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Kinney County Is Home To Mickey Braun - Happy 90th Birthday!

What's Happening

EMS WEEKLY REPORT

The week of October 10-16: Kinney County EMS responded to a total of 12 medical calls. Seven of the calls were transported to area hospitals.

MAMMOGRAMS

CHEER in collaboration with Christus Santa Rosa Mobile Mammography will be having a Mobile Mammography Day on Saturday, October 23 at the Frontier Baptist Church. Uninsured women may receive a mammogram for a twenty-five dollar co-pay which must be paid the day of the mammogram. Most insurances, medicare, and medicaid are accepted for those women who have insurance. For appointments and any questions, please contact Pat Sitzes at 830.563.5528. Women having mammograms must have a doctor's order.

EARLY VOTING

NOTICE: Early Voting extended for Saturday 10/23/2010, Starting at 9:00 am to 4:00 pm in COunty Clerk's Office

HUNTER'S ROUND UP

The annual Hunter's Round Up will be held Saturday, November 6 @ the Kinney County Civic Center from 6p to 10p. The Wild Game Dinner will be \$10 or FREE to individuals with a valid hunting license. Music and entertainment by David Murray, Prize Drawings, Door Prizes and booths of all kinds.

BHS/BJH CALENDAR

Calendar of Events
October 21: JH Football @ LaPryor at 5p; JV Football @ LaPryor at 6:30 p.m.
October 22: Early Out - Students Only; JV and Varsity Volleyball against LaPryor at 4p; Varsity Football against LaPryor at 7:30 p.m.
October 23: ACT Test Date
October 25: JH Volleyball A and B teams @ LaPryor at 5p
October 26: JV and Varsity Volleyball @ Comstock at 5p; Secondary Report Cards mailed out.
October 27: HS/JH Cross Country @ Bandera (District Meet)
October 28: JH Football vs. Johnson City at 5p; JV Football vs. Johnson City at 6:30 p.m.

JONES E/I CALENDAR:

October 18 - 22 School Bus Safety Week
October 21: PTO Meeting @6p in the Cafeteria "Bingo Night"
October 22: Ag Day; PTO Fall Festival @ 3:30 -6p, in the elem. front parking lot; Early Out @1p; Geography Awareness Poster Contest

GOT NEWS?

Do you have an announcement for the paper? Bridal Shower? Wedding? Birth Announcement? Engagement? Anniversary? Let us know at 830.563.2852, tbnews@sbcglobal.net or bring it to 109 W. Spring Street, next door to our old building!

NATIVITY SETS

For those of you who offered to allow the Frontier Baptist Church to display your nativity set at their Christmas Nativity Scene Program, please call Vada Baldree at 563-9377. If there is no answer, please leave a message. Thank you for your help with our program.

AA MEETINGS

Open meetings of Alcoholics Anonymous are held on Monday nights at 7pm in Slater Hall at the Methodist Church.

"OLIVER!"

The Old Quarry Society will present the musical "Oliver!" as the season opener November 6 & 7 and 12 & 13. We are looking for children ages 6 and up to be "pick-pockets" and teenagers and adults who like to sing to be part of the chorus. The play will be directed by Lynn McNew. Questions? Call 830.563.9229 or 563.5701.

By Leigh Jenkins
mybrackettnews.com

Fort Clark Board of Directors fired Director of Operations Felix Cerna at a Special executive meeting on October 20.

After just over a year at the post, and another two years on his contract, the board voted in majority to let Cerna go, without a reason, according to Cerna.

It was reported to this newspaper however Sam Holloman

was recently complementing Cerna on the job he was doing and at the Fort's Annual Meeting in March it was announced the private community association was operating in black and had money in the bank.

Directors Sam Holloman, William Bill Haenn and Garland Young voted to dismiss Cerna, while Rick Keyes and Hattie Berleth voted against it.

Director Keyes was adamantly opposed to Cerna's dis-

missal and verbally resigned his position after the meeting.

Director Berleth stated she too was greatly disturbed by the decision and planned to resign as well. A letter of resignation was confirmed to be on file at the Fort administration office as of this morning.

