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Community News

EASTER CHOIR

Anyone interested in singing with the choir for the Easter Sunrise Service on April 4, please come to a rehearsal Sunday, March 29, 3pm, Post Theatre. Questions? Please call 563-9229

OLD QUARRY VARIETY SHOW The Old Quarry Society will end the 2009-2010 season with the annual Variety Show, Saturday, March 27, 7:30 p.m. Post Theatre. Come enjoy all the worderful local talent to be the wonderful local talent to be found at Fort Clark Springs and beyond. Tickets are \$5.00 and available at the door.

PAGEANT RESCHEDULED The Kinney County Mr/Miss Pageant has been rescheduled for Saturday, May 29, at 2 pm at the BISD Auditorium. We apologize for any inconvenience. Registration has been reopened! New deadline to receive registration form is May 14, Deadline to turn in regis-tration is May 19. Please con-tact Pam Hale at 830-563-5432 for any questions or to receive a registration form.

L/L OPENING CEREMONIES

Kinney County little league Opening ceremonies Saturday, March 27 at 4pm. Major game between Angels and Braves to Kick - Off Season at 6:30pm. Please come out amd support your team!

EMS REPORT

The week of March 14 - March 20: Kinney County EMS responded to a total of 17 medical calls. Thirteen of the calls were transported to area hos-pitals, including one air-life-

JONES ELEM SCHOOL MARCH CALENDAR March 26: Award Assemblies (1pm - K-3rd and 2pm - 4th -6th) in the school auditorium March 30. Procentation by the

Who owns the Spofford dump? Property has become no known mans land

By Katie Brown The Brackett News

The Kinney County Commis- Ranch. sioners held a Special Meeting to discuss the dump in Spofford Environmental Quality (TCEQ) on March 22. Most recently, the construction company doing tween 1911 and 1913, Elledge of the waste road materials at property but no mention was the location known by most as made of that particular tract of In the early 1970's, Mr. Malone from outside the area. The erthe "Spofford Dump".

Originally the property was Elledge. Records show that be- it.

acres of land bordered on the erty was not listed among his it to use on his airstrip that is streets for paving. south by the city of Spofford assets. If he sold the property the airport in Spofford. The and on the north by the Mobley at some point in time, it was error was made when the prop-

land. When Elledge died in *thought* he bought that property ror was discovered when a new The area in question is 8.5 1917 without a will, that prop- and he excavated material from survey was done to locate the

never recorded and therefore, erty was surveyed and an incoraccording to state law, it re- rect point of origin was used. owned by I. & G.N. RR. Co. mains part of the Elledge estate. Malone's property should have down the pit. Meanwhile, with the Texas Commission on and it was part of a 219 acre Taxes have not been paid on actually been located further Kinney County, with the aid of tract later conveyed to Leroy E. that tract since Elledge owned south. Mr. Malone is now deceased and the pit became a Since 1917, perceptions have place where dumping began to streets in Spofford. The conroad work in Spofford disposed sold off several parcels of the changed as to who owned the occur, not only by local resi- tract specified that any property and parts were sold off. dents but also by individuals

TCEQ became involved when an anonymous tip alerted them to the illegal dumping situation. TCEQ wanted to shut grant money, contracted with a paving company to repave

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City building professional staff

By Leigh Volcsko

Brackettville City Manager Henry Garcia has patiently and sues the city faces today is the quietly been building a profes- water system's infrastructure. sional maintenance staff since he The city's pipes were installed was hired two years ago.

the city's day to day operations, constant repair. Garcia stated confirmed Tuesday he has a to- that prior to his hiring, the city tal maintenance staff of 17, most paid an outside contractor of which have been certified in \$1,000 per day to do the work a variety of maintenance skills. on the water system and they in-

work on the water system. One per month. Now with a trained inemployee has D-level water house staff, the city can install on operator's license and is study- average 1,500 feet per week and ing for his C-level license. Two at the same time save the city a other men are currently in training to obtain their D-level li-censes. Twelve maintenance awarded a \$350,000 Texas Deemployees are certified to work partment of Rural Affairs STEP on the natural gas lines. The city grant to be used to fund the imhas one employee licensed in ani- provement and maintenance of mal control.

Garcia says the employees are can be used for engineering and

One of the most pressing isin 1929 and after eighty years, Garcia, directly in charge of the water system is in need of All Seventeen are qualified to stalled about 1,500 feet of new pipe significant amount of money.

ciency

a new water system. The money



Let The Pros Do It



March 30: Presentation by the Commando Program for 3rd -6th grades, in the gym at 10:30am.

AMERICAN LEGION

The American Legion provi-sional post will meet Thurs-day, 18 March at 6:30 pm. The meeting will be at Slator Hall across from the Methodist Church. We will eat dinner at 6:30 and our business meeting will begin at 7:00. If you are a charter member please bring a DD214 if you have one, or some proof of service dur-ing a time of conflict.

