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Community News

WATER BOARD MEETING
Board of Directors for the Kinney County Groundwater Conservation District are having a meeting TODAY January 29, 2009, at 1:00 pm in The District Courtroom of the County Courthouse in Brackettville, Texas.

LIBRARY OPEN HOUSE
The Kinney County Public Library will Open House on Saturday, February 7, 2009 from 10am until 2pm for tours of the newly renovated facility. Improvements, including shelving and furnishings, were made possible through a grant received from the Tocker Foundation of Austin, Tx. The library also received assistance from the County for painting and replacing the carpet in the building. The staff and the board members of the Kinney County Public Library are very grateful to the Tocker Foundation and the County Officials for their support and assistance with this project. Please come by and visit your new and improved library.

CABARET DINNER
The Old Quarry Society will present "An Evening with Patsy Cline" cabaret dinner Friday, January 30 and Saturday, January 31st at the Post Theatre. The evening will begin with BYOB at 6:00 p.m. with catered dinner at 6:30 and an evening of delightful music presented by Suzanna Lowery and Lynn McNew beginning at 7:30 p.m. Friday's menu will be bar-b-que brisket with all the trimmings, including peach cobbler for dessert. Saturday will feature chicken fried chicken. **ADVANCE RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED.** Tickets are available at the Adult Center and the RV Park or call 563-9229. Season ticket holders should have already been contacted. If not, please call the above phone number.

FORT CLARK CANDIDATES
Fort Clark Springs will provide Fort Clark members with an opportunity to meet and question the candidates who are running for a position on the Fort Clark Springs Board of Directors. The Forum will be held on February 7th 2009 at the Service Club. The following people are running for a seat on the Board and most will attend the forum. Hattie English Berleth, John Carlson, Sam Holloman, Ricky Keyes, Lee Winchell and Garland Young. Please note the date and time-Saturday, February 7, 2009 at 10am. The usual Cavalry Brigade will meet the following Saturday.

Weekend WEATHER

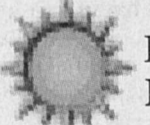
Friday



High:65
Low:37

Sunny

Saturday



High:66
Low:42

Sunny

Sunday



High:72
Low:43

Mostly Sunny

Utility poles burn; cause power outages

By Leigh Volcsko
tbnnews@sbcglobal.net

Kinney County Fire Rescue (KCFR) and Rio Grande Electric Co-op officials were busy on Monday, January 26, when two utility pole fires caused the loss of electricity to local customers.

The poles were ignited by a strange combination of dirt and mist that caused what professionals call an "insulator flashover". Insulators sit on top of utility poles and during dry conditions, dust can build up on them. Once the weather changes, a heavy rain will normally wash

it all away, but if just a light mist falls, the combination water and grime can create a path for electricity, or a flashover.

The first fire was reported at 9:45 a.m. on Hwy. 90 East near the Fritter Park Rest Area, approximately five miles from Brackettville.

The second fire was reported to authorities by RGEAC at 12:32 p.m. on a ranch off Hwy. 693.

Customers on Fort Clark Springs reported several power outages throughout the day, but say their electricity was restored before night fall.



A Scientific Wonder

Courtesy Photo

First Class Lineman Severo Martinez of Rio Grande Electric Co-op inspects the fire damage from a pole on ranch south of Brackettville. The pole ignited when an dust and mist created an insulator flashover.

Chili Cook-Off fires up crowd

The Ninth Annual Fort Clark Chili Cook Off, "was another great success," reported Event Coordinator Darlene Sandwick.

The chilly weather did not stop more than 200 people from filling the Fort Clark Springs' RV Park on January 26.

First place prize was awarded to Ralph Torres, of Del Rio, who also garnered the People's Choice Award.

Fran Kosin took home the prize for second place. Diana McCowan placed third while Tammy Jo Holloman took fourth place. Kosin, McCowan and Holloman are all residents of Fort Clark.

This year's judges were Don Sandwick, B.E. Sweet, Phil Colburn, Larry Johnson and JoAnn Werner.

