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Kinney County Is Home To Kickapoo State Park

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Thursday, June 10, 2010 The Brackett News is Loved by many, Cussed by some, Read by them ALL!

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What's Happening

DROP BOX TBN will now be accepting news, announcements, advertisements at our temporary office located at 103 Gove Street in Brackett, Mon - Thur, 10a until 5p, until further notice.

BEST DAD CONTEST Is your dad the "BEST"? If he is, then send in the reason why the whole town should honor him on Father's Dayand WIN a photo package from Photography by Michael Ford. Write 100 words or less about what makes your dad the best and email it to tbnews@ sbcglobal.net or or drop them off at 103 Gove Street Mon-Thu, 10-4, and you could win a FREE 8x10, 5x7 and a 4x6 professional photo package by Brackett's own professional photographer Michael J. Ford. Entries must be received by June 15 at 5pm.

VIETNAM VETS In conjunction with the annual July 4th Celebration, TBN will again be printing pictures of those who have served in the military. This year Vietnam Veterans will be highlighted. Please forward pictures to tbnews@sbcglobal.net or drop them off at 103 Gove Street Mon-Thu, 10-4. Deadline will be June 30.

"THE GLORY ROAD" RESCHEDULED To take advantage of Spring's milder temperatures, and to afford more attendance and participation opportunities for our winter residents and visitors, the Old Quarry Society is pleased to announce that The Glory Road" performances are being rescheduled. An all-new, revised version will be produced for Fort Clark Days in March as

part of the 2010-11 regular season. Please visit www.olaquarry brackettville.us for more information and updates. YOUTH SUMMER JOBS

Youth ACES Summer Program Workforce solutions Middle Rio Grande is looking for young people to employ this summer to acclimate youth to the world of work by placing them at various worksites in the community. Participating youth will be paid through the program a wage of \$7.25 per hour. Applications may be picked up the public library or call Sarah Terrazas @ 563-2884 for more information.

BISD NEWS High School Summer School began June 8 and will end June 30. Elementary Summer School started on June 7 and will end June 18, Mon- Fri 8am until 12 noon.

Get Fit Camp will begin June 21 and end July 15. Monday - Thursday, 8am until 4pm. Tuition is FREE and applications for the first 100 children ages 6-12 are available in the Jones Elementary Office until Friday, June 18.

AMERICAN LEGION The provisional American Legion Post will meet at Slator Hall on the 17th of June at 6:30 pm. We will talk about entering a float in the parade on July 3rd. There will be an honor given to those who served in country during the Vietnam War.

LIBRARY SUMMER PROGRAM HOURS June 7th - June 18th Tues, Wed, & Thurs. Ages: 3 -5 & 6-8 : Time: 10:30 - 12:00 noon Ages: 9 & up: Time: 2-4 pm

SUMMER CHURCH HOURS

During the Summer the Sunday Evening Service at First Baptist Church will begin at 6:00. Join us as we praise the Lord and study God's Word. First Baptist Church is located at 301 N. Ann. For more information call 563-2245.

EMS WEEKLY REPORT The week of May 30 - June 5: Kinney County EMS responded to a total of 4 medical calls. Three of the calls were transported to area hospitals.

Kickapoo Caverns State Park opens Park set to open daily after years of limited access

BRACKETTVILLE, Texas will host an all-day grand opening event free to the public on Saturday, June 12, commemorating the park's official opening of its doors on a daily ba-

Thanks in large part to increases in appropriated funding from the Texas Legislature in the previous two bienniums, the Texas State Park system was able to hire staff and develop more public facilities and trails, making it possible to safely accommodate a higher volume of visitors at the scenic Hill Country park, and operate regular business hours seven days a

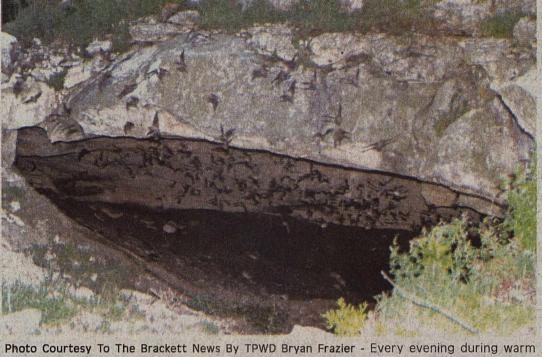
Previously, park users could gain access past the locked gate only by advanced appointment and guided tour; now folks will be able to enjoy year-round recreation at Kickapoo for camping, hiking and biking on the more than 12 miles of developed and undeveloped trails, diverse birding opportunities, and