FCA ADULT CHAPTER

Any adult who can support the work of the Brackett Junior High or Brackett High School Fellowship of Christian Ath-letes is invited to an Adult meeting on Wednesday, March 31, 8pm at the High School Gym. Adults are asked to bring a tray of cookies to the gym for student members. Adults will meet in the Varsity Girls Locker Room, while students are in their regular meeting. The agenda for the adult meeting includes summer camp planning, the Golf Ball Drop fundraiser, and the Baccalaureate Dinner honoring graduating seniors. Also, the Petrosky Endowment Fund will be discussed, along with a budget update. For more in-formation, please contact Carolyn Conoly at 563.5873 or Rhonda Marquardt at 563.5181

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Fort Clark RV Park Breakfast every Saturday from 7am -9am. Pancakes, sausage, eggs & coffee only \$3 per person if you bring the plate & utensils; \$3.50 if RV Park provides plate & utensils.

trained by a state certified in- to purchase materials and a comstructor and are cross trained bination of city workers and volin maintenance functions to in- unteers will put in the sweat eqcrease productivity and effi- uity to complete the project.

Brackett News Photos By Leigh Volcsko - At left: The City's Maintenance staff from left bottom to top: David Martinez, Clint Conrad, Michael Falcon, Javier DeLeon, Armando Avila, Joe Kelly and Richard Ortega. From right bottom to top: Marco Rodriguez, Michael Ford, Ignacio Balderas, Alex Sanchez, Oscar Martinez and Jesus Balderas. At right: Michael Falcon, at left, and Javier DeLeon repair a water leak on El Paso Street March 23.

Out-of-Towners take Fort Clark tourney



Golf Tourney

Photo Courtesy to The Brackett News By Fellpe Fierro, Jr, Alpine Avalanche Sports Photographer, Alpine, sponsor the two-day event and there were no winners for Texas - Billy Torres of Alpine makes his approach at the 21st Annual Los Moras Golf Tournament. Torres and Mike Carillo tied for third in the Fourth Flight

By Katie Brown and Leigh Volcsko

Clouds and unexpectedly cold weather did not dampen the competitive spirit of more than 160 golfers at the 21st Annual Los Moras Golf Tournament March 20 and 21

Taking first place in Championship Flight was Lance Lailer, of Canyon Lake, and Gene Buckner, of Campwood with a total of 120.

Second place in the Championship Flight was taken by Jack Castanada and Javier D., followed by Brandon Destefano and Tim Metzer in third.

First Flight winners were Rob Navarrette and Junior Sena with a score of 130. Tied for second were Ken Howell and Tim McCormick; and Daniel Barrow and Jason Ruble.

Winners in the Second Flight were Nick Calderon and Jerry Calderon with a score of 130. In second place, Brian Glen and Brian Stephens took the honors. Bret Stout and Will Ruple placed third.

Third Flight top golfers were Mike Cervantez and Happy Cervantez with a score of 128. In second place were Gilbert Ortiz and Fred Zimmerman. In third place were Saul Pacheco and Paul Chavez.

Fourth Flight winners were Danny Rios and Jamo Reyes with a score of 131. Second place was taken by Fernando Romero, Jr. and Mario Romero. In a three way tie for third, Chase Brooks and Denny Glenn; Mike Carillo and Billy Jack Torres; and Philip Pena and Danny Pena shared the title.

Winners in the Fifth Flight are Roger Lundquist and Tim Lundquist with a score of 136. Taking second place was Robert Hollander and Andrew Sanchez. In third place was Joe Alvarado and Jason Alvarado.

Nearly twenty local and regional businesses helped the variety of "Hole-In-One" luxury prizes that included a cruise and new car.



LETTER to the Editor

Imagine, a, "Dog Park" located on historic Fort Clark! the individuals promoting the idea should be commended, for FCS would be a pace setter for this area. These supporters have creative ideas for suggesting exercise obstacles, obedience training classes, dog shows, and place for dog socialization opportunities. There are few oppositions to such a project; however, the location at former military rock enclosed cemetery is perceived by many as a lack of reverence for those who made the ultimate sacrifice in making this region safe in past violent times. With more options available, a priority should be a primary consideration for the comfort of animals and owners alike. There would be more expense involved, but the promoters would find encouraging support from those objecting to the present projected location.

Regardless of the timing of the bulk of votes arriving between 4:30 and 5pm on Friday, march 19, the majority's tally should prevail. Had the vote gone "for" the park, "so be it" ... end of story! If there is still unsatisfactory feelings, put the vote to the entire FCS's membership. To go against and not honor a FCS Board's requested vote is a betrayal of trust and honor of the democratic process, 29 against the park and 17 for.

