

# The Brackett News

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## Voters go to polls Saturday

Brackettville will have a new mayor next week for the first time in 12 years.

The Brackettville city election, along with the Brackett ISD and Fort Clark Municipal Utility District elections will be held Saturday from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

All registered voters in the county are eligible to vote in the school board election. The city election is restricted to voters who reside in Brackettville and the MUD election is limited to Fort Clark residents.

Citizens in Kinney County have been turning out to vote early in the elections.

A total of 315 citizens voted

early in the Brackettville city election, with 302 in the Brackett ISD election and 68 in the Fort Clark MUD election.

In the city election, Joe N. Garza Jr., J.J. Guidry and Ponce Padron are all running for mayor.

Incumbent Carmen Berlanga has not been active in the city since suffering a stroke last fall.

Seeking the Place 1 position on the council are incumbent Camilo Cruz Jr., Richard Guajardo and Tully Welch.

Three candidates have filed to challenge incumbent Mary Flores for her Place 2 seat — Matt Bland, Ramon "Dido"



Garza Guidry Padron

Garcia and Stephanie "B'Ann" Gomez.

Council member Johnny Samaniego, Place 5, is being challenged by Lydia Tipps.

Sara Terrazas is the only incumbent on the school board seeking re-election. Lloyd Lee Davis and Jim McDaniel are not

running for another term.

Tony Ashley, Susanna T. Castillo, Roy Jay Harris and Tom Swinson are also running for school board.

The top three vote-getters will be elected to three-year terms.

Incumbents Ken Callnan, Don Ralston and Bob Young are being challenged by Gregory Stone in the Fort Clark MUD board election. The top three vote-getters will serve two-year terms.

### WHO'S ON THE BALLOTS

Candidates in Saturday's elections:

#### City of Brackettville

■ Mayor: Joe N. Garza Jr., J.J. Guidry, Ponce Padron.

■ Alderman, Place 1: Camilo Cruz Jr., Richard Guajardo, Tully Welch.

■ Alderman, Place 2: Ramon "Dido" Garcia, Stephanie "B'Ann" Gomez, Matt Bland, Mary V. Flores.

■ Alderman, Place 4:

Francisca "Chica" Garza.

■ Alderman, Place 5: John Samaniego, Lydia Tipps.

#### Brackett ISD

■ At-Large Trustees (three positions): Tony Ashley, Susanna T. Castillo, Roy Jay Harris, Tom Swinson, Sara Terrazas.

#### Fort Clark MUD

■ At-Large Directors (three positions): Ken Callnan, Don Ralston, Gregory Stone, Bob Young.

### BRIEFS

#### An armed forces celebration is set

**LAUGHLIN AIR FORCE BASE** — An Armed Forces Day celebration will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday at the Plaza del Sol Mall in Del Rio. Activities will include presentations and displays by more than 20 organizations from Laughlin Air Force Base and recruits from all branches of the armed forces.

Events include canine demonstrations, military uniform modeling, a junior ROTC drill performance, a Marine obstacle course and a rock climbing wall.

#### RGC is set to host commencement

More than 86 students will walk the stage in full graduation regalia to participate in the Sul Ross State University Rio Grande College 2004 spring commencement ceremony Saturday at 7:30 p.m. at the Uvalde High School Auditorium.

Vic Morgan, president of the university, will confer degrees upon the 20 master's degree and 61 baccalaureate graduates. Fernando Gomez, vice chancellor of the Texas State University System, will deliver the commencement address.

#### Athletic banquet set for Thursday

The Brackett Athletic Booster Club will host its annual high school Athletics Awards Banquet next Thursday, May 20, at 6 p.m. at the Civic Center. Non-athletes and family members will be charged \$5 per person.

The junior high athletic hamburger supper will be held on Monday at 6 p.m. at the Fort Clark Springs Swim Park. Family and non-athletes will be charged \$2 per person.



**Graduation day**  
Jose Martinez holds the American flag as he leads the Pledge of Allegiance during the Brackett Head Start graduation ceremony Friday at the Brackett ISD cafeteria. Looking on are fellow students Jeremiah Sandoval (from left), Carlos Lopez and Lizet Ortiz. Other graduates are Aden Aldaco, Isabel Antu, Britney Castilla, Jose Garza III, Antonia Mata, Destiny Ocasia, Luis Talamantes and Destiny Terrazas.

