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Community News

TOPS Meeting Planned

A TOPS - Take Off Pounds Sensibly will be meeting at Slaton Hall, First United Methodist Church, 109 James Street in Brackettville, on July 24. Weigh-ins will be from 5 - 5:30pm. Meeting will be from 5:30 - 6pm. TOPS is a Non-Profit Weight Loss Support group. Call if you have any questions: Junetta Myers, 830-563-9984 or 830-703-6221. email junetta-2002@yahoo.com

Disaster Relief Needs

The Baptist Men Disaster Relief Temporary Child Care will be collecting the following items for : Crayons/colored pencils, Construction paper/pipe cleaners, small hand sanitizer, black permanent markers, Wet wipes/gallon Ziploc bags, Klennex (Boxes/travel size), Paper towels, Baby wipes, Diapers, plastic baby rattles, baby shampoo (travel size), baby wash (travel size), Toothbrush/toothpaste for children, Sippy cups, toddler spoon, barrettes and hair accessories, Coloring books and playdough. Contact the church at 830-563-2245.

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.

Local Governmental Meetings

The Kinney County Groundwater Conservation District, Thursday, July 17, 2008 2:00pm at the City Annex Building on Highway 90 West

Kinney County Commissioner's Court will meet on Monday, July 21 in the County courtroom at 9 am.

Letters to our Troops

If you would like to send out a postcard or letter to our troops in Iraq and Afghanistan please contact Bonnie Frerich at 563-5372. Letter and notes are the most requested since it boosts their morale and reminds them that they are not forgotten.

Weekend WEATHER

Friday
High: 96
Low: 73
Sunny

Saturday
High: 95
Low: 73
Partly Cloudy

Sunday
High: 96
Low: 74
Partly Cloudy

Detention Center: trouble for TV Inmates erupt over television turnoff

By Allison Taylor
Editor

Early Sunday morning, July 13, federal prisoners in the Kinney County Detention Center (KCDC) rebelled after a sergeant on duty turned off the televisions.

KCDC rules normally allow

television time until 1 a.m. each night. Approximately 30 to 40 prisoners, upset by the sergeant's actions, flooded their cells with water from toilets and showers. The water was quickly turned off and the facility went into a lock down status, according to KCDC Warden Mickey Hubert.

Lock down status prevents in-

mates from leaving their cells for any reason other than medical emergencies.

Monday morning, inmates in a second story cell rocked a metal bunkbed loose from a concrete floor and used it in a failed attempt to break down the door. At this time officers were forced to gas the inmates' cell with pep-

per spray and successfully halted their destructive actions.

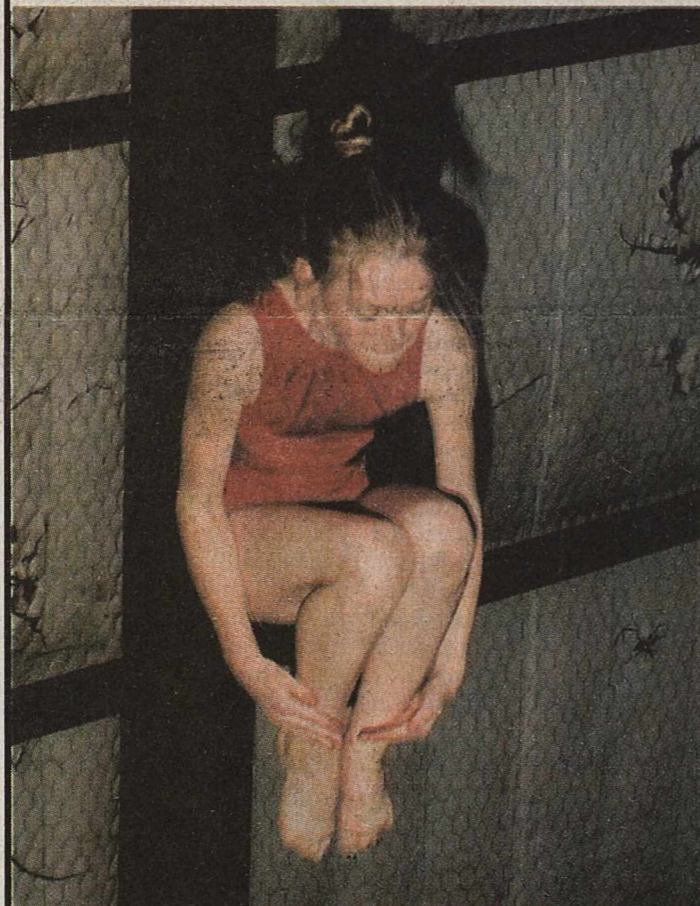
At the same time, in another 10-man cell, an inmate set fire to a shirt and hung it over the cell window. Correctional officers quickly doused the small fire with a facility fire hose.