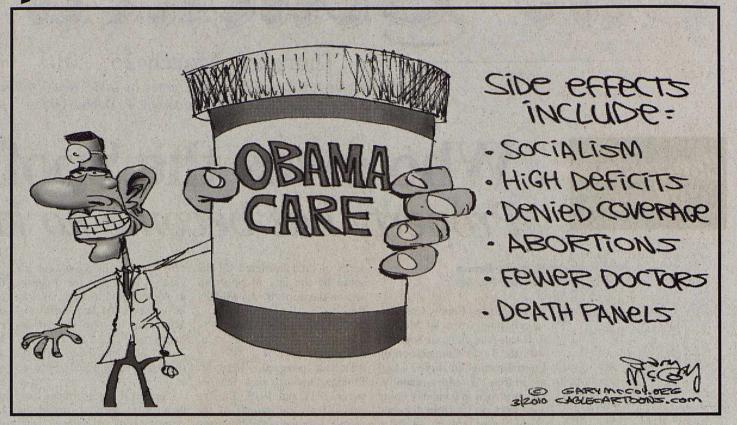
It's true, the cemetery's location has been neglected and its identification obscured, but its original function cannot be denied. With this fact uncovered, a renewed appreciation for past heroes has been kindled and rightly so. Alex Longoria, who assisted in removing the graces, related to some that whole bodies were not taken for reburial, but only parts. That sounds feasible since at since at the time of burial, there were no caskets, only carpenter built boxes and some bodies were simply wrapped in blankets. It was of necessity, the custom of the times, and an accepted procedure. Only a dig or special instruments could verify the extent and number of skeletons remaining. A fitting future use could be a "memorial" garden and hold memorials for FCS members and residents and even erect a plaque as a record, as well as a memorial. ALL clubs could work together on this effort! The objective of this communication is a plea to honor our democratic voting process, consider a broader vote of FCS's membership, no dog park considered in the former military cemetery, promote a dog park and location to a more suitable site, near the RV park and comment the "Dog Park" promoters. Its a wonderful future project.

Woodie V. Hornburg

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No one will provoke me with impunity

Put your tax refund to work



Emily Cooper Edward Jones in Del Rio

It's Tax Refund Season again. This year, if you're going to get one. Without such a fund, you a check from your Uncle Sam, why not put it to work to help you meet your financial goals?

fund was more than \$2,700, ac- an expensive car repair. Keep cording to the IRS. The size of your refund, or whether you will uid account one that you don't get one at all, depends on your draw on for your day-to-day individual circumstances. But if expenses. Help fund your IRA. you are going to get a refund, plan ahead for what you'll do with it.

Here are a few possibilities: • Pay down some debts. In these half of what you need to fully difficult economic times, you fund your IRA for the year. (If may be carrying a higher debt you're 50 or older, however, load than usual. If so, you may you can contribute up to \$6,000

more money you'll have to inemergency fund. If you don't alcontaining six to 12 months' worth of living expenses, you may find yourself constantly dipping into your long-term investments to pay for unexpected Last year, the average tax re- costs, such as a new furnace or your emergency fund in a liq-In 2010, you can put in up to \$5,000 to your IRA. Consequently, if you received a \$2,700 refund, you'd have more than

want to use some of your refund per year.) You might not think for at least five years and didn't to pay down some of these debts. that your \$2,700 would make start taking withdrawals until The lower your debt payments, much of a difference in the long you were at least 59-1/ · Conthe better your cash flow and the run. But by investing your refund and giving it many years vest for the future. Build an of growth potential, you could end up with a sizable amount. Section 529 plans to help them ready have an emergency fund Consider the following: If you put \$2,700 in your IRA, and you earned, on average, seven per- and the earnings grow tax-free, could use your tax refund to start cent a year for 30 years, you'd end up with about \$20,000, even higher education expenses. if you never invested another dime. If you put \$2,700 every year in that same IRA, again expenses may be subject to fedearning an average seven percent annual return, you'd end up with more than \$270,000 after thirty years. (These examples are who participate in their own hypothetical illustrations and do not represent any currently available investments.) You'd eventually have to pay taxes on your earnings, typically when you make withdrawals at retirement. And if you qualified for a your tax refund on things you Roth IRA, you'd never have to want today but, with a little pay taxes on your earnings, as planning, you can use it for

tribute to a Section 529 plan. If you have children or grandchildren, you may want to establish pay for college. You can contribute virtually any amount, provided the money is used for (Withdrawals used for expenses other than qualified education eral, state and penalty taxes. Contributions are tax-deductible in certain states for residents state's plan.

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Please note that a 529 college savings plan could impact a beneficiary's ability to qualify for financial aid.)

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exemptions could lower your property taxes!

