

# The Brackett News



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## Briefs ...

### Pre-registration set for Tuesday at school

The last day for pre-registration at the Brackett Independent School District is Tuesday.

The pre-registration for middle school and high school students, grades 6 through 12, will be from 9 a.m. to noon and 1:30 to 3 p.m.

For more information, call 563-2491.

### Budget hearings set

The city of Brackettville and the Brackett School District have set dates for their annual budget hearings.

The city's annual budget hearing is Tuesday at City Hall, while the school's hearing is scheduled for Aug. 18.

### Hispanic organization hosts career awareness program on Monday

The Las Moras Hispanic Organization will be sponsoring a Career Awareness Night for all seniors and their parents on Monday at 7 p.m. at the Kinney County Nutrition Center.

The goal of the evening is to inform parents and seniors of the different career opportunities available, the importance of "The Senior Year," and to motivate both seniors and parents to begin planning for post-secondary education early in the school year.

Officials said an excellent group of motivational speakers is lined up, followed by a question and answer session.

Refreshments will be served.

### Border Patrol assists in returning deceased Mexican National

A deceased man in his 50s was discovered by Carrizo Springs Border Patrol Agents on the side of Farm Road 2644 near El Indio early Saturday evening.

Two companions identified as nephews of the deceased said that the man, a resident of Xonconpote Grande, Dolores Hidalgo, GTO, Mexico, had crossed into the United States illegally the day before with them and had been walking all day before collapsing.

According to the nephews, after the man collapsed, they brought him closer to the roadway to seek assistance. A passing truck stopped by the side of the road and contacted the Border Patrol. The man was pronounced dead by Justice of the Peace Ray Demming.

# Ward turns down appointment, court still without county judge

By J.J. Guidry  
News Editor

After waiting over six hours, the Kinney County Commissioners Court voted to name Tim Ward county judge only to have the former judge turn down the appointment.

The court will resume discussions of appointing a temporary county judge during a special meeting at 1:30 this afternoon.

The commissioners met at 1:15 on Friday afternoon but postponed discussions until 7:30 that night so Precinct 2 Commissioner Joe Montalvo, who was out of state, could be present.

*"I do feel like, though, for me to be in a position to accept that appointment, I would need the support of a majority of the members of the court."*

**Former County Judge Tim Ward**

The court went into session Friday night and Montalvo was still absent. Precinct 1 Commissioner Freddie Frerich said Montalvo's "plane was delayed."

The commissioners were discussing the appointment of a judge to serve during the suspension of County Judge Tommy Seargeant.

Seargeant and Montalvo were indicted

by the grand jury last month on theft and misappropriation of public property charges.

Seargeant has served 14 years as Kinney County judge in three stretches going back to 1971.

The Texas Government Code says "the commissioners court may appoint a resident of the county to fill the office until the

next term or until the suspension ends, whichever event occurs first."

At Friday night's meeting, Frerich motioned to appoint Ward and Precinct 4 Commissioner Paul O'Rourke seconded the motion. Frerich and O'Rourke both voted for the appointment and Precinct 3 Commissioner Joe Williams abstained.

"I respect very much the position that you are all in, it's not an easy one," Ward told the commissioners. "I've been on both sides, so I can really appreciate and identify with the burden you have with trying to come up with the right decision and trying to pick the right person."

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Members of the Buffalo Soldiers were in Brackettville on Monday and Tuesday helping to get the playground at Jones Elementary School ready for the start of school on Aug. 18.

## School board discusses code of conduct

By J.J. Guidry  
News Editor

The Brackett School Board of Trustees discussed the district's code of conduct at a special meeting Tuesday night.

It was the first reading of the revised code of conduct, which consists of statutory changes made during the last legislative session.

"It primarily talks about what the state expects of those young people who attend school," Superintendent Taylor Stephenson said. "It defines rules for placement into alternative educational programs. It talks about rules for expulsions and suspensions."

"It covers every part of school discipline with the exception of basic campus and classroom rules

for minor infractions. Those are covered at the building level.

"The changes this year, I believe, give the school a little more authority over students," he said.

One of the changes extends school district's authority on disciplinary matters 300 feet from any school campus or grounds.

"We have the same authority over students within a 300-foot distance from campus," Stephenson said. "Some of the problems around schools occur across the street or across the block. This change gives us more authority, and that was given to all schools in Texas by the state legislature."

The school board will discuss the code of conduct again at its regular meeting on Monday night at 6:30.

## McDaniel fills trustee vacancy

By J.J. Guidry  
News Editor

The Brackett School Board unanimously appointed Jim McDaniel as a trustee Tuesday night at a special meeting.

McDaniel has served six years on the board of trustees and was vice president during his last term.

"It's a pleasure to serve," McDaniel said. "I plan to serve out Jimmy's term. He's a friend and I think a lot like him, so I think it is an honor they considered me to take his place."

McDaniel replaces Board President Jimmy Bader who resigned last week.

"Jim comes on with a lot of knowledge," said Trustee Darlene Shahan, who made the motion to appoint McDaniel. "He won't have to go through a lot of training."

"His experience will help because we're at a real important time right now with the budget. We just don't know what we're going to do at this stage because of the election on Saturday for the homestead exemption which will effect funding and teachers' salaries."

McDaniel's term will expire in May 1999.

"Jim McDaniel is an outstanding representative from our community," Superintendent Taylor



JIM MCDANIEL

Stephenson said. "He has a very keen interest in education. I think he will represent our district well."

Based on district policy, Vice President Lloyd Lee Davis will fill Bader's role as president of the board.

"Lloyd Lee is a good leader and he knows parliamentary procedure," Stephenson said. "I think the board has confidence in him and so do I."

Trustee Tim Ward was selected to fill Davis' position as the vice president.

"Tim has great experience in leadership roles," Stephenson said. "He's dealt with budgeting and he's dealt with the public. He has a great interest in our school."

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## Band sports two directors

By J.J. Guidry  
News Editor

The Brackett Fighting Tiger Band has begun preparations for the upcoming school year, but this year is different than any other previous year.

For the first time in the school's history, the band has two directors - Hector Jimenez and Roxanne Gonzalez.

"I think it's an advantage having two directors," Superintendent Taylor Stephenson said. "It's a hard job, particularly in marching season. There's just not enough hours in a day to get it all done."

"We're not spending much more money than we spent last year for two because Hector Jimenez is a part-time person and Roxanne Gonzalez is full-time."

Jimenez is the head band director and will continue to teach fifth grade. Gonzalez is an assistant director for the high school band and will teach elementary and middle school music.

"I think it's going to be a bet-

ter arrangement for them," Stephenson said. "It's always been difficult to shift gears from teaching high school one period and third grade the next period."

"Right now, Roxanne's specialty is the younger children. I think it's going to be a major advantage."

Jimenez took over Brackett's band program in April.

"He took over last year and did an outstanding job," Stephenson said. "We had an excellent spring concert at the end of the year and the band's showing at the commencement services was very commendable."

"Hector loves music and loves bands with that love."

Jimenez studied music three years in college, but earned his degree in education.

"I wanted to be in the classroom," he said.

Jimenez taught at the parochial school in Eagle Pass, where he organized a marching and concert band.

"I stayed with them for over

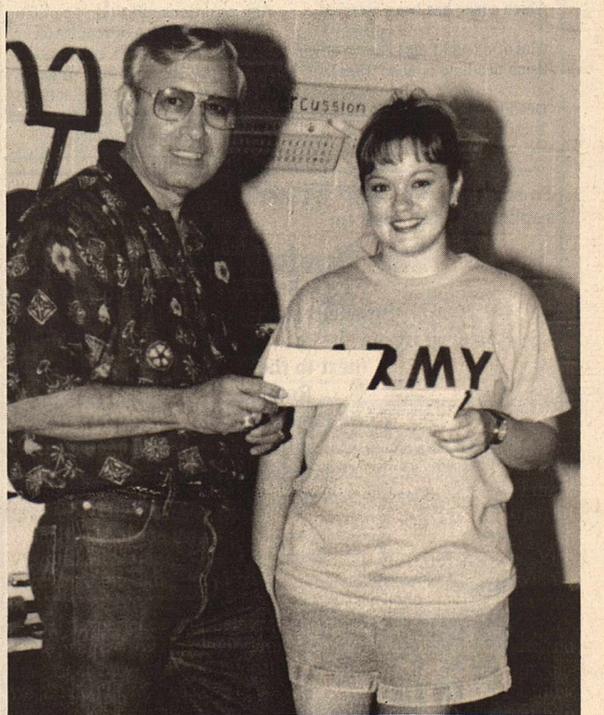
five years, but I never did go back on campus to get a music degree," he said.