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Brown girls qualify for Nationals in gymnastics



Pictured above: Morgan Brown. Pictured below: Gage Brown



Morgan and Gage Brown headed to Nationals in gymnastics

Courtesy Photos

Morgan and Gage Brown, daughters of Clinton and Deedee Brown, practice as they both recently qualified for Nationals at the state level competition.

City Manager saves thousands in electricity charges

By Allison Taylor
Editor

Brackettville City Council members met Tuesday, July 15 for a Regular meeting.

City Manager Henry Garcia reported during the City Manager's monthly report that he had signed a contract with Central Power and Light (CPL) on an emergency basis at a rate of 11 cents per kilowatt hour for electricity service. The City was being charged 48 cents per kilowatt hour without any sort of agreement in place. Garcia reported the city was purchasing power on the open market and by signing a 42-month contract with CPL, the city would be saving approximately \$16,301 per month in electricity charges.

Alderspersons voted to table approval of Dave Crowe's offer of \$100 to purchase Trust Property, Block T, Lot 14. Council members expressed concerns with needing more information on this issue before they made a decision.

The council will meet at a

later date to finalize a decision on Crowe's offer to purchase trust property within the city.

Garcia was nominated for the Board of Trustees of the Texas Municipal League (TML) Intergovernmental Risk Pool. TML provides Texas municipalities risk financing and loss prevention services.

Garcia was also authorized to attend and act on behalf of the City on the Middle Rio Grande Development Council (MRGDC) board. MRGDC provides services in workforce development, planning and grant writing.

Council passed a resolution in support of the Kinney County Groundwater District's efforts to secure assistance in funding for groundwater studies within the county.

During the maintenance report, Maintenance Supervisor David Martinez reported 11 water leaks and two gas leaks. Martinez also reported 12 stray animals were picked up.

Alderman Dimetreus Williams was absent from the meeting.

Foreclosure locks family out

By Leigh Volcsko
Publisher

Last month Roger Perez drew his house keys from his pocket as he made his way from his car to the door of his house and says he was surprised when the key in his hand did not fit the lock on the door.

Perez, a man with ties that date back to the early history of Kinney County, found out later that day that his home, located at Lot 113, Unit 15 of Fort Clark Springs, had been foreclosed on and sold to W. Ned Allen of Fort Clark Springs and Floresville at a sheriff's sale on November 6, 2007 for the sum of \$1,063.63.

"My house was foreclosed on because I did not pay \$3.74 in MUD (Fort Clark Springs Municipal Utilities District) taxes," said Perez and he claims he paid all the taxes due on his property except for MUD because he believes the tax is illegal.

According to a tax statement filed by Kinney County Chief Appraiser William Haenn on February 23, 2007, Perez' property, has an appraised value of \$30,679 and the total amount of unpaid taxes at the time was \$113.65. Perez owed \$3.74 from his 2006 tax statement plus interest and statutory attorney fees for a total of \$4.60 and \$75.87 from his 2005 tax statement plus interest and statutory attorney fees for a total of \$109.05. How-

ever, Perez provided TBN with copies of receipts proving he had in fact paid all his taxes, less the MUD tax.

Perez' attorney Filemon Ortiz Jr. of Del Rio stated his client is not contesting the process by which the home was taken, but wants the property back as provided by law and cited Texas Property Code Chapter 34, Section 34.21. The law states that Perez should have the opportunity to reclaim his residence homestead in the first year after the date of sale by paying the amount it was sold for plus 25 percent; or an additional 50 percent if he were to reclaim the property within the second year after the sale.

Perez and his attorney presented themselves on Wednesday at the Appraisal District office with a certified check in an attempt to reclaim his home, but met resistance as Haenn would not accept the check. Perez then went to see Tax Collector Martha Pena Padron, but was advised to refer him back to Haenn at the Appraisal District. The day ended and Perez was still without the deed to his home.

Haenn contends that because Perez never applied for a "homestead exemption" in Kinney County the sale of the property is legal and the appraisal district

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Foreclosure For \$3.74

Photo by Leigh Volcsko

Roger Perez' home was sold at a foreclosure sale after he failed to pay \$3.74 in taxes he believed to be illegal.