A variety of homestead

estead exemption lowers the property taxes on your home rering its taxable value. If your home is valued at \$50,000 pu receive a \$15,000 homestead exemption, your home will ed as if it were worth \$35,000.

Who qualifies for an exemption?

e who owns a home on Jan. 1 and uses it as a primary resion that date is entitled to a \$15,000 homestead exemption er school taxes this year...and it doesn't matter if your home ouse, condominium or mobile home. Counties, cities and I taxing districts may also offer homestead exemptions.

Are other exemptions available?

a're disabled—or if you're 65 years old or older—you are ed to an additional \$10,000 school tax exemption on your . And if you qualify for the 65 or older or disabled exemp-you're also entitled to a permanent, locked-in "ceiling" on school property taxes on your home. (The county, city or junior ge may adopt a tax ceiling to lock in 2010 taxes as the high-mount for 65 and older or disabled homeowners.) The age 65 lock propenymers school tax ceiling transfers to the surviving nount for 65 and older or disabled nomeowners.) The age 65 ler homeowners school tax celling transfers to the surviving se, if the spouse is 55 years of age or older at the time of and lives in and owns the home. The age 65 or older home-rs (or their surviving spouses 55 years of age or older) also transfer the percentage of school tax paid, based on their or home's school tax celling, to a new home.

Tre a disabled veteran who receives from the Veterans Affairs (1) 100 percent disability compensation due to a service acted disability and (2) a rating of 100 percent disabled or a mination of individual unemployability, you are entitled to an ption from taxation of the total appraised value of your resi-nomestead. A surviving spouse does not qualify.

Do I have to apply each year?

you had a homestead exemption on your home in 2009, on't need to reapply for 2010 unless your chief appraiser es it. However, if you haven't received an exemption on your nt home—or if you've moved to a new home—you'll need to an exemption for 2010. If you are 65 this year, you may file age 65 or older exemption up to one year after the date rned 65. And if you became disabled, you need to file for abled person's exemption.

When and where should I file?

plications by April 30 at your appraisal district office. If you nore time, contact us at:

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ntact:



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impuestos de su hogar!

Una exención contributiva para su hogar de residencia disminuye el valor imponible de la propiedad, reduciendo así los impuestos a pagar sobre la misma. Si su residencia está valorada en \$50,000 y usted recibe una exención de \$15,000, usted pagará los impuestos residenciales de una propriedad valorada en \$35,000.

¿Quién es elegible para recibir una exención contributiva?

Los dueños de una propiedad utilizada como residencia principal comenzando el 1ero de enero tienen derecho, desde esa fecha, a recibir la exención contributiva de \$15,000 para reducir los impuestos escolares a pagar este año. Sea la residencia una casa, condominio, o una casa movible, puede ser elegible para la exención. Los condados, las ciudades y los distritos imponibles especiales también pueden ofrecerle exenciones contributivas para su residencia.

¿Existen otras exenciones disponibles?

Si usted está incapacitado o tiene 65 años o más, tiene derecho a recibir una exención adicional de \$10,000 de los impuestos escolares para su residencia. Si es elegible para exención contributiva como incapacitado o tiene 65 años o más, también tiene derecho a obtener un límite permanente de los impuestos escolares basado en los impuestos actuales. (El condado, la ciudad o la universidad comuni-taria pueden establecer un límite y congelar los impuestos del 2010 para los propietarios incapacitados o mayores de 65 años.) El límite de los impuestos escolares para las personas de 65 años o más son de los impuestos escolares para las personas de 65 años o más son transferidos al cónyuge sobreviviente de 55 años o más al momento del fallecimiento del propietario si es el cónyuge sobreviviente dueño y residente de la propiedad. Los dueños de 65 años o más o los cón-yuges sobrevivientes de 55 años o más pueden también transferir el porcentaje de los impuestos escolares pagados a una nueva residencia basado en el límite establecido en la vivienda anterior.

Si usted es un veterano incapacitado que recibe de la Administración de Veteranos: 1) el 100 por ciento de su pensión por incapacidad relacionada a su servicio militar y 2) es considerado 100 por ciento incapacitado o, la Administración determinó que no puede trabajar, usted tiene derecho a una exención de impuestos del valor total tasado de su residencia. El cón-yuge sobreviviente no es elegible.

¿Debo solicitar la exención todos los años?

No. Si recibió una exención contributiva por su residencia en el 2009, no hay necesidad de solicitarla en el 2010—a menos que se lo pida su jefe de tasaciones. Sin embargo, si no ha recibido una exención por su residencia actual—o si ha cambiado de domicilio tendrá que solicitar una exención para el 2010. Si cumple 65 años durante este año, puede solicitar una nueva exención hasta un año después de la fecha de su cumpleaños. Si resultó incapacitado, tendrá que solicitar la exención para personas incapacitadas.

