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COMMUNITY NEWS

TBN Briefs Policy

Effective immediately TBN has adopted a new Briefs policy. Only basic information will be printed such as who, what, when and where. Detailed information will NOT be added unless it is for the benefit of the community as a whole.

BISD Activity Calendar

Thursday, February 21: BsbI LaPryor Tourney (A) TBA. Friday, February 22: BsbI LaPryor Tourney cont. Saturday, February 23: BsbI LaPryor Tourney Cont., Sftbl San Marcos Tourney (A) TBA, HS Track @ Uvalde. Monday, February 25: Career Day. Tuesday, February 26: Sftbl JV/V v. Hondo (H) 5:00/7:00 pm, BsbI v. Carrizo Springs (A) 6pm. Thursday, February 28: BsbI Pearsall Tourney (A) TBA. HS Track LaPryor (A), College Day @ SWTJC Uvalde. Friday, February 29: BsbI Pearsall Tourney cont., Team Tennis Uvalde (A), Sftbl D'Hanis (A) 6pm, HS/JH Cheerleader Tryouts, Gym. Saturday, February 30: BsbI Pearsall Tourney cont., Team Tennis cont.

Local Governmental Meetings

The Board of Directors for the Kinney County Groundwater Conservation District will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, February 21, 2008, at the City Annex Building on Highway 90 West in Brackettville, Texas. City Council will host a Special Called meeting on Thursday, February 21 at City Hall at 6 pm.

Benefit for St. Jude's Children's Hospital

The greeting cards you receive during the year are needed to help benefit the St. Jude's Children's Hospital. Only the front of the card depicting any and all occasions. For details, call Vada at 563-9377.

Kinney County Fire Rescue

Kinney County Fire Rescue is looking for individuals 18 and older, that are interested in serving our community as volunteer firefighters. The Interim Fire Chief is Tim Ward. Instruction and training will be provided. If you are interested in serving our community please call 563-9090 and speak with Bonnie.

Relay for Life

Are you up to the challenge? It's not too late to form a team or join a team and help raise money to help find the cure for cancer. The American Cancer Society Relay for Life in Kinney County will be held, March 29, 2008. So gear up and come out and join us in the worthwhile fight. For information contact: Adela Avila at (830) 591-7566 or Tracy Dorris at (830) 563-9323.

Youth Bible Study

All youth are invited to a Bible Study entitled "Experiencing God" at First Baptist Church on Sundays at 6:00 pm. For more information please contact 563-2245.

Weekend WEATHER

Friday
High: 77
Low: 46
Sunny/Windy

Saturday
High: 79
Low: 51
Sunny

Sunday
High: 81
Low: 52
Sunny

County polices City for free

By Allison Taylor
Managing Editor

Kinney County Commissioner's Court discussed County law enforcement in the City at their regular meeting Tuesday, February 19, in the county courtroom.

During departmental reports, Kinney County Sheriff L.K. Buddy Burgess announced the resignation of Major James Blankenship effective February 15.

Burgess also expressed concerns during the meeting on working in the City of Brackettville without compensation from the City.

"I think the County should have been charging the City years ago for doing their work," said Burgess.

"The County Sheriff's department is responsible for the county, we're not responsible for anything in incorporated cities but this occurs across the state. You can't ignore the City of Brackettville, so we work for the City of Brackettville."

Burgess also stated the majority of the work included burglaries, wrecks, family violence and nightly business checks inside the city limits.

Kinney County Appraiser Bill Haenn presented a review and assessment of recorded Texas Historic Landmark properties in Kinney County, but after a long discussion with commissioners, the item was tabled with Commissioner Nat Terrazas saying, "I can't approve this."

Commissioner Pat Melancon stated, "It just doesn't seem consistent to me...I am not ready to approve the list as is." Melancon then requested additional information from Haenn. Commissioners approved opening bids for requests for proposals to provide professional records management services to get county in compliance with Local Government Code (LGC) 203.

LGC 203 reads: Recognizing that the citizens of the state have a right to expect, and the state has an obligation to foster, efficient and cost-effective government and recognizing the central importance of local government records in the lives of all citizens, the legislature finds that: (1) the efficient management of local government records is necessary to the effective and economic operation of local and state government; (2) the preservation of local government records of permanent value is necessary to provide the people of the state with resources concerning their history and to document their rights of citizenship and property; (3) convenient access to advice and assistance based on well-established and professionally recognized records man-

agement techniques and practices is necessary to promote the establishment of sound records management programs in local governments, and the state can provide the assistance impartially and uniformly; and (4) the establishment of uniform standards and procedures for the maintenance, preservation, microfilming, or other disposition of local government records is necessary to fulfill these important public purposes.

According to County Audi-

tor Sandra Fitzpatrick, the last update to county government records including disposal was in 2002-2003.

The court discussed in length the Border Star and Linebacker program reimbursements and funds.

The court gave approval for the Kinney County Library to paint the Fritter room.

Commissioners gave authorization to Carl Esser to pursue the application process in the 2008 Border Colonia Access

Program for additional road improvements and paving in Spofford.

Russell Nowell was appointed by the court to the Kinney County Historical Commission.

A surplus auction was approved for April 26, at 9 a.m. Commissioner Joe Montalvo will act as the auctioneer.

Precinct 1 Commissioner Marvin Davis and Judge John S. Fritter were absent from the meeting.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

LEPC Meeting

Kinney County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) meets Monday February 25, 2008 at the Kinney County Fire Rescue classroom at 7 p.m. This volunteer organization is open to all residents of Kinney County interested in disaster preparedness in conjunction with the Kinney County Emergency Management Office; EOC Bruce Hudgens. The membership will vote on updates and clarification of the LEPC By-laws and Rules. The program will be presented by Del Pranger, of Brackettville, on the Emergency Ham Communications system of Kinney County. Those signed up for the American Red Cross First Aid course will have class at 6pm before the meeting. This class is led by LEPC Vice-chairperson Diane Daniels, Certified ARC Instructor. Comments or questions: Lesley Jones, Chairperson LEPC 563-2347

Donating blood as a worthy and necessary cause

The South Texas Blood & Tissue Center is hosting a blooddrive at the Brackettville High School Thursday, February 28; 8:30am-3:00pm. Across from the new high school; 400 Ann St. Before donating, each donor receives a mini-physical, consisting of a blood pressure and iron level check, temperature and pulse evaluation. Following the donation, donors will receive information in the mail regarding their blood type and overall cholesterol level. Donors must present identification. Anyone 17 years of age weighing at least 110 pounds and in good general health may donate blood. Donors should eat before and after their donation and drink plenty of fluids. Fasting is not recommended.

St. Mary Magdalene Fish Fry

The Cemetary Committee of St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church will sponsor a fish fry on Friday, Feb. 29 in the church parking lot. Tickets are \$5.00 and can be purchased at Wool and Mohair, from members of the Youth Group, or at the Church. For more information please call 563-9229. Proceeds from the sale will be used for maintenance and upkeep of our cemetery.