What's Happening

Are you hungry for... food...fellowship...faith? Pot Luck at the First United Methodist Church on Sunday, July 20 at 12 noon. Worship service is at 10:45 am.

Sales Tax holiday

Texas shoppers get a break from state and local sales taxes on August 15, 16 and 17 - the state's annual tax holiday. For information call (800) 252-5555 or http://www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo

Local Summer Youth Programs

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

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 everyday 8 am 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.

Benefit for St. Junes Children's Hospital St. Junes 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.

TexasSure vehicle insurance information An estimated 1 out of 5 vehicles on our Texas roads has no automobile insurance, but that is about to change. TexasSure Vehicle Insurance Verification matches vehicle registration information to insurance policy data, which immediately tells law enforcement officers and tax collectors who is driving without insurance. So, if you are not covered, better get insured. To learn more, visit: www.TexasSure.com



Letter to the Editor

As a Veteran of both the Marine Corps and Coast Guard, the *Letter to the Editor*, Page 2) in the June 26 issue of *The Brackett News* about Senate Bill 1877 passing caught my attention. I just wanted to make sure it was clear to your readers that it's passing in the Senate was just the first step and that it has not been enacted yet. It is true, the bill was passed unanimously in the Senate last year. However, a bill must be passed by both the House and Senate, then signed by the President before it becomes law.

You can track and verify this bill's progress online, as well as any others, at www.govtrack.us. Here is a direct link to the progress of S.1877: GovTrack.us. S. 1877—110th Congress (2007): A bill to amend title 4, United States Code, to prescribe that members of the Armed... GovTrack.us (database of federal legislation) <http://www.govtrack.us/congress/bill.xpd?tab=main&bill=s110-1877> (accessed Jul 11, 2008)

Regards, Michael Negrete
Milford, NH

Dear Mr. Negrete:
TBN wishes to thank you for your comments. We are grateful that you cared enough to call in and write to us with this important information. Hoo-Ahh!

Our community, to my understanding has an alcohol and drug problem.

We, at the Frontier Baptist Church, would like to establish "Drug Awareness" with the ability to combat "drugs and alcohol."

Most people subconsciously accept our American way of life. Productivity insures prosperity and a successful way of life. This unknown writer best expresses it like this!

"Life's Sweetener."
I am the foundation of all business. I am the fount of all prosperity. I am the parent of genius. I have laid the foundation of every fortune in America, from the Rockefeller's down I am the sweat from an honest man's brow. I must be loved before I can bestow my greatest blessings and achieve my greatest ends. Loved, I make life sweet, purposeful and fruitful. I can do more to advance youth than his parents, be they ever so rich. Fools hate me! Wise men love me! I am represented in every loaf of bread that comes from the oven; In every train that crosses the continent; In every newspaper that comes from the press. I am the mother of democracy. All progress springs from me.
WHO AM I???

I am simply WORK!!!
All people possess a greatness. But all people will not discover this greatness, which is desire, discipline, determination, knowledge, and a sincere belief in God.

Those that do find this inner greatness will attain all which is within the realm of possibility. But, remember, you are the vehicle which propel the greatness.

If we cannot install all these principles within our youth and adults, we are not achieving goals for our future generations.

Drugs and alcohol do nothing but deter a productive life. It destroyed both family and friends. If we do not try to inform and fight drugs and alcohol, both parents and young people will suffer greatly.

Let's come together and fight for what our great American Heritage has promised.

