

Brackett News

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Kinney County Is The Home Of Kelsey Bruce - Good Luck At The State Track Meet!

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What's Happening

JONES ELEM INTER CALENDAR OF EVENTS
 May 16 - 20:
 17: Retest for 5th Grade Math
 18: Retest for 5th Grade Reading
 19: Last day for tutorials
 20: SMILE Field Trip

BJH/BHS CALENDAR OF EVENTS
 May 19: The 11th and 12th Grade Academic Banquet will be held at 6:00 p.m. in the New Gym.
 May 20: 9th and 10th Grade Academic Awards Assembly will be held at 2:30 p.m.
 May 21: Prom Presentation at the Kinney County Courthouse at 7pm followed by BHS Junior/Senior Prom at Dickman Hall.

PINOCCHIO AUDITION
 Missoula Children's Theater will be hosting auditions for the play Pinocchio on Monday, July 4 at the Brackett ISD Auditorium from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. and the production will be Saturday, July 9. Among the roles to be cast are Pinocchio, the Blue Fairy, Jiminy Cricket, the Fox and Cat, Candlewick and Crew, Urchins, School Kids, Puppets and Toys. Students entering 1st grade through 12th grade are encouraged to audition. No advance. Questions can be directed to Christie Palmer, Kinney County Arts Council, 830.422.7507

RODEO QUEEN CONTEST
 Attention Cowgirls!! The Del Rio Rotary Club is having an Independence Day Rodeo Queen Contest. Cowgirls 15-23 years old may apply. They will be judged on personality, appearance, citizenship and horsemanship. The winner will represent the Del Rio Rotary Club at the Independence Day Rodeo July 1 & 2. A \$500 cash scholarship will be awarded. For applications call Pat Bowers or Laurie Scott at 830.774.1833 or come by 501 W. Cantu Rd, Ste 200. Deadline is May 25.

BISD CAFETERIA NEWS
ATTENTION PARENTS OF BISD STUDENTS: No charging to your child's Cafeteria Account will be allowed as of Monday, May 16th. Please make sure your child has money in their account to cover them through the end of the school year on June 2nd. In addition to no charging, all Cafeteria balances must be paid IN FULL by May 24th.

EMS WEEKLY REPORT
 For the weeks of April 17 - May 7: Kinney County EMS responded to a total of 23 medical calls. Fifteen of the calls were transported to area hospitals.

BHS REUNION
 Brackett High All Class Reunion July 1-3. Registration Fee is \$50 per person. Contact Martha Padron. martha.padron@hotmail.com 830.563.2728.

QVFD PLATE SALE
 Quemado Vol. Fire Department Benefit Spaghetti Supper Saturday, May 28, at the Quemado Community Center. Plates are only \$4 and include spaghetti, garlic bread, and a drink. Desserts will be available for purchase at an additional cost. It's a nice drive to Quemado for a good cause!

NUTRITION CENTER MENU
 THUR MAY 12: Mexican Beef Macaroni Glazed Carrots Wheat Bread Apple Crisp Milk
 FRI MAY 13: Chicken Salad Sandwich Pasta Salad Tomato Slices Chocolate Mousse Milk
 MON MAY 16: Beef Stroganoff, White Rice, Pinto Beans, Corn Tortilla, Mandarin Oranges, Milk
 TUES MAY 17: Lime Honey Baked Chicken, Tossed Salad, Corn, Cornbread, Dirt Pudding, Milk
 WED MAY 18: Hamburger Patty, Bun, Cheese, Onions, Lettuce/Tomato, Applesauce, Milk
 THURS MAY 19: Oven Fried Fish, Green Beans, Sweet Potatoes, Roll, Cake, Milk
 FRI MAY 20: Steak Fingers, Rice, Corn Tortilla, Pineapple Slices, Milk

Flurry earns Mary Kay Kar



Brackett News Weekly Photo By Leigh Jenkins - Alana Flurry, an Independent Sales Director of Mary Kay cosmetics was awarded her first MK career car on May 7.

Local Independent Beauty Consultant Earns Mary Kay Career Car
 Dallas - Mary Kay Independent Sales Director Alana Flurry of Brackettville, is on the road to success. On May 7, Flurry earned the use of a new Chevy Malibu sedan as a result of her outstanding achievements in operating her independent Mary Kay business. The Chevy Malibu sedan is offered in a striking gray color. In addition to the Chevy Malibu sedan, the Mary Kay Career Car Program includes the Chevy Equinox crossover in silver, the

Toyota Camry sedan in silver and the exclusive pearlized pink Cadillac, a coveted symbol of personal success. Since the program's inception in 1969, more than 120,000 independent sales force members have either qualified or re-qualified to earn the use of a Mary Kay career car. Currently, more than 5,600 Mary Kay career cars are on the road nationwide. "The Career Car Program provides the independent sales force the opportunity to earn the use of a visible symbol of their success," said Darrell Overcash, president of Mary Kay Inc. US.

