

# The Brackett News

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## COMMUNITY NEWS

### 2010 ESSAY CONTEST

West Nueces-Las Moras Soil and Water Conservation District will be having an open essay contest to boys and girls, 14 to 18 years of age, and does not jeopardize Texas University Interscholastic League eligibility. The subject of the essay is "What Soil and water Conservation means to me." The deadline for entries will be Friday, January 22, 2010 by 5pm. For more information contact Carey at 830-563-2414.

### BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, located on the corner of Henderson and Fort, will be on Wednesday evenings at 7pm. Challenges of caregiving for alzheimers, dementia and any other health care concerns.

### AA MEETING

AA closed meetings will held at 109 Spring Street on Saturday at 7pm. Info: 830-261-9596.

### PICTURES AVAILABLE!

Parents Night pictures are available for purchase at the news paper office for \$2 each. This includes Varsity Football, JV Football, Cross Country, Cheerleaders, Volleyball and JH Volleyball Info: 830-563-2852.

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## Fort Clark working hard to keep good relations with city

By Katie Brown  
The Brackett News

Felix Cerna, General Manager, Fort Clark Springs, spoke before the City Council on December 15 in response to statements made by City Manager, Henry Garcia at the Fort Clark Board of Directors meeting on November 21. "I just want to reassure the City Council that the Board of Directors and myself not only wish to continue our good working relations with the City but wish to improve them as well," said Cerna.

Following the meeting with City Council, Bob Walker contacted the Brackett News to address allegations by Garcia pertaining to an agreement of November 2007 between the Fort Clark Springs Board of Directors (FCS BOD) and the City Council. It should be mentioned that the agreement preceded Garcia assuming the position as City Manager of Brackettville and Cerna as General Manager of Fort Clark Springs. Garcia stated that the original agreement tied together the use of the landfill and the brush pit and that when a new agreement was negotiated with the Fort in September 2009 it negated the previous agreement. However, Walker stated that the landfill was not part of the 2007 agreement which pertained to the brush pit and the transfer station, not the landfill. Former General Manager, Ganell Hobbs, confirmed that the landfill was not part of the previous agreement. Unless the City rescinds the previous agreement it should remain in effect.

Cerna finished his presentation to the City Council reiterating his desire and that of the FCS BOD to maintain a good working relationship with the City.

# Election schedules released; Incumbents expected to face challengers

County, city, school board and the Fort Clark Springs Association officials are all gearing up for the upcoming Spring elections.

### Kinney County:

County/District Court Clerk Dora Sandoval has filed for re-election. Dora has been the clerk of court since 1994.

County Treasurer Diane Gutierrez has filed for election. Gutierrez was appointed to replace long-time county treasurer Janis Floyd after she retired in December 2008.

County Judge Tim Ward has filed for election. Ward, a Kinney County judge from 1991-1994, was appointed to

serve after the death of Judge Johnny Fritter in June. Joe Garza has filed his paperwork and will challenge Ward for the county's top position.

Justice of the Peace Narce Villarreal has also filed for re-election. Villarreal won by a an overwhelming majority in a run-off election four years ago.

Commissioner Place 2 and Place 4 are up for re-election. Place 2 is currently held by Joe Montalvo and Place 4 is held by Pat Meloncon. Neither Montalvo nor Meloncon had filed for re-election at press time.

The first day to file for a

place on the ballot was December 3. The last day to file will be January 4, 2010. Early Voting by personal appearance will be February 16, 2010; last day will be February 26, 2010.

The Primary Election will be on March 2, 2010, followed by the General Election on November 3, 2010.

### City of Brackettville:

City Council positions for Mayor, Place 2, Place 4 and Place 5 will be on this year's ballot. The current mayor is Charles Feagley; Place 2 is currently held by Stephanie B'Ann Gomez Buitron; Place 4

is currently held by Francisca Chica Garza Hernandez; Place Five is currently held by Demitreus Williams.

The first day to file for a place on the city's ballot will be February 6, 2010. The city election will be held on May 8, 2010.

### Brackett ISD School Board:

Three positions on the Brackett Independent School District Board of Trustees will be on the ballot. Sondra Meil, Tony Molinar and Tony Ashley currently hold the positions and the filing dates coincide with those of the City of Brackettville.