Tiger Band BBQ Plate Sale

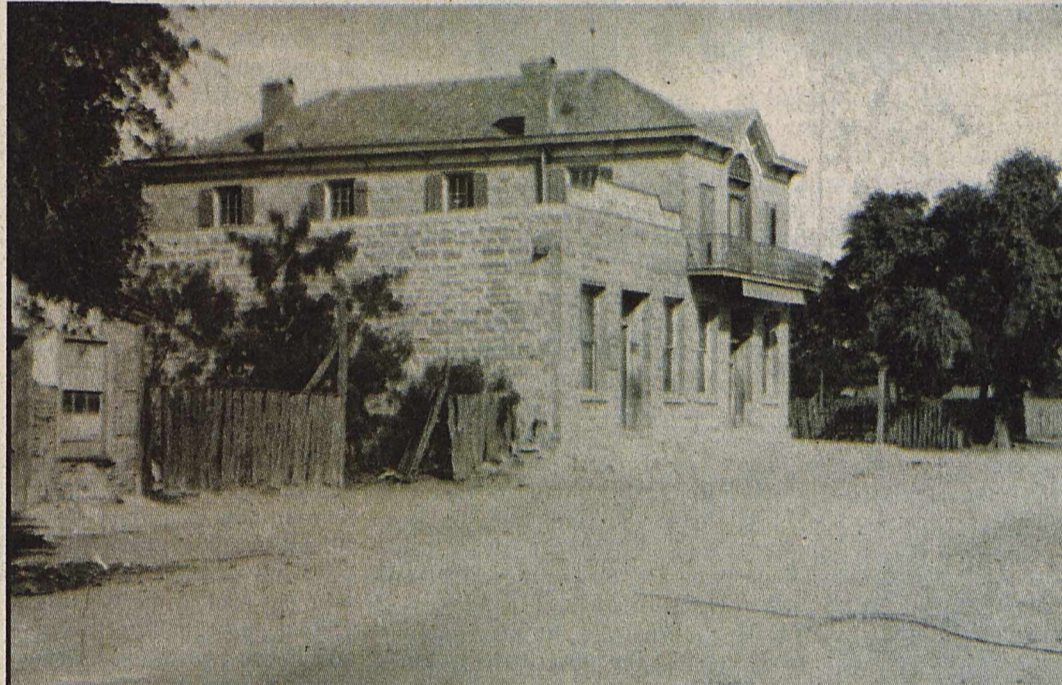
The Tiger Band is having a BBQ plate sale Sunday, March 9, 2008 from 11:00 am to 7. Tickets can be bought from any junior high or high school band student. Proceeds will go to the Band Booster and Band Students. For more information contact Mary Campos 563-7386 or Mr. Goodson 563-2491 Ext. 185.

5K Run/Walk set for Ft. Clark Festival 2008

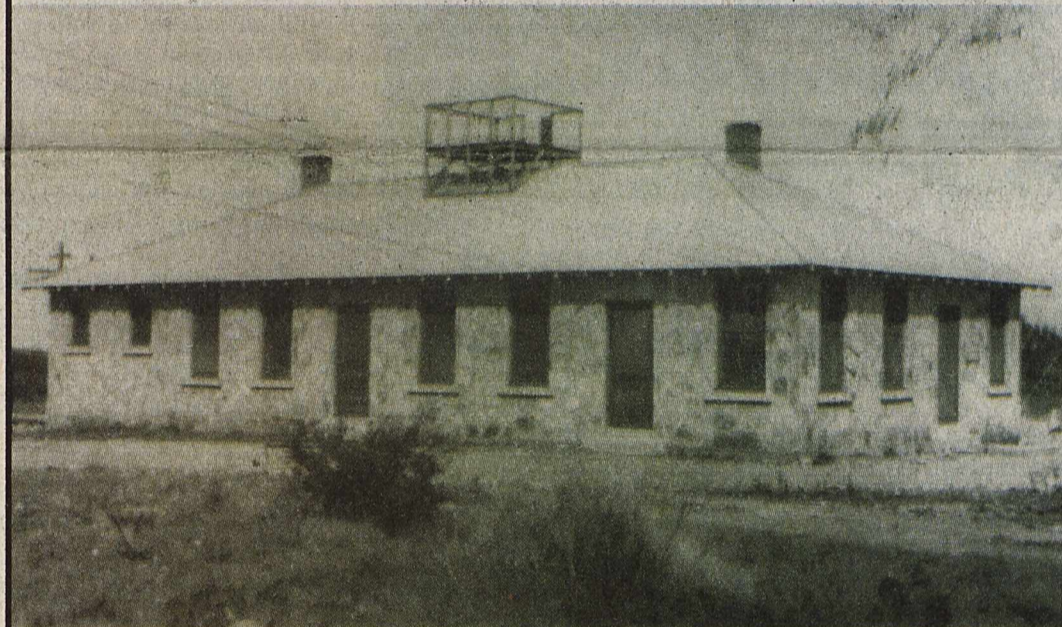
Fort Clark Springs Festival 2008 will feature the 7th Annual 5K Run/Walk and Children's Fun Run on Saturday, March 8th. Contact Judie Winchell at (830)563-9530 with any questions. Entry blanks are available at Fort Clark Administration Office, FCS Adult Center, Laughlin AFB, and at www.fortclark.com. Entries should be mailed to Fort Clark Springs 5K Run - c/o Judie Winchell - P. O. Box 1390, Brackettville, TX 78832.

Auditions set for Texas Star Talent Show

Auditions for the 2008 Texas Star Talent Show will be held at Fort Clark's Post Theater in Brackettville on Sunday, March 2nd at 2:00 p.m. The show will be part of the Fort Clark Springs Festival 2008 with finals on Saturday, March 8, 2:00 p.m., also at the Post Theater. The Deadline for Entry Forms is February 29, 2008. Forms should be sent to Helen Marie Jones, P. O. Box 1935, Brackettville, Texas 78832. Entry Forms are now available online at www.fort-clark.com, at all the local schools and by contacting Helen Marie Jones at 830-563-9492



1885 Partrick building



1931-1932 U.S. Army Signal Corps building

Local buildings added to Historical landmarks

By Allison Taylor
Managing Editor

Two Kinney County historic buildings were recently named official Texas Historical Landmarks.

In a press release provided

by Bill Haenn, Chairman of the Kinney County Historical Commission, two Kinney County properties have been designated by the Texas Historical Commission as Recorded Texas Historical Landmarks.

The Partrick Building, cur-

rently owned by Tim Ward, was selected as one of the historical landmarks.

This building, completed in 1885, by Dr. William R. Partrick, was once the W.R. Partrick Drug Store and Fancy Notions located in the east side of the first floor, a general store on the west side of the first floor and the Partrick Hotel on the second floor.

Partrick sold the building to R. Stratton and Co. in 1913, who owned two mercantile stores in Brackettville.

Ward has recently renovated the second story apartment and the first floor is home to the Brackettville Sunset Funeral Home.

The U.S. Army Signal Corps building, located adjacent to what is now Unit 23, served as the Communications Center for Fort Clark from 1932 until 1944.

This building was built beginning in 1931-1932 according to Ft. Clark, Texas General Plan, 1944.

An addition was built to accommodate living quarters for Signal Corps soldiers.

The building served as the communications center for a mere 12 years.

The unit today is a single family residence owned by William and Dorothy Olson.

Source information for this article provided by Bill Haenn.



UIL Band competition

Photo by Leigh Wolcsko

Three BISD High School students attended the Del Rio UIL Band Solo Competition all three girls scored a 1, the highest ranking score you can earn. Pictured from left, Band Director Charles Goodson, Ashley Stephenson, bass clarinet, Ashley Shadwick, alto saxophone and Miranda Letsinger, tenor saxophone.

Publishers PLOG

Free Speech is a winner

Letters to the editor always make me happy. I believe a letter to the editor reflects the community's concerns. It is the reader's opportunity to express themselves and have their opinions reach a great number of people in our town.

I even love the ones that rip a hole in the back of my proverbial favorite pants! I remember when we started this whole adventure and some women really got upset with the paper, and me personally, and wrote a few nasty letters to the editor. At first my feelings were hurt, but good judgment won out the letters were printed. Shortly thereafter strange things happened. Our sales went up. And I didn't even get in one of my ghetto-girl responses. I thought people will just have to think what they think and think they did...the readers supported the paper and even stepped up to my personal defense. But free speech won.

We want the community to know their opinions are valued here - even if they are in opposition to those our editorial staff has taken. You matter - even if you hurt our feelings. Free your speech.

Many people in Kinney County like to bash other people unmercifully, but its free speech. Let's bash the pastor-what's funny is you are bashing a pastor and you probably don't even go to church, but for the sake of bashing, lets bash. Lets bash my neighbor, you know those kids are just plain trouble. Let's bash the newspaper because they don't know anything and I do because I looked it up on the internet this afternoon. Get ready. Get set. Let's bash.