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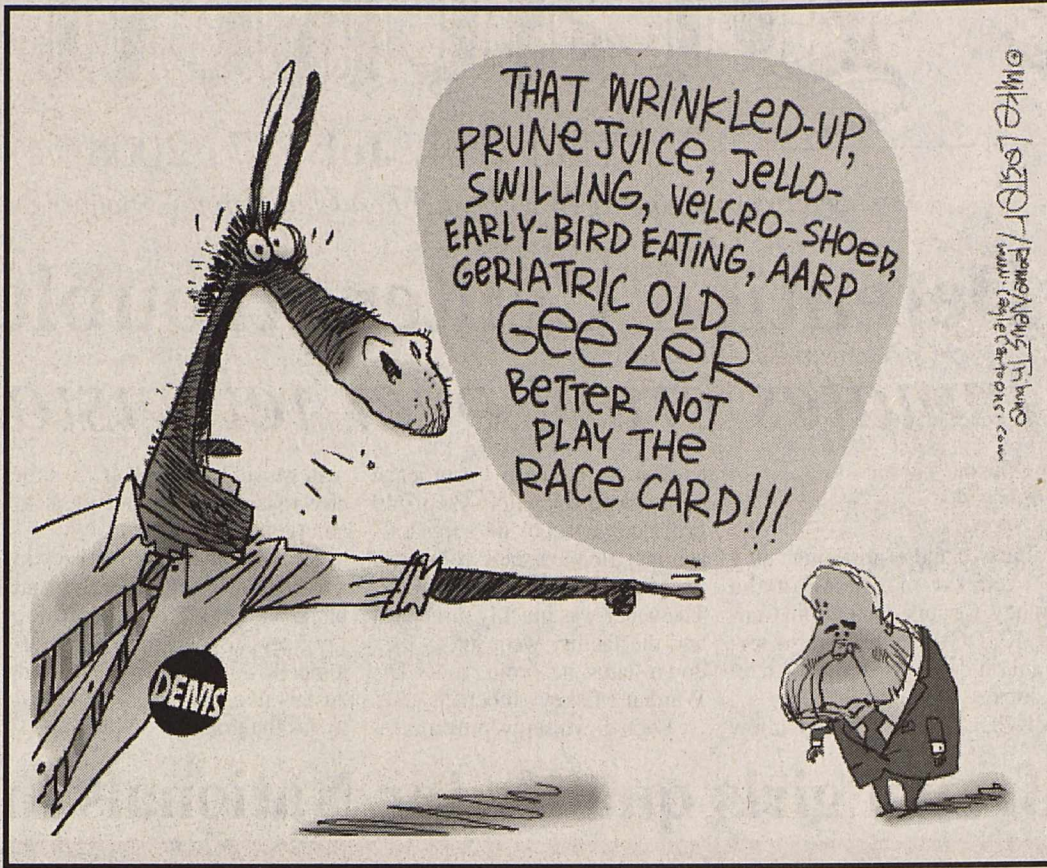
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And he wants to be President?



Steven LaMasco
The Way I See It

"As I've said about the flag pin, I don't want to be perceived as taking sides. There are a lot of people in the world to whom the American flag is a symbol of oppression."

The above is a quote. It was spoken by Barack Hussein Obama, the Democratic candidate for President of the United States.

Question: If a man is so worried that he might be perceived as "taking sides" that he refuses to wear a pin depicting the United States flag — for whom so many young men have died, or been horribly wounded and disfigured — and refuses to place his hand over his heart when the National Anthem is played, as required by law, what possible justification does he have for running for president? Seems to me that the President of the United States should be the first to take sides. Isn't that his job? Doesn't he take an oath to that effect? Why does this unpatriotic, anti-American bigot believe that the citizens of the nation he seems to loathe so much should vote for him?

Aside from his obvious hatred for the United States, Obama is either a liar or a thoroughly confused man. He was trained from early age to be a Muslim. His mother was white, but sought out only black Muslim men to marry. Strange, very strange. However, Obama rejects his white blood, very vehemently it would seem, not even acknowledging that he has a white grandmother, Madelyn

Dunham.

Well, the truth is that Obama is a very talented liar. He is better at it than Hillary Clinton, 'cause she got caught in her lies — like running from sniper fire in Bosnia.

Here, direct from Snopes, are some of Obama's best lies.

"Father was a goat herder." — Lie

Fact — Father "was a privileged, well educated youth, who went on to work with the Kenyan Government."

"Father was a proud freedom fighter." — Lie

Fact — "He was part of one of the most corrupt and violent governments Kenya has ever had."

My Grandmother has always been a Christian." Lie

Fact — "She does her daily Salat prayers at 5AM according to her own interviews. According to the New York Times: 'I am a strong believer in the Islamic faith,' Ms. Obama, 85, said in a recent interview in Kenya. Not to mention, Christianity wouldn't allow her to have been one of 14 wives to 1 man."

"My name is African Swahili." Lie

Fact: His "name is Arabic and 'Baraka' (from which Barack came) means 'blessed' in that language. Hussein (his middle name) is also Arabic and so is Obama."

"I never practiced Islam." — Lie

Fact: "He 'practiced it daily at school, where you were registered as a Muslim and kept that faith for 31 years, until your wife made you change, so you could run for office."

