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Briefs ...

Computer workshop scheduled at library

Doctor Computer will present a community service workshop on July 17 at the Kinney County Library.

The workshop, entitled "Computers Made Easy - A Hands-On Experience," will last from 6 to 8 p.m.

Those attending the workshop will be requested to make a \$3 donation to the library. Limited seating will be available.

For more information about the workshop, call Doctor Computer at 563-3443.

Fort's Guardhouse Museum gets a facelift

FORT CLARK SPRINGS - Work is near completion on major repairs of the old Guardhouse Museum.

Larry Mendeke, curator of the museum, and a few of his faithful volunteers are working long hours trying to get things put back together.

Mendeke announced that the museum will be open for inspection on Saturday and Sunday.

"Although everything will not be ready, we will have enough on display to show this weekend," Walt Baugess said. "We are proud of the museum and urge everyone to come by for a visit."

Dozens nabbed in Uvalde drug sweep

Authorities from a multi-agency drug task force conducted a sweep Saturday in Uvalde County, arresting more than a dozen of the 45 people named in 78 indictments handed down earlier this week, sheriff's officials said.

The arrests followed a six-month undercover operation by the Amistad Area Narcotics Task Force into various cocaine and marijuana operations within a 40-mile radius of Uvalde, the San Antonio Express-News reported in its Sunday edition.

During the five-hour offensive that began about 4 a.m., agents arrested more than a dozen people accused of delivery of a controlled substance, a sheriff's dispatcher said.

Those arrested ranged in age from about 18 years old to 50 years old, the dispatcher said.

The task force includes agents from the Uvalde and Real county sheriff's offices, Uvalde and Sabinal police, the Border Patrol and Texas Department of Public Safety troopers.



David Martinez releases the water out of the city's ground storage facility. City officials recently emptied the facility and cleaned it.

Variance expected to be approved for EMS

Kinney County's application for a personnel variance for Emergency Medical Services is expected to be approved following Monday morning's public hearing at the Courthouse.

Texas' health safety code requires EMS to have two certified attendants on the ambulance at all times in order to exist. The variance would allow the ambulance service to operate while not being in compliance with the law.

Kinney County EMS currently has two full-time and two part-time employees. One of the full-time employees resigned effective June 30, and the commissioners court requested that Ruby Meyer be hired to maintain the two full-time employee status.

Lee Sweeten of the Texas Department of Health, Emergency Medical Services, said he expects the variance to be approved.

"From what I gather, even though there were some concerns, it looks like that most of the information I got was in favor of (a variance) so we will probably recommend it be granted for a period not

to exceed one year," Sweeten said.

"We will develop a plan of action for training and recruitment of people, and input this thing with the overall assessment of the system.

"We will send what's called a memorandum of understanding back to the county judge," he said. "He will read it over and it will set out the terms they will have to abide by under the variance. As soon as he puts his signature on it, then the variance will be in effect."

Sweeten said he was impressed with the turnout at Monday's public hearing.

"Most of the public hearings I go to there is very seldom anybody there from the public," he said. "I was very pleased with the turnout here and the interest in the community."

"Through the conversations after the hearing, it looks like the community is willing to get behind and support the system," he added.

Commissioners voice opposition to extended local calling

By J.J. Guidry
News Editor

The Kinney County commissioners court unanimously passed a resolution against extended local calling at a special meeting Monday morning.

Extended local calling (ELC) would give the 563 telephone exchange local access to both Uvalde and Del Rio.

After receiving a letter from Bonny Herndon requesting that the city look into ELC, the Brackettville city council voted to pursue the issue.

Every telephone customer in the 563 prefix area will receive a ballot and will have an opportunity to vote on ELC. For the service to be put in place, 70 percent of the votes returned would have to be in favor of it.

If approved, the service would not be optional for telephone customers, who would be charged \$3.50 per residential phone and \$7 per business phone on a monthly basis.

"They (Southwestern Bell) presently charge 16 cents a minute to call Del Rio," Precinct 4 Commissioner Paul O'Rourke said. "With a charge of \$3.50 a month,

that adds up to 21 minutes.

"I would imagine that a lot of people in Kinney County would not make phone calls of 21 minutes a month to Del Rio. If you figure an average of three minutes per phone call, that's seven phone calls."

O'Rourke said the \$7 monthly fee for businesses would add up for those who have more than one telephone line, such as the county.

"We have 17 or 18 phones at the county," he said. "That's a lot of money."

O'Rourke made the motion to pass the resolution, and the motion was seconded by Precinct 1 Commissioner Freddie

Frerich.

"I imagine most of your businesses work on a credit card anyway, with different phone companies," Frerich said. "That's just an added expense."

Commissioners Frerich, O'Rourke and Joe "Boy" Williams, Precinct 3, and County Judge all voted in favor of the resolution. Precinct 2 Commissioner Joe Montalvo was absent.

"They're trying to recoup the money by taking away your choice," O'Rourke added. "If you're charged for it, then you're going to use it."

Heritage Day celebrated Saturday

By Pat Spohnholtz
Contributing Writer

Planning for the First Kinney County Heritage Day Fest has turned up many citizens that are able to perform skills used by the pioneers. They will display these abilities during Saturday's event at the Fillipone Building grounds.

Admission is free to the Heritage Day Fest, which will last from 1 to 4 p.m.

The event begins at 1 p.m. with a special recognition ceremony for Else Sauer and Charles Wilson. The two former schoolteachers have taught many of the county's citizens.

Sauer was very instrumental in the publishing of a history of Kinney County, "Kinney County, 125 years of growth, 1852-1977."

There are only a few of these hardcover books available and they will be for sale in the museum. Sauer has consented to autograph those books purchased.

Following the ceremony, Roy Martin of Alamo Saddlery will demonstrate his saddle making abilities.

Then at 1:30, the Las Moras Hispanic Organization will be on hand to reveal the secrets of assembling pinatas and making tortillas from scratch.

Beginning at 2 p.m., the shearer and spinner take over. Frank Garza will use his shears to relieve a goat of its coat. Then, Eileen Voracek will spin some yarn on her real life spinning wheel.

If this sounds too domesticated, stick around for the 3:00 horse-shoeing demonstration by Alex Solis, then the demonstration of calf roping skills at 3:30. Jaime Montalvo will be at an end of the rope.

Nakai Breen will be making her authentic Indian bread and you can watch the Brackettville scouts set up a wilderness camp.

In between these events, the Heritage Museum will be open so you can take a tour through. It houses many antique photographs of our town the way it was.

Class reunion set for this weekend

The 1997 reunion for the Brackett High School Classes of 1970 through 1979 is scheduled for this weekend.

The celebration begins tomorrow morning as volunteers will meet at the Civic Center to decorate the building.

At 6 p.m., there will be a memorial service at the Fort Clark Springs Amphitheater for classmates who have passed away.

Registration and a mixer is set for 7 p.m. tomorrow at the Fort Clark Springs pool.

Saturday's activities begin with a parade at 9:30 a.m. The parade will begin at the PCI building on Ann Street, will turn on Spring and Gove streets, and will conclude at the school.

Immediately following the parade, there will be a tour of the school grounds.

At noon, lunch will be served at Rendezvous Park at Fort Clark Springs.

An evening meal is planned for 8 p.m. at the Civic Center and a dance will follow from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

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Arneson joins staff

Ron Arneson has joined the Brackett Tigers staff as an assistant varsity football coach. This is the first varsity job for Arneson.
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Texas Masons celebrate 280th anniversary Las Moras Masonic Lodge installs new officers

Last Tuesday, June 24, on Saint John's Day, Masons in Texas celebrated the 280th anniversary of the formation of the first Grand Lodge in the world.

Brackettville's Las Moras Masonic Lodge took the opportunity to hold an open dinner at Slaton Hall and installed their officers for the ensuing year. Approximately 50 brethren and guests were in attendance.

Following dinner, Worshipful Master Wes Robinson gave a report on lodge activities for the year.

"The lodge conferred 14 degrees this year," Robinson said. "Our total membership increased by seven."

"A Community Builder Award was presented to Mrs. Sarah Terrazas and a Golden Trowel Award was presented to Brother Ray Kurtz.

"Courtney Harrison and Lindy LaMascus received scholarships with the Lamar Medal and five

students graduated from the adult literacy program."

Robinson then gave a pin to each of the seven Golden Trowel recipients from the Las Moras Lodge in appreciation of their commitment to the lodge and to masonry.

