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What's Happening

SUMMER LIBRARY SCHEDULE

Summer Kids Zone Schedule:
June 6th -24th
Tuesday-Friday
Preschool ages: 3-5 10:30 am- 11:45 am
Student ages: 6-8 10:30 am- 11:45 am and 1:00 pm-4:00 pm
Student's 9 & up 10:30 am- 11:45 am and 1:00 pm-5:00 pm

BASKETBALL CAMP

What: Brackett Tiger Basketball Camp
When: June 20-23
Time: 9-12:30
Where: Brackett High School Gym
Cost: \$40
Includes a T-shirt and Basketball
For a brochure or to sign up call Coach Ralph Almanza (830-563-7499) or pick one up at the Brackett I.S.D. office.

BENEFIT VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT

For Kinney County All Stars. June 18. \$70/team. Call 830.563.7446. Deadline June 17.

KINNEY COUNTY POOL

Open Tues-Saturday 2-8.

AA MEETING

Las Moras Group. Slator Hall 109, James St. Mon. - Fri. 7 pm.

LOCAL WORK GROUP MEETING FOR CONSERVATION PROGRAMS

Landowners in each county have the opportunity to give input about what the real natural resource needs are in the community. June 21, 2011 at the Kinney County Library 1:00 pm. For more info. contact your local NRCS office at 830.563.2414

GIRL SCOUTS

Activity of the week- Mad Scientist: Girls will experience the wonders of science as they investigate and discover the scientist within themselves! Cost per girl \$10. Saturday, June 18. 10 am- 12 pm. Nutrition Center. Please register before June 16th.

PANDA MANIA VBS

Templo Elim 304 N. Street June 20-24, 9 am - 2:30 pm. Mon.-Fri. Lunch Served

FIRST BAPTIST SERVICES

This Sunday June 19 First Baptist Church will have two Morning Services at 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM. Sunday School will be at 9:45. The Youth will be meeting in the Youth Building at 9:45. For more information call 563-2245.

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.

KINNEY COUNTY HERITAGE MUSEUM

The KCHM is open the 2nd and 4th Saturday of the Month: April 23: 1-4 pm; May 14 and 28: 1-4 pm; and June 11 and 25: 1-4 pm

Masons locate missing body

By Leigh Jenkins
Contributing Writer

A local Mason was visiting the Masonic Cemetery recently when he noticed a change in the

landscape where Oma Jean Mitchell Faulkenberry was once buried, according to information obtained at the Kinney County Sheriff's Department. The Mason started an investigation into what hap-

pened to the body of Faulkenberry, buried at the Masonic Cemetery after her sudden death in 1996, and was able to confirm Faulkenberry's children had the body removed sometime last

month. Faulkenberry, a popular reporter for *The Brackett News*, died unexpectedly as she left a school board meeting May 6, 1996. Faulkenberry's husband, Thomas, a Mason, remained in

Brackettville until 2001, when he moved to the Midland area. Thomas Faulkenberry passed away last year. Faulkenberry is now again at rest along side her husband in Loraine.

Roberson- Morelli Enterprises



Brackett News Weekly Photo By Leigh Jenkins - From left: Angie Roberson and Kayla Morelli set up a little bake sale shop in front of D&D Hardware at the Five Points in Brackettville. Both girls attend BISD. Angie is the daughter of Cecilia and Roby Roberson. Kayla is the daughter of Tina and Joe Morelli.

All Stars 9 & 10



Brackett News Weekly Photo By Ashley Castillo Sandoval - Kinney County Little League 9 and 10 Year Old All Stars were announced at the Closing Ceremonies on June 1. All Stars in alphabetical order are: Ayme Bruce, Kristopher Creel, Javi DeLeon, Michael Falcon, Jr, Logan Fisher, Thomas Herrera, Alex Martinez, Sam Palmer, Kaden Regalado, David Salazar, Matt Sheedy, Stetson Shuster, Tyler Winfree and Vasquez.

