

# The Brackett News

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## FCS to allow deer management hunts

Director for the Fort Clark Springs Association voted and approved a series of weekend game management hunts at their regular board meeting on Oct. 21.

"These hunts are just a starting point. It will take a lot of things to create a successful management program," said Kurt Partlow.

Partlow is the coordinator for the first hunts sponsored by the Fort in more than five years.

Area game officials have noted the Fort is acting responsibly by addressing their overpopulation issues before it reaches a crisis point.

The hunts are scheduled for Dec. 15-17, 22-24, 29-31 as well as Jan. 5-7, 2007.

**Rules and Regulations for the Fort Clark Deer Hunt 2006/2007:** 1. Each hunter must have a valid Texas hunting license. 2. The hunter must be a member of Fort Clark Springs, or the guest or relative of a member. 3. All hunters must check in at Fort Clark Springs Association Shafter Hall for briefing, sing in and drawing for blinds -- Arrival times: Morning hunt - 4:30 a.m. Afternoon Hunt - 2:30 p.m. Late arrivals will not be seated. 4. The donation of 100 dollars for members and 200 dollars for guest of members (payable in advance) is required for one day

only. You may take your limit. If you choose to hunt a second day, reservation will depend on time slot availability. 5. Since the purpose of the hunt is to reduce the deer population on Fort Clark, only white tail does, culls bucks of six points or less and only one axis doe will be taken; absolutely no axis bucks. A fine of 1,000 dollar for a white tail buck over six points, and 1,500 dollar fine for axis bucks. This will be enforced, and deer will be confiscated. 6. We do not guarantee a deer. 7. Signing of a Hold Harmless Agreement releasing Fort Clark Springs Association and the Volunteer Committee from any liability is required. 8. Reading and signing of the Safety Rules and Guidelines set forth for this harvest is required. 9. Hunting is allowed only in designated ground blinds -- behind the airstrip where roads are cut and in the zoo farm area. 10. The hunter will be taken to the blind at approximately 5:30 a.m. for Morning Hunt and 2:30 p.m. for Afternoon Hunt. You will not be allowed to leave the blind. You are to wait in the blind until you are picked up. All game, will be checked, tagged, and recorded. No field dressing of deer is allowed. 11. The hunter is allowed to shoot no more than 75 yard to have a quick humane

kill. 12. No shooting across boundary of fences will be tolerated. 13. Security and Maintenance will patrol the areas and block the roads. 14. You should make certain your gun has recently been "sighted in" and is in good working condition. 15. No smoking in deer blinds. No dogs allowed. No littering on Fort Clark property. 16. No alcoholic beverages allowed. No one in an intoxicated state will be allowed to hunt. 17. All hunters must abide by all Texas Parks and Wildlife hunting regulations. 18. All hunters must wear "hunter orange" caps and vests. 19. If for some reason, you do not show for your scheduled harvest, your money will not be refunded.

Partlow can be contacted via email: [kurtpartlow@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kurtpartlow@sbcglobal.net)

## City officials thank donors

Submitted by Bonnie Mayes City Secretary

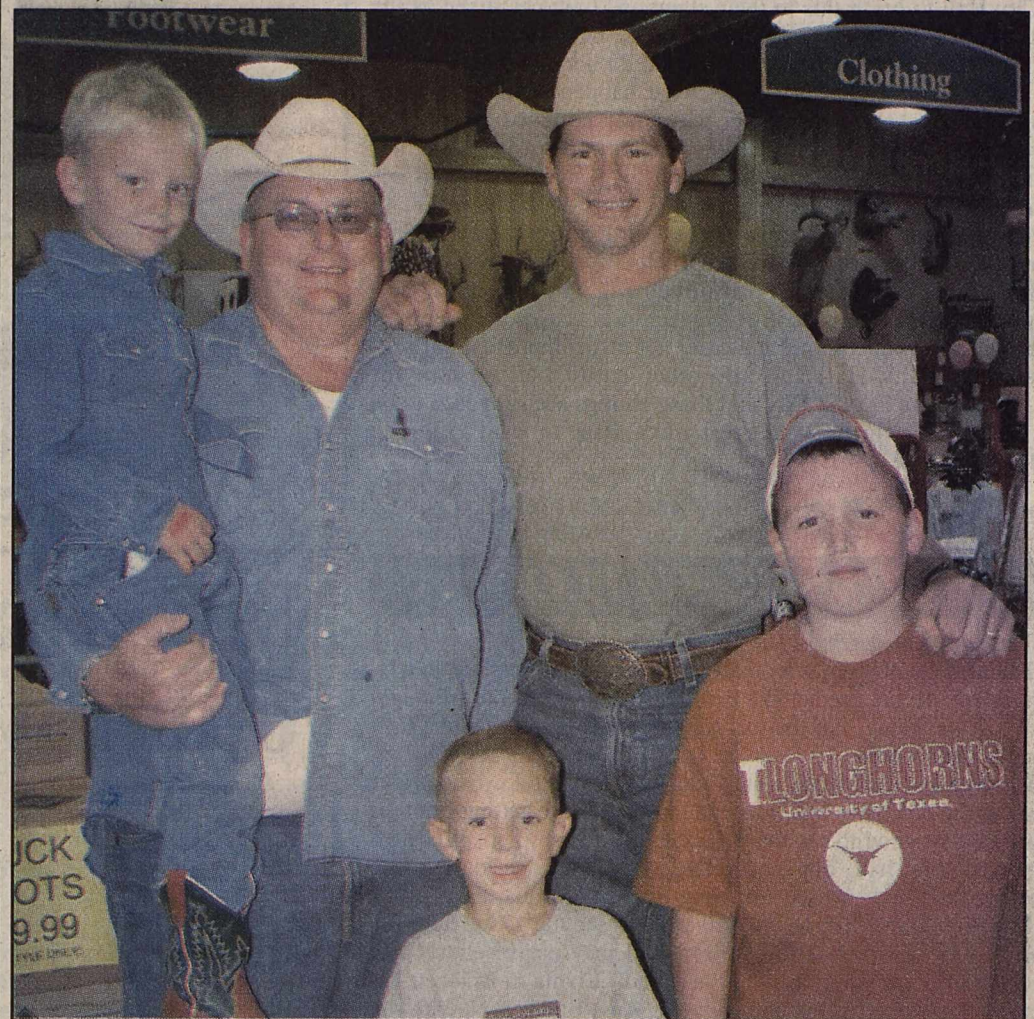
The City of Brackettville would like to thank the following for assisting the City while out of water: Fort Clark Springs-Ron Pellin and Bob Walker for allowing citizens to get water from the Fort.