Cerna has served as the director of operations since June 30, 2009. Prior to serving the Fort, Cerna was the City Manager of Eagle Pass for five years,

an Eagle Pass ISD Personnel Director and a Maverick County Commissioner for ten years, with a degree in business and a Masters in education.

Cerna confirmed that Board President Sam Holloman stated he had already spoken twice to a man he was interested in putting in Cerna's position in the executive meeting and later at a staff meeting.

In other breaking news from the Fort, CIT Solutions, LLC

was paid \$1,299 to conduct a "technology assessment" at the Fort's administration office. This was also done with a majority vote with directors Sam Holloman, William Bill Haenn and Garland Young voting in favor of doing business with this company, while Rick Keyes and Hattie Berleth voted against it. Sources confirmed Barry

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Fort fires Felix!

Young Brackett woman to undergo second heart surgery

By Leigh Jenkins
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Amanda Simmons, 26, of Fort Clark Springs will travel to Ohio in December to un-

dergo a second open heart surgery.

In the summer of 2007, Fort Clark Springs suffered from unexplained fainting spells. She

spent the next four months going to doctor appointments and being tested.

In November, 2007, doctors implanted a special device in her chest for two weeks and recorded her heart rhythms.

The day after Thanksgiving Simmons was the proud owner of a pacemaker.

Simmons said she felt better for a few months, but started feeling ill again.

She was told at that time that her heart was beating too fast and over the next 18 months she underwent five separate cardiac ablations, an invasive surgery that helps correct the heart's electrical system.

It was during the fifth ablation, doctors found a blockage in a main vessel of Simmons' heart.

In August 2009, Simmons traveled with her husband, Barkely, to Ohio for her first open heart surgery.

Simmons said complications from the first surgery and the rarity of her condition have now led to her needing a second surgery.

"I always wanted a white Christmas," laughed Simmons. The only difference is that she will probably see it all through the window of a hospital in Ohio and not in the mountains of Colorado like she imagined.

Simmons is a 2002 graduate of Brackett High School, a member of the First Baptist Church and an owner of the Fillin' Station in Brackettville.

Friends and family members will be hosting a BBQ on November 5 and 6, a huge garage sale on November 5 and 6, a cake sale on November 6 and an online Scentsy Candle Sale at <https://kaylia.scentsy.us/Homethere>.



Photo Courtesy to The Brackett News - Pictured: Amanda and Barkely Simmons



Photo Courtesy to The Brackett News By Robert Parvin - Hundreds of monarchs drifted in the evening of October 18, to roost along the upper section of Las Moras Creek.

Happy 90th Birthday



Mickey Braun

"I want to wish a very special man a Happy 90th Birthday. That man has been and still is a blessing from God to me. With Love, Your Irene - S.a.M."

Rural water board candidates intervene in election eligibility

By Leigh Jenkins
mybrackettnews.com

Two water board directors are expected to file to intervene in the pending law suit brought by Ida Holley and Vada Baldree last month against the Kinney County Groundwater Conservation District.

"Beth Ann Smith and Jim McDaniel, candidates for two of the designated rural seats on the Kinney County Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors, announced that they will intervene in a suit filed candidates Ida Holley, a resident of Fort Clark Springs, and Vada Baldree, a resident of the City of Brackettville. Holley and Baldree filed a suit against KCGCD because they disagreed with the decision made by District General Manager Ken Carver state they were ineligible to run for Directors of Precinct 1 and 3. Both were disqualified because they failed to

meet rural residency requirement of the statute. As intervenors, both Smith and McDaniel are showing their support the decision made by KCGCD General Manager and will now have official legal status in the lawsuit," read a press release issued by the Smith and McDaniel camps.

The Texas Legislature created the Kinney County Groundwater Conservation District in 2001. The Legislature set up at-large positions exclusively for the City of Brackettville, the County and Fort Clark residents, while four other precinct positions were created and required the candidates to live in the rural areas of the county, and not be from either the city or the fort.

Holley and Baldree are suing the water district in order to run for the rural area positions and not the fort Clark and city positions, respectively.

