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

## Community News

### Food Bank Distribution Change

The South Texas Food Bank Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) that is normally distributed at St. John's Missionary Church will be distributed at 111 W. Spring Street TODAY from 1pm - 5pm only. This program is for seniors aged 60 years and older and all participants must be pre-qualified. There is currently a waiting list for this program, but applications will be accepted. Questions??? Call 830-563-2852.

### Casting Call

There will be a casting call at Alamo Village on Saturday, June 21 from 1pm - 5pm. To be considered for the production all actors must sign up BEFORE the call by contacting Linda Nelson at 830-563-2914 or 563-5999 and everyone must appear in 1870s period costume. Break a leg!

### Home for Military family needed

The newspaper was recently contacted by a family from Nebraska that needs a home on the Fort. They will be stationed at LAFB and are interested in renting for two years. If you have any information that will help them find a place, please call 830-563-2852 or email tbnws@sbcglobal.net. They will be here in a matter of days so let's be ready to welcome them with open arms and possibly a place to live!

### Local Governmental Meetings

Fort Clark Springs Association Board of Directors will host a Regular meeting in the FCS Board Room on Saturday, June 21 at 9am.

### District Court

The 63rd District Court will be held on July 1 at 9am in the District Courtroom at the Kinney County Courthouse.

### BISD Summer Hours

Central Office summer hours: the office will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday - Thursday.

### Hazardous material seminar rescheduled

The Hazardous Material Awareness Seminar Second Session will be held on Monday, June 30 from 3-5pm at the Senior Nutrition Center. Parking is in the back of the center next to the Kinney County Fire Rescue Building (EMS building). Lesley Jones, 830-563-2347, can be reached for further information.

### Benefit for St. Jude's Children's Hospital

St. Jude's Children's Hospital can use the front of any greeting cards you receive throughout the year for craft projects. Only the front of the card depicting any and all occasions is needed. For details, call Vada at 830-563-9377.

## Weekend WEATHER Friday

High: 97  
Low: 74

Mostly Sunny  
Saturday

High: 97  
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Mostly Sunny  
Sunday

High: 98  
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Isolated T-Storms

# BISD lacks employees

By Allison Taylor  
Editor

Brackett Independent School District (BISD) Board of Trustees met for a Regular meeting on Monday, June 9.

John Graves, Jr. of John S. Graves and Associates, Inc., gave an update on all construction projects. The concession stand and ticket booth at the football field is near completion

with a few minor things to go back over. The parking lot is still under construction. The covered play area finish date may be extended due to issues with electrical wiring issues above the construction area. The inside of the elementary office is completed and the exterior brick is currently being installed. Preliminary steps are being taken for a boardroom expansion and two classrooms.

Trustees voted unanimously to accept George Calk's offer of \$800 to purchase a trust property on Fort Clark Springs. The District will receive \$146.06 from the sell of this property.

The Board reviewed the Local Board Policy Update 83, and will vote on the policy in July.

The board received reports from all campuses. There are currently seven vacancies in the District including

Kinder, First, Second, Fourth, Sixth, Content Mastery/Special Ed in the High School and a Band Director.

The board accepted a letter of retirement resignation from Cindy Brandt and accepted a recommendation to hire Misty Rose for the position of Secondary Business.

Trustees set a date for a budget workshop and should pass the budget on or before June 30.

## Celebrate Juneteenth TODAY June 19, 2008

Juneteenth, celebrated on June 19, is the name given to emancipation day by African-Americans in Texas. On that day in 1865 Union Major General Gordon Granger read General Order #3 to the people of Galveston.

Large celebrations on June 19 began in 1866 and continued regularly into the early 20th century. The African-Americans treated this day like the Fourth of July and the celebrations contained similar events. In the early days, the celebration included a prayer service, speakers with inspirational messages, reading of the emancipation proclamation, stories from former slaves, food, red soda water, games, rodeos and dances.

The celebration of June 19 as emancipation day spread from Texas to the neighboring states of Louisiana, Arkansas and Oklahoma. It has also appeared in Alabama, Florida, and California as African-American Texans migrated.

Celebration of Juneteenth declined during World War II but revived in 1950 at the Texas State Fair Grounds in Dallas. Interest and participation fell away during the late 1950's and 1960's as attention focused on expansion of freedom for African-Americans. In the 1970's Juneteenth revived in some communities. For example, in Austin the Juneteenth celebration returned in 1976 after a 25 year hiatus. House Bill no. 1016 passed in the 66th legislature, regular session, declared June 19, "Emancipation Day in Texas," a legal state holiday effective January 1, 1980. Since that time, the celebration of Juneteenth continues across the state of Texas with parades, picnics and dancing. - Texas State Library



## Packin' A Poodle For Oodles Of Miles

Photo By Leigh Volcsko

Californians Wayne, 65, and Kristina, 64, Carpenter and Jim Sandison, 71, of Maryland are cycling from San Diego, California to St. Augustine, Florida. Wayne packs his miniature poodle, Amber, 13, in a special wheeled carrier attached to his bike. This is Amber's second trans-america ride. Visit their journal at crazyguyonabike.com, click on Racing Lizards - Riding the Southern Tier.



## Cooling Off With A Summer Shower From The Fire Hydrant

Photo by Joe Williams

Kinney County Fire Rescue employee Chad Schaffer, front left, shows Lizette Rivas, right, how to operate the fire hose during a special program held in the Civic Center parking lot for children attending the summer library program.

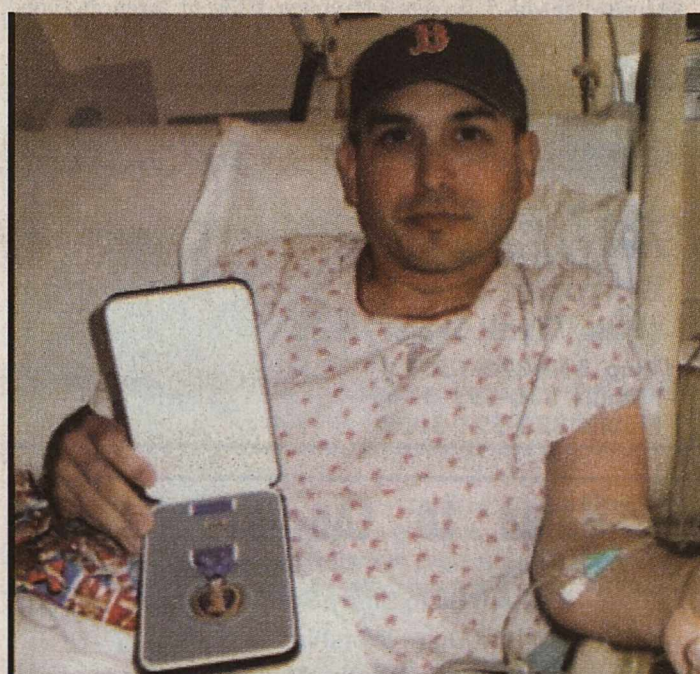
# Injured soldier on road to recovery

By Alicia Rimel  
The News Virginian  
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Part 1 of 2  
David Woodard, (nephew of David and Susan Esparza of Brackettville), walked on crutches Tuesday for the first time in more than a month. He anticipates the day when he can run but knows it will never be the same.

"I'm going to be able to do most of the things I was able to do before" the Army first lieutenant and Stuarts Draft High School graduate said Wednesday. "It [the leg] will just feel weaker and not be as strong as it used to be. I'm always going to have the feeling that I can do it, but I'm not going to be able to do as much."

A quarter-sized piece of shrapnel struck Woodard in the shin, destroying a 3- to 4-inch section of his right leg April 28 when a roadside bomb blast penetrated his Humvee in Baghdad. He and three other soldiers, along with an interpreter, were traveling to a main security



checkpoint to relieve a platoon patrolling there. The other passengers were unhurt.

"It [the bomb] went off on my side of the truck," said Woodard, who led a platoon of 40 men in a section of Baghdad bordering Sauder City. Woodard was a member of Chaos

Company, 2nd Battalion, 30th Infantry Regiment, 10th Mountain Division.

Woodard since has undergone 11 to 12 surgeries - he's lost count - and is recovering at Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C. He speaks matter-of-factly about

his sacrifice.

"This isn't by choice, but I'm more than willing to do it because that's what's needed and necessary," said Woodard, son of Earl and Irene Woodard, of Waynesboro. "You can't fight a war without casualties."

Of the types of roadside bombs used by insurgents, the one that hit Woodard's Humvee features a copper plate placed in front of packed explosives. When detonated, the metal becomes projectile, molten liquid. It is utilized to penetrate heavily armored vehicles used by the U.S. military.

"It took out the bone, nerves, blood vessels and muscles" Woodard said. "They [initially] put it down as a partial amputation."

At Walter Reed, a team of 12 to 15 physicians, including orthopedic, vascular and nerve specialists, have worked to reconstruct the soldier's right leg, which - from the knee down - is surrounded in a halo device and secured "everywhere with pins."

End of part 1

## What's Happening

### Computer Classes

The Kinney County Library will be offering an "Introduction to Microsoft Office" class on Tuesday and Thursday from 9am - 10am beginning July 8. "Cyberspace 101: Introduction to Computers and the Internet" class will be on Tuesday and Thursday from 9am - 10am beginning September 9.

### Operation Iraqi Children

Frontier Baptist Church is collecting school supplies to send to Megan Reinhold to distribute to Iraqi children. Donations can be dropped off at Carmen's Boutique through June 30. Monetary donations can be made by making out your check to Frontier Baptist Church designated for "Operation Iraqi Children". Send checks to Frontier Baptist Church, PO Box 616, Brackettville, TX, 78832. For more information call Rose Reagan 830-563-9429.

### Local Summer Youth Programs

The Kinney County Library Summer Program: Monday - Thursday from now until Wednesday, July 2. Ages 3-8: 10am until 11:45am. Ages 9 and up: 1pm until 5pm.

Tiger Gym: All June, Monday - Thursday, 2pm until 6pm.

Tiger Weight Room: June 16 - July 24, Monday - Thursday. Junior high: 9am until 11am and high school 6:30 until 8:30pm.

Volleyball Camp: June 30 - July 3, 9am until 12 noon. Participants: 5th-9th graders and cost \$30.00.

Softball Camp: July 14 - July 17, 9am until 12 noon. Participants: 3rd-9th graders and cost \$30.00.

FCS Pool: Membership required. Monday - Thursday 7am until 10pm and Friday - Sunday 7am until 12 midnight.