My point is that if you have opinions about the paper or an editorial - write a letter, sign it and turn it in! I know email is much easier and we get the best letters and story responses via email, but we cannot print them because our lawyer says we have to have an original signature. We've had some real doozies that never made the paper because when we asked for an original signature all we got were tumbleweeds blowing down Spring Street.

AGAIN, we think your opinion is valuable. Say what you gotta' say. TBN's PLOG-Paper Log is so popular because we say what most people are thinking. We even won a state level award for the PLOG! Did we invent something new in journalism? No. We just take turns saying what people are secretly thinking.

Just a little reminder...If you think you are getting one up on the paper and/or it's staff members by leading private smear campaigns, think again...I think its called the Hollywood factor. The more bad things you say about the paper, the more papers we sell. Your attempts to disparage our organization equals cash and jobs for at least four local people. Telling people we are stupid and misinformed only pays light bills, mortgages, gives two highschool interns money to buy burgers and puts money into at least seven little kid's college funds...And for that, all we can say is THANK YOU VERY MUCH! Bash on brother, exercise your right to free speech!

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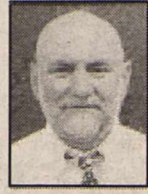
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Stress: Signs and Symptoms Cut your losses



Dr. Kent Lowery, D.C., FIAMA

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there are ways to minimize the impact stress has on your life.

When spinal bones lose their normal position and motion, there is interference to your body's natural state of good health. This can limit your ability to react or adapt to other stresses creating a condition called subluxation. Regular chiropractic care can treat these subluxations, increase your mobility, improve your mental attitude, and help restore your

body to its natural balance. Your chiropractor can also discuss various ways you can begin to manage stress effects in your life, including possible diet changes, exercises to target your specific stress, meditation or relaxation techniques. If stress is affecting your quality of life, please call Dr. Kent Lowery, D.C. at 563-6249 in Brackettville. Our clinic is located at #1 Mesquite Alley. We offer acupuncture and accept most insurances.



The Fly Lady Marla Cilley

We all make mistakes! This is a fact of living. So why do we beat ourselves up when we have made a bad choice.

I think it is because deep down inside we are doing what has been done to us all of our lives; punishing ourselves. This has got to stop.

Instead of admitting that we have made a bad choice we keep trying to make that decision work.

Maybe we should take a lesson from business and cut our losses and move on. Instead we keep trying to fix things to make them better. Clutter is clutter no matter what form it takes.

You can't organize clutter; you can only get rid of it! I want your home to be filled with things that make you smile.

Our lives are too short to continually deal with that pink elephant in the living room. One time a dear friend was moving from a home where she had lived twenty-seven years.

It was hard for her to let go of things. Eventually she came up with a plan.

If she had any doubt about whether something should be packed; she would set it in the main path to the truck. On the first day she would gingerly walk around the item.

The next day she pushed it aside and if on the third day she kicked it; it when to the curb.

This showed her that she really didn't love it as much as she had originally thought she had.

We can decorate that pink elephant but it is still a pink elephant. It is sucking the life right out of you.

You spend your whole day doing your best to make it fit. God knows we don't want to admit that we made the mistake of bringing that pink elephant home in the first place; that we wasted money and worst of all our time.

We just keep plodding along; hoping that the pink elephant will not get mad and become the bull in the china shop.

The sad part is that it already has. Just being in your living room it is destroying the most important thing in your home and that is you!

Many years ago I had a diseased gallbladder. I was sick all the time. This gallbladder was toxic to me. Once it was removed I was able to get on with my life.

Relationships can be like this too. We have all had people in our lives who suck the life right out of us.

You may be with someone right now that is toxic to you. You may have a friend that uses you to make themselves feel superior.

You may be struggling with an abuse situation that you hope and pray will get better.

They don't get better. They get worse. This abuse can mean a lot of things: physical, emotional, sexual, drug, alcohol and financial.

It is time to cut your losses and strap on your wings to FLY; Finally Loving Yourself. For when you are FLYing, you realize when something is clutter in your life.

As nurturers we really do want to help everyone but in the end, we can only help ourselves. This is not a selfish attitude.

It is all about self preservation. This type of clutter is going to destroy your spirit.

Accept that you made a mistake! Forgive yourself and cut your losses by decluttering.

In business if you lose a nickel on everything you sell and you sell a million of them; you are losing a million nickels. Stop the blood-letting!

When changing jobs, don't shortchange your 401(k)



Emily Cooper

Your 401(k) plan can be a major source of your retirement savings. As you know, your 401(k) offers several different investment options and the chance to accumulate tax-deferred earnings. But what will happen to your 401(k) if you leave your job before you retire? You've got several choices - and it's really important that you make the right one, because your decision can have a major impact on your retirement lifestyle.

What are the main options regarding your 401(k)? Let's take a look.

You could cash out your plan. If you need the money, liquidating your plan is an option. Caution: if you cash out, your company will likely pay you 80 percent of your account value, withholding the rest for federal taxes. And if you're younger than 59-1/2, you may well be slapped with a 10 percent tax

penalty. Even worse, you'll have lost a key source of your retirement income. Avoiding this option has its benefits.

You could leave the money in your company's plan. Not all companies offer this option, but many of them do. If you like the investment options available in your plan, then leaving the money alone may not be a bad idea. On the other hand, since you will no longer be employed by the company, you might fall "out of the loop" as far as 401(k) plan administration, so you might be caught by surprise if the company decides to change investment options.

You could move the money into your new employer's plan. If your new employer has a 401(k), and allows transfers, you could roll the money over from your old plan to the new one. This might be an attractive option if you like the investment accounts offered in your new employer's plan.

You could roll the money over to an IRA. You may find several advantages to rolling your 401(k) over to an IRA. First, your money can continue the potential to grow on a tax-deferred basis. Second, you can invest your funds in virtually any investment you choose -

stocks, bonds, government securities, Certificates of Deposit, etc. Third, if you have more than one 401(k) account going, you could find it advantageous to consolidate them into a single IRA, thereby making it easier to allocate and monitor your retirement assets. And fourth, IRAs give you greater flexibility if you're planning on passing money to your children. In fact, if your children inherit an IRA, they can stretch withdrawals over a long period of time - over their entire life spans, if they choose - rather than take the money as a lump sum. Obviously, this ability can help them control their taxes and their income streams.

If you do decide to move your 401(k) to an IRA, make sure to request a "trustee-to-trustee" transfer.

The money will then be moved directly to an IRA, minimizing the risk of mistakes and keeping your money invested the entire time.

Before making any moves with your 401(k), consult with your tax and financial advisors. By choosing the right path for your individual needs, you'll help yourself on your long-term journey toward your important financial goals.

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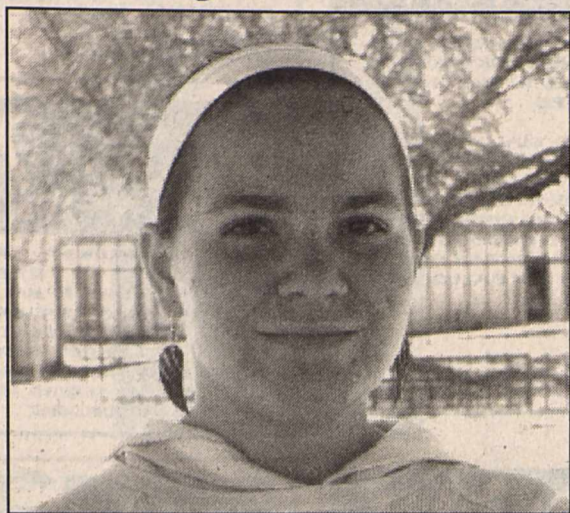
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BHS SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

Class of 2008



Ashley Stephenson

Name: Ashley Stephenson
Parents: Patrick and Robin Stephenson
Siblings: Micheal Stephenson
What Are Your Plans After Graduation?: Go to Angelo State University, major in pre-veterinary.
What Teacher Influenced You The Most?: Mrs. Crumley
What do you think you will miss the most after you graduate?: My friends in the lower grades



Jolisa Wright

Name: Jolisa Keandres Wright
Parents: Beverly Wright and Joe Kelly
Siblings: Dorothy, Earl, Latoya, Shonte and Justin
What Are Your Plans After Graduation?: I plan to go to the Junior College in Uvalde for the first year then transfer to Angelo State University where I have already been accepted to and plan to major in Child Development and Public Relations
What Teacher Influenced You The Most?: The teacher that influence me the most would have to be Mrs. Ballew. I may not have her as a teacher this year, but she is the one that pushed me and also believed in me when I needed to take the TAKS test over again. Now I can say I'm a senior. Thank you Mrs. Ballew
What do you think you will miss the most after you graduate?: I'm going to miss coming to school with all my fellow classmates that I have known since Headstart. But I am going to miss my family the most. Good Luck to the Class of 2008!!