Jimenez was in the United States Air Force Band, in addition to being a member of the marching bands at Trinity University in San Antonio and West Texas University in Canyon.

Jimenez said having two band directors is "a positive thing."

"The music department, previously, did not allow enough time for the band director to actually work on the detailed stuff for marching band or concert band because the lower grades required just as much attention as the high school program," he said.

"Now, with Roxanne specializing with the middle school and elementary school kids, it gives us a very strong objective: start the kids early, give them the training that they need, develop their musicality and their talents, and by the time they come to high school the transition is more easy for them."



Hector Jimenez, left, and Roxanne Gonzalez discuss music selection for the upcoming year. Brackett News Photo by J.J. Guidry

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## Letter to the Editor

### FCS' directors should fulfill their duties as elected officials

To the members of Fort Clark Springs:

On Sunday, July 27, Mr. Bob Slate, the manager of the golf course, was fired. In the last nine months, the golf course made a profit of \$26,620.

In the same period, the manager of the 'crown jewel' of Fort Clark (the Las Moras Restaurant) lost \$39,057. It lost \$7,041 in the

month of June.

The Board of Directors were elected to protect the interest of the members. They either do not know how, or they do not care. Shame on them.

Call or write.

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He who has health, has hope;  
And he who has hope, has everything.

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## Everyone wins with new tax cuts

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

This week, Congress passed the first major tax relief package for Americans since the days of Ronald Reagan.

The Tax Relief Act's numbers sound good: \$94 billion in net tax relief over five years and more than \$260 billion over 10 years. But you may be wondering what all this means to you and your family.

Whether you are a farmer, rancher, merchant or parent, this plan ensures that you and your family have control over your money and your life.

This bill returns freedom back to American families and small businesses by slashing the estate or "death" tax and reducing the capital gains tax rate. Also, it provides families with a \$500 child tax credit and an education tax credit to ensure that parents have the resources they need to raise their children.

The Tax Relief Act is great news for Texas families. First, it puts the death tax on the road to extinction.

Starting Jan. 1, 1998, family farms, ranches and businesses will receive a \$1.3 million exemption from the death tax. That's a \$700,000 increase over the current exemption.

Moreover, over the next 10 years, it increases the amount every Texan can pass on to their children, free of the federal government.

These significant cuts in the death tax are a great first step. But we won't be satisfied until the death tax is eliminated. Something is definitely wrong when families are forced to sell off their family business, farm or ranch just to pay the federal government.

This bill does the right thing and gives families assurance that their hard-earned family business will be in the family for generations to come.

The Tax Relief Act is great news for Texas small businesses. Lowering the capital gains tax rates gives many small business owners the leeway they need to be able to create more jobs.

Cutting capital gains taxes spurs investments and creates jobs. That means a stronger economy and more opportunities for every American.

While some people in Washington believe in higher taxes to pay for a bigger bureaucracy, we believe in sending the power and the resources back to hard-working Americans.

The Tax Relief Act is a victory for all Americans. It means you keep more of what you earn to spend or save as you see fit, not to pay the federal government. It means more time for family and community. It means more control over your life. And we're just getting started.

We will keep working to end the IRS as we know it and replace our tax code with a single, low rate for all Americans.

## Raising expectations for all students

By Mike Moses  
Commissioner of Education

On July 11, the State Board of Education cast a historic vote to approve the rewrite of our state's public school curriculum known as the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS).

While much has been said about this document during its creation, now that it is final and soon to be implemented in each school, it is the final version of the document that Texans should judge.

Hundreds of improvements, submitted by caring parents and teachers as well as respected experts in various fields of study, have resulted in a document which one noted scholar called, "among the best in the nation."

Creating this curriculum was not easy. Anytime an attempt is made to take all of the knowledge in the world and reduce it to a form that is manageable, there will be disagreements among those involved. This is especially true in a state such as Texas with more than 18 million citizens who often pride themselves on independence and traditional values.

The views of all Texans were respected during this process and, where possible, viewpoints from across the ideological spectrum were included.

There is no doubt that this document is more conservative and rigorous than the early draft that was referred to as "mush" by Governor Bush.

As a matter of fact, it was constructive criticism such as that offered by Governor Bush and oth-

ers in favor of more rigorous academics that promoted numerous changes to the TEKS.

In the end, those changes resulted in a document endorsed by groups of parents, professional education organizations, and some of the most esteemed scholars in the country, including Dr. Diane Ravitch of New York University, Dr. Barbara Foorman of the University of Texas - Houston Health Science Center, and noted historian T.R. Fehrenbach.

It is also interesting to note that many of the individuals who helped draft an alternative English/language arts document known as the TAD eventually endorsed the TEKS standard for English/language arts, proving that working together in a constructive manner improved this process and strengthened our curriculum standards.

Under this curriculum, students will be asked to know, identify and list rather than simply "understand or explore" certain subjects. Students will be expected to know more, perform better, think more critically, and communicate more effectively than under our current curriculum known as the "essential elements."

First graders will learn more grammar and demonstrate the use of good punctuation skills.

Third graders will be expected to know the planets and their relationship to the sun.

Students in fourth grade will be expected to know their multiplication tables up to "12 times 12" and know about the founding fathers of our nation and the Constitution.

Sixth graders will have an opportunity to read rich literature as determined by local decision-makers, such as Shakespeare's "Julius Caesar" and Dickens' "A Tale of Two Cities."

Ninth graders will be expected to understand algebraic and geometry concepts of greater rigor than before.

Ultimately, high school graduates will have the opportunity to be literate, thoughtful citizens prepared for the challenges of the 21st Century.

While some may still disagree, the fact remains that we are "raising the bar" on student performance every year in Texas; and this curriculum continues that goal through an ambitious set of standards which, I believe, are unmatched by any state in the nation.

The many thousands of individuals all across Texas who contributed to this process deserve our respect and gratitude for their efforts.

In the end, this is not a document that belongs to the Texas Education Agency, nor the many men and women who assisted in its creation. It belongs to the citizens of this state for the benefit of all children.

As we begin the process of implementing this curriculum and our textbooks, tests, and instructional strategies become more rigorous, the results will be obvious and, quite frankly, long overdue. We will have public schools that have the full confidence of the community, higher standards, and accountability to the taxpayers who make it all possible.



Capitol Comment

U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison

## Protecting our children

In June, the U.S. Supreme Court made what is in this day and age a stunning decision: Society has the right to protect its children. The court ruled that states may continue to keep habitual child molesters locked up, even after they've completed their prison sentences.

Leroy Hendricks, the kind of criminal who gives parents nightmares, is at the center of this story. Over a 40-year period, Hendricks accumulated five convictions for molesting children in particularly horrible ways, and was accused of countless other crimes with which he never was charged. Hendricks told the last court to try him that the only way for him to stop molesting children when released from prison "is to die."

On completion of his last prison sentence, a court determined Hendricks is both "mentally abnormal" and dangerous. So the state of Kansas kept him confined to a mental facility under its Sexually Violent Predators Act.

But a great effort was mounted on Hendrick's behalf to gain his release. This was based on the argument that the Fifth Amendment prohibition against "double jeopardy" - forbidding the government to punish a person twice for the same crime - was violated by the Kansas statute.

The Hendricks case goes to the core of the debate over what the Constitution allows our society to do to protect its most vulnerable.

In 1949, U.S. Supreme Court Justice Robert Jackson wrote that Constitutional logic must be tempered with practical wisdom in such cases to avoid converting "the constitutional Bill of Rights into a suicide pact." Unfortunately, until last month's ruling, the court has ignored Justice Jackson's warning. Previous courts have put the rights of criminals - even child molesters - ahead of the rights of children to be safe in our society.

Happily, the court has come around to the common-sense idea that preventing highly predictable crimes against children is a good idea.

Our society has begun to realize that it has a premier obligation to protect its young from predators, more than 40 percent of whom commit repeat offenses. The Supreme Court ruling is indicative of this realization.

Additionally, Texas and many other states have statutes similar to New Jersey's "Megan's Law," which require community notification when a molester is released from prison and takes up residence.