"An Ebony article moved me to run for office." Lie

Fact: "Ebony has yet to find the article you mention in your book. It doesn't and never did, exist."

"A Life Magazine article changed my outlook on life." Lie

Fact: Life has yet to find the article you mention in your book. It doesn't, and never did, exist."

"I was a professor of law." Lie
Fact: He "was a senior lecturer, On Leave."

"Without me, there would be no ethics bill." Lie

Fact: "You didn't write it, introduce it, change it, or create it."

"I passed 900 bills in the state Senate." Lie

Fact: He "passed 26, most of which you didn't write yourself."

"I don't have lobbyists." Lie

Fact: "You have over 47 lobbyists, and still counting."

"I have passed bills in the U.S. Senate." Lie

Fact: "You have passed one bill in the U.S. Senate — for Africa, which shows your priorities."

And last but not least.
"I am as patriotic as anyone."

Fact: "You won't wear a flag pin and you don't put your hand over your heart during the Anthem. There is a Cuban Flag with Che Guevara displayed at the Barack Obama Campaign Office which you allow to be displayed. You voted against making English the official language of the United States. You voted to give illegal aliens social security benefits, which would bankrupt the social security system for Americans legally paying into it."

This man is just a typical liberal political sycophantic clown who will say or do anything to get elected. He has no faith — Muslim or otherwise. He has no patriotism. He has no honor. He has no integrity. He has no deeply held morals. A vote for him is a vote for the destruction of the United States. If you think you can't vote for McCain, then don't vote at all. But for the sake of the nation, don't vote for Obama.

Does your pain relief usually come from your medicine cabinet?



Dr. Kent Lowery,
D.C., FIAMA

THINK DIFFERENTLY!!!

When the minds of the people are closed and wisdom is locked out, they remain tied to disease. In the race to better health, many will try to offer

quick and easy fixes, but real wellness comes from the steady reinforcement of the body's own natural drive to heal itself.

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What Should You Do with an Inheritance?



Emily Cooper

Will you ever receive a sizable inheritance? You can't plan on it. But if you do get one, you can plan on using it to help achieve some of your key financial goals. Once you get word of an inheritance, what steps should you take? Above all, don't rush to act. If you are in the midst of the grieving process, it's hard to make good decisions about money. Consequently, you may want to consider "parking" your inheritance temporarily in a liquid vehicle, such as a cash or cash alternative investment. Don't fret if your inheritance isn't really growing much for a few months — you'll have time to put it to work later. After you've parked your money and some time has passed, you can think about what to do with your inheritance. Here are a few ideas:

Get rid of debts. Use your inheritance to pay off as many debts as you can, especially those consumer loans that are not tax-deductible and that carry high interest rates.

Establish an emergency fund. This fund should contain six to 12 months' worth of living expenses. Without it, you may be forced to dip into your investments to pay for unexpected costs, such as an expensive car repair or a hefty medical bill.

Review and adjust your financial strategies. If your inheritance is large enough, it may be a "game changer" in terms of how you pursue your financial strategies. For example, you may now be able to speed up your timetable toward retirement, if that's what you want. Or you may be able to pay more of your children's college education, thus freeing up more funds for your own retirement savings. In fact, by investing your inheritance in certain ways, you can influence many desired outcomes that you've identified in your overall financial strategy. Your financial advisor can help you make those moves that are most appropriate for your individual needs.

Plan for taxes. Unless you are "inheriting" your spouse's assets, you may be subject to some type of taxes when you receive an inheritance. Some types of inheritance, such as the proceeds from a life insurance policy, are tax-free. On the other hand, if you inherit a non-spousal 401(k) plan and are forced to take the money as a lump sum, which is likely because most 401(k) providers would prefer to remove the account from their books, your inheritance will be subject to federal, state and local income taxes. However, thanks to recent tax law changes, as a non-spouse beneficiary you can now transfer an inherited 401(k) to an IRA, which allows you to avoid immediately paying taxes on your inheritance. You'll still be required to take annual withdrawals, which are taxable, but the amount will be based on your life expectancy, so you can spread out your tax burden. To make sure you're making the right moves with an inherited 401(k), consult with your tax advisor.

You may get only one inheritance in your life — so do whatever you can to make the most of it.

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OBITUARY

Cecil Garlan Barron

November 7, 1928 - July 8, 2008



Cecil Garlan Barron was born November 7, 1928 in Harrisonburg, Louisiana and passed from this life on July 8, 2008 at his residence in Fort Clark Springs, Brackettville, Texas.