;Dónde y cuándo debo solicitar mis exenciones?

Debe presentar su solicitud a la oficina local del distrito de tasaciones antes del 30 de abril. Si necesita más tiempo, puede contactarnos a:

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Brackett News Photo By Sara Rivas -Supervisior-Headteacher Julia C. Terrazas (far left) and Teacher Assistant Claudia Garcia (far right) enjoy the beautiful day walking and singing with the children from the CDI Early Head Start Program after visiting the County Library.

LAW CHANGES. BHS SENIOR SPOTLIGHT If you're looking for tax-free opportunities for retirement, now is a great time to talk because tax

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Name: Amanda Flores Mother: Cyndi Flores Father: Martin Flores Siblings: Martin Flores Jr. What are your plans after graduation? I plan to attend SAC,

Mini grants available to teachers

2010-2011 National Rural Education AssociationMini-Grant Program: Energy and Electricity Projects In Schools

Who may apply for these grants? Any rural k-12 classcooperative.

students must be served by a local rural electric cooperative.

How much are the grants? There will be ten Mini-Grants of \$500 each to be expended

year.

judged? All applications will be screened by the NREA Teacher Activities Committee to select fifteen finalists. The National Rural Electric Cooperatives Association will select the ten winners from the fifteen finalists. Applications will be judged

on the following criteria: 1. A project design that demstudents;

2. Appropriateness for age six criteria listed above; and grade levels;

3. A project design that encourages a high level of student school year; involvement; 5. A project design that fo-

cuses on student learning; 6. Overall quality of the ap-

guidelines.

by May 15, 2010 a proposal?

feature an investigation of the room teacher whose school or science of energy or electricity. community is served by a local Project ideas could include a Rural Electric Cooperative, or study of the local geology, the whose students' homes are history of hydroelectric generaserved by a local rural electric tion in your community, or alternative sources of energy for How do I qualify for a grant? the next generation. The project Your school, community, or should be limited only by the imagination of your students and the resources you have available. Each proposal must include the following information:

during the 2010-2011 school your school district;

How will the applications be the school district treasurer;

3. The name, school address, phone number, and email address of the participating teacher(s);

4. The summer address and phone number for the participating teacher(s)'

5. The grade level and size of participating class or classes; 6.A brief one to two page onstrates cooperation between description of your project, which addresses each of the

> 7. Estimated timeline for your project during the 2010-2011

> 8.A budget detailing expenditures of at least \$500;

9. The name, address, phone number and contact person for plication and adherence to grant your local Rural Electric Cooperative;

Brackett High 3rd Nine Weeks All "A" Honor Roll

Freshmen: Megan Flores Sophomore: Brittany Hale and Grant Westbrook Juniors: Brandon Allen, Kelsey Bruce, Bryan Calk, Haley Hale, Ayland Letsinger, Martinez, Elidia Molinar and

Sahara Rodriguez and Joshua Smith Seniors: Victor Cantu, Shaun Davis, Brianna Escamilla, Brooklyn Gose, Aracely

Jeffrey Sitgraves. 7th Grade: Morgan Brown and Treya Houston 8th Grade: Leslie Allen, Rebecca Rangel and Nadia. Rodriguez.



Entries must be postmarked 10.A copy of the letter you sent to the manager of your lo-What should be the focus of cal Rural Electric Cooperative in which you report that you An eligible project should have submitted an application to the 2010-2011 NREA Mini-

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Grant Program. What can I use the money for? The money must be expended in compliance with your proposal for the 2010-2011 NREA Mini-Grant Program.

May the grant be used to extend/expand an existing project?

Yes, but in that case, clearly indicate the scope of the original project and for what part of the original project you plan to 1. The name and address of use the NREA Mini-Grant.

What kind of Documentation 2. The name and address of or "Final Report" is Required?

Each Mini-Grant winner must submit a written final report on their project. The final report must be mailed to the NREA Mini-Grant Program, Beering Hall room 5129, 100 N. University St., West Lafayette, IN 47907 by May 1, 2011. Mail your entry to: NREA Mini-Grant Program, Dr. Patricia Cruzeiro, Chair NREA Teacher Activities Committee, University of Nebraska at Kearney - COE; Building B104, 1615 West 24th Street, Kearney, NE 68849. The address for your local electric cooperative is: Rio Grande Electric Cooperative, Inc., P.O. Box 1509, Brackettville, TX 78832. Daniel G. Laws is the General Manager/ CEO. Entry forms: Click on the "News and Information" tab at www.riogrande.coop.

for a year, then transfer UTSA and pursue a career in nursing and become an RN.

What teacher influenced you the most? Mrs. Bader, she was always there to motivate me, and stay positive about things. I could talk to her about anything! I'm going to miss you so much!

What are you most looking forward to after graduation? I'm looking forward to being on my own, and to begin a fresh new life.