Last year, Congress passed legislation which I introduced that requires life imprisonment for two-time child sex offenders when their cases are heard in federal court. It also provides a nationwide system of tracking sex offenders so society can keep tabs on them if they move from one state to another.

These measures will not put an end to child molestation. But it is our responsibility to take what steps we can take to prevent it. To do less is, indeed, to turn the Constitution into a mutual suicide pact and force our children to join it.

Child molestation is a horrendous crime. Justice must serve the youngest and most vulnerable among us, as well as those who prey on them.

## Volunteers Needed

We need Volunteers to help set up our new playground equipment. This is the equipment we purchased from our towel sales. Work days are August 15 & 16, 7:30 am to 1 pm. Will have drinks and watermelon. Please come out and help. Thanks, Mary Campos, P.T.O. 563-2619.

## LAS MORAS MASONIC LODGE

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# Gallego voices support of homestead exemption increase

By Frances McMaster  
Contributing Writer

State Representative Pete Gallego publicly endorsed the proposed constitutional amendment to increase homestead exemptions at last week's Rotary Club meeting.

Gallego, D-Alpine, said the House and Senate came into agreement on only one aspect of property taxes, and this is one which affects home owners.

The homestead exemption on property taxes would be tripled from \$5,000 to \$15,000. The average home owner would owe \$127 dollars less in taxes. To safeguard public school funding, money lost by this reduction would be replaced.

After a brief discussion, Gallego talked about government in general.

Gallego remarked that, in Texas politics, Republicans and Democrats alike try to "do the right thing." In fact, Governor

Bush's plan for revision of property taxes was supported by more Democrats than Republicans.

Gallego believes the United States Congress could learn from the Texas Legislature in its attention to issue rather than making decisions based on party allegiance.

Two of the biggest items on the state budget are education and corrections, Gallego said.

Being "tough on crime" is an important issue to citizens, but it involves a lot of expense. Federal regulations, which came into existence a few years back, caused Texas to have to revise its prison system.

The prisons were, and are, overcrowded which means prisoners are being released before they have served their sentence. Some over zealous judges, in their eagerness to be "tough on crime," disregard the shortage of space and keep sending large numbers of prisoners to prison.

Despite building more prisons, Texas can not keep up with demands, Gallego said.

There are 125,000 prisoners in the state. At \$24,000 dollars per prisoner, and even more for maximum security, the money spent in housing them constitutes a huge part of the state budget.

Since Gallego became a legislator, 60,000 beds have been added, doubling the size of the prison system. He said Texas has the largest prison system in the world.

Texas has 6 to 7 million children to educate. The money allocated to the school system averages out to only about \$4,000 dollars per child.

Gallego said he feels the legislature does well in the way it spends state money, but there is always room for improvement.

Gallego is often asked where the money from the lottery goes. The state budget is \$80 billion

dollars, which was raised by only 3 percent from the input of lottery money. After September, the lottery money will be dedicated to education in response to public opinion.

Gallego has always believed that able-bodied persons should work, but problems arise. Untrained, under-educated persons get low-wage jobs without insurance benefits for the family.

When a child gets sick and needs treatment, for example, the family will choose to go on welfare in order to get medical care.

The legislature has passed House Bill 3, called the Healthy Kids Corporation, which will, hopefully, in the long term, provide insurance for every child presently not covered.

Gallego spoke of a number of other areas covered by this session of the legislature and answered questions posed by members.

Guidry was introduced by J.J.



State Representative Pete Gallego is welcomed to last week's Rotary Club meeting by J.J. Guidry. Photo by Eric McMaster

Guidry, program chairman for the month.

Gallego represents District 74 which is approximately 34,000 square miles and contains nearly two-thirds of the Texas/Mexico border.

This is Gallego's fourth term to serve in the House, and he is the Democratic leader of that body as the chairman of the Democratic caucus.

Gallego and his wife, Elena Ramon, are practicing attorneys.

## School supplies

The following is a supplies list for students of Jones Elementary School as provided by Brackett Independent School District:

### Pre-Kindergarten

- 1 plastic school box
- 2 packs 8-count crayons
- 1 8-ounce school glue
- 2 pencils, No. 2
- 1 box family-size kleenex
- 1 roll paper towels
- 2 folders with brads, pockets
- 1 pair scissors (metal-blunt)
- 2 small watercolor sets
- 1 backpack

### Kindergarten

- 1 8-ounce school glue
- 2 pencils, No. 2
- 1 pair school scissors (fiskars)
- 1 8-ounce school glue
- 1 box family-size kleenex
- 1 plastic school box
- 2 folders with brads, pockets
- 1 roll paper towels
- 1 8-count crayons (not jumbo)
- 1 heavy duty large size baggies

### First Grade

- 1 pair scissors (pointed)
- 1 8-ounce school glue
- 1 spiral notebook (at least 100 pages)
- 1 box family-size kleenex
- 1 plastic school box
- 1 1-inch ring binder
- 2 folders with brads, pockets
- 2 erasers (big, pink)
- 1 backpack
- 8 pencil cap erasers
- 2 rolls paper towels
- 2 24-count crayons (one for second semester)
- 20 pencils

### Second Grade

- 1 pair school scissors (fiskars)
- 1 box family-size kleenex
- 1 plastic school box (small)
- 5 folders with brads, pockets
- 1 eraser (big)
- 1 4-ounce Elmer's glue-all
- 2 glue sticks (jumbo)
- 1 roll paper towels (large)
- 1 12-inch ruler
- 1 box heavy duty quart-size baggies
- 1 backpack
- 200 sheets notebook paper

- 1 24-count crayons (no more)
- 12 pencils
- No trapper keepers

### Third Grade

- 200 sheets notebook paper
- 1 12-inch ruler with cm.
- 12 pencils, No. 2
- 1 pair scissors (fiskars)
- 1 box family-size kleenex
- 5 folders with brads, pockets
- 1 eraser (big, pink)
- 2 large glue sticks
- 1 24-count crayons
- 1 plastic school box (no larger than 9x6x2)
- 1 packet map colors
- 1 roll paper towels
- 1 box heavy duty quart-size baggies

### Fourth Grade

- 1 binder with dividers, 1" floppy plastic, no trapper keepers
- 400 sheets notebook paper
- 12 pencils, No. 2 (not mechanical)
- 3 red pencils or pen
- 2 boxes family-size kleenex
- 8 folders with brads, pockets (assorted colors)
- 1 12-inch ruler with cm.
- 1 plastic school box (no larger than 9x6x2)
- 2 highlighters
- 1 packet map colors
- 1 24-count crayons (no more)
- 1 large eraser
- 1 pair scissors
- 1 medium bottle Elmer's

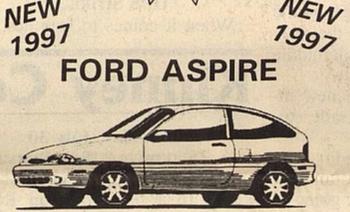
### Fifth Grade

- 200 sheets notebook paper
- 1 packet map colors
- 4 pencils, No. 2 (not mechanical)
- 1 glue stick
- 1 pair scissors (pointed tips)
- 1 12-inch ruler
- 1 box family-size kleenex
- 1 notebook binder with divider (no trapper keepers)
- 1 eraser (big, pink)
- 1 protractor
- 2 highlighters (yellow)
- 2 red pens
- 2 folders with brads, pockets
- 1 plastic zip bag
- no lead pencils
- no school boxes

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48 mo option

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The Fort Clark Springs V.F.W. Post No. 8360 at Brackettville and the Ladies Auxiliary hosted a dedication ceremony for the permanent bronze marker at the V.F.W. Veterans Cemetery on July 29. Present at the ceremony were Walt Fithian (from left), Bea Kauffman, Maxcine Schoolfield, Dot Fithian, Tino Cervantes, Howard Wakefield, Darwin Plummer, Enemencia Starzel, Felix Gonzales and Tom Faulkenberry.

## Gonzalez excited about taking over elementary music program

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Gonzalez, originally from Del Rio, graduated from the University of North Texas this spring with a degree in music education.

"Roxanne is from Del Rio so she knows our area," Stephenson said. "She has a degree from North Texas, which is the premiere music school in Texas and has been for years."

"She has a strong personality and some very good characteristics that I think will be a plus for our band program."