Paving project pushes forward

Private donations may save the project

By Leigh Jenkins
Contributing Writer

Kinney County was awarded a grant to pave the streets in Spofford last year and nearly \$110,000 was left over. The county court was advised by the State they could use the money for another paving project in the City of Brackettville, but only if the City was declared a Colonia, or an economically challenged area. The City received the special designation and three bids for the paving project were collected by the county, however, the lowest bid was still approximately \$30,000 over the available amount of granted funds.

The proposed project, better known as the school paving project, includes paving the parts of Fulton, Fort and Thomas streets directly adjacent to the school and addressing the drainage issues between the two high school buildings on Fulton. All three streets are owned by the City of Brackettville.

Ideas about how to pay for the difference between the actual cost of the project and the amount of the grant were presented to each the city, county and the school district. A plan for each entity to divide the \$30,000 was derived.

The Kinney County Commissioners voted in majority to approve the project on May 27, with the understanding the City of Brackettville and the Brackett ISD Board of Trustees were also interested in discussing splitting the \$30,000 three ways.

On June 13, the school board trustees discussed the matter at

their Regular meeting, but no action was taken.

Brackett ISD Superintendent Robert Westbrook said the trustees are not opposed to the road paving project, however, the board felt with the state and local budget cuts in education looming, the district would not be able to contribute to the paving project.

On June 14, Brackettville city council members were advised by City Manager Henry Garcia the school board would not be contributing to the project and he would be researching any available alternatives in order to keep the project on track.

Alderwoman Tencha Pena suggested finding some cost saving alternatives to solving the drainage issues and Alderman Demetrius Williams suggested paving two of three roads as a way of trying to bring the cost of the project down. Garcia said he would explore the alternatives and report back to the council. Alderwoman Rachel Munoz asked Garcia if the city had their share of the money and Garcia said it would be included in the budget for the new year.

On Wednesday, local pastor Jeff Janca led the charge to ask community members and business owners to contribute to the project. By 5 p.m. yesterday afternoon, Janca reported he already had \$3,000 pledged and encouraged others to call him at 830.563.5230, to make a donation.

The grant expires if the work is not completed by August and the money must be returned to the State.

Flores honored for service



Brackett News Weekly Photo By Leigh Jenkins - From left: City of Brackettville Mayor Zandra Negrete presents Former Councilwoman Mary Flores with a plaque for 16 years of service.

By Leigh Jenkins
Contributing Writer

Brackettville City Council presented Mary Flores with a plaque for 16 years of service as an alderwoman at their Regular meeting on June 14.

Flores ended her public service after losing her place on the council to Rachel Munoz in the City Election on May 14.

Flores was praised for serving on the council for nearly two decades and given two large

bouquets of flowers and an engraved plaque.

Flores thanked everyone for their kind words and spoke about the difficult times the city had been through. Flores also encouraged the new council to work together.

Light refreshments were served in her honor after the meeting was adjourned.

Other action taken at the meeting included a unanimous vote to name Tencha Pena as Mayor Pro-Tem.



Photo Courtesy To Brackett News Weekly - Kinney County Fire Rescue Volunteer Firemen worked to help a Fort Clark woman from her vehicle after she lost control of her vehicle on June 14. The Kinney County Sheriff's Incident Report states the woman was traveling east on Highway 90 and lost control of the vehicle once she made her way onto the new patch of asphalt being put down by TxDOT. The woman left the paved road and collided with the fence at the Tom Perez Ranch. EMS officials were on hand, but no transport was required.

PLOG: Paper Log by Leigh Jenkins

We have some very poor roads here in Brackettville. Why? Some say its because once the roads were paved 30 years ago, the city never budgeted year after year to take care of them. Others say its bc the city is broke and has bad credit and cant get loans and grants, etc. Maybe it just would cost a millions that the city doesnt have right now and thats just the way it is, but one thing I know is that its not City Manager Henry Garcia's fault or Mayor Zandra Negrete's fault. We can probably blame them for other things, but their respective salaries have little to do with the all the potholes.

Right now the County has \$110,000 in grant money to use to pave some roads in Brackettville. The money cannot be used to do anything else or used anywhere else except within the city limits and it has to be used by August or it has to be returned and some other county will get to use it.

It was decided the three streets around the school would be the least controversial roads to pave since the roads around the school are used by nearly all the residents of the county. Wow, were they wrong! Everyone is mad.