Beth Ann Smith, the current

Director for the rural Precinct 1 and longtime Kinney County resident and rancher said, "Just like I can't run for Mayor of Brackettville because I don't meet the eligibility requirements, these two candidates do not live in rural areas and are not eligible to represent farmers and ranchers in rural parts of the county"

McDaniel, one of the county's only remaining farmers, says, "They are certainly free to run for the City and Fort seats where they live, but they can't run for rural seats. The District was set up so that agriculture would be represented by people that farm and ranch in the rural areas of the county and the law should be respected."

A final hearing to determine whether Holley and Baldree are eligible to serve on the water board as directors will be October 28, five days before the election on November 2.

"Nemo me impune lacesset - No one will provoke me with impunity"

ELECT

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FOR
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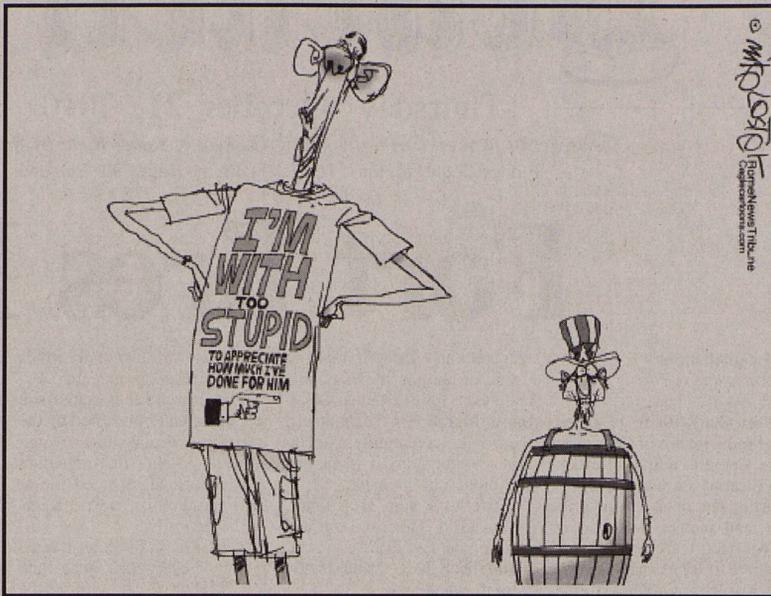
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The snapshot of perfection



Fly Lady Marla Cilley

When I made my last New Year's Resolution to "Get Organized", I figured out why I had never been successful at getting my life in order. It was because I was not nice to me. I was suffering from PPP syndrome. What is that you ask? Well it is not very pretty!

It is perfectionism that causes this PPP Syndrome! Most people think that perfect is something that everyone should strive for. In the pursuit of perfection, we over plan by making huge lists. These huge lists causes us to be mean to ourselves by "Piling On!"

Right now many of us envision the perfect holiday celebration with everyone dressed in their holiday finest, decorations hanging in all the right places and the most elegant dinner table! We have all seen the Norman Rockwell painting that is our vision of perfection. Well guess what! That painting was staged!

The snapshot of our lives does not have anyone sitting still to accomplish this. Pulling a beautiful holiday dinner together takes planning, precision and patience. If you throw perfectionism into the mix, you will find yourself feeling bad. You may even catch yourself saying unkind things instead of enjoying the process.

Why do we "Pile On"? It is because we want to be the best hostess, have the prettiest home; so everyone will know that we have it all together. Our list of things to do, keeps getting longer each time we think about this picture perfect holiday celebration. We tell ourselves, "If we do just one more thing it will make it even better." When all our family wants is a quiet celebration without all the fuss.

Those three Ps consist of; Perfectionism, Piling On and Procrastination. When our list gets too long we put things off. We left out of our plan the actual implementation of each item on our list. This is why I want to give you the greatest gift this holiday season. This is a gift of eliminating PPP Syndrome from the holidays.

When you let go of just your perfectionism; piling on and procrastination go away. We have made it easy for you by giving you a FREE Holiday Control Journal. It asks the questions so you don't have to think about them. With your brain free to plan and play with the process of getting ready for the holidays, you are going to be stress free. Things in your Holiday Control Journal are going to get done because you are not paralyzed by your perfectionism.