Twenty-one contestants participated in the competition this year. Proceeds from the cook off benefit the Annual Fort Clark Days Festival.



Chili Cook-Off Winners

Courtesy Photo

Pictured From Left: Tammy Jo Holloman, Diane McCowan, Fran Kosin, Ralph Torres and Event Coordinator Darlene Sandwick.

What's Happening

VALENTINE SOCIAL
Fort Clark Arts Annual Valentine Social will be Sunday, February 8 at the Fort Clark Art Studio from 2-4 pm.

FCS 5K RUN
Fort Clark Days 2009 will feature the 8th Annual 5K Run/Walk and Children's Fun Run on Saturday, March 7. The race will begin and end at the Mendleson Recreation Building on the corner of Scales and Fort Clark Roads on Fort Clark. For more entry fees and information, Maja Edwards, 830-563-2550.

GOLF TOURNEY
Fort Clark Spring's 20th Annual Golf Tournament will be held on Saturday and Sunday, March 21st and 22nd respectively at 8am and 1pm with approximately 88 teams vying for cash prizes. There is a free practice day on Friday March 20, 2009. A free lunch will be provided both days and all teams will be preflighted by the lowest handicap. Proof of handicaps will be required. The entry fee is \$130 per player which includes Mulligan's for both days. Plans are also being formulated for a putting contest on Friday and Saturday. For applications call Wally Jones at 830-563-2347 or cell at 830-563-5653. You may also reach him by email at leswall@sbcglobal.net. Applications and more information are also available at Fort Clark's email address: www.fortclark.com.

VALENTINE'S DAY CONCERT
The Fort Clark Historical Society will present Anna & Nathan Lafrenz in a concert of love songs through the ages. February 14th -Valentines Day at 7pm to 9pm Fort Clark Theater.

RED HATTERS LUNCHEON
What better way to start the Valentine Season than to donate a red hat and attend the "Viola Veronica Crout" luncheon? That's an act that's hard to follow, since it's one of the most elegant events available in this area. Sign up begins Thursday January 29th and will continue until Monday, February 9th at 5:00 pm. The luncheon is scheduled for Wednesday, February 11th at 12:00 pm. in FCS's "Service Club". Music will be provided by the talented Ann Barron, which always lifts the spirit, and would even be enjoyed by St. Valentine - "himself!"

RECYCLE THIS NEWSPAPER



The cities of Del Rio and Uvalde both have recycling centers. Brackettville residents are allowed to recycle at either facility... We will post the addresses and operating hours in the near future.

Protect Our Water - POW

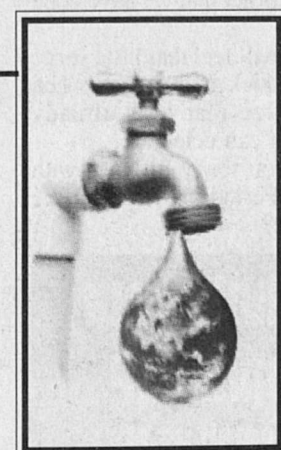
Ft. Clark and Brackettville are here because of the availability of water. Without it the town will die. There are those among us who would sell our water through a pipeline to be laid. Once it is in, who knows how much water would remain.

A MEETING WILL BE HELD SATURDAY JANUARY 31ST AT THE SERVICE CENTER AT FT. CLARK AT 10 AM. EVERYONE INTERESTED IN KEEPING OUR WATER IN KINNEY COUNTY IS INVITED.

Purpose of the meeting is to: #1. Separate the facts from the rumors concerning our rights. #2. Establish an organization to look out for the citizens of Kinney County. #3. Educate ourselves as to our rights. #4. To keep a pipeline from being laid

Saturday
Jan 31
10am
FCS Service Club

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LETTERS to the Editor

Keeping our Blessing

In a very old book we read about a man who sold his birthright just for something to eat or drink (Genesis25) with a little different twist: will the temptation of mega dollars sell all our drink?

Let the citizens of this community beware. San Antonio wants all the ground water from this area!

This will eventually forever change this little oasis known as Brackettville and Fort Clark!