FCS Golf Course: Open every day 8am until 6pm except Monday. Call for fee schedule 830-563-9204

Weekly Activities at the FCS Teen Center - Membership required.

Horseback Riding Lessons: Lindy Orozco is offering lessons, for more information call 830-422-2379.

First Baptist Church Vacation Bible School: July 21 - July 25, 9am until 12 noon. Offered for children 4 years of age through 6th graders.

First United Methodist Church Vacation Bible School: August 11-15. Details TBA.

### June is National Internet Safety Month

Educate Yourself and Your Kids Our Campaigns Don't Believe the Type. A site where teens can learn more about online dangers and make the web a safer place to surf. Help Delete Online Predators Created by NCMEC and Ad Council, this site helps families learn how to better protect their children's online lives and help delete online predators. Think Before You Post. Created by NCMEC, the U.S. Department of Justice, and the Ad Council, this site informs teens how sharing and posting personal information online can put them at risk. The Internet offers an array of entertainment and educational resources for children but also presents some risks. The National Center for Missing & Exploited Children (NCMEC) is committed to helping all audiences ? from kids to parents and guardians to law-enforcement officers and educators ? learn the aspects of Internet safety. You can't watch kids every minute, but you can use strategies to help them benefit from the Internet and avoid its risks. NCMEC urges you to do one of the single most important things to promote safety, talk to kids about the rewards and risks of Internet use.

## Letter to the Editor

I have just returned from a day's work of research at The Center for American History at the University of Texas at Austin. I was looking for documents confirming the employment of my great grandfather as a "packer" and or "guide" at Fort Clark, Texas. His name was Jose Maria Bill. In the past I have been successful in locating information relating to his employment. For example I found one document concerning a request for "forage" by Lieut. John L. Bullis. The request was made at Fort Davis, Texas on June 1877, and it was on behalf of the Seminole Scouts and a packer named "Jose Maria Bill."

However today, unfortunately, I didn't find any information on Jose Maria Bill. But, I did come across several documents confirming the employment of several "Mexicans" as guides and or expressmen prior to the Civil War. Among the civilian employees hired by the military at Fort Clark were: Manuel Roque, Francisco Campos, Miguel Romano, Severiano Potillo (Portillo ?), Candelario Carrasco, Francisco Lujan, Antonio Garsilaso (?) and Francisco Zertuche.

With the exception of Francisco Zertuche, who was paid \$55.00 on April 11, 1860 "for the apprehension of 11 estrayed mules, the property of the United States at \$5.00 each," and \$3.00 on June 6, 1860, "for services as express from Fort Duncan, Texas with Indian intelligence at \$1.00 per day", the remaining civilians were hired as "Guides."

The Quartermaster reports document the following:  
Francisco Campos Guide March 21-March 26, 1856 \$2.00 a day

Candelario Carrasco Guide April 13-April 21, 1856 \$2.00 a day

Francisco Lujan Guide April 20- April 21, 1856 \$2.00 a day  
Severiano Potillo (Portillo ?) Guide May 28- June 5, 1856 \$2.00 a day

Severiano Potillo Guide June 7-June 18, 1856 \$2.00 a day  
Severiano Potillo Guide June 21-June 24, 1856 \$2.00 a day  
Antonio Garsilaso (?) Guide June 21-June 23, 1856 \$2.00 a day

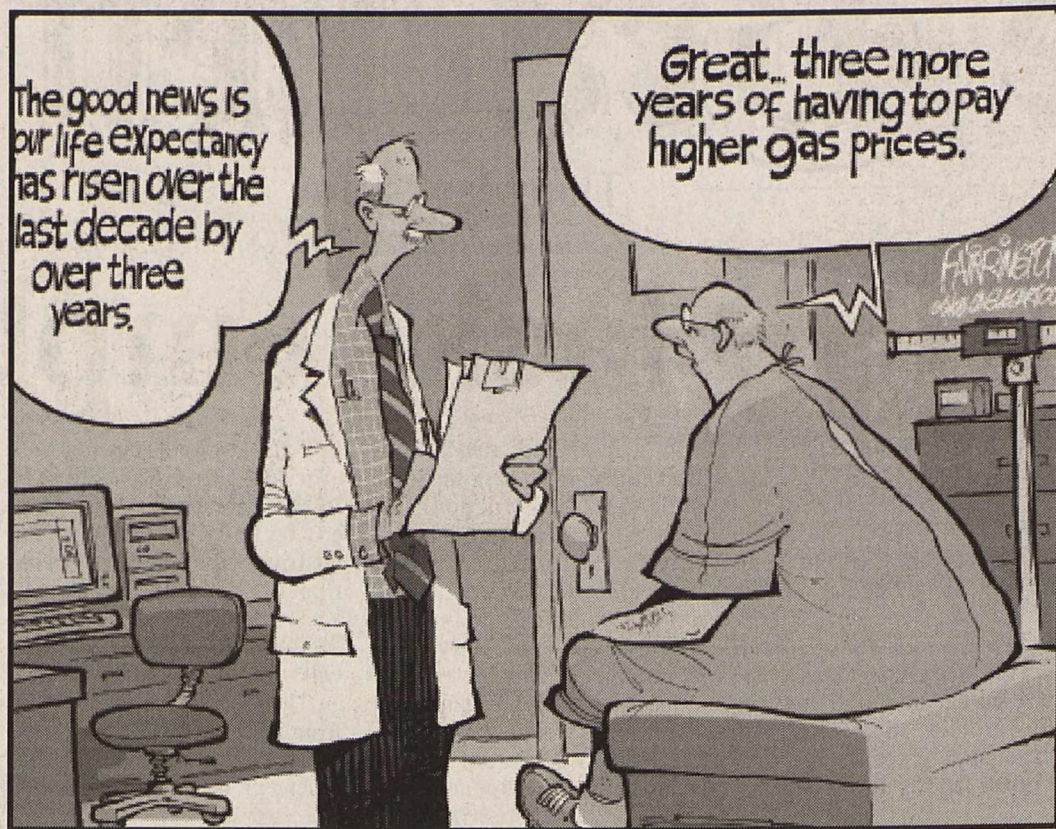
Interestingly enough it seems that the "Post Guide" was a civilian named Manuel Roque. Quartermaster Reports confirm his employment:

Manuel Roque Guide May 1-June 30, 1856 \$2.00 a day  
Manuel Roque Guide Jan.1-March 31, 1860 \$50 a month  
Manuel Roque Guide May 1-May 30, 1860 \$50 a month  
Manuel Roque Guide intermittently from 1856 to 1860.

The above information can be found at the Center for American History, University of Texas at Austin, packages 7 & 9, Fort Clark Collection, box 2H429 and Packages 10 & 17, Box 2H430.

Hopefully this tid-bit of ante bellum Fort Clark history will encourage descendants of "civilian employees" that may still reside in "Las Moras" to research their family tree more aggressively and become members of the Fort Clark Historical Society.

Antonio Bill



## More Americans taking a family vacation this summer

Nationwide survey reveals summer-camp attendance also up



The Fly Lady Marla Cilley

BREVARD, N.C., June 16, 2008 Despite the worst consumer-debt crisis since the Great Depression to say nothing of gas prices rising to record highs the number of Americans planning to take a family vacation this summer is up 10 percent over last summer.

That according to a new survey of 14,175 U.S. families from all 50 states conducted by domestic empress Marla Cilley, host of BlogTalkRadio's FlyLady and Friends Show whose online community numbers nearly 500,000 members.

Cilley's first-ever Schools Out survey also showed the number parents planning to send their kids to summer camp this year will rise 3.5 percent over last year. And the single biggest problem parents say they're facing this summer in terms of the kids being home from school isn't the fact that families don't have enough money for travel and other fun activities (25.5%), its that the kids have too much time on their hands and are bored (32%).

This data underscores the importance of parents getting away from it all with their kids while also getting time away from their kids no matter economic conditions, said Cilley. But when the kids are home, they'll not only be taking part in free or inexpensive activities, like spending time at the library or visiting friends/relatives homes (20.5%) rather than going to movies or theme parks (13.5%) more than ever (30%) will be working to earn extra money, the survey shows.

Meanwhile, 68.5 percent of parents say they're cooking

more meals at home this summer, mostly because the cost of eating out has risen (37%) and sky-high gas prices make eating out even more expensive (32%).

For those months when families are home together, Cilley has developed a program called Camp GonnaWannaFly, which shows parents how to transform their abodes into fun, cost-effective FlyCamps.

On Tuesday, June 17 @ 2 p.m. ET, Cilley will host a special Schools Out episode of the FlyLady and Friends Show, which will focus on the survey, and how parents can work with their kids to set up an at-home FlyCamp. (Immediately following the live broadcast, the special will be archived as a podcast on BlogTalkRadio.) <http://www.blogtalkradio.com/stations/flylady/flylady>.

Following are the full results of the survey (which was conducted June 5-11 via SurveyMonkey.com and has a +/- margin of error of 1%):

Schools Out Survey: Did you take a family vacation last summer? -Yes: 60% -No: 40%

If you did take a family vacation last summer, how long was it? -Two weeks or more: 18.5% -One week: 42.5% -Just a weekend: 16.5% -Just a day trip: 4.5%

Are you planning to take (or have you already taken) a family vacation this summer? -Yes: 70% -No: 30%

If you are planning to take a family vacation this summer, how long will it be? -Two weeks or more: 16.5% -One week: 46.5% -Just a weekend: 28% -Just a day trip: 8%

What's the single biggest problem you face this summer in terms of the kids being home from school? -My child(ren) has too much time on his hands; he/she's bored: 32% -Dont have enough money for travel and other fun activities: 25.5% -My child(ren) isnt getting enough exercise: 7.5% -Theres no one home to watch my child(ren) because Ive gotten a job or taken a second job to make ends meet: 2.5%

-I fear for my child(ren)s safety: 1%

If youre planning to remain close to home this summer, which of the following home activities will most likely be keeping your child(ren) entertained? -Playing in the back/front yard: 10% -Reading: 9.5% -Watching TV/movies: 8.5% -Playing Board Games: 7.5% -Crafts: 7.5% -Other: 7.5% -Playing video games: 6.5% -Cooking: 6.5% -Surfing/playing on the Internet: 6%

If youre planning to remain close to home this summer, which of the following will most likely be keeping your child(ren) entertained? -Going to friends/relatives houses: 10.5% -Going to the library: 10% -Going to parks: 10% -Going to the movies: 7.5% -Other: 7.5% -Going to museums: 7% -Going to festivals: 6.5% -Going to aquariums: 6% -Going to the theme parks (like Six Flags Great Adventure): 6% -Going to gyms: 5.5% -Going to plays/theater: 5%