Danny Sammiago, of RGEC, for sending their electrician to help the City of Brackettville.

Hugh Coates for offering assistance of parts, labor and money if needed.

Thank you for everyone that assisted the City and coming together to help. Your generosity is greatly appreciated and it seems that our community is finally starting to come together and is helping each other.

## Former Dallas Cowboy ★ Jay Novacek ★



**Shopping Cowboy Style**  
Brackett's best take a moment to pose with former Dallas Cowboy Jay Novacek at Oasis Outback's 2nd Annual Outdoor Expo in Uvalde. Front Row From Left: Trace Herndon and Austin Pettett. Back Row: Stetson Schuster, John Paul Schuster and Jay Novacek.

## TxDOT planning HWY 90 turnlanes

The Texas Department of Transportation held a pre-construction meeting in Carrizo Springs Nov. 28, to discuss 4.11 miles of road improvement slated for various highways in the Laredo region.

Construction activities in Kinney County will include the construction of left turn lanes

including pavement widening, asphalt pavement and pavement markings on Hwy. 90 at FM 334 (Ann Street) and Hwy. 90 at Keene Street (By Don's Funeral Chapel).

Many residents, including Jewel F. Robinson, former owner of *The Brackett News*, have fought hard for city, county and

state officials to address the safety issues created by vehicles stopping on the two lane highway while waiting to turn left. Several fatal vehicle accidents have been attributed to the lack of turn lanes and high rates of speed.

The construction contract has been awarded to Price Construction of Big Springs.

## KCAC Christmas Tour of Homes continues

Submitted by KCAC

The Kinney County Arts Council third featured tour home is the residence of Guillermo and Rosario Guzman.

Along with their children, daughter Cati and son Martin, they reside at 869 Fairway Circle on Fort Clark Springs.

This custom-built Ranch/Spanish style red brick home is only one year old. It is located on the #2 fairway of the golf course.

The home has porcelain tile floors, cathedral ceilings and a lovely rock corner fireplace.

Double French doors open onto a back porch that over-

looks the golf course.

After only a short time in this new home, Mr. Guzman was transferred to Laredo with his job duties so this lovely home is available for sale, but Santa will find his way and Christmas will bring all the decorations and joy of the season to this delightful family and home.



**869 Fairway Circle**  
The lovely Guzman home is third in a series of homes being featured by the Kinney County Arts Council Christmas Tour of Homes.

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Or email: [tbnews@sbcglobal.net](mailto:tbnews@sbcglobal.net)

## Local artist makes first showing in Brackett

Amanda Frerich, local artist and entrepreneur, will show her art and wares Nov.

30 - Dec. 2. Frerich will feature her custom chairs and crosses at 102 W.



Spring at the Five Points in Brackettville from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Thurs. and Fri. Saturday's show will start at 10 a.m. and conclude at 2 p.m.

"I started crafting as a hobby to decorate my own home," said Frerich.

A dedicated wife and full time mom, Frerich did not start thinking about her art as a business until after her three girls reached school age.

Frerich debuted at the Kinney County Hunter's Round Up earlier this month and was surprised when an Ingram hunter special ordered four chairs and then later added two more to his collection.

"I also sell jewelry. I've always loved it," concluded Frerich about her unique line of silver, turquoise and stone gift items.

## News BRIEFS

### Weekend WEATHER

<b>Friday</b>	Sunny High:60 Low:37
<b>Saturday</b>	Mostly Sunny High:62 Low:38
<b>Sunday</b>	Mostly Cloudy High:59 Low:36

### Early Voting

Early voting for the Run-Off will begin Dec. 4, 2004 - Dec. 8, 2006. Early voting will be conducted in the Kinney Co. Clerks Office. Election Day Dec. 12, 2006

### Fort Clark Calendar

SWAP Meet at Adult Center Sat., Dec. 2 from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Tables are \$5 each. Half tables are \$3. This is a great way to sell crafts, art and unwanted items. Call to secure your table: 563-2024.

### Power Interruption

Electric Cooperative (RGEC) plans a temporary interruption Wednesday, December 6, from 10:00 p.m. until approximately

midnight, during which time, system improvements will be conducted in conjunction with additional work being performed on the AEP transmission system. The Cooperative attempts to notify each consumer affected by any planned interruption by telephone, so that they may take necessary measures to prepare their household. Those who are members of RGEC and have not updated their contact information recently, may do so by calling 830-563-2444, or 1-800-749-1509.