Gonzalez said she has grown fond of Brackettville in the short time she has been here.

"I love it," she said. "I think in a smaller town the kids are always more appreciative. I already feel welcome. The kids are really great."

Gonzalez said being close to her hometown is an added bonus.

"I did want to come back home, even though there are a lot of opportunities out there. I knew I belonged back here."

Gonzalez said it was an easy decision to choose music education as a profession.

"Basically, in high school, I decided I wanted to become a music major and move away and go to the best college I could for music, which is the University of North Texas," she said.

"I started giving private lessons while I was majoring in music, but I was still undecided."

"When I saw my students progressing, the gratification was just undecipherable. That gratification is what made me go into education because I love to

educate people in music."

Another change in Brackett's music program is that students will be introduced to band instruments in the fifth grade.

"We just feel like we were wasting a year when we can move on, get them familiar with the band instruments and do our preliminary music earlier," Stephenson said.

"They're going to have more knowledge by the time they get into the Tiger Band. We hope that they can develop more interest by the time they hit middle school. We're very pleased with the change."

Stephenson said the district purchased new instruments to help accommodate the fifth grade students.

"Fifth grade, I think, is an adequate time for them to actually get an instrument in their hand and get the feel of it," Gonzalez said. "That's just going to help our high school so much."

The high school marching band began summer rehearsals last week and Jimenez said he has been happy with what the group has accomplished.

"Practice has been going well," he said. "We have some very dynamic kids right now. They are very enthused."

"The kids are a little rough, as far as the things that we're working for. We're not changing so much their marching style, but we're changing their marching posture; the way they perceive being in a marching band. We're trying to fine-tune their techniques."

"Roxanne and I are very pleased that the kids are showing enthusiasm," he said. "They're very congenial with each other."

# A brand new school year is just around the corner

We're gathering up the last puzzle pieces getting ready for a brand new school year!

The pieces are more difficult to piece together now because the start of school is Aug. 18. New teachers go to work on Tuesday and the returning staff members begin on Wednesday. Let's take a quick look at what's going on:

### Maintenance

Maintenance has been busy this summer. The staff has painted, waxed, mowed and mopped.

The newest addition is the Brackett Alternative School. It's a little slower than expected because the carpet got back ordered. But, it will be finished next Wednesday in time for the big move.

The buildings and grounds are in better shape than I have seen them in six years.

### School Budget

The budget is still a puzzle because of the election on Saturday. The additional \$10,000 homestead exemption is important to property owners.

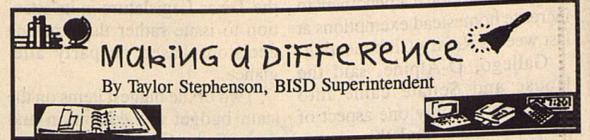
If the issue fails statewide, teachers will have the same salary schedule that they had last year. That's a hoot!

I didn't know how the two issues got hooked together by the Legislature, but they did. So, we're running slower than usual on final budget details.

We'll hold our regular school board meeting on Monday. Then, we'll have a special budget hearing on Monday, Aug. 18.

### UPS Strike

When it comes to supplies, it



has been more difficult. UPS does a land office business in Brackettville. They're on strike.

Supervisors are moving some freight, but things are slower than usual. Most of our supplies are here.

### Personnel

The staff is just about finished. We could still use a top notch technology teacher to teach kids and teachers.

We are looking for a certified teacher to teach computer programming. They're hard to find.

We could use an additional alternative school teacher. The state tells me that it must be someone who is certified in one of the basic secondary subjects who would be willing to acquire special education certification. Speaking a second language would be a plus for this job.

### Local Policies

The Board has worked on handbook revisions for regular and for the alternative students. We're still studying changes to the code of conduct.

### Curriculum

A couple of new technology grants - Hillcrest Foundation and Telecommunications Infrastructure Funds - will make our schools more of a showplace for learning.

We'll be learning more about

the internet during the school year. The Texas Education Agency has adopted a new curriculum for the 1998-99 school year.

We'll be studying the TEKS to get them in place by replacing essential elements before the next school year.

Principals and counselors are on duty in the schools. Parents and students should be able to contact the principal's office for information on supplies that may be needed by students, as well as for information about student schedules.

### Board of Trustees

Tuesday night, the school board appointed Jim McDaniel to replace Jimmy Bader.

Vice President Lloyd Lee Davis moved up to the office of president. Tim Ward was elected as vice president.

### Activities

Band, cheerleading and football practices have begun. The volleyball team begins work on Monday.

We're optimistic about this school year. You can help! Begin today with the children in your home. They must believe that they can succeed. They must believe in themselves. Let's start the year off right!

Have a great week.

## Kinney County Sheriff's Report

### Wednesday, July 30

8:25 p.m., A Brackettville woman said that someone had broken into a residence on Ross Street. Deputy Sheriff Karl Chism was dispatched to the scene.

9:35 p.m., A Brackettville woman said that her neighbor was burning two dead goats. Deputy Chism was dispatched to the scene.

### Thursday, July 31

8:45 p.m., A Brackettville man said that someone had stole a goat from him on Coyote Hill. The goat was valued at \$40.

### Friday, August 1

8:15 p.m., Martin Hernandez, 22, of San Antonio, was arrested

for driving while intoxicated and booked into the Kinney County Jail. He was released Aug. 3 after posting a \$750 cash bond. Jose Hernandez, 56, also of San Antonio, was arrested for public intoxication. He was released Aug. 2 after paying a \$55 fine.

### Saturday, August 2

1:25 a.m., A Brackettville woman said that her two sons were left abandoned at Fiesta Texas in San Antonio by another Brackettville woman. Officials contacted the San Antonio Police Department and gave descriptions of the juveniles. The woman later called and said that her children were in Hondo and she was going to pick

them up. 2:42 p.m., A person at the Senior Citizens Apartments could not turn their stove off. An employee with the city of Brackettville was contacted.

8:31 p.m., A Brackettville woman reported that the door to the Sunshine Garden Center was left open. An employee from the business was notified and secured the building.

### Sunday, August 3

7:11 p.m., A Brackettville woman reported that her car was struck by a Brackettville man at Fort Clark Springs. Deputy Pena was dispatched to the scene.

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## Community Calendar

### Thursday, August 7

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.

### Saturday, August 9

10:00 a.m., The Fort Clark Springs Community Council meets at Shafter Hall on Fort Clark Springs.

### Monday, August 11

9:00 a.m., The Kinney County Commissioners Court meets at the County Courthouse on Ann Street.  
5:30 p.m., The Brackett Independent School District Board of Trustees meets in regular session.

### Tuesday, August 12

6:00 p.m., The Brackettville City Council meets at City Hall on West Spring Street.  
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, August 14

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, August 16

10:00 a.m., The Fort Clark Springs Board of Directors meets at the Board Room on Fort Clark Springs.

### Tuesday, August 19

7:00 p.m., The Fort Clark Duplicate Bridge Club meets at the Adult Center on Fort Clark Springs.

### Thursday, August 21

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.

### Monday, August 25

6:00 p.m., The Fort Clark Springs VFW meets at the Service Club on Fort Clark Springs.  
7:00 p.m., The Fort Clark Duplicate Bridge Club meets at the Adult Center on Fort Clark Springs.

### Thursday, August 28

12:00 p.m., The Brackettville Rotary Club meets at the Las Moras Inn on Fort Clark Springs.  
6:15 p.m., The Fort Clark Springs Old Quarry Society meets at the Adult Center on Fort Clark Springs.

### Tuesday, September 2

7:00 p.m., The Fort Clark Duplicate Bridge Club meets at the Adult Center on Fort Clark Springs.

### Wednesday, September 3

7:00 p.m., The Brackett Band Booster Club meets at the Band Hall.

### Thursday, September 4

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, September 7

12:00 p.m., The Knights of Columbus meet at Parish Hall.

### Monday, September 8

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### Thursday, September 11

9:30 a.m., The Mountain Laurel Garden Club meets at the Adult Center on Fort Clark Springs.  
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, September 13

10:00 a.m., The Fort Clark Springs Community Council meets at Shafter Hall on Fort Clark Springs.

### Tuesday, September 16

7:00 p.m., The Fort Clark

Duplicate Bridge Club meets at the Adult Center on Fort Clark Springs.

### Thursday, September 18

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.

### Saturday, September 20

10:00 a.m., The Fort Clark Springs Board of Directors meets at the Board Room on Fort Clark Springs.