What do you think you will miss the most after graduation? Most definitely my parents! All my great friends, I love ya'll and may God bless every one of you and good luck!!!

Who owns the Spofford dump? continued from page 1

vated material was to be removed from the City of Spofford. Unbeknownst to the County, the contractor was told by local authorities to dump the material in the pit. When the grant planner and the engineer discovered the error, they came to Judge Ward and told him what had been done. The additional material in the pit must also be considered contaminated and now the problem has grown by error.

The contractor feels that he should be paid for his work and the job was well done. However, the engineer must sign off on all payments made to the contractor and he does not feel he can sign off on a payment when the contractor acted outside the terms of the contract.

The mayor and the city council from Spofford were in attendance at the meeting as well as Carl Esser, Esser and Company, Craig Bell, TRC Engineers, Ken Dirksen with D.G. Smyth & Co., Inc. and several representatives from TCEQ out of Laredo. Dirksen was hired by the county to do a survey in an effort to determine ownership of the property. There is no record of conveyance of the property from the Elledge estate.

Spofford has put up barriers to keep people from dumping in that area and the Sheriffs department has been alerted to the issue. Illegal dumping is in violation of the Health and Safety codes and it is a crime that is tried at the County Court level.

David Ramirez, with TCEQ has said that they will work with the County to resolve the problem. TCEQ is looking at the options for cleaning up the site. "There is a real concern by leaving that (material) in there. In looking at the way a landfill is constructed they have proper monitoring devices to prevent the unfortunate from happening. Maybe when you get down to 10 or 15 feet maybe it is already to the point it's mixed so well it just looks like it's native." Right now there are too many unknowns. The city and the county need to work with TCEQ to formulate a plan reach their ultimate goals. Judge Ward stated, "We have worked expeditiously to get the survey and to comply with everything the county has been requested to do in hopes that we could resolve it and pay the contractor." He asked TCEQ for a decision from them stating that they are willing to work with Kinney County and that they would not hold Kinney County financially responsible. TCEQ said that they would expedite the process with their legal division in light of the fact that Kinney County is exposed to possible lawsuit from the contractor for lack of payment. Kinney County has done everything required of it by TCEQ and is now waiting for a decision to come from them

Judge Tim Ward and commissioners Woody Massingill, Joe Montalvo and Pat Melancon were present. Dennis Dodson was absent

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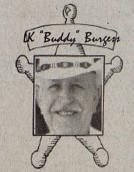
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Kinney County Sheriff's Report



Sunday, March 14 Del Rio, was arrested for Driving With An License Invalid with advised of the situation. a previous conviction. Oviedo was released after posting a \$2,000 on March 15.

Monday, March 15

an alarm was sounding off at a ranch on RR 3348. A county ask the sheriff's office why location.

A man called to report cattle loose on Hwy 277 south of Sycattle was contacted.

Tuesday, March 16

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Julio Cuevas, 44, of San Antonio, was arrested on a felony warrant and for carrying a firearm. Cuevas was transferred into the custody of the US Marshal Service on March 18.

Shake Restaurant reported an automobile accident at the corner of Gove Street and Hwy 90. EMS and deputies were dispatched.

A security company reported jail. an alarm was sounding off at Brackett Medical Supply on Hwy 90. A deputy was dispatched to the location.

couple arguing. The man was talking about suicide. A deputy was dispatched to the location. Wednesday, March 17

Rey David Garcia, 35, of San Antonio, was arrested for Driving While Intoxicated, second offense and on an outstanding warrant from Bexar County for non-payment of child support. At press time, Garcia was still in custody

A security company reported Victor Manuel Oviedo, 29, of an alarm was sounding off at a ranch on RR334. A deputy was

Thursday, March 18 A woman called to request a

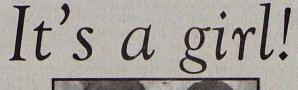
deputy's assistance regarding the sale of a vehicle to a man who A security company reported had not paid her in four months.

A Fort Clark man called to deputy was dispatched to the county EMS personnel had not transported a woman to the hospital. The man stated EMS had come by the woman's house but camore Creek. The owner of the refused to take her. EMS was contacted and stated they had not been dispatched to the residence. The man called again and requested EMS for the woman. EMS and a deputy were dispatched to the location on the Fort. EMS did not transport the

woman. The deputy reported An employee from Burger N there was nothing wrong with the woman other than being intoxicated and the people were warned to stop calling 911 or the woman would have to go to

Friday, March 19

Edgar Orlando Cassio, 20, of Del Rio was arrested for reckless driving. At press time, A woman called to report a Cassio was still in custody.