To be highly informed and not deceived or duped into complacency may save our community for ourselves and our children.

All Christians of Kinney County should be encouraged to pray about this issue which is so critical to the quality of life here where we live.

BJ Lawson

Occasionally numbers can tell us all we need to know about a particular subject.

In a recent CDC injury center report we can learn about the 36 people who die, and approximately 700 more who are injured, in motor vehicle crashes that involve an alcohol impaired driver.

That the annual cost of alcohol related crashes total more than \$51 billion. The CDC reports that in 2006, 13,470 people died in alcohol impaired crashes, accounting for 32 percent of traffic related deaths. We can also talk about the 2007 report of 1.4 million drivers who were arrested for alcohol or narcotics impaired driving, and the 45 children aged 14 years or younger who were killed as pedestrians or bicyclist struck by alcohol impaired drivers. The proposal for a mixed drink bar, in an area populated by families with children, and at the Duck Inn, which is literally saturated with families and children during warm weather, represents a poorly conceived plan that fails to take in account any of these safety issues.

How can the establishment of these alcohol selling facilities improve the lives of our citizens? Better that we concentrate on some type of family friendly business. But more alcohol, on the Fort, with all these children? That would be like a match and dry grass, only a matter of time!

Ned Sitzes



Here's a "checklist" for surviving a financial crisis



Emily Cooper

Over the past few months, the news has been almost incomprehensible. It's hard for many of us to make sense of the failure of major Wall Street firms and large banks and the \$700 billion bailout of the financial sector. And it's hard for investors to be calm when stocks have fallen more than 40 percent between October 2007 and Inauguration Day in 2009. What can you do

to cope?

Consider the following "checklist" for surviving a financial crisis:

Close your ears — but open your eyes. These days, you may hear some so-called "experts" talking about end-of-capitalism scenarios. Try not to listen to these doomsayers. We still have the most powerful economy in the history of the world and we will recover from these setbacks. However, even if you close your ears, you should keep your eyes wide open. Specifically, look for opportunities. Stock prices are down now, but they won't always be — and, all else being equal, investors who buy into the stock market at lower prices are likely to earn

higher returns than those who buy stocks when prices are higher.

Focus on things you can control.

During a financial crisis, your success at weathering the storm depends on your ability to stay calm and concentrate on the things you can control.

For example, you can control your emotions so that you aren't panicked into making unwise, short-term decisions, such as putting all your money under your mattress.

And, to a certain extent, you can even control your portfolio's ability to withstand volatility.

How? By diversifying your holdings as broadly as possible.

The wider your range of investments, the less you'll be hurt by downturns that primarily affect one asset class.

(Keep in mind, though, that diversification, by itself, cannot guarantee profits or protect against loss.)

Review and rebalance your portfolio.

During this market decline, some of your holdings have probably fallen more than others.

As a result, you may now own a lower percentage of a specific asset class than you had originally intended when you built your portfolio.

Consequently, you may want to meet with your financial advisor to determine if you should rebalance your portfolio by adding more money to those asset classes that have fallen the most.

You may also want to rebalance if your risk tolerance or long-term goals have changed.

Look for quality investments. In this economic environment, it's more important than ever to focus on quality investments.

When you buy stocks, look for those companies with strong balance sheets.

If you're purchasing bonds, stick with those that receive high credit ratings.

If we are entering a prolonged economic downturn, these types of investments will, in all likelihood, fare better than lower-quality stocks and bonds.

Be patient.

No one can predict when a bear market will end, but history has shown that turnarounds can happen quickly and unexpectedly.

So be patient.

The most successful investors have the courage to stay the course and take advantage of opportunities while others are "bailing out" of the financial markets.

We may still have some rough roads ahead of us.

But if you can check off every item on this list, you can smooth out some of the bumps you'll encounter on your journey toward achieving your long-term goals.

Grace period



The Fly Lady Marla Cilley

We are the queens of procrastination! We put off till the last minute most everything we do. I know every reason in the world because I have used them

1. I don't have time right now.
2. Oh I have two weeks to pay that bill
3. It's OK if I am late no one will notice
4. I can wait to write my column; I have all week
5. Dinner isn't till 6:00pm I have all day
6. I can wash those clothes later.