"Each car obtained through this exciting program reflects the hard work, determination and professionalism of the independent sales force." Flurry took delivery of the new Chevy Malibu, her first Mary Kay career car, at Brown Chevrolet in Del Rio.

City election candidate preview:

The City of Brackettville will be conducting its city council election on Saturday, May 14, at the Brackett ISD Auditorium from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Nancy Mendoza, currently serving as alderwoman for Place 1 will be challenged by Tencha Pena. Incumbent for Place 3, Mary Flores will be challenged by Rachel Munoz.



Medoza Pena Munoz

NANCY MENDOZA: "My names is Nancy J. Mendoza. I am running for City Council Place 1. I would like to thank each one of you in advance for your support. I was born in Laredo, and have resided in the City of Brackettville since 1989. I graduated from Brackett ISD, am currently employed with The Bank & Trust, Super 5 Foods and have served the City Council for the last 2 years. It has been quite a learning experience. In supporting me this election, you will give me the opportunity to represent you. My vision is to work together, make wise decisions, bring changes to the City of Brackettville to become a more successful and pleasant place to live, to encourage, mentor, motivate, and help everyone in this city in every area and need possible."

TENCHA PENA: "I, Tencha Pena, was born, raised and attended school in Brackettville, as did my three children. I have been married for 42 years to the late Hector Pena Sr. I am a life long resident of the City of Brackettville so my reason for this challenge is genuine. I have lots of previous experience in City Council. I have been a member of several boards such as the Library, Child Welfare, Community Council of Southwest Texas and I have been involved in management many years. I have been awarded the Citizen of the Year Award and I am a member of Saint Mary Magdalene Catholic Church. I would like to see our City continue to move forward and be a part of its success; continue to seek grants to improve our City and be proud of our small community, I care!"

RACHEL MUNOZ: "Rachel Munoz, a Brackettville native from childhood to present. I have over 20 years of combined experience working in county government including Kinney County Tax Assessor Collector as a clerk up to Deputy Chief A-C; Experience in all county, school and city elections as Election Judge and Clerk. I have knowledge and comprehension of working with government budget and over 20 years of public relation skills. I am a hard working and responsible person wanting nothing but the best for the residents of the City of Brackettville. I currently work in the County Clerk's Office. I enjoy public office work and working with the community. If elected to the Brackettville City Council, I would like to try to introduce and implement programs for summer teen/youth activities, city beautification programs and encourage job growth and new business. I will work with all other elected officials to try and meet these and other goals. I believe the citizens of Brackettville deserve better streets, street signs and lower taxes and I will do my best to accomplish these goals."

All four candidates were offered the opportunity to have published, at no charge to the candidate, a brief bio and photograph as a way for the voting public to make informed decisions on Election Day. Mary Flores did not participate.

Driver crashes rental car

By Leigh Jenkins Contributing Writer
 Fort Clark Springs Association security personnel requested assistance from Kinney County Sheriff's Office (KCSO) in regards to an accident at the golf course on May 7. At approximately 9:30 p.m. on Saturday night deputies found a gray sedan, belonging to Thrifty Rental Car of San Antonio, disabled near the intersection of Pecan and Fort Clark roads. The front right wheel was separated from the axel after driver reportedly collided with a concrete culvert. The car was towed to Del Rio. Thrifty Rental Car was contacted, but did not release any information. KCSO did not find the driver at the scene of the accident, however personal belongings in the vehicle were used to identify the person visiting from out of state. The driver of the car stated on Wednesday they had collected their belongings from the sheriff's department. No injuries were reported.