The project will cost appx \$140K and the grant is for \$110K. So an idea for the school, county and the city to split up the extra \$30K was tossed around, but the school is facing HUGE cutbacks so they had to decide do they chip in to pave the roads or do they keep an extra teacher in the elementary school? They have to choose. Chipping in or saving a job that leads to educating a child...

Everyone wants the roads paved. And the elected officials have to make the decisions they feel are the best for the people they represent. School board members represent the children and the education of the children NOT paving the roads. I think they would have chipped in if they were not worried about the state cutting the budget. In the same breath i would hope elected officials take into account that the average citizen could give a crap where the money comes from to pave the roads, they just want it done, so dont hold it against them when they get mad. Let them speak. Dont make a citizen feel bad bc they spoke up even if what they say hurts your feelings or is wrong and misinformed. I can help you get over this bc I get it every week. Some ppl like what i say, others call me liar, then i have ppl want to kiss me at the post office and then others that go as far as being mean to my kids. I survive week to week and so will you.

The roads belong to the city, but the grant is sponsored by the county. We have some creative thinking leaders and they are working to find a way to make it work and if they dont and we lose the money, then we can bash them in next week's paper.

Check out the discussions on our facebook.com page. You'll find them interesting.



Getting help around the house



Fly Lady Marla Cilley

From the beginning of FlyLady, I have always insisted on our main rule: No Whining Allowed!! I don't believe that I have ever told you the reasons behind this FLY-Decree!

We have all caught ourselves in a whining mode! When was the last time you let those words ooze out of your mouth? This morning!!!

Why do people feel the need to whine? Let's explore this for a bit!

Frustration: The house is getting on your nerves! People seem to be piling on your workload. You don't feel like you are accomplishing anything. So you just have to let out this frustration so the world knows that you are being mistreated. Think about this for a minute. This is a cry for help, but you don't know how to ask for it. You are feeling sorry for your-

self too. You want someone to listen, but that is not happening, because let's face it, no one hears a whiner. This is also a martyred attitude rearing its ugly head.

Depression: The pressure of the house, your schedule and the things left undone are slowly digging your grave. The whine is another cry for help: Even if it is unproductive. You have never been taught any other way to seek help. I want to help you change this fruitless behavior. When you realize how this has no effect on your family, but to tune you out, then you can initiate productive behaviors. It all goes back to being a martyr.

Attention Seeking Behavior: We have all done this; our cries for help fall on barren ears, because we have cried wolf too many times. Just like the little shepherd boy; his cries were ignored because he had been seeking attention. It is only when we give ourselves the attention that we need and we are not searching for outside attention that our requests for help will be answered. I know you don't believe me, but changing this one characteristic in yourself will change your life. Why do you think I want you to FLY!!

Self-Pity: This one is probably the most destructive, because you act pitiful and unloved. If the truth were known, you are unloved, but it is not by your family, but by yourself. You are not taking care of your own needs first. If you don't love yourself first, you are unable to love others to fullest extent of your being. This is not being selfish. Who is going to take care of you, if you don't take care of yourself!

We have all heard Rodney Daingerfield's famous line; "I get no respect!" The reason he has no respect, is that he does not respect himself. Demand it of yourself and you will not allow disrespect from others. This does not happen overnight. As he whines to his audience, it may seem funny to us at the time, but in real life, our families just turn down the volume. Our whining becomes background noise! Would you like to see their ears perk up!!! I can teach you how to get their attention and it is so easy!!

STOP YOUR WHINING COLD TURKEY!

This is easy. Now that you can see and hear your effects on your family, you can stop your-

self from doing this. Now here is the fun part. You can blow them right out of the water by setting an example and doing what needs to be done with a cheerful attitude and out of love for your family. Even if you are not feeling very cheerful at the time: Bite your lip and put a smile on your lovely face, just for the fun of it. The results will reinforce this happy attitude and you will start to feel the inner change in yourself.

When you start FLYing, housework no longer is a chore; something to be dreaded. It becomes a way to bless your family, yourself and your home. I want you to have the peace that I have. This came from my change in attitude toward everyday tasks. Are you ready to FLY??