### Monday, September 22

6:00 p.m., The Fort Clark Springs VFW meets at the Service Club on Fort Clark Springs.

### Tuesday, September 23

7:00 p.m., The Fort Clark Duplicate Bridge Club meets at the Adult Center on Fort Clark Springs.

### Thursday, September 25

12:00 p.m., The Brackettville Rotary Club meets at the Las Moras Inn on Fort Clark Springs.

### Saturday, September 27

12:30 p.m., The Fort Clark Chapter of The Retired Officers Association (TROA) will have its monthly luncheon at the Ramada Inn in Del Rio.

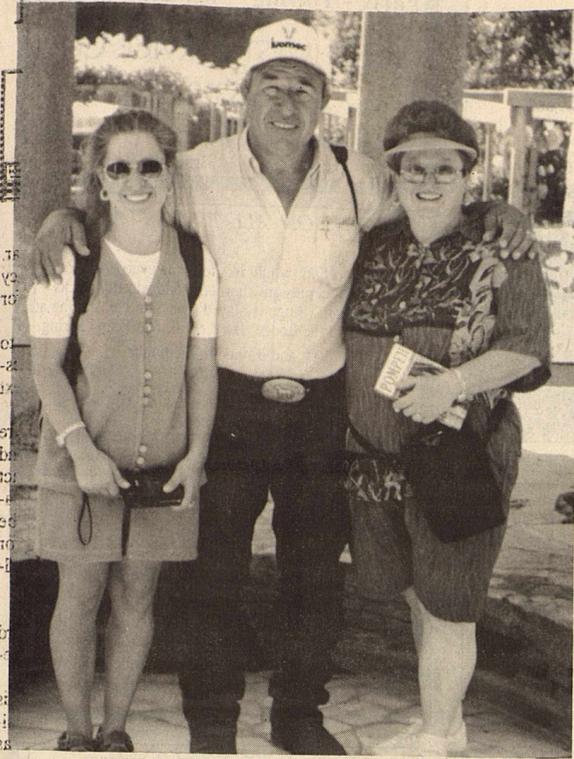
### Tuesday, September 30

7:00 p.m., The Fort Clark Duplicate Bridge Club meets at the Adult Center on Fort Clark Springs.

### Wednesday, October 1

7:00 p.m., The Brackett Band Booster Club meets at the Band Hall.

# Frerich family visits relatives in Italy



Tammy (from left), Tony and Nancy Frerich recently enjoyed a two-week visit to Tony's birthplace in Italy.

Tony, Nancy and Tammy Frerich left on July 3 for a two week visit to Tony's birthplace, Rocca San Felice, Avellino, Italy, close to Naples.

In February 1992, Tony's three brothers came to Brackettville for a month's visit. Now it was their turn to visit the three brothers and three sisters and their families.

One sister from Switzerland was unable to come due to a death in the family, however, several of her children were there.

The Frerichs met many aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

It was interesting and confusing that each family had a son named Frank and a daughter named Rosa, named after their mother and father, the family noted. It was a large celebration with a lot of eating and visiting.

Tony and his brother, Joe, visited the families in 1978, and Tammy, Toby and Suzanne (Joe's daughter) visited the families in the summer of 1992, while this was Nancy's first visit. Tony and his wife, Staci, visited the families in the summer of 1996.

The language was a problem, however. They were able to understand with some Spanish, Italian/English dictionaries and some



Brackettville's Tony Frerich (second from right) visits with his brothers and sisters, Gaetana (from left), Nicola, Filomena, Saverio and Franco.

nephews from Switzerland who could speak some English.

Most of the two weeks was spent in the village with the families, but they did get to drive around the countryside to see some beautiful churches and old

castles, and to visit Pompeii and Rome. The highlight of the trip to Rome was seeing and walking through the Vatican, seeing the Coliseum, the Trevi Fountain, the Forum and many beautiful works of art throughout the city, the

Frerichs said. Before leaving Rome, they even got to eat some American food - a hamburger at McDonalds.

It was a very enjoyable and heartwarming trip, the family added.

# Biologists predict excellent dove hunting

September 1 will mark the opening day for dove season in Texas in the North and Central Zones for the umpteenth consecutive year (Sept. 20 in the South Zone). This year, approximately 400,000 Texas dove hunters will take part in the 60-day season, which for the fourth straight year will offer a 15-bird daily bag limit for mourning doves.

Aside from the fact the season will probably always open September 1, the only other guarantee with dove hunting is there are no guarantees.

"The birds are usually where you find them and less than 15 percent of wingshooters can boast filling their bag once in a season," said Jay Roberson, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) dove program leader. "In fact, estimates show the average dove hunter will harvest just four birds per outing, 13 for the season, so plan on carrying plenty of shotshells."

Hunter success will track more on shooting ability than target availability this year, as breeding dove populations have increased significantly statewide.

"This spring's breeding population index was up 29 percent in Texas; the highest since 1992," Roberson said dove populations in Texas remain at or above the long term average and annual fluctuations are typical. "The increase

this year alone made up for the accumulative declines in the index over the previous two years. However, hunters in the field will only see an increase if more young are produced and if feed is available in the area they hunt."

Roberson noted over half the doves taken by hunters each year are produced during that year. Texas produces approximately 25 million mourning doves each year.

"The peak of nesting has just past and most areas of the state look very Good," he explained. "Bad weather in May in some areas of the state may have destroyed some nests but weather in late June, the peak period of production, was very good for producing doves. Add to this the abundant feed being produced by above average accumulated precipitation statewide and we may have a record year."

Hunters interested in scouting for doves should look in areas where the dove's life requisites - feed, water, roosts - are all provided in close proximity. This year, feed may be the most critically limiting of the three factors, according to Roberson. "Native sunflower fields, croton (doveweed) or milo fields should hold a lot of birds this year. Doves feed on the surface of the ground by sight and generally do not scratch for seed," said Roberson.



## A Little On The Wildlife Side

By Henry Lutz  
Kinney County Game Warden



"They generally like good horizontal visibility and unimpeded escape so stubble or crop residue from shredding is best if less than four inches high. Scouting just a few days before the season may avoid any unpleasant surprises, as doves shift their feeding habits as seed in one area dwindles and another increases."

While hunters across most of Texas will get a chance at mourning doves on Sept. 1, the mourning dove season in the South Zone (S. of US 90 in Kinney Co.) will open on Sept. 20 and run through November 7 (The special whitewing area ends Nov. 3) and reopens December 26 through January 5, 1998. In the Central Zone N. of US 90 in Kinney Co. Mourning dove season will run September 1 through October 19 and from December 26 through January 5. The North Zone season will run from September 1 through October 30. Look for dove hunting regulations in the TPWD Outdoor Hunting Annual, available in August at most businesses where licenses are sold.

The statewide dove bag limit remains 15 mourning, white-

winged, and white-tipped doves in the aggregate including no more than two white-tipped doves per day. Shooting hours will remain one-half hour before sunrise to sunset. Whitewing hunters should remember that a \$7 white-winged dove stamp is required to hunt whitewings anywhere in Texas and that whitewings now occur throughout much of the Central and South Zones. Many dove hunters who traditionally haven't had a need to purchase the whitewing stamp aren't taking any chances by purchasing the Super Combo license package, which became available last year. For \$49, hunters can purchase a Super Combo which includes resident hunting and fishing licenses, plus all seven special stamps - purchased separately, the package would cost \$82.

Hunters are also reminded to renew their hunting licenses, which expire Aug. 31, before heading out on opening day. The new licenses should be available by the time you read this.

A four-day white-winged dove season in the Special White-winged Dove Area also was ap-

proved by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and the Commission. The four-day whitewing hunt will be Sept. 6-7 and 13-14 in the Special White-winged Dove Area along the Rio Grande from Del Rio to Brownsville. The bag limit is 10 white-winged, mourning and white-tipped doves in the aggregate, including no more than five mourning doves and two white-tipped doves per day. Shooting hours are noon to sunset. A fully

feathered wing is no longer required on dressed doves in the South Zone and the Special White-winged Dove Area, in Kinney Co.-S. of US 90 only.

Just a couple of reminders - the new licenses should be available by August 7th or shortly thereafter and available in Brackettville at Pico's, Super S, and The Jug Store. Also use caution when out and about, reports from the field indicate lots of rattlesnakes moving around. Watch Out!