Calista Cheyenne Perez

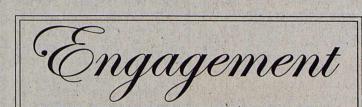
Brackettville, are proud to an- Sandie and brother Tyler; manounce the birth of their daugh- ternal grandparents Rod and ter Calista Cheyenne Perez.

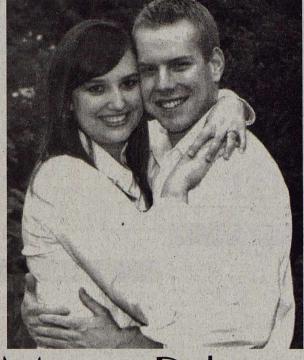
Calista Cheyenne was born on March 18, weighing 8 pounds 1 ounce, and was 20.5 inches in length.

Memorial Hospital in Uvalde,

Calista was welcomed home Tx.

Peter and Candice Perez, of by her twin sisters Sidney and Penny Loewen, of Dallas, Tx.; paternal grandparents Pete and Leslie Perez, of Brackettville; paternal great-grandparents Zulema Freeman, of Brack-Calista was born at Uvalde ettville; Raye Halamicek, of Brackettville and Roger and Rosaelva Perez, of Eagle Pass,



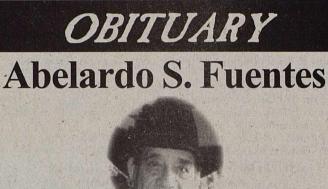


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Terry and ZAnn Messer of Seymour, Texas are proud to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Jenna Suzann Messer, to Cody Lee Robinette, son of Joe and Olivia Robinette of Brackettville, Texas.

The bride is a 2005, graduate of Seymour High School and will graduate from Abilene Christian University with a Master's of Accountancy in May, 2010. She is currently employed at Davis Kinard and Co. in Abilene, Texas. The groom, a resident of Plano, Texas, is a 2005, graduate of Brackett High School and a May, 2009, graduate of Abilene Christian University with a Bachelor of Business Administration. He is currently attending Texas Wesleyan University School of Law and will graduate in 2012. The couple is to be married June 26, at Hillcrest Church of Christ in Abilene, Texas.





January 31, 1935 - March 11, 2010

Abelardo S. Fuentes, age 75, entered into rest March 11, 2010 in Brackettville, Texas. He was born January 31, 1935, in Piedras Negras, Mexico. He was preceded in death by his par-ents, Dionicio and Elisa Fuentes. Left to cherish his memory is his wife of 52 waster. Botto Evented ents, Dionicio and Elisa Fuentes. Left to cherish his memory is his wife of 53 years, Petra Fuentes, son, Abelardo Fuentes, Jr., and wife Josefa of El Dorado, TX, daughter, Blanca Gomez of Austin, TX, brothers, Juan Fuentes and wife Maria of El Dorado, TX, Jesus Fuentes and wife Maria of El Dorado, TX, Mariano Fuentes and wife Ninfa of El Dorado, TX, Dionicio "Nicho" Fuentes and wife Olivia of El Dorado, TX, sisters, Petra Chavez of Campwood, TX, Maria Zuniga and husband Guillermo of El Dorado, TX, Elena Pina and husband Manuel of El Dorado, TX, Rosa Fuentes of El Dorado, TX, Lucia Guajardo and husband Rudy of El Dorado, TX, numerous grandchildren, nieces, and nephews.Visitation was held Friday, March 12, 2010, at the Brackettville Sunset Funeral Home Chapel, Brack-ettville, Texas. Funeral Mass was conducted on Saturday, March 13, 2010 at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church.

November 21,1914 - March 9, 2010

OBITUARY

Clifford B. Lewis

November 21,1914 - March 9, 2010 Clifford Burdettte Lewis (95) passed away March 9, 2010 at the Val Verde Medical Center in Del Rio. He was born in Stickney, South Dakota on November 21,1914 to Charles Ellis Lewis and Maude Elizabeth Lown. He was raised on a home-stead near Trail City, South Dakota. As a young man he was a saddle bronc rider with the Gene Autry Rodeo Company com-peting throughout the country. Cliff had a love of flying; in 1940 he was awarded a scholarship to learn to fly. In June of 1942, he was called to serve his country during WVII. After retring as an Air Force Major in 1962, he moved to College Station, Tx. to teach flying at Texas A&M. He owned an air-craft maintenance and inspection business, testing and main-taining the aircraft for Davis Airlines and Texas A&M. In 1984 after settling in Fort Clark Springs, Tx, he was an active mem-ber of the community. He served as President of Brackettville Lions Club and as a member of Fort Clark Springs' planning and zoning committee. He was member of the First Baptist Church of Brackettville. He is survived by Wilma, his wife of 64 years. Six children: Son, Jerry and wife, Eileen, son, Darvel and wife, Nedra, daughter, Evelyn and husband, Bill Capps, daughter, Kathy and husband, Mike Gautier, son, Scott and wife, Julie, and daughter Karen and husband, James Hunt, 21 grandchildren and 26 great grandchildren. Memorial Service was held on March 20,2010 at 10:30 am at the First Baptist Church in Brackettville, Texas. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Brackettville Lions Club or charity of your choice.