After operating as a limited-ac- coined the Kickapoo Kickoff, ing ceremony to dedicate the that day. The trail is being dedi-

The grand opening event, sion on June 12, and an open-visitor center is set for 10 a.m. Kinney County Judge and rancher. Mr. Seargeant owned cess park for more than 20 years, will feature free camping for the new Seargeant Memorial Trail cated in honor of the late the property before selling it to Kickapoo Caverns State Park weekend, as well as free admis- near the park's newly renovated Tommy Seargeant, former Texas Parks and Wildlife Department to become a state park, fulfilling his wishes that the public be able to enjoy what he considered a special and unique part of Texas.

Hiking tours, birding tours, plant and nature walks, handson archaeology activities, mountain biking (bikes and helmets provided), and wild cave tours of Kickapoo Cavern are also scheduled for visitors throughout the day, beginning early at 7:30 a.m., with the last activity scheduled for around 5

Later in the evening just before sunset, staff and volunteers will also be leading visitors to one of the park's most renowned attractions: bat flight viewing tours of Stuart Bat Cave, where hundreds of thousands of Mexican free-tailed bats emerge at dusk for their nightly hunting trip for insects during warm weather months.



weather months, hundreds of thousands of Mexican free-tailed bats emerge from Stuart Bat Cave, en viewings of popular seasonal bat route to a night full of hunting for insects. The bat flight is one of the primary attractions at Kickapoo Caverns State Park, which will host a grand opening event on Saturday, June 12.

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City meter readers BHS Graduation 2010 go digital this month

By Leigh Volcsko mybrackettnews.com

nance employees will begin statements for utility customers. reading water and gas meters

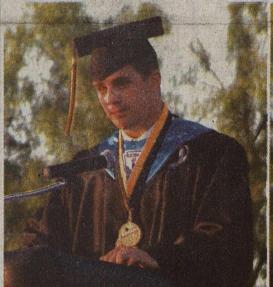
"We're stepping into the twenty-first century," said Garcia as he explained the employees will have the capability of capturing meter information electronically and the data can be easily downloaded from the hand-held meter readers.

hand held reading device to the computer system located at City Hall. He reports this will pro-City of Brackettville mainte- vide more accurate monthly

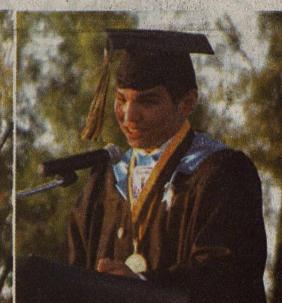
Garcia went on to say, as a with digital meter readers over safeguard to the customer, the the next two weeks, said City digital reader will alert the City Manager Henry Garcia on June when a usage is significantly higher or lower than usual.

During the transition to the digital technology, the City will continue to conduct manual readings until the process is com-

The City has two digital,



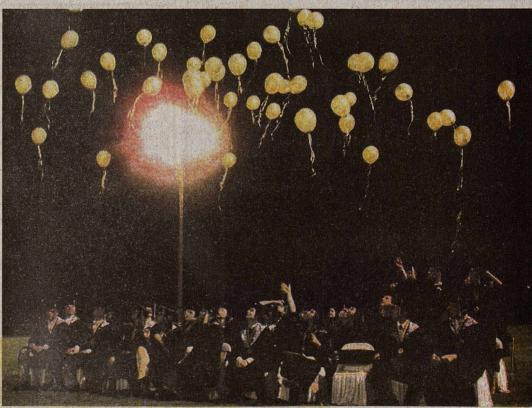
Valedictorian Jeff Sitgreaves



Salutatorian Victor Cantu



From left: Alejandra Talamantes, Nydia Talamantes, Isaac Talamantes, Lilianna Valdez and Aracely Martinez





Brackett News Photo By Leigh Volcsko - City of Brackettville goes digital. City maintenance employees Marc Rodriguez and Clint Conrad test the new digital meter reading devices. The city will begin using the new