## NOTICE

Las Moras Restaurant lost \$7,000 in June. Members will make up the loses. Before, residential assessments were \$10, now they are \$15; transfer of deeds were \$25, now \$100. There were three free dances per year, now \$3 per person, no tickets, no accountability; they even charge those in a wheelchair. The gun range was free, now it costs \$3 per person (member), and free to the Border Patrol, no need to be a member. The museum was free, now it is \$2 per person. There are 76 homes, mobile homes, lots for sale in Fort Clark.

Roger Perez

**But, I could be wrong**  
By Chuck Hall

## Great Views

The other day, someone asked me where I got my great ideas for this column. Immediately, I was struck by the man's intelligence and ability to recognize quality when he saw it. Then I thought ... what great ideas? I don't have great ideas. My thoughts aren't even better than average. I only write what comes to my mind.

I like to express feelings concerning real people that visit me. I enjoy people. Each one of us is unique. We are all teachers. And a lot of us will always be students. But thanks for the compliment anyway. I'll try to do the best I can.

I'm sorry this isn't deep enough for some of you. I'm also sorry if it's too deep for others. And I'll bet you thought, by this week's title, that this was going to have something to do with scenery, didn't you? Well, you were wrong!

## County continues to operate without a judge

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"I have offered my services just to help, if I'm needed. I do feel like, though, for me to be in a position to accept that appointment, I would need the support of a majority of the members of the court, meaning at least three. I feel like a split vote, as we've had, would not be in the best interest of the county or me serving as county judge at this point in time.

"By making these comments, I'm not trying to get anybody to change their vote or anything of that nature," he said. "I want to be comfortable, because if people aren't comfortable with their support it won't be productive."

Williams said he believed applications should be taken before a county judge is appointed.

"Tim is the most qualified for this job right now," Williams said. "In my heart, I think he's a good man. I just want it to be fair for everybody."

County officials urged the commissioners to make an appointment soon because of the urgency of the budget. The county has to have a proposed budget for the upcoming year filed by Aug. 15.

"As a county official, I'm asking you to put politics aside and think about the county," County Treasurer Janis Floyd said. "We are in a very crucial time right now with the budget."

"We're way behind on the budget. The taxpayers need somebody who will help and work on the budget. Put the politics aside and think smart, think for yourself."

"We need somebody in here who can make decisions and who knows what to do," she said. "If you have somebody else who can do the job, then make a motion. Don't leave us hanging."

County Attorney Tully Shahan expressed his concerns at the morning meeting when the commissioners delayed taking action.

"Tonight, are you'll going to appoint someone?" Shahan asked. "If you can't agree on someone tonight, then you are not going to be able to have another meeting until next Thursday."

"We're supposed to have a budget workshop today and Wednesday. We need someone that's going to be here to help lead this county because the chief financial officer is the county judge."

"I hope you'll have something in mind, especially waiting for Commissioner Montalvo, who knew this meeting was going to occur Tuesday when it was posted."

O'Rourke said, "First, let me say that there's nobody that wants us to appoint a judge more than we do."

"Secondly, talking about the budget process, in the last two years the chief financial officer didn't see the budget until we had it finished. So, we don't really need a chief financial officer to come up with a budget."

"The chief financial officer (Sergeant) told us earlier this year that he wanted to do the budget this year and he turned this stuff over to us Monday, so we're getting a late start."

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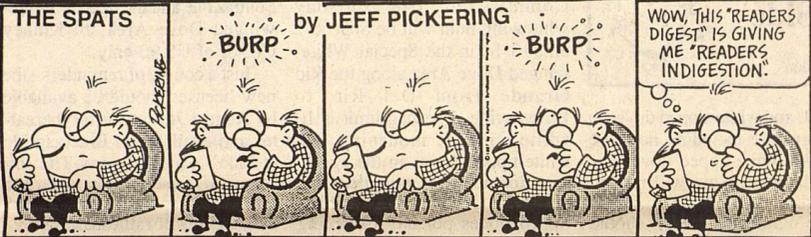
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**clear this week about a job concern.** A loved one gets on your nerves over the weekend.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) Partners make decisions this week involving the use of joint assets. Guard against overspending on pleasure pursuits. You may feel someone is not being up front with you about a certain situation this weekend.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) You're not in the mood to tackle that project waiting for you at work this week. Interesting news comes from someone afar. A weekend concern may have you a bit bewildered as to someone's motivations.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) You'll be receiving some helpful information from a business associate this week. However, you may feel that a child or a romantic interest is not giving you the full story, and you're correct to doubt this.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) You probably won't be in the mood for large get-togethers this week. Intimate tête-à-têtes will suit you just fine, however. A business proposition is not what it appears to be on the surface.  
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**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) A friend entrusts you with a confidence, but later in the week, you come across some misinformation. You'll want to spend some time over the weekend on completing an unfinished task.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) Impatience could mar work efforts this week. Slow down and do a good job. Avoid disputes about career concerns. You'll treasure extra time for yourself over the weekend.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) It's a good week to shop for yourself. Buy something that will make you feel good and lift your spirits. A friend may seem demanding. Guard against fuzzy thinking this weekend.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) A spur-of-the-moment shopping expedition could lead to an exciting purchase. A business proposition may have strings attached, so be careful. Exercise good judgment over your finances.

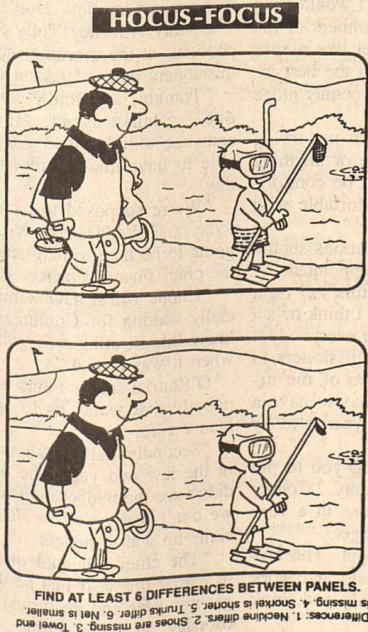
**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) You'll find something you like in an out-of-the-way shop this week. Avoid petty bickering with a family member. In romance, it's best to keep your feet on the ground.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) You'll be socializing this week with family members. Extra expenses could arise in connection with a trip. A domestic concern seems a bit confusing over the weekend.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) You may find a work project tedious or difficult this week. A co-worker could extend a surprise social invitation. It's best to be clear-headed where romance is concerned this weekend.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) Be willing to ask for help if you need it regarding a do-it-yourself project. Not everything is

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

Aug. 7	Ida Aguilar	Aug. 10	Ashley Castillo
Aug. 8	Amanda Del Bosque	Aug. 10	Bea Rocha
Aug. 8	Joe Henry Castro	Aug. 11	Ted Seidl
Aug. 8	Clinton Brown	Aug. 11	Sandi Vance
Aug. 8	Mildred Harvey	Aug. 12	Elise Huntsman
Aug. 8	Louise Wood	Aug. 12	Bernie Cervantes
Aug. 8	Mildred Borden	Aug. 13	Ron Ring
Aug. 8	Adam Sandoval	Aug. 13	Nina Batson
Aug. 9	Howard Wakefield	Aug. 13	Georgia Logue
Aug. 9	Savanah Massingill	Aug. 13	J.J. Guidry
Aug. 10	Larry Groce	Aug. 13	Megan McWilliams
Aug. 10	Vanessa Castillo	Aug. 13	Pat Parks

Obituaries

R.H. Salmon

R.H. Salmon, 74, of Brackettville, died Friday in Kerrville. He was born Nov. 7, 1922 in Spofford. He is survived by wife, Jonnie Salmon, of Brackettville; Daughter, Bonnie Wardlaw & husband Geovanni, of Corpus Christi; Sons Wade Salmon & wife Mary Glee, of Del Rio; Jimmy Ray Salmon, of Brackettville; Grandchildren, Jan Salmon, of Del Rio; Ashley Lynn Wardlaw, of Corpus Christi; Sisters, Joyce Douglass, of Atlanta, GA; Tootsie Herndon & husband J.B. Herndon, of Spofford; numerous nephews. Preceded in death by his parents, Henry Salmon & Hazel Green-Salmon, & brothers, Edward, Jack R. & Leslie Fred Salmon.