Did you send your kids to summer camp last summer? -Yes: 25.5% -No: 52%

Are you planning to send your kids to summer camp this summer? -Yes: 29% -No: 46%

If you aren't planning to send your kids to summer camp this summer, which of the following best describes why? -Camp fees have gone up: 3% -Cant afford camp at any price: 16.5% -Found a cheaper alternative to camp: 3.5% -Travel fears: 14%

Did your child(ren) have a summer job(s) last year (either working around the house for an allowance or around the neighborhood doing odd jobs)? -Yes: 29% -No: 40%

Do your child(ren) have a summer job(s) this year? -Yes: 30% -No: 39%

If your child(ren) does have a summer job(s) this year, which of the following do they have? (You may select more than one.) -Mowing lawns/gardening: 27.5% -Cleaning out garages/basements, etc.: 9% -Pet-sitting: 9% -Painting and/or other simple home improvement: 8.5% -Setting up a lemonade stand: 6.5% -Holding yard sales: 3.5%

Are you cooking more meals at home this summer than you did last summer? -Yes: 68.5% -No: 31%

If you are cooking more meals at home this summer, which of the following best describes why? -The cost of eating out has risen: 37% -Sky-high gas prices make eating out even more expensive: 32% -Dont trust that restaurant food is clean and safe: 6.5%

Seeing as America is in the midst of an historic presidential election, will you be encouraging your kids to increase their awareness of the candidates and issues? -Yes: 61.5% -No: 17%

If you will you be encouraging your kids to increase their awareness of the candidates and issues, which of the following will you most likely do? -Encourage them to watch/read political news: 55% -Encourage them to watch debates: 28.5% -Encourage them to read candidates web sites: 27.5%

## Know objectives of mutual funds before investing



Emily Cooper

With thousands of mutual funds on the market, how can you choose the ones that are right for your individual needs? For starters, you need to know the objective of each mutual fund in which you plan to invest. Let's take a look at the investment objectives of some of the most popular types of mutual funds: Growth funds -

These funds invest in the stocks of growing companies, with the goal of providing investors with capital appreciation. In plain English, you invest in these funds for the potential to make your money grow. If you invest in these funds, you will almost certainly experience the "ups and downs" of the market, but if you hold your funds long enough, and they are well managed, you may increase your investment's potential return. Growth-and-income funds -

As its name suggests, a growth-and-income fund is structured to provide the potential for both growth in value and current income payments, in the form of dividends. Generally speaking, these funds are less risky than growth funds yet offer lower growth potential. But if you are interested in adding an income stream to your portfolio, these funds may be suitable for your long-term investment goals. Dividends can be increased, decreased or totally eliminated at any time without notice. International funds -

You can choose from several types of international funds: global funds, which invest in both U.S. and international stocks; international funds, which invest primarily outside the U.S.; country specific funds, which focus on one country or region; and emerging market funds, which concentrate on small, developing countries. These funds generally invest for growth, but they involve special types of risk, such as currency fluctuations and the prospect of investments being affected by political or economic turmoil. Bond funds -

When you invest in a bond fund, you are seeking current income, in the form of interest payments, and the chance to help stabilize a portfolio that might be heavily weighted toward stocks. You can choose from municipal bond funds, corporate bond funds, mortgage-backed securities funds and U.S. government bond funds. Although bonds funds generally contain less investment risk than stock funds, they carry a different type of risk: purchasing power risk. In other words, the interest payments you receive from your bond funds may not always keep up with inflation. Keep in mind that bond funds are subject to interest rate risk and fund values may decline as interest rates rise. Money market funds -

These funds invest in short-term debt instruments and are managed to maintain a stable net asset value of \$1 per share, however the value of fund can fluctuate and it's possible to lose money. Many people invest in money market funds if they want to "park" funds for a short time before investing it elsewhere. You might also use a money market fund as an "emergency fund" containing six to 12 months' worth of living expenses. While these types of mutual funds have some obvious differences, they also share two important traits in common. First, financial professionals choose the investments, which is obviously a benefit to you. Second, mutual funds, by owning many different types of securities, offer the advantage of diversification. (Diversification, by itself, cannot guarantee a profit or protect against a loss in a declining market). A financial advisor can help you choose those mutual funds that are appropriate for your needs. But it's still your responsibility to know about the funds in which you invest - so, before writing a check, read a fund's prospectus which can be obtained from your financial advisor. The prospectus contains more complete information, including the funds investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses that should be carefully considered.

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## Investment objectives Mutual funds are investing



Emily Cooper

Thousands of mutual funds are available in the market, how can you find the ones that are right for your individual needs? For starters, you need to know the objectives of the mutual fund in which you want to invest. Let's take a look at some investment objectives that are among the most popular types of mutual funds: Growth funds - These funds invest in the stocks of companies, with the goal of providing investors with long-term appreciation. In plain English, you invest in these funds to make your money grow. If you invest in these funds, you will almost certainly see the "ups and downs" of the market, but if you hold your investments long enough, and they are well managed, you may increase your investment's potential return. Income and income funds - As the name suggests, a growth and income fund is structured to provide potential for both growth and current income, in the form of dividends. Generally speaking, income funds are less risky than growth funds yet offer lower potential return. If you are looking to add an income component to your portfolio, these funds may be suitable for your investment goals. Dividend funds - Dividends are increased, decreased or eliminated at any time without notice. International funds - You can choose from several types of international funds: Global funds, which invest in both domestic and international stocks; International equity funds, which invest primarily in the U.S.; Country funds, which focus on one specific country or region; and Emerging markets funds, which concentrate on developing countries. Generally speaking, international funds involve special risks, such as currency fluctuations and the prospect of economic turmoil.

## Wright receives Super Scholarship

San Antonio - Super S Foods, a Texas family owned and operated chain of supermarkets, has awarded \$49,000 in academic scholarships this year to high school graduates throughout Central and South Texas. Each individual recipient received a \$1,000 scholarship that can be utilized to continue their education in various colleges and universities this fall.

Congratulations to Jolisa Wright recipient of the Super S Foods \$1,000 scholarship award. All recipients of the scholarships were chosen by their school principal and the selection was based on the students' outstanding scholastic achievements.

"This is an exciting time of



year," David McBurnett, Owner/C.E.O. of Super S Foods said. "The annual scholarship awards is just one of the many ways we help support the com-

munities that we serve, and I can think of no better way to reinvest our funds than by helping further the education of our youth." In addition to the \$1,000 scholarship awards, Super S Foods gave every graduating senior that is employed with the company a free copy of "Cool Stuff" they should teach in school. The book was written by young authors and entrepreneurs Kent and Kyle Healy for young people. The book covers real world situations from a young persons perspective including: attitude, people skills, leadership, goal setting, jobs and money. The book was given to over 80 graduating seniors employed by Super S Foods.

## BHS 4th Nine Weeks Honor Roll

Brackett ISD - Brackett High School 4th Nine Weeks "A" Honor Roll:

### 9th Grade

Brandon Allen, Kelsey Bruce, Bryan Calk, Haley Hale and Joshua Smith

### 10th Grade

Victor Cantu, Brooklyn Gose, Jeffrey Sitgreaves and Katryna Swilley

### 11th Grade

Laura Adams, Emily Calk and Laura Swinson

### 12th Grade

Julie Castillo, Lauren

Cornelius, Meghann Davis and Gabriella Schroeder

### "AB" Honor Roll:

#### 9th Grade

Bianca Cruz, Sarah Davis, Stella Guajardo, Courtney Kirkland, Sahara Rodriguez, Suzanna Seargeant, Erica Villanueva and Olivia Woodes

#### 10th Grade

Cheyenne Billings, John Blake, Cody Clark, Charles Conoly, Shaun Davis, Jessica Earwood, Brianna Escamilla, Ramon Gutierrez, Lauren Hernandez, Tanner Hinsey, Ana Martinez, Aracely Martinez, Elena Molinar, Elidia Molinar, Pablo Novel, Adan Pinales,

Raul Rivas, Claudia Rocha and Isaac Talamantes

#### 11th Grade

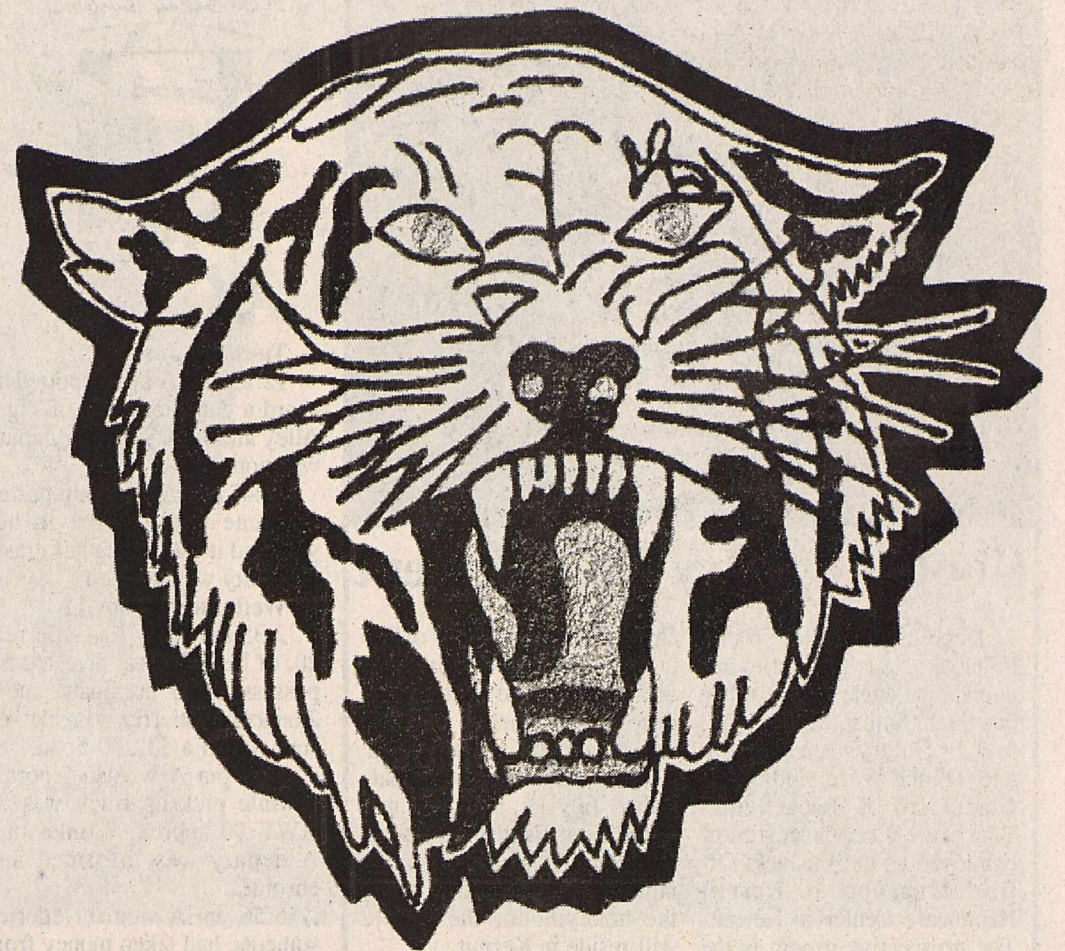
Summer Allen, Katie Braesicke, Kristina Flores, Serenity Gammill, Moises Gonzalez, Rebecca Mann, Samantha Moore, Zachary Ring, Maribel Rivas, Arlene Roth and Jacob Schroeder