7. The car can be inspected next week.

8. I don't have time to get gas right now; I am in a hurry.

9. I have 15 more minutes before I need to get dressed

Why do we do this to ourselves? We get agitated, stressed out and just plain mean.

All we have ever done is jump from one deadline to the next, putting out the one fire that needed the most attention.

The adrenalin pumping through our veins gives us the energy to get things done!

We knew no other way to live.

Our routines give us a different type of power!

It is the power of peace! When we slow down and focus getting the daily things done it frees us to look ahead.

Everything has a place and everything in its place. This adage helps us get rid of our clutter.

There is another old saying that can help us too. It is a stitch in time saves nine.

There are a lot of these. Don't put off till tomorrow what you can do today

I know you want to stop this vicious cycle and you can't possibly see how shining your sink has anything at all to do with getting off the adrenalin IV.

It all begins with one habit. That shiny sink helps your kitchen stay clean.

When your kitchen is clean; you don't mind cooking.

When meals are planned you feel better, because you are eating well and taking care of you and your family.

When the kitchen is clean you have more time to focus on another area of the house.

Each little habit you establish adds a peace to your life!

These habits put together become your routines and your routines put your home on automatic pilot!

You get up in the morning and do the same thing every single day without having to think.

Our routines free us to take care of those stitches when we see something that needs doing. We don't have to put it off till another day!

It is so peaceful to accomplish something when you are not under the stress of a deadline.

Working with a Grace Period instead of under fire!

There is one little warning I have to give you.

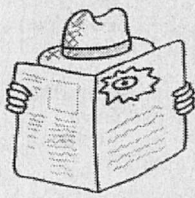
We are so used to not doing things till the last minute that we will forget that we have done them.

You will feel that little surge of panic kick in and then when you realize that it is already done you can celebrate.

Are you ready to work with a Grace Period instead of under Deadline?

What's your opinion?
email us at tbnews@sbcglobal.net

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Jones Elementary-Intermediate students compete in UIL meet

Jones Elementary and Intermediate students recently competed at a sanctioned UIL Academic meet.

The results are as follows:
Alexa Solis placed third in fourth grade Art Memory, followed by JT Rosas in fifth and Destiny Terrazas placing sixth. Kaili Price took first place in Creative Writing.

In sixth grade Dictionary Skills, Cheyenne Pena placed fourth and Sierra Falcon placed fifth overall.

Ayme Bruce placed fourth in third grade Ready Writing.

Christina Janca took first place in fourth grade Ready Writing. Abby Stoffel placed second and

Alexa Solis places sixth in the same division.

Fifth grade Ready Writing competitors were Kate Frerich placing fifth and Hannah Baggett who placed sixth.

Maddie Frerich placed third in sixth grade Ready Writing and Joaquin Solis took sixth place.

In fourth grade Oral Reading, Alexa Solis placed sixth.

Max Stoffel was awarded first place in fifth grade Listening. Donovan Swilley placed second, immediately followed by Diego Luna, placing third.

In sixth grade Listening, Blake Duncan placed second overall. Webb Ashley placed third, followed by Taylor Carcasi, who placed fourth in the

same event.

Blake Duncan took fifth place in sixth grade Mathematics.

Diego Luna placed sixth in fifth grade Music Memory.

In fourth grade Number Sense, Alexa Solis placed fifth.

Donovan Swilley was awarded fifth place in fifth grade Number Sense.

In sixth grade number sense, Peyton Bonner took second overall, and Rivers Maddox placed third.

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In sixth grade Oral Reading, Maddie Frerich

placed fourth.

