS Board Meeting is scheduled for Oct. 21.

## National Newspaper Week

October 1 - 7, 2006



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### THE HOME TOWN SHEET

It isn't a very big paper, as newspapers go these days. But its little town it has put on the map in a hundred different ways, It has no leased wire in its offices, nor four decked presses to run- Its paper comes just in a bundle, and not by the carload, or ton, But it has claims to distinction, and which it will always make good; Its limit is only the limit of how people do as they should. It boosted for incorporation, for grading and sidewalks and trees- Schools-teachers-and helped train the boys that America sent overseas. It argued for health and for sewers, and places for kiddies to play- For parks and clean living and thinking, and brightened the invalid's way. It befriended the churches and lodges, the band and the choral club, too, And helped with the flour mill and coal mines and all that good citizens do To push a good town to the front row where people will see it and smile- For a live town induces good nature-good nature eliminates bile. It mentioned all the babies and spread their fame far and wide. Inspired them through life and then said a good word for them when they died. The crops of the neighborhood always came in for a compliment, too, And the front office had an exhibit of wheat, oats and barley on view. A mention was made of the flowers, the orchards and lawns and the grass, And once in a while an acknowledgement of a "passel of garden sass;" The world was told of the chickens and turkeys that strutted about, And even about the red heifer that broke the fence down and got out, New buildings and all such improvements were specially played up strong, New paint on a fence and new porches were always good for a song. The paper is still doing duty as neighbor, guide, mentor and friend, But the pathway is crooked and thorny and many have come to the end Unnourished and starved and neglected as though they had never been Boosting and struggling and boosting; determined, with fair help, to win; But in fact, the paper's one of us, and one that we like to greet; So hats off! three cheers! and appreciation! to the old home town sheet!

The Publishers' Auxiliary, 1920 By Charles Frederick Wadsworth.

## News BRIEFS

### Wylie Fire Relief

Anyone wanting to contribute to the Wylie Fire Relief Fund can make a deposit at the Brackettville Bank & Trust.

### Weekend WEATHER

<b>Friday</b>	Mostly Sunny High:87 Low:69
<b>Saturday</b>	Sunny High:91 Low:68
<b>Sunday</b>	Sunny High:90 Low:67

### Recorded Rainfall

An 1 3/4" rain was recorded this week at The Brackett News Weather Center. Our "weather center" is really a rain gauge donated by D&D Hardware that is attached to our sign out front, but still very scientific! Report your rain gauge readings by phone 830-563-2852 or email tbnews@sbcglobal.net. Please include your address!

### Hog Workshop

FERAL HOG AWARENESS WORKSHOP Date: Wednesday, October 4, 2006 Time: 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon Place: Dink Wardlaw Agriculture Complex 300 East 17th Street, Del Rio, TX 3 CEU credits toward pesticide license recertification will be given. (1 L&R, 1 IPM & 1 General) Topics for the workshop will include feral hog populations, habitat, history, litter size, survival rate, diseases, effects on wildlife and livestock, transport laws and research up-

dates. Feral hog "Hot Zones", and management efforts as well as control methods will be discussed. If you have any questions please contact the Kinney County Extension Office at 563-2442

### Alamo Trailride

Alamo Village & Shahan HV Ranches Trailride and Cattle Drive October 26, 27, 28, & 29. THURSDAY: Registration/ Dinner and Entertainment in Front of Alamo FRIDAY: Trail ride/Lunch on Trail/Sunset Ride/ 3 Meals. SATURDAY: Trail ride/Lunch on Trail/ 3 Meals. SUNDAY: Church/Cattle Drive thru Village/2 Meals. INFO: Primitive Camping at Movie Set. RV's and Trailers (NO Hook-ups), Motel Rooms Available at Fort Clark Springs: 1-800-937-1590, Coggins Papers Required, Please Keep Pets on Leash, Limited Stall Space-RESERVE EARLY-\$10.00 per Horse per Day, Rental Horses are available, please call Bub

Winn 830-279-0185, Bub Winn. PRICES: \$235 if paid before 1st day of event \$250 if paid at time of arrival, NON-RIDERS Adults \$160, Kids \$150 (11& under). DAY RATE: Adults \$150 Kids \$75.00, Early arrival/Late Departure Over night fee: \$15.00 per night. FOR MORE INFORMATION: CALL - (830) 563-2580, FAX (830) 563-9226, WRITE - Box 528 Brackettville, Texas 78832, email: happy@hilconet.com or VISIT: www.alamovillage.com.

### Chuckwagon Dinner Theater

A Chuckwagon Dinner Theater will be held on Saturday, September 30, 2006 with the chuckwagon dinner served at 6 p.m. at the Uvalde Adult Activity Center, 250, E. Main, and the reserved seating performances at the Janey Slaughter Briscoe Grand Opera House at 8 p.m. The purchase of a \$15 ticket entitles a person to attend the chuckwagon dinner and

melodrama. For ticket information, contact the Grand Opera House at 830-278-4184.

### Landfill Fee Increase

City of Brackettville's residential landfill fee increase from \$7.00 to \$10.00 per month effective October 1, 2006 Commercial and bulk \$6.50 per cubic yard. Present current utility bill as proof of residency. All non residential will be charged \$6.50 per cubic yard. If you haul trash for anyone besides your household, the charge will be \$6.50 per cubic yard. Metal, cardboard, batteries, and motor oil disposal is free.

### Homecoming Dance

The Kinney County Chamber of Commerce will be hosting a Homecoming Dance following

the football game on October 27, 2006, at the Fort Clark Springs Service Club. Tino Gomez will be the D.J. and tickets are \$5.00 per person. The Dance is for BHS students, Alumni and other adults. Proceeds will benefit the Chamber Scholarship Fund and operating costs for the Kinney County Chamber of Commerce. For more information call the Kinney County Chamber of Commerce Monday - Friday from 10-12 and 1-3.

### Hunter's Round Up

The Ag/Wildlife Committee invites all Hunters and Hunting Enthusiasts to the Annual Hunter's Round Up Nov. 4 at the Civic Center. Booths are available for FREE with a prize donation valued at \$25. Area businesses are encouraged to contact the Co. Extension Office 830-563-2442 for door prize donations. Hats, gift certificates, hunting supplies, t-shirts, etc. are all excellent ideas that will get your business noticed throughout the night.

# Opinion

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## Letter To The EDITOR

Many people have called me asking for clarification of facts about the KCGCD election, so I would like to explain exactly what happened.

John Boxell registered for a place on the ballot as Precinct 1 Director. The legislation that created KCGCD states that the director from Precinct 1 must live in a rural area of Kinney County. Mr. Boxell resides at Fort Clark Springs which is not rural. Since he was ineligible to run for the position, I filed a protest with the Secretary of State. Mr. Boxell called me and stated that he had been misled. The facts were not as he had been told, and he planned to withdraw. We had a very nice conversation. I then called the SOS office to inquire about legalities of removing his name from the ballot. They stated John Boxell had filed past the deadline and his application should never have been accepted, because registration for a place on the ballot had ended one week earlier. General Manager Darlene Shahan had posted dates incorrectly.

John Boxell assured me there

was NO truth to the rumor that a local businessman had threatened, harassed, or intimidated him in any way. He mentioned speaking only with a close friend about the election. People spreading rumors never bothered to speak with Mr. Boxell personally to find out the true facts. He chose to withdraw after discovering that people who had encouraged him to run did not give him accurate information.

Regretfully, some people in our community have taken advantage of this situation and spread ugly rumors. Prior to this election, John Boxell and I did not know one another. If there is a bright side to this confusion, it is that we have met and become friends. He is a man of fine moral character. I believe that I speak for both myself and John Boxell when I say that we hope in the future our community will work together to solve our problems. We can accomplish so much more by communication and positive support, rather than trying to publicly tear other people down.