Photo by J.J. Guidry

## Garza speaks about reports from Kenedy

Mayoral candidate Joe N. Garza Jr. has spoken out about his history as former superintendent at Kenedy ISD.

Garza, a retired educator of 29 years, addressed the statements made in a story published in last week's edition of *The Brackett News*, which was written by Joe Baker, editor and publisher of *The Countywide*, Karnes County's community newspaper.

"As a superintendent of schools, I brought about change," Garza said in a written statement. "The status quo is one of the most difficult things to change because people are reluctant to give up their power and authority. Change is healthy and often times just."

Garza claims that Baker's "quarrel" with him was of a personal nature.

"As the chief executive officer of the school district, I made the decision to reassign his relative," Garza said. "He used his position with the newspaper for his personal vendetta and now finds it necessary to continue his quest for vengeance in our backyard."

In response, Baker said: "He has accused me of bias in this before, because one of the administrators who filed a complaint was, indeed, a second cousin of mine. The fact of the matter is that if you include first, second, third and fourth cousins, half of Kenedy is probably related to me. I can assure you

that this relationship had absolutely no bearing on the coverage we gave stories surrounding the avalanche of complaints brought against him."

Garza claims that the executive director of the State Board of Educator Certification ruled in his favor regarding the reassignment, but that the decision was reversed because of politics.

"An influential state senator used his office and influence to alter the final outcome of this matter," he said. "This intimidation strategy proved successful. The magnitude of the conspiracy against me began to become apparent. The attacks against me were swift and came from all angles. I had already made a decision to retire and, therefore, accepted the terms of the settlement."

Under the settlement, Garza's superintendent's certificate was suspended for two years.

"When all was said and done ... the state senator referenced above came under extreme criticism for meddling in affairs such as mine," Garza said. "The district attorney involved in the indictments against me has been voted out of office effective Jan. 1, 2005."

In April 2002, Garza was indicted by a Karnes County grand jury on two charges of tampering with a government record and three charges of aggravated perjury.

"The (Kennedy ISD) board

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## Ballew named DAR Good Citizen

Beth Ballew has been chosen as the Brackett High School Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizen. The Uvalde de las Encinas Chapter presents the award annually to the senior girl who most exemplifies dependability, service, leadership and patriotism.

Ballew is ranked first in her senior class of 30 with a grade-point average of 4.37. Some of her academic honors and awards include being a nominee for the TASSP Academic Excellence Award, National Honor Society Scholarship Award, Wendy's High School Heismann Award and being a semifinalist in the Coca Cola Scholars and the Minnie Piper Scholars competition. She won the Odessa Sandhills Stock Show scholarship and the Kinney County Stock Show scholarship, and placed first in the West Nueces-Las Moras Soil Conservation District Essay contest, as well as winning the Rio Grande Electric Coop Essay contest.

At the BISD Science Fair this year she placed first in life sciences. In UIL academic events, she has placed first in accounting and current Events. She is a

member of the National Honor Society and has been consistently on the All-A Honor Roll. She has also received several Outstanding Student class awards.

She has been voted most popular, most beautiful, most likely to succeed, homecoming queen and class secretary by her classmates.

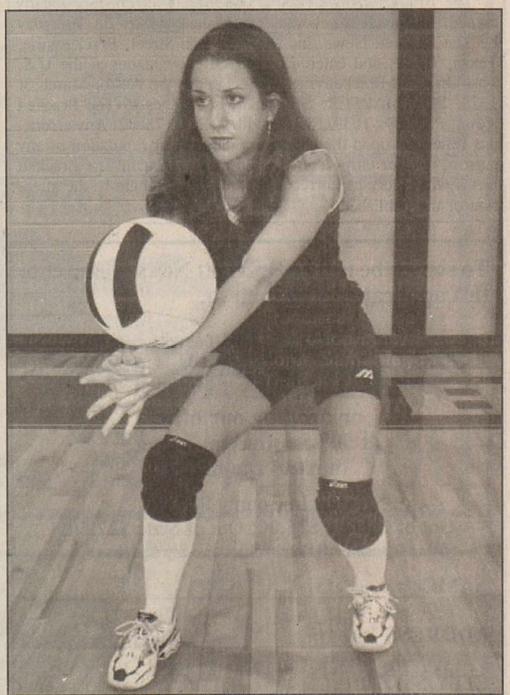
Ballew had been active in both the History Club and Science Club all four years, serving as president, treasurer and secretary, and being elected Homecoming dutchess of the History Club. She has also participated in the FFA Club all four years, and has been elected club sweetheart and scholarship nominee, and has served as secretary. She has also served as Student Council representative and treasurer.