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.

Explore different options when purchasing bonds



Emily Cooper
Edward Jones in Del Rio

As an investor, you may find that bonds can be a valuable part of your holdings. But there's more than one way to own bonds, so you'll want to be familiar with the various investment vehicles available — because the more you know, the better the choices you'll be able to make.

So, let's look at three popular ways of owning bonds:

Individual bonds — When you buy an individual bond, you will receive predictable interest payments. And when your bond matures, you'll get the original principal back, unless the issuer defaults, which is not common in cases of "investment grade" bonds. However, the value of your bond — the price

you could get for it if you sold it on the open market before it matured — will fluctuate over time, primarily in response to interest rates. (When market rates go up, the value of your bond drops, and vice versa.) In general, you'll pay at least \$5,000 for an individual bond, though that amount may vary. Consequently, while this approach gives you more control, it can be more time consuming and require a larger investment in order to build a diverse fixed-income portfolio.

Bond funds — By investing in a bond-based mutual fund, which may own dozens of different types of bonds, you can efficiently increase your diversification, which is important, because diversification can help reduce credit risk (although it can't guarantee a profit or protect against a loss). A bond fund does not pay you a fixed rate of return; instead, you receive dividends, which will fluctuate based on the underlying bonds' interest rates and capital appre-

ciation. In addition, bond funds don't have a maturity date when principal is repaid. Keep in mind that when you purchase bond funds, you could be subject to capital gains taxes in two different ways: if you sell your fund shares for a profit or if the fund manager sells an underlying bond for more than it's worth. This increased capital gains liability is one reason that many people put bond funds in a tax-deferred vehicle, such as an IRA or a 401(k).

Bond UITs — A unit investment trust (UIT), like a mutual fund, contains a variety of bonds, so you get the benefit of diversification. Unlike a mutual fund, however, a UIT is not actively managed and does not change its holdings. And since no manager is involved in making changes or trades, a UIT has low management fees. A UIT is typically established for 20 to 30 years, but, as an individual investor, you can sell your shares whenever you want, for whatever the market will bear.

Although UITs can be some of the most cost-efficient, low-risk options in the fixed-income arena, they are not without risk. Specifically, since a UIT's bonds provide fixed interest rates, there's always the possibility that the bonds will lose purchasing power to inflation over time.

When choosing how to own bonds, you'll need to evaluate many factors — and we've only looked at some of them. You may want to consult with a financial advisor to determine which methods of bond ownership are appropriate for your needs. By doing your homework, and getting the help you need, you can maximize the advantages of adding bonds to your investment mix.

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Trustees focus on leadership



Photo Courtesy To Brackett News Weekly - BISD School Board members from left: Mark Frerich, Tony Molinar, Dan Laws, Sondra Meil, BISD Superintendent Robert Westbrook, Tony Ashley, Rick Alvarado and Brad Coe.

Submitted By BISD

The board of trustees of Brackett ISD joined local trustees from across the state at the Texas Association of School Boards' (TASB) Summer Leadership Institute June 9-11 in San Antonio. Approximately 2,000 new and veteran education leaders heard legislative updates on school funding, received in-depth training on critical issues facing local districts and shared ideas for effective board governance and cost-efficient programs.

Jim Brazell, Thursday's general session speaker, is a technology forecaster and strategist on innovation and transformation. He addressed how demo-

graphic and globalization trends, mixed with today's technology, dictate the need for new directions and methods for schools. Wes Moore, Friday's keynote, shared his personal story on the consequence of responsibility. An Army combat veteran, business leader, and author, he became an investment professional after serving as a special assistant at the White House.

Among other highlights was a book study discussion of *Leading the Way: American Education in the Age of Globalization* that included a Skype question-and-answer session with the author Yong Zhao, and the Master Mind Series that featured

interactive group dialogues with a panel of experts. These sessions focused on career and technology education, school facilities, communicating with the community, and the future of fine arts.

A popular feature was a facilitated dialogue session that followed the viewing of the documentary film *2 Million Minutes*. The film explores the time it takes a student to get through a four-year high school and transform from a teenager to an adult. In addition, attendees participated in a successful "Leaders in Literacy" book drive for children living in homeless shelters in the San Antonio area.