#### 12th Grade

Bailee Allen, Jesus Balderas, Travis Bonner, Cesar Cantu, Capri Creech, Israel DeHoyos, Doolie Fernandez, Alberto Flores, Marlene Gloria, Hayley Harris, Daphne Hunt, Joshua Kluzek, Evelyn Rojas, Ashley Stephenson, Bianca Stewart and Gabriela Talamantes

## Blast from the past

### Win a free Cinemark Movie Pass



Be the first person to identify the individual(s) in the above photo and win a FREE Cinemark-Del Rio Movie Pass. One pass will be awarded each week. Person must present current paper at 111 W. Spring to win. This is a good one! This is a litho-scan of a patch brought into the newspaper office by Rory Woodson. It is believed to be a patch for a Brackett High Letterman Jacket circa 1950+. Anyone having information on this patch is encouraged (we're begging you) to come into the office and give us the story behind the patch. We are working on a story on the 1951 Brackett Football Team that won the state championship. If you know someone or you are a member of that team, TBN wants to interview you right away! And if you know someone that actually wore this patch on their jacket call us or you have info related to this patch - you'll get a free movie pass too!

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CRYSTAL SKULL (PG-13) 1:40pm 4:00pm 7:40pm  
10:40pm

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4:35PM 5:20PM 7:05PM 7:45PM

SEX AND THE CITY (R) I.D. Required 12:45pm  
7:15pm

THE STRANGERS (R) I.D. Required 12:35pm  
2:15pm 5:15pm 7:35pm 9:55pm

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## Rose makes Dean's List at DBU

DALLAS, Texas - Sarah A. Rose, a native of Brackettville, was recently named to the Dean's List Honor Roll at Dallas Baptist University for the Spring 2008 semester.

Rose is the daughter of Pat and Sharon Rose of Brackettville and will be graduating this coming December with a Business Management degree. This last semester, she was inducted into both Alpha Chi Honor Society and Alpha Sigma Omega, the University's honor and leadership society.

The Dean's List honors those students who maintain a grade point average of 3.75 or above for the semester.



Sarah Rose

Courtesy Photo

## Davis earns nursing degree

Amanda Marie Davis was awarded a Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing with Cum Laude honors from Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center in Lubbock, Texas at graduation ceremonies held in the United Spirit Arena on May 17, 2008.

She was also presented with honor cords from Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing.

Amanda began her nursing career in Fort Worth, Texas at Cook Children's Medical Center in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit on June 2.



Paging Nurse Davis

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### OBITUARIES

## Phyllis Stephenson

August 16, 1944 - June 5, 2008



Phyllis Stephenson, age 63, died Thursday, June 5, 2008 in Austin, Texas.

Memorial services are scheduled for 10:00 A.M. on Monday, June 9, 2008 at First United Methodist Church in Brackettville, Texas with Rev. Jean Reardon officiating.

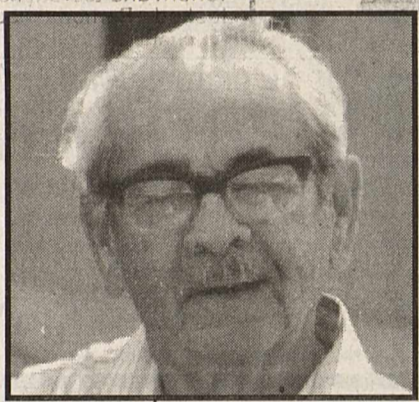
Phyllis Lynn Butt Stephenson was born on August 16, 1944 in Clayton, NM to Leo and Abbie Butt. She graduated from Clayton High School in 1962 and from West Texas State University in Canyon, TX in 1966. She married Taylor Stephenson on December 27, 1966 in Clayton, NM. They celebrated 41 years of marriage last year. She was a public school teacher for over 30 years teaching health, physical education, special education and coaching volleyball, basketball, and track in Clayton, NM, Roswell, NM, Artesia, NM, and Brackettville, TX. She retired in 2002 and moved to Bastrop, TX in 2006 to live near her children and grandchildren. Phyllis was preceded in death by her mother, Abbie Butt, in 2007, a brother-in-law George Cowart in 2004, an infant sister Caroline, and her father, Leo Butt, in 1969.

**SURVIVORS:** Her HUSBAND: Taylor Stephenson of Bastrop, TX; 1 DAUGHTER: Traci Perry and her husband Nathan of Floresville, TX; 1 SON: Michael Stephenson and his wife Della of College Station, TX; 5 GRANDCHILDREN: Bradley and Jordyn Perry of Floresville, TX; Taylor, Julia, and William Stephenson of College Station, TX; 3 SISTERS: Jane Cowart of Yancey, TX, Ann Swagerty and her husband Jerry of Clayton, NM, and Marilyn Gillespie and her husband Clevis of Madisonville, KY.; 1 BROTHER: Bill Butt and his wife, Joyce, of Rio Rancho, NM; 4 SISTERS-IN-LAW: Shirley Stephenson, Mary Stephenson, Jane Young and her husband Bob, Dovie Godfrey and her husband Tom, all of Brackettville, TX.; 1 BROTHER-IN-LAW: Jack Stephenson and his wife Helen of Bastrop, TX.; Numerous nieces and nephews.

**MEMORIALS:** The family suggests that memorials be made to The First United Methodist Church in Clayton, New Mexico or to The First United Methodist Church in Brackettville, TX

## Gilberto V. Munoz

December 4, 1913 - June 9, 2008



Gilberto V. Munoz, age 94, entered into rest June 9, 2008, in San Antonio, Texas. He was born December 4, 1913, in Zaragoza, Coahuila, Mexico.

He was preceded in death by his wife Jesusa G. Munoz, daughter Aggie Gomez, and parents Jesus and Isabel Villarreal Munoz.

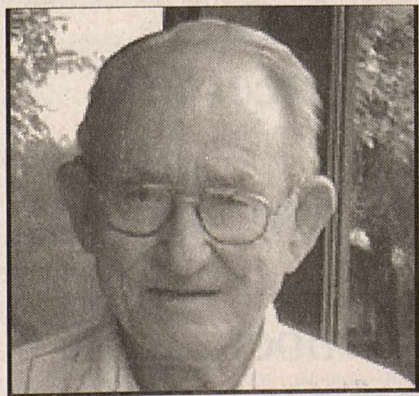
Left to cherish his memory is his daughter Sylvia Ramirez, son Gilbert Munoz, Jr., brother Jesus Munoz, Jr., and sister Ester Mendeke. 6 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. Visitation will be held Friday, June 13, 2008, from 6:00PM to 9:00PM at the Brackettville Sunset Funeral Home Chapel. Recitation of the Holy Rosary will take place at 7:00PM.

A Mass of Christian Burial is scheduled for Saturday, June 14, 2008, at 10:00AM at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church in Brackettville, Texas.

Interment will follow at the Kinney County Cemetery in Brackettville, Texas.

## Dwite M. Gilliland

March 25, 1921 - June 14, 2008



DWITE M. GILLILAND, 87, a retired electrical contractor, went to his heavenly home on June 14, 2008. He was born March 25, 1921, in Tolar, Texas. He graduated from Big Spring High School and he served in the Army Air Corps from 1942 to 1946. On November 1, 1946, he married Shirley Hatcher; she preceded him in death. He married Luella Stine Johnson on February 17, 1990.

Graveside services, officiated by the Reverend Nathan LaFrenz, will be held on July 12, 2008, at 10:00 AM at St. Mary Magdalene Cemetery in Brackettville, Texas. In lieu of flowers, the family has requested that memorials be made to any Hospice organization or the American Cancer Society.

Survivors include his wife, Luella; children Emily Giles, Mansfield, Texas; Kathy Daily, Mansfield, Texas; Peggy Kaniho, Albuquerque, NM; Rick Gilliland, Trophy Club, Texas; Terri Ford, Burleson, Texas; and Joe Gilliland, Liberty Hill, Texas; 13 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren. One grandson, Isaac, preceded him in death.

# Beloz-Alfaro Wedding



Courtesy Photo

Pictured from left: Lingo Sandoval, Maria Elena Ortega, Julio Sandoval, Bride Tracie Beloz, Groom Frank Alfaro III, Bonnie Beloz and Cruz Beloz.

Lingo Sandoval, Maria Elena Ortega (Brackettville) and Julio O. Sandoval (of San Antonio) David Wilson (Dallas), Steve Wilson Family (San Antonio) & Charlie De La Rosa (Brackettville) would like to congratulate the recently married couple, their niece & cousin Tracie Ann Beloz and Frank Alfaro III. They were married October 20, 2007 by Fr. Jim Fischler at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Del Rio. Xavier Alfaro (brother of the groom) attended Fr. Fischler as alter server. The bride looked radiant in her simple, but elegant Jasmine Couture diamond white satin gown, adorned with Swarovski crystal hand-beading and platinum embroidery on the bodice, skirt and chapel length train and she wore a waist length veil. Her bouquet in a variety of orange colors included orchids, Asiatic lilies, and roses. Her bridesmaid wore copper colored iridescent gowns and their flowers complemented that of the bride's bouquet. For something old the bride wore a bracelet with Swarovski crystals belonging to her late Aunt Zulema Wilson.