Ballew was a regional qualifier in golf. She was team captain in volleyball, earned all-district honors and was named to the district all-scholar team. She also ran track and played basketball. She was on the BHS All-Scholar Athletic Team and is a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

She has exhibited lambs in the Kinney County Livestock Shows for several years and has earned the Lamb Showmanship Award, Silver Shears Award and the Joe Key York Overall Showman Award. In her 4-H Club work, she has exhibited lambs in seven statewide stock shows; has served her club as reporter, vice president and president; and has attended the State Spectra Camp public speaking programs, horticulture programs and journalism programs.

In her community activities, Ballew has been a member of the Kinney County Youth Development Committee, served as docent for the Fort Clark Arts Council, been a server for the annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner and mentored five younger lamb project participants. She has been a Brackett Big Brother/Big Sister program volunteer and an Elementary School tutoring program volunteer.

She is a member of St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church where she is a member of the Youth Group and has been a Vacation Bible School volunteer.



**A good citizen**  
Brackett senior Beth Ballew has been named this year's recipient of the DAR's Good Citizen Award.

Photo by J.J. Guidry

## Little Tyler is expected to be released this week

Little Tyler Bowman is expected to be released from the hospital this week. We hope to see him home Wednesday or Thursday. He still needs lots of care and attention, but what better place to get it than at his home?



But I Could Be Wrong

Chuck Hall

For Mother's Day, we all met at the San Antonio Zoo. It's always been one of my favorite places to go and have fun. We let the animals entertain us for hours, rode the miniature train, and witnessed a true miracle.

As we stopped at the flamingo cage, the last exhibit on our way out of the zoo, a man about 30 came toward me. He was pushing a stroller with a small child inside. As he came near me, he became excited and yelled that his son was not breathing.

He pulled the infant out of the stroller. I noticed the tube extending from his throat and immediately recognized it as one similar to the tracheotomy tube in my own grandson. The man was near panic. I called to Karla and Terry.

I was amazed at the calm and collection of my daughter. She quieted everyone down and proceeded to save the life of a child in great need. She did a textbook emergency replacement of a tra-

chea tube, got the unconscious child breathing again and did it all in a matter of seconds.

There were hugs, tears and much joy from everyone around. Afterwards, a man approached me to say he was an off-duty EMS attendant and that he had never seen anything like it. He said it was amazing. I say it was a miracle. To God be the glory.

God directed our paths and intertwined our lives so that we would all come together at that moment, at that time, in that place, for his honor and glory. That baby could not have encountered better trained emergency care than my daughter and her husband.

I tell this story not to attract any attention to my daughter, but to glorify Jesus.

When people tell me they have never seen a miracle, I tell them they're not paying attention.

But I could be wrong.

## Blink 182 concert is 'super great'

The music shook my insides, causing giggles to wildly spill out of my smiling lips. Tears sat in the corners of my eyes, and my mind raced, taking in all the different feelings at once. I had finally reached my heaven, the place I had worked so hard for, I was finally home.

For those who read last week's column, you most likely know what I am ranting about. Last week, I attended a Blink 182 concert, my favorite band, where I not only worked to buy the tickets, but also fought through the numerous other obstacles that blocked my path. But finally I made it, and it was super great.

On the way up there, I wiggled with excitement, impatiently waiting the night, which was sure to guarantee quite a bit of those great memories people like me savor.

We pulled up to the amphitheater and I couldn't stop chattering like mad. We walked up to the gates, which somewhat reminded me of the entrance to the Great Wizard of Oz, but in the place of an aged midget, there were interesting looking people who patted down fans in search of illegal objects.