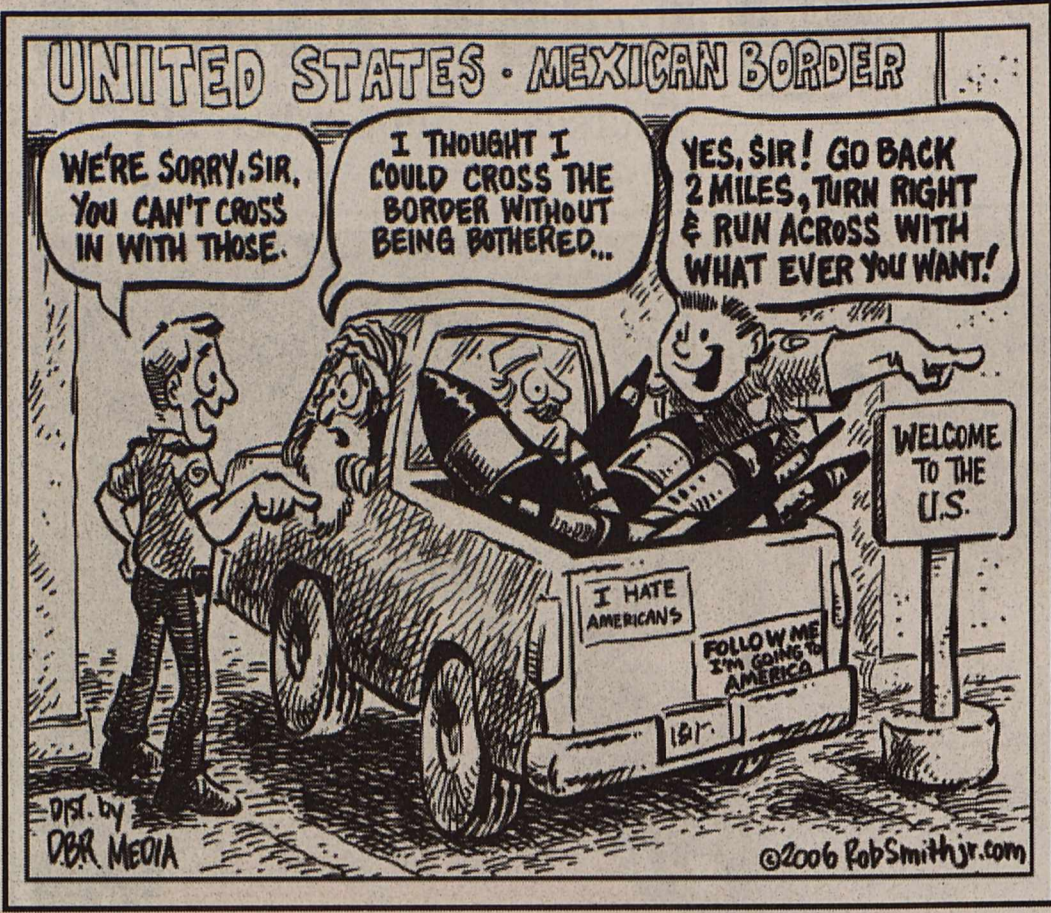
Sincerely,  
Beth Ann Smith

We, the organizers of the "Wylie Fire Relief" raffle drawing would like to thank each and every one of you in this community, and the surrounding counties, who opened your hearts in support of the Wylie family. It's comforting to know there are good people like yourselves still out there after such a horrible crime has been committed against "one of our own". We are proud to say that 100% of the funds raised have gone directly into the "Wylie Fire Relief Fund" account, open at The Bank and Trust to be used only by the Wylie's, in hopes to provide some relief in relation to being arson victims. This was possible due to the fact that everything we could have needed was donated. Which brings us to sending an ever greater thank you to the businesses and organizations who so generously donated

our raffle prizes: The Paladin Organization for the 30" television, the Home Depot for the grill, Mrs. Jewel Robinson for the Bud Breen original, PICO stores for the \$200 in store bucks cards and D&D Hardware for the metal yard-art with Circle E Candle. Without your donations there could not have been a raffle drawing at all. So thank you very much and know how much you are appreciated. We also want to thank all of our other donors and helpers, ticket sellers, bakers, soda donors, ice donors, workers and etc...you too played a significant roll in making this drawing a success and you all deserve a huge pat on the back.

All in all, this has been a wonderful example of what coming together as a community can do.

Sincerely "The Raffleers"



## Five Things Every Investor Should Know



Emily Cooper

Is there a magic formula for achieving investment success? Not really - though you wouldn't know it by reading all the advertisements touting "sure-fire winners."

The truth is that there are few valid guarantees in the investment world.

However, once you learn to ignore all the exaggerated claims you might encounter, you can actually do quite a lot to become a more successful investor.

Here are five things all good investors should know:

Patience is a big asset. Stock prices will always go up and down. The best investors overlook these short-term price swings and don't head to the investment "sidelines" when times are tough.

Of course, this is easier said than done - especially when the political and economic news of the day is bad and the financial markets seem rattled.

Yet, history is full of wars, crises and scandals and not one of them has permanently harmed the outlook for investments.

In fact, after the initial shock of the event has worn off, financial markets have often recovered lost ground in a matter of months - and then gone on to new heights. Of course, past performance is not a guarantee of any future results.

All investments carry risk. Everyone knows that stocks can lose value. But too many people don't realize that all investments carry some type of risk. For example, bonds and Certificates of Deposit (CDs) may offer substantial protection of principal, so they might be considered "safe."

And yet, these same vehicles may provide returns that fail to keep up with inflation, which means they carry purchasing power risk.

It's not the same risk as that incurred by stocks, but it's a risk nonetheless - and it's something to be aware of if you are counting on your investments to provide you with some of your cash flow.

Expenses can reduce returns. Obviously, you would like your investments to provide you with good returns. But don't focus on returns to the exclusion of all other factors - such as investment expenses. The costs of investing can significantly erode your investment returns.

So, for instance, if you are constantly buying and selling stocks in hopes of turning quick profits, you will likely run up against taxes and other costs that can turn potentially big gains into something else.

You are likely to do much better by purchasing quality investments and holding them for the long term, or until your needs change.

Knowledge is power. Some people aren't really sure what they are investing in - and that can lead to a variety of problems.

For example, they might invest in almost exactly the same vehicles inside and outside their 401(k) plan, which could lead to an over-concentration of assets in a particular area - leaving them vulnerable to a downturn affecting that one asset class.

The more you know about your investments, the less likely you are to face unpleasant surprises down the road.

Professional expertise is valuable. Work with an investment professional who knows your needs and who will work with you one-on-one to create a personalized strategy.

So, there you have it - five things every investor should know.

Put this knowledge to work in helping you achieve your goals.

## The storm is brewing in our heads



The Fly Lady Marla Cilley

The storm is brewing and it is not in the Caribbean; it is in your head. That storm has caused our thoughts to blow wildly in every direction and they become a vicious cycle that plays havoc with our heads, homes and our families.

Have you ever lost your wallet and began searching for it in a frenzy? You know this feeling of not being in control and running around. The Frenzy started before you lost your wallet. The frenzy is the reason you lost your wallet in the first place. That frenzy is the storm in your head.

I can give you all the tools to calm the storm on the outside but if you have not controlled your thoughts you are not going to feel the peace that comes with your routines. In fact you may even sabotage that peace because it feels so strange. After all we have prided ourselves in being able to juggle many balls at one time. This is not virtue; it is a cover up so that no one will really know what is going on inside your head. You think this makes you look organized when really it is only mak-

ing you look like you have it all together so no one will question you.

That storm that is going on in our brains is fueled with self-doubt, perfectionism, guilt, martyrdom and shame. We are not prepared to deal with this storm so we ignore it. In fact it feels normal to us. We have always been this way. We have pushed and pushed trying to do more and more and all we ever do is get further behind and racing to catch up.

Back to that wallet being lost; that frenzy we are in causes us to make many mistakes. It is only after we stop ourselves that we are able to find it right in front of our own eyes. We had been overlooking it because when that frenzy takes over our heads we lose our senses. We can't think, we don't see, we are not listening and we are on guard that no one knows this is happening to us. It is our perfectionism once again but this was happening before you lost the wallet.

When I start feeling this way I have learned to recognize it pretty fast. I have my routines in place to prevent this from happening to me. Occasionally this feeling will come up. Now when I am feeling like I don't know what to do next. I stop all that I am doing and spend 5 minutes making a plan. It is when I am not prepared that this feeling happens. I take those 5 short min-

utes and take my foot off my accelerator and quit fueling the storm. When you remove the fuel the storm or fire will go out. HEY we can think straight instead of a vicious cycle of swirling thoughts.

I want you to begin to experience moments of calm so that when you are in a frenzy you will know how to get back to that moment and use it to quiet the raging winds and waves that are causing you to lose your mind. Be Still and the peace will come. Quiet your mind by sitting down. The more you get in a hurry the worse the feeling is going to be.

Slow down and set a priority to what has to be done. Do one thing at a time! Not 15 things. You can do this.

We have to get back to why you are in this frenzy in the first place though. Establishing simple routines is going to help you be prepared for the storm when it does come. Find your QUIET place! Take a time out for you to calm yourself and focus on what needs to be done next; Not the 15 things that are spinning in your brain. This is what you do with your quiet time; Prioritize those 15 things on a piece of paper and then you have a plan. Start with first things first and move down your list.

Are you ready to FLY with a plan for preparedness in any storm of life?

## It's the judges, dummy!



Gina Parker

The liberals have still not figured it out - whether you are moderate, conservative, or even liberal, stalling the appointment of federal judges is not going to win you any votes.

As Senator Mike Crapo, R-ID, stated, "There has been this obstruction from the Democrats without justification for too long...that obstruction is starting to have them pay a political price in advance of the election."

Currently, President Bush has re-nominated five individuals commonly referred to as "The Quintet." Some have been waiting since 2003 for confirmation by the U.S.

Senate and now hope finally to overcome the unprecedented filibuster by the Democrats. Several are not only highly qualified to interpret our laws and Constitution, but also are conservative as well; however, not everyone is the best choice.

For example, William Haynes is currently General Counsel of the Department of Defense (DOD).