Robinson thanked the members of the lodge "for the great honor and pleasure" of being their Worshipful Master for the year and introduced key note speaker Dr. James F. Harber.

Harber gave an enlightening speech on Saint John the Baptist, the first patron saint of masonry.

Officers were installed by past master Bruce Clements, as installing officer, and past master Ray Kurtz, as installing marshal.

Worshipful Master Chuck Hall thanked the ladies of the Order of the Eastern Star for the excellent meal.

Hall went on to say, "We have come a long way and we have a long way to go."



Las Moras Masonic Lodge officers for the ensuing year are, top row, from left: Senior Warden Frank Taylor, Worshipful Master Chuck Hall and Junior Warden Rick Card. Middle row: Treasurer Ray Kurtz, Secretary Wes Robinson and Chaplain Tom Faulkenberry. Bottom row: Junior Deacon Tom Ertle, Senior Stewart John Ford, Junior Stewart Joe Haynes and Tiler James Haga. Not pictured: Senior Deacon Chuck Porter and Master of Ceremonies Marvin Davis.

Letter to the Editor

Extended local calling to be left up to customers

These are the facts regarding extended local calling.

The idea first became public during the February city council meeting.

At the regular meeting, Mayor Carmen Berlanga read a letter from Bonny Herndon requesting that the city look into extended local calling, giving the 563 telephone exchange local access to both Uvalde and Del Rio.

"The pursuing of this possibility would be a great service for our area as it would serve to permanently lower everyone's long-distance telephone bill," Herndon said in her letter.

Herndon said she spoke with Southwestern Bell officials and was told that the metro line had to be applied for by the city councils in the affected telephone exchange area.

After hearing the request, the Brackettville city council unanimously voted to pursue extended local calling.

City Secretary David Luna later informed the council that it would be too much work for the city staff to take the necessary steps in applying for the extended local calling, so officials agreed to have the Middle Rio Grande Development Council (MRGDC) look into the matter.

Joe Cardenas of MRGDC gave an update on extended local calling at the June city council meet-

ing. Cardenas said that every telephone customer in the 563 prefix area will receive a ballot and will have an opportunity to vote on extended local calling. For the service to be put in place, 70 percent of the votes returned would have to be in favor of it.

If approved, the service would not be optional for telephone customers, who would be charged \$3.50 per residential phone and \$7 per business phone on a monthly basis, of which Middle Rio Grande Development Council receives nothing.

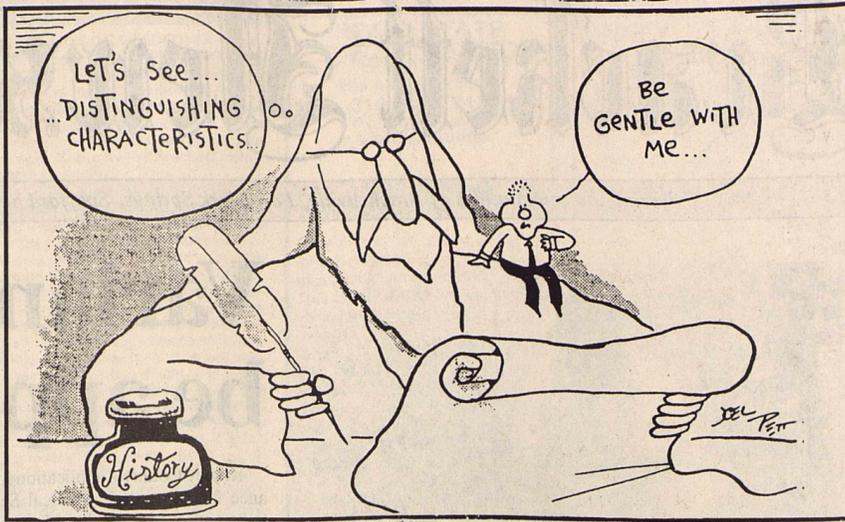
In my opinion, this service has one draw back, it is not optional. Each and every telephone number would be charged. If you have three phone numbers on one bill, you would be charged three times.

Now do you understand the country's position against extended local calling?

Although this service would benefit many local citizens and businesses, some would incur an additional expense for little or no gain.

The bottom line is the city of Brackettville, Kinney County or Middle Rio Grande Development Council will not be making the decision for you, you will be making it for yourself.

Wes Robinson
Mayor Pro Tem



Clinton hits a new low

Between Us

By Joe Townsend



Just when you think Bill Clinton has hit the bottom with his hypocrisy and demagoging, he proves you wrong by doing even worse.

His speech in California to raise money for his sidekick, Barbara Baxer, hits a new low even for him.

His condemnation of the "divisive, destructive political climate in Washington" reminds me of a saying my mother had: "A case of the pot calling the kettle black."

Clinton and his clone, Al Gore, along with puppets Gephardt and Barrior, have done more to create divisive confrontation than all others in Washington.

When Congress passed two budget bills by healthy majorities and he vetoed them and thus closed down the government, he convinced many unthinking followers that it was the evil Republicans who shut down the government.

When Congress passed a ban on the murderous practice of "partial birth" abortions and lacked only two votes in the Senate of being able to override his veto, he bowed to the feminist lobby and with glib lies thumbed his nose at the vast majority.

When Congress passed a flood relief bill with two good amendments, he again demagoged and loudly proclaimed the Republicans as hard-hearted enemies of people in need, though many Democrats helped pass the bill.

His complaint about "those who dwell on the nation's shortcomings rather than the booming economy" rattles like a mustard seed in a box car.

Never have we had a president who built his philosophy and actions on straw man bugaboos as has and does Bill Clinton.

He constantly dumbs down education. He constantly complains about lack of health care for children. He constantly apes Al

Gore and his specious claims of "global warming."

The only time even the president trumpets the "booming economy" is to brag about how he has made it happen.

The truth of the matter is the economy is booming in spite of Clinton's policies, not because of them.

His snide remark about "you'd think they spent the whole morning sucking lemons" was gutter talk for one in his position.

If he's talking about Gephardt, Barrior and their ilk, I would agree, but you know he didn't mean his cronies.

His finger pointing about those who "believe that any tactic is acceptable to beat an opponent" should point to the speaker.

All of Clinton's life, he has practiced this philosophy. He has no integrity and no sensitivity to the needs of the American people, but only cares about destroying his political opponents.

He has always been interested in winning at any cost. To be honest is too high a price for him to pay.

When he was leading demonstrations against America during the Vietnam War, he was driving a stake in the spirit of the American people.

Lack of time and space prevents the detailing of a continuous river of actions by Clinton that "drives a stake in the spirit of the American people."

The way the radical one-term Baxer threw her arms around his neck and held on to him shows the total lack of decorum expected from a president.

It's too bad there is not some way to make Clinton face up to Clinton. America will survive him, but it will take a long time for the presidency to gain any real respect.

More questions raised than answered by letter

Paul Edwards raised more questions than he answered regarding extended local calling in his letter to the editor last week.

Why would the city council ask Middle Rio Grande Development Council to get information for them from Southwestern Bell?

The presentation to the council, as reported in The Brackett News, gave all the evidence of trying to "sell" the idea.

Why wasn't Southwestern Bell asked to present the idea?

The questions I raised regarding the service as outlined by Mr. Edwards still stare us in the face.

Regarding the 911 question, the argument that 911 has saved many lives is open to question.

However, my pick was not with 911 and all its problems, but with MRGDC being involved in making money from charges to every telephone without permission of the users.

It would be interesting to see a detailed financial statement from MRGDC showing how much money has been and is being collected by MRGDC and how and to whom it is disbursed.

I still contend that MRGDC should not be allowed to go into any business for gain. Enough said!



Capitol Comment

U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison

Answers to some taxing questions

Several weeks ago, in this column, I outlined a number of proposed tax reductions under consideration in Congress. While our sights remain fixed on finding a way to balance the federal budget, tax relief is high on readers' minds as well.

The possible cuts outlined were estate tax relief, child tax credit, capital gains tax cut, education tax cut, and individual retirement accounts. Then I asked you to tell me which cuts were most important to you.

I received a number of interesting comments that I will share later in this column, but first a brief review of your priorities.

The clear favorite as the most important tax cut for you and your family is estate tax relief. Of those responding, 34 percent said an estate tax cut is the most important; 16 percent of you reported it as the second most important priority. Overall, 66 percent of you ranked estate tax relief as one of your top three tax relief measures.