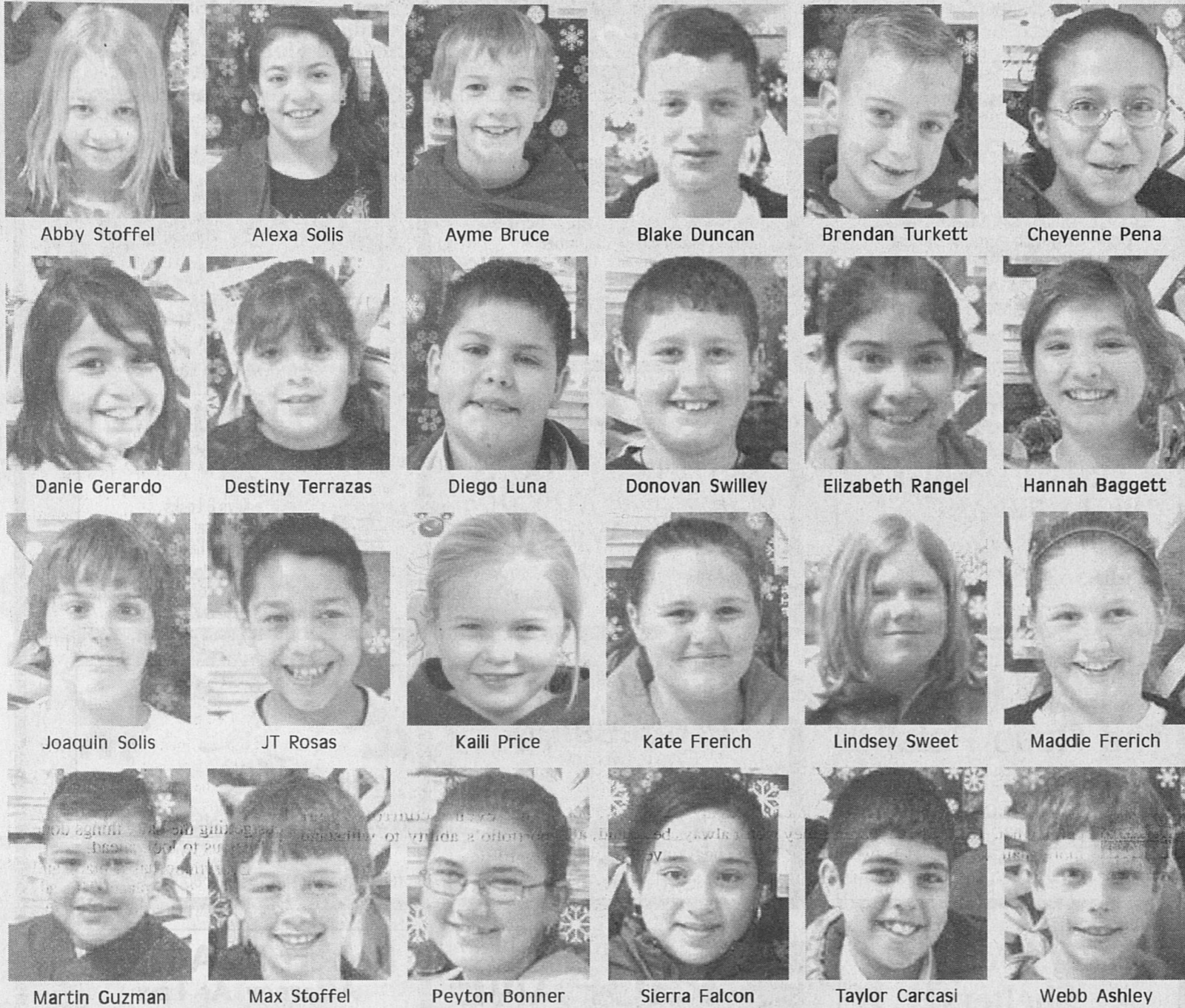
Diego Luna was awarded first place in fifth grade Social Studies, followed by Lindsey Sweet, who took second. Elizabeth Rangel placed fourth and Max Stoffel placed sixth.

Christina Janca took first place in fourth grade Spelling. Danie Gerardo was awarded fourth in the same division.

In third grade Storytelling, Brendan Turckett placed sixth.

Martin Guzman was awarded first place in sixth grade Social Studies. Taylor Carcasi placed fourth and Blake Duncan placed sixth.