We break things down into babysteps, so you do not feel overwhelmed. Each day of the week has a theme and in six weeks we are ready to cruise through the holidays. Our goal is to be ready for the holidays by December 1st. Come join us as we cruise through the holidays. Jump in right where we are and remember to have fun!

This will be the least stressful holiday season you have ever had if you fight the urge to be perfect. Download our Free Holiday Control Journal and join us on www.FlyLady.TV for a little laughter and learning how to Finally Love Yourself.

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 Random House and her New York Times Best Selling book, Body Clutter published by Simon and Schuster.

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A good week to think about retirement savings



Emily Cooper
Edward Jones in Del Rio

You may not see it posted on your calendar, but this is National Save for Retirement Week. This annual event, endorsed by Congress, is designed to raise awareness about the importance of saving for retirement so why not take some time this week to review your own strategy for achieving the retirement lifestyle you've envisioned?

Of course, you may wonder why we even need a National Save for Retirement Week. Unfortunately, it seems many Americans are not doing a good job of saving and planning for their retirement years. Consider these figures, taken from the Employee Benefit Research Institute's 2010 Retirement Confidence Survey:

Just 16 percent of survey respondents say they are very confident about having enough money for a comfortable retirement.

54 percent of respondents say that the total value of their household's savings and investments, excluding the value of

their primary home and any defined benefit plans (i.e., traditional pension plans) is less than \$25,000.

Less than half of the respondents say they and/or their spouse have tried to calculate how much money they will need for a comfortable retirement. These are obviously troubling statistics and they indicate that most of us probably need to put more thought and effort into our retirement savings. What can you do? Here are a few suggestions:

Determine how much you'll need in retirement. Try to define the lifestyle you want during retirement. Will you travel the world or stay close to home? Will you work part time or spend your hours volunteering or pursuing hobbies? Once you know what your retirement might look like, try to estimate how much it might cost.

Identify your sources of retirement income. Take into account your IRA, 401(k) or other employer-sponsored retirement plan, Social Security and other savings and investments. How much income will they provide? How much can you withdraw from these vehicles each year without depleting them?

Calculate any retirement shortfall. Try to determine if your savings and investments will be enough to provide you with an income stream that's adequate to meet your retirement needs. If it isn't, develop an estimate of the size of the shortfall.

Take steps to close savings "gap." If it doesn't look like you'll have enough to meet your retirement needs, you'll have to adjust your savings and investment strategy. You may have to contribute more to your IRA, 401(k) and other retirement accounts, or you may have to adjusting your investment mix to provide more potential growth or you may need to take both of these steps.

Monitor your progress. Once you've put your investment strategy into place, you'll need to monitor your progress to make sure you're on track toward achieving your retirement savings goals. Along with the way, you may have to make adjustments in response to changes in the markets, your objectives or your family situation. Taking these types of action can be challenging, so you may want to work with a professional financial advisor who has the experiences and resources necessary to help you identify and pursue your retirement goals. In any case, though, take action soon and National Save for Retirement Week is a great time to start.

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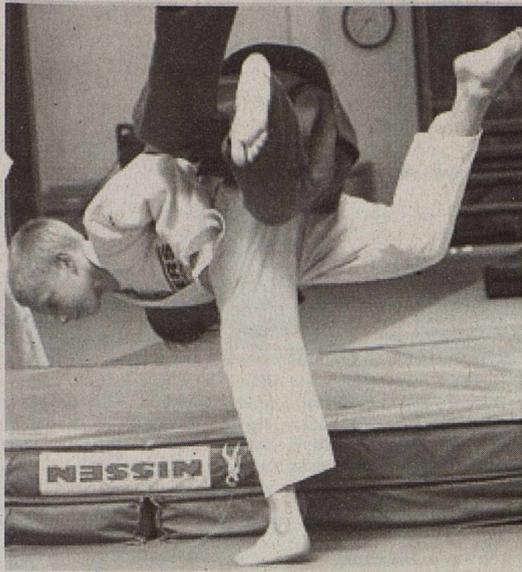
MISTAKES:

Please remember that we attempt to include something for everyone within the pages of our newspaper. We realize that some folks enjoy finding fault and for those readers we thoughtfully include a socially acceptable number of errors within our publication.

read



12 year old Stafford fights in Europe



tonio, Texas and travels to San Antonio weekly, sometimes 3 times a week. Judo meaning "gentle way" comes to us from the fighting system of feudal Japan. Founded in 1882 by Dr. Jigoro Kano, Judo is a refinement of the ancient martial art of Jujutsu. Judo is a self-defense discipline, and one of only two martial arts that are in the Olympic Games.

Judo was introduced into the Olympic Games in 1964 and is practiced by millions of people throughout the world today. People practice Judo to excel in competition, to stay in shape, to develop self-confidence, and for many other reasons to include fun. A judo match takes place between two players, on a mat, and is watched and scored by referees. A Judo player can win a match by throwing the opponent over so that he lands hard on the back, holding the opponent on the back for 25 seconds, or make the opponent submit by a strangle hold (choke) or an armlock. Travel expenses for this overseas event are significant and unlike other countries the U.S. does not assist in their athletes funding. A benefit will be held in Brackettville and in Del Rio at the end of the month (specific dates are being finalized.) to assist in the financial support for Jonathon.

Courtesy of Cindy Stafford and USA Judo Weekly Membership Newsletter - Twelve-year-old purple belt Jonathon Stafford shoots harai goshi at Universal Judo Summer 2010 Training Camp held July 5-11 in San Antonio, Tx. Coach Jim Hrbek led the camp at his club, which included 50 judokas from Texas, California, Indiana and Georgia. Universal Judo.

Submitted by Cindy Stafford

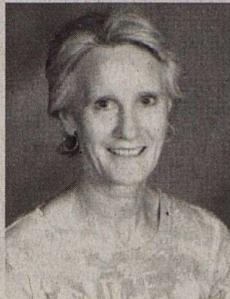
Jonathon Stafford will represent the United States as a member of the National Youth Judo Team competing in an important International Judo Championship in Sint-Truiden, Belgium in November. This competition is an International invitational championship and Jonathon will be competing against competitors from Belgium, Luxembourg, Germany, France, and Great Britain. It is an important event for devel-

oping athletes who have begun their International exposure as a future Olympian for their respective countries. Jonathon now 13 has been competing in the sport of Judo since he was 5. He has over 57 medals and 10 trophies to include, 2 Gold U.S. Open, 2 Gold World International, Colorado State Championship, 4 Texas State Championship, Silver U.S. Junior Olympics, Bronze Mexico International Championship. Jonathon attends training at Universal City Judo in San An-

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BISD Employee of the Week



BONNIE BROTHERTON, JH Teacher & Coach

Four Things About Me You Probably Didn't Know...

1. I was born in Mason, Texas.
2. I have a twin brother, Johnny.
3. I was in the drill team in College at ASU.
4. I love to READ! Anything and everything!

BISD Employee of the Week

(October 11-15)

AMANDA GRAHAM,
7th GR Science Teacher
& Coach, BJH

Five Things About Me You Probably Didn't Know...

1. I have traveled to Europe.
2. My favorite color is teal green.
3. My hometown high school has 2 mascots, bobcats & deer.
4. I know how to play pinochle.
5. My birthday is Cinco De Mayo.

4-Hers plant trees



Submitted by Shelby Schuster

Members of Kinney County 4-H participated in "One Day 4-

H" by planting two pecan trees. The trees were planted in the County Swim Park playground area to thank the people of

Brackettville for their continuous support of the 4-H Club. The trees planted were donated by Kathryn and Gary Lawson.

☒ I CAN'T FIND MY POLLING PLACE.

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What's your opinion?