Although Haynes appears on paper to be highly qualified, a thorough investigation by the Center for Military Readiness (CMR) revealed Haynes has potentially allowed the DOD to isolate federal law and ignore the U.S. Congress by allowing women in combat.

This action of Haynes was uncovered by CMR's Elaine Donnelly, who reported on HumanEvents.com (<http://www.humanevents.com/article.php?id=15971>) that the DOD has ignored President Bush's clear position against women in combat, and brazenly refused to answer questions about it posed by Congress last year.

Besides the obvious concerns of sexual infractions and physical capabilities on the battlefield, consider the ACLU's latest lawsuit challenging the male-only Selective Service registration; will that now be overturned? Donnelly has rightly asked,

"Why did Mr. Haynes allow this to happen?" As general counsel, his duty is to protect the DOD as a whole, as well as our soldiers, but he has clearly failed to do so by turning a blind-eye to an obviously dangerous, unlawful policy.

Do we want this type judge on the federal bench, or is Haynes another crony nominated not for outstanding experience or credentials, but a title?

Another nominee of great concern is Judge Janet Neff whom President Bush has nominated to serve in the Western District of Michigan.

Not only did Judge Neff preside over a commitment ceremony for two lesbians in 2002, but also she is considered one of the most liberal members of the Michigan Court of Appeals where she now sits.

As Brian Fahling of the America Family Association Center for Law & Policy commented,

"Bush's appointment of Neff

clearly suggests a departure from his commitment to appoint conservative judges...people ought to be moved to action, to call their senators and to let the president and his aides know that we're still watching."

The appointment of conservative jurists has long been the objective of the Republican base, but we have always been committed to selecting the best person for the position.

With upcoming victories this November, we must continue to advocate appointing truly experienced, conservative judges to the bench - individuals who will never equivocate on their position in the Constitutional balance of power and who understand that they too must answer to the people.

Several strong conservatives, however, have been nominated, including William Gerry Myers, III, Terrence Boyle, Michael Brunson Wallace, and Norman Randy Smith.

I encourage you to let both the U.S. Senate and the White House know your thoughts - they must not forget we are still watching!

White House Appointment Office: <http://www.whitehouse.gov/appointments/>  
U.S. Senators: <http://www.senate.gov>

Gina Parker is a practicing attorney and CEO of Dental Creations, a dental product manufacturing company.

Ms. Parker is National Eagle Forum Chairman for Judicial Reform, serves as a Bush and Perry appointee to the Texas Commission of Licensing and Regulation, and currently chairs

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The Brackett News welcomes and encourages letters to the editor. Letters should not exceed 350 words and be on subjects of interest. The editor reserves the right to refuse or edit all letters submitted for length, potentially libelous statements and accuracy of information. All letters must be signed and include a mailing address and phone number for verification purposes. All writers must provide proof of identity. The Brackett News will not publish letters sent via e-mail. Letters published and viewpoints of columnists do not necessarily reflect the editorial beliefs of this newspaper.

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## VOLLEYBALL UPDATE

### Volleyball girls defeat D'Hanis

Submitted by Coach Rhonda Marquardt

Brackett High School girls volleyball beat D'Hanis 13-25; 25-15; 25-20; 25-20.

Bianca Stewart had four blocks, one dig and one ace. Rebecca Mann had one block, two digs and six kills. Emily Valenzuela had one block, seven digs and eleven kills. Bailee Allen had one block, two digs,

one ace and five kills. Lola Cano had eleven digs. Daphne Hunt had ten digs, three aces and six kills. Laura Meyer had eight digs and one kill.

Bianca Terrazas had seven digs. Julie Castillo had six digs, two aces, two kills and 22 assists.

"We are tied with Sabinal in district at 3-0," said Coach Rhonda Marquardt. Their record is: 20-8; District 3-0

## CROSS COUNTRY UPDATE

### Varsity girls place first in UTSA

Submitted by Coach Dusty Brotherton

The Varsity girls Cross Country team took first place at the UTSA Cross Country Meet on September 23 in San Antonio.

Individually, Daphne Hunt placed seventh with a time of 13:59. Harmony Pettett placed 12th with a time of 14:23. Gabby Schroeder placed 18th

with a time of 14:41. Katie Braesicke placed 31st with a time of 15:20. Brook Gose placed 34th with a time of 15:28. Brianna Escamilla placed 35th with a time of 15:28. Anolda Watkins placed 46th with a time of 16:02.

Lauren Cornelius placed 84th with a time of 18:52. Salina Flores placed 91st with a time of 19:19.

### Varsity boys place 9th in UTSA

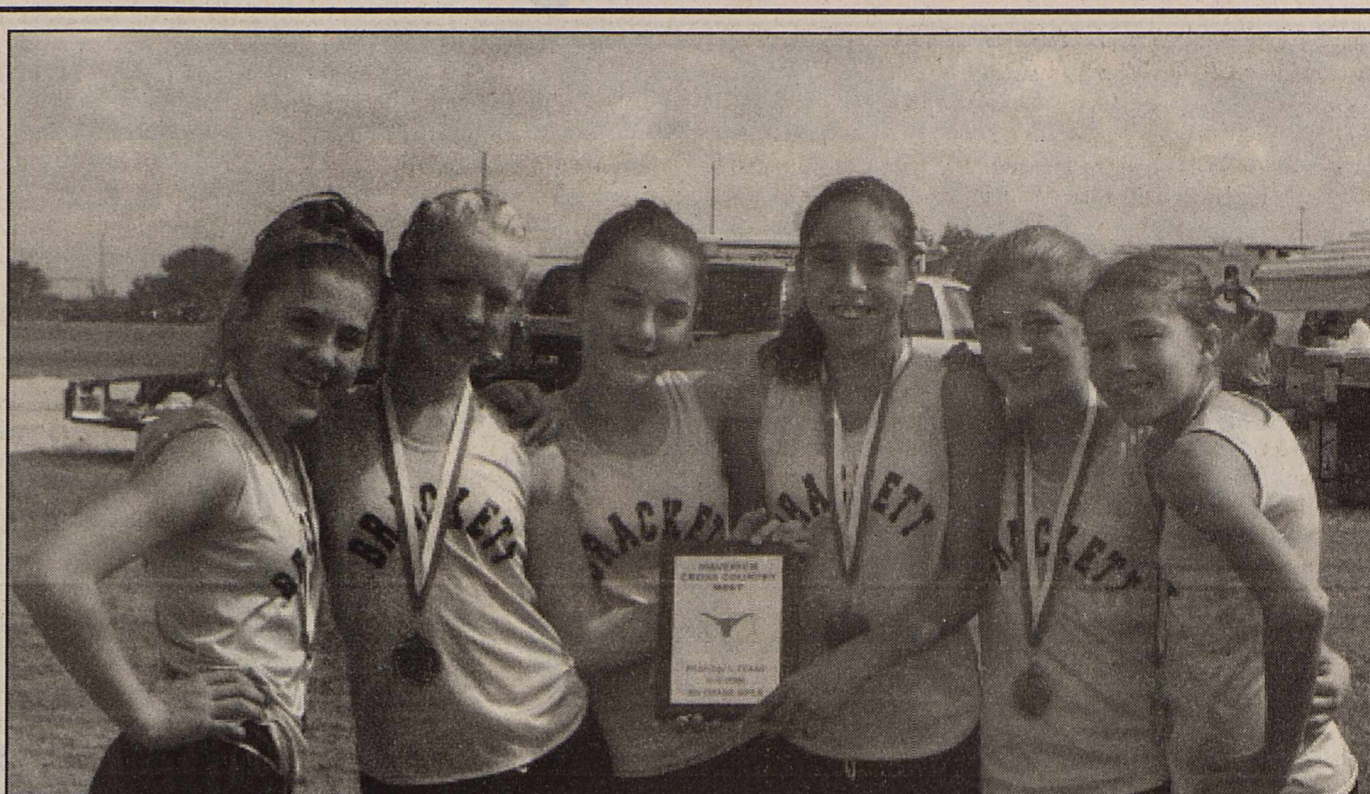
Submitted by Coach Dusty Brotherton

The Varsity boys placed 9th at the UTSA Cross Country Meet on September 23 in San Antonio.

Individually, Justin Calk placed 17 with a time of 19:33. Edward Travieso placed 28 with

a time of 20:10. Manny Rosas placed 45th with a time of 21:21. Clint Conrad placed 72nd with a time of 23:51.

Izzy Muniz placed 78th with a time of 25:12. Chris Blake placed 85th with a time of 25:51. Victor Cantu placed 95th with a time of 34:29.



Junior High Cross Country Team

Photo Courtesy of B. Schroeder

From left: Courtney Kirkland, Kelsey Bruce, Olivia Woodes, Bianca Cruz, SuSu Seargeant and Cheyenne Smith.

## Parent, Business and Community Representation needed!

Brackett ISD is soliciting parents, business representatives and community members to serve on planning and decision advisory committees at the district and campus levels.

Under Education Code 11.251 (b), the district must seek an appropriate representation of the community's diversity to serve on the committees.