In fifth grade Spelling, Max Stoffel placed second and Donovan Swilley followed in third place.



Thank you

Thank you to everyone for your thoughts, prayers, gifts and the support you have given our family while JW was in the hospital. We greatly appreciate your kindness.

JW came home on Monday, December 29 and has been improving at home with the love of his family surrounding him.

We ask you continue to pray for blessings for JW as we have a long road ahead of us.

Once again, thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

Love, The Taylor Family
Wacy, Allie, Mitchell, Tristen and JW

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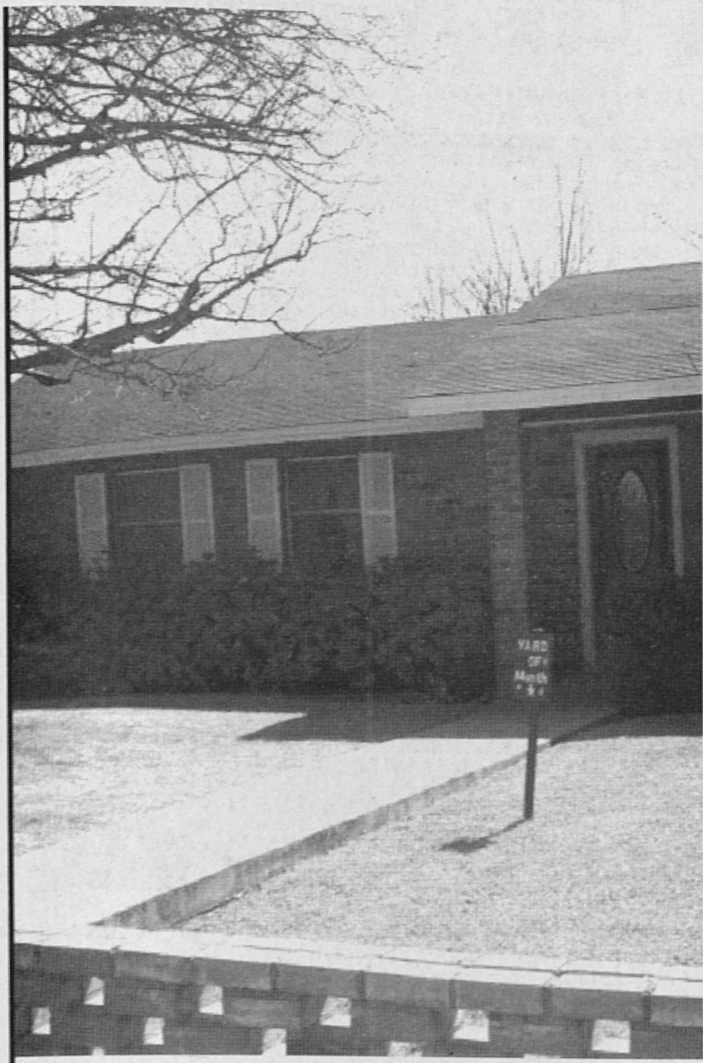
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Yard Of The Month

Photo By Leigh Volcsko

The Mountain Laurel Garden Club has chosen Wanda and Bill Whitworth's lovely home in Brackettville for January's Yard of the Month. The Whitworth's red brick home is a fine example of a well-maintained winter lawn.

God's people

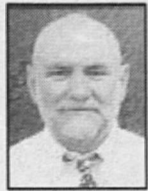


Pastor Judith Adams

A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh. And I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgements, and do them. And ye shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers, and ye shall be my people and I will be your God.

Ezekiel 36:26-28

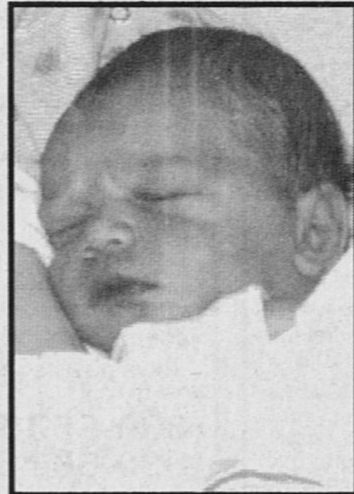
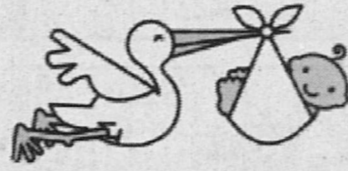
Is back surgery the answer?