### KCCA Christmas Program

The Kinney County Church Alliance will hold the annual Community Christmas Program on Saturday Evening, December 9 from 5:30 - 8:00. Toys and candy will be given to the children. Re-

freshments and entertainment will be provided for all. Should you wish to make a donation, please mail it to KCCA PO Box 1449 Brackettville, TX 78832.

### Grief Support Group

There is a new grief support group which is meeting the first Tuesday of each month in Slaton Hall of First United Methodist Church. All who are experiencing grief are invited to come and support each other in their journeys. Call Pastor Jean Reardon at 563-2823 if you have questions. Everyone is welcome.

### School & Sports Calendar

Thursday 11/30: Varsity Girls and Boys Basketball Tourney at Harper. Friday 12/1: Varsity Girls and Boys Basketball Tourney at Harper continued. Jr. Var-

sity Girls and Boys Basketball Tourney at Carrizo Springs. Saturday 12/2: Varsity Girls and Boys Basketball Tourney at Harper continued. Jr. Varsity Girls and Boys Basketball Tourney at Carrizo Springs continued. Monday 12/4: PreK - 6 PTO Meeting 6 p.m in the auditorium. Jr. High Girls and Boys at home vs. Comstock. Tuesday 12/5: Varsity Girls and Boys Basketball at Knippa, 6 p.m. Thursday 12/7: Varsity Girls and Boys Basketball SWTJC Tourney. Friday 12/8: Varsity Girls and Boys Basketball SWTJC Tourney continued. Jr. Varsity Girls and Boys Basketball Tourney at Dille Springs. Saturday 12/9: Varsity Girls and Boys Basketball SWTJC Tourney continued. Jr. Varsity Girls and Boys Basketball Tourney at

Dille Springs continued.

### Cancer Support Group Meeting

Our Cancer Support Group will be meeting on December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2006 at 6:30pm at the Frontier Baptist Church Fellowship Hall at the corner of Ann and El Paso Streets. We will have a potluck dinner. Meat will be provided. Please bring a side dish. Come join our group. It is for cancer survivors and their caregivers. Any questions, call Pat Sitzes 563-9515.

### KCAC Raffle

The Kinney County Arts Council is hosting a fund-raising raffle for a jade and silver necklace, bracelet and earring set hand crafted by William Dalton Design of Austin. \$1 tickets can be purchased from members.

## Letter to the EDITOR

Early this year I decided to move back to my hometown of Brackettville. I bought a home here and was very glad to be back with family members. As a citizen, you expect certain things to be taken care of without questions asked. I was incorrect to assume such a thing. See when I went to the City to have all my utilities turned on; I was expected to pay a deposit, which of course I did. So of course, I expected to have all my utilities up and running after that deposit was paid. I have been paying for usage of gas since I bought my home in March. Never did I think that I was paying for something that in fact I never had access to. My gas meter box was locked- never turned on, but yet when I go to City Hall to bring this to their attention, I am perceived as the bad person. I don't know about you folks, but I make a mistake. I do fess up and admit to my errors and do not turn the tables on the other party, which is exactly what happened with this incident. The lock on my gas meter was never removed and the gas turned on. So my questions to you, the citizens of Brackettville, is how many residents has this incident or similar incident occurred to? How many residents, who perhaps do not have time to check or know to check these things has this happened to? How many citizens who only want the problem resolved do not do so or want to do so because of fear of being intimidated? I want for myself and every individual of Brackettville to feel that they can communicate with comfort and ease, not just complaints, but suggestions to City Hall and any other entity that is here for us...because we are the City and these entities are supposed to be her to make life in Brackett great and a place to want to live in and call home.

Josie Cortez  
Brackettville

## Editors Weekly PLOG

The agony of defeat. I think Friday night's football game was a sad loss for the Tigers. Many people predicted a big loss for our boys, but we might have lost the game, but the Comanches did not whip us like they thought they would.

It was a good game to watch - all the ups and downs and our ever faithful defensive line. I hate to lose, but I hate getting stomped worse. It was good to see the Brackett fans get fired up. We had a very quiet first half, but maybe the coffee kicked in during half time b/c the stands started rumbuling in the third quarter.

My parents that live in Pearsall went to see the game. They've been to lots of Brackett events now and they can't believe how involved the community is with the school. Living in Brackett has been a big change for me and I love it. As a Brackett parent, you plan your whole week around when your kids play.

All I can say to AD and Head Coach Voyles is THANK YOU for allowing the "News Crew" down on the field. The paper has received so many compliments for what has been captured. Coach, you and your staff are definitely assets to our school. Is now a good time to get permission for those helmet-cams?