School Bullying, digital communication, social networking,

board ethics, new state assessments, and academic success with diverse students were among issues discussed during the institute. A number of sessions examined the specific needs of small and rural school districts. Sessions for newly elected trustees and board presidents offered a combination of both breakout and in-depth formats on all facets of board governance.

TASB is a nonprofit association established in 1949 to serve local public school districts. Texas school board members are the largest group of publicly elected officials in the state. The districts they represent serve more than 4.8 million students.

Brackett High ranks in Top 10%

Submitted By BISD - 2011 Rankings of More Than 5,800 Public Schools in Texas shows Brackett High School near the top.

The non-profit research and educational group Children at

Risk did a statewide study of Texas schools based on Texas Education Agency records, and ranked them statistically by academic performance. Children at Risk developed a ranking method based on 14

criteria, including completion of Advanced Placement courses, dual credit courses, SAT and ACT scores, attendance and graduation rates, which are adjusted for a school's percentage of economically disadvantaged students. On April 24, 2011 Children at Risk published their findings which ranked Brackett High School near the top of high

schools in the state of Texas (Campus Academic Rank: 75 of 1145). This is the second year in a row that Brackett High School has been ranked in the top 10 percent of high schools in the state. For more information about this study and the methodology behind the rankings go to <http://childrenatrisk.org/research/school-rankings/>.

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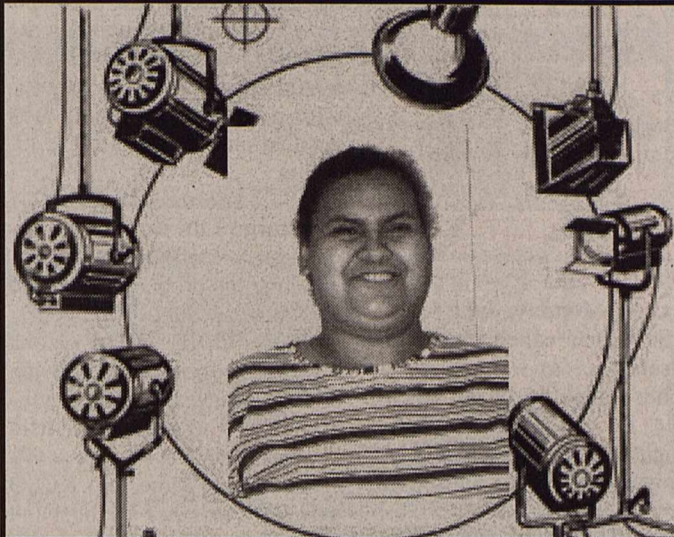
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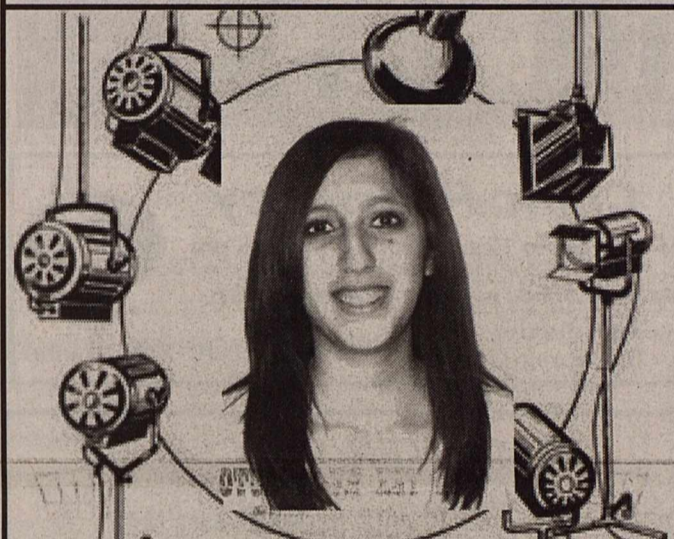
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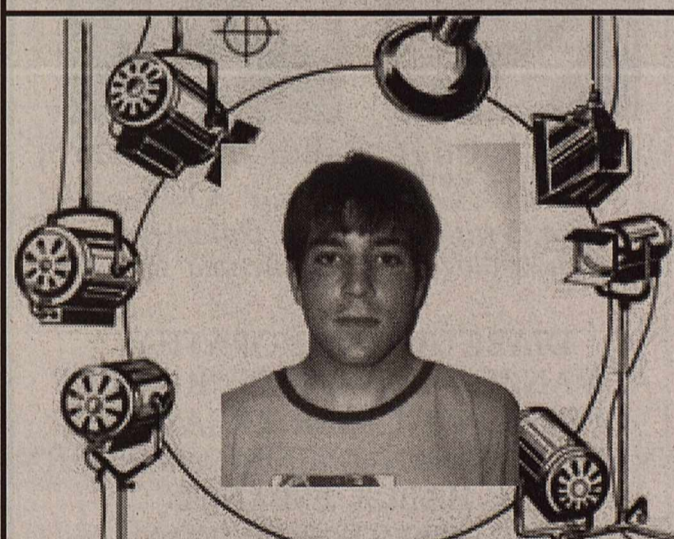
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WHEN: June 20-23, 2011 (6:30-9:00 P.M.)
WHERE: Brackettville High School Tennis Center
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Class of 2011
BHS SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