Parents of the couple are Cruz and Bonnie Beloz of Del Rio and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Alfaro, Jr. of Eagle Pass, TX. Grandparents of the bride are late Mr. & Mrs. Faustino Sandoval, Sr., Mrs. Feliz Beloz of Del Rio & the late Mr. Cruz P. Beloz. Grandparents of the groom from Eagle Pass, TX are

Mr. Francisco Alfaro, Sr., the late Mrs. Dora Alfaro and Mrs. Marcelina Duenes and the late Mr. Gudelio Duenes.

Attending the bride as maid of honor was Marisol Alfaro, sister of the groom (San Antonio), bridesmaids were Margie Alfaro, sister of the groom (San Antonio), Jessica Faz friend of the bride (Del Rio), Mariana Garza, friend of the bride (Dallas), Annette Benavides, friend of the couple (Eagle Pass), and Natalie Rongoni, friend of the couple (San Antonio). Attending the groom as best man was Alonso Garcia, cousin of the couple

(Kingsville), groomsmen Fernando Medina, cousin of the groom (San Antonio), Patrick Olivarez, Ted Salazar, Mike Hellbock (all of San Antonio) friends of the couple, and Freddie Martinez, Jr. friend of the bride (San Antonio). The religious double ring ceremony was following by a reception and a dance at the beautifully decorated Pecan Ballroom (by Mirage Eventos of Piedras Negras, Coahuila) that was enjoyed by the family and friends of the couple and the master of ceremony was the bride's cousin

from San Antonio Capt. Ron Sandoval. Tracie graduated from Del Rio High School 2001, received her degree in Psychology in 2005 from UTSA, and is pursuing her masters in Counseling from UTSA. She is employed by NISD in San Antonio at Carl Wanke Elementary School. Frank graduated from Eagle Pass High School in 1999, received his degree in kinesiology in 2003 from UTSA and is employed by Wachovia as a mortgage consultant. The couple honeymooned in Mayah Riviera, Mexico. This was a double celebration for tracie, as she celebrated her 25th birthday on that day.

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The Brackett I.S.D. will hold a public meeting at 6:30 PM, June 30, 2008 in the Trustee Board Room, 400 N. Ann Street, Brackettville, Texas. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax	\$1,000.00 (Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
School Debt Service Tax	\$0.0000/\$1.00 (Proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)
Approved by Local Voters	

### Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations	1.06% increase
Debt service	0.00% increase
Total expenditures	1.03% increase

### Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value

(as calculated under Section 26.04, Tax Code)

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value* of all property	\$200,669,556	\$202,486,399
Total appraised value* of new property**	\$2,809,923	\$1,516,529
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$147,520,768	\$152,992,175
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$2,297,843	\$1,355,776

\* "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.041(3), Tax Code.

\*\* "New property" is defined by Section 26.01(2)(7), Tax Code.

\*\*\* "Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.041(3), Tax Code.

### Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness\* \$0

\* Outstanding principal.

### Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$0.9700	\$0.0000	\$0.9700	\$2,762	\$6,892
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$1.0003	\$0.0000	\$1.0003	\$2,390	\$6,670
Proposed Rate	\$1.0000	\$0.0000	\$1.0000	\$2,390	\$6,968

\* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both.

The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

### Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$48,356	\$49,668
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$30,521	\$32,295
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$0.9700	\$1.0000
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$296.05	\$322.95
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		\$26.90

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is \$0.9521. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of \$1.0401.

### Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$1,000,000
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$0

## 7th Annual Andrea Garcia Volleyball Tournament

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## Report

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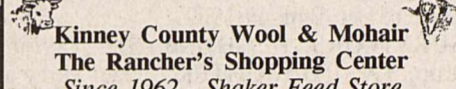
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## Weekly Business Profile



Pictured: Benita Gonzalez Now Offers Personalized Candy Bars!

**Business Name:** Baskets & Gifts  
**Address:** 105 N. Spring Street in Brackettville  
**Store Hours:** Tues - Fri 10a - 5p  
Saturday 10a - 3p  
**In Business Since:** November, 2005  
**Owner:** Benita Villarreal-Gonzalez  
**Phone Number:** 830-563-5330  
**email:** gonzalezcha@sbcglobal.net  
**Se habla espanol**

Benita Villarreal-Gonzalez offers a wide variety of gifts for all occasions at her lovely gift shop at the Five Points in Brackett. Balloon bouquets, the latest in fashionable jewelry, luggage and home decor are just a sampling of what Benita can help you find to make someone feel great on their special day. Benita is now offering personalized candy bars. Announce your baby's birth, your daughter's quinceanera - ANY OCCASION, say it on a customized candy bar!

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Cause No. 3658 IN THE 63RD DISTRICT COURT OF KINNEY COUNTY, TEXAS. IN THE MATTER OF THE MARRIAGE OF MICHAEL LEE PARTLOW VS AMANDA SUE MULVANE. TO: AMANDA SUE MULVANE Respondent: GREETING NOTICE TO RESPONDENT: "You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 am on the Monday next following the expiration of 20 days after the date you were served this citation and petition, a default judgment may be taken against you." The petition of Michael Lee Partlow petitioner was filed in the above entitled cause on the 4 day of March 2008 in the 63rd District Court of Kinney County, Texas. A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Original Petition For Divorce as is more fully shown by the petition on file in this suit. The court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree, including by not limited to dissolving the marriage, providing for the division of property, which will be binding on you. Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court at Brackettville Texas this the 11 day of June 2008. Atty. For Petitioner or Petitioner: Robert A. Adams 112 West Spring Street, Brackettville, Texas 78832. Clerk of the Court: Dora Elia Sandoval, District Clerk, Kinney County, Texas.

Cause No. 3648 IN THE 63RD DISTRICT COURT OF KINNEY COUNTY, TEXAS. IN THE MATTER OF THE MARRIAGE OF MACARIO MUNOZ VS EDITH ARANGICS-MUNOZ. TO: EDITH ARANGICS-MUNOZ Respondent: GREETING NOTICE TO RESPONDENT: "You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 am on the Monday next following the expiration of 20 days after the date you were served this citation and petition, a default judgment may be taken against you." The petition of MACARIO MUNOZ petitioner was filed in the above entitled cause on the 4 day of December 2007 in the 63rd District Court of Kinney County, Texas. A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Original Petition For Divorce as is more fully shown by the petition on file in this suit. The court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree, including by not limited to dissolving the marriage, providing for the division of property, which will be binding on you. Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court at Brackettville Texas this the 11 day of June 2008. Atty. For Petitioner or Petitioner: Robert A. Adams 112 West Spring Street, Brackettville, Texas 78832. Clerk of the Court: Dora Elia Sandoval, District Clerk, Kinney County, Texas.

## Cedar Clearing

FOR CEDAR CLEARING, cedar cleanup or fence building call Steve at 830-563-9892.

## Child Care

REGISTERED CHILDCARE in my home, drop-ins welcome. Age 2 and up. Call 563-3355

## Construction Services

WYLIE CONSTRUCTION for roofing and small remodeling. Free estimates. Call 830-719-0041.

## Employment

SUMMER WORKERS needed for yard and ranch work. CALL 830-563-2291.

## Employment

THE FOLLOWING POSITION is open at BISD: FULL-time ESL / MIGRANT PARAPROFESIONAL Download application from website: www.brackett.k12.tx.us, see Employment, or pick up at BISD Central Office, 400 Ann Street, Brackettville, TX 78832. Must be highly qualified and bilingual. For information, call Central Office at (830) 563-2491, fax (830) 563-9264. Direct inquires to Paula Renken, Superintendent. Brackett ISD is an equal opportunity employer. POSITIONS AVAILABLE at Alibi Lounge. No experience necessary, but helpful. Apply at 1270 E. HWY 90.

ADMINISTRATIVE TECHNICIAN WEST NUECES-LAS MORAS SWCD. Salary based on qualifications. Office administrative, computer skills and field work required. Call for details 830-563-2414. P.O.Box 188. \$11.40/week. 2 weeks \$22.80. The WNLM SWCD is an equal opportunity employer and does not discriminate against job applicants or employees on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age, disability, or veteran's status.

## For Rent

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

## For Sale

3 PERSON SEA-DOO. Extremely low hours with trailer. \$3,000 OBO call 432-559-6563

TOYOTA TACOMA '03 \$35,000 miles, 4 cyl. automatic transmission, A/C, power steering. \$9,500 cash. Call 830-563-5339 or 830-563-1799.

TWIN COMFORTER SET. Black and white with square patterns. New, still in package. Lost receipt & can't return it. Paid \$60, will sell for \$30. Stop by newspaper office or call 830-563-2852.

2005 TRAVEL TRAILER 39 Ft. with 2 slides, triple axles, 2 roof top ac units, stacked washer and dryer, and laminated floors. Call 830-563-7272 for more information or to look at.

1993 ROCKWOOD 32' Motor Home 54,264 miles original miles, queen bed ready to hit the road. Call 830-563-7272.

FRESH FARM EGGS, taking orders for rabbit, pasture raised poultry and turkeys. 563-7168.

97 JEEP WRANGLER Sport, hardtop, A/C, 4x4, 6cyl, 43,200 miles. \$7,880 call 830-563-5727.

18' TRAILER WITH ramp and brakes, fairly new \$2,300. Call 830-765-7146 or 830-563-7592.

NEW 16' DEER BLIND. Sturdy, sealed blind with working windows and easy staircase. \$1,200 OBO call 830-776-3180.

MARY KAY COSMETICS, Alana Flurry 563-9435 www.marykay.com/afurry ENCLOSED TRAILER, 2007, 14X6X7W, black, tandem axle, brakes, 6X tires, spare, rear ramp door, floor tie downs, nearly new pulled twice, side entry door, \$7,460.00 NEW/\$5,500.00, Uvalde, 278-1205.

## Garage Sale

YARD SALE FRI June 20th. Unit 15 lot 65Fort Clark. 8:00-?

GARAGE SALE SAT. June 21st. 309 E. Third St. (carport behind) 9am-12.

## Homes For Sale

FORT CLARK. 3 BED, 2bath w/ office and 2 car garage. Shaded corner lots, fireplace, tile and carpet floors, 2 storage bldgs. and privacy fence. 156 Crockett Road on the Fort. Call 830-563-5727.

LOVELY 3BD, 2BATH. 1,456 sq ft mobile home with 300 sq ft addition with carport plus 224 sq ft separate office or extra bedroom. New heat and A/c and hot water heater. Includes dishwasher, oven, microwave and washer and dryer. Fenced yard with mature trees. Fort Clark Springs. \$44,500.00 830-563-9460 or cell: 210-710-0037.