Kicapoo Caverns State Park opens

"Kickapoo Caverns is just a wonderful place to see nature. It's had little traffic for all these years, and now we're able to open it up for all of Texas," said Mike Knezek, park superintendent. "We're known for our bats, but the park is 6,400 acres with lots of other things to do. We also have 20 campsites for folks to use, and being a camping park, we can do programs like night hikes and star gazing. Out here, there aren't many neighbors or cities to emit a lot of light pollution or distract from all the sights and sounds of the outdoors. And, we think being open all the time will be a boost to the local economy as people find out what we

Visitors are encouraged to bring some essentials to attend Kickapoo Cavern State Park's grand opening: sunscreen for outdoor activities, and sturdy shoes and flashlights for hiking and cave tours. And because much of the park is undeveloped and in a remote location-23 miles north of the nearest town of Brackettville on Ranch Road 674-folks will also want to bring drinking water and pack a picnic lunch. Some restaurants, food and convenience items are also available in surrounding towns, all of which are at least a half-hour's drive from the park.

Reservations are required for those who are interested in camping anytime during the weekend of June 11-12 for the grand opening event.

"Kickapoo is a park that has so many treasures: the bats, the cave resources-and it is rich with birds, even endangered species such as the black-capped vireo; Kickapoo is always abuzz with bird sounds," said Linda Hedges, state park regional interpretive specialist. "The park is home to all of those things and more, and we want to give it its moment in the sun with a kickoff event, and showcase another unique part of Texas.'

For more information, contact the state parks, Customer Service Center at (512) 389-8900, or Kickapoo Cavern State Park at (830) 563-2342, or visit the park's Web site at www.texasstateparks.org



The Terrazas family would like to offer our sincere thanks to all who helped with meals, flowers, and especially the funeral services of our dear mother Julia G. Terrazas. Your compassion and thoughtfulness during this difficult time for our family is greatly appreciated.

Thank you, Family Terrazas

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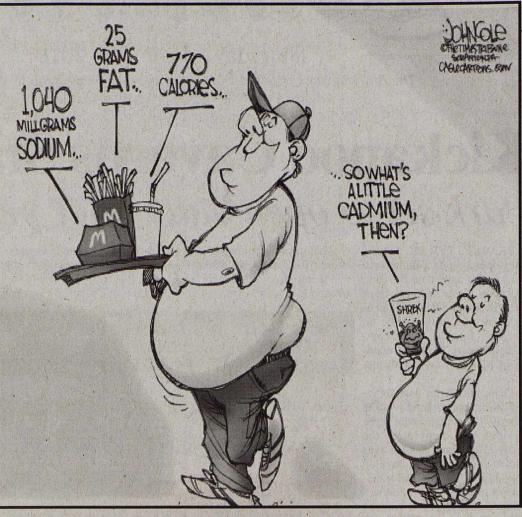


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Financial moves to help stay-at-home spouses



Emily Cooper Edward Jones in Del Rio

Not all households have two wage earners. By choice or circumstance, either you or your spouse may be out of the work force for an extended period of time. But that doesn't mean you can't make progress toward your comfortable retirement. It does IRA, which grows on a tax-

mean, however, that you need advantaged basis, or a Roth to carefully review your situa- IRA, which can grow tax-free, tion and make the right finan-

For starters, consider one of the best retirement-savings ve- taking distributions. And a hicles you have available: an spousal IRA has the same con-Individual Retirement Account, or IRA. Even if your spouse 2010, or \$6,000 if your spouse isn't earning income, he or she is 50 or older — as a traditional can open a "spousal IRA" to which you, as the income-earning spouse, can contribute. (Keep in mind, though, that you must file a joint tax return if you contribute to a spousal IRA.) Depending on your income level, you can designate a spoujoint financial goals, such as a sal IRA as either a traditional

or Roth IRA.

crease the cumulative opportu-

nities for building tax-

advantaged resources for both

your retirements, a spousal IRA

can be an attractive option. Fur-

thermore, if your spouse allo-

cates his or her IRA funds to

investments that complement

rather than duplicate those investments inside your IRA, the

spousal IRA can prove to be a

valuable tool for diversifying

your overall holdings. While di-

versification, by itself, cannot

guarantee a profit or protect

the effects of volatility on your

portfolio. To help achieve this

diversification between your

IRA and the spousal IRA, you

may want to work with a finan-

cial advisor. Another move you

can make to help your stay-at-

home spouse is easy to accom-

plish but also easy to overlook

eficiary designations on your

401(k), IRA, other investment

accounts, life insurance policies

and all financial and legal docu-

ments. This step is particularly

important if you've been di-

vorced or widowed, and you

want to be sure your stay-at-

home spouse comes into posses-

sion of all the assets you had

Of course, in this day and

age, "stay-at-home" status can

change quickly. If your spouse

enters or re-enters the work

force, you as a couple should

consider adjusting your finan-

cial plans. Your spouse can con-

tinue contributing to the spou-

sal IRA you've established, but

he or she may now have other

opportunities in which to save

for retirement, such as a 401(k)