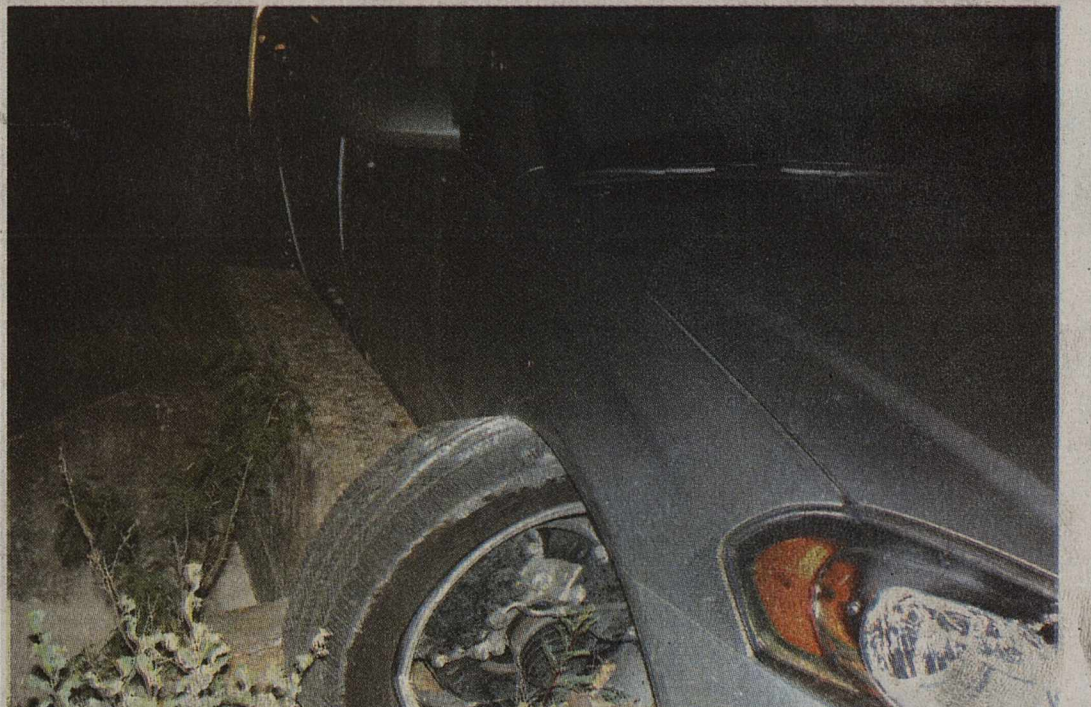


Photo Courtesy To Brackett News Weekly - The driver of this rental car collided with a concrete culvert pipe near the Fort Clark golf facility on May 7. No injuries were reported.

Haenn charges dropped

By Leigh Jenkins Contributing Writer
 William Bill Haenn, was arrested for theft on April 28, after charges were brought against him by George Calk over ownership of a table. According to the Kinney County Sheriff's Department, a dispute developed in late January when Calk wanted the use of a table to be on loan by him to the Kinney County Historical Society and Haenn, the former president of the society, refused to give it to him. Haenn resigned his position as president earlier this year, but at the time Calk was requesting the table, Haenn had access to the building where the table in question was kept and the sheriff's office said Haenn was concerned about not having the authority to give it to Calk. Haenn was contacted for comment, but did not respond to requests for an interview. Current historical society president Dick Hahn said he would not speak to anything he was not personally involved in, but confirmed he offered Calk the table shortly after he became acting president of the society over a month ago. On Wednesday, Calk said he did not have the table in his possession and did not want to try this case in the newspaper. Kinney County Attorney Robert Adams said at press time he will not file on this matter because the case does not have the necessary elements of a theft case and referred to Texas Penal Code 31.03.

Are we in Kansas, Toto?



Photos Courtesy to the Brackett News Weekly - Praxie Aguirre was preparing to fill the pool in her back yard when a gust of wind blew it up and over a nearby tree on May 8. Aguirre lives on Coffin Street and says there was about an inch of water in the bottom when the pool was taken up into the air. Aguirre was getting the pool ready for her grandchildren Nina Marie Aguirre and Rolando Aguirre to come over and swim.

Colorful bird draws attention of locals; birders

Submitted Tyler Bobinmyer
Texas AgriLife Extension Agent

The Painted Bunting (*Passerina ciris*)

There has been quite a buzz here in the office about a painted up little bird that has been seen around town. Some folks may say they have never seen a painted bunting—that is until this year! Surely you have one in your yard. Record numbers are in the area and bringing much enjoyment to everyone. This little bird, measuring only five and half inches long, is perhaps the most colorful bird in North America. They used to be a popular caged bird, but it is now illegal to capture and keep them.

If you are curious about this little bird and would like to know a little more about them the following should help. According to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, the male painted buntings have red breasts and rumps, green backs, blue heads with a red eye ring, and dark wings. The females are greenish above and yellowish green below.