Garlan graduated from Harrisonburg High School in 1945 and attended Northeast Junior College in Monroe, Louisiana. He was employed by Exxon in Natchez, Mississippi for ten years.

For many years, he owned and operated Battleground Plantation in Sicily Island, Louisiana, raising corn, cotton and soybeans in addition to cattle and swine production. Battleground Plantation is known as the site of the final battle between the French and Natchez Indians during the late 1790's, and is on the National Register of Historic Places.

Garlan served eight years as a Catahoula Parish Police Juror. He was one of the originators of Macon Ridge Farmers Cooperative and served as its President and as a Board Member until his retirement. He also served as President and Board Member of Huntington Academy in Ferriday, Louisiana.

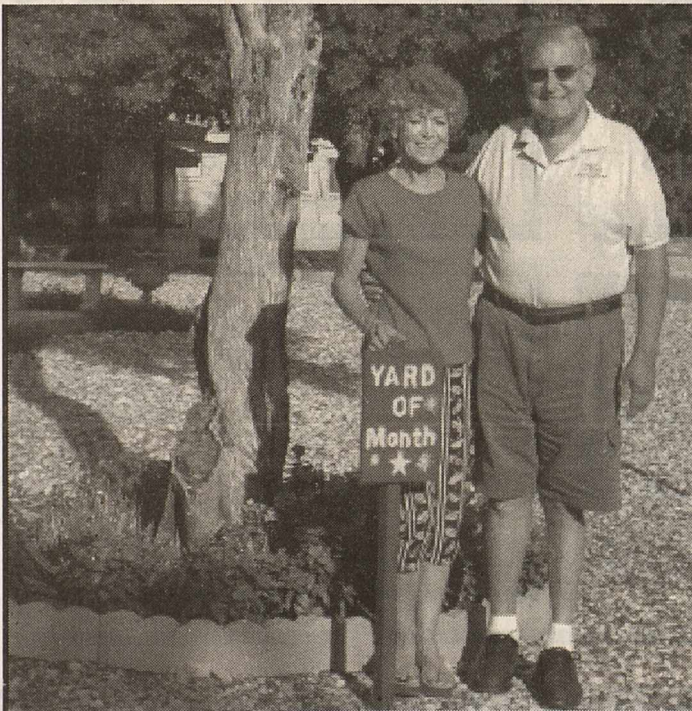
Mr. Barron was a past member of Harrisonburg Baptist Church and a member of Sicily Island Baptist Church.

Garlan will be especially remembered at his retirement home in Fort Clark Springs for his performances as the washtub bass player in the musical group The Fort Clark Springs Express. His yearly Cajun gumbo cookouts at the Barron home on Redbud Street in Fort Clark was the scene of many friendly neighborhood gatherings. Garlan never met a stranger, and his smile brought joy to many.

He is survived by his wife of sixty years, Ann Gambrell Barron; one son Carroll Garlan Barron and wife Amy; two grandchildren, C.J. Barron and wife April, Brandi Barron Watts and husband Cliff; numerous nieces and nephews and cousins; special friends Woody and Jenny Blunsch and daughters Jennifer, Samantha and Maggie; and long time associates, Lynn, Roger and Roy Mack Vines, who Garlan considered as family.

Garlan was preceded in death by his daughter, Melanie Ann Barron; father, Cecil L. "Poke" Barron; and mother, Mamie Stutson Barron.

A memorial service was held at 2:30 p.m., on Sunday, July 13, 2008, at the First United Methodist Church, 205 James Street in Brackettville, Texas. The family requests memorial donations to the First United Methodist Church in Brackettville, in lieu of flowers.



Schram's Receive Yard Of The Month Honor

Courtesy Photo

The Mountain Laurel Garden Club awarded the July yard-of-the-month honor to Norma and Jack Schram. The Schrams reside at 11 Dawn Drive, Fort Clark Springs. Norma said, "It is an honor and privilege to display the yard-of-the-month sign from the garden club." Jack added, "Norma has always had a green thumb. Then we moved to a house surrounded by a rock yard which Norma transformed into a rock yard with beautiful flowers and shrubs."

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open hearts, open minds, open doors

Detention Center disturbance

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"We were prepared for this," stated Warden Hubert.

Hubert continued by saying inmates were confined at all times in their cells and no major injuries were reported, however, Assistant Warden Jose Rodriguez called the Kinney County Sheriff's department for backup as a precautionary measure.