or similar employer-sponsored

out of the work force for a while,

it will be important for him or

her to contribute as much as

any case, whether your spouse

stays at home or returns to the

work force, you'll want to be

proactive in making sure he or

she doesn't get left behind on

the road to financial security.

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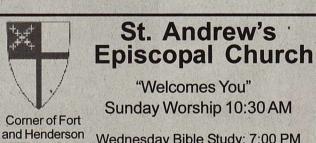
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is now advising people to have guns. Well, it's about time." -Fort Hancock resident to me, paraphràsedIn leaving El Paso, I opted to loop west and south so I could walk directly by the border fence. I had been advised by an El Paso border agent to stay as far from the fence as possible, but I didn't come all this way only to avoid sneaking a peek. The fence is a massive, imposing structure, so big in fact that there should be an upgrade in vocabulary as between 'sign' and 'billboard.' I walked alongside a highway - the mega-fence on the other side - hoping this buffer zone would be sufficient enough to prove my citizenship. Little did I know that my first test would have little to do with buffers and metal dividers. As I continued, I crossed the main passage between El Paso and Juarez. A traffic jam had occurred, and there was a cacophony of car honking. Above the cars, the inspection station, and the bridge was an enormous provided your spouse has held Mexican flag moving slowly in the account for at least five years the strong wind, an ever-changand is at least age 59½ before ing contour map of highs and lows. When I got to Fort Hancock, I started hearing firsthand actribution limits - \$5,000 in counts of border woes. These stories had an altogether different tenor than the ones I heard from the interior of the state. Clearly, if you want to in-

I met one fellow who had a 9mm strapped to his waist and admitted that he frequently made citizen's arrests, then called the border patrol. I was told that one family had made 500 arrests in three years, and though unsubstantiated, the rumor brings to mind the kind of influx residents are facing. You might be wondering how a backpacker like me can navigate these communities given that a good amount of foot travel in the area is illegal. I wondered the same thing. When I was passing my first checkpoint on Highways against loss, it can help reduce 62/180, I met a lot of border agents and explained my project. I talked with so many, in fact, that as I was hiking the next day some border agents waved and honked. This isn't going to be so hard, I thought. This, I found, was premature. On my way out of Fort Hancock, I took a short break under a large cottonwood. I hadn't been there ten minutes when I saw a border patrol jeep pass, then do a U-turn.

I knew what was coming. The agent came and asked the usual questions, but when he asked if I had a criminal history, I tried to think if I had any outstanding traffic violations. He took my hesitation as guilt and for the remainder of our interaction, things went, as it were, south. The agent asked for my ID and spoke to me like I was two minutes away from being busted. To say that his demeanor was merely unpleasant would be a compliment. While my background check was processing, he asked if I would consent to having my bag inspected. What?! This question caught me completely off guard. I blubbered a bit, insulted at how far things had gone, but ultimately declined to give consent. My ID cleared, and the guy was silently incredulous. He was done with me.

This encounter, the conversations in Fort Hancock, and a gargantuan fence all point to-ward the greater truth of the repossible to a retirement plan. In Life seems normal enough, with the coming and going of people and cars and the quiet hours of rural Texas, but it is far from picturesque. The nighttime lights may shine as one huge clump of humanity, but when the sun comes up, the fence - both metal and human remains as a testament to the darkness

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May 14	7:30 pm	Angels v Yankees	Majors	
May 17		No Games		
May 18	5:30 pm	Rangers v Pirates	Coach Pitch	11-12
May 18	7:30 pm	Braves v Yankees	Majors	4-7
May 19	6:00 pm	Marlins v Astros	T-Ball	No Score
May 20	6:00 pm	Pirates v Rangers	Coach Pitch	