### Fort Clark Springs Association:

Two positions for the Fort Clark Springs Association Board of Directors are open this year. Positions held by Larry O'Keefe and Bruce Trautwein will be challenged by William Haenn and Henry Garcia. The two men to garner the most votes will be sworn in after the FCSA Annual Meeting on March 27, 2010. Ballots will be mailed to members in good standing on February 5, 2010 and must be returned to the Certified Public Accountants Glen, Graf and Bowers of Del Rio by March 17, 2010.

## A Parachute Made For Two



Photo Courtesy To The Brackett News - Elsa O'Rourke spent her Thanksgiving Holiday in California visiting with family and making her first ever tandem skydive jump with Sky Dive Santa Barbara. Elsa says she will be looking for something a little more exciting to do next year. Elsa is a real estate broker and owns O'Rourke Realty in Kinney County.

## 55th Annual Kinney County 4-H & FFA Livestock Show

Kinney County Civic Center  
January 8 - 9, 2010

### Friday, January 8, 2010

2:00 p.m. Rabbit Classes  
4:00 p.m. Steer Classes  
4:30 p.m. Meat Goat Doe Classes  
5:30 p.m. Swine

### Saturday, January 9, 2010

8:00 a.m. Market Lamb Classes  
9:30 a.m. Market Goat Classes  
Noon BBQ Lunch  
1:15 p.m. Stock Show Awards Presentations  
2:00 p.m. Junior Livestock Show Premium Auction

## Water district hires new attorney

By Diana Ward  
Special To The Brackett News

The Kinney County Groundwater Conservation District hired Gregory M. Ellis as their new legal counsel during a regular meeting held on December 10, 2009.

Ellis, an attorney from League City, also serves as the executive director for the Texas Alliance of Groundwater Districts (TAGD). According to their website TAGD's voting membership is restricted to un-

derground water districts of Texas who have the powers and duties to manage groundwater as defined in Chapter 36 of the Texas Water Code.

The Alliance was formed to further the purpose of groundwater conservation and protection activities. The Alliance also provides a means of communication and exchange of information between individual districts regarding the day-to-day operation of local groundwater management.

## Water board hires new manager

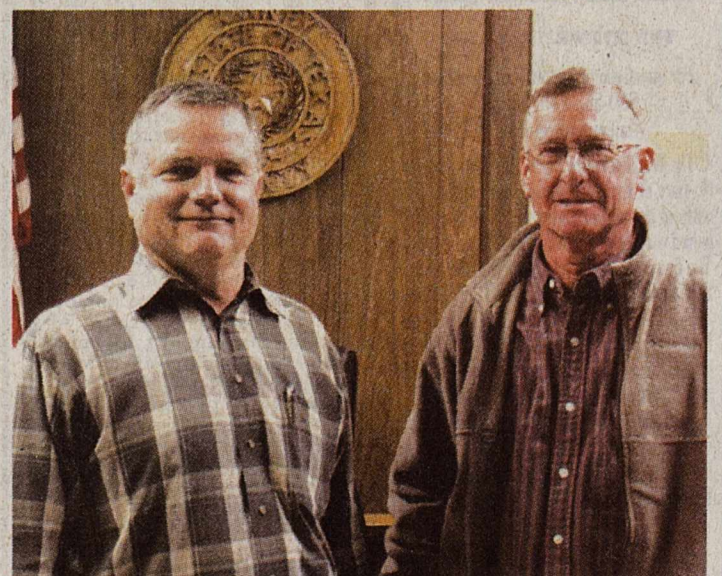
By Katie Brown  
The Brackett News

The Kinney County Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors met in a special meeting held on December 28. Almost immediately they went into executive session to interview a potential candidate for the position of General Manager for the KCGCD. Upon reconvening, a motion was made to hire Carl Strain as their General Manager and that motion was passed by all directors present. Strain comes to Brackettville from Cleburne where he was employed as a Field Engineer for the Johnson County Special Utility District. He will officially assume his position with the district on January 4, 2010.

Among other business, the board voted unanimously to hire a certified hydrologist, Randy Williams, to make recommendations concerning revising all

permit application forms and fee schedules to be in compliance with the Districts new rules. Williams has considerable background in working with groundwater districts and has also

worked with the Edwards Aquifer Authority. Directors Davis, Ring, Lowery, Coates, Frerich and Metcalf were present. Beth Ann Smith was absent.



Brackett News Photo By Katie Brown - Pictured from left new water district general manager Carl Strain and water board director Lloyd Davis.