Dr. Kent Lowery, D.C., FIAMA

Research shows that between 5 and 18 percent of patients who undergo lumbar spine surgery require a re-operation. This contributes to significant patient disability. In a study from 1998-2000, a group of 18,000 patients with back pain were evaluated. Of these, 3632 had a history of low back surgery. These patients scored significantly worse in physical functioning, general health, and mental health compared with patients with no prior history of spine surgery. Age, education, ethnicity, body mass index or marital status had no effect on the results. Patients with a fusion spine procedure fared the worst in the testing. A misaligned spine can put stress on other parts of the body and reduce the ability of the body to function normally. Regular chiropractic care keeps the spine aligned and reduces these damaging effects. Your chiropractor can help you determine ways to improve your spinal health and the overall functioning of your body, thus reducing or eliminating the potential need for back surgery. Please call Dr. Kent Lowery, D.C. at 775-7777 in Del Rio. Our clinic is located at 401 W. Cantu, Ste. A. We offer acupuncture and accept most major insurances.

It's a girl!



Sarah Jean Heard

Colin and Lacey Heard, of Sabinal, are proud to announce the birth of their daughter Sarah Jean Heard.

Sarah Jean was born January 23, weighing 9 pounds and 3 ounces and was 22 inches in length.

Sarah was welcomed by her maternal grandparents Dennis and Donna Dodson of Brackettville; maternal great-grandmother Ginger June Dodson of Brackettville and paternal grandparents Wyatt and Annell Heard of Uvalde, Texas.

OBITUARY

Louis Edward Sofaly

July 14, 1914 - January 19, 2009



Louis Edward Sofaly, age 94½ entered into rest on January 19, 2009. He was born on July 14, 1914 in Rilton, Pennsylvania.

Louis was preceded in death by his wife, Evelyn Ellen Sofaly.

He will be dearly missed by his surviving family: two sons, Larry & Linda Sofaly of Brackettville; Dennis Sofaly of Bonifay, Florida; grandchildren David W. Galley of San Antonio; Marie and Clyde Heplehe of Dunlay and his great-grandchild Kye Miranda.

Louis graduated from Sewickley High School in Pennsylvania in 1933, joined the Army in 1934, served 3 years, then worked as a Mason in Florida. He worked in Lee Memorial Hospital as security guard for 10 years, retired and moved to Fort Clark Springs, where he spent the rest of his life.

He was an active member of the Brackettville Lions Club, serving 3 consecutive years as president, he enjoyed square dancing, playing cards and dominos with all his friends. Cremation followed his passing. Memorial services will be held at the First United Methodist Church in Brackettville at 2 p.m. on February 1. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the First United Methodist Church.

Garden Club Kids Contest

The contest will be a feature of the Garden Club's annual flower show to be held on Sunday, April 5 at the Rose Garden behind the Administration Building. The contest is open to children twelve and under. The theme for both the flower show and the Children's Gardening Contest is container gardening. Entries should be brought to the Rose Garden by 2pm on April 5. The entries will be judged at 3:45 pm with prizes awarded immediately after. First place will be \$50, second place will be \$30 and third place will be \$20. All contestants will receive a certificate of participation. The entries will be judged on creativity and plant combinations. Look around for something unusual which might make a great container for plants and show off your container garden at the flower show. You may be a winner this year.