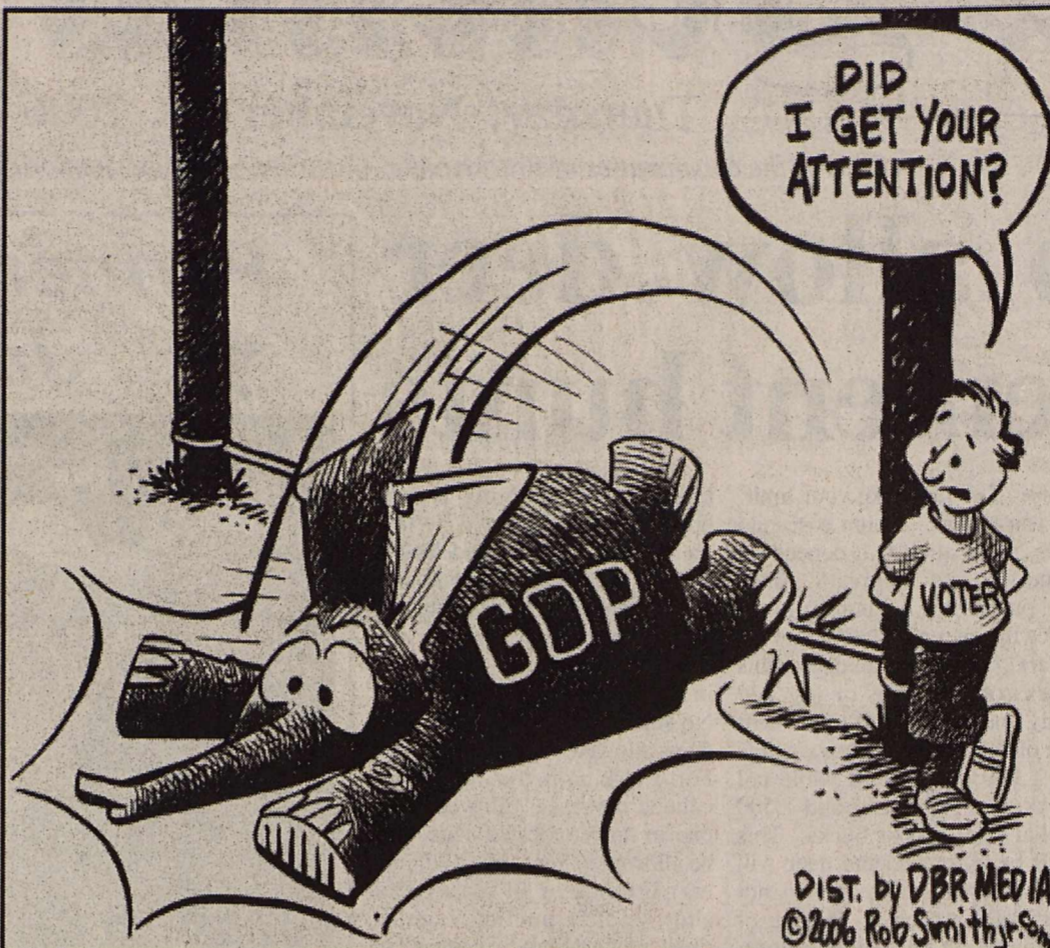
CASH LETSINGER - Thank you for such a wonderful job of recording the stats for the team. For those of you who don't know: Recording the stats for the Tigers was a joint effort between BISS (Head Coach Voyles & Superintendent Paula Renken), Cash and of course The Brackett News. If you liked seeing the stats - make sure you let these people know it!

TOM HURNEY - Thank you for the incredibly intelligent writing! Your detailed descriptions of the stadiums, the plays and the players along with your freelance writing style definitely took the paper up a notch. (or three!) Thank you for being you - Simpson shirt and all! It was awesome having a fan write for the team.

Both Cash and Tom did all of this as volunteers and they took vacation days to attend some of the games! I would hope the community and parents would go way out of their way to compliment these guys.

What will I do on Friday nights? Some of you have suggested drinking, but I think I'm going to take up studying the rules for basketball and then baseball and softball, maybe even golf - I just love plaid pants!

Leigh V.



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## Holiday Blues



The Fly Lady Marla Cilley

The holiday season is always tough but it is more difficult when you are dealing with the pain of the death of a loved one, divorce or those awful words, "I don't love you anymore!"

Many times death takes us by surprise. Even though we know in our hearts that it has to happen to all of us; it is never easy on the ones that are left behind. This is why we need to take very good care of ourselves during this holiday season. Depression slips up on us too. Death of a spouse or a child is probably the toughest thing anyone ever has to face. My heart goes out to you who are mourning this loss. Please get up and take care of yourself.

The holidays bring out another type of loneliness and stress; Divorce! As perfectionist we feel like failures because we just couldn't make it work, but do we ever try. We put up with all sorts of things because we do not want to be considered a failure by ourselves or the rest of the world.

So in other words you were putting yourself and your children through this stress because of what others would think. Those other people are not living in your home and have no clue what you had to deal with. We have to dismiss those feelings of failure because if we don't, we will be stuck in that time warp forever. We all make mistakes and there are no perfect marriages. So forgive and get on with your life: Even if you have been hurt deeply. Forgiveness is the greatest healer.

Then we make the holidays even harder on ourselves by wanting to have the perfect celebration. Well let me tell you; Make the most of your time with your family; it doesn't have to be on that particular day; any day can be a celebration. Relieve the stress by letting go of the ideal picture perfect holiday and turn the day you choose into your celebration. I think it makes the holidays last longer. No more crash and burn all in one day; we will be having lots of mini holiday get-togethers. Your children will thank you because they will not be pressured to show up at your house.

If you are going to be alone on Christmas Day then get over yourself and get out there and volunteer somewhere. Plan a little celebration for your friends that have no place to go. Instead of feeling sorry for yourself get up and do something to help others. That is the fastest way I know to get off your pity pot. Be thankful for what you have and bless others! You can always find others who are in need if you will just take your eyes off of yourself for a few minutes and focus on someone else. When we are feeling like this our homes fall to pieces around us too. They are just a symptom of depression. Set your timer and go get dressed to shoes then do 15 minute in the kitchen, shining your sink.

The holidays can be rough but only if we wallow in our self-pity. My step-grand mother told me on her death bed, "Marla, don't cry for me, because your tears are not really for me they are because you will be feeling sorry for yourself. Celebrate my life!"