A capital gains cut ranked second in popularity. It was listed as the most important kind of relief by 26 percent of you; 32 percent listed it as the second most important tax relief measure.

Nearly 17 percent of you said the IRA provision is most important; another 11 percent reported it as the second most important priority; 71 percent of you listed the IRA changes as one of your top three tax-relief priorities.

Child tax credit was listed as the most important tax-relief provision by 14 percent of you; about 13 percent said it is the second most important item.

Finally, 9 percent of you responded that the education tax cut is the most important tax cut for you; almost 29 percent said it is the second most important cut.

Responding to the questions about estate taxes, one person wrote, "There really should not be any estate taxes. Taxes already have been paid once in accumulating the estate."

The second most popular tax-cut proposal was capital gains tax. A family wrote, "Capital gains should take inflation into consideration. After holding something for a good many years, your 'gains' actually are losses."

About phasing out limits on IRAs, one person wrote, "This suggestion sounds good in that you could pay taxes on what you contribute up front, but be allowed tax-free withdrawals. Quite often today, what older folks thought would be enough to live on turns out not to go far enough."

Fourth on your list was the child tax credit. Although this was a popular proposal, many of those who wrote to comment on it did so in the negative.

One family wrote, "The child tax credit leaves people with adult children no credit for having raised them." But others observed, "Two wage-earner families need help now."

Finally, on the issue of education tax credits, we received a letter that lays out the situation eloquently:

"Every dollar we save is taxed. My son starts college in the fall but we are not eligible for funds because we work and we save. We face huge loans and debt for many years to come.

"We are not asking for a hand-out. We would like a little justice, though. Stop punishing those who work, save and play by the rules. An education tax credit would level the playing field."

Your responses were revealing, and I would like to thank every Texan who took time to fill out the questionnaire, comment on the issues it raised, and mail it to our office. A special thanks, as well, to The Brackett News for publishing it.

Big Mama Sez!



He who is always his own counselor will often have a fool for a client.

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Consider our nation's capital as your vacation spot this year

By Henry Bonilla
U.S. Congressman, 23rd District

Each year, thousands of visitors descend on our nation's capital to celebrate Independence Day on July 4.

If you're still looking for a great place to bring the kids or just get away this summer, our nation's capital is a wonderful, as well as economical, choice, filled with lots of sights to see.

Every year, I'm thrilled by all the folks from Texas that make their way to Washington. But before you come, make sure to give my office a holler and I'll do all I can to set you up with helpful brochures, tours and ticket information.

What with airfare and hotel expenses, a trip to Washington, D.C., can be pretty costly, but

there's some good news - most of the best and most exciting things to see in the city are free! That includes visits to Arlington National Cemetery, the White House, the U.S. Capitol, the Washington Monument, the National Zoo, the Lincoln and Jefferson Memorials and the new FDR Memorial.

Even the Smithsonian Institution, like the Air and Space Museum or the Museum of Natural History, require no cost and are fun for kids as well as adults!

The fact that it's all free lifts a heavy burden off mom and dad so they can bring everybody along.

Of course, the one stop you need to make sure to mark on your calendar is a visit to my office, located at 1427 Longworth House

OPEN HOUSE

Fort Clark Springs

For sale, new 2 bedroom, 2 bath rock house on Ward St. Open House, July 13 and 14, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Refreshments.

Office Building, just steps from the U.S. Capitol Building.

I'd look forward to the chance to say hello and meet with you and your family, and my staff can help supply maps or point you in the right direction for your tours.

You might even be interested to take a seat in either of the visitor's galleries of the U.S. Capitol and catch some exciting debate when either the House of Representatives or the Senate is in session. My office can give you free passes to view both branches of Congress in action.

But before you pack your bags and head up to Washington, give my office a call. With enough advance planning - many times up to three months ahead of time - we can set you up with V.I.P. tours of the White House. Other V.I.P. tours include the Supreme Court, F.B.I., and Bureau of Engraving.

I hope you and your family enjoy your vacation time, whatever direction you decide to head. But if your trip brings you north to our nation's capital, I look forward to hearing from you!

You can reach my office at (202) 225-4511.

EMS officials working on personnel shortage

The personnel of Kinney County EMS are working hard and fast to alleviate our "short" personnel problem.

We are contacting formerly active volunteers and will be holding a free ECA/EMT course. All that we ask is that each participant volunteer a couple hours a month to the ambulance service; not for us, but for our friends, family and fellow community members.

I apologize that the free class was not advertised when we attempted to hold it earlier. However, when a definite date has been set, I will post it here in the Kin-

ney County EMS Pulse.

Furthermore, we apologize for our "public relations" being so lax. We have concentrated so hard on paper work and visiting with prospective EMS volunteers that we have neglected to keep the public informed.

I will try to correct that negligence by having an article in each week's paper, keeping you abreast of the latest developments in our service and health tip articles.

We would like to thank everyone who came to give us their support at the variance hearing that was held on Monday.

Even though the variance was

approved, we are going to work as many hours that we are allowed to work to ensure that you are provided with 24-hour coverage; hours that take us away from our families at all hours of the day, night and weekends that, God willing, keeps another family together.

I would like to also take this time to explain why, at times, we give the patient the choice of

riding to the hospital in the ambulance or going in their own vehicle.

Once we have responded to a call, observe that a patient is not in critical danger, stabilized possible closed fractures, bandaged any minor cuts, and that the patient's vital signs are good, we may give a patient the choice of riding with us or going to the hos-

pital in their own vehicle.

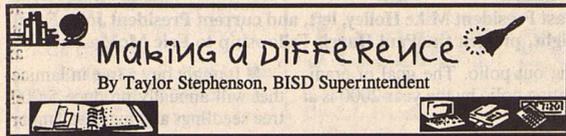
We do not give patients this option because we do not want to transport them, we give you this option to save you money.

If you are not in a life threatening condition, are not in need of oxygen, and we have done all that is necessary prior to transport in situations where observation is not needed while traveling to the hospital, we will give you the option of transport or going to the hospital on your own.

Just keep in mind that while we are out transporting a non-emergency, a real emergency could occur.

If, on the other hand, we respond to a call and find a patient that could benefit from having oxygen administered or observed by a pre-hospital medical provider, we will strongly advise that patient to let us transport him or her to the hospital for safety's sake. The final decision is that of the patient's.

Again, thank you for your support of the Kinney County EMS. We will try our best to send out "thank you" cards and acknowledgements of donations in The Brackett News as they are received.



Celebrating our country's birthday

The summer is back to normal hot. We've made it through June, looking forward to the Fourth of July, realizing that in another month to six weeks the sounds of marching bands, cheerleaders, and volleyball and football players will fill the air.

The Fourth of July is our country's greatest day. It's our nation's birthday, and it's time to put out the flags, listen to some patriotic music and celebrate life in this grand nation.

The transfer of power in Hong Kong from British to Chinese rule helped me realize just how lucky I am to live in the USA.

I would have great difficulty living in a country that did not recognize the worth of the individual while guaranteeing the freedoms that Americans enjoy.

We all complain - Democrats about the narrow minded Republicans and Republicans about those liberal thinking Democrats. But, I don't think we could find a single volunteer that would trade our freedoms away because of our unhappiness with the political party that is in power.

One of our basic guarantees is of a freedom speech that would quickly be lost in a country controlled by a communist government.

So, happy birthday America! Join with me in toasting the USA as we reflect on the American way of life.

Staff Reorganization
We're doing OK at school. It's a difficult time of the year. We're trying to get policies rewritten, budgets studied and staff hired for the school year.

In Texas, teachers have a legal deadline where resignations can be made. In our district, that deadline is July 5. So, we will be out with the new roster of employees soon. It looks like a good one. We have lost some good ones, but the recruiting has been good for BISD.

Teachers have begun to arrive looking for housing for the fall. It's always a tough chore, but they always manage to find places to live.

Water Well
Our water well is complete at the football field. We have it hooked into the sprinkling system just in time for the hot weather. We're watering two fields with the new water well.

Remodeling Project
We have begun to remodel the PCI building with an Aug. 1 deadline. The building will house the district's alternative school.

Special Election
Texans have an election schedule for Aug. 9. This election, as I understand it, will give voters in Texas a chance to say give us another \$10,000 exemption on our homestead for school tax purposes.