As of Tuesday afternoon, three, 10-man cell blocks remained on lockdown. Warden Hubert recognized quick responses from the Sheriff's Department, the Texas Rangers,

Department of Public Safety and Kinney County Fire Rescue. Hubert concluded by stating this incident, turned into a training exercise and he was amazed at the quick response although it was not needed.

Out of the 30 prisoners that participated in the minor disturbance, 15 have been identified as instigators and disciplinary measures will be taken upon completion of an investigation.

The Detention Center was built in 2004 and is a minimum security facility. It houses approximately 400 federal prisoners and employs 66 people.

Foreclosure leaves family homeless

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properly followed due process. Haenn went on to say because Perez failed to file for the exemption, the property was not considered his homestead leaving Perez only until the 180th day after the sale to reclaim his home, as stated in the Texas Property Code Chapter 34, Section 21 Subchapter B. Haenn believes Perez lives in Eagle Pass.

Perez owns a business in Eagle Pass and keeps a small apartment there, but votes in Kinney County and has spent as much time as his health would allow at his home on the Fort until last month. During the seven months between the time

of the sale and the time Allen changed the locks on the doors, Perez continued to freely commute between Eagle Pass and Brackettville, even paying the utilities and FCS assessments without knowing he did not even own the home anymore.

All Perez' possessions are still locked away in a house they cannot access as caution tape has been draped across the drive and several "no trespassing" signs are prominently displayed in the windows.

Attempts to reach Allen by telephone were unsuccessful.

"I am 78 years old, I have never been on welfare and I have always paid my way, so I can't believe this is happening to me," said Perez.

Jalapeño pie



Vada Baldree

Jalapeno Pie
1/2 pound Monterey Jack cheese, grated
1/2 pound cheddar cheese, grated
6 eggs, slightly beaten
Jalapeno peppers, sliced, to taste

Spray a 9 inch Pyrex pie pan with cooking spray. Toss the two cheeses together. Layer in the pan: jalapeno peppers, cheese and eggs. Bake in preheated 350 degrees oven for 30 minutes. Cool 15 minutes before cutting.

Sausage Balls
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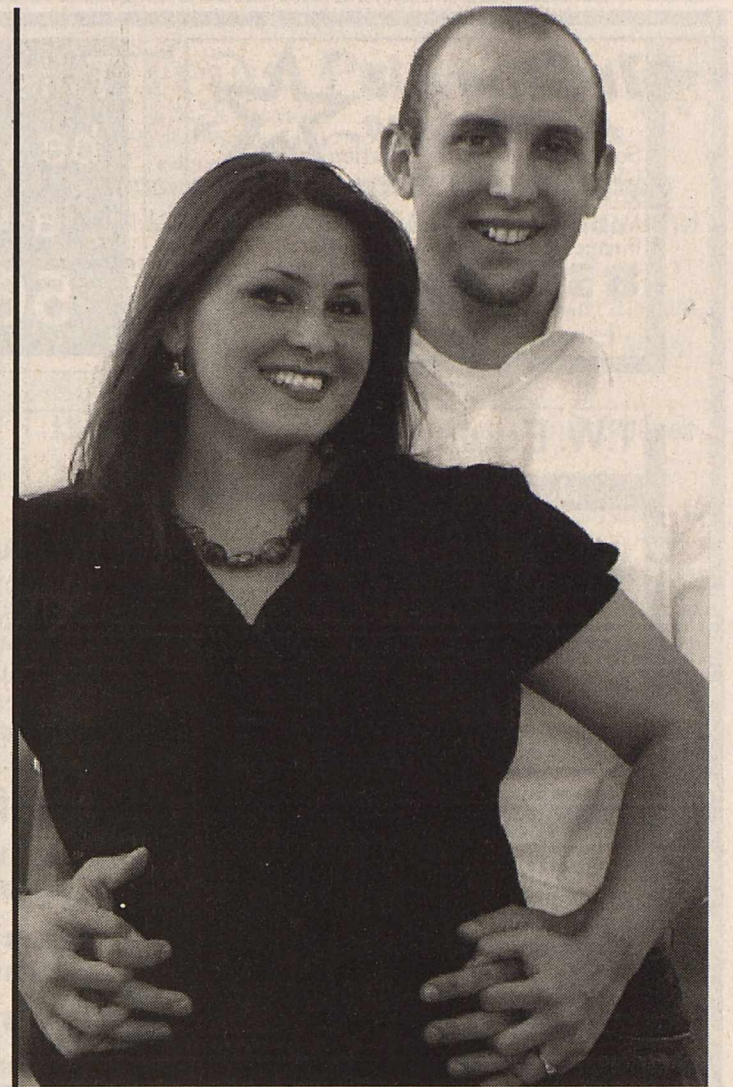
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ACROSS