At the district level, the superintendent shall regularly consult the District-level committee in the planning, operation, supervision and evaluation of the District educational program.

Education Code 11.252 (f) At the campus level, the committee shall meet for the purpose of implementing planning

processes and sire-based decision-making in accordance with Board policy and administrative procedures and shall be chaired by the principal.

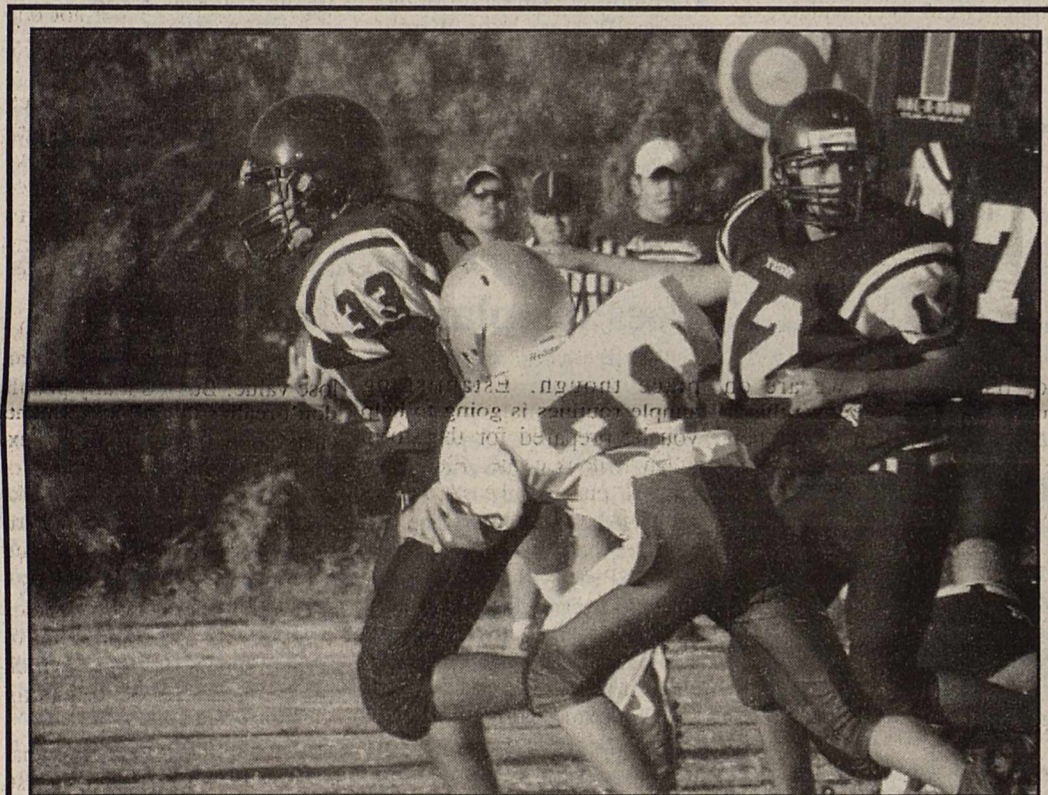
Final selections of members are made by the Superintendent and Principals.

If you are interested in serving on a district or campus level committee, please notify the following people:

\* District Advisory Committee : Paula Renken 563-7445 Paular@brackett.k12.tx.us

\* Brackett Secondary Advisory Committee (7th - 12th): Frank Taylor 563-5042 frankt@brackett.k12.tx.us

\* Jones Advisory Committee (PK - 6th): Alma Gutierrez 563-5047 almag@brackett.k12.tx.us



Another Touchdown

Gerardo Lalito Pacheco, Junior Varsity Tiger #33, pushes through the Tofalla defensive line and takes off to the end zone on Sept. 21.

Photo by Leigh Volcsko

## Tigers JV squad blanked Tafolla



Tiger Gridiron Thomas Hurney

The Brackett Tigers JV squad blanked Tafolla 48-0 this past Thursday at Tiger Stadium. Gerardo Pacheco, Adam Pinales and Aaron Travieso combined for an eye-popping 374 yards rushing and seven touchdowns in a game that featured exactly two pass attempts by the Brackett offense (one a 26-yard pass from quarterback Cody Clark to wideout Guy Rigby-the second one fell incomplete).

The Tigers had a nearly three to one edge in time of possession. Conversely, Tafolla had only 26 yards in total offense and ventured into Brackett territory just once during the entire game (fittingly, they were stuffed on a fourth and three from the Brackett 46 and the Tigers took over on downs).

Typically, words like "stingy", "immovable" and the like find their way into any sports page recounting of such a hard-nosed defensive effort, but this time the bare facts speak for themselves: Tafolla had only one first down, they had 26 net offensive yards, and they crossed the 50-yard line just once. The Tiger "D" had two sacks, four tackles for loss

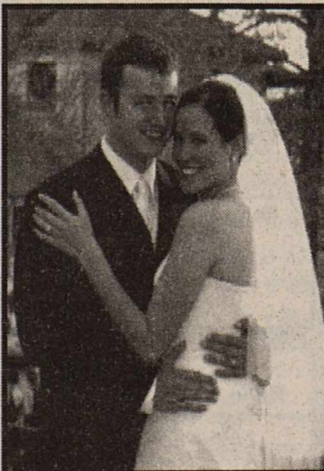
and one interception. Jeff Sitgreaves, Zakary Ring and Ramon Gutierrez led the defensive charge with eight, six, and five stops respectively. Clark, Travieso and Guy Rigby each had three, and Raul Rivas and Sam Childress two tackles each.

As their varsity counterparts did not quite a week before, the Brackett offense scored early and often. Gerardo Pacheco capped a six-play, 43-yard drive with a two-yard touchdown scamper about four minutes into the first quarter. The two point conversion was good, and the Tigers led 8-0. Not quite two minutes into the second quarter Brackett scored again on a three-yard burst into the end zone by Aaron Travieso. Tafolla foiled the two point attempt, but Brackett was up 14-0 and on their way to a convincing win. Then, with just over six minutes in the half, Pacheco scored from three yards out and the Tigers led 20-0 at the break.

The second half brought more misery for the visitors as Adam Pinales gashed a weary Tafolla defense for touchdown runs of 27 and 53 yards. Pacheco, meanwhile finished off a methodical thirteen-play, 54-yard drive with another two-yard touchdown plunge early in the fourth quarter.

Not to be outdone, Aaron Travieso capped a 40-yard drive with one more score, this one from three yards out, and with just over two minutes left Brackett led 48-0, which is how the game would end. These JV

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William Warrior, Angela Mallett, Al Mallett of Oklahoma marched in the Seminole Day Parade on Saturday, Sept. 16.

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## OBITUARY

### Loretta B. Walzer

April 1, 1944 - September 25, 2006



Loretta B. Walzer, age 62 of Kerrville, passed away Monday, September 25, 2006. She was born April 1, 1944 in Brackettville, TX to Alfaro Cardenas and Clara Belle July Cardenas.

Loretta was an LVN at Sid Peterson Memorial Hospital. On September 5th, she celebrated 44 years of employment at the hospital, making her the longest tenured employee there. Her kindness, happiness and laughter was infectious to everyone around her. She was a loving mother and a caring and thoughtful person. Her hobbies included fishing and cooking and she enjoyed taking walks around her neighborhood and through the state park. She also loved the Spurs, the Astros and playing pranks. Loretta recently joined the Habitat for Humanity Board and the Red Hat Society. She was a strong Christian who was a member of Mt. Olive Baptist Church in Kerrville.

Survivors include her twin daughters, Claudette Walzer of Kerrville and Paulette Walzer of Houston; son, Aaron Walzer of Beaumont; grandchildren, Taylor Walzer of Kerrville and Ashton Walzer of Harlingen; sisters, Lillian B. Warren of Kerrville and Cloteal Exum of Kerrville; sisters in law, Lennell Cardenas of Bellaire, MD and Vera Cardenas of Philadelphia, PA; uncles, Roland Kibbit and wife, Lillian of Kerrville and Robert Kibbett of San Antonio and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Frank Walzer in 1993. Visitation will be held Friday, September 29, 2006, 6-8 p.m. at Grimes Funeral Chapels. Services will be held Saturday, September 30, 2006, 2 p.m. at Grimes Funeral Chapels, officiated by Rev. Charles Biggs and Rev. Edward Walzer, Jr. Interment will follow at Garden of Memories North. Pallbearers will be Dominique Warren, Jason Warren, Lance Exum, Ruben Exum, Earl Dupree, Jr. and Chris Ramirez. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Sid Peterson Memorial Hospital Foundation, New Hospital Fund, 710 Water St. Kerrville, TX 78028. The family invites you to send condolences at [www.grimesfuneralchapels.com](http://www.grimesfuneralchapels.com) by selecting the "Send Condolences" link. Funeral arrangements are entrusted to Grimes Funeral Chapels of Kerrville.