We presently have a \$5,000 exemption. The total, if the issue passes, would be \$15,000.

Basically, the only issue here is do you want your taxes lowered? The Legislature and the governor appropriate money left over from surpluses to pay for the added exemptions.

So, I hope that you will put this date on your calendar and go vote. I'll try to give you more information about the election as we move closer to Aug. 9.

School Board Meeting
Our School Board meeting will be held a week early this month on Monday, July 7. We'll meet at 5:30 p.m.

We continue to receive many compliments on our school system from local residents and especially from folks who are not lucky enough to have their children attend BISD.

We work as hard as we can each day to be a better school system. If you have suggestions on how we can be better, drop me a line or give me a call.

Have a great holiday weekend!

Community Calendar

- Thursday, July 3**
12:00 p.m., The Brackettville Rotary Club meets at the Las Moras Inn on Fort Clark Springs.
6:30 p.m., The Brackettville Lions Club meets at the Las Moras Inn on Fort Clark Springs.
- Sunday, July 6**
12:00 p.m., The Knights of Columbus meet at Parish Hall.
- Monday, July 7**
1:00 p.m., The Fort Springs Art Club meets at the Art Studio on Fort Clark Springs.
5:30 p.m., The Brackett Independent School District Board of Trustees meets in regular session.
6:15 p.m., The Fort Clark Springs Old Quarry Society meets at the Adult Center on Fort Clark Springs.
- Tuesday, July 8**
7:00 p.m., The Las Moras Masonic Lodge No. 444 meets at Lodge Hall on Ann Street.
7:00 p.m., The Fort Clark Duplicate Bridge Club meets at the

- Adult Center on Fort Clark Springs.
- Thursday, July 10**
12:00 p.m., The Brackettville Rotary Club meets at the Las Moras Inn on Fort Clark Springs.
6:30 p.m., The Kinney County Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors meets at Las Moras Inn on Fort Clark Springs.
- Saturday, July 12**
10:00 a.m., The Fort Clark Springs Community Council meets at Shafter Hall on Fort Clark Springs.
- Monday, July 14**
9:00 a.m., The Kinney County Commissioners Court meets at the County Courthouse on Ann Street.
- Tuesday, July 15**
6:00 p.m., The Brackettville City Council meets at City Hall on West Spring Street.
7:00 p.m., The Fort Clark Duplicate Bridge Club meets at the Adult Center on Fort Clark Springs.

Kinney County EMS Pulse

By Ruby Meyer, EMT

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Rotary Club installs new officers, directors



Rotary Club officers John Ford, left, and Mike Holley, right, were installed last week by past District Governor David Trent.

By Frances McMaster
Contributing Writer

Past District Governor David Trent installed new officers and directors as the Brackettville Rotary Club celebrated its annual meeting last Thursday.

Trent and his wife came from Del Rio for the occasion, and spouses of Rotary Club members were invited to attend.

Trent was introduced by Frank Cheaney, who noted that Trent had been a governor of District 5840 and continues to serve the present district governor as a member of his advisory board.

Trent called on the new officers, President John Ford and Secretary/Treasurer Mike Holley, and new directors J.J. Guidry, Bill Mitchell, Charles Schmidt and Gene Meeks, and asked them to be faithful to the ideals of Rotary and to discharge their duties as required. He also called upon the club members as a whole to be helpful and supportive.

Holley handed the gavel to Ford and presented him with the president's pin. Frances McMaster, immediate past president, then pinned the past president's pin on Holley.

Ruby Cheaney entertained guests and members before the meeting started by playing the grand piano. She chose patriotic songs and small flags decorated the tables, as well as flowers.

Prior to the installation of new officers, Frank Cheaney, June program chairman, introduced Tino Guzman.

Guzman spoke to the group about the Rotary Four Way Test for the things we think, say or do: Is it the truth? Is it fair to all concerned? Will it build goodwill and better friendships? Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

Guzman explained that members are encouraged to use these questions as a guideline for ethical behavior throughout life, but that this is not a requirement for membership.

A new member, Edwin Widner, was welcomed in to Rotary by Rev. Joe Townsend, pastor of the Frontier Baptist Church. He gave a short history of Rotary as he inducted Winder into membership.

Rotary was founded by Paul Harris, a businessman, who felt the need for interaction with other men in his position. He suggested to some other business men that they get together on a weekly basis. This evolved into the first Rotary Club and spread until it became a national, then an international organization.

The focus of Rotary is on ethical behavior in business, in promoting healthy family life, helping youth by encouraging education, and in serving the community where needed. These goals have broadened into working for peace and understanding throughout the world.

The Rotary Club is perhaps best known for its role in stamp-



Past President Mike Holley, left, and current President John Ford, right, present the Paul Harris Fellowship to Eric McMaster.

ing out polio. The goal of eradicating polio by the year 2000 is at hand.

Ford explained that the Rotary Foundation administers the various projects and programs around the world and promotes international friendship and understanding.

The money to fund these projects is provided by gifts of \$1,000 in United States currency from Rotary Clubs all over the world. Each contribution is made in the name of a member of the donor club who is awarded a Paul Harris Fellowship.

The ways in which a gift is used vary. Among the projects Ford mentioned are the following:

■ It might buy a tree in Jamaica that will annually produce 5,000 tree seedlings and increase family income for 700 farmers.

■ It may furnish all materials necessary for construction of a deep borewell in India which supplies clean drinking water to 300 people.

■ It can provide limbs for 25 disabled persons in Calcutta, India.

Eric McMaster was the recipient of the Paul Harris Fellowship this year.

Ford said that McMaster's life demonstrates a shared purpose with the objectives of the foundation, and that he is and has been a valued supporter of Rotary.

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By: Chuck Hall



Enormous lie has been sold to the public

The other day, I was driving down the road in my wife's Suburban when a thought struck me. It is such a rare occurrence that it was worthy of note.

This thunderbolt out of the clear blue was mind-boggling. It was as though a great revelation was opened to me. This grand truth given to me to proclaim to the world.

An enormous lie has been sold to the public and I have been given the responsibility of disclosing it. (No, this has nothing to do with Bill Clinton.)

Anyway, I had to pull over to the side of the road.

Years from now, they will undoubtedly erect statues in my honor. I hope I can remain humble. I don't want to forget all of the little people that I have met on my way to fame and greatness. Tears come to my eye as I write.

I know there isn't enough space to finish this in this week's column. Wes, I *must* have more space!

In the next few weeks, I will continue with this, and other astounding disclosures.

I assure you this is not, I repeat, this is *not*, a publicity stunt. You're going to love this. But, I could be wrong.

Smoke From Nakai

By Nakai Breen



Hurrah for our country on this Fourth of July. We salute our men that have stood side by side, by our flag and as warriors to defend our country. They have given their life with bravery and honor.

Let our country be the monument, not of oppression but of freedom, not of hunger but of health, not of poverty but of richness, and all of these because of our men that serve to keep us here on the land of the free.

This is our America and it stands as an example to other countries to what it means to be free.

Thank all our men that wear a uniform, whether in our United States service, or a state, county or city; they are still our defenders. So, to all of them, thank you and three cheers.

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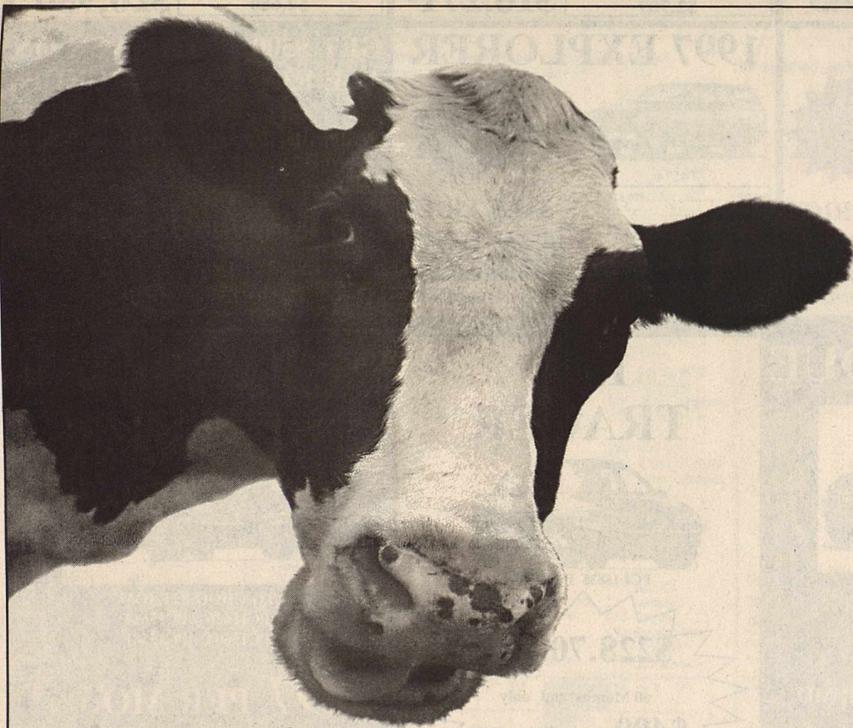
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Meeks finishes year with a perfect GPA

AUSTIN - Brandy K. Meeks completed a year at the University of Texas with a perfect 4.0 grade point average for both the fall and spring semesters, earning her the distinction of university honors.