Let's commit to celebrating all of our days not just the ones that are set aside as holidays. Make your home huggable and when you feel yourself starting to get down in the dumps; I want you to set a timer and go put on some decent clothes, fix your hair and face and take care of yourself. Nine times out of ten when you start to feel this way; you have not gotten enough sleep, eaten a good balanced meal, had enough water today or you have crashed and burned by not taking breaks. If you feel yourself wanting to isolate and CHAOS is reigning in your home: Call someone to come over; reach out and touch someone. If you know of someone that is hurting; pick up the phone and give them an invitation to do something with you: Even if it is just a snack and coffee.

## New tax laws may aid your investment strategy



Emily Cooper

If you're an investor, you'll want to pay close attention to some of the provisions of a bill that President Bush signed into law on May 17.

The new legislation extends the lower tax rates on capital gains and stock dividends, temporarily removes restrictions on transfers from traditional to Roth IRAs and raises the exemption level on the alternative minimum tax (AMT). Clearly, the new laws can have a big impact on your investment strategies over the next few years.

Let's take a look at the tax law changes and see how they might affect you.

**Extension of 15 percent rate on dividends and capital gains.** Until a few years ago, dividends were taxed at your personal income tax rate. But changes in tax laws resulted in a 15 percent tax rate on dividends through 2008. This rate has now been

extended through the end of 2010. Also, the maximum long-term capital gains rate will remain at 15 percent through 2010; this rate, too, was slated to expire at the end of 2008. For taxpayers in the 10-percent and 15-percent brackets, long-term capital gains will be taxed at 5 percent for the 2006 and 2007 tax years and at 0 percent for 2008-2010. Clearly, these changes give you some incentives to look for high-quality, dividend-paying stocks and to hold your stocks for at least one year - long enough to receive the best capital gains rate when you sell. Some stocks have paid and increased dividends for 25 straight years, or more. These companies are typically well-run businesses that strive to reward their investors. (Keep in mind, though, that no company is obligated to pay dividends and may lower, or discontinue, dividends at any time.)

**Removal of restrictions on conversions to Roth IRA.** Starting in 2010, you can convert your traditional IRA to a Roth IRA, regardless of your income level. Currently, only taxpayers with adjusted gross incomes of \$100,000 or less can make this conversion. The amount you

transfer will be included in your gross income, so you'll have to pay taxes on it, but you can spread the taxes out over two years if you make the rollover in 2010. This traditional-to-Roth conversion may benefit you in at least two important ways. First, qualified withdrawals from a Roth IRA are not taxable. And second, you won't have to start taking distributions from your Roth IRA at age 70-1/2, as you must with a traditional IRA and a 401(k).

**Increased Alternative Minimum Tax (AMT) exemption.** For many years, many taxpayers have been shielded from the AMT by its large exemption, but this exemption has not been adjusted for inflation, so, as wages and earnings rise each year, more and more people will be subject to the AMT. Recent cuts in income tax rates also mean that more people may face the AMT. The new tax bill provides AMT relief by raising the amount of the exemption to \$62,550 for joint filers, \$42,500 for singles and \$31,275 for married persons filing separate returns. This new exemption level applies only to the 2006 tax year, so when 2007 rolls around, watch for the results of new legislation.

So, there you have it - news you can use about the new tax laws. Consult with your investment professional and tax advisor to see how you can benefit from these changes.

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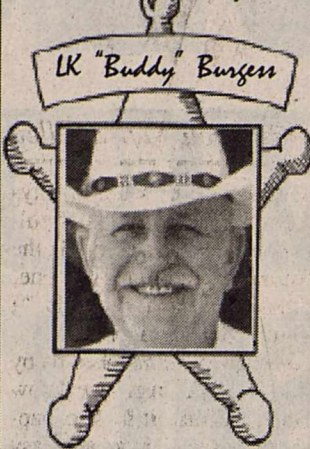
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## Kinney County Sheriff's Report



**Wednesday, November 22**  
11:20 p.m. Charlie Slaughter, 20, of Spofford was arrested for trespassing on public property. Slaughter was released Nov. 24 on a \$1,000 bond.

**Thursday, November 23**  
9:00 a.m. A 911 caller reported an elderly couple that had lost control of their vehicle and ran through a fence four miles east of Brackettville. A deputy was dispatched to the scene.

4:10 p.m. Raul Davila, 18, of Uvalde was arrested on a warrant for indecent contact with a child. Davila was released the next day on a bail of \$40,000.

5:20 p.m. A man entered the Sheriff's office complaining of bad pains in his chest and informed sheriff that he needed to go the hospital. Kinney County EMS was informed and the man was taken to Uvalde Memorial Hospital.

10:24 p.m. A woman came to the Sheriff's office stating that her son's girlfriend had taken her car and failed to return it. Later the women stated that she allowed her to borrow the vehicle, and a deputy spoke to all parties about the situation.

11:40 p.m. Local rancher requested the removal of hunters that did not have permission to be hunting on the land. Deputy reported to the scene.

**Friday, November 24**  
12:25 a.m. A local woman reported to the Sheriff that three men were arguing. Deputies reported to the situation.

2:15 a.m. Stephen Ramirez, 33, of Brackettville was arrested for driving with an invalid license and then made terroristic threats. Ramirez was released on November 26 on a bail of \$7,500.

3:55 a.m. A woman called reporting that someone had knocked down her fence. Sheriff's office was unable to reach deputy.

10:22 p.m. An Onstar employee called stating that the emergency button was pressed on a 2006 Silver Suburban. The location was said to be at McClelland Rd. He requested a sheriff report to the scene. Security was notified, and they later reported that no one was around the scene.

**Saturday, November 25**  
2:44 a.m. A caller reported that she heard someone trying to break into her house. A deputy and Border Patrol reported to the area and found no one.

2:48 p.m. A 911 caller asked to a deputy to talk to his ex-wife, which was ten feet from him, because she couldn't get any closer.