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"The Truth About Selling Water"

The subject of groundwater exportation from Kinney County to a distant city certainly ignites feverish emotions in our community. This is perhaps understandable to a certain degree when citizens are not aware of the KCGCD Groundwater Management Plan-2008 (amended 2010) that protects spring flow in Las Moras and Pinto Springs as well as existing water users throughout the county. Furthermore, a close look at the new Rules recently adopted by the District reveals that an applicant for a large permit for exportation must prove to the District's satisfaction that the amount requested to be pumped will not impact spring flow or water levels of surrounding landowners. In addition, the amount permitted can in reality be temporarily reduced to zero, if necessary, should drought conditions call for such action. Without a doubt, the Management Plan and Rules insist that the groundwater in Kinney County is managed on a "sustainable" basis.

I am often asked if I am "for" or "against" groundwater being exported from Kinney County. It would be unwise for me or any director of the KCGCD to publicly state or advertise that he/she is against groundwater exportation. As directors sworn to uphold the laws of the State of Texas, we must base decisions on the laws as stated in the Texas Water Code, Chapter 36. Specifically, Section 36.122(g) states "The district may not deny a permit based on the fact that the applicant seeks to transfer groundwater outside of the district..." Any director who makes such a public statement establishes "prior bias" against an applicant who might apply for a permit to transfer groundwater outside the district for beneficial use. In the event that such permit application is denied for good cause, the applicant could appeal the Board's decision to District Court and possibly have the Director/s' "no" vote/s disqualified.

I firmly believe that attempts to use our groundwater district to prevent the transfer of water from Kinney County will result in a State takeover of groundwater management in our community. Certainly, that would not be in our best interest. The current KCGCD Board of Directors is well aware that outside interests have more political influence in Austin than we do. The State Water Plan (2007) calls for groundwater to be moved throughout the State via pipeline from areas of low population with excess water to areas of growing populations with increasing needs for water. All governmental entities in Kinney County, including the KCGCD, are political subdivisions of the State of Texas and must operate under State law. Currently, the State has given us the opportunity to locally manage the groundwater of Kinney County in a responsible and lawful manner. This opportunity could be lost if the District Board chooses not to comply with State water law. If anyone tells you that they absolutely will not allow any water to leave Kinney County, please ask them to show you their plan—in writing—and bring it to the next KCGCD Board meeting and share it with us.

You, the voters, have the choice to decide the future of water in Kinney County. Will you choose to retain local management of groundwater or will you choose the State of Texas as your manager?

**Re-Elect
Lloyd Lee Davis
Director, Precinct 2
Kinney County Groundwater Conservation District**

Political Ad. Pd. By Lloyd Lee Davis, PO Box 527 Brackettville, Tx. 78832

Library seeks volunteers

Volunteers Needed for Tax Season Looking for a different kind of volunteer work?

How about volunteering to do taxes for Brackettville-area residents this tax season? Kinney County Public Library is looking for volunteers to spend a little time learning about taxes.

If you're interested, you'll be trained with Internal Revenue Service tax materials to help people whose incomes are

\$49,000 or less with their federal and state individual income tax returns. Through the volunteer Income Tax Assistance or Tax Counseling for the Elderly Program, you will learn to prepare simple federal and state tax returns. In return, you will be asked to donate about 4 hours a week helping at a VITA/TCE site from mid-January through April 15.

Most VITA/TCE sites use

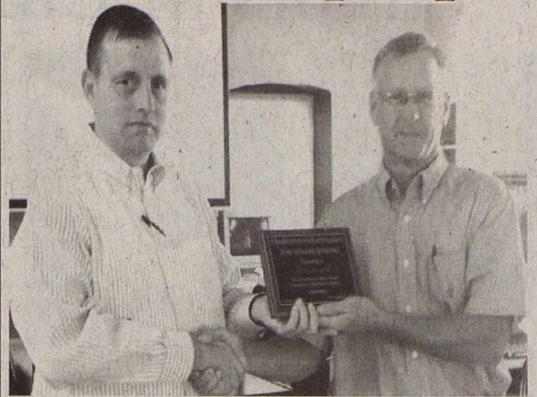
computers to prepare and electronically transmit tax returns (e-file). If you're interested in learning to e-file tax returns on a volunteer basis, then VITA/TCE can teach you. You need not have any accounting experience. All that's required is a desire to help others who cannot prepare their tax returns or afford to pay a preparer. VITA/TCE volunteers participate in training session-in class, online,

or through self-study-then are tested on what they learned.