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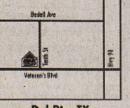
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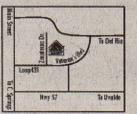
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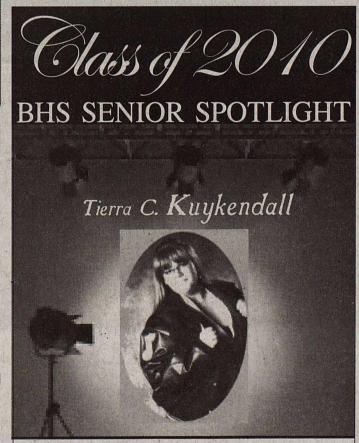
Congratulations!! Miles Braesicke



2006 Brackett High School Graduate Miles Braesicke, son of Cindy Connell and Dudley Braesicke, graduated Magna Cum Laude from Texas State University on May 14, 2009, receiving his Degree in Criminal Justice.

nal Justice.

This seven-time Dean's List Student has successfully completed four years of undergraduate study while working full time laying down the foundation for a prosperous future.



Name: Tierra C. Kuykendall Mother: Charene M. Kuykendall Father: Cary S. Kuykendall

Siblings: Charles (Chas) and Steven Kuykendall

What are your plans after graduation? To attend college in hopes to become a teacher.

What teacher influenced you the most? Mostly my English teacher, but mainly my 7th & 8th grade Social Studies Teacher Mr.Olivares, Presidio, Tx.

What are you most looking forward to after graduation? I'm looking forward to moving out and experiencing life on my

What do you think you will miss the most after graduation? My friends, family and my high school years.

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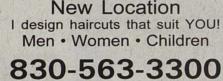
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Senior Airman KayLynn Perez is stationed at Nellis Air Force Base in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Perez serves with the 99th Security Forces Squadron with the 386th Expeditionary in an undisclosed location in the Middle East at this time.

As of June 2, 2010, she is no longer a first term airman.

Perez has re-enlisted for a term of 4 years. Perez is the daughter of Emilio and Araceli Perez and her brother is Justin Kyle Perez.

Paternal grandparents are the late Jose J. Perez and the late Petra C. Perez of Brackettville and her maternal grandparents are Gilberto Ramirez and the late Fracisca Ramirez of Del Rio.

Senior Airman Kinney County Sheriff's Report



Sunday, May 30

Arnulfo Garcia, 21 was arrested for public intoxication. Garcia was still in custody at

A FCS man called to report since 6:30am to 9:30pm. A

A woman called stating some one had entered by force into the a ranch. A deputy was advised.

A woman called to report there was a fight going on at a residence close by. She also involved. A deputy was notified. Monday, May 31

A man called to report a vehicle parked in front of his tire shop blocking the garage door. A deputy was advised.

A woman called to report an accident out on Fulton and Ellen someone trying to steal her streets. No injuries were reported. A deputy was informed. Tuesday, June 1

Rogelio Flores, 55 of Brack-June 2, with a bond of \$2,000. informed of the situation.

Wednesday, June 2

requesting a deputy to assist Border Patrol with a possible drug and gang related stop. A deputy was enroute.

Thursday, June 3

Juan A. Gonzalez, 39, of San Antonio was arrested for unauthorized absense from corrections. Gonzalez was still being held at press time.

Pedro H. Gomez, 68, of San Antonio was arrested for public intoxication. Gomez was released on a bond of \$200.

Friday, June 4

A man called to report he was a parked vehicle was running taking his son to the EMS station for a medical emergency and deputy was notified of situation. requested a deputy to meet him there. A deputy was advised.

A man came into the SO to request a welfare check on an indiviual.

Saturday, June 5 A man called to report a

couple appeared to be stranded stated there were several people on Hwy 90. A deputy was notified of the situation. Sunday, June 6

Roberto M. Revilla, 38, of Brackettville was arrested for disorderly conduct. Revilla was

released the same day. A woman called to report goats behind the Border Patrol station. A deputy was informed of the situation and enroute.