Meeks plans to continue her studies here in the fall, majoring in business honors. She is considering pursuing a career in corporate law.

Pete's Sake

Jones ordered one of those build-it-yourself home kits.

Although he had no building experience nor training at all, he decided to do all the work himself.

A few weeks later, he put in a frantic call to the company he had ordered from.

"A dreadful thing happened," he declared. "I took away the scaffolding from my house and the whole thing collapsed!"

"Oh, you must not have read the instructions," the factory rep said. "You don't take away the scaffolding until you put up the wallpaper!"

Bubba and Thurmon were having another of those deep personal conversations about their love-lives.

"I can't make up my mind," Bubba said, "whether to marry this here wealthy widder that I don't really love or to marry this here poor girl that I really do love very much."

"Why, happiness is better than wealth," Thurmon said. "You better listen to your heart and marry that gal you love instead of hitching up with some woman just because she has got money."

"You're right, Thurmon," Bubba said. "By golly, I'm gonna marry the poor girl."

"In that case," Thurmon asked, "how 'bout giving me that widder's phone number?"

One of those smart-alec strangers from a big city came to town a while back and asked a lot of fool questions.

"Say," he demanded of Uncle Joe at the hardware store, "what's the death rate around here?"

"Same as it is in the big city, Bub," Uncle Joe said. "One to a person!"

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Rocksprings to host rodeo this weekend

ROCKSPRINGS - It will be an action-packed Fourth of July celebration weekend here as Rocksprings hosts one of the state's largest amateur Open Rodeos with performances on Friday and Saturday nights at 8 p.m.

This rodeo, which informally began in the late 1800s, is sponsored by the Edwards County Fair Association.

Events include bullriding, bareback and saddle-bronc riding, barrel racing for the ladies, tie-down calf roping, including a special section of this event for juniors, and county-wide and adjoining county team roping featuring local cowboys.

Spotlights will turn to the kids when the "mutton bustin" begins. This event gives youngsters age 10 and under a chance to demonstrate their growing cowboy skills by attempting to ride a sheep.

Also slated are dances each night from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m., with Richard Wolfe and the Magic River Band.

The celebration begins Saturday at 11 a.m. with a parade, which travels around the historic square in Rocksprings then continues to its finale at the Edwards County Fairgrounds. Cash prizes are given to division winners of the parade.

Visitors may attend the Old Settlers Reunion, which is held after the parade at the fairgrounds. This Rocksprings' tradition each year names a queen.

The queen's family history of life in the area is read, then displayed through old photos and family heirlooms. This reception is held at the fairgrounds at the Edwards County Park Building.

Also on Saturday is the crowning of the new Miss Edwards County. This year, four young ladies will vie for title. The winner will receive a scholarship from the Edwards County Chamber of Commerce.

Admission to this year's event is \$5 for adults and \$1 for kids.

Arneson joins Tigers' coaching staff

By J.J. Guidry
Sports Editor

Ron Arneson has joined the Brackett Tigers staff as an assistant varsity football coach.

This marks the first varsity job for Arneson, who is a Tarleton State graduate.

"Ron's a young, enthusiastic coach," Brackett Athletic Director Roy Rokovich said. "He's real excited about starting his varsity career at Brackett."

"Ron is a real competitor. He's been involved in athletics practically all of his life. He loves kids and I feel that he will be a great teacher of the game." Arneson coached junior high sports for two years at Sinton before taking this position.

"I like Brackettville a lot," Arneson said. "I like the small-town atmosphere. Everybody I've met so

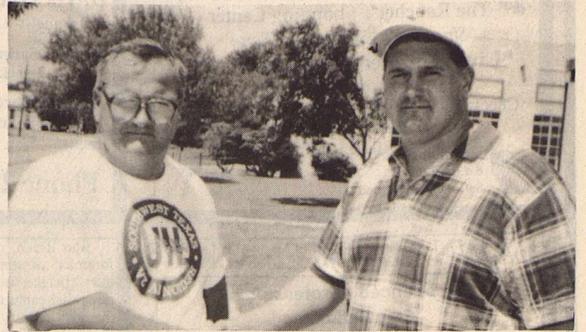
far has been real polite and made me feel welcomed. "This is a step up for me," he said. "This is my first high school varsity job."

Arneson has been opening the gym this week for the local children, which has enabled him to get an early look at some of Brackett's athletes.

"I'm very impressed," Arneson said. "I've never really been around a 2A and I wasn't sure what to expect with athletic potential here, but I'm very impressed. I think Brackettville has some really great athletes."

In addition to coaching football, Arneson will assist in girls' basketball and also coach a spring sport.

"I feel that he's going to be a great asset to our athletic program, plus he will be a great teacher in our school district," Rokovich added.



Brackett Athletic Director Roy Rokovich, left, welcomes Ron Arneson to the Tigers' coaching staff.

Junior golf circuit tees off at Fort Clark Springs

By J.J. Guidry
Sports Editor

FORT CLARK SPRINGS - The Southwest Texas Junior Golf Tour held its inaugural event here Monday and several local athletes walked away with honors.

The new summer junior golf program features five one-day tournaments this summer, with competition divided into five separate divisions for boys and girls.

Brackett's Chad Neuman took first place in the boys' division for ages 14-18 with a

76. Jarrett Harrison, also of Brackett, was second with an 86 and Eagle Pass' Mario Espinoza took third with an 87.

Other Brackett athletes participating in the oldest division were Brian Collier, who shot a 101, and Jeff Luna, who had a 105.

The girls' 14-18 division only played nine holes, and saw Brackett's Jennifer Ashabrunner walk away with top honors. She finished with a 52.

Liliana Rodriguez and Jenise Cerna, both of Eagle Pass, were second and third with scores of 53 and 55, respectively.

Victor Garcia of Eagle Pass shot a 55 to take first place honors in the boys' 14-16 category. Brackett's Chase Neuman was second with a 59.

Andrew Martinez of Uvalde won the 11-13 division for boys and girls with a 47. Eagle Pass' Jesus Diaz and Robert Martinez were second and third with scores of 48 and 50, respectively.

Brackett golfers competing in the 11-13 division were Jake Bostick, who shot a 59, Manuel Madrid, who had a 60, and Ashlie Antoine, who finished with a 67.

Brackett's Seth Frerich tied Danny Aranda of Eagle Pass for first place honors in the 7-10 category after both golfers finished with 25s.

Michael Stephenson was second with a 27, and Stanford Conoly and Casey Harris tied for third, each finishing with rounds of 28. Mike Fitzpatrick shot a 29 and Juliann Ashabrunner had a 32.

The next stop on the tour is July 16 at Del Rio. Other tournaments are scheduled for Carrizo Springs on July 24, Uvalde on July 30, and Eagle Pass on August 5.

Five Tigerettes earn honors

The Brackett Tigerettes placed five players on the 5-2A all-district softball team, which was announced recently by the conference's coaches.

Representing the Tigerettes on the elite squad are seniors Amy Bader, Courtney Harrison and Lindy LaMascus, and sophomores Hilda Aguirre and Stephanie Terrazas.

Terrazas was selected at second base, Bader at third base, Harrison at short stop, and Aguirre and LaMascus as outfielders.

Brackett finished second in the district race behind the Natalia Lady Mustangs, who advanced to the regional semifinals.

Natalia had six players named to the all-district team, including sophomore pitcher April Rodriguez, senior catcher Trisha Hollembeak, junior first baseman Sue Collins, junior third baseman Celica Fraga, and junior outfielders Lee Ann Stinson and Julia Holland.