Tigerettes win 3rd at Dilley tournament

Submitted by Coach Lindsey Kunz

The Brackett Tigerettes competed in the Dilley Softball Tournament on February 14-16, 2008. The Tigerettes earned third place honors at the tournament.

On Thursday, Feb. 14 the girls lost to Devine 8-0 and won against Cotulla 14-2.

Friday, Feb. 15 the Tigerettes defeated Carrizo Springs in a close game 4-3.

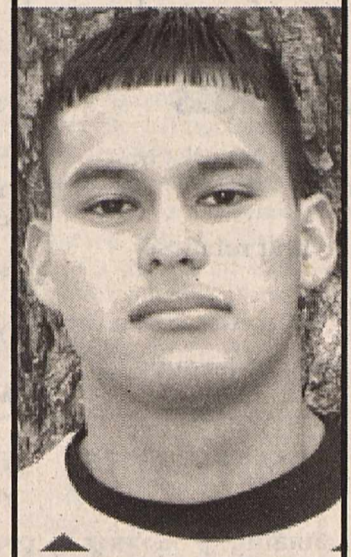
The last day of the tournament Saturday, Feb. 16 defeated Lytle 9-4 and Crystal City 6-4 to take 3rd place for the tournament.

Sophomore Nena Molinar and Senior Julie Castillo were chosen All-Tournament.

Brackett Softball 2008 Schedule

Feb. 14-16, Dilley Tournament @ Dilley, TBA. **Feb. 23 (Sat.)** San Marcos Tourney @ San Marcos, TBA. **Feb. 26 (Tues)** vs. Hondo (JV/V) @ Brackett 5/7 pm. **Feb. 29 (Fri)** vs. D'Hanis @ D'Hanis 6pm. **March 4 (Tues)** vs. Natalia @ Brackett 6pm. **March 7 (Fri)** vs. Junction (JV/V) @ Junction 4/6 pm. **March 11 (Tues)** vs. Dilley (JV/V) @ Brackett 4/6 pm. **March 18 (Tues)** vs. Carrizo Springs @ Carrizo Springs 6pm. **March 20 (Thurs)** vs. Center Point (JV/V) @ Brackett 1/3 pm. **March 24 (Mon)** vs. Sabinal (District) @ Brackett 6pm. **March 28 (Fri)** vs. Charlotte (District) @ Brackett 6pm. **April 4 (Fri)** vs. Sabinal (District) @ Brackett 6pm. **April 7 (Mon)** vs. LaPryor (District) @ Brackett 6pm. **April 11 (Fri)** vs. Charlotte @ Charlotte 4pm. **April 15 (Tues)** vs. LaPryor @ LaPryor 6pm. **April 18 (Fri)** vs. Center Point @ Center Point 6pm.

Pinales placed on UTSA Honor Roll



TBN File Photo

Former Tiger, Ivan Pinales was placed on the The University of Texas at San Antonio 2007 fall semester honor roll. Pinales, son of Arnold and Rosario Pinales of Brackettville, is currently attending UTSA and qualified for the honor roll for achieving a GPA between 3.5 and 3.75.

Music Students Compete at Festival

Submitted by Lynn McNew

The music students of Lynn McNew participated in a Texas Federation of Music Clubs Junior Festival in Kerrville, TX on Saturday, February 2, 2008. Of the eleven students performing, ten received Superior (I) rating and one received Excellent (II) rating. Those receiving a Superior rating qualify to compete in State Festival on May 17, in San Marcos, TX. Piano students playing in the Festival included: Justin Hidalgo, Haley Pearson, Madison Kooztz, Erica Loftus, Zachary Bowers, Abby Gutierrez, Daniel Loftus, Adrienne Loftus and Rachel Loftus. Voice students participating were Gage Brown and Shelby Schuster.

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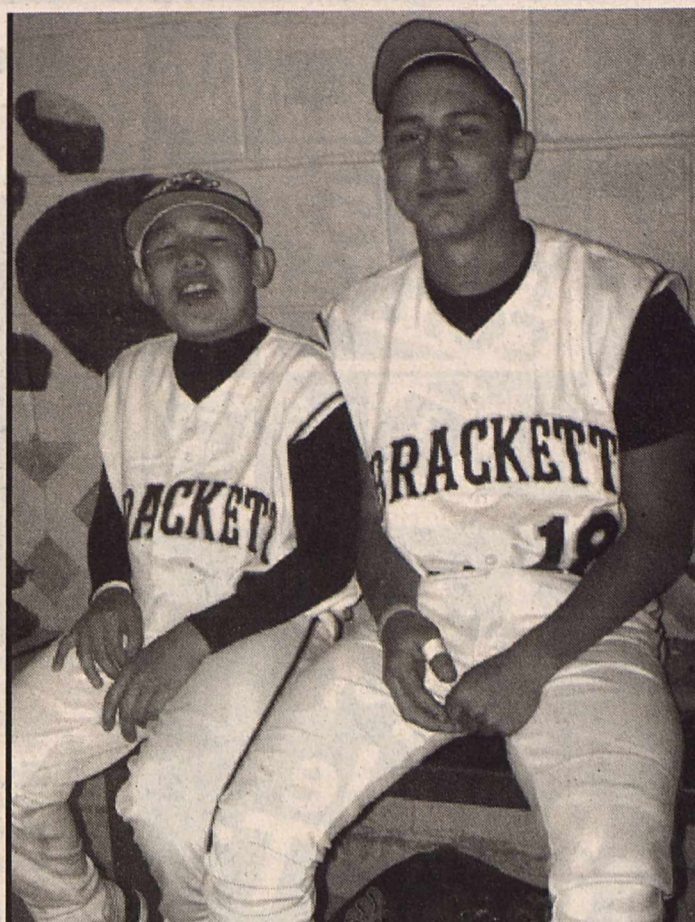
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Tuff Stuff

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Teammates Mikey Flores and Sam Stewart hanging out in the dugout during the scrimmage against Natalia.

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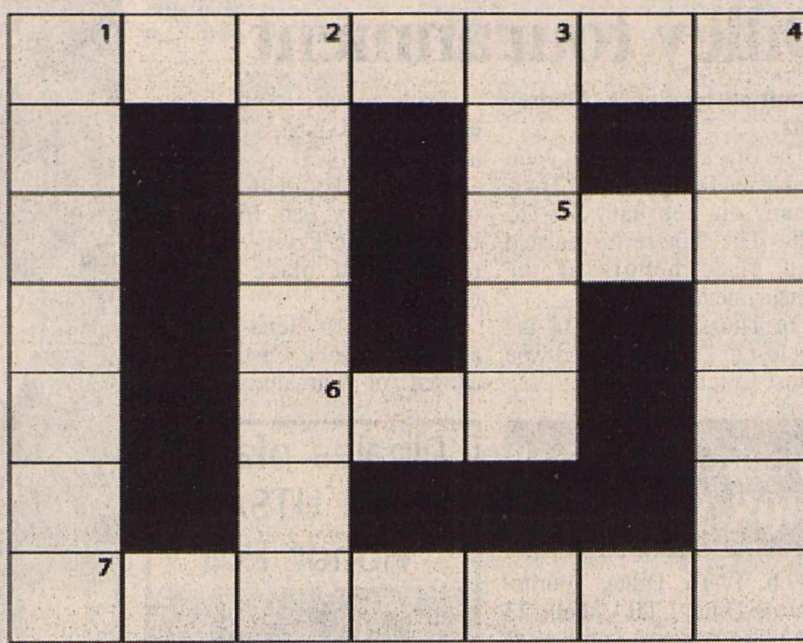
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- 7. Touching or pushing