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**Dry Bones 2010**

## Time flies when you're having fun



*The Fly Lady Marla Cilley*

The older you get the faster the years fly by! It just seems like yesterday that FlyLady started. For me time flies when you are having fun. I guess that is the message that I want to end this year with and start the new one.

Have you been having fun? That is all most of us want to do anyway! We just want to play! As children we couldn't wait to get outside and play after a hard day at school.

Even though we were told that we could not go outside till our homework was done. We faked being done because we knew the daylight was fading. Our procrastination forced us to get our homework on the bus or just before class.

The stress of procrastination

makes life miserable. Putting things off till later is self punishment. We know eventually that our procrastination will catch up to us. I don't know why we do this to ourselves but if we can ever do what needs done before it is time, it frees us to have more fun.

When your home is messy you don't feel like you have time to pursue the fun things in life. You may think you do but that sink full of dirty dishes is still tugging at you and making you feel bad. Wouldn't it be more fun to play without unconsciously feeling guilty? We deny that our home bothers us. We are liberated women!

If I had not gotten my home in order I would not have recognized my purpose for living! I had always felt that something was missing in my life. My talents were many but as long as I lived in clutter and chaos they never came together to bless my life and the lives of others. I wanted more!

So a decade ago I got up on New Year's Day beating myself

up. Why was I so disorganized! Why couldn't I keep our home clean! Why was I always late! The list goes on and on!

As I made my perpetual New Year's resolution to "Get Organized" I vowed to figure out what my problem really was. I started looking deep into myself to a time when I had my act together.

The only time in my life that I had ever been able to keep house was when I was using Pam and Peggy's card file system. As I dug out my old card file; one of many I had built in two decades of striving for organization, I realized that once again I had faked my way so that I could play. I had built my card file but had never really internalized the habits that they were supposed to help me build.

I had thought that the card file was the answer. It was not for me because I had skipped the most important part of Pam and Peggy's book.

The crucial missing rule to my card file was that when one of the cards becomes a habit; you get to throw it away! I missed it because I was in a hurry to establish the box and had not read the book well. I just wanted to play once again. This realization changed my life. I had never established a habit!

Right then and there I made two New Year's Resolutions. They were not huge goals like "getting organized"; they were babysteps! I picked one habit to practice, keeping my sink clean and shiny! That second resolution was all about my attitude toward me! Everytime I beat myself up, I just gave up. I was tired of not living up to my unrealistic perfectionist expectations. It was time that I showed myself a little kindness.

As one established habit eventually evolved into my routines I was free! Free of my own self loathing, free of a messy home and free to have fun!

Are you ready to have some fun? Time FLYs when you do!

For more help getting rid of your CHAOS, check out her website and join her free mentoring group at www.FlyLady.net or her book, *Sink Reflections* published by Bantam and her *New York Times Best Selling* book, *Body Clutter* published by Fireside. Copyright 2007 Marla Cilley Used by permission in this publication.

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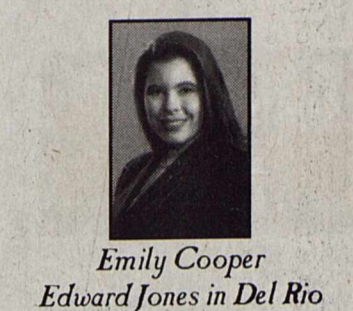
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3	1	7	9	4	8	6	5	2
4	8	6	1	5	2	3	7	9
6	3	4	8	2	9	7	1	5
2	7	8	5	6	1	4	9	3
9	5	1	3	7	4	8	2	6

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## Put unused vacation days to work - in your 401(k)



Emily Cooper Edward Jones in Del Rio

Now that the year is almost over, you may want to explore some last-minute steps you can take to potentially boost your financial fortunes and improve your tax returns for 2010. And one good place to look is your 401(k).

Your 401(k) is a great retirement savings vehicle. You typically fund your plan with pretax dollars, so the more you put in, the lower your taxable income. Plus, your earnings can grow on a tax-deferred basis, which means your money can grow faster than if it were placed in an investment on which you paid taxes every year. Also, you can spread your 401(k) dollars among a range of investments to match your risk tolerance, time horizon and retirement goals. Clearly, then, it would be nice to "max out" on your plan each year. But during difficult economic times, it may not be easy for you to defer more of your salary into your 401(k).