Pallbearers, Danny Billings, David Seargeant Sr., Plunker Sheedy, Bobby Titt, Tony Frerich and H.C. Hunt. Honorary Pallbearers, Dick Ward, Billy Riley, Tommy Seargeant, which were also school mates; other honorary pallbearers, Henry Fuentes, Charlie Foust, Geovanni Wardlaw, Robert Salmon & Henry Salmon. Funeral services were held 10 am Tuesday at Frontier Baptist Church, Brackettville with Reverend Joe Townsend officiating. Burial at Spofford Cemetery. San Felipe Del Rio Veterans Honor Guard provided Military Graveside Services. Funeral Services with G.W. Cox Memorial Funeral Home, 114 Fletcher Dr., Del Rio, 775-2000.

Rosalinda Saenz Provencio

Rosalinda (Rosie) Saenz Provencio, born July 2, 1954, raised in Brackettville, Tx, died peacefully in her sleep on August 2, 1997. She graduated from Brackett High in 1972. She worked for 21 years at Southwestern Bell. Rosie is survived by her husband John D. Provencio; her beloved pets Prissy and Pooh Bear Provencio; parents, Agapito and Guadalupe Saenz; sisters, Elida and husband Kenneth Matthews, Ruby and husband Robert Munoz, Frances and husband David Rubio, Nellie and husband Chon Nunez; brothers, Roman and wife Kathy Saenz, Marcus Saenz; father-in-law, Johnny Provencio, mother and father-in-law, Carmen and Phillip

Clikas, sisters-in-law, Maryann Villalobos, Brenda and husband Keith McGuire, Carrie and husband John Clark, Marietta and husband Greg Peterson; brothers-in-law, Demitrius Clikas, Mary and wife Bridget Clikas; numerous nieces, nephews, Godchildren, aunts, uncles and cousins. Visitation and viewing was Sunday, August 3rd between 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. Rosary - August 4th at 7:30 p.m. at the Angelus Funeral Home, 1119 North St. Mary's Street, San Antonio, Tx. On August 5th, 9:00 a.m. viewing prior to Mass at 10:00 a.m. St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church on Ann Street, Brackettville, Tx. Interment immediately followed Mass at Brackett Catholic Cemetery.

Church Directory



**St. Andrews Episcopal Church:** Henderson & Fort Sunday Church Service 10:30 a.m. 563-2071.  
**Frontier Baptist Church** (A Southern Baptist Church): Sunday Services 11:00 a.m., 6:00 p.m., Joe Townsend, Pastor, 563-2158.  
**First Baptist Church** (A Southern Baptist Church): 307 N. Ann St., Sunday School 9:45 a.m., Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m., and 7:00 p.m., Wednesday Worship 7:00 p.m., Gil Ash, Pastor, 563-2245.  
**Baptist Hispanic Mission:** 307 N. Ann Street, Sunday 9:45 a.m.; Wednesday 5:30 p.m.; Friday, 6:00 p.m., Eugenio Duran, Pastor.  
**Church of Christ:** N. Ann St., Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship Service 10:30 a.m., Bible Study Sunday 6:30 p.m., Wednesday 6:30 p.m.  
**St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church:** Masses Monday and Friday 7:00 a.m., Wednesday and Saturday 6:30 p.m., Sunday (Spanish) 8:00 a.m., Regular 10:30 a.m., Confession Wednesday and Saturday 6:00 p.m., Religion Classes Wednesday 6:00 p.m. Sunday 9:00 a.m. Prayer Meeting (Spanish) Wednesday 7:00 p.m., Father Donald La Vell.  
**First United Methodist Church:** "Celebrate and Witness" Fellowship 9:30 a.m., Church School Classes 9:45 a.m., Service of Worship 11:00 a.m., Choir Rehearsal Wednesday 5:00 p.m., Sheree Harris, Pastor.  
**St. John's Baptist Church:** Crockett at Keene St., Sunday School 10:00 a.m., Worship 11:00 a.m., Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m., Worship Service Thursday 7:00 p.m., William P. Adams, Sr., Pastor, 563-2582.  
**Our Redeemer Lutheran Congregation E.L.C.A Services:** 9:00 A.M. Corner of Fort & Henderson in Brackettville. Bible Study; Monday morning at the parish hall -10:A.M., also at the corner of Fort & Henderson. Rev. Nathan La Frenz, 563-2047.  
**Templo Elim Asambea de Dios:** North Street, Sunday 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., Wednesday and Friday, 7:00 p.m., Rev. Abundio Mancha, Pastor, 563-9237.  
**Apostolic New Jerusalem:** 514 E. Louise St., Sunday School 10:45 A.M. and Morning worship 11:30 A.M., Missionary Meeting every 3rd Thursday of the month. Everyone Welcome! Pastor, Rudy Goodloe  
**Gateway Ministries** (Non-Denominational): 301 E. Spring St. (across from post office), Praise & Worship Fellowship Sunday 10:00 a.m., Bible Study Wednesday 6:30 p.m., Robert W. Corey, Pastor, Charolette Corey, Associate Pastor, 563-9331.

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St. John's Baptist Church

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Give ear to my words, O Lord, consider my meditation. Hearken unto the voice of my cry, my King, and my God; for unto thee will I pray. My voice shalt thou hear in the morning, O Lord; in the morning will I direct my prayer unto thee, and will look up. For thou art not a God who hath pleasure in wickedness; neither shall evil dwell with thee. The foolish shall not stand in thy sight; thou hatest all workers of iniquity. Thou shalt destroy those who speak falsehood; the Lord will abhor the bloody and deceitful man.

But as for me, I will come into thy house in the multitude of thy mercy, and in thy fear will I worship toward thy holy temple. Psalms 5:1-7 Praise the Lord! Come worship with us Sunday evening, Aug. 10, 3 P.M. Quemado First Baptist Church will be the Guest Church. Pastor Terry Simmon and younger son Daniel, age 14 will bring the morning message. Everyone is invited. Praise the Lord Pastor William P. Adams St. Johns Missionary Church

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"How much better to get wisdom than gold, to choose understanding rather than silver." Proverbs 16:16 A wise man traveled on a ship with many merchants. A merchant asked the wise man, "Good friend, what is your business?" The wise man answered, "My business is knowledge and ideas. They are invaluable." Several of the merchants ridiculed the wise man. One said, "How do you sell an idea? Of what value can wisdom be? Partway through the trip pirates attacked the ship, seized the entire cargo and stripped the merchants of their riches and fine clothes. Only the wise man who

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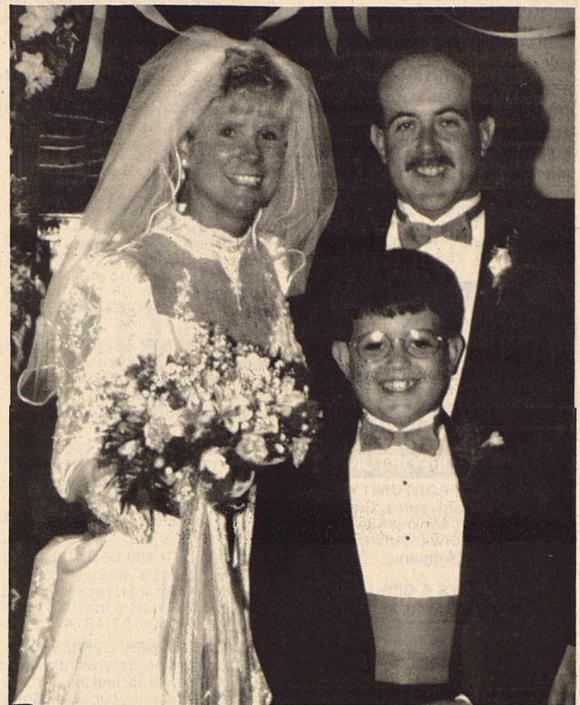
There is a man in Brackettville who has been a productive member of our community for quite some time. He is the pastor at the Frontier Baptist Church and has served the Lord in good faith throughout his life. He is a long-time member of the Brackettville Rotary Club and the Kinney County Chamber of Commerce. He has also been a columnist for The Brackett News since it opened its doors in 1989. He is not only a good husband and a good father, but he has been a friend to many over the years. Surely, Joe Townsend is an Unsung Hero.