One of those objects happened to be my binoculars, and after having spotted my contraband, they sent me over to check them in to stay during the concert. I did not do so easily, mind you. First I had to argue about how the Internet said they were al-



Yo Shanae

Shanae Simmons

lowed, but my efforts were in vain. I ran over, checked in my binoculars, then came back and got patted down a bit more.

I finally entered, my friends all waiting, a bit annoyed. We then made our way into the area of festivities where there were so many different Blink fans. It was quite refreshing, all their shining, excited faces, and bodies covered in outfits honoring none-other than the band of my dreams.

My eyes looked over every passerby, who all probably thought that I was either on mind-altering substances or a bit lacking in my noggin because of the glazed over totally euphoric look on my face.

There were so many good looking Joes that I probably looked as though I had never been in such a big place with such good looking guys. But then again, there were so many good looking Janes, so I guess they all evened each other out. Everyone seemed so happy to be there and I could gladly see their reasons why.

Eventually, we went to our seats and I waited impatiently for the opening band to finish. After a few songs, my friend and I decided to explore and possibly make some purchases.

We went to a merchandise stand and looked over the all the

cool things. Next to me, a guy who had just bought some clothing, was changing from an old Blink 182 shirt to a new freshly purchased one. I couldn't help but stare at his nicely built abs (sorry they were nice), when all the sudden after covering his bronzed belly, he flicked me with his shirt, and smiled with a super white row of study teeth.

"Hey," he said. I then sat a little dumbfounded, then turned around to make sure he was talking to me.

I then turned back around and thought, "Have I met this guy before?"

I finally decided that I hadn't — I would have remembered such a previous meeting — and said, "Oh ... hey ... um ... hi," afterwards smiling weakly.

He then turned around after judging the fact that I was confused, and continued the conversation he was engaged in before our brief encounter.

Finally, we went back to our seats, and before we knew it, the opening band was wrapping it down. We waited a while as curtains closed. I wasn't really paying attention when all of a sudden I heard the crowd began to scream.

It seemed that the Blink was now behind the curtains practicing a bit, when suddenly the lights went down and then came back up. After that, it was all a blur.

People screamed and Tom was on the stage singing and playing, along with Mark and Travis. They all played like gods, and I giggled. I jumped around, my stomach in knots, and then screamed. I was like that

the entire concert. I sang all the lyrics I knew, making sure to tell my friends that, "Hey, I was just singing that song yesterday," or "Hey, I was just listening to that this morning."

The concert went into the night, and before I knew it, it was over. I wanted to cry, but I felt so emotionally drained from all the excitement.

During the event, friends were called, along with parents, messages declaring utter love and loyalty to Tom were expressed from behind flushed faces, and wild people with no rhythm danced all around. I was so disappointed that it all went by so fast, but I left with a smile.

In the end, I picked up my binoculars outside the gate, lonely in it's absence of feelers-uppers, a lot less peeved than before, and we made our way home.

I noticed two things from our little adventure. First, concerts are like drugs, once you've been to one, your first desire is to go to another, because an addiction is now formed and you want next time to get even closer, craving that mad high.

Secondly, hard work does pay off and Tom is even hotter in person. OK, maybe the last one there was two, but it's true.

It definitely was one awesome concert and hopefully next time I will get to see them even closer. So to that I shall say, until we meet again dear Tom and the other great men of Blink 182,

Vote  
J.J. Guidry  
for Mayor



### WHO'S MANIPULATING WHO?

Over the last several weeks, a particular faction has been telling voters that I am not the right candidate for mayor because, if elected, I would be manipulated and controlled. When I first heard this, I could not help but laugh. Anyone can look at my voting record as a city councilman and know that I cannot be manipulated by anybody.

This faction obviously has a self-serving motive. They mass-mailed defamatory letters about one of my opponents in order to promote their candidate of choice. They are trying to manipulate the voters. Apparently, they want a mayor that they think they will be able to manipulate and control.

I hope that all of you will participate in Saturday's election. Ignore the manipulation and the mudslinging, and cast your vote for who you think is the best candidate. Your continued support is appreciated.