4:00 p.m. Peter D. Perez, 32, of Brackettville was arrested by Guadalupe Sheriff's Office for driving with an invalid license. Perez was released the same day on a cash bond.

**Sunday, November 26**  
4:15 a.m. A local man called stating that a blue or black truck was circling the cemetery with a spotlight.

11:44 a.m. A man reported that his friend had wrecked on 334 and there were injuries. EMS and Airlift was notified of the situation.

3:28 p.m. A 911 caller reported a possible house fire on 312 E. Veltman St. Brackett Volunteer Fire Department were dispatched to the scene.

10:28 p.m. A 911 caller reported an 18 wheeler driving wrecklessly on Hwy. 90 east of Brackettville. Deputy was enroute to the location.

## Christmas is coming, Christmas is coming!



Pat Sitzes

The CHEER Angel Tree is at the Burger n Shake. Bring some Christmas CHEER to Kinney County by buying an angel, and in the process help CHEER

bring health and wellness activities to our community. Here's how it works. For only \$5, you can buy an angel in honor or memory of someone special in your life. When you purchase an angel, you will be asked for the person's name and whether the angel is in honor or in memory of them. You will then be given a receipt for your CHEER donation.

After your purchase is complete, Pat Sitzes will write the name of your special person on

the angel, which will then be placed on the CHEER Angel Tree. Please do not panic if your angel does not immediately appear on the tree, as angels will be placed upon the tree daily beginning this Friday.

Tickets can be purchased at the Burger n Shake, the Bank and Trust, Carmen's Boutique, and from the following CHEER board members: Dan Laws, Brenda Perry, Nancy Mendoza, Martha Padron, Yolanda Rueda, Lydia Tipps, and Pat Sitzes.

CHEER wants to give a special thank you to Effie Bromley for volunteering many hours of her time to do the budget for CHEER and its explanation for

the IRS. We appreciate this donated time for CHEER.

Tune in next week for more updates on what is happening with CHEER.

## GARDEN CLUB UPDATE

Submitted by Lesley Jones

enjoyed by all.

The Mountain Laurel Garden Club met Nov 9, with 26 members and guests present.

President Mary Jane Olson conducted the business meeting and Jo Entrikin and Lesley Jones were hostesses serving goodies and Posoles, which was

Cindy Delcour presented the program demonstrating the art of jewelry making.

The Mountain Laurel Garden Club will meet Dec. 14, at 9 a.m. for the Annual Christmas Chinese Gift Exchange at the FCS Adult Center Gorgas Room.

## CAVALRY BRIGADE UPDATE

Submitted by Woodie Hornburg

The December 2, campaign is composed of many details and projects. Mustering at Shafter Hall at 9:00 a.m., troopers will pick their own assignment, which encompasses the usual "spruce - ups," with Christmas decorating added in keeping with the season. The 11:30 free lunch will be a special treat since our roaming "chef" has returned to F.C.S.'s fold.

Where do they come from, F.C.S.'s Community Council's "Cavalry Brigade" troopers?

Volunteer enlistees range from Texas to Minnesota, California to New York, Florida to the state of Washington, Arizona to Maine and all places in between, even Canada, England, and Mexico.

## Easy and tasteful recipes



Vada Baldree

There has never been any doubt that he job of "home-maker" is tremendous.

She not only has to plan meals, cook what the family will eat and be creative all at the same time. I'm sharing some inexpensive, colorful entrees that are sure fire taste pleasers.

Bonus feature is they are prepared in minutes: past, present and future.

**Lemon-Pecan Tilapia**  
2 Tbsp yellow cornmeal  
1/8 tsp garlic powder  
3 Tbsp chopped pecans

**Lemon wedges**  
1/2 tsp lemon-pepper seasoning

12 oz. tilapia or any firm-white fish (1/2 inch thick)  
1 Tbsp chopped fresh parsley

Heat broiler. Combine cornmeal, lemon-pepper seasoning and garlic powder in shallow dish. Dip tilapia in cornmeal mixture to lightly coat; shake off excess. Place tilapia on baking sheet; broil 6 to 8 minutes or until tilapias just begins to flake, turning once. Meanwhile, melt butter in small saucepan over medium heat. Add pecans; cook and stir 5 to 6 minutes or until pecans are lightly toasted. Stir in parsley; spoon over tilapia. Serve with lemon wedges. 2 servings.

**Pork Chops With Olives and Onions**  
2 (5 oz.) boneless pork loin

chops (3/4 inch thick)  
1/8 tsp pepper  
1 small onion, thinly sliced  
1/2 cup lower sodium chicken broth

1/2 tsp dried Italian seasoning  
1/8 tsp salt  
2 tsp olive oil  
1/2 cup small pimento-stuffed green olives

In medium skillet, over medium, heat until hot. Add pork; cook 6 to 8 minutes or until browned, turning once. Remove pork. Add onion; cover and cook 4 to 6 minutes or until soft, stirring occasionally. Add olives and broth.

Return pork to skillet; spoon some of the onion and olives over pork.

Bring to a boil. Cover and reduce heat to low; simmer 7 to 9 minutes or until pork is pale pink in center. 2 servings.

## Puppies together in the basket



Brother J.

It was about this time of year but a lot colder. As she paid the previous owner, he assured her that the dog was not going to have puppies.

Shortly, we realized she was going to have puppies so my wife fixed her a special bed in the tool shed but she would not stay in it.

Weeks later, we woke up one morning to all kinds of whining

and yipping coming from our back yard. We gathered up thirteen puppies from the backyard and put them in the basket. They quit hollering and whining when we put them in the basket because they all snuggled up together and started to get warm.