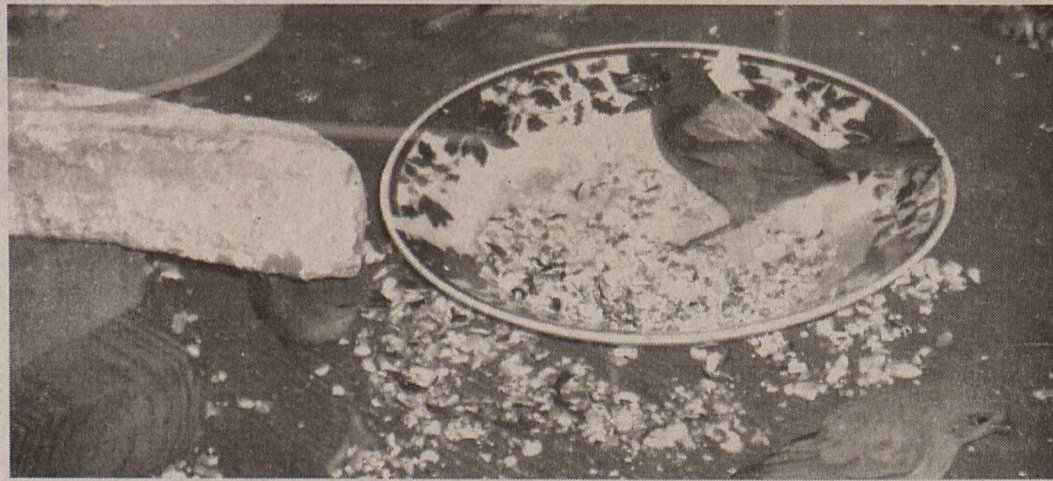
The painted buntings are common in this part of Texas. They are usually quite shy, but during mating season they can often be seen around sunrise. The males will briefly perch and sing on top of the brush they live in or can even be seen out in the open. The National Audubon Society reports that their voice can be heard as quiet twittering or chirping notes and the male sings a sweet, thin, tinkling song in courtship. In spite of this apparent reticence, painted buntings are formidable fighters: unlike most birds, whose combats are mostly bluff, they will fight fiercely, and sometimes to the death in territorial disputes.

Even though painted buntings are fairly common birds in much of Texas they are rarely seen. Their habit of remaining in deep brush except when the male sings early in the morning often cause them to be overlooked. Although primarily seed eaters, painted buntings rarely come to backyard feeders because they dislike being so far from cover. However, they have been here currently eating from seed feeders, scavenging on the ground beneath

the feeders and picking thistle from finch socks. They also feed on insects such as spiders and caterpillars.

These beautiful birds prefer the heavier cover found around streams, forest edges and other areas with dense under story. We may be seeing this bird more often than usual because of all the wildfire activity through out the state and especially since our neighbors to the north have been so heavily effected. There are a large number of other colorful birds also being seen in greater than normal numbers in this area. Bird baths, misters, and sprinklers are an easy way to attract this unusual bird activity to your own yard.

Painted buntings are common summer residents in much of Texas, and the southeastern U.S. and Mexico. In the fall they migrate south to Mexico, Panama and a number of Caribbean islands. In the cardinal family, they are part of a genus including the gorgeous blue indigo and lazuli buntings. The Greek myth of Scylla who turned into the bird keiris, inspired the name ciris for the beautiful painted bunting.



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OBITUARY

Cerilla B. Steward "Ms. Cookie"

December 31, 1943 - May 6, 2011



Cerilla B. Steward, age 67, of Weatherford, died Friday, May 6, 2011. She was born December 31, 1943 in Brackettville, Texas, a resident of Weatherford for several years. She was a homemaker and retired from Wal Mart.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Roy Steward, sister, Rosemary Davis Hawkins, one grandson Willie B. Fielder IV and nephew Earl A. Wright III.

Survivors: Children - Bobby A. Fielder and wife Sue of Weatherford; Willie B. Fielder III and wife, Josepha of Weatherford; Lolita D. Fielder of Brackettville.

Brothers and Sisters: Shirley Christian and husband, Chester of Borger; Harding Lee Ward, Jr. and wife, Mary of Borger; Martha E. McDonald and husband, Delbert of Brackettville; Beverly A. Kelly and husband, Joe of Brackettville; Douglas C. Ward, Sr. of Brackettville; Clarence G. Ward and wife, Audrey of Victoria; Luther W. Ward and wife, Lou Etta of Carrizo Springs, Tx; Five Grandchildren; Three Great Grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Funeral service was held Wednesday, May 11, in the New Hope Baptist Church.

Graveside and interment will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, May 13, in Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery.

Schroeder to depart on Coast Guard Cutter Eagle



Jacob Schroeder

acent to Fort Trumbull here.

The Chamber of Commerce of Eastern Connecticut organized the first of two chambered efforts to honor the Coast Guard's training vessel and goodwill ambassador as the ship and its crew embark on their 75th anniversary voyage to Europe with more than 140 cadets aboard, including 2009 Brackett High Graduate, Jacob Schroeder. Jacob is the son of B. and Todd Schroeder, currently living in Burkburnett, Texas.

Capt. Eric C. Jones said this trip is special because Eagle is heading back to the shipyard where it was built in 1936.