Fortunately, there may be a way in which you can boost your 401(k) contributions — without cutting into your take-home pay. Specifically, you may be able to convert any unused vacation and sick time to your 401(k) or other employer-sponsored retirement plan, such as a 457(b) or 403(b). Many employers have offered this conversion option for years, but relatively few employees have taken advantage of it. Now, however, the Obama administration has asked the U.S. Department of the Treasury and the IRS to issue new rulings on the topic in the hope of getting more people to increase their retirement savings. And this is an important goal, because many of us still need to put away much more money on a regular basis if we're going to enjoy the type of retirement lifestyle we've envisioned.

The ability to convert vacation or sick time to your 401(k), 403(b) or 457(b) plan can help you make progress toward that lifestyle. While the conversion feature won't enable you to exceed the contribution limit for your plan — which for 2009 is \$16,500, or \$22,000 if you're 50 or older — it may make it easier for you to beef up your contributions for this year, particularly if you have unused vacation or sick time you can't carry over.

Not all employers are willing or able to turn vacation or sick hours into retirement plan contributions, so check with your human resources or benefits office to see if you can make this move. If it is allowed, though, consider taking action. Once you know how many retirement plan dollars can result from your unused vacation or sick days, go over your 401(k) or other plan, perhaps with the help of your financial advisor, to determine an appropriate allocation of your money. For example, you may have accounts within your plan that are currently under-funded. Or you might benefit from "rebalancing" your plan by adding some new money into different accounts. Keep in mind, however, that diversification does not guarantee a profit or protect against loss.

In any case, consider this opportunity to add to your retirement plan. The more you save today, the brighter your outlook could be for tomorrow.

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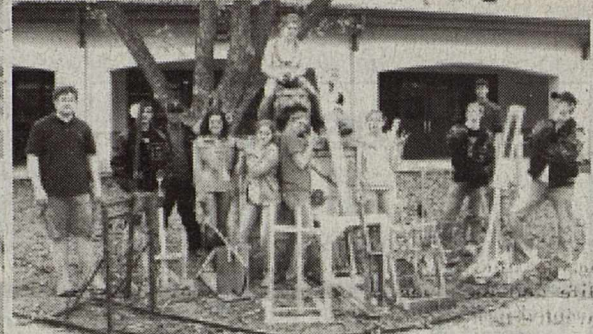
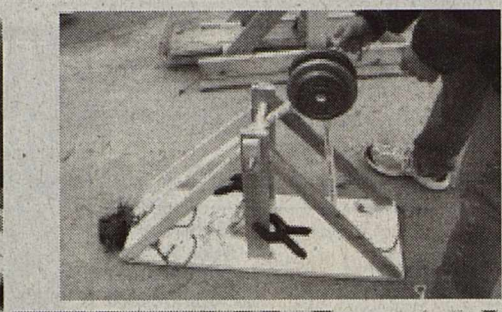
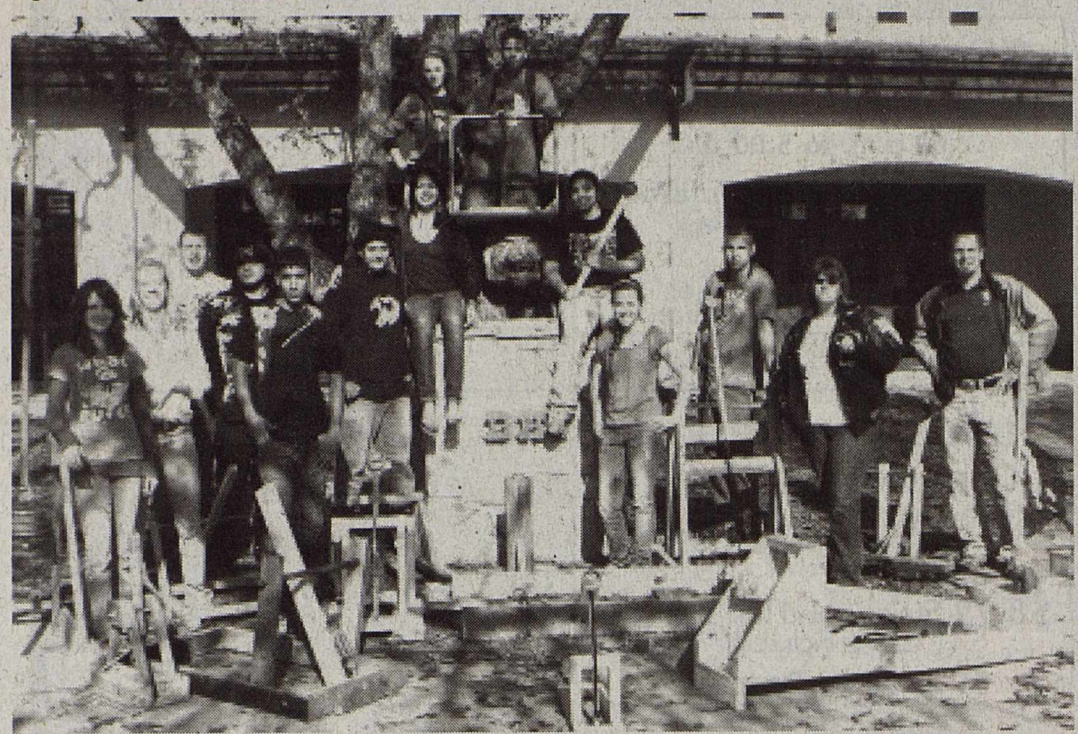
## Brackett HS Physics