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## Arbor Day Foundation Announces trees for planting in Texas

Ten free trees will be given to each person from Texas who joins the National Arbor Day Foundation during Sept. 2006.

The free trees are part of the nonprofit Foundation's trees for America campaign. The ten trees are the American Redbud, White Pine, Sugar Maple, White Flowering Dogwood, Pin Oak, Red Maple, Birch, Silver Maple, Red Oak, and Colorado Blue Spruce.

"These trees were selected to provide benefits every season of the year in Texas: lovely spring flowers, cool summer shade, spectacular autumn colors, and winter berries and nesting sites for songbirds," John Rosenow, the foundation's president, said.

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The trees will be shipped postage paid at the right time for planting between October 15 and December 10 with enclosed planting instructions.

The six to twelve inch trees are guaranteed to grow or they will be replaced free of charge.

Members also receive a subscription to the Foundation's colorful bimonthly publication, Arbor Day, and The Tree Book with information about tree planting and care.

To receive the free trees, send a \$10 membership contribution to Ten Trees, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410 by September 30, 2006 or join on-line at [arborday.org](http://arborday.org).

## Ink spot remedy



Vada Baldree

We all like success stories and I have one for you today. Please guys, if you have one too, won't you share it with all of us? We all need and can use help sometime and that's what the community of Brackett is known for.

Looking forward to hearing from you.

### Ink spots on clothes

The old method of hair spray went away years ago. It's most unlikely to remove ink from today's fabrics. Here's what worked for me, in one easy and quick procedure!

Here's the scene:

"Husband put ball point pen in good shirt pocket. Lid come off pen while in pocket. Ink come out in BIG area (about size of quarter) of shirt. Circle on shirt no match stripe on shirt"

Seeing as I had nothing to lose, I'd try a formula I read about. Use Alcohol!

Using a heavy rag towel, I placed it under the stain after folding it several times. I poured the alcohol directly on the stain. Using a white rag, I began to blot and gently rub the spot. It

appeared to remove some because the ink appeared on the towel. Repeated three or four times, moving fresh towel area each time, with little results or at least too slow for me.

Alright, decide there was only one hope before shirt became another work shirt. Hated to lose this almost new shirt.

Mixed a small amount of well known dry stain remover with water to make a thick paste. Place a good coating of the paste on entire "inked" area and press it firmly, making sure there was good contact with the fabric. If it took the color out, it didn't matter. I was mad at the stain!

I let it set approximately 20 minutes, then rinsed off mixture under running water. I could detect no ink stains, but to further insure possible success, I then soaked entire shirt in strong solution of the non-chlorine dry stain remover solution for about an hour or until I thought of it again.

The shirt was included in the next load of colored clothes and looks as good as new.

Now, about that rag towel (by the way it is an awful shade of green) and the mopping rag I'd used, threw it into a load of jeans and the ink was completely gone from them too! Did the alcohol that soaked the ink into the towel remove that in too? Law of averages, if it had of been a good towel, the stain would still be there, right?

## Standard presumptive value arrives

Submitted by Martha Pena Padron, KC Tax Assessor Collector

Effective October 1, 2006, House Bill 4 changes the tax base for calculating motor vehicle tax on non-dealer retail sales of used motor vehicles, whether purchased in Texas or out of state for use in Texas. There is no change to the motor vehicle sales and use tax rate of 6.25 percent. A new benchmark, called the standard presumptive value (SPV) will be used to determine the tax base for sales of used vehicles among individuals.

TXDOT is responsible for determining the amount of the SPV for Specific vehicles, and will

update and publish this information.

The county tax assessor-collector will continue to collect the tax when a person titles and registers a used vehicle.

On dealer sales, the county tax assessor-collector is to calculate sales tax on the value shown on transaction paperwork given to the purchaser.

In non-dealer transactions, the legislation provides that the county tax assessor collector will determine the used vehicle tax due based on one of the following:

\* The purchase price of the used vehicle, if the purchaser paid at least 80 percent or more of the SPV for the vehicle

\* 80 percent of the SPV for the used vehicle, if the purchaser paid less than 80 percent of the SPV for the vehicle; or

\*The appraised value of the used vehicle, if the purchaser paid less than 80 percent of the SPV for the vehicle and provides a certified appraisal.

A purchaser who decides to provide an appraised value for the used vehicle must obtain the certified appraisal on a comptroller-prescribed form within 20 county working days after the date of purchase or after bringing the vehicle into Texas.

The SPV does not apply to Salvage, abandoned, antique vehicles or vehicles sold through storage or mechanic's liens.

## Your Horoscope by Charles Cooper

**ARIES (March 21 to April 19)** You seem to be at the center of everything this week. Everyone wants to be near you. Don't let this go to your head, though.

**TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)** You need to maintain someone's confidentiality this week. Fortunately, you're up to this responsibility. Later in the week, you reach a nice accord with a loved one.

**GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)** It's time to take stock of where you're going and what your goals are. You don't need to stick to a plan you'd made a while ago. Things change, and so do you.

**CANCER (June 21 to July 22)** Your instincts about your career are dead-on. In fact, talks with bigwigs are favored. Now might be the time to ask for that raise.

**LEO (July 23 to August 22)** Something you'd been working on for a while finally comes to fruition. You greet this with a sense of relief. This weekend, make plans for socializing.

**VIRGO (August 23 to September 22)** You're highly motivated this week. Thus, it's wise to take advantage of this. Coupled with high energy, you can accomplish what you set out to do.

**LIBRA (September 23 to October 22)** You're in a bit of a blue mood as the week begins. However, that's because you're allowing someone to get the better of you. Once you realize this, you can get past it.

**SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21)** It's a good week to tend to financial interests. Still, someone close to you isn't willing to listen to your ideas. Use patience; this person comes around in time.

**SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21)** This week favors you reaching agreements with those around you. Whether family or co-workers, everyone seems to be on the same page. Later in the week, romance is favored.

**CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19)** An exciting career opportunity is yours for the asking. You've done all the groundwork. Now's the time to reap the rewards.

**AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18)** You'll need to call on your diplomatic skills this week. Whether mediating a quarrel between friends or family, you're the voice of reason. Later in the week, be careful not to overspend.

**PISCES (February 19 to March 20)** You might be burning some midnight oil this week. It seems no matter how much work you get done, it's not enough. This weekend, catch up on much-needed rest.

**CELEBRITY BIRTHDAYS:** Michael Douglas, September 25; Serena Williams, September 26; Gwyneth Paltrow, September 27; Hilary Duff, September 28; Emily Lloyd, September 29; Fran Drescher, September 30; Julie Andrews, October 1.



Go Tigers Go!

## Art Center for the Islands 3rd Texas laughing gull writing contest

**Guidelines for 2007**  
 1. **ELIGIBILITY:** The 3rd Texas Laughing Gull Writing Contest is open to any writer, anywhere.  
 2. **CATEGORIES:** Three areas - Fiction, Non-fiction, Poetry  
 3. **PRIZES:** 1st Prize \$100, 2nd Prize \$50, 3rd Prize \$25 will be awarded in each category. Honorable Mention Certificates will be awarded at the discretion of the judges.  
 4. **LENGTH:** Maximum of 2000 words for Fiction and Non-fiction, maximum of 50 lines for Poetry  
 5. **FORMAT:** Submissions must be original and previously unpublished. They must be typewritten, double-spaced in a readable font on 8.5 x11 white paper. Include a cover sheet for each submission with your name, address, phone number, e-mail address, and the title and category of your piece. Do not include your name on your submission. Type your title and category at the top of each page of your submission. If you send

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 6. **FEES:** \$3USD or \$3.50CDN per submission, payable to " Art Center for the Islands "  
 7. **DEADLINE:** Submissions must be RECEIVED by November 30, 2006.  
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 8. **WINNERS** will be announced at a reception at the Port Aransas Community Center , N. Alister Street , at 2 pm on Sunday, January 14, 2007 . Winners will be notified by telephone or e-mail prior to the reception, and they will be invited to read their winning pieces at the reception.  
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## A look back this week

On September 26, 1781, George Washington and Jean Baptiste de Rochambeau joined forced and arrived near Williamsburg ... September 25, 1789, Congress submitted the Bill of Rights to the states for ratification ... September 25, 1956, the first transatlantic telephone cable was activated ... September 26, 1960, Vice President Richard Nixon and Senator John F. Kennedy (D-Mass.) faced each other in the first of a series of televised presidential candidate debates ... October 1, 1962, James Meredith became the first black student at the University of Mississippi after 3,000 troops quelled riots ... September 27, 1964, the Warren Commission released a report concluding that Lee Harvey Oswald was solely responsible for the assassination of President Kennedy ... September 26, 1994, Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell (D-Maine) dropped efforts to pass the Clinton health-care reform package ... September 26, 1996, Shannon Lucid completed a space voyage of 188 days, a record for women and for U.S. astronauts ... September 28, 2000, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration announced the approval of RU-486, a pill that induces abortions ... September 29, 2002, under U.S. pressure, Israel pulled its forces back from Yasser Arafat's compound; Arafat, claiming victory, left his office building ... September 30, 2002, Senator Robert Torricelli (D-N.J.) dropped out of the Senate race after polls showed he couldn't win due to allegations that he had accepted improper gifts from a contributor ... October 1, 2002, just five weeks before the general elections, former Senator