A woman called to report a ettville was arrested for indecent blue SUV on Gove Street going exposure. Flores was released on at a high speed. A deputy was

A woman called to report were fighting so bad her walls neighbors screaming at each were shaking. A deputy was in-

The Del Rio BP Station called other. She also mentioned they formed of the situation. Hwv 90 W

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WHO: All boys and girls in Camp grades 3-9 this next school year (Fall 2010)

COST: \$35 (if registered by June 4th you will receive a t-TIME: 9am-12:30pm



WHERE: BHS Tennis Courts WHO: 4 years to incoming 9th grade athletes

interested in tennis WHAT: Four days of learning fundamentals to include individual instruction, fellowship and

ATTIRE: Shorts, T-shirts, shoes with nonmarking soles preferred. Bring racket and wear sunscreen. Racket available for use if you do

COST: \$60 per person. Cash or Money Orders made payable to UHS

OBITUARY Sybil Mclish

December 14, 1918 - May 29, 2010

Sybil McLish, age 91, of The Woodlands, Texas, passed away on Saturday, May 29, 2010 in Conroe, Texas. She and her husband were longtime residents of Ft. Clark Springs, Texas. Sybil was born on December 14, 1918 in Seymour, Texas. She married Thomas J. McLish, of Tishomingo, Oklahoma She was preceded in death by her husband Thomas Jackson McLish; parents Emmitt and Margaret Young; brother, Wiley Young; sister, Ottie Hanson; and infant son Thomas Jackson

She is survived by her son, Gary McLish and his wife Sandy, Spring, Texas; step daughters Alice Bernal, Bernalillo, New Mexico and Barbara Carlberg, Rio Rancho, New Mexico; granddaughter Kitri Jordan and her husband Chris, The Woodlands Texas; granddaughter Kayce Hammack and her husband Marcus, The Woodlands, Texas; granddaughter Katie Ross and her husband Jay, The Woodlands, Texas; and seven great grandchil-

Visitation was held on Thursday, June 3, 2010 at Brackettville Sunset Memorial Funeral Home in Brackettville, Texas with internment immediately following at Sunset Memorial Oaks Cemetery in Del Rio, Texas.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to the Brackettville Sunset Funeral Home, 302 E. Spring, Brackettville, Texas 78832, (830) 563-9600.

OBITUARY

Lorraine Lundquist

June 6, 1921 - May 30, 2010

Lorraine (Klaus) Lundquist, Ft. Clark Springs, Texas, formally

of Ashland, WI, went into the Lord's arms on Sunday 30 May

2010, in Spring, Texas, at the age of 88 years following a courageous battle with Alzheimer's Disease. Lorraine Marie was

born in Ashland , WI on 6 June 1921, the daughter of Fred and

Lena (Vaillancour) Klaus. She graduated from DePadua High

She married her first love, Gordon F. Lundquist on 6 June 1942.

In their 68 years together they raised 6 sons and 1 daughter.

Lorraine worked as a Nurse at St Joseph 's Hospital and at Memorial Medical Center in Ashland , WI . When Gordon retired

from the U.S. Army they bought and ran the Scottie Club, where

she worked on her off hours from the hospital. In the late seven-

ties, they moved to Ft. Clark Springs, Texas where they managed the restaurant and golf course clubhouse. They were the

first members of the Ft. Clark Springs Golf Club and spent 30 +

happy years there. She was an accomplished golfer accumulat-

ing several trophies. Lorraine enjoyed a variety of crafts and was

active in the Ladies Craft gatherings. She loved everyone with a

She is survived by her husband Gordon, of Ft. Clark Springs,

Texas, four sons; Gordon (Mary Lou) of Menasha, WI, Richard

(Diane) of Palm Bay, FL, Timothy (Fran) of Castroville, TX, Roger

(Wendy) of Superior, WI; one daughter Lorene Burright (Bob) of Spring, TX. Two daughter-in-laws Ellen Lundquist of Ft. Clark

Springs, TX and Peggy Lundquist-Wegner of Keller, TX . Seventeen Grandchildren, Paula, Ronald G., Allison, Erick, Melissa,

Amanda, Courtney, Robert (Butch), Katie, Matthew, Patricia

Carl, Andrea, Melinda, Joshua, Ryan, Katlyn. Numerous Great

Grandchildren. Four sisters Marjory Sufak of Ashland, WI, Rose-

mary Cody of Sauk City, WI, Johanna Mihalek of Washburn, WI, and Caroline Schimke of Centerville IA.

She was preceded in death by two sons; Tom (Peggy) Lundquist

and Ronald (Ellen) Lundquist, Her parents Fred and Lena Klaus, two brothers; Everald Klaus of Milwaukee and Fred (Lona) Klaus

of Ashland, WI. Three Sisters; Betty (John) Rokser of Aurora MN, Catherine (Steve) Pocernich of Oak Creek, WI, and Marie

Memorial Service was held on Thursday 3 June 2010 at 7:00 P.M. At the Woodland Oaks Church of Christ in The Wood-

lands, Texas with Minister Ken Stegall officiating. Internment

School on 4 June 1940

joyful spirit.