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- 1. Sustained show of appreciation from a crowd
- 2. Found position of
- 3. Off center
- 4. Making vocal sounds

ANSWERS
 Across 1. Orleans 5. Kin 6. Tow 7. Nudging
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ORDEN DE ELECCION PARA OTRA SUBDIVISION POLITICA

Por la presente se ordena que se llevará a cabo una elección el 10 de mayo, 2008 con el propósito de: ELECCION DE LA MESA DIRECTIVA (fecha)

La votación adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en BISD auditorio, 400 N Ann Street (sitio)

entre las 8:00 de la mañana y las 4:00 de la tarde empezando el 28 de abril, 2008 y terminando el 6 de mayo, 2008 (fecha)

Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán enviarse a: SUSAN ESPARZA (Nombre del Secretario(a) de Votación Adelantada)

BISD, PO Box 586 (Dirección)
Brackettville, TX 78832 (Ciudad) (Zona Postal)

Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán recibirse para el fin de las horas de las horas de negocio el 2 de mayo, 2008 (fecha)

La votación adelantada además se llevará a cabo de tal manera.

Sitio	Fecha	Horas

Emitida este día 11 de Febrero 2008

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ORDER OF ELECTION FOR OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS

An election is hereby ordered to be held on MAY 10, 2008 for the purpose of: SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTION (date)

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at the BISD High School Auditorium, 400 N. Ann Street (location)

between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. beginning on APRIL 28, 2008 and ending on MAY 6, 2008 (date)

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to: SUSAN ESPARZA (Name of Early Voting Clerk)

BISD, PO Box 586 (Address)
Brackettville, TX 78832 (City) (Zip Code)

Applications for ballot by mail must be received no later than the close of business on MAY 2, 2008 (date)

Additional early voting will be held as follows:

Location	Date	Hours

Issued this the 11th day of FEBRUARY 2008

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Jo Anne Walker Hawkins

November 28, 1938 - February 11, 2008



Jo Anne Walker Hawkins of Austin passed away Monday, February 11, following an illness of a little over three years. During that time she exhibited her usual bravery, determination, thoughtfulness, and humor. In her struggle she was encouraged by her family, her many friends, her co-workers at UT Austin, and fellows at St. John Neuman Church in West Lake Hills. She received care from the staffs of M. D. Anderson Hospital, Houston; Texas Oncology, Austin; and Austin Hospice and Christopher House.

A fifth generation Texan, Jo Anne was born in El Paso on November 28, 1938 to Nell Sergeant Walker, who survives her, and Fred Hewlett Walker who preceded her in death. She is survived by her husband of 47 years, Dan Hawkins, whom she met in Art School at UT; their daughter Laura and her husband Dr. Joachim Grevel of Geneva, Switzerland and their children Walker, Carl, and Witiko and Ines Grevel; their son Fred Walker Hawkins and his wife Laura Beth of Ann Arbor, Michigan and their children Jennifer, Elizabeth, Emily, and Elijah; and by their daughter Dr. Wendy Hawkins and her husband Dr. Avrim Fishkind of Houston and their children Max and Julia.

She attended schools in College Station, Texas where her father was with Texas A&M. In 1956 she graduated from Texas A&M Consolidated High School as Salutatorian. She graduated Summa Cum Laude from the University of Texas at Austin with a Bachelor of Science in Art in 1960 whereupon her father sent her on a grand tour of Britain and Europe during which she visited her cousins the Hewlett family of Kent.

She was a member of Delta Gamma Sorority. In 1966 she graduated with a Master of Library Science, UT Austin and in 1967 began employment with the University of Texas Libraries. In 1987 she completed her Master of Public Administration at the Lyndon Baines Johnson School of Public Affairs.

Jo Anne completed 40 years with the UT Libraries in 2007 as Senior Associate Director for Public Services. During her career she administered numerous departments and served as head of the Perry-Castaneda Library. She was active in the American Library Association, the Texas Library Association, and president of its Austin chapter 1987-89, and co-chaired its 1998 annual conference in San Antonio in which Laura Bush, then First Lady of Texas participated; and the Society of University of Texas Librarians of which she was president in 1974. She received many awards throughout her career including the Library Excellence Award and was named a Distinguished Graduate of the School of Library and Information Science, both in 1983.

During her tenure, the UT Library System rose in esteem internationally to be considered to rank among a handful of the greatest libraries in the world, including the Library of Congress, the Harvard Library, the French Biblioteque Nationale, and the British Library. Jo Anne was a consultant to the British Library in electronic modernization when it was moved to its new facilities. She also was consultant to the vast New York City Public Library. Such was the renown of the UT Libraries prodigious acquisitions that when a group of international librarians was entering the Bodleian Library at Oxford University, a librarian from Harvard was heard to quip, "If Jo Anne likes it she'll write a requisition for it and ship it back to Texas".

In her spare time, Jo Anne enjoyed painting, playing with her nine grandchildren, and spending time with family at their ranch near Comstock, Texas.

A memorial service is scheduled for Saturday, February 23, 10:30 a.m. at St. John Neumann Church, 5455 Bee Caves Road, Austin.

In lieu of flowers one may send a donation to: The University of Texas Austin, Library Fund, Box P, Austin, Texas, 78713.

Critical habitat proposed for threatened Devils River Minnow

Submitted By The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has reopened its comment period on the proposed designation of critical habitat for the rare Devils River minnow found in streams in Val Verde and Kinney Counties. An economic analysis has been drafted and is now available for public review.

A meeting to discuss the critical habitat designation and its supporting documents has been scheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 27 in Del Rio at the Kennedy Room, Del Rio Civic Center, 1915 Veterans Blvd. The meeting begins with an informational session from 6 to 7 p.m. and the public hearing runs from 7 to 8 p.m. The draft economic analysis estimates the costs of federal agencies consulting on minnow conservation efforts in the proposed designated areas to be less than \$30,000 annually. The document is available at <http://www.fws.gov/southwest/es/AustinTexas/> or by calling 512-490-0057, ext. 237.

The public is welcome to com-

ment on the agency draft documents either at the hearing, via the internet or by mail. For electronic submission, follow the instructions for submitting comments at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Comments may be mailed to Public Comments Processing, Attn: RIN 1018-AV25; Division of Policy and Directives Management; U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Suite 222; Arlington, VA 22203. The deadline for all comments is March 10.

When specifying an area as critical habitat, the Endangered Species Act requires the Service to consider economic and other relevant impacts of the designation. If the benefits of excluding an area outweigh the benefits of designating it, the Secretary of the Interior may exclude an area from critical habitat, unless that would jeopardize the existence of a threatened or endangered species. Critical habitat is a term in the Endangered Species Act that identifies geographic areas containing features essential for the conservation of a threatened or endan-

gered species, and which may require special management considerations or protection. Designation of critical habitat does not affect land ownership, establish a refuge or preserve and has no impact on private landowners taking actions on their land that do not require federal funding or permits.

The Service proposes designating 47.5 miles of rivers and streams as critical habitat for the species. The stream segments being proposed for critical habitat designation are largely rural within privately owned ranches, except for the portions of San Felipe Creek (owned by the City of Del Rio and local private entities), and a small segment of the Devils River within the Devils River State Natural Area (owned by the State of Texas and managed by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department).

The Devils River minnow is a small fish (usually less than three inches) with hatched markings along its sides and lateral line that extends through the upper lip. The species only lives in spring-fed streams of the western Edwards Plateau in Texas

that are tributary to the Rio Grande. The species requires perennial streams of clean flowing water where they inhabit shallow areas with moderate to swift currents. They use gravel bottoms to deposit their eggs for spawning and are most often found in association with aquatic vegetation, presumably for cover to avoid predators.