Submitted by Troy Hibbits  
BHS Physics Teacher

Brackett High School Physics students recently completed catapult projects. This project was designed to investigate the use of circular motion, centripetal force, angular velocity, leverage, and mechanical advantage in simple machines. Individual students built and designed their own catapults in order to launch a tennis ball at least 10 meters, with extra credit given to those designs that exceeded 10 meters. The highest performing catapult had a launching distance of 40 meters; several other catapults performed in excess of 25 meters

as well. Students also presented their catapult blueprints, investigated the history of catapults, and/or wrote up the results of their catapult project in scientific paper format. Perhaps equally important, the students all seemed to have a fun time with their projects.

Photos Courtesy to The Brackett News



## Youth group food drive



Photo Courtesy to The Brackett News - The St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Youth Group would like to thank the community for a successful Fourth Annual Can Food Drive. The youth would also like to thank a "Special Angel" for her support. God Bless You. Pictured are members of the Catholic Youth Group and their sponsors.

## 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Cubettes



Photo Courtesy to The Brackett News - The 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Cubettes have begun their basketball season 2009-2010 play. They are currently one in three thus far. Players for the 8<sup>th</sup> grade team are: August Stephenson, McKenzie Castillo, Jenna Musgrave, Rebecca Rangel, Clarissa Cruz, Judith Adams, Haley Smith, Shelby Schuster, Nadia Rodriguez, Heather Knox and Korlee Allen. Coach B. Schroeder is supported by her 2009-2010 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Brackett Cubettes.

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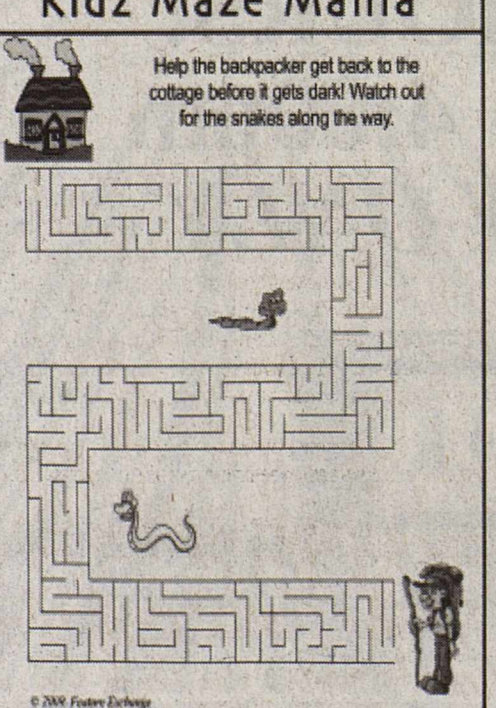
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**Kidz Maze Mania**  
 Help the backpacker get back to the cottage before it gets dark! Watch out for the snakes along the way.  


**Cryptogram**  
 A cryptogram is a puzzle where a sentence is encoded by substituting the actual letters of the sentence with different letters. The challenge of the puzzle is to 'decode' the sentence to reveal the original English sentence. We have provided a few of the decoded letters to help get you started.  
 Hint: Quote by Albert Einstein  
 A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z  
 N  
 T T T A A  
 V O K I C V V C F X M C A X N A N I C B  
 T Z M M X T T F Z V O N V E X O V C F X M C A X  
 A A A  
 N A N I C B Q N D Z X

**Sudoku** Answer Page 2  
 The challenge is to fill every row across, every column down, and every 3x3 box with the digits 1 through 9. Each 1 through 9 digit must appear only once in each row across, each column down, and each 3x3 box.  