"While we're excited to embark on this voyage celebrating Eagle's 75 years as a sail-training ship, we'll be missing our homeport and looking forward to our return to friends and family in August the moment the lines come in," said Jones.

The crew of the Eagle will be

met by a group of Connecticut residents organized by the Chamber of commerce at their first of eight port calls in Waterford, Ireland, May 27.

The remaining scheduled port calls include: June 10, London, England; June 24, Reykjavik, Iceland; July 15, Halifax, Nova Scotia; July 22, Boston, Mass.; July 29, New Bedford, Mass.; Aug. 5, New York

The Eagle is a prominent feature of New London Harbor and

a key training vessel for cadets at the Coast Guard Academy. The ship was taken as a war reparation at the end of World War II, re-commissioned as the U.S. Coast Guard Cutter Eagle and brought to New London, which has been its homeport ever since.

The crew of the Eagle travels about 13,000 miles, trains more than 600 Coast Guard cadets and officer candidates and averages between six and eight port calls each year.

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The family of Penny Fernandez would like to thank the community for participating in the fundraising cake walk and for all your donations. Your support is appreciated. Thank you!

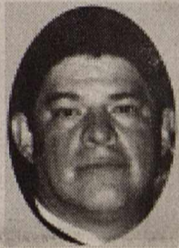
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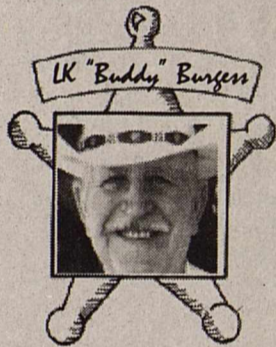
Javier "Happy" Cervantez

May 24, 1962 - April 30, 2011



Funeral services for Javier "Happy" Cervantez will be held on Monday, May 16 at 10:45 a.m. at Fort Sam Houston.

Kinney County Sheriff's Report



Brian Ortega, 21, of Del Rio, was arrested for violation of a protective order. Ortega was released May 5 after posting a \$1,200 bond.

A 911 call was made in reference to three cows out on Hwy 90 near Pinto Creek Park.

A deputy informed dispatch a low high pitch siren was coming from the City Hall building. A message was left for the City on call employee.

A security company reported an alarm was sounding off at the BHS Library.

Tuesday, May 3

A woman called the KCSO reporting that someone broke into her friend's house and requested a deputy.

A security company reported an alarm was sounding off at a FCS home. A deputy and FCS were informed and were en route to the location.

Wednesday, May 4

Jonathan Morales, 21, was arrested and turned over to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

Robert Castaneda, 24, of San Antonio was arrested and is serving 90 days.

Thursday, May 5

A woman called the KCSO to report that an individual was around her residence and appeared to be intoxicated. A deputy was notified and en route to the location.

Friday, May 6

A woman called the KCSO stating that a man was disturbing the neighbors at the trailer park. She stated that he appeared to be drunk. A deputy was notified and was en route to the location. Upon arrival the individual fled and the deputy radi-

oed in that he was out looking for him.

Saturday, May 7

A deputy radioed in that the yield sign to HWY 90 from Look 166 had come off the pole and was on the ground. The deputy also stated that a truck rearview mirror was found in the same area. TX Dot was notified.

A man called KCSO and stated that he heard a man's voice screaming at a young female. A deputy was notified.

FCS Security called in reporting an accident. Security stated that the vehicle was off the road and was missing a front tire. A deputy was notified.

NEW LONDON, Conn. - A departure ceremony was recently held for the crew of the Coast Guard Cutter Eagle at Coast Guard Station New London ad-

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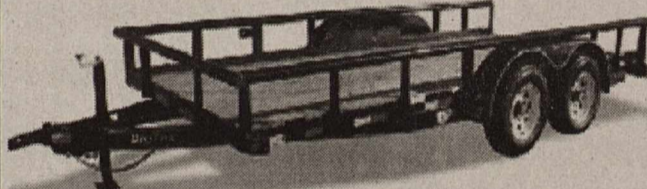
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HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE CASH IN ON MODERN DAY GOLD RUSH!

By Jason Delong
STAFF WRITER

Gold and silver pour into yesterday's Roadshow due to highest prices in 40 years.

Yesterday at the **La Quinta Inn**, hundreds lined up to cash in antiques, collectibles, gold and jewelry at the Treasure Hunters Roadshow. The free event is in **Del Rio** all week, buying gold, silver, antiques and collectibles. One visitor I spoke with yesterday said, "It's unbelievable, I brought in some old coins that had been in a little cigar box for years and some old herringbone neck-

TREASURE HUNTERS ROADSHOW HAS BEEN TOURING THE WORLD SINCE 2001. THIS YEAR ALONE, WE WILL VISIT 3,000 CITIES AND OVER HALF A MILLION PEOPLE WILL CASH IN!