The species did occur in two other streams in Kinney County: Las Moras Creek (where it has not been found since the 1950s) and Sycamore Creek (where it has not been found since 1989). The mission of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is working with others to conserve, protect and enhance fish, wildlife, plants and their habitats for the continuing benefit of the American people. We are both a leader and trusted partner in fish and wildlife conservation, known for our scientific excellence, stewardship of lands and natural resources, dedicated professionals and commitment to public service. For more information on our work and the people who make it happen, visit www.fws.gov.

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ORDER OF ELECTION

An election is hereby ordered to be held on May 10, 2008 for purpose of the election of Mayor, Alderperson Place 2, Alderperson Place 4, and Alderperson Place 5. Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at Brackett ISD Auditorium between the hours of 8:00a.m. and 4:00 p.m. beginning April 28th, 2008 and ending May 6th, 2008. *05/10/08 & 05/11/08* - hours 8:00a.m. - 8:00p.m.

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:

Sandra Rivas, Early Voting Clerk
P.O. Box 526
Brackettville, Tx 78832

Applications for ballot by mail must be received no later than the close of business on May 6th, 2008.

Issued this the 12 day of February, 2008.

Eduardo Esperza
Mayor Eduardo Esperza
Signature of Presiding Officer

ORDEN DE ELECCION

Por la presente se ordena que se llevara a cabo una eleccion el 10 de mayo, 2008 con el proposito de: eleccion de Mayor, Alderperson Place 2, Alderperson Place 4, and Alderperson Place 5. La votacion en adelantada en persona se llevara a cabo de lunes a viernes en el edificio Brackett ISD Auditorium entre las 8:00 de la manana y las 4:00 de la tarde empezando el 28 de Abril, 2008 y terminando el 6 de Mayo, 2007. *05/10/08 & 05/11/08* - horas 8:00a.m. - 8:00p.m.

La votacion en adelantada ademas se llevara a cabo de tal manera: La solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan enviarse a:

Sandra Rivas, Early voting Clerk
P.O. Box 526
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Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en adelantada por correo deberan recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el 6 de Mayo, 2008.

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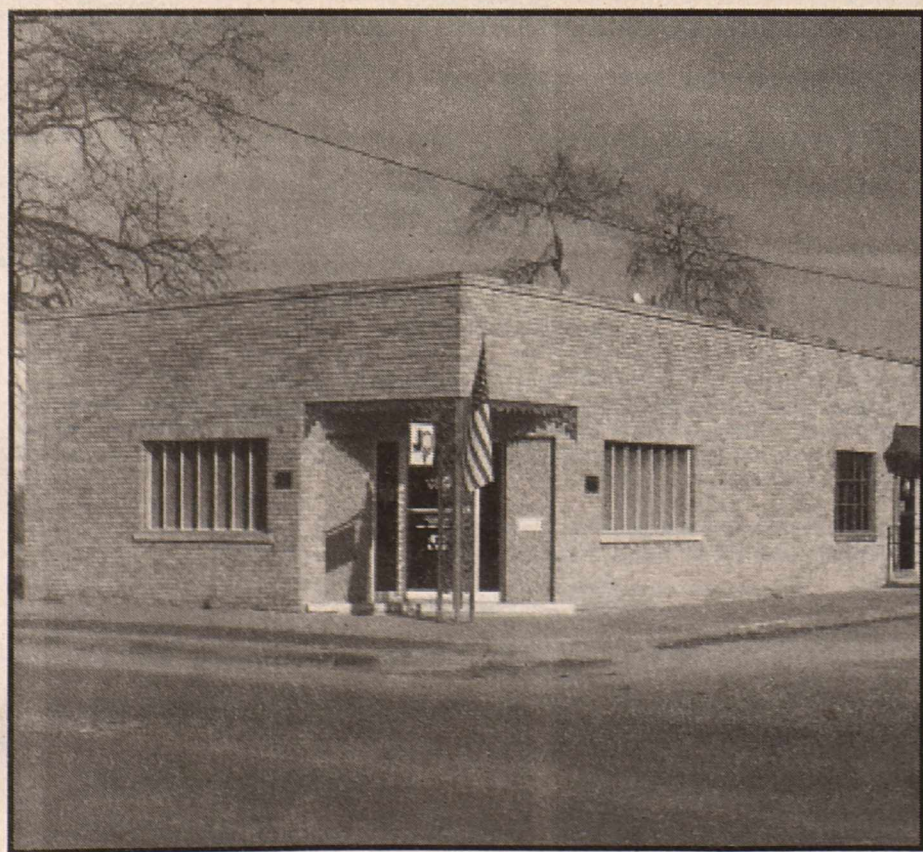
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Classified Market

Bids

THE CITY OF BRACKETTVILLE is now accepting bids for a CPA to perform an annual audit. Please remit all bids to the City of Brackettville, PO Box 526, Brackettville, Texas 78832 or call 830-563-2412.

Business Services

NEED HOME REPAIRS? Drywall, painting and remodeling. Tile work, concrete work, roofing and much more. Please call (830) 563-5351.

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KINNEY COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY is accepting applications for a full time position as Assistant Librarian. Applicant must be willing to work evenings & Saturdays. Have good communication skills and computer knowledge. Applications are available at the Public Library, Kinney County is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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Ann Street, or request by mail, Brackettville, TX 78832. For information/job description, call Central Office at (830) 563-2491. Fax (830) 563-9264. Applications accepted until position is filled. Direct inquiries to Melanie Jones, Special Education Director. Brackett ISD is an equal opportunity employer.

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For Rent

RV SITE FOR RENT on small ranch N.W. of Brackettville Call 563-2291

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2005 5TH WHEEL Titanium. 33ft. Like new. Call 563-9022 or come by at the Ft. Clark springs RV Park.

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MISSING A DOG? Dog found on local ranch. Contact 563-2224.

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HOUSE ON 213 W. VELTMAN (Lot 8 Block 61) 3BR/1B \$50,000. Owner finance with 10% down. 830-765-8135.

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LOST DOG, white w/black spots. Please call 830-275-2434. Reward offered

Public Hearing

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING: The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is seeking public comments on a proposed rule and draft economic analysis regarding a proposal to designate critical habitat for the threatened Devils River minnow in Val Verde and Kinney counties, Texas. The economic analysis evaluates the costs associated with the proposed critical habitat. The Service is also reopening the comment period for

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Public Hearing

the proposed rule and announcing an upcoming public hearing on the proposal. A copy of the proposed rule, the draft economic analysis, and related information is available online at: <http://www.fws.gov/southwest/es/AustinTexas/>. We will hold a public hearing on February 27, 2008, in Del Rio, Texas, in the Kennedy Room, Del Rio Civic Center, 1915 Veterans Blvd. An informal information session will be held from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm and the public hearing will begin at 7:00 pm. Comments may be submitted until March 10, 2008, at: <http://www.regulations.gov>, or by U.S. mail or hand-delivery to: Public Comments Processing, Attn: RIN 1018-AV25; DDPDM; USFWS; 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Suite 222; Arlington, VA 22203. For more information or to obtain documents by mail, please contact Nathan Allan at (512) 490-0057, ext. 237, or Nathan Allan@fws.gov.

Yard Sale

SAT., FEB. 23, 8:00-7:15 house on the right on Airport Rd. #5. Twin beds, TV, knick-knacks, clothing, etc.