Once certified, volunteers are assigned to VITA/TCE sites in neighborhood community centers, libraries, churches, etc. in locations convenient to VITA/TCE customers.

Don't wait! For more information or to volunteer, contact: Sarah Terrazas @ 830-563-2884. A great opportunity for High School Seniors.

Davis presents Ring with plaque



At the monthly meeting of the Kinney County Groundwater District, Director Christopher Ring was presented with a plaque by President Lloyd Davis in appreciation of his eight years of service as Director. Director Ring's term will end this year, as he chose not to file for reelection. Directors serve without pay and donate their time to serve the community.

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Kinney County Detention Center

Kinney County Detention Center in Brackettville is looking for mature, dependable applicants to fill Full Time Positions as Correctional Officers.

Applicants must have a clear criminal history background, must be able to pass a drug screen, possess a valid driver's license, have a high school diploma or GED and be at least 18 years of age.

Entry Level positions start at \$8.50 an hour. Applicants with correctional or law enforcement experience will be considered at a higher rate.

Applications can be picked up at 1501 Ranch Road 131 in Brackettville, Monday-Friday 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

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Fort fires Felix!

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Cariaga, with CIT and Matthew Stavley of Lonestar Copier went into to every office and plugged in a jump drive to most of the computers. The source is now concerned the member's personal information, including social security and bank account numbers, may have been copied and/or transferred to non-Fort Clark computers.

Matthew Stavley of Lonestar Copiers is currently under indictment for felony theft in conjunction with others involved with theft by deception at the San Felipe - Del Rio Consolidated School District. Fort Clark employee Dana Harris made officials aware of these charges in July by way of a memo dated July 15, prior to the board voting to do business with Cariaga that works in close connection with Stavley.

Documents obtained by this newspaper also show that a computer information gathering software program was loaded onto a computer at the administration office, but it was registered to an official at a Del Rio bank. TBN was able to confirm as of October 7, it was still loaded on a computer, however, under the instruction of Hattie Berleth, the employee was instructed to "uninstall" the program at approximately 4:30 p.m.

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Rotary News



Photo by Tom Collins - Elizabeth Goebel (Left) was introduced by Program Chair, Jean Reardon as guest speaker at the regular noon meeting of the Brackettville Rotary Club. Mrs. Goebel displayed a typical bag of groceries distributed by the Brackettville Food Pantry to eligible recipients. She explained the bags of food are purchased by the Kinney County Church Alliance for \$5 each out of a fund that is maintained by donations only. She also explained she is supported by some 30 volunteers from the community in administering.

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Kinney County Sheriff's Report

Assault- Family Violence. Talamantez was released with a \$1,200 bond.

A caller reported a reckless driver in a blue 18 wheeler was reported to be running vehicles off the hwy towards Quemado into Maverick County. A dispatcher of Maverick County was informed of the situation.

Friday, October 15

A man reported that a grey pickup truck was trying to pass him on Hwy 90 and ran him off the road. A deputy was dispatched to the location.

A man reported a red truck had hit a deer. Deputy was dispatched to the location.

Saturday, October 16

Rosa Canales, 25, of Brackettville, was arrested for burglary. Canales was released with a \$5,000 bond.

Jose Noel Gutierrez, 23, of Brackettville, was arrested for burglary. Gutierrez was released with a \$5,000 bond.

Val Verde Dispatcher Reported a disabled vehicle on George Rose Lane. A deputy was notified.

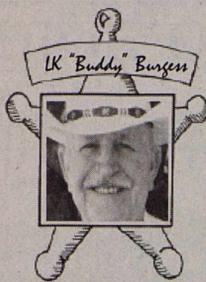
Sunday, October 17

A woman reported a certain individual was provoking a fight and requested for a deputy. A deputy was dispatched to the location.

Happy Birthday!



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Wednesday, October 13

Jesus N. Trevino, 36, of San Antonio, was arrested for possession of marijuana less than 20oz. Trevino was released with a \$1,200 bond.