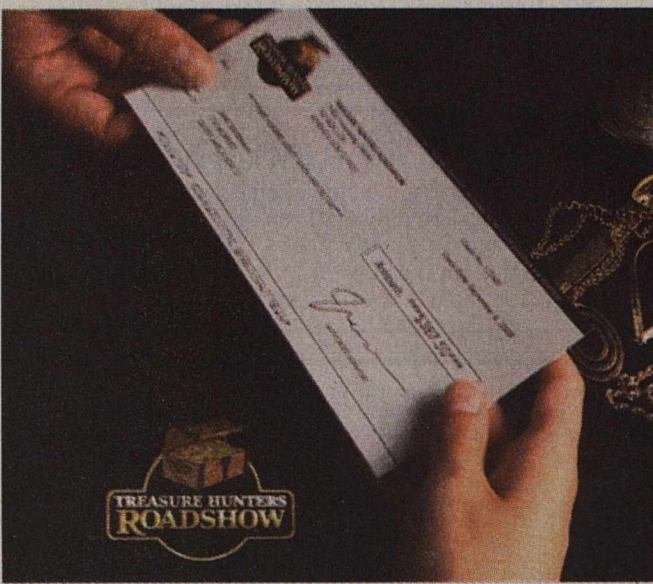
laces—in less than fifteen minutes I left with a check for \$700. That stuff has been in my jewelry box and dresser for at least 20 years." Another gentleman brought in an old Fender guitar his father had bought years ago. The man said, "Dad had less than fifty bucks in that guitar." The Roadshow specialist that assisted him made a few phone calls and a veterinarian in Seattle, Washington bought the guitar for \$5,700.00. The seller continued, "I got another \$150.00 for a broken necklace and an old class ring. It's not every day that someone comes to town bringing six thousand dollars with your name on it."

Jeff Parsons, President of the Treasure Hunters Roadshow, commented, "Lots of people have items that they know are valuable but just don't know where to sell them. Old toys, trains, swords, guitars, pocket

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watches and jewelry is valuable to collectors. These collectors are willing to pay big money for those items that they are looking for."

This week's Roadshow is the best place to get connected with those collectors. The process is free and anyone can bring items down to the event. If the Roadshow specialists find items that their collectors are interested in, offers will be made to purchase



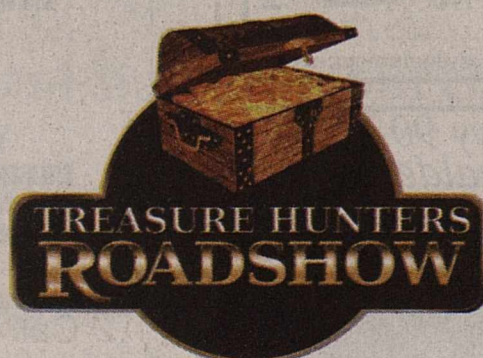
If you go to the Roadshow, you can cash-in your items for competitive prices. Roadshow representatives will be available to assess and purchase your items at the La Quinta Inn, this week through Saturday, in Del Rio.

them. About 80% of the guests that attend the show end up selling one or more items at the event.

Antiques and collectibles are not the only items the Roadshow is buying. "Gold and silver markets are soaring," says Archie Davis, a Roadshow representative. "Broken jewelry and gold and silver coins add up very quickly. I just finished working with a gentleman that had an old class ring, two bracelets and a handful of silver dollars. His check was for over \$650.00. I would say that there were well over 100 people in here yesterday that sold their scrap gold."

One gentleman holding his check for over \$1,250.00 in the lobby of the event yesterday had this comment: "I am so happy I decided to come to the Roadshow. I saw the newspaper ad for the event and brought in an old German sword I had brought back from World War II and some old coins, and here is my check. What a great thing for our community. I am heading home now to see what else I have that they might be interested in."

The Roadshow continues today starting at 9am. The event is free and no appointment is needed.



WHAT WE BUY

COINS Any and all coins made before 1964: silver and gold coins, dollars, half dollars, quarters, dimes, nickels and pennies. All conditions wanted!

GOLD & SILVER PRICES AT 40 YEAR HIGH for platinum, gold and silver during this event. Broken jewelry, dental gold, old coins, pocket watches, Krugerrands, gold bars, Canadian Maple Leafs, etc.