OBITUARY Annie C. Rose



May 14, 1920 - March 21, 2010

May 14, 1920 - March 21, 2010 Annie Cico Rose, age 89, entered into rest March 21, 2010, in Katy, Texas. She was born May 14, 1920 in Angelton, Tx. She married Tony Rose in 1948 and lived in the Algoa/ Alvin area until retiring to Brackettville in 1966. She was a long time resident of Brackettville, Texas until failing health took her east to Bellville, Galveston, and Katy. She was pre-ceded in death by her parents, her brother, four sisters, and husband Anthony Grace "Tony" Rose. Left to cherish her memory are her sons Tony Rose and wife Cheryl of Galveston, Dan William "Billy" Rose of Brackettville, and Joe Rose and wife Angela of Cat Spring, and daughters Stella "Bo" Hagler and husband Rick of Brackettville and Sis Hawkins of Uvalde. She will be missed by all but, the ones who will miss her most are her eleven grandchildren; they were her ultimate pride and joy. They are Katie Rose Monson and husband Erik, Michael Rose and wife Amanda, Will Hawkins and wife Tiffany, Jamie Kirkham, Chelsie Rose, Bailey Rose, Levi Rose and Chloe Rose. They will dearly miss their Grandma. She is also sur-vived by six beautiful great grandchildren; Madie, Riley, and Tommy Hawkins, Wilkes and J Banks Hawkins and Ruby Anne Monson. She enjoyed many good years entertaining her fam-ily and friends. She loved to work in the yard and always was ready to pull weeds and hoe in the garden. She also enjoyed her years working at Brackett ISD and driving the Tularosa bus. She will always be remembered for being a dedicated wife, mother, grandmother, and friend. Family services will be held to celebrate her life. In lieu of flowers please donate to your favorite charity. favorite charity.

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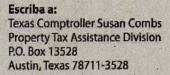
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¿Quién debe rendir el informe?

Usted debe rendir una dedaración si es dueño de alguna propiedad personal tangible que produce ingresos, tal como el inventario y el equipo utilizados en una empresa. Si usted rinde su declaración tarde, no la rinde o hace declaraciones falsas, podría incurrir en una multa del 10 al 50 por ciento.

;Existen ventajas en rendir la declaración?

Las ventajas de rendir la declaración son las siguientes:

- Usted puede dar su opinión sobre el valor de su propiedad. El distrito de tasaciones debe notificarle por escrito cualquier cambio en el valor de la propiedad y explicarle cómo puede protestar ese valor ante la junta de revisiones de las tasaciones.
- sa: Usted registra la dirección postal correcta para recibir su factura de impuestos. Si envian su factura a la dirección incorrecta, usted es aún legalmente responsable de pagar a tiempo por sus impuestos y por las multas de pagos tardíos.
- También puede rendir un "informe de valor reducido" para notificar al 13 distrito de tasaciones si ocurrió una reducción significativa en el valor de su propiedad durante el 2009. El distrito revisará su propiedad antes de asignarle un valor en el 2010.

¿Cuál es la fecha límite?

El 15 de abril es el último día para rendir los informes del 2009. Puede obtener una extensión automática hasta el 15 de mayo si la solicita por escrito el 15 de abril o antes. El jefe de tasaciones puede extender su plazo por otros 15 días a partir del 15 de mayo si usted muestra razón justa.

¿Dónde rindo mi informe?

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Who must file a rendition?

You must file a rendition if you own tangible personal property that is used to produce income-such as the inventory and equipment used by a business. If you render late, don't render or file an incomplete or false rendition, a 10 percent to 50 percent penalty may be imposed.

Are there any advantages to you?

The advantages of filing a rendition are:

- You give your opinion of your property's value. The appraisal district must notify you in writing of any value change and explain how you can protest that value to the appraisal review board.
- You record your correct mailing address so your tax bills will KR' go to the right address. If your bill is mailed to the wrong address, the law still holds you responsible for paying your taxes on time or paying extra charges for late payments.
- You can also file a "report of decreased value" to notify the appraisal district of significant depreciation of the value of your property in 2009. The district will look at your property before assigning a value in 2010.

What's the deadline?

The last day for filing 2010 renditions is April 15. You can get an automatic extension to May 15 (or the next business day if a weekend) if you ask for it in writing on or before the April 15 deadline. The chief appraiser may grant an additional 15 days after May 15 for an owner who shows good cause in writing.

Where do you file?

File renditions with your local appraisal district at:

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