CUSTOM BUILT HOME @ FCS. Over 2,000 sq. ft., 4BR/3B, tiled floors and other extras! Must see! Call 830-234-7598 (c) or 563-9952 (h)

FOR SALE OF LEASE: 3/1 house, 213 W. Veltmann (Lot 8, Block 61). \$50,000 (Owner finance with 10% down and approved credit) or \$500/month with deposit. 830-765-8135.

## Horseback Lessons

HORSEBACK RIDING lessons, CHA certified instructor. Del Rio and Brackettville areas. Contact Lindy at 830-422-2379 or raynese01@hotmail.com.

## Request For Proposals

The Kinney County Commissioner Court hereby invites qualified companies/individuals to submit proposal/bid for the upgrade of the Kinney County Public Library: Library furniture for a project which will include a circulation desk, Computer Workstation, book shelves, lounge chairs, coffee table, reading tables and chairs. Specifications may be picked up at the Public Library at 510 S, Ellen St., Brackettville, TX. Sealed proposals/bids labeled "Kinney County Public Library Furniture" may be hand delivered or mailed to the following address: Proposals/bids will be accepted until 8:30 am Monday, July 21, 2008. Kinney County, ATTN: Commissioner's Court, 501 S, Ann St., PO Box 348, Brackettville, TX 78832, Proposals/bids will be awarded at a regular meeting of the Commissioners Court on July 21, 2008 at 10:00 am in the Kinney County Courthouse. The Kinney County Commissioners' Court reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids and to award contract for services as may appear advantageous to the County.

Middle Rio Grande Development Council announces the availability of Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) Grant Funding for Fiscal Year 2009 in cooperation with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). Regional Funding available this year is up to \$71,402.00. Eligible project categories under this grant include: Local Enforcement, Source Reduction and Recycling, Citizens' Collection Stations and "Small" Registered Transfer Stations, Household Hazardous Waste Management, Installation of Scales at MSW Landfills, Technical Studies and Local Solid Waste Management Plans, River and Lake Clean-ups and Texas Country Clean-ups, Educational and Training Projects. Eligible applicants are: Cities, Counties, Public Schools and School Districts, General and Special Law Districts and Regional Planning Commissions (Councils of Governments) in the Middle Rio Grande Development Council service delivery area. Please note that as per TCEQ guidelines, applications for the collection and/or transportation of MSW are not eligible for funding, furthermore, as a matter of policy the MRGDC Board does not solicit applications for soft costs. For more information on this request for project proposals, and/or a copy of an application packet, please contact: Mario A. Chavez, Solid Waste Coordinator, Middle Rio Grande Development Council, P.O. Box 1199, Carrizo Springs, TX, 78834, phone (830) 876-1286. Proposals shall be accepted until 5 P.M.-July 25, 2008.

**O'Rourke Realty**  
Elsa O'Rourke Broker  
(830) 563-2713  
orourke06@sbcglobal.net  
www.orourke Realty.net

**Brackettville**  
• **New Listing** near post office on Spring St.: Two properties for sale: attractive rock building and 3 bed mobile home. Will sell together or separately. Both for \$45,000.

• **South Gove St.:** Renovated 3 bed, 2 baths on 2 lots. Separate back building with carport \$68,500.

**Fort**  
• **Sunset Lane:** Price reduced on 3 bed, 2 baths. Now \$99,000.

• **Rent or Sale:** 1 bed, 1 bath townhouse \$35,000.

• **Rent:** 3 bed, 3 baths on Colony Row, \$850 + utilities.  
**Rentals-short and long term**

## GOT LAND?



## Special Government Program

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## YOUR HOROSCOPE

**ARIES** ♈ Mar 21/Apr 20  
Aries, you're thinking all about yourself now, which you're apt to do. Others may take offense to your self-importance, but you aren't worried about the consequences.

**TAURUS** ♉ Apr 21/May 21  
The people whom you meet this week will have lots to say that will inspire change in you, Taurus. You see, all you needed was a little inspiration and encouragement.

**GEMINI** ♊ May 22/June 21  
You are feeling a great amount of community spirit, Gemini. Channel that energy into an enterprising purpose, such as volunteer work or social services.

**CANCER** ♋ Jun 22/Jul 22  
You cannot force a relationship to a deeper level unless the other person is on the same page as you, Cancer. Take the time to sort out your feelings together.

**LEO** ♌ Jul 23/Aug 23  
There are big changes in store for your love life and the excitement lies in finding out what they are, Leo. Find a way to travel and experience new culture this week.

**VIRGO** ♍ Aug 24/Sept 22  
Resist the urge to rush ahead with all of your projects, Virgo. You are juggling many things, as you often do, and picking up the pace could cause trouble.

**LIBRA** ♎ Sept 23/Oct 23  
You are very articulate, Libra, and know how to get your point across without ruffling too many feathers. This trait will be needed when work presents a problem.

**SCORPIO** ♏ Oct 24/Nov 22  
Scorpio, big-ticket purchases are tempting you, but you have to put your wallet under lock and key. The finances just aren't there at this time to make rash purchases.

**SAGITTARIUS** ♐ Nov 23/Dec 21  
With a jovial nature, Sagittarius, you have no trouble at all making a few new friends this week. Spread the joy to others who aren't so secure with socializing.

**CAPRICORN** ♑ Dec 22/Jan 20  
It's time to think in a more disciplined fashion about your life, Capricorn. You can no longer go on just getting by on your charm. Make a plan and follow it.

**AQUARIUS** ♒ Jan 21/Feb 18  
Aquarius, there are changes going on all around you and it can be easy to get caught up in the gossip and drama. Resist the urge to swim in treacherous waters.

**PISCES** ♓ Feb 19/Mar 20  
Make sure you take some time this week to work with a team and show off your people skills, Pisces. Explore new skills as well.

## Tejas Properties

Phyllis & Les Meyer Broker/Ranch Sales 830-563-9911  
Deborah Isaacs Agent/Residential Sales 830-563-7272  
New Listing-2 Bedroom 2 Bath Condo-2 verandas overlooking #1 Fairway and Green. Must See! \$62,000  
Unit 15- 3/2 modular home, 1 lot, carport, back deck overlooking common area, screened porch, workshop w/AC, CONTACT PENDING  
Unit 15- 2/2, fully furnished, carport, storage shed, well maintained! CONTRACT PENDING  
Unit 14- 2 lots with RV cover and 804 sf living area. MAKE OFFER  
Golf Course Lot on Fort Clark Road. \$4,500.00  
www.Tejas-Properties.com HUNTING RANCHES AVAILABLE!

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**New Listing - 72 Sunset Lane - 2BR, 2B home** with upgrades, screened porches to enjoy the beautiful landscaping, carport & workshop.  
**23 Oak Lane - REDUCED** - custom built home, hobby/workshop room with 1/4 bath, fenced yard, large lot with oaks.

**#1101 Masters Condo** - lovely ground floor unit, carport, numerous interior upgrades, patio overlooks fairway.

**#102 Unit 1 - 2/2 townhome, CHA, patio pitched roof, only \$30,000.**

**241 Shafter** - nice 3/2 mobile home + addition, 1,384 +/- sq.ft., workshop

**49er - 2BR, 1B with interior upgrades & CHA, just \$25,000**

**147 Redbud** - covered RV parking & small apartment

**705 N. Ellen** - A MUST SEE! 3BR, 2B brick home, 1,900 +/- sq.ft., beautifully remodeled, new metal roof, Great Buy \$85,000.

**Casa Verde Garden Center** - great locale, seller financing!

**FOR RENT** - cute 1BR, furnished unit, Fort Clark Ranches & Small Acreage For Sale

## KEN BARNETT REAL ESTATE

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**FORT CLARK:**  
**NEW LISTING: FANTASTIC 2 STORY HOME ON OAK LANE. 3BR/3B, 2 CAR GARAGE + SEPARATE WORKSHOP. MANY UPGRADES AND FINE FEATURES THROUGHOUT. 2,740 SQ.FT. ON 1 LOT. GREAT LOCATION! \$219,000.**

**NEW LISTING: BEAUTIFULLY MAINTAINED HISTORIC HOME** on Colony Row. Hardwood floors and upgrades throughout. Spacious screened porch overlooking 3 par golf course. 4BR/3B. What a treasure @ \$152,000!

**NEW LISTING: 155 BLISS CIRCLE, Unit 15, 2BR/2BA, very clean, well maintained \$35,000.**

**NEW LISTING: 1073 FAIRWAY CIRCLE.** Beautiful home (2 1/2 years old) on golf course. 3BR/2B 2 garage, CHA, fireplace, fantastic kitchen, all electric. Great location! Approx. 1750 sq.ft.

**407 FT. CLARK RD.** Unique Townhome located in the heart of the Historical district. 1BR/1B. Covered parking in the back. Appliances included, CHA. Great decor! Great price! Approx. 945 sq.ft.

**FORT CLARK SPRINGS-** Corner of Travis/Anderson. 1 lot w/metal RV cover & 33' travel trailer. \$10,000.

**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**

**223 POMPEY** - Wonderful 3BR/2B with guest house in great neighborhood, New carpet, paint and blinds throughout. **REDUCED to \$135,000**

**BRACKETTVILLE:**  
**NEW LISTING: 154 CROCKETT, 4BR/2BA, 2 car garage, privacy fence. No Assessments, near Border Patrol Office. \$120,000.**

**NEW LISTING: 221 Acres** Prime Hunting. Approx. 1,400 sq. ft. Log cabin w/ panoramic views. 25 miles north of Brackettville on FM 674