			9		4			
7		2			3	5	6	
1			8				3	
			3		1		4	
							5	2
	8		1					
	3	4			9	7		
2		8						
5								

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## Kinney County Sheriff's Report



**Saturday, December 19**  
8:53am, A deputy called dispatch to report a deer had struck his squad car on the left side of the vehicle. The vehicle sustained no damage. No further incident was taken.

9:43am, A man called to report someone had slashed the tires to his vehicle. A deputy was informed.

**Sunday, December 20**  
12:23pm, A woman called to report her son had hit her husband with a bottle on the head. A deputy and EMS were notified and en route to the location.

**Monday, December 21**  
12:35pm, A call was received from a woman stating there was a reckless driver traveling on Hwy 90 headed towards Brackettville. A deputy was informed.

1:09pm, Debora M. Boehine, 48, of Brackettville, was arrested for assault, family violence and a warrant. Boehine is still being held at press time.

**Tuesday, December 22**  
7:29pm, A woman called to report a vehicle driving recklessly on Hwy 90, she stated the vehicle was traveling too close to her vehicle. A deputy was informed.

9:52pm, A woman called requesting a deputies assistance at her residence. A deputy was dispatched to the residence.

**Wednesday, December 23**  
7:03am, Val Verde dispatch called to report there was a one

vehicle accident on Hwy 90 three miles from the Val Verde county line. A deputy was informed and en route to the location.

**Thursday, December 24**  
7:23pm, A man called stating there was a reckless driver on Hwy 90 traveling towards Maverick County. Dispatch from Maverick County was advised.

**Friday, December 25**  
4:25am, A woman walked into the sheriff office to report she had received a call from her daughter, who was crying and stating that a man had beaten her and wanted her mother to come pick her up. A deputy was notified and en route to the residence.

5:53pm, A call was received from a alarm company about a residential alarm going off at a ranch. A deputy was notified.

**Saturday, December 26**  
1:17pm, A 911 call was received from a unknown motorist who stated his vehicle had been hit and the driver of the other vehicle drove off, the caller gave a description of the vehicle. A deputy was notified of the situation.

**Sunday, December 27**  
3:42am, A call was received about the alarm at the school going off. A deputy was informed.

4:18am, A alarm company called to report the alarm in the high school had been triggered. A deputy was advised.

2:52pm, A man called to report a reckless vehicle traveling on Hwy 90. A deputy was notified and made contact with the individual, who stated she was feeling ill but refused medical treatment. The deputy followed the woman home to Brackettville to assure she made it home safely.

## Happy 16 Birthday!



Valeria Vela

From your Mom, Dad, your Brother and Family Resendez, Meza and Silva



## Rotary Club News

Rotary Club President Charles Schmidt welcomed Rotary District Governor Reggie Williams and Mrs. Williams to the regular noon meeting Thursday, December 17th. Governor Williams reported his visit to the Brackettville Club was his 50th official visit to the Rotary Clubs in his district this year. Mrs. Williams related to the club members how she aquired the name "Buzz" - but that's another story.

## KRAZY CHICKEN



We hope your Christmas was Merry and your New Year will be Happy. Thank you for all your years of support. The Flores Family



May god continue to Bless, and Protect: PFC Narciso Stefan Gomez and the 1st Battalion 141st Infantry Bravo Company as you set out to deployment in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Love, The Gomez Gang: Dad/Mom (Chris & Jane), Christopher J. & Leah, Val R., Mark A., Xavier & Joanna (Victoria Marie, Nicholas, Xavier Jeremiah), Claude B. & Gloria (Mia Alexandria, Claude Jr., & Damascio Cristoval), Crystal & Ms. Pat Essman. Psalm 91

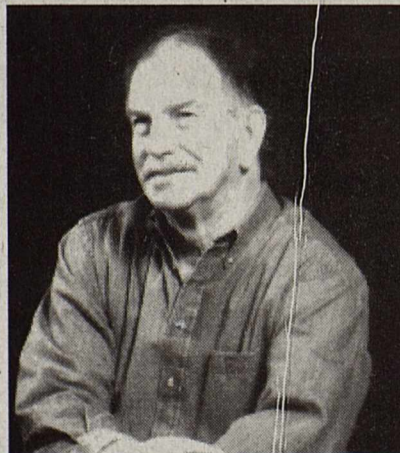
## THANK YOU

Heartfelt thank yous to friends, neighbors in this community of FCS and Brackettville, who were so helpful through John's illness. From phone calls and visits to home made soups and cookies. We appreciate all you did. We are also grateful to Del Rio Hospice for their kindness and caring.