YOUR HOROSCOPE

ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20 Aries, your idea to fund a venture file a void that you've been trying to fill for a while. However, use caution and take it slow when making big decisions. TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21 Taurus, it's hard to resist friends, especially when they approach you with a "can't-miss" plan. Use your better judgement before you get in over your head. GEMINI - May 22/June 21 Strange conversations with a family member put you on guard. Gemini. Unfortunately, you can't focus on much other than those words. Tuesday is enlightening. CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22 This week will make for busy travel. Cancer. It's much more than just the typical work commute. Think about spending more time in the comfort of home. LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23 Leo, there are a lot of elements in the universe intent on getting in your path. Suit up for the real-life video game that will be your life for the next week. VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22 Try to show compassion when news is brought to light. Virgo, even if you know the person at the center has acted poorly. Now is not the time to say, "I told you so." LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23 In a rush to get out of work one day, Libra, miscommunication may occur. You could be in the dog house for a few days because of these actions. ROMANCE is eclipsed by work. SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22 Unexpected expenses are par for the course this week. Scorpio. Fortunately, you've had that "rainy day" fund set aside for some time now. SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21 Let sleeping dogs lie, Sagittarius. You don't want to get involved in something this week that will pull you in and trap you for a while. Travel sounds like a great idea. CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20 Capricorn, this week you may disclose something personal that you never had intended. You'll have to live with the consequences for more time than you think. AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18 Aquarius, while others around you seem down and out, you're a beacon of fresh air and optimism. Don't let others bring you down as you enjoy these days. PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20 Get creative with recreational ideas. Pisces. The funds aren't there for a grand escape, but you can still have fun.

Tejas Properties

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 New Listing: Unit 15- 2BR/2B, fully furnished, carport, storage shed, well maintained! Only \$36,000.
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 181 Bowlegs- REDUCED- 3/2 home, custom upgrades, sunroom addition.
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 PRICE SLASHED- Unit 34 - Custom built home with 1,100 +/- sq ft., covered RV parking & large workshop - Now \$69,900
 Unit 1 -3/2, 1,948 +/- sq ft., overlook Las Moras Creek, peaceful & quiet setting.
 Unit 15 - Furnished 3/2 MH, screened porch, great winter home or rental!
 N. Ellen -A MUST SEE! 3/2 brick home, many upgrades, REDUCED!
 Remote Alley - cute 2/1 home \$25,000
 Established business includes property & inventory, no competition!
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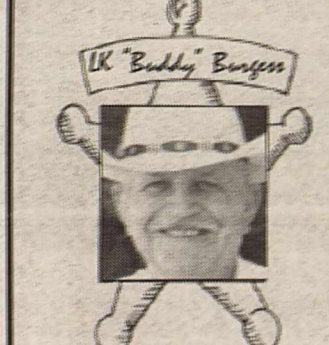
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BEAUTIFUL, LARGE HISTORIC rock home. Approx. 3,400 sq.ft. This property now includes a 900 sq.ft. guesthouse plus shop Great peaceful location on Calvary Trail culdesac. Great location! REDUCED \$ 230,000 for both properties
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 UNIT 35: Warm and welcoming manufactured home has 4BR/3B. Features: Open floor plan, fireplace, extra built-ins in kitchen, backyard deck w/hot tub, 2 storage rooms and sprinkler system. 1848 sq. ft.
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 BEVERAGE BARN, HWY 90 frontage, walk in cooler, ice machines, office equipment included.
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Kinney County Sheriff's Report



Saturday, February 9

9:44 am A possible fire was reported.
 1:11 pm A 911 caller reported a possible fire. A deputy was dispatched to the location on Hwy 131 and spoke with the individual and it was the wrong location. The deputy was then en route to Hwy 343. The BrackettVFD were informed and dispatched.
 2:38 pm A 911 caller reported his parked truck almost being hit and already hit his barbecue pit. The suspects vehicle was a red 4x Chevy pickup. He requested a deputy.
 5:12 pm A report local woman reported someone trespassing on her property. A deputy was informed.
 10:45 pm A caller reported a possible hit and run. The caller was not able to positively identify a suspect. A deputy was dispatched. No injuries were reported.

Sunday, February 10

4:30 pm A man reported someone trespassing at his residence, he reported knowing the individual and said he was going to shoot him. The caller then reneged on the comment about shooting the individual and was only joking. The caller was advised the comment was not called for and not to call and play around like that. The caller then apologized and reported someone was messing around with his fence. A deputy was dispatched.
 9:15 pm Logan Wayne Solomon, 26, of Del Rio was arrested by a warrant out of Bastrop County. Solomon was

still being held at press time.
Monday, February 11
 2:30 am Border Patrol checkpoint reported a brush fire on Hwy 277. The ranch hand reported the fire was getting close to the houses. The Brackett Volunteer Fire Dept. was paged three times and there were no response. The Val Verde Fire Department was then contacted. The fire was later reported under control and aide was cancelled.
 12:25 am Kevin Wayne Cummings, 63, of Brackettville was arrested for possession of less than 2 oz. marijuana. Cummings was released the same day on a \$1,200 bond.
 4:21 pm A 911 caller reported a known woman going to Sweeny St. The known woman was reported taking her daughter to fight with another known woman. The girls did hit each other. A deputy was en route to the location.
Tuesday, February 12
 11:26 am Jorge Lupe Ramirez Jr., 46, of Del Rio was arrested for failure to stop and render aid. Ramirez was released the same day on a \$800 PR bond per Judge Lee.
 12:21 pm A local woman reported "kids" acting strangely on Rose Ally. A deputy was notified.
 9:30 pm Jason Ray Rotge, 22, of Mountain Home, TX was arrested for possession of less than 2 oz. marijuana Rotge was released the following day on a \$1,200 bond.
 7:40 pm A concerned motorist reported a person walking Hwy 90 east and it was dark and the individual could be hit by traffic. A deputy transported the individual to the county line.
Wednesday, February 13
 Juan Antonio De Leon, 48, of Brackettville is serving time for a previous offense.
 2:14 pm A caller reported a fire at the intersection of Hwy 90 and 1572. The Brackett VFD were informed.
Saturday, February 16
 Roberto Aguirre, 55, of Brackettville is serving time for a previous offense and has completed his time as of February 17, 2008.
 10:21 pm A Fort Clark employee reported individuals in a

white pickup truck egged a vehicle of one of Ft. Clark members.
Sunday, February 17
 1:45 am A local woman reported a vehicle hit a telephone pole by her house. A deputy was informed.
 9:16 am A 911 caller reported her trailer house was broken into and the inside was destroyed and a hole was made in one of the walls. A deputy was notified and en route.
 3:00 pm A woman reported returning home to her ranch on Hwy 334 and by the Nueces River crossing she saw a gray pickup truck off to the side of the road with their flashers on. The woman stopped to check on the individual and reported the man in the truck appeared to be nervous and wanted her to leave. A deputy was notified.
 6:20 pm A caller reported "kids" driving fast on four wheelers on E. Louise St. A deputy was notified.
 8:20 pm A caller traveling on Hwy 90 reported a car broken down on the side of the road. A deputy was advised and en route.
Monday, February 18
 2:09 am A vehicle rollover was reported in Spofford Hwy 131. A deputy, DPS, and EMS were dispatched to the scene. The two individuals refused medical attention.
 7:05 pm A 911 caller reported a large brush fire approximately a mile west of the Maverick County line. The caller also reported seeing illegals in the area. The Brackett VFD was dispatched and Maverick County was notified. The fire was in Maverick County, all Brackettville units were disregarded and returned to the station.
 8:55 pm A caller reported two females and one male breaking bottles on the basketball courts on Ellen. St. A deputy was dispatched.
Tuesday, February 19
 12:42 am A local woman reported someone knocking on her door and she did not want that individual at her house, yet did not know who was at her door. A deputy was notified and en route.

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Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

Here's How It Works:
 Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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ANSWER

Photo Contest



Cold Hard News

SSgt Kyle Partlow, pictured at left, in Antarctica submitted this year's winning photo for the "Greatest Distance From Brackettville".

In Greenland

SSgt Kyle Partlow, pictured again below, submitted a second photo while on duty in Greenland.



In Germany....

Pictured below, Jerry Weber, Marian Weber, Pat Nelson and Hoagy Nelson, all of Fort Clark Springs, are posing in front of the summer palace of "The Mad King" Ludwig II in Obermergau, Germany. The four toured across Germany, Austria, Liechtenstein and Switzerland in a rental car!