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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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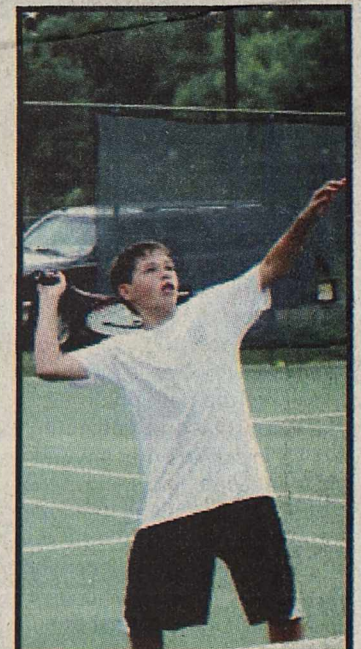
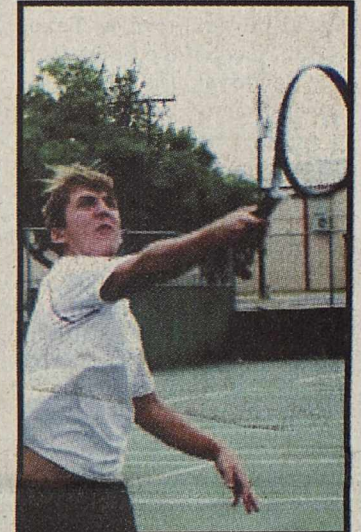
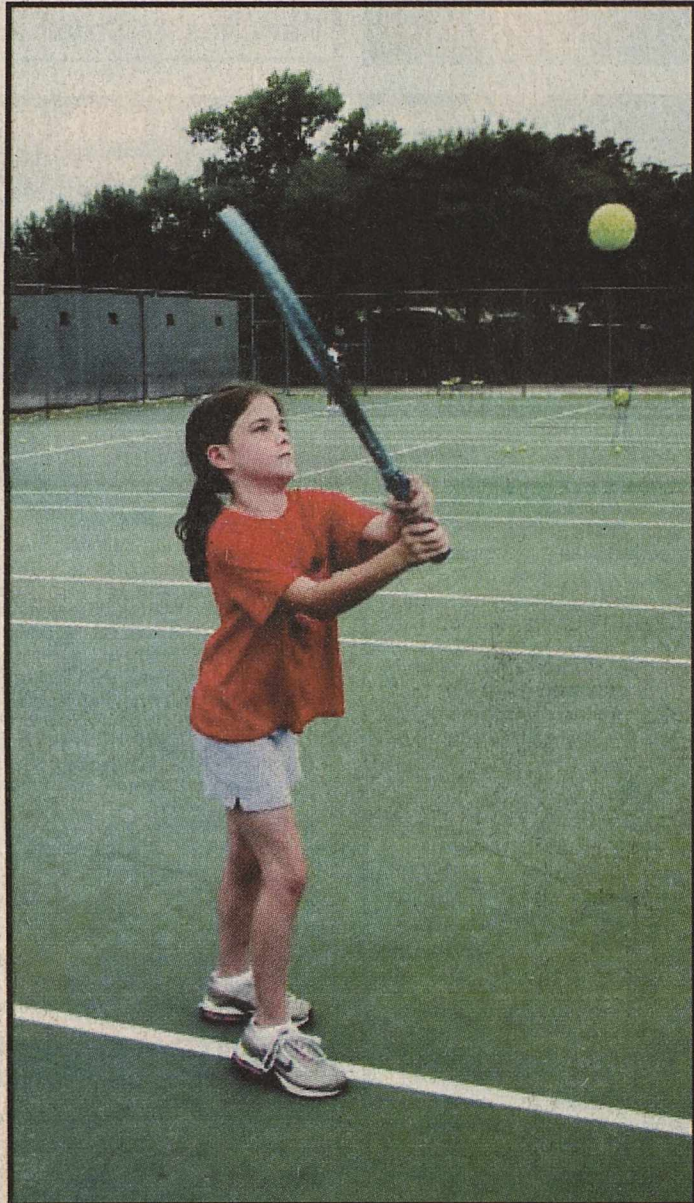
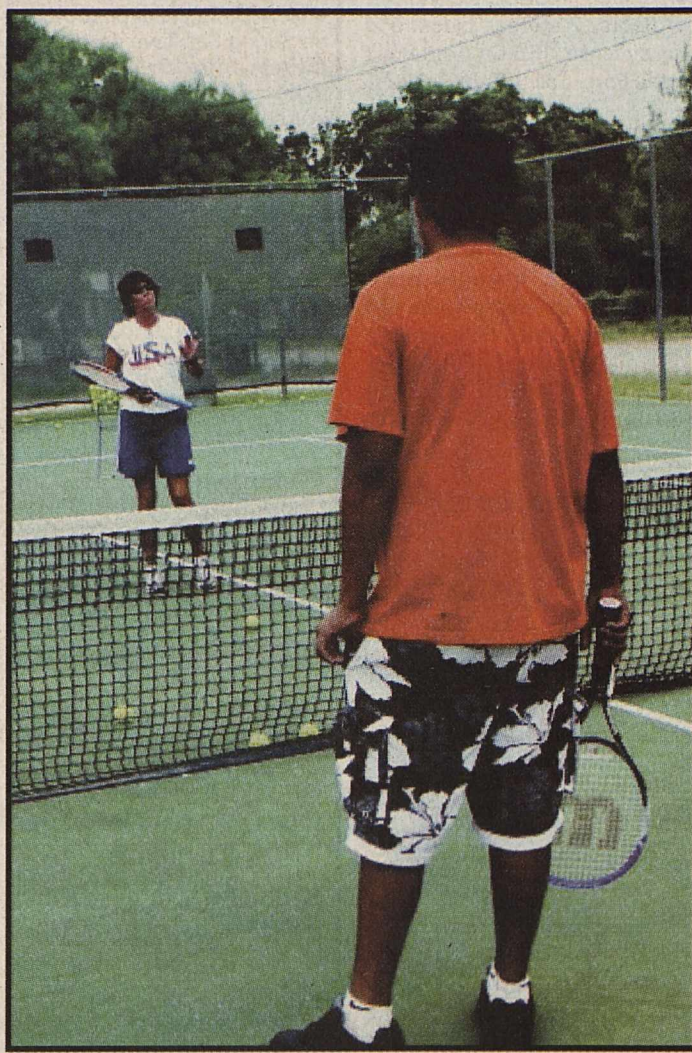
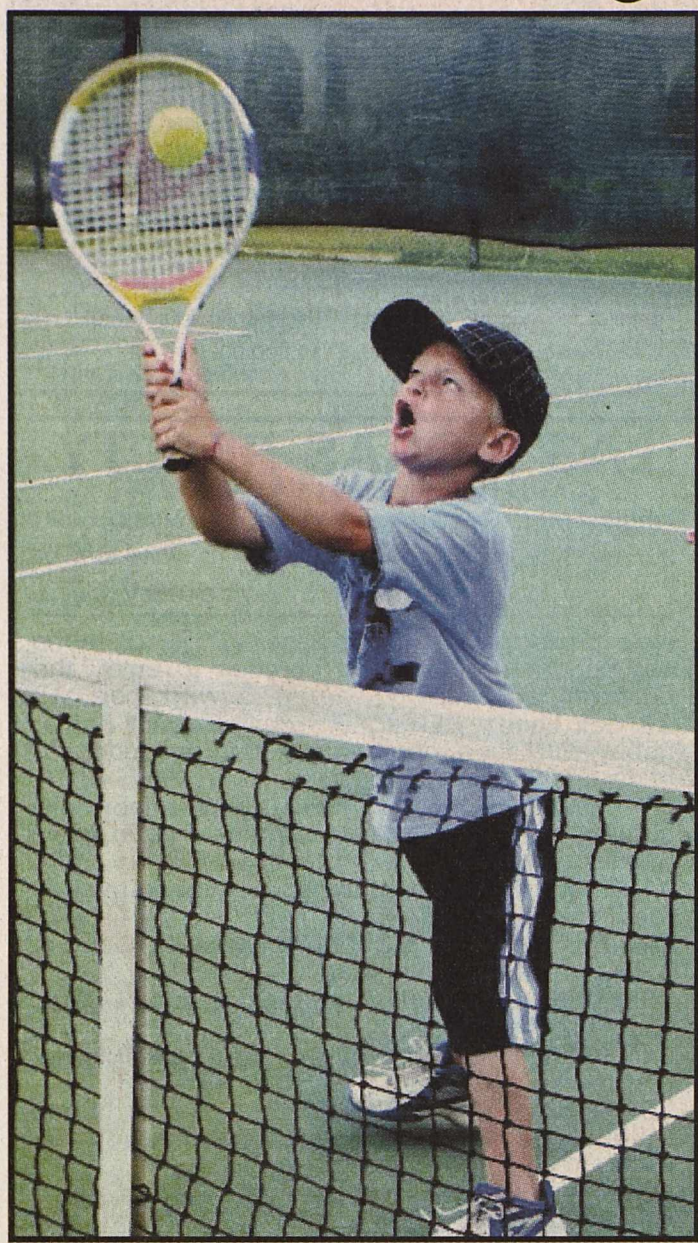
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# Photos of the Week

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**Coach Terri Rambie's Summer Tennis Camp**



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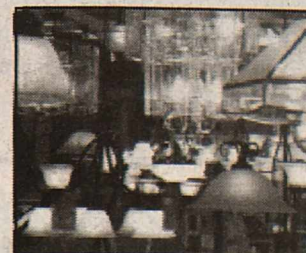


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## Cook - Guidry Engagement

Debbie Teitloff of Rocky Point, N.C., is pleased to announce the engagement of her daughter, Samantha Jo Cook, to J.J. Guidry, son of Dick and Diana Ward and Jerry Guidry, all of Brackettville. The bride-elect is currently employed as the Business Office Manager at Kermit Healthcare Center in Kermit. The prospective groom is the

chair of the Department of Social Studies at Kermit High School, where he teaches U.S. history and coaches football, basketball and softball. The couple will be married on Saturday, July 19, at 5:30 p.m., at the First Baptist Church in Brackettville with Rev. William Adams officiating. After the honeymoon, the couple will reside in Kermit.

**First Baptist Church**

*Sunday* *Wednesday*

Bible study for all ages 9:45 a.m. 6 p.m. Children's Ministry  
Worship Service - 11:00 a.m. 7 p.m. Bible Study  
Discipleship Training 6 p.m. Vacation Bible School July 21-25, 2008  
Evening Service 7 p.m.

Pastor Jeff Janca Phone: 563-2245  
website: fbcbackett.org 301 N. Ann St.

**St. Andrew's Episcopal Church**

"Welcomes You"

Sunday Worship 11:00 AM  
Wednesday Bible Study: 7:00 PM (October - April)

Corner of Fort and Henderson  
Reverend Nathan Lafrenz 563-9607

**Welcome!**

**Church of Christ**

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

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EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF AMERICA

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Sunday: Worship 9:00 a.m.  
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Lutheran Church Women 11 a.m. Parrish Hall (Second Monday of Month)

Email: www.ourredeemerlutheran.org  
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**#UPSTAGERS PRESENT**

**A Comedy**

**A BAD YEAR FOR TOMATOES**

Written by: John Pateick  
Directed by: Fred Brockwell

"This play is substituted for There's A Burger In My End"

**Friday and Saturday**  
**June 20, 21, 27 & 28**  
**8:00 pm at**  
**The Paul Poag Theatre**  
**746 S. Main St. - Del Rio, TX**

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT  
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Adult Tickets: \$9 in advance or \$12 at the door  
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Partially funded by the Val Verde Community Foundation

## Kinney County Sheriff's Report



**Tuesday, June 10**  
12:23 am. A man reported he heard a gun shot south of Tiger Alley and Ann Street. A deputy was notified.