Frank Lautenberg (D-N.J.), a senator for 18 years prior to his retirement in 2001, agreed to appeals by New Jersey Democrats to allow his name to be placed on the state ballot as the party's candidate, replacing Torricelli ... September 30, 2003, Attorney

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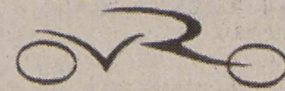
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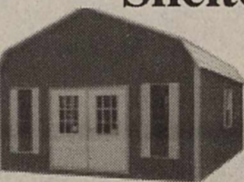
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**WORD PILE** By Mark Szorady

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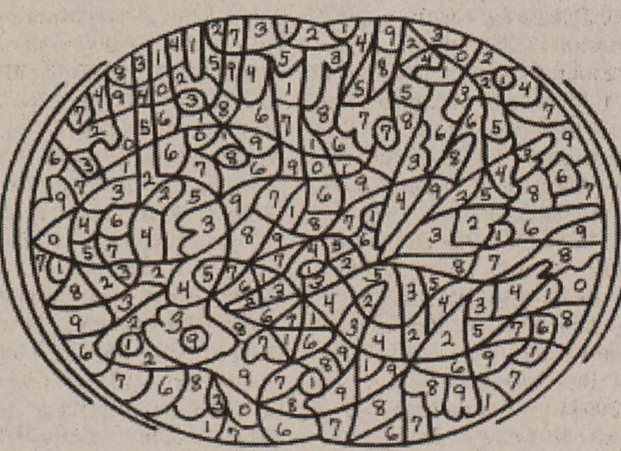
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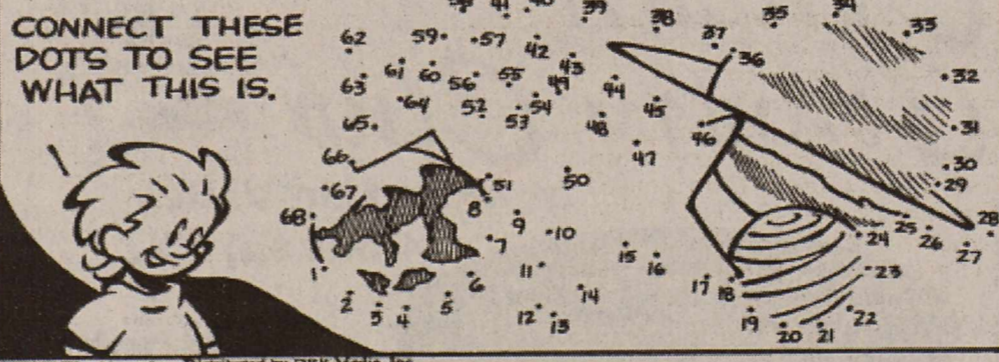
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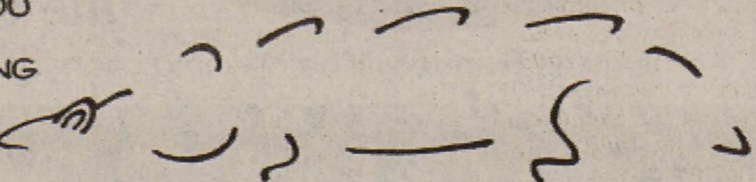
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## Sportsmen fight hunger in local communities

TUCSON, Ariz., Sept. 6, 2005 - As part of its ongoing efforts toward ending hunger, the SCI Foundation has proclaimed November 13-19, 2006 as its fourth annual Sportsmen Against Hunger Week.

SCI Foundation is once again challenging North American sportsmen and women to donate a portion of their harvests from this hunting season to the hungry in their communities.

"The turn out last year was incredible. Hunters everywhere did a wonderful job helping SCI battle hunger in their communities," said SCI Executive Director Tom Riley. "We are asking them to go above and beyond again this year."

Hunters have the power to make hunger a thing of the past, and SCI is happy to give them the opportunity.

Sportsmen Against Hunger is active in all 50 U.S. states, parts of Canada and in several countries around the world. Launched in 1989, this much-emulated program is supported by SCI's international network of almost 180 Chapters, over 48,000 SCI Members and other sportsmen who establish local drives, fundraisers and other program support efforts.

Last year, those who participated in Sportsmen Against Hunger Week provided the hungry across the United States with an overwhelming 79,139 pounds of processed

game meat. This year, SCIF is looking to blow that number away by encouraging the outdoor sporting community to give even more of this high-protein, low-fat food resource.

Sportsmen and -women who are unsure where to take their harvests for donation can look to SCI's online databases of nearly 400 licensed game processors and over 300 relief organizations across the United States that use wild game for local hunger programs.

These easy-to-use databases are located at [www.sci-foundation.org/humanitarian/sah/](http://www.sci-foundation.org/humanitarian/sah/). Many of the processing companies and relief organizations are willing to pay for part or all of the processing and/or transportation costs.

To learn more, please contact SCI Humanitarian Services Coordinator Eva Wilson at 520-620-1220, ext. 480; [ewilson@safariclub.org](mailto:ewilson@safariclub.org). The SCI Foundation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit charitable organization that funds and manages worldwide programs dedicated to wildlife conservation, outdoor education and humanitarian services, including such programs as Sportsmen Against Hunger, Sensory Safari, SafariCare, Disabled Hunter, the American Wilderness Leadership School, Becoming an Outdoors Woman & More and Youth Education Seminars (YES) Outdoors. Call 877-877-3265 or visit

[www.sci-foundation.org](http://www.sci-foundation.org) for more.

SCI's record-breaking 34th Annual Hunters' Convention hosted more than 19,700 sportsmen from 50 countries around the world. Thanks to over 1,100 top exhibitors helping hunters realize dreams around the globe, the Convention raised nearly \$11 million for SCI and the SCI Foundation.

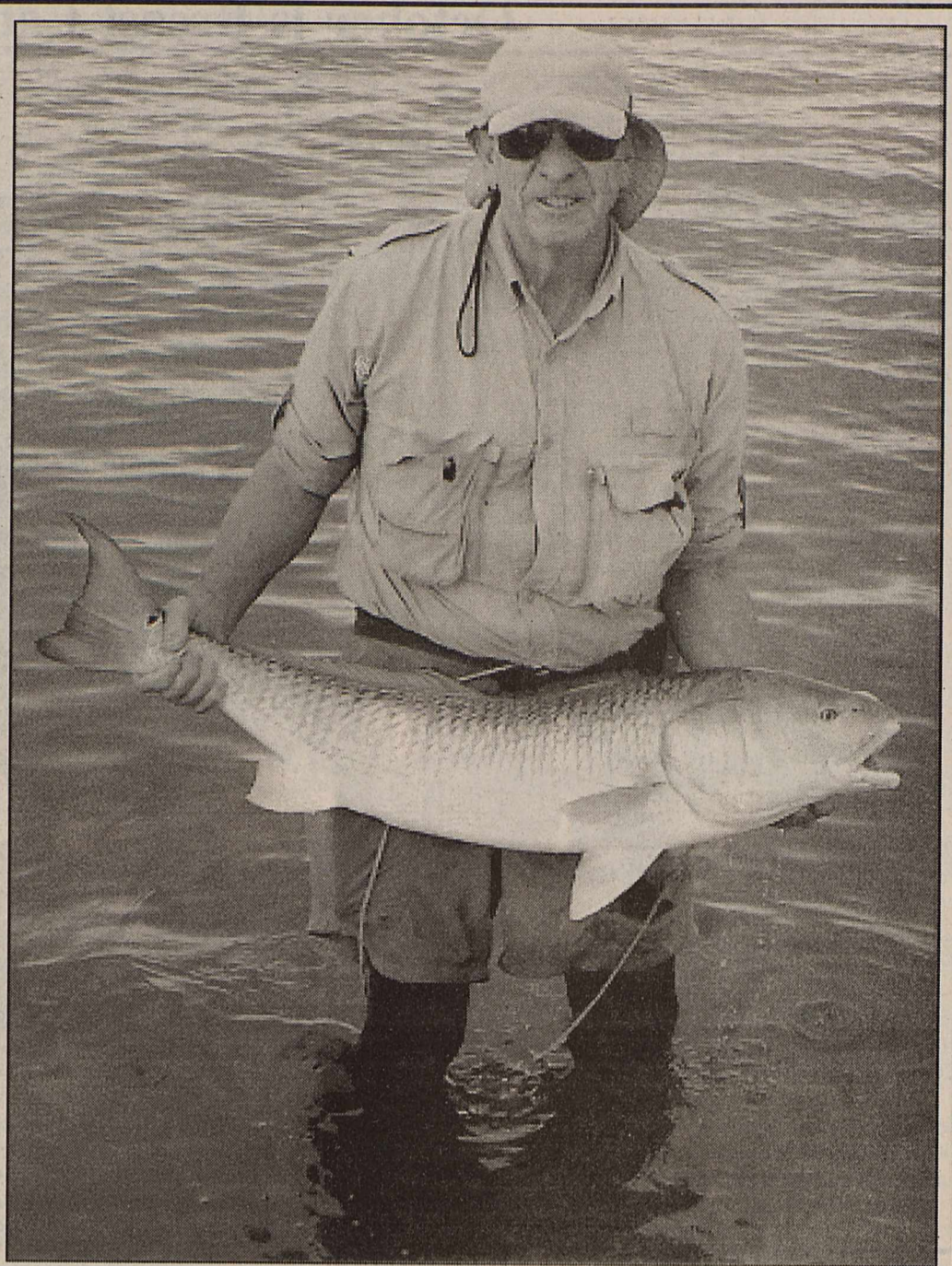
To register to attend SCI's 35th Annual Hunters' Convention, in Reno Jan. 24-27, 2007, call 888-746-9724 toll-free or visit [www.safariclub.org](http://www.safariclub.org).