Jessica Garza
 Parents: Maggie Garza and the late Fred Garza
 What grade did you start at BISD? Kinder
 In five years I will be...enjoying life.

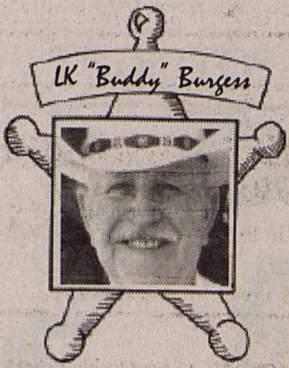
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Valeria Garza
 Parents: David and Maria A. Garza
 Siblings: Veronica M. and Dolores
 What grade did you start at BISD? Pre-K
 My future plans? I plan on attending SWTJC
 In five years I will be... working and living in my own place.

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BHS SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

Robert Guidry
 Parents: Bobby and Debby Guidry
 What grade did you start at BISD? Pre-K
 My future plans? I plan on attending Southwest Texas Junior College
 In five years I will be... going into Law Enforcement or Technology

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Kinney County Sheriff's Report



KCSO in reference to some possible stolen bikes.

A man called into KCSO stating that he was having problems with his RV. He thought his gas tank had blown up, and he heard a loud noise. No fire or injuries were reported. A deputy was notified and en route to the location.

Tuesday, June 7

Gabriel Edward, 36 was arrested to a Co-Warrant and for violating his probation. Edward was released the next day.

Javier Ortiz, 41, of Ozona was arrested for assault causing bodily injury and family violence. Ortiz was still being held at press time.

A woman came into KCSO to report that her ex husband had climbed through her win-

dow and started hitting her. She requested to speak with a deputy.

Wednesday, June 8

A woman called 911 requesting to speak with a deputy in reference to an argument she had with her daughter over her grandchild. A deputy was notified.

A man called into KCSO stating that there was a vehicle accident on Hwy 90 East by the railroad tracks. Uvalde PD was notified and units were dispatched to the location.

Thursday, June 9

A man called into KCSO requesting a deputy to respond to a location in reference to having some issues with the tenant who resided there.

Friday, June 10

Roy Lee Coker, 40, of San

Antonio was arrested for a warrant out of Travis County. Coker was released the next day after posting a \$1,000 bond.

Armando Sanchez, 64, of Brackettville was arrested for DWI 1st offense. Sanchez was released the next day after posting a \$1,200 bond.

Saturday, June 11

A woman called into KCSO stating that her Dad was drunk, and yelling at his wife and it looked like he was going to hit her. A deputy was informed.

Fort Clark Security called into KCSO requesting a deputy in reference to a trespassing complaint.

A call came into KCSO reporting a cow on the side of the road; a deputy was informed and was able to put the cow back.