It even got better when their mother got in there and fed them and stayed with them. We had to go out and check on them frequently because they were constantly rooting out of the basket and they would start whining and hollering.

Those puppies in that basket reminded me of a problem Christians can face in life. God created us to have fellowship with Him and with other Christians,

(1 Corinthians 1:9, 1 John 1:3, 6, 7). If we try to go it alone or become separated from the others, we can get cold spiritually.

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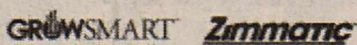
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### On Taxes

Henry Bonilla voted against the Death Tax and for cutting income taxes and the marriage penalty tax. **Ciro Rodriguez** voted the exact opposite on every issue, and even voted eight times against lowering the marriage penalty tax.

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Henry Bonilla voted to create the Department of Homeland Security and to fully fund those agencies fighting terrorism. **Ciro Rodriguez** voted against strengthening our borders two weeks after 9/11.

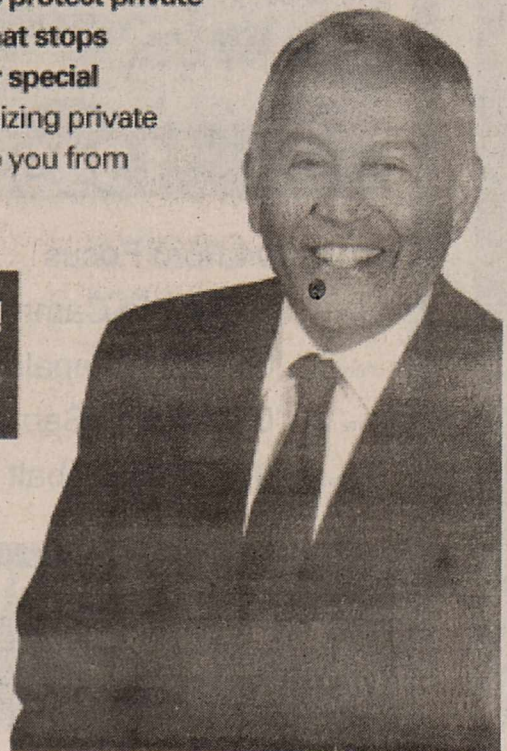
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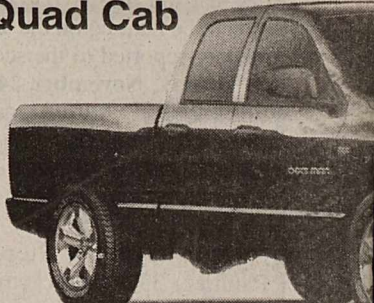
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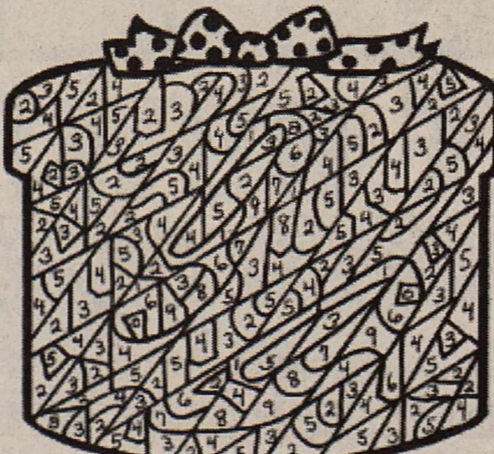
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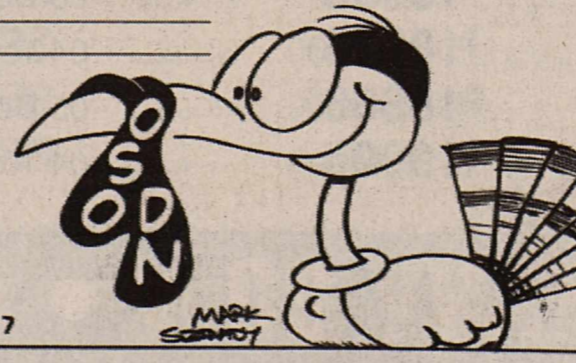
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		6						5
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# Tiger Pride



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Tiger Gridiron  
Thomas Hurney

In the end what is there to say, except for the obvious that our kids dug themselves a deep hole in the first half, played a hell of a second half and came up just a bit short against a very good Shiner team. Despite being shut out in the second half the Comanches did just enough to eke out a 22-19 win this past Saturday at New Braunfels in the opening round of the Class 1A District 1 regional playoff tournament, and here's how it happened....

Shiner took the opening kickoff and went to work on its own 15. On 1<sup>st</sup> and ten tailback Cody Franke took the handoff on a reverse and raced along the sideline nearest the home bleachers (where the Shiner faithful had congregated) all the way to the Brackett 16. On the next play Shiner back Adam Kalich took it in for the first points of the game. The point after failed, but the Comanches led 6-0.

Afterwards, the two teams exchanged punts and the Tigers took over in great shape at the Shiner 39. After three plays Brackett had only managed to gain five yards, so on fourth and four head coach Greg Voyles rolled the dice and tailback Travis Bonner responded with a 9-yard burst up to the Shiner 25. Again the Tigers moved ahead in fits and starts, but not enough to produce a first down. On 3<sup>rd</sup> and 1 at the 16, senior quarterback Robert Davis (who would account for 161 of Brackettville's 273 rushing yards) kept the drive alive with an 8-yard run. Travis Bonner cashed in on 1<sup>st</sup> and goal from the eight, Jacob Schroeder tacked on the point after and the Tigers were up 7-6.