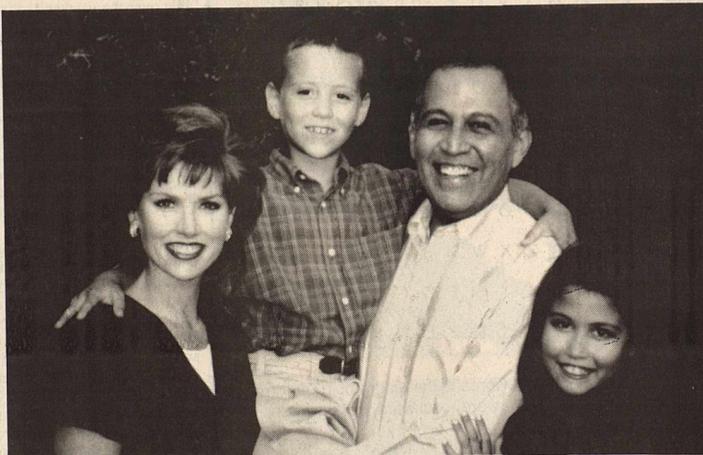
The D'Hanis Cowgirls, who finished third in the conference race, had two players earn hon-

ors - pitcher Annie Santos and short stop Molly Wilson. Both are juniors.

Brackett had two players earn honorable mention all-district - sophomore pitcher Patty Lopez and freshman first baseman LaToya Wright.

Also earning honorable mention are junior pitcher Krystal Burrell, sophomore catcher Erica Zinsmeyer, junior first baseman Deann Zinsmeyer, sophomore second baseman Lynn Wilson, and junior outfielder Wendy Martin, all of D'Hanis.

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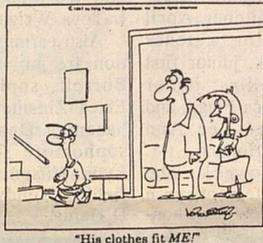
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| contestant | 53 Periodic table abbr. | 54 TV's "About You" | 55 Sarandon or O'Donnell | 56 Exploit | 57 Make one's day | 58 Coach | 59 "biennial" | 60 Kind of sch. | 62 Tympanic membrane | 64 Hasten | 65 Dickens character | 68 Genetic letters | 69 "Amber" (47 film) | 73 Horatian output | 74 Taj town | 76 You can retire on it | 79 Jergens or Astaire | 80 Italian river | 82 Synthetic textile | 83 Bunyan's whacker | 84 - the line (obeyed) | 85 '37 Shirley Temple movie | 1 Actor Carney | 90 Take into account | 92 Noble gas | 93 Gershwin heroine | 94 Asparagus servings | 96 "Pygmalion" playwright | 98 Take off "Dr. Quinn, Medicine Woman" | 8 Brash Nash | 9 Swerve | 10 Be off base | 11 Unrefined | 12 A shake in the grass? | 13 Complete the cake | 14 Sergeant's insignia | 15 '58 Elegants hit | 16 - St. Vincent | 17 Main Millay | 21 Mend | 23 Fade away | 28 Cadge | 30 "Wouldn't - Nice" (66 song) | 32 Guarantee | 33 Mrs. Jupiter | 34 Go along with | 35 Tuck's title | 36 Mrs. | 37 Faulkner's "Lay Dying" | 77 Be | 78 Joey and Kiki | 81 Primary color | 82 Vintage | 86 Turkey's neighbor | 87 Frankfurter's field | 88 Hoopsters' org. | 90 Noodle topping? | 91 Glacial effect | 95 First-class | 96 Cleaned a carp | 97 Grab all the goodies | 99 Brink | 100 Squinted at | 103 Roundun | 104 Comic Mandel | 105 Lose one's footing | 106 Nod off | 107 Singer Horne | 109 Verne captain | 110 Pull the Trigger? | 111 Ferrara first family | 112 Monterey Mrs. | 114 Buck's beloved | 115 Chum | 116 Ending for "chariot" | 117 Compass pt. |

MAGIC MAZE

COFFEE
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions-forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

Beans	Creamer	Clatch	Pot
Break	Cup	Maker	Shop
Cake	Grinder	Mill	Table
Can	House	Plant	

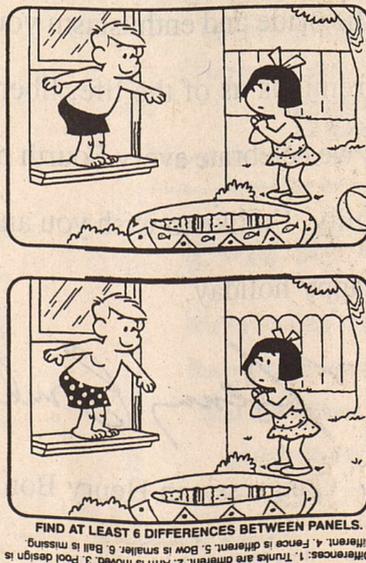
Your Horoscope by Natasha

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) It's time to think about how best to deal with your debts. Perhaps refinancing or consolidating is in order. Home-based activities are especially enjoyable over the weekend.
TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Don't let a business delay get in your way early in the week. Later, you receive good news from a close friend. The weekend finds you looking for intellectual and cultural stimulation.
GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Someone you've always considered to be a mentor and influence on you lets you down. You need to be more understanding. Remember, we're all human beings! Make important phone calls over the weekend.
CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You need to make some changes in the way you're handling your finances. On the job front, you receive praise and recognition for achievements. Gains are likely by week's end.
LEO (July 23 to August 22) Your business week is full of fits and starts, and you feel you can't accomplish anything. One door closes and another opens. Be alert for these new opportunities.
VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Benefits come through a friendship early in the week. Later, a mental project is time-consuming but rewarding. The weekend favors any activity of a group nature.
LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You are at a crossroads with a close friend and need to re-evaluate the relationship. You are on the right track, though, concerning your career. The weekend is full of romance.
SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) You're full of questions about home and property mat-



ters and need to get some answers from a reliable source. Early socializing is followed by some solitude over the weekend.
SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Keep that private matter to yourself. Don't confide in a prying friend. Later in the week, you receive happy news concerning a financial matter. Mental activities are favored.
CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A turning point is likely for those involved in a relationship. Parents face some difficult decisions concerning child-rearing. The evening brings renewed self-confidence.
AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Your workload is almost overwhelming this week, but you're up to the task. Financial opportunities are on the horizon, so be on the alert. Quiet pursuits are best for the weekend.
PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You are super sharp mentally and seem to have all the answers. Extra responsibilities arise in connection with a partnership. A unique opportunity is yours for the asking.
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HOCUS-FOCUS



FIND AT LEAST 6 DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PANELS.
 Differences: 1. Trunks are different. 2. Arm is moved. 3. Pool design is different. 4. Fence is different. 5. Bow is smaller. 6. Ball is missing.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

July 3	Jane Custard	July 7	Damien Falcon
July 3	Zack Davis	July 8	Norman Frost
July 3	Mabel Parham	July 8	Jackie Smith
July 4	Tomas Castillo	July 8	Jennifer Terrazas
July 4	Cissy DeLeon	July 9	Edna Black
July 4	Andres L. Pena	July 9	Theresa Davis
July 5	Lonnie Barrett	July 9	Saida Martinez
July 5	Max Hensley	July 9	Elida Talamantez
July 6			Bill Adams

AUCTIONS

LARGE PUBLIC AUCTION cars, trucks, vans. Over 10,000 sq. ft. of merchandise inside! July 12, something for everyone! River City Auctioneers 210-226-6311 for information.

BIDS

INVITATION TO BID - Brackett Independent School District is seeking bids for dairy, bread, and meat products for the 1997-98 school year. Any party interested in receiving a spec sheet for one or more bids may do so by contacting: Brackett Independent School District, Taylor Stephenson, Superintendent, P.O. Box 586, Brackettville, Texas 78832, 210-563-2491. All bids are to be specifically marked and are due into the Central Office by 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 31, 1997. Brackett Independent School District is an Equal Opportunity Employer and reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

BILLION DOLLAR INDUSTRY distribute vitamins to 30 established local sites. No selling! Huge profits. No overhead. Minimum investment \$3,500 required 1-800-321-7690/24 hr.