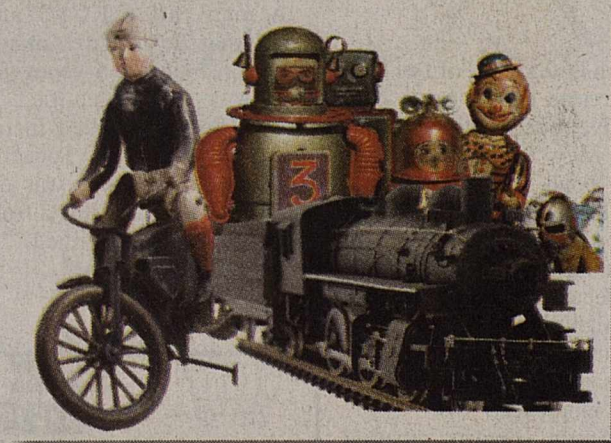
JEWELRY Gold, silver, platinum, diamonds, rubies, sapphires, all types of stones and metals, rings, bracelets, necklaces, etc. (including broken jewelry). Early costume jewelry wanted.



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MILITARY ITEMS & SWORDS Revolutionary War, Civil War, WWI, WWII, etc: swords, badges, clothes, photos, medals, knives, gear, letters. The older the swords, the better.



GUITARS & OTHER INSTRUMENTS Fender, Gibson, Martin, Rickenbacker, Gretsch, new and vintage amps, saxophones, wood winds, mandolins and all others.

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Did life happen and your dreams get put on the back burner? This has occurred to most of us. We have all heard that procrastination is the thief of time. I don't think that is entirely the case. Time is constant; we all have the same hours in every single day, it is how we choose to use those hours that steals the time. We all seem to

think that things will take longer than they really will, so we talk ourselves out of doing them. Just what have you been procrastinating about lately: Laundry, getting the car washed or is it something much deeper than household chores?

Have you gotten in a rut? Not a bad rut; but let's say a comfortable rut. You know the same ole same ole! You go through your day without any thought about your passion. Passion: What is that anyway?

When procrastination gets in the way of your passion; it becomes an excuse to not follow your dreams. We have all said it in some form or fashion, "I don't have time to go back to

school and finish my degree". This "I don't have time" attitude gives us the excuse to not be or do what we were put on Earth to do with our lives. You are robbing yourself of you! Not to mention what you are robbing the world of: YOU!

When your heart is not in what you are doing then nothing will ever make you happy! It doesn't matter if you make all the money in the world, if it doesn't make you happy it means nothing. Happiness comes from within. This is what FLYing is all about. Finally Loving Yourself enough to know that for some reason you are not happy. You thought getting the house clean was all it

would take to make you happy. As you learn the FlyLady way of breaking things down into babysteps; you will find the right path that is going to lead you to true happiness. This happiness starts by letting go of procrastination and perfectionism.

I never knew what I wanted to be when I grew up. For years I was a bookkeeper, then I taught Fly Fishing. I was not fulfilling my destiny because I still had an empty hole to fill. Nothing would fill up this hole; spending money, relationships, food or anything else I used to keep me in my rut.

You see; ruts keep you in a path that is not your choosing. Because it is so hard to get out of the rut, it is just easier to continue on this sidetracked journey. I can hear you now, "but I did choose my path!" Did you really or did circumstances just put you in this position.

Some people never get out of their ruts of procrastination. It involves too much change. When we allow our routines to take over the maintenance of our home and we are on automatic pilot then we are freed up to follow our dreams one babystep at a time.

It was only after I got rid of my clutter and found my routines that my purpose for living was revealed to me. Open up your hearts by taking care of the things you have been putting off till later. Later is a lie that never happens unless you set your mind to clearing out your mind clutter. That is all procrastination really is!

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. Copyright 2011 Marla Cilley Used by permission in this publication.