During SCI's 34th Annual Hunters' Convention, the SCI Foundation beat past records for its annual Sportsmen Against Hunger "Feed the Hungry" Feast.

Hosted with the Salvation Army Reno and Reno-area businesses, charitable organizations and individuals, the Feast fed some 1,200 of Reno's homeless, under-housed, and hungry.

At the 2007 SCI Convention, the SCI Foundation is looking to feed even more Reno needy.

Professional journalists wishing to attend SCI's 35th Annual Hunters' Convention as members of the working media may register online at [www.sci-foundation.org/pr/pressreg07/](http://www.sci-foundation.org/pr/pressreg07/), or call Gary Swingle, SCI Marketing and Communications Coordinator, at 520-620-1220, ext. 337.



**Shallow Water; Big Fish!**

Courtesy Photo

Jack Felps, of Blanco, caught this forty-four and a half inch Red Drum fish in the shallow waters of Laguna Madre on September 11. The fish was caught using a seven foot rod with twelve pound test line.

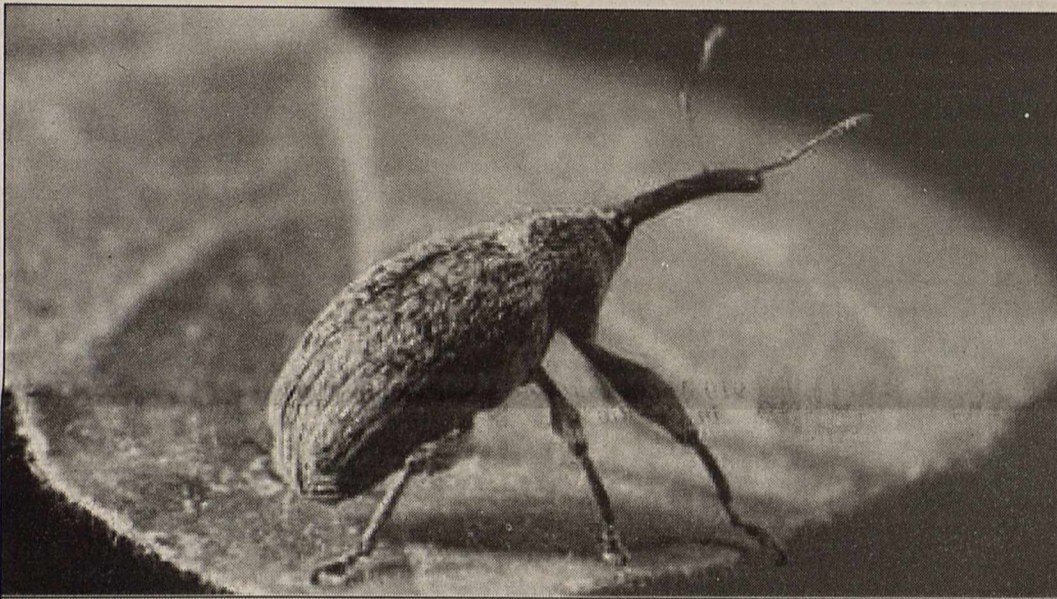


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## Kinney County GCD requests clarification from Texas Water Development Board

Submitted by Darlene Shahan, General Manager

Kinney County Groundwater Conservation District called Roberto Anaya of the Texas Water Development Board and requested a copy of material referenced at meeting and through media concerning TWDB's estimates of recharge to the Edwards BFZ zone located in Kinney County, Texas. The following is a quote from the Discussion submitted to the Journal of the American Water Resources Association by Robert Mace and Roberto Anaya and published in the JAWRA in August of 2004, which was provided by Roberto Anaya.

Discussion (1), "Edwards Aquifer Evaluation: Kinney County, Texas", by Kaveh Khorzad (2). Robert E. Mace and Roberto Anaya (3).

We applaud Khorzad's (2003) efforts to document his work in Kinney County, Texas an area that, until recently, has not been the focus of much hydrogeologic research. However, Khorzad's (2003) estimate of recharge to the water table based on the method described by Bennett and Sayre (1962) is in error due to mistakes made by Bennett and Sayre (1962) in applying their methodology. Bennett and Sayre (1962) reported that average annual recharge to the Edwards Aquifers (emphasis added) in the West Nueces River basin in Kinney County was about 35,000 acre-feet per year for the period of record between October 1, 1939, and September 30, 1950. The "Edwards Aquifers" are defined here as the Edwards (Balcones Fault Zone) aquifer and (emphasis added) the Edwards Group equivalent in the Edwards-Trinity (Plateau) aquifer. (emphasis added) How-

ever, Bennett and Sayre (1962) made two mistakes in calculating this estimate. The first mistake was using an incorrect streamflow volume of 21,600 acre-feet for water year 1949 for the Nueces River. The U.S. Geological Survey's (USGS) records show that the flow in water year 1949 for the Nueces River was 165,600 acre-feet (USGS, 1951). This higher value is consistent with the higher precipitation experienced in Texas during that water year. The second mistake was using recharge, Bennett and Sayre (1962,p.76) qualitatively estimated the recharge area of the Edwards Aquifers (emphasis added) in West Nueces River basin in Kinney County as "...about half the total area of the basin..." However, using a geographical information system, we calculated that the are of the Edwards Aquifers (emphasis added) in the West Nueces River basin in Kinney County as about 30 percent of the total area of the basin (Mace and Anaya, 2004). This difference between estimates of area results in a 40 percent lower estimate of recharge. (emphasis added) Using the correct streamflow for water year 1949 and the correct area for the Edwards Aquifers (emphasis added) in the West Nueces River basin in Kinney County, results in an average annual recharge of about 26,000 acre-feet per year between October 1, 1939 and September 30, 1950. This is the value that Bennett and Sayre (1962) would have reported if they had used the correct streamflow and area.

Khorzad (2003) used Bennett and Sayre's (1962) estimate of the area of the Edwards Aquifers (emphasis added) in the West Nueces River basin in Kinney County

when he calculated recharge over a longer period of record. Therefore, his estimate of average annual recharge to the water table of 67,983 acre-feet per year is in error. Khorzad (2003) also estimates cross-formational flow from the Trinity Group into the Edwards Aquifers as part of his final recharge estimate, however, the discussion here is limited to recharge to the water table. Similar to Khorzad (2003), Mace and Anaya (2004) used the Bennett and Sayre (1962) method to estimate recharge over a longer time period (October 1, 1939, to September 30, 1950, and April 1, 1956, in the West Nueces River) but with the correct are. Mace and Anaya (2004) also used the Bennett and Sayre (1962) method for estimating flow at the mouth of the West Nueces River instead of the linear proportion assumption used by Khorzad (2003). The approach Bennett and Sayre (1962) used is a more direct and physically based estimate that the linear proportion assumption. Using the correct area, we calculate that the average annual recharge to the water table of the Edwards Aquifers (emphasis added) in the West Nueces River basin in Kinney County is about 43,000 acre-feet per year.

(1) Discussion No. 02118D of the Journal of the American Water Resources Association (Copyright 2004).

(2) Paper No. 02118 of the Journal of the American Water Resources Association 39 (5):1094-1107.

(3) Respectively, Director, Groundwater Resources Division, and Hydrologist, Texas Water Development Board, P.O. Box 13231, Austin, Texas 78711-3231 (e-mail/ [mace:robert.mace@twdb.state.tx.us](mailto:mace:robert.mace@twdb.state.tx.us))

## TDA reminds cotton harvesters to keep equipment free of boll weevils

AUSTIN - The Texas Department of Agriculture today reminded cotton harvesters that equipment moving into zones that have been suppressed or functionally eradicated of boll weevils must be free and clean of all cotton - lint and plant material - boll weevils to help reduce the risk of reinfesting areas that have eliminated the destructive cotton pest.

"Producers in suppressed or functionally eradicated zones should also be on the lookout for any dirt equipment that moves through the area or onto their property," said David Kostroun, TDA's assistant commissioner for Regulatory Programs. "Texas is beginning to win the war against the boll weevil, and this added precaution will help protect cotton farmers who have devoted their time and effort over the years to eradicate the boll weevil."