FRITO LAY/HERSHEY route! Top local sites! \$1,200+ weekly potential! Part-time/full-time! Excellent cash business! Expand to desire income! \$5,000 minimum investment. 1-800-617-6430, Ext. 5900.

\$HUGE PROFITS! NO selling. Restock display in busy locations. \$5K minimum investment. National health company expanding distributorships. 1-800-240-4616.

LOCAL CANDY ROUTE. 30 vending machines. Earn apx. \$800/day. All for \$9,995. Call 1-800-998-VEND.

OWN YOUR OWN mortgage company \$2,950.00 complete. 1-800-800-3361, Ext. 5321.

WORK AT HOME \$1000 to \$5000 PT/FT. Paid Vacation 210-737-1998

DRIVERS WANTED

\$1,000 SIGN-ON bonus for van division. PFT/Roberson, CX/Roberson's looking for flatbed/van drivers. Up to 30-31¢/mile to start. Need class A CDL, 1 year OTR 1-800-473-5581. EOE/M-F.

DRIVER/O/O...WE pay for experience. Great equipment, sign-on & performance bonus, medical & dental insurance & more. Call Danny Herman today 1-800-331-3725.

DRIVER - DALLAS/FORT WORTH area. More experience means more money with our new pay scale, and new grads get tuition reimbursement! Call Gainey Transportation Services now! 1-800-376-4144.

DRIVER - EXPERIENCE PAYS. \$36-42K + first yr. 2,500-3,000 miles/wk. Need 3 yrs OTR w/ 1 yr flatbed exp. Class A CDL reg. at Combined Transport 1-800-637-4407. Johnnie.

DRIVER JOIN the leader in miles for the last four years. Earn \$70,000 to \$128,000 yearly. Covenant Transport experienced drivers/owner operator teams. Toll Free 1-800-441-4394, 1-888-MORE-PAY, graduate students 1-800-338-6428.

DRIVERS WANTED

DRIVER - JTI, INC. is hiring OTR professionals now! Competitive pay, late-model conventionals, executive-style benefits, quarterly bonuses, rider program. Call for details. 1-800-331-7746.

DRIVER - NEW PAY raise. New Century-Class condos! Up to 31¢/mile, with pay for experience. Higher compensation for O/Os, too! Cal Ark International. 1-88-4-CALARK.EOE.

DRIVERS: OWNER OPERATOR & company driver, the word's out. Dalworth/Arnold is looking for top qualified drivers in your area. Great package! Call 1-800-333-3064.

DRIVERS - OTR, RUN with the best - Dallas Carriers Corp * good benefits * sign-on bonus * liberal time off * 23 yrs. old * needed 6 months' experience 1-800-727-4374. EOE.

DRIVERS - OTR WE get you home in Texas! TWX offers great pay, great freight, and great benefits. Texas is ideal! Call today, start tomorrow. 1-800-730-5558.

DRIVERS -VAN/FLATBED 48 state OTR. Assigned new conventional, competitive pay, benefits. \$1,000. Sign on bonus, rider program, flexible time off. Call Roadrunner Trucking 1-800-876-7784.

FLEETWOOD TRANSPORTATION SERVICE needs long haul flatbed drivers. Drive new Petes. Guaranteed time home and complete package of benefits. Also need owner operators. Call 1-800-458-4279.

HAROLD IVES TRUCKING needs motivated individuals to enter our training program. Call 1-888-270-1676 for complete information. Now taking owner operators \$80 empty/loaded call: 1-888-367-4837.

OTR TRUCK DRIVERS wanted! Experienced or non-experienced - free training and 1st year income \$30K Stevens Transport 1-800-333-8595 EOE.

RAPID FREIGHT IS currently hiring OTR drivers. Minimum 1 yr. verifiable experience class A CDL with hazmat. Call recruiting 1-800-607-5695.

EMPLOYMENT

RIO GRANDE ELECTRIC cooperative, Inc. (RGEC) is accepting applications for the position of Switchboard Operator to fill a vacancy in the Cooperative's Brackettville Office. Applicants must be able to provide efficient and courteous service in the receiving and directing of telephone communications. Maintains office supplies and inventory. Skills in oral and written communications in the English language. Willing to work overtime, if needed. Applications may be picked up or requested from any RGEC office and must be mailed to RGEC, Administrative Department, P.O. Box 1509, Brackettville, Texas, 78832. Applications must be postmarked on or before July 10, 1997. RGEC is an EOE (Vacancy 97/09).

PART-TIME TYPIST position available. Computer and language skills are essential. Call 563-2852 for Appointment.

RADIO/TV ANNOUNCER apprenticeships available. Learn-by-doing at stations in your area. DJs, newscasters, sportscasters, etc. needed. No experience required, flexible schedules. BTN toll-free 1-888-96RADIO or www.learn-by-doing.com

EMPLOYMENT

SALES PERSON NEEDED! No experience necessary! Will train! THE BRACKETT NEWS is accepting applications for the position of Advertising Salesperson. Must be self motivated, people person with good communication skills and have own vehicle. Come by the Brackett News office to apply.

RIO GRANDE ELECTRIC cooperative, Inc. (RGEC) is accepting applications for the position of Administrative Secretary to fill a vacancy in the Cooperative's Brackettville Office. Applicants must have three years experience as a secretary, and oral and written communications in the English language. Experience with creating spreadsheets and word processing, Microsoft Excel and Word preferred, or the ability to learn this software. Processes and routes all incoming and outgoing mail. Type at least 60 words per minute, 10-key and office equipment. Back up on telephones. Must be able to maintain confidential information. Willing to work overtime, if needed. Must possess a valid Texas driver's license with a clear driving record. Applications may be picked up or requested from any RGEC office and must be mailed to RGEC, Administrative Department, P.O. Box 1509, Brackettville, Texas, 78832. Applications must be postmarked on or before July 10, 1997. RGEC is an EOE (Vacancy 97/08).

FINANCIAL SERVICES

\$\$\$BAD CREDIT? OVER due bills? You can consolidate your bills! Have one low monthly payment! Same day approval available! Call now! 1-800-366-9698 Extension 119.

CASH FOR YOUR real estate note. If you receive mortgage payments, call us for best price. Residential, commercial, land. Nationwide buyer. First Capital Mortgage. 1-800-289-4687.

CASH NOW FOR future payments! We buy payments from insurance settlement, annuities, mortgage notes. We also buy Casino winnings annuities. Call R & P Capital 1-800-338-5815.

DEBT CONSOLIDATIONS. CUT monthly payments up to 30-50%. Reduce interest. Stop collection calls. Avoid bankruptcy FREE confidential help NCCS non-profit, licensed/bonded. 1-800-955-0412.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE: 1986 Ford F150 Truck \$3,500. Call 563-2828 Monday thru Friday 8:00 to 5:00 p.m.

FREE GOLF BALLS! With purchase of high quality golf shirt that aligns you on each and every shot, and shows you where to put the ball in your stance. \$49.95 + \$4.50. S+H 1-800-572-9627 http://www.T-2-GREEN.com

OWN FOR THE price of renting! Build your home now, without the downpayment banks demand. Complete construction & permanent financing if qualified. DeGeorge Home Alliance, 1-800-343-2884.

TRI-STATE STORM Shelters patio top, seamless one pour shelter 8x10 to 20x20. 1-888-257-5131, 405-749-0606.

WHAT'S SO DIFFERENT about the Happy Jack 3-X flea and tick collar? It works! Available O-T-C at farm, feed & hardware stores.

REAL ESTATE

O'Rourke Realty
Elsa & Paul O'Rourke
210-563-2713
F C S Memberships
& Rentals Available

2 bed, 1 bath, large fenced yard, shade trees, 2 storage buildings.

On golf course, 2 bed, 2 baths, long & wide screened porch with glass shutters overlooks creek. This house could be easily converted into 3 bedrooms.

3 bed., 2 baths, mobile home in Unit 15 of Fort Clark. Carport, Morgan Building. Good quality furniture and appliances including washer & dryer. Membership included. Asking price \$25,000.00.

Several RV lots for sale with and without buildings.

GARAGE SALE

MOVING SALE - July 5th, 8 to 3, Unit 15 Lot 89

HEALTH

DIABETIC? ARE YOU still paying for supplies? Why? For information on how you can receive supplies at little or no cost call 1-800-678-5733.

DIABETES? STILL PAYING for supplies? Why? You may be able to receive supplies at little or no cost. Call 1-800-678-5733 for free consultation.