The Brackett defense stepped up on Shiner's next possession, stifling the Comanche offense and forcing a punt. The Tigers had the football on the Comanche 45, but once again the turnover bug appeared at a most inopportune time. On 1<sup>st</sup> and ten at the Shiner 45 the Comanche's forced an Ivan Pinales fumble, and from there they mounted an 11-play drive, capped off by a 21-yard Adam Kalich touchdown run. The two-point attempt failed, but Shiner had retaken the lead 12-7.

The Tigers had to punt on their next possession and the Comanche's were in the drivers' seat once again at their own 37. Shiner again moved into Brackett territory but the drive appeared to stall at the 24- that is, until wideout Derick Richter entered the equation. On 4<sup>th</sup> and 8 Shiner

quarterback Matt Hibbs fired a dart to a streaking Richter who took it the rest of the way, and the Comanche's led 19-7. Brackett coughed up the ball yet again on a 2<sup>nd</sup> and 15 at their own 33, and Shiner answered with a 38-yard field goal as time expired in the first half to boost their lead to 22-7.

I don't know what was said in the Brackett locker room at half-time, but whatever it was, it worked. The Tigers took over at their own 20 to open the second half and moved quickly into scoring position at the Shiner 6. Robert Davis punctuated an impressive drive with a 6-yard touchdown burst on 1<sup>st</sup> and goal, the black and gold-clad Brackett contingent erupted, and just like that the Tigers were back in the game, advantage Shiner, 22-13.

Shiner had the ball back but couldn't capitalize, and opted to punt on 4<sup>th</sup> and 1 at their own 45. The Brackett offense took over, and marched methodically to the Comanche 23. On 2<sup>nd</sup> and 15 Robert Davis took the football and a host of Shiner defenders on a rocky ride up to the eight yard line. Davis punched it in several plays later on 1<sup>st</sup> and goal from the one. The point after failed and Brackett trailed by three, 22-19, with just under ten minutes left in the fourth quarter.

The defense again did its part and stymied the potent Comanche ground game, forcing a punt. Brackett took over at its own 22, but time was working against them. Three successive false start penalties pinned the Tigers back exactly where they had started, on their own 22. On 4<sup>th</sup> and 16 at the 29 Travis Bonner took the handoff and clawed his way up to the 40, but it was too little, and too late. Shiner took over on downs, Matt Hibbs took a knee, and the game was over. At this point I want to congratulate all of our coaches and players for their moxie and competitive spirit this season, and particularly during the course of this hard-fought game. You guys played your guts out, and you have nothing to be ashamed of. You did this town proud. Seniors, good luck and God Speed wherever your life's ambitions may direct you. I hope you're all back for homecoming next year (who knows, I may even persuade you to suit up one more time for old times' sake- I won't say anything if you don't).



Cash Letsinger

Shiner: 11:29 1st W, 16 yard rushing TD, PAT Kick - failed.  
Brackett: 3:18 1st Q, Bonner, T rushes for 6 yard TD, PAT

Kick - Schroeder, J - Good  
Shiner: 7:52 2nd W, 22 yard rushing TD, PAT rush attempt - failed

Shiner: 0:53 2nd Q, 25 yard pass for TD, PAT Kick - Good  
Shiner: 11:58 2nd Q, 40 yard field goal

Brackett: 10:07 3rd Q, Davis, R rushes for 6 yard TD, PAT Kick - failed

Brackett: 9:50 4th Q, Davis, R rushes for 1 yard TD, PAT rush attempt - failed

	Tigers	Comanches
Points Scored	19	22
First Downs	13	12
By Rush/Pass/Penalty	13/0/0	10/1/1
3rd Downs Made/Att/Eff	4/10/40	1/9/11
4th Downs Made/Att/Eff	3/4/75	2/3/67
Total Yards / Avg per Play	271/5.4	320/7.4
Total Yards Rushing	272	295
Rushing Att/Avg	46/5.9	42/7.0
Total yards Passing	-1	25
Pass Att/Comp/Int	4/1/0	1/1/0
Average Yards per Pass	-0.2	25.0
Punts /Avg	2/24.5	3/30.0
Punt Returns/Yards/Avg	3/26/9	1/0/0
Punts Blocked	0	0
Kickoff Returns/Yds/Avg	3/15/5	2/20/10
Fumbles /Lost	2/2	1/0
Total Turnovers	2	0
Penalties /Yards	7/35	3/22
Sacks /Yards	0/0	0/0
TDs	3	3
TDs Rush/Pass	3/0	2/1
Field Goals Att/Made	0/0	1/1
Time of Possession	23:11	24:49

Score by Quarter	1	2	3	4	OT	Final
Comanches	6	16	0	0	-	22
Tigers	7	0	6	6	-	19

## Jr. high girls cage Lady Panthers

Submitted by Coach Candace Voyles

Brackett Junior High B Team defeated Nueces Canyon won 20-14, on Nov. 27.

Top shooters were Amanda Herrera with 12 points; Sahara Rodriguez with 4 points; Yanira Perez with 2 points; Courtney Kirkland and Brenda Pacheco with 1 point each.

Top rebounders were Courtney Kirkland and Erica Villanueva.

Top stealer for the game was Erica Villanueva with 14.

The girls were led by Coach Candi Voyles.

The A Team also defeated Nueces Canyon, 34-28.

## CUBS BASKETBALL UPDATE

Submitted By  
Steven Hutcherson

day, Nov. 20, 29-2, to move their record to 1 and 1.

The Cubs will play their next game on Monday, Nov. 27, at home against Nueces Canyon.

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