1 Prejudice
 5 Turner or Louise
 9 Pinnacle
 13 Celestial path
 15 First person
 16 Rug type
 17 1997 Damon/Affleck flick
 20 Wildebeest
 21 Confer or defer ender
 22 Near East ketch
 23 Meager
 25 Kind of talk
 26 Young fox
 29 "Das Rheingold" goddess
 30 Dei
 33 Agile
 34 Celestial streaker
 36 Deride
 37 1985 John Cusack flick
 40 Pool owner's bane
 41 Dump
 42 Campus housing
 43 4-time Indy 500 winner
 44 Patsy

48 See red?
 49 Plus
 50 Come out
 52 Delta dirt
 54 It's a long story
 56 French nix
 57 1943 Lucille Ball flick
 61 Goes gray
 62 She gets what she wants
 63 Lay into
 64 Slugger Sammy
 65 French or swinging
 66 Kiss for a senorita

DOWN

1 Dumbfound
 2 Mangler
 3 Team
 4 A Caesar
 5 Post-bath duster
 6 Run in neutral
 7 Slangy turndown
 8 Diverts
 9 spumanti
 10 Garbanzo
 11 Provide a crew
 12 Future fowl
 14 Bird's cry

18 Congenital
 19 Forty winks
 24 East Indian drum: var.
 25 Decorative border
 27 Mad
 28 Son of Odin
 31 Verb form
 32 Middays
 33 Hammer type
 35 Nice season
 36 Govt. watchdog
 37 2001 Johnny Depp flick
 38 Exits
 39 Precede
 40 Fuss
 43 Not revealed
 45 Like 25 Down
 46 Marketplaces, of old
 47 Take care of
 49 TV alien
 51 Spoils
 53 long way to...
 54 Normandy town
 55 Out yonder
 57 Kind of relief
 58 Conceit
 59 A tic-tac-toe winner
 60 Part of WWW

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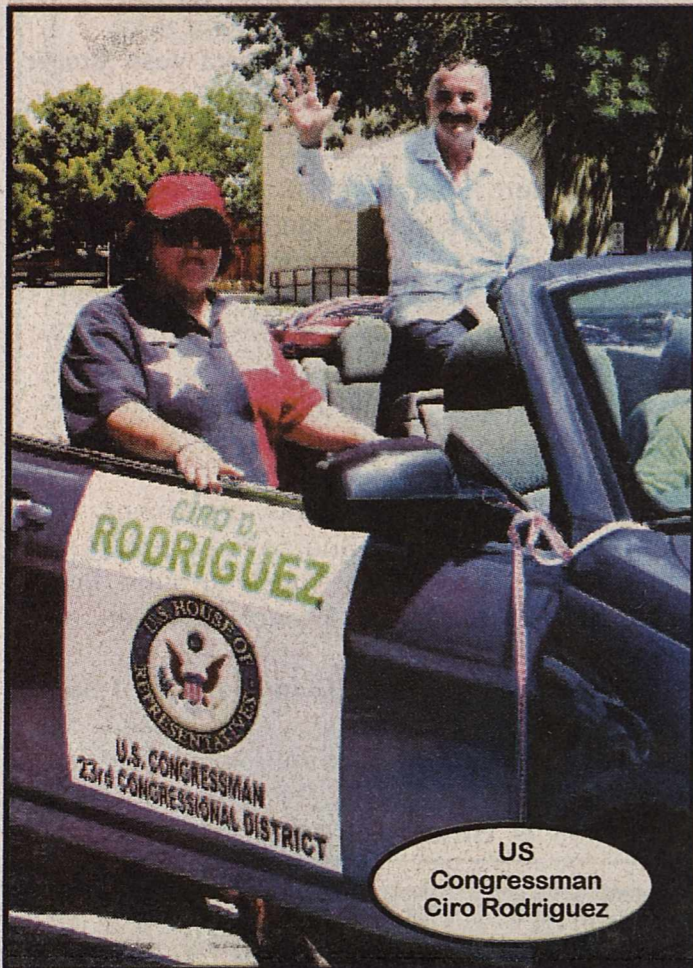
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