LOSE WEIGHT fast, safe, simple and keep it off. All Natural. 210-737-7878.

LEASE OR RENT

FOR RENT 3 bedroom 2 bath 9 year old brick home. 15 miles northeast of Brackettville off 334. Contact James Rose 210-278-7081.

LOST

LOST DOG - \$100 reward for chocolate labrador, named Monica, maroon colored harness, 563-2740, 563-2705 Please return. That's my baby.

MISCELLANEOUS

POOL CITY'S KAYAK Pools, demo homesites wanted to display new maintenance free pool. Save thousands w/this unique opportunity! 100% financing...call 1-800-338-9919.

MOBILE HOMES

1ST TIME HOMEBUYERS, If you have no credit or very little credit & 2 years on the job. We can get you in a new home. Single or doublewide. Call 1-800-760-7711.

1ST TIME HOMEBUYER financing now available for a limited time. Qualify by phone 1-800-760-7711

2ND CHANCE FINANCING! Buy a repo single or doublewide, just like new, mobile homes. Reestablish your credit. For details call 1-800-760-7711.

BANK MUST SELL Repo's, like new, low down payment's, low monthly payments. Easy qualifying. Call 1-800-760-7711.

KINNEY COUNTY LAND CO

Unit 31, on 3 lots, 2 bedroom, 2 bath, with hot tub, covered RV parking. Very Nice.

Historic Home in Historic District on 49 acres, must see the interior.

Lovely 2 bedroom, 2 bath home on 2 lots, large kitchen, screened porch, double garage unit 23, \$79,900

DEBBIE TRANT LOCKHART REAL ESTATE

Fort: Price slashed on 2 bed, 2 bath rock home in private location. Priced \$14,000 below appraised value. Wood stove, saltillo tile, carport, sprinkler system. \$63,000

New listing: Extra nice 3 bed, 2 bath mobile home with metal over-roof, large screened porch, carport, new carpeting, sprinkler system, fenced yard. Call to see!

Move right in: Lovely 3 bed, 2 bath stone home offers quality features, wood stove, built in cabinets + 650 +- sq. ft. addition & maintenance free yard in central location.

MOBILE HOMES

ABANDONED 3 brm - 2 bth DBL-WIDE Make up back payments. 210-591-2727.

SLIGHT DAMAGE 3 brm - 2 bth. Loaded. Possible work for down payment. Hurry! 210-591-2727.

MOBILE HOME For Sale. In park. Ask for John. Financing available. 210-591-2727.

Q & S HOMES SALES OF UVALDE Special built Schult Factory Purchase. Loaded! 97 3 brm - 2 bth 16x80 Vinyl siding, Shingle roof, Plywood floors, Dishwasher, 5 year warranty. 2 months free park rent! Only 265.27 a mo. 11% APR 360 Mo. 10% down. 210-591-2727.

WHY RENT, New 3 br. 2 bath mobile home. Fully loaded with island kitchen, dishwasher, stove, frig, sliding door, bay window, glamour bath, plywood floors, washer and dryer. Only \$500.00 down, \$392.00 mo. for 240 mo. 12.25% APR. 1-800-756-7711.

NO PAYMENTS UNTIL SEPT., New 3 bedroom, 2 bath, mobile home with free washer and dryer, only \$187.00 mo. 10% down, 360 mo. loan, 9.0% APR Subject to increase. 1-800-756-7711.

REAL ESTATE

80 ACRES WYOMING level to rolling land, east of Rock Springs. Only \$14,995 with \$95 down, \$149 month, 10% interest for 18 years. John 619-624-0009.

HOUSE FOR SALE Fireplace-jacuzzi-shop-R.V. shelter. #8 Bowlegs F.C.S. 563-2047

Sheriff's Report

Thursday, June 26
12:02 a.m., A Brackettville woman reported that her 1986 Ford Escort four-door white station wagon had been stolen.

12:30 a.m., Deputy Sheriff Vito La Gioia was notified of a

stolen 1986 Ford Escort. La Gioia and DPS Trooper Richard Slubar spotted the vehicle at 12:50. The officers reported that the vehicle sped off as they turned on their overhead lights. The vehicle died at Highway 90 and the suspects ran. The two juveniles were later brought in by their parents. The case will be turned over to juvenile authorities.

8:08 p.m., A Brackettville man brought in a wallet he found on Ann Street. The owner of the wallet was notified.

Friday, June 27
1:48 p.m., A Brackettville woman requested that an EMS attendant be dispatched to her residence to look at her son's head. Michelle Rosas of the Kinney County EMS was dispatched to the scene.

11:38 p.m., A Brackettville woman requested a deputy to patrol near her residence because her dogs were barking. Deputy La Gioia was dispatched to the scene. At 12:04 a.m., La Gioia reported that everything was secure.

Saturday, June 28
3:18 p.m., Deputy Sheriff Adrian Pena said that he was informed of a one-car accident near the Nueces Canyon bridge on Highway 90 in Uvalde County. Officials notified the Uvalde County Sheriff's Department.

9:21 p.m., A Del Rio woman reported that her son had run away and was believed to be in Kinney County. Deputy La Gioia found the juvenile and the woman was notified.

Sunday, June 29
10:40 p.m., A Fort Clark Springs man reported a wreckless driver 10 miles west of the Brackettville city limits. Deputy Sheriff Karl Chism was dispatched to the scene but was unable to locate the vehicle.

Tuesday, July 1
10:46 a.m., A buffalo was reported loose at the Border Patrol checkpoint near Cline.

JUNE 1997
Active staff specialist with regular local office hours:

Bitar, Jamil M.D. Internal Medicine & Cardiology	591-1294
Box, Gloria, G., M.D. Orthopedic Surgeon	278-2292
Carpinteyro, Ralph, M.D. Internal Medicine	278-6681
Antonio De La Cruz, M.D. Family Practice	278-7105
Flanders, Barry, M.D. Radiologist	278-6251
Gaitonde, G.V., M.D. Surgery	278-4568
Garza, Steve R., M.D. Family Practice/OB	278-4453
Lewis, Brandon J., M.D. Family Practice	278-4426
Lutton, Richard B., M.D. Family Practice/OB	278-4453
Mazloun, Bassem W., M.D. Internal & Gastroenterology Medicine	278-8096
Nair, Vinod, M.D. Internal Medicine	278-7105
Preddy, John, D.O. Family Practice/O.B.	278-7101
Shah, Jayesh B., M.D. Internal Medicine	591-1955
Sheffield, W. Edward Jr. M.D. Orthopedic Surgeon	278-2541
Shudde, John L., M.D. Family Practice	278-3118
Sosa, Isaac, M.D. Internal Medicine	278-6265
Strickland, Martha B., M.D. Allergy	278-3220
Utterback, Carl, M.D., Family Practice/OB	278-4588
Watkins, Harry O., M.D., Surgery	278-3213
* 300 Wing -Other Specialist- 1042 Garner Field Road	
Dr. Arlo Terry Ophthalmologist (Every Tuesday)	278-9465
Dr. Christine Truitt Neurologist, (7/10, 7/24)	(210) 614-3959
Dr. Rudolfo Molina Rheumatologist (7/24)	(210) 690-8067
Dr. John Huff Rheumatologist (7/17)	(210) 690-8067
Dr. Matthew Mossbacher Rheumatologist,	(210) 690-8067

UVALDE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
Out-Patient Clinic Calendar
1021 Garner Field Road

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
		1	2	3
	Dr. Terry Seidel* Plastic/Reconstructive Surgeon 210-792-2124	Dr. Stephen Miller* Dermatologist 210-614-3575	Dr. James R. Meyer* Gynecologist 210-741-3361 Dr. George Swanson* Otolaryngologist/ENT 210-278-6251	4 HAPPY 4TH OF JULY
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Dr. Sammy Vick* Urologist 210-278-6251 Dr. Richard Goad* Podiatrist 210-278-6251	Dr. Clayton Hudnall* Urologist 210-278-6251	Dr. Stephen Miller* Dermatologist 210-614-3575 Dr. Fernando Triana* Cardiologist 210-614-5400	Dr. Bob James* Pediatric Dentist 210-278-6251	Dr. Anna Sanchez* Dr. Michael Roth* Podiatrist 210-278-6251 Dr. Kenneth Bloom* Pediatric Cardiologist 1-800-697-7008
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