Monday, June 6
A woman called into KCSO in reference to wanting to talk to her daughter and not being able to get a hold of her daughter's father. A deputy was informed of the situation and was en route to the location.
Ft. Clark Security called into

OBITUARY

Alice Fay Lozano

July 31, 1916 - June 3, 2011



Alice Fay Lozano, age 94, entered into rest on June 3, 2011 in Del Rio, Texas. She was born on July 31, 1916 in Nacimiento, Coah., Mexico. She was preceded in death by her parents Adam Fay and Maria Valdez. Brothers, Roosevelt Fay, and George Fay, and her sister Flora Fay, and two sons, Louis Vasquez and Herbert Vasquez.

She lived a very full life both in Mexico and in the United States and was very proud of her Seminole heritage. Her story is recorded in two tribute books, "Ancestors Running to Freedom", and "Dreaming with the Ancestors."

Alice kept her family close and taught them the importance of family values. She loved the outdoors and enjoyed long walks and fishing. She was always available to help anyone in need.

Left to cherish her memory are her daughters, Carmen Hidalgo, Rafaela Brown; brother Henry Duran. 27 grandchildren, 53 great-grandchildren, 5 great-great-grandchildren, numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, and a host of other relatives and dear friends.

Visitation will be held Saturday, June 11, 2011 from 5:00pm-9:00pm at Sunset Memorial Oaks Funeral Home, Chapel of Remembrance.

Chapel Service will be held Sunday, June 12, 2011, 10:00am, Sunset Memorial Oaks Funeral Home.

Interment to follow at Seminole Indian Scout Cemetery. Please visit our website at www.sunsetfuneralhomes.com and sign our online guest book.

Funeral arrangements are entrusted to Sunset Memorial Oaks Funeral Homes & Cemetery, 2020 Bedell Ave., Del Rio, Texas 78840, (830) 778-2020.

Baby beauty places in San Antonio pageant



Abigail Lynne Frets participated in the "Texas State Pageant" by Texas Choice Pageants on June 4 and 5, in San Antonio.

Frets placed honorable mention overall.

Baby Frets participated in "Western Wear", "Formal Wear", "Fresh Face" and Talent.

She had such a fun time, and is extremely proud of her trophy!

Abigail is the daughter of Nicole and Rob Frets of Fort Clark Springs.

Nicole is the school nurse and Rob is a state game warden.

Courtesy Photo To Brackett News Weekly by Nicole Frets - Pictured at left is Abigail Lynne Frets

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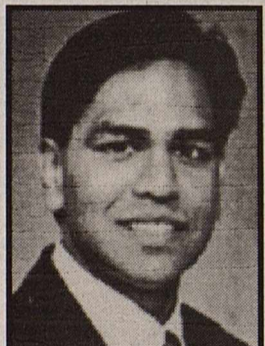
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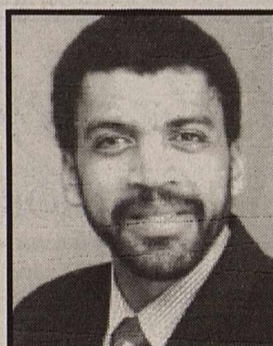
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OBITUARY

Manuel C. Perez

Aug. 4, 1918—June 11, 2011



Mr. Manuel C. Perez passed away on Sat. June 11, 2011. He leaves behind his wife Amalia, of 70 years. Three daughters: Norma, married to Ted Moncada III. Ida Holley, widow of Mike Holley. Edna Anne Perez. He also leaves 4 grandchildren; James Woodes, Ted Moncada IV, Roxanne Vickers and Arrianna Dial. He has 3 great grand children; Taylor Dodson, Olivia Woodes and Michael Dial II. He has one surviving Brother, Mr. Oscar Perez and his wife Teresa. He has numerous nephews and nieces.

Visitation will be on Friday June 17th, starting at 2:00PM at Yeager Mortuary in Eagle Pass, Texas. Followed by a rosary at 7:00PM.