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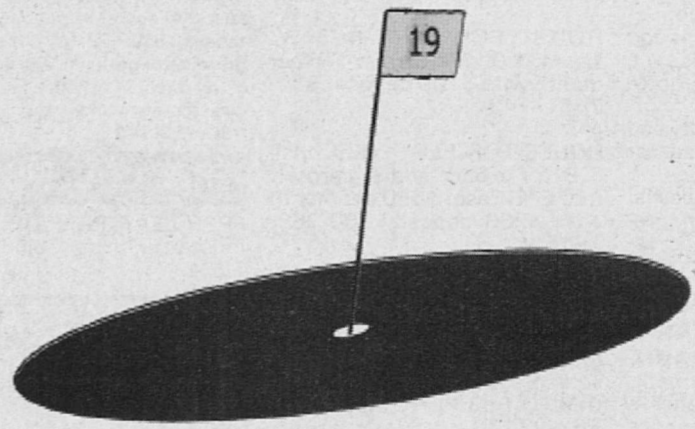
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GEMINI - May 22/Jun 21 Why be a wallflower, Gemini? At an event you'll attend shortly, become the life of the party. Others will flock to you as if you have a magnetic energy.

CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22 During this week, you'll have a hard time sitting still, Cancer. Put your nervous energy to good use by starting or finishing a project you've had your mind on lately.

LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23 You might want to consult a family member for some financial advice, Leo. There's a purchase you're thinking of making, but now just may not be the right time.

VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22 You could be getting a new housemate or a change to your living situation, Virgo. Since you are so easygoing, you probably won't have a problem adjusting.

LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23 For once you can stop thinking about the future, Libra, and start living for today. Embark on a whirlwind adventure this week -- making sure you bring a close friend along.

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SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21 Just when you thought there couldn't be any more excitement in your life, Sagittarius, an unexpected event pops up this week. All you can do is grin and bear it.

CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20 Stop questioning the status of your romantic involvement with a special someone. This person will stick with you through thick and thin, Capricorn. Concentrate on your future together.

AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18 The time is right for a little rest and relaxation, Aquarius. This is something that you should go at alone, even though you're a social person. Enjoy the time away.

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80 BAYLOR ST. 3B/2B HOME IN HISTORICAL DISTRICT. 1836 SQ.FT.\$65,000

UNIT 14, RV lot with metal cover with 1998 Wilderness27' travel trailer. \$32,000.BRACKETTVILLE

602 N. Ann St. Beautiful 4 BR/3B family home w/FP and CHA on 2 lots in a Great Location! New carpet, blinds and paint throughout. Fenced back yard. Approx. 2,900 sq. ft.

316.71 Acres in Spofford: SOLD
8.7 Acres- Quemado

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CLUES ACROSS

- Jewish month
- Chest of drawers
- Cut into cubes
- Egg-shaped instrument
- Rummy
- May, actress
- Dark, reddish-brown color
- Certainly
- Central nervous system (abbr.)
- A sword similar to a foil
- Harold, New Deal statesman
- Data Mgmt. Assoc.
- Canadian province (abbr.)
- Crow calls
- Maya artist & architect
- A gate (Arabic)
- Confederate soldier (abbr.)
- European money
- Edible bivalve
- Expression of sympathy
- Ribosomal ribonucleic acid
- Anwar, Egyptian statesman
- Patron of the
- Reciprocal of a sine
- Sew
- Sprays water
- Donkey's sound
- Having two poles
- The dead body of a human being
- The goal in ice hockey
- Pour out; of wines
- Break stone

CLUES DOWN

- General's assistant (abbr.)
- Days (Spanish)
- Facial pimples
- Gather a crop
- Herbal extracts
- Genus of crabs
- Radium
- Before
- Afflicts
- Two-toed sloth
- Publicized
- Thus (Latin)
- A small Asian country
- Resins from tropical trees
- Bring forth young
- Scandinavia
- Kilowatt (abbr.)
- Hearing organ
- Popular casual attire
- English radio station
- One point west of due south
- Sound of a sheep
- Strays
- Weight unit of hydrogen
- Undo a ribbon
- Doctor
- Mexican Indian
- Air conditioning
- Police officer
- Punch card residue
- Incline from vertical plane
- Hosiery
- Enthusiasm
- Adventure story
- Western Athletic Conference
- Am. entrepreneur Franklin
- House title (abbr.)
- Virginia (abbr.)

PUZZLE SOLUTION

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