Blessings, Sandra Burkingham and Family

## OBITUARY

### John Buckingham



August 24, 1935 - December 26, 2009

John Buckingham of Brackettville passed away on December 26, 2009 in his residence at the age of 74. He was born on August 24, 1935 in Brewster, WA to Arthur and Ruth Buckingham.

He married Sandra Garnant in Reno, Nevada on December 24, 1992. He is survived by his wife of 17 years Sandra Buckingham of Brackettville, Texas; one son; Steven Buckingham and wife, Cindy of Bothell, WA; two step-sons; Keith Romiti and wife, Tammy of Beaverton, Oregon; Rob Romiti and wife, Jill of Albuquerque, New Mexico; one sister; Kristy Sprague and husband, K.C. of Bothell, WA; numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; brother; Larry Buckingham.

Cremation under the direction of Rushing-Estes-Knowles Mortuary.

## OBITUARY

### Sissy Martin



November 23, 1950 - December 25, 2009

Sissy Martin, 59, of Brackettville, lost her long battle with cancer December 25, 2009 in San Antonio, Texas. Sissy Martin was born on November 23, 1950 to Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Martin.

Sissy loved to quilt and spend time with grandson Ethan Martin; and "Market on Ebay." Sissy worked for the Alamo Village for ten years, Fort Clark Springs Security for five years, and Rio Grande Electric Co-op, as a meter reader for five years.

Sissy Martin is survived by: one son Jon Rockow of Brackettville; two daughters, Heather Martin of San Antonio, Texas; Bessie Brown of Brackettville; two grandsons, Sage Rockow of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; Ethan Martin of San Antonio, Texas; two sisters, Nelda Gabriel of San Angelo, Texas; Ginny Hearne of San Angelo, Texas.

Sissy Martin was cremated and services will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers or gifts, the family would appreciate donations to help with medical and memorial expenses. Donations make payable to: Jon Rockow PO Box 6 Spofford, TX 78877

## OBITUARY

### Nancy Allmon



March 15, 1950 - December 17, 2009

Nancy Allmon, age fifty-nine of Brackettville, Texas, asleep in Jesus December 17, 2009 at San Antonio, Texas. Visitation were held Tuesday, December 22, 2009 at the Wilson Mortuary Salem Chapel from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Funeral Service was Wednesday, December 23, 2009 at 11:00 a.m. in the Wilson Mortuary Salem Chapel. Interment were at the Pine Lawn Cemetery at Winona, Missouri at 1:30 p.m. Nancy Allmon is survived by: her husband, Jack Allmon (retired US Air Force), Brackettville, Texas; four stepchildren, Randy Allmon and wife, Norma, Chandler, Arizona, Theresa Allmon of Salem, Missouri; Sandra Roffers and husband, Gene, Big Spring, Texas, Jackie Sisco and husband, Wade of Salem, Missouri; one brother, Jack Garrison, wife, Marilyn; six sisters, Charlotte Matherne; Jean Kelly; Pat Ruder and husband, Sonny; June Gibson; Irene Dees and husband, Bill; Diane Griechen and husband, Kenneth; a host of loving grandchildren, nieces and nephews. Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association, and cards are available at Wilson Mortuary.

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- woodwind in the Houston Symphony
- glove for Rangers' "Pudge" Rodriguez
- TXism: "got \_\_\_ of arrows in his quiver" (capable)
- Tom Landry was an All-Pro cornerback for this team
- TX judge Crier's first TV network
- reservoir in Coke Co.
- TXism: "\_\_\_ got his spurs tangled" (fell)
- Rock Hudson's character in "Giant"
- TXism: "busier than \_\_\_ in a boom town"
- Dale Evans' town
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- Yvonne de \_\_\_ starred in film about 46-across
- "\_\_\_ little joke"
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- TXism: "\_\_\_ as a bug's ear"
- essential ingredient in TX chili

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- Yvonne de \_\_\_ starred in film about 46-across
- "\_\_\_ little joke"
- TXism: "\_\_\_ on" (apply it)
- TXism: "\_\_\_ as a bug's ear"
- essential ingredient in TX chili

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