A mass will be held at Our Lady of Refuge Catholic Church on Saturday June 18 10:00 AM



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Devil's Sinkhole opens new trail

Submitted By Devil's Sinkhole Society

The Devil's Sinkhole State Natural Area will host a 5K nature walk combined with a dedication ceremony this Saturday, June 18. Walkers will arrive at the Rocksprings Visitors Center at 7 A.M. to board the Batbus for the 5K Ancient Aquifer Trail, a trail that has never been open before and may not be opened

again. Many people have already reserved places for the nature walk at a cost of \$8 for people 18 and older and \$4 for those 10-17 years of age. The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society and Rocksprings's Little Miracles Day Care Center will receive part of the ticket proceeds. People only wishing to attend the dedication ceremony for the Bill LaRue Bird Blind will

arrive at the Rocksprings Visitors Center at 8:30 A.M. to take the Batbus to the site. Some VIPs will be present to help commemorate the day. Mr. Bill LaRue was a dedicated member of the Devil's Sinkhole Society and a kind and generous career wood shop teacher. Funds donated in his memory were used in the purchase of materials for the bird blind.

The Devil's Sinkhole Society, the nonprofit Texas Parks friends group cohosting both events, can be reached at 830-683-2287 and also tours@devilsinkhole.org.

The Society provides bat tours, day tours, nature walks, birding tours, and motorcycle tours of the Devil's Sinkhole State Natural Area. All tours begin at the Rocksprings Visitors Center on the Rocksprings town square.

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Three teams tie for win

By Wally Jones

Twenty-Two (22) players, eleven (11) Teams, turned out for the Fort Clark Springs Blind Draw Golf tournament on Saturday June 11, in great golf weather, overcast in the mid 80's at starting time, then up

to the mid 90's at the end.

Three Teams ended up tied for the win with a score of 67; Ron Null/Trent Brown, Ronnie Mata/Felix Cerna and Martin Flores/Fernando Romero.

The "Closest to the Pin", shot on the Par 3 Hole 11, was won by Manolo Rosas.

All players enjoyed great

Bar-b-Q sandwiches for lunch. The B-b-Q was prepared by none other than our Pro Shop Manager, Don Lee.

The Fort Clark Golf Course Pro Shop 2 Person Select Shot Blind Draw (Scramble) will be held on the second Saturday of each month. The next tournament will be July 9, 2011,

show time is 8:30AM, tee time is 9:00 AM. So mark your calendar, sign up at the Pro Shop and come on out and enjoy a fun day of golf. All golfers (Ladies/Gentlemen) are invited. Rules are available at the Pro Shop. A modest \$15 entry fee, not including green fee or cart rental, is charged.



Brackett News Weekly Photo By Leigh Jenkins - Twenty-Two (22) players, eleven (11) Teams, turned out for the Fort Clark Springs Blind Draw Golf tournament on Saturday June 11.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The BRACKETT INDEPENDANT SCHOOL DISTRICT will hold a public meeting at 6:30 JUNE 27, 2011 in CENTRAL OFFICE MEETING ROOM BRACKETTVILLE, TEXAS.

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 notice.

Maintenance Tax	\$ 1.04 /\$100 (Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
School Debt Service Tax	\$ 0 /\$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	% increase or 6 % (decrease)
Debt service	% increase or 0 % (decrease)
Total expenditures	% increase or 6 % (decrease)

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

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value* of all property	\$ 228,838,348	\$ 234,378,238
Total appraised value* of new property**	\$ 5,089,291	\$ 8,953,330
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$ 170,329,581	\$ 174,389,904
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$ 5,542,848	\$ 2,583,624

* "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll 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 1.041(10), Tax Code.

Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness* \$ 0

* Outstanding principal.

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$ 1.04	\$ 0.00 *	\$ 1.04	\$ 2,767	\$ 7,443
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$ 1.08192	\$ 0.00 *	\$ 1.08192	\$ 3,028	\$ 7,393
Proposed Rate	\$ 1.04	\$ 0.00 *	\$ 1.04	\$ 2,911	\$ 6,749

* The Interest & Sinking 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 district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$ 51,156	\$ 51,766
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$ 34,586	\$ 35,261
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$ 1.04	\$
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$ 359.79	\$ 366.71
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		\$ 6.92

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 spouse 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 1.12. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of 1.12.

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 estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

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