12:45 pm A woman reported someone tied a horse in her yard and it was eating her grass. A deputy was notified.

**Wednesday, June 11**  
2:35 am Rudy L. Gutierrez, 20, of Del Rio, was arrested for possession for marijuana under 2 ounces. Gutierrez was released June 16 on a \$1,200 bond.

6:44 pm A woman reported a white pick up truck was on HWY 90 approx. 7 miles out. A deputy was informed and enroute.

6:56 pm A woman reported someone had taken money from her purse. She requested papers

to begin filing her complaint. She spoke with a deputy. She later became angry with the deputy and stated that they didn't care about her complaint. She threw down the clipboard and wanted out of the office.

**Thursday, June 12**  
6:07 pm An unknown caller reported he and another driver had been involved in an accident on HWY 90 at the Fort Clark entrance. He also stated there had not been any injuries. The caller hung up before the deputy could get a name.

**Friday, June 13**  
5:42 pm A man reported a break-in at his house. A deputy was notified of the situation.

John C. Odom, 26, of Rosewell, GA, was arrested for possession of marijuana and possession of controlled substances. Odom was released the next day with a \$3,500 and \$1,200 bond.

**Saturday, June 14**  
11:53 Mitchell Treg, 46, of Fort Clark Springs, was arrested for public intoxication. Treg was released the same day with a \$300 bond.

3:20 pm An unknown subject requested to speak with a deputy. A deputy was notified.

**Sunday, June 15**  
11:45 am Jesus Soliz Cadena, 41, of Del Rio, was arrested on a fugitive warrant. Cadena was released that day under a \$2,500 bond.

4:50 pm A man requested to speak with a deputy.

10:26 pm A woman reported a domestic situation and requested a deputy. A deputy was

informed enroute to the situation.

**Monday, June 16**  
2:55 pm An unknown caller reported a one-vehicle accident on HWY 90 at Arenoso Bridge east of Brackettville. The caller stated that he did not stop and did not know of any injuries. The caller was asked for his name but hung up.



## Tucker Wade Allen

Bret and Nadalee Allen announce the birth of their son Tucker Wade, born June 10 at Uvalde Memorial Hospital in Uvalde. Tucker weighed in at 8 lbs. and 5 oz and was 20 1/4" in length. Tucker was welcomed home by his three sisters Balle Nicole, 18, Summer Rae, 17, and Korlee Kae, 11. Tucker's maternal grandmother is Ruth Wheaton of Sebastian, paternal grandparents are Jerry and Vicki Allen of Uvalde and paternal great-grandmother Adelle Kirksey of Austin.

# Ramona The Pest

Each week TBN will publish a chapter in Beverly Cleary's "Ramona The Pest" as part of our program to encourage children of all ages to read!

Chapter 9: The Substitute, Part 2  
The story so far: Miss Binney's unexpected absence from school has upset Ramona. Rather than face the substitute teacher, Ramona decides to hide outside where she is discovered by Ribsy the dog.

Except for Ribsy, Ramona was lonely. She leaned against the chill red bricks and felt sorry for herself. Poor little Ramona, all alone except for Ribsy, behind the trash cans. Miss Binney would be sorry if she knew what she had made Ramona do. She would be sorry if she knew how cold and lonesome Ramona was. Ramona felt so sorry for the poor shivering little child behind the trash cans that one tear and then another slid down her cheeks. She sniffed pitifully. Ribsy opened one eye and looked at her before he closed it again. Not even Henry's dog cared what happened to her.

After a while Ramona heard the kindergarten running and laughing outside. How disloyal everyone was to have so much fun when Miss Binney had deserted her class. Ramona wondered if the kindergarten missed her and if anyone else would chase Davy and try to kiss him. Then Ramona must have dozed off, because the next thing she knew recess time had come and the playground was swarming with shouting, yelling, ball-throwing older boys and girls. Ribsy was gone. Stiff with cold, Ramona hunched down as low as she could. A ball bounced with a bang against a trash can. Ramona shut her eyes and hoped that if she could not see anyone, no one could see her. Footsteps came running toward the ball. "Hey!" exclaimed a boy's voice. "There's a little kid hiding back here!"

Ramona's eyes flew open. "Go away!" she said fiercely to the strange boy, who was peering over the cans at her. "What are you hiding back there for?" asked the boy. "Go away!" ordered Ramona. "Hey, Huggins!" yelled the boy. "There's a little kid back here who lives over near you!" In a moment Henry was peering over the trash cans at Ramona. "What are you doing there?" he demanded. "You're supposed to be in kindergarten."

"You mind your own business," said Ramona.

Naturally when two boys peered behind the trash cans, practically the whole school had to join them to see what was so inter-



esting. "What's she doing?" people asked. "How come she's hiding?" "Does her teacher know she's here?"

In the midst of all the excitement, Ramona felt a new discomfort.

"Find her sister," someone said. "Get Beatrice. She'll know what to do."

No one had to find Beezus. She was already there. "Ramona Geraldine Quimby!" she said. "You come out of there this minute!"

"I won't," said Ramona, even though she knew she could not stay there much longer.

"Ramona, you just wait until Mother hears about this!" stormed Beezus. "You're really going to catch it!"

Ramona knew that Beezus was right, but catching it from her mother was not what was worrying her at the moment.

"Here comes the yard teacher," someone said.

Ramona had to admit defeat. She got to her hands and knees and then to her feet and faced the crowd across the trash-can lids as the yard teacher came to investigate the commotion.

"Don't you belong in kindergarten?" the yard teacher asked.

"I'm not going to go to kindergarten," said Ramona stubbornly, and cast an anguished glance at Beezus.

"She's supposed to be in kindergarten," said Beezus, "but she needs to go to the bathroom."

The older boys and girls thought this remark was funny, which made Ramona so angry she wanted to cry. There was nothing funny about it at all, and if she didn't hurry -

The yard teacher turned to

Beezus. "Take her to the bathroom and then to the principal's office. She'll find out what the trouble is."

The first words were a relief to Ramona, but the second a shock. No one in the morning kindergarten had ever been sent to Miss Mullen's office in the big building, except to deliver a note from Miss Binney, and then the children went in pairs, because the errand was such a scary one.

"What will the principal do to me?" Ramona asked, as Beezus led her away to the girls' bathroom in the big building.

"I don't know," said Beezus. "Talk to you, I guess, or call Mother. Ramona, why did you have to go and do a dumb thing like hiding behind the trash cans?"

"Because," Ramona was cross since Beezus was so cross.

When the girls came out of the bathroom, Ramona reluctantly allowed herself to be led into the principal's office, where she felt small and frightened even though she tried not to show it.

"This is my little sister Ramona," Beezus explained to Miss Mullen's secretary in the outer office. "She belongs in kindergarten, but she's been hiding behind the trash cans."

Miss Mullen must have overheard, because she came out of her office. Frightened though she was, Ramona braced herself to say, "I won't go back to kindergarten!"

"Why, hello, Ramona," said Miss Mullen. "That's all right, Beatrice. You may go back to your class. I'll take over."

Ramona wanted to stay close to her sister, but Beezus walked out of the office, leaving her alone with the principal, the most important person in the whole school. Ramona felt small and pitiful with her knees still marked where the asphalt had gouged her. Miss Mullen smiled, as if Ramona's behavior was of no particular importance, and said, "Isn't it too bad Miss Binney had to stay home with a sore throat? I know what a surprise it was for you to find a strange teacher in your kindergarten room."

Ramona wondered how Miss Mullen knew so much. The principal did not even bother to ask what Ramona was doing behind the trash cans. She did not feel

the least bit sorry for the poor little girl with the gouged knees. She simply took Ramona by the hand, and said, "I'm going to introduce you to Mrs. Wilcox. I know you're going to like her," and started out the door.

Ramona felt a little indignant, because Miss Mullen did not demand to know why she had been hiding all that time. Miss Mullen did not even notice how forlorn and tearstained Ramona looked. Ramona had been so cold and lonely and miserable that she thought Miss Mullen should show some interest. She had half expected the principal to say, "Why you poor little thing! Why were you hiding behind the trash cans?"

The looks on the faces of the morning kindergarten, when Ramona walked into the room with the principal, made up for Miss Mullen's lack of concern. Round eyes, open mouths, faces blank with surprise - Ramona was delighted to see the whole class staring at her from their seats. They were worried about her. They cared what had happened to her.

"Ramona, this is Miss Binney's substitute, Mrs. Wilcox," said Miss Mullen. To the substitute she said, "Ramona is a little late this morning." That was all. Not a word about how cold and miserable Ramona had been. Not a word about how brave she had been to hide until recess.

"I'm glad you're here, Ramona," said Mrs. Wilcox, as the principal left. "The class is drawing with crayons. What would you like to draw?"

Here it was seat-work time, and Mrs. Wilcox was not even having the class do real seat work, but was letting them draw pictures as if this day were the first day of kindergarten. Ramona was most disapproving. Things were not supposed to be this way. She looked at Howie scrubbing away with a blue crayon to make a sky across the top of his paper and at Davy, who was drawing a man whose arms seemed to come out of his ears. They were busy and happy drawing whatever they pleased.

"I would like to make Q's," said Ramona on sudden inspiration.

"Make use of what?" asked Mrs. Wilcox, holding out a sheet of drawing paper.

Ramona had been sure all along that the substitute could not be as smart as Miss Binney, but at least she expected her to know what the letter Q was. All grown-ups were supposed to know Q.

"Nothing," Ramona said, as she accepted the paper and, pleasantly self-conscious under the awed stares of the kindergarten, went to her seat.

At last Ramona was free to draw her Q her own way. Forgetting the loneliness and discomfort of the morning, she drew a most satisfying row of Q's, Ramona-style, and decided that having a substitute teacher was not so bad after all.

Mrs. Wilcox wandered up and down the aisle looking at pictures. "Why, Ramona," she said, pausing by Ramona's desk, "what charming little cats you've drawn! Do you have kittens at home?"

Ramona felt sorry for poor Mrs. Wilcox, a grown-up lady teacher who did not know Q. "No," she answered. "Our cat is a boy cat."

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