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Dear Friends and Neighbors: Words cannot express the deep appreciation I have for your many, many prayers, cards and telephone calls received concerning my recovery. My two children, Shirley Hull and Don Wilks and their families wish to be included with this "Thank You" also. May God Bless each of you. Sincerely, Ruth & Don Wilks, Shirley Hull

Weddings

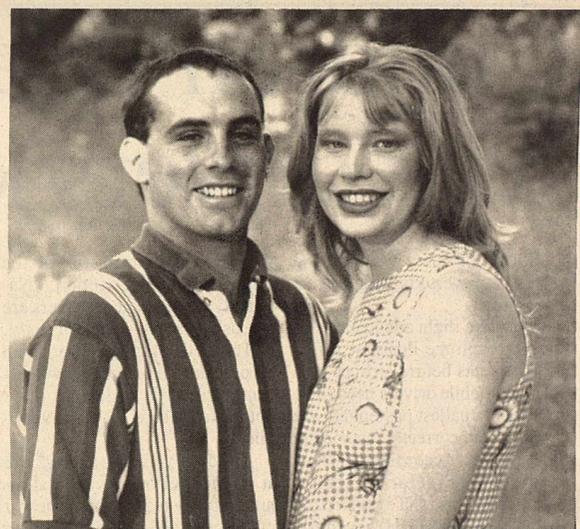


STEPHANIE, JUSTIN and PHILLIP SANDERS

Wallace, Sanders unite in marriage

Miss Stephanie Kay Wallace and Mr. Phillip Glenn Sanders were united in marriage on Saturday, June 28, 1997 at 2:30 p.m. at First Baptist Church. The ceremony was performed by Bro. Gil Ash. A reception followed at the fellowship hall. The bride is the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Wallace Sr. of Fort Stockton. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Sanders of Hondo. The bride's gown had a fitted bodice accented with pearl encrusted schiffli lace featuring a high crown neckline. The back bodice featured an open keyhole with four strands of pearls on either side of the keyhole. The cathedral length train was adorned

with cut-out schiffli lace medallions. The bride's veil was shoulder length tulle with satin piping. Mrs. Diane Wilson served as matron of honor. Miss Jessica Jones served as flower girl and Master Lee Wallace served as ring bearer. Miss Cheyenne Billings carried the train of the dress. Serving as best man was the groom's son, Master Justin Sanders. Mr. David Honstein served as usher. The bride was given away by her brother Mr. Virgil Wallace Jr. of Houston. After a honeymoon trip to Cancun, the couple will make their home in Cleveland, Texas, where they are employed with the Cleveland Independent School District.



LESLY JOE FLOYD and BRANDI MICHELLE SHIPLEY

Shipley, Floyd announce engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Shipley of San Antonio announce the engagement and pending marriage of their daughter Brandi Michelle Shipley to Lesly Joe Floyd of Brackettville. Lesly is the son of Janis J. Floyd and Harrell E. Floyd. Brandi is a 1995 graduate of

Health Career High School. Lesly is a 1992 graduate of Brackett High and is employed by Fort Clark Municipal Utility District. The wedding will be at 7 p.m., Friday, August 8, 1997, at the Service Club on Fort Clark Springs. They plan to make Brackettville their home.

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**HEALTH**

**Children's safety in automobile rests with drivers knowing correct procedures**

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Must like flight attendants running through the litany of safety requirements before airlines take off, automobile drivers need to be sure their smallest passengers are securely and correctly fastened in safety seats. According to Steve Anderson, director of traffic safety programs for Texas Department of Health (TDH), even the most conscientious parents or caregivers may not be providing full protection for children in automobiles.

"Most parents don't know they have a problem," said Anderson,

who also is coordinator of the state's Safe Kids Coalition. "Nationally, 90 percent of drivers are not using safety seats correctly. In Texas, that figure is more than 95 percent." Also, nearly 40 percent of children under age 4 are not restrained at all in automobiles.

Children younger than 12 are at risk for serious, even fatal injuries if they ride in the front seat of a motor vehicle equipped with passenger-side air bags. Safe Riders, the TDH traffic safety program for children, recommends that all children ride properly buckled in the back seat of a motor vehicle. According to the Na-

tional Highway Traffic Safety Administration, passenger-side air bags have killed 21 children since 1993.

Among other problems are using a safety seat that does not fit the child, not properly securing a child in the safety seat, not properly securing a safety seat with the safety belt system, and altering the safety seat or safetybelt system to make it work differently than intended.

One of the key words is "properly." Drivers often automatically assume children are protected because they are in a safety seat. Unfortunately, Anderson noted, they are not.

"Parents or other caregivers can go out to their cars and use four different things to identify if they have a problem," Anderson said.

- Read the safety manufacturer's instructions and vehicle owner's manual to be sure that the child and the safety seat are restrained properly.

- Try to move an installed safety seat front to back and side to side. Little or no movement should be detected.

- Check to see if the harness system is tight on the child.

- Contact the Texas Department of Health's Safe Riders Pro-

gram at 1-800-252-8255 for advice and answers to questions.

Anderson and others with the Safe Rider Program provide safety checks and instructions for drivers around the state. He notes that

the same problems occur everywhere. In a recent safety seat check for employees of a major company, for instance, only 5 children out of 134 were restrained correctly.

**Val Verde staff members to assist Kinney County EMS**

In our effort to get certified volunteers, we have approached fellow EMS staff members from the Val Verde EMS.

We have had two people respond to our request. They are Jim Speckle, an EMT-P, and Laurie Clemens, an EMT-I. These two individuals, who are volunteering to assist us in providing emergency coverage for our county on their days off, are truly extraordinary. They will probably never know how much this sacrifice of their time means to the EMS personnel of Kinney County.

Thanks to Janell Hobbs, the acting general manager of the Fort Clark Springs Association, these volunteers will be able to

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By Ruby Meyer, EMT

enjoy the Fort Clark facilities and stay at the motel - free of charge on the weekends that either are available to volunteer.

This donation of a room to house our volunteer of the week is greatly appreciated.

Due to these volunteers unfamiliarity of our area, one EMT will stay on call with the available volunteer. This will allow the other two EMTs to enjoy a much needed respite from the tension of waiting anxiously for our pagers to go off.

Currently, the full time EMS personnel average 162 on-call hours during the weeks that we work through the weekend and the part-time EMT works 98 on-call hours during the weeks that he works through the weekend; this is not counting the hours that he puts in at his full-time job.

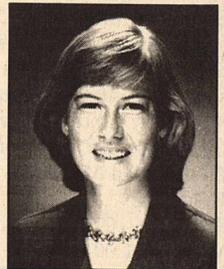
At this time, we have not discussed protocols being modified with our medical director, Dr. Agustin Luz, to allow these vol-

unteers to perform any advanced life support (ALS) measures that they are qualified to administer.

We hope to get these protocols revised to allow ALS services to be practiced on our basic life support ambulance so that we, the Kinney County EMS personnel, may be able to implement them once we have been allowed to upgrade our licenses from EMT to EMT-P.

We would then be able to do much more for our patients by not only having the capabilities of performing ALS services when needed, but also saving our patients from getting two different EMS bills which could save them money.

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**How Blood Pressure Builds**

Barbara Habn, MD

**Question:** My doctor says my blood pressure is too high. How does the blood pressure build in my arteries and how do I stop it?

**Answer:** Your arteries spread oxygen-rich blood throughout your body. As the arteries stretch deeper and deeper into your body's tissues, they get narrower and narrower, ending finally at the arterioles.

Arterioles are tiny blood vessels that supply blood to the network of capillaries, which are the blood source for individual cells. Arterioles are critical in maintaining your blood pressure. When their muscular walls tighten, there's less room inside them for the blood to flow through, so the blood pressure increases, much like when you crimp a garden hose. If the walls of the arterioles relax, there's more

room inside for the blood to flow, so the blood pressure falls.

There are several types of medications designed to lower blood pressure, including ACE inhibitors, diuretics, calcium channel blockers, beta blockers, and anti-adrenergic agents. These various medications approach the problem of reducing blood pressure in different ways.

Your physician will review your individual health history and other risk factors you may have to determine which medication, if any, is best for you.

**Dr. Barbara Habn is a family practice physician at Scott & White Clinic in Round Rock, Texas, and an assistant professor at Texas A&M University Health Science Center College of Medicine.**

If you have a question, please write to: Scott & White Public Affairs Dept., 2401 S. 31st St., Temple, TX 76508.