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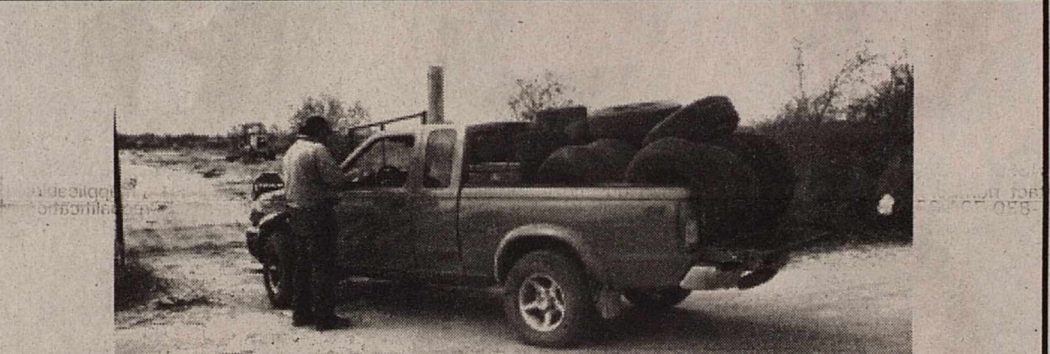
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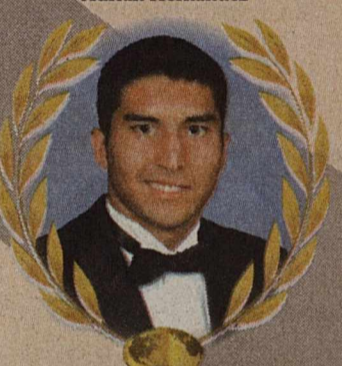
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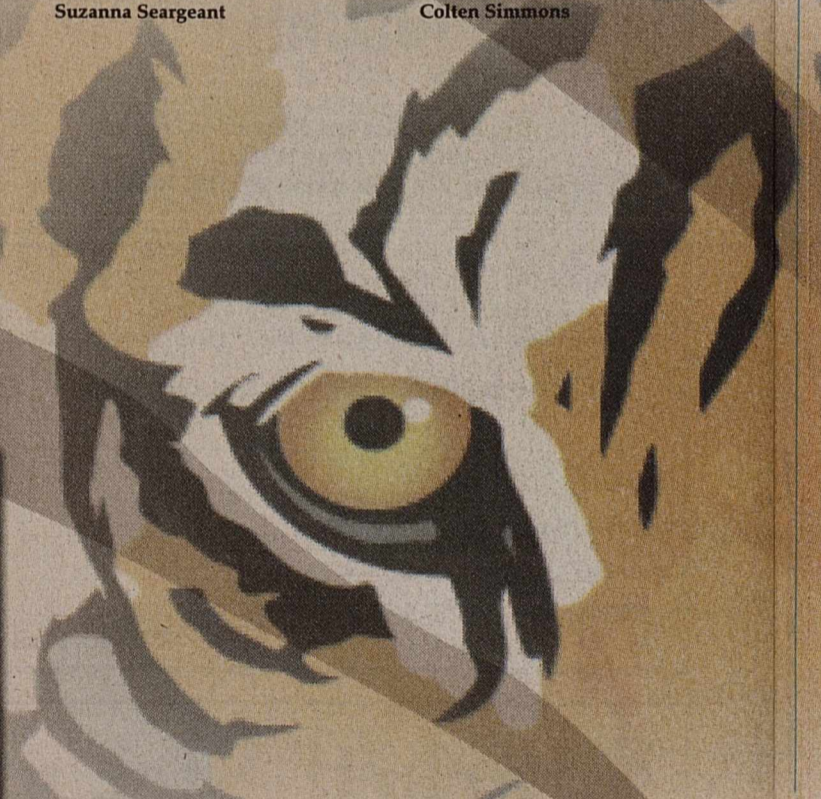
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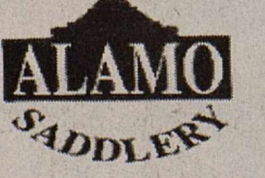
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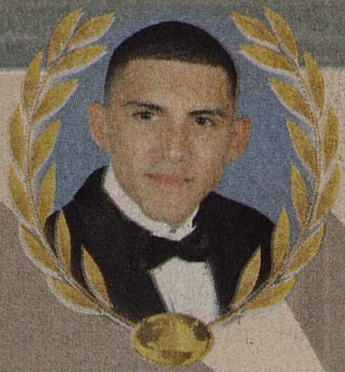
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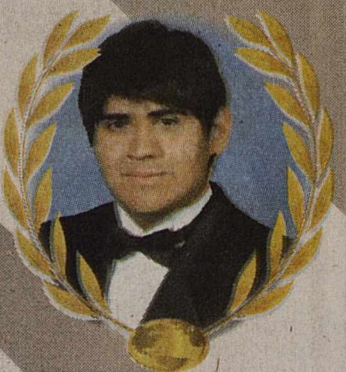
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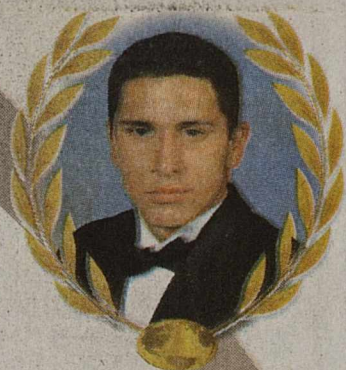
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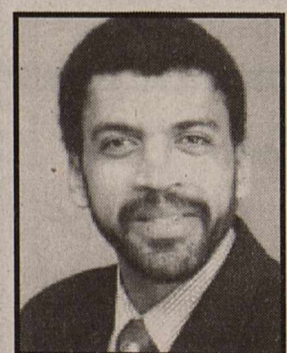
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