Thursday, October 14

Jesus Talamantez, 45, of Brackettville, was arrested for

It's girl!



Arianna Christine Castaneda

We are pleased to announce the birth of Arianna Christine Castaneda. Born on 10-10-10 weighing 5lbs 13oz and 20 inches long. Proud parents are R. Gabriel and Sarah Castaneda of Brackettville, proud grandparents are Dr. Robert Castaneda of San Antonio, Dannette "D" Case of Brackettville, Great Grandparents are Louella Ramirez of Brackettville and Henry and Lupe Castaneda of San Antonio. Arianna is also welcomed by five uncles, Cameron, Christopher, Ashton, Cory D, and Brenden and five aunts Aspen, Jessica, Haley, Alyssa and Sydney as well as other family members and friends.

OBITUARY

Albert G. Garcia

October 17, 2010

Albert G. Garcia, 77, passed away Sun. Oct. 17, 2010 at the G.V. Sonny Montgomery V.A. Medical Center in Jackson, MS. Visitation was held Sun. Oct. 24, 2010 at Ott & Lee Funeral Home in Brandon, MS. Funeral Services were 2pm. Sun. Oct. 24, 2010 at Ott & Lee Funeral Home in Brandon, MS. Interment will be held 9am. Wed. Nov. 3, 2010 at the Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, VA. Mr. Garcia was a native and longtime resident of Brackettville, TX, lived in New Orleans, LA for 25 years and has been a resident of Pearl, MS since July 2010. He retired from the U.S. Army in 1975 after 25 years of service and was also an accomplished builder and contractor. Mr. Garcia was also a very loving family man. He is survived by his wife, Beverly Garcia of Pearl, MS; five daughters, Deborah June of CA, Catherine of OR, Cynthia of Pearl, MS, Sandra of Clinton, MS and Melissa of Richland, MS; one sister, Rosa Guerra of San Antonio, TX; two brothers, Manuel Garcia of Brackettville, TX and Carlos Garcia of Dallas, TX and 11 grandchildren.

OBITUARY

Dimple F. Henry

November 11, 1934 - October 5, 2010

Dimple Foreman Henry died October 5, 2010 at St David's Medical Center in Austin, Texas. She was born November 11, 1934 in New Iberia, Louisiana. She is preceded in death by mother and father, brothers Dan Foreman and Roy Max Hensley and sisters Melba Jean Foreman and Bobbie Schafer. She is survived by her husband Jerry Gene Henry, children Jerry Alan Henry and Darla Fuller, four granddaughters and four great-grandchildren; sisters Jane Custard and her husband Chuck, Jewel Robinson, Patricia Bartkowiak and Raymond, her brother-in-law Richard Schafer; many nieces and nephews; and many friends. A memorial service was held at 11 a.m. at Victory Baptist Church in Cedar Park, Texas.



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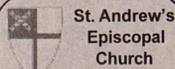
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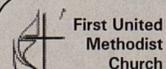
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INVITATION FOR BIDS

prior to the contract award. All contractors/subcontractors that are debarred, suspended or otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation on federal assistance programs may not undertake any activity in part or in full under this project. This project is being funded by an Energy Efficiency Conservation Block Grant from the Department of Energy. The City of Brackettville reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informalities in the bidding.

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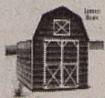
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Previous Community Service:

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- ✓ 9 years, Trustee for Brackett ISD
- ✓ 4 years, Director, Val Verde-Kinney County Farm Bureau

CONTINUE THE PROGRESS

My opponent has never attended a Water District Meeting and does not even meet the residential requirement for being a Precinct 1 Director. My opponent, who lives in Fort Clark Springs, chose not to run for the Fort Clark Springs seat, but instead ran for a rural seat - Precinct 1. When she was declared ineligible because of her residence in Fort Clark Springs, she sued the District's new General Manager, Ken Carver. And then she did not even attend the initial hearing on September 8!

Who is backing my opponents' new found interest in the Water District and who is paying for her to sue the Water District? The last thing our Water District needs is more lawsuits, directors that ignore the law, and hidden agendas.

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