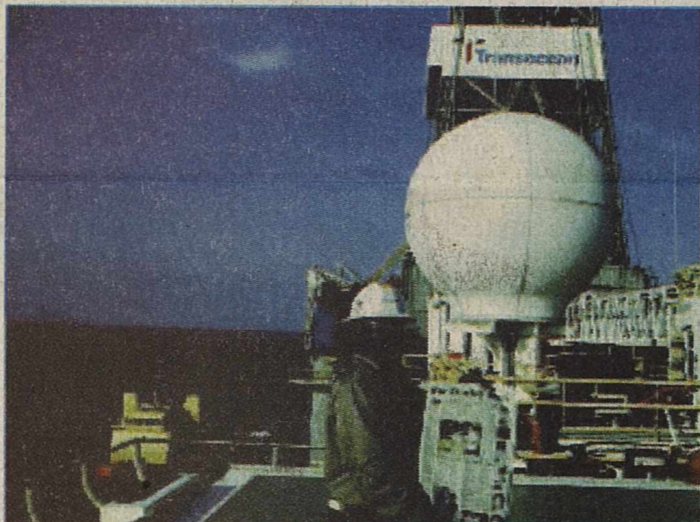
Monumental News....

At left, Justin Hidalgo, of Brackettville, takes the News on a road trip to Washington, D.C. Hidalgo was visiting friends and family on the Eastcoast with his mother, Pat.



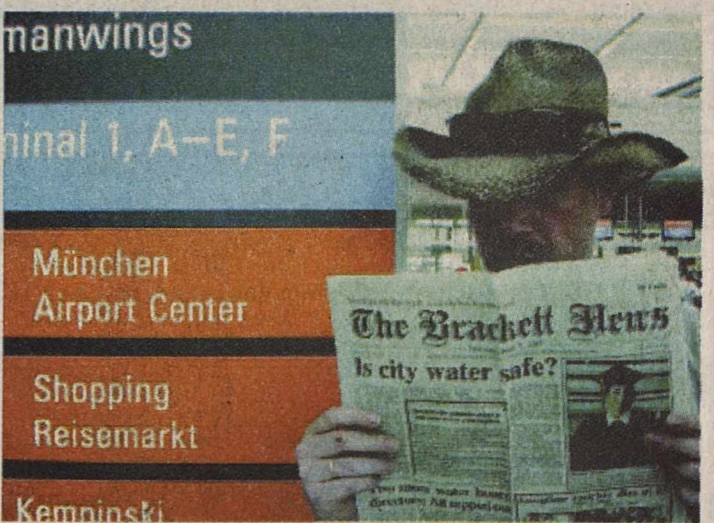
On the high seas....

Below, Demitrius Williams, of Brackettville, takes the News a little deeper than most. Williams displays the paper while working on the TransOceanDrillship Discovery DeepSeas in 8,000 feet of water, 150 miles into the Gulf of Mexico.



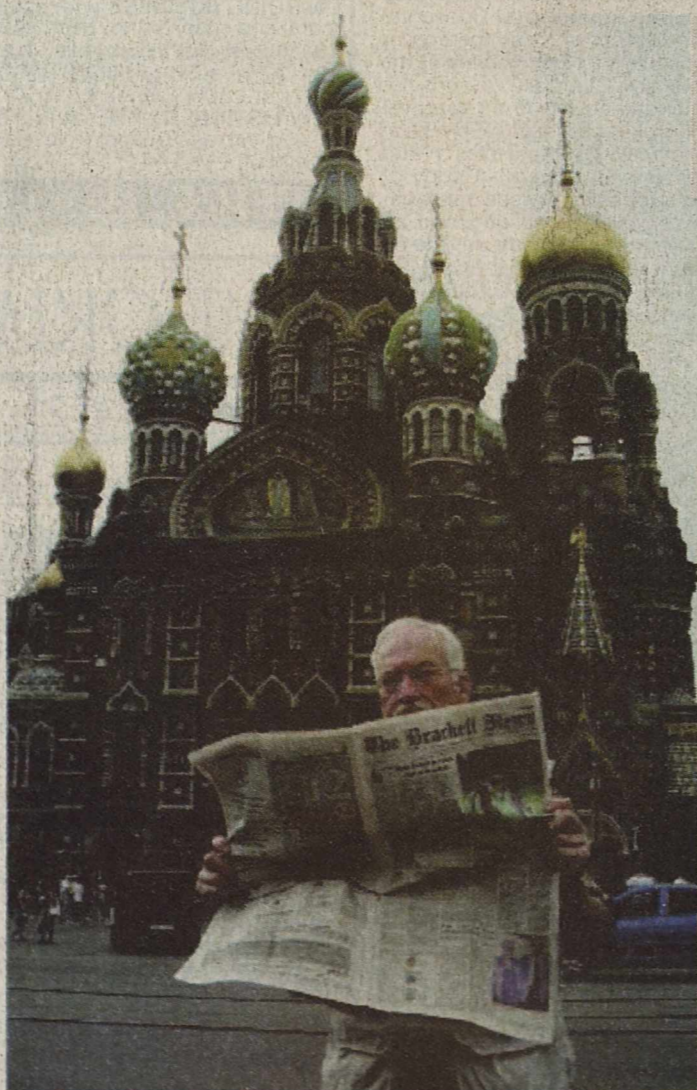
Germans love TBN....

Simon Schorstadt, below, waits for his flight home at the Munich Airport after a visit with family in Brackettville.



Did you say Mickey?...

Below, Darius Herrera, of Brackettville, gets his pal Mickey Mouse to read him the News and takes the prize for having a famous person pose with the paper.



In Russia....

At left, Trent Brown reads the News in front of the Church of Spilled Blood in St. Petersburg, Russia.

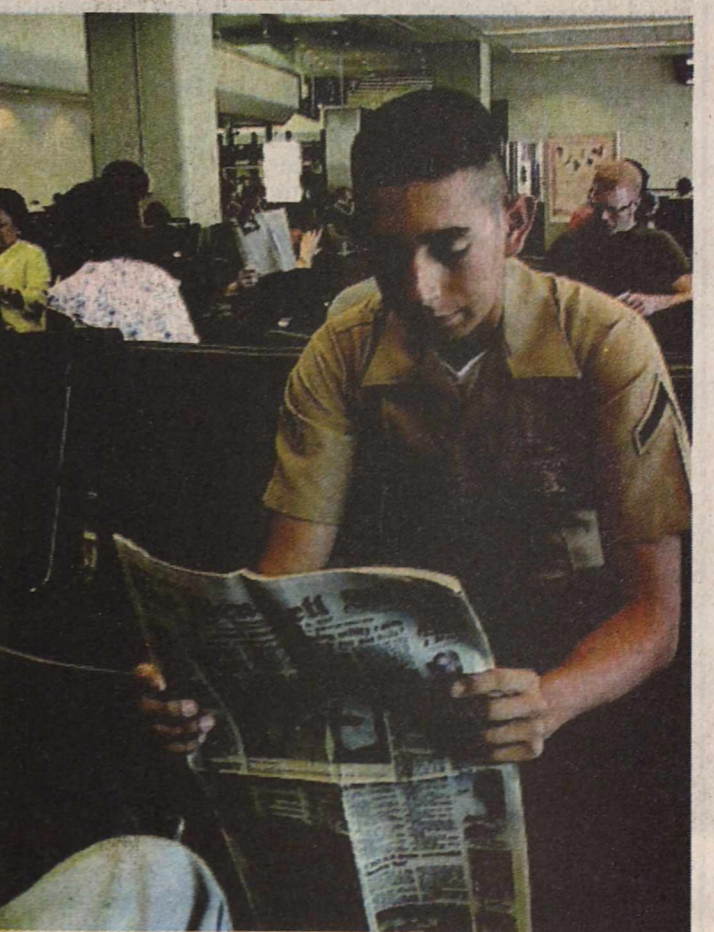


Padre Island....

Pictured at left: Nancy and Bee Stone, of Fort Clark Springs, fished out a little news while visiting in Corpus Christi.

News from home....

At right, Israel Izzy Muniz, in San Diego, reads his hometown newspaper after graduating a 13-week Marine Corp Boot Camp.



Over the falls....

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