TDA inspectors are conducting road station inspections across the state on the lookout for dirty cotton equipment. Any dirty equipment will be turned back and must be cleaned outside of the protected zone. In addition, the owner of the equipment may be subject to a fine of up to \$5,000 per violation.

Anyone moving or transporting cotton equipment or vehicles into or through a suppressed or functionally eradicated zone must clean their equipment either by high pressure air, high pressure water, fumigation, or they can remove lint and plant material by hand. They may also contact a TDA regional office and schedule an inspection. A TDA inspector will check the equipment or vehicle and, if clean, issue a phytosanitary certificate declaring "boll weevil-free status."

Because of the success of the Texas program, all cotton-growing areas in the state are under some form of boll weevil eradication. The functionally eradicated areas are Rolling Plains Central and Southern Rolling Plains. The suppressed zones are Panhandle, Northwest Plains, Northern High Plains, Northern Rolling Plains, Southern High Plains/Caprock, Western High Plains, Permian Basin and El Paso/Trans Pecos. Cotton harvesters can contact TDA's Austin headquarters at (800) TELL - TDA for more information on scheduling an inspection.

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## October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month



**Cancer Support Group Celebrated Fourth Anniversary**

Our Cancer Support Group celebrated its fourth anniversary this past September 7th at the eFrontier Baptist Church Fellowship Hall. There were thirty-two persons in attendance. A delicious meal consisting of brisket, potato salad, pinto beans, condiments, and cake was enjoyed by everyone. A group photo was taken by Kathy's Photography. Birthdays and anniversaries were celebrated for the month of September. Celebrations of another year of cancer survivorship were acknowledged. The significance of the Jonquil as the American Cancer Society's flower was shared with the group. Special thank you to Diana Wilson, First Baptist Church, Frontier Baptist Church, Jerry & Kathy Snider, Paige at the Gift Box, Norma Conners, Lydia Flowers, and Kathy's Photography for making this celebration very special to all who attended.

### Women of Kinney County

Submitted by Pat Sitzes

The month of October is important in your lives.

It is Breast Cancer Awareness month, and a very special month for those of us who are survivors of it.

Most important to my fellow women in Kinney County, and the world is that you have the opportunity to do something for yourself to help insure early detection.

You do not know how many times, I am so happy to hear that they got the cancer in its early stages. Mammograms can do it.

A woman may not feel a lump, but the mammogram shows something that needs to have a biopsy. You could hear the words, we caught it early.

Words that had I heard would have been music to my ears.

Breast cancer can be survived, but only with vigilance on our part to get those

mammograms.

Women need a baseline mammogram by age 35, and then at age 40, they need a mammogram every year thereafter.

If you have neglected to get your mammogram in the past, please schedule it now.

Val Verde Medical Center and Fort Duncan Medical Center are offering in October mammograms at a reduced rate. Mammograms that are usually \$150 are \$80.

If you call and ask for the reduced price, you could hear those words "We did not find any signs of cancer", or you could hear, "We got it early". Please do not put it off.

Call today to schedule your mammogram. Val Verde Regional Medical Center: Dava Cloudt (830) 778-3651 Fort Duncan Medical Center: Paula (830) 773-5321. If you need a ride, please call CHEER Pat Sitzes (830) 563-9515



Brother J.

### Her Pet

We had to travel about fifty miles to look at them. Upon arriving my wife got in the pen with them and looked them over very carefully. After asking the owner some questions, she picked one and then I picked one. Hers was not the prettiest nor the largest but she thought he had kind eyes. We loaded them in the trailer and went home. She didn't saddle him right away but started feeding him by hand and getting to know him real well. Eventually he became very gentle, (obedient) and she enjoyed riding him very much. She could whistle out in the pasture and he would come to her and now our grandchildren enjoy riding him. Mine never became trustworthy and would run off or totally disobey. Those two horses reminded me of a very important principle in the Christian life. It is one thing to accept Christ but another to grow up or become mature and obedient to Him. (Matthew 25:23, 1 Corinthians 3:1-3). To accept Christ is the first step and God is very pleased with this, (Romans 5:1&2). But it is another to learn how Christ wants us to live and then apply it day after day. (Matthew 23:11&12, 1 Corinthians 4:2). I had many unhappy moments with my horse and I had to sell him. Many Christian or people who say they are Christians yet live like they were enemies of God, (Luke 19:27). See you in Church next Sunday. Brother J



Jeff Janca

### After Game Fellowship

First Baptist Church will be having another After Game Youth Fellowship this Friday September 29 following the Brackett and Natalia Football Game.

Food, Fellowship, Games, and Special Speaker Charlie Marquardt are planned.

For more information call 563.2245.



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Join with us as we strive to fill athletic fields across the country every second, Wednesday October 11, 2006 with students, parents and teachers challenging each other to read the Word of God and come to life-changing faith in Jesus Christ.

### Adult Chapter FCA Meets in October

Submitted by Carolyn Conoly

All adults interested in supporting the work of Brackett High School's Fellowship of Christian Athletes Chapter are invited to an adult chapter coffee on Sunday, October 8th, 3pm at the home of Bill and Carolyn Conoly.

All are welcome and coffee, tea and desert will be served. The adult chapter meeting will give adults a preview of the FCA program of the year for student members.

Junior High and High school students meet each Wednesday evening at 8pm at the High School gym.

Some of the teachings planned for this year include "One Way to Play, Handling Loss, Christian Resolutions, God's Love, True Love Waits and Christian Dating Guidelines, and Anger and Stress."

Lead coach/sponsors Rhonda and Charles Marquardt will be at the meeting to share information and answer questions.

FCA celebrated its 50th year of ministry in high schools

across the country in 2004.

It is the largest student organization on campus in Brackettville and is open to students in junior high and high school.

FCA's mission is "to present to athletes and coaches, and all whom they influence, the challenge and adventure of receiving Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, serving Him in their relationships and in the fellowship of the church."

The FCA adult's chapter primary goal is to support the Brackett High School student chapter and coach/sponsors in any way possible.

The adult chapter members are asked to pray for students and coaches and all money raised through the adult chapter is used to send student members to summer camp.

Dues of \$25 a year may be paid, but are not required.

For more information, or for directions to the Conoly's, please call Carolyn Conoly at 563.3699 or Rhonda Marquardt at 563.5181.

### Bibles and Cell Phones

Submitted by Pastor Ned Sitzes

What would happen if we treated our Bible like we treat our cell phones?

What if we panic when we forget it?

What if we carry it around in our purse or pockets?

What if we flip through it several times a day?

What if we use it to receive messages from the text?

What if we treat it like we can't live without it?

What if we give it to kids as gifts?

What if we use it as we travel?

What if we use it in case of emergency?

Unlike our cell phone, we don't ever have to worry about our Bible being disconnected because Jesus has already paid the bill!!!

You are invited to turn off your cell phone, pick up your Bible and come to the Frontier.

The Frontier Baptist Church is located on the corner of Ann St. and El Paso St.

**Up to 10 Words in the Classifieds  
Only \$3  
Call 563-2852**

### Come to the Frontier

A Bible Based New Testament Church  
9:45 am Bible Study/Sunday School  
11:00 am Worship Service  
6:00 pm Sunday Night at the Movies or Bible study.  
7:00 pm Wednesday Night Service  
Nursery Provided  
Pastor: Ned Sitzes (830) 563-5529  
Frontier Baptist Church (SBC) Corner of Ann & El Paso

### Welcome! Church of Christ

808 N. Ann 563-2616  
Sunday AM, 9:30 Classes  
& 10:30 Worship  
Wednesday PM 6:30 Classes  
Minister: Ray Melton

### OUR REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF AMERICA

Corner of Fort & Henderson  
Sunday: Worship 9:00 a.m.  
Sunday School 10:10 a.m. (October - April)  
Bible Study Wednesday 7 p.m. (October - April)  
Lutheran Church Women 11 a.m. Parrish Hall  
(Second Monday of Month)  
Email: www.ourredeemerlutheran.org  
PASTOR NATHAN LAFREZ 563-9607



### First United Methodist Church

109 James Street, next to the clinic  
Sunday School 9:30 \* Worship 10:45  
Staffed Nursery Every Sunday

**Hear the Bible, Feel the Spirit,  
Find a Welcome!**

open hearts, open minds, open doors



### St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Sunday School: 10:10 AM  
Sunday Worship: 11:00 AM  
Wednesday Bible Study: 11:00 AM  
Wednesday Healing Service: 12:10 PM  
Reverend Nathan Lafrenz 563-9607

### First Baptist Church (SBC)

Corner of Ann and Veltman Phone: 563-2245  
Sunday: Bible study for all ages 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service - 11:00 a.m.  
Adult/Youth/Children Discipleship Training 6 p.m.  
Evening Service 7 p.m.  
Wednesdays 7 p.m. Bible Study  
Pastor Jeff Janca





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