Klaus of Ashland, WI.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

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

The BRACKETT ISD will hold a public meeting at 6:30 PM 06/21/2010 in BISD Intermediate DL Room Brackettville TX. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

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

Maintenance Tax

School Debt Service Tax Approved by Local Voters

\$1.040000 /\$100 (Proposed rate for maintenance and operations) \$0.000000 /\$100 (Proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

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

Maintenance and operations 1,000000% (increase) or % (decrease) Debt service 0.000000% (increase) or % (decrease) Total expenditures 1.000000% (increase) or % (decrease)

Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under section 26.04, Tax Code)

Total appraised value* of all property Total appraised value* of new property** Total taxable value*** of all property Total taxable value*** of new property** Preceding Tax Year \$217,065,026 \$3,377,249 \$161.535,407 \$3,164,589

Current Tax Year \$223,702,848 \$5,564,346 \$169,589,034

\$11.28

\$5,351,012

"Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal soll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code "New property" is defined by Section 26.012(17), Tax Code "Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code.

Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness:

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increase (Decrease) in Taxes

	Comparison (of Proposed Rates wi	th Last Year's Ra	tes	
	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
ast Year's Rate	\$1.040000	\$0.000000*	\$1.040000	\$2,698	\$7.623
ate to Maintain Same Level Maintenance & Operations					
evenue & Pay Debt Service	\$1.069200	\$0,000000*	\$1,069200	\$2,610	\$6,647
roposed Rate	\$1.040000	\$0.000000	\$1.040000	\$2,813	\$7,474

The Interest & Senking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this distinct.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence This Year \$51,062 \$50,287 Average Market Value of Residences Average Taxable Value of Residences \$33,463 \$34.548 \$1.040000 \$1.040000 Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value \$359.29 Taxes Due on Average Residence \$348.01

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

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is 1.040000. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of 1.040000.

Fund Balances

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

> Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s) Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)

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LINEMAN Brackettville, Texas Rio Grande Electric Cooperative, Inc. (RGEC) is accepting applications from individuals with varying levels of line-Excellent benefits, including medical/ dental insurance, 401K, and defined benefit plan. Must be willing and able to work under adverse weather conditions, holidays, overtime, and week-end duty, as necessary. Must have physical stamina to climb poles, trim trees, lift heavy objects, operate equipment and tools. Must possess strong interpersonal skills, including the ability to maintain harmonious relationships with staff/management. A valid Texas driver's license with two or less tations in the last three years is required. Applicants must be able to obtain a CDL license within 90 days from date of hire. Must pass federal background check. RGEC provides a competitive salary based on experience. Applications are available at any RGEC office, may be downloaded from www,riogrande.com, or are available via mail by calling 830-563-2444. Mail completed applications to RGEC, HR Department, P.O. BOX 1509, Brackettville, TX, 78832. Positions open until filled FOE til filled FOF

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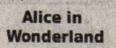
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 New Listing: 38 Sunset Lane Well maintained 3BR/3B Split level home w/open floor plan, FP, and many upgrades. Great Location!
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 New listing: Unique town house located in the heart of the Historical District. 1BR/1B w/ many upgrades \$53,000.
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New Listing: 403 Brown St. 2BR/1B Home on Ig. lot.
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and dedication of the Seargeant Memorial Trail

Saturday, June 12, 2010

Kickapoo Cavern State Park Brackettville, Texas

Free Entry

Free Camping (reservations required)

Free Guided Tours

Kickapoo Cavern Wild Cave Tour (bring sturdy shoes and two flashlights)

Birdwatching **Native Plant Walk**

Evening Bat Flight Viewing

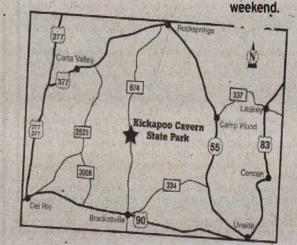
Hiking

Mountain Biking (bikes and helmets provided)

Hands-on Archeology

And more!

Bring a picnic lunch and spend the day ... or the



Light refreshments will be served following the 10 a.m. trail dedication. All activities are on a first-come, first-served basis. Some age restrictions may apply.

For more information or camping reservations, please contact Kickapoo Cavern State Park at (830) 563-2342 or visit www.tpwd.state.tx.us/kickapoocavern



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