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## Exercise your right to vote this Saturday

The registered voters of Brackettville will have the opportunity to be heard this Saturday — 315 of those voters have already taken advantage of the opportunity by early voting.

I've closely followed local elections for the last 15 years and in all that time I don't recall there ever being that many early votes in a city election.

The best turnout I remember was around 420 total votes being cast in a city election.

I'd say that puts us in a position to have a record turnout this year. Congratulations Brackettville, no one can accuse you of apathy this year!

But there is one important thing you need to remember. Regardless of the outcome, your duty as a voter doesn't end at the ballot box.

If your candidates win, you need to keep a watchful eye on them. Make sure they are performing as promised or be a constant thorn in their side. Thank God we have the right to do that in this country!

If one of your candidates loses, keep a watchful eye on the winner. No, don't go on a witch hunt, just make sure they're doing the job and representing the people, not themselves.

Even if you didn't vote for them, they're still your representatives. If they want your vote next time, they better listen.

You've just awoke from a 12-year slumber Brackettville. Don't get in a hurry to close your eyes again!

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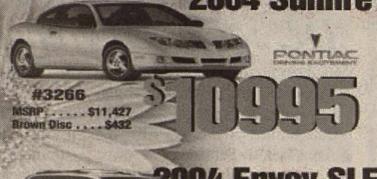
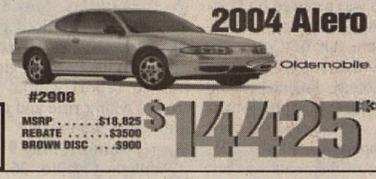
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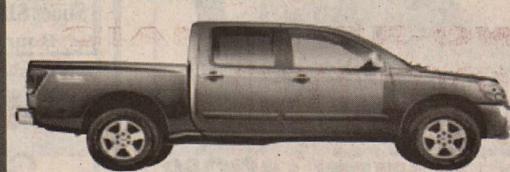
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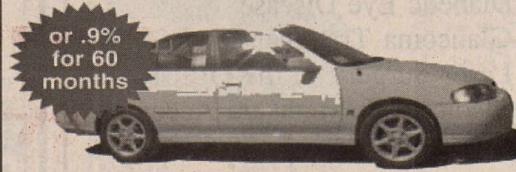


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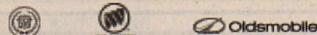
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**23 years of service**  
Brackett ISD Trustees Lloyd Lee Davis (second from left) and Jim McDaniel (third from left) were awarded plaques by Bobby Templeton (left), superintendent, and Henry Lutz, board president, for a combined 23 years of service to the local school district.

## Davis, McDaniel have been successful leaders for BISD

I have always been a big fan of leadership trainer and author Stephen Covey. In much of his work he talks about the need for human beings to have a "true north." Essentially this is a set of values and a global vision that gives a person's life, work and, in this case, service an unshakable moral compass.

I believe that those who have a "true north" can achieve a great many things, have abundant choices in life and sleep well at night. Those that never quite discover their "true north" are like a ship adrift — any wind can nudge them off course.

In my short time at Brackett ISD, I have had the opportunity and the privilege to work with some truly dynamic professionals. When we took a leap of faith and moved to Brackettville, I had already heard of the school's fine reputation and had some pretty high expectations of the students and staff.

It goes without saying that those expectations have been sur-



*Making A Difference*

**Bobby Templeton**

passed by a wide margin and, now that I have been in town a while, it is even more apparent why BISD enjoys such a great reputation.

One of the many reasons for that reputation is the leadership and stewardship that the BISD Board of Trustees provide.

I have been in the school business long enough to realize that the first building block to any type of growth and success is a student-centered board. Our students certainly have a group of seven people who have them as the focus of every decision they make. The principle of "true north" is in action each and every second Monday night.

Last Monday the Brackett

ISD Board of Trustees said goodbye to its two most senior members, Lloyd Lee Davis and Jim McDaniel. Together their service constitutes over 23 years of leadership to the district.

Although I have only worked with these gentlemen one of those years, I suspect the previous years of their service was spent in much the same spirit and attitude. By that I mean their spirit of unselfish service and their attitude of keeping the students of this district as their primary focus. In my opinion, the soulfulness these men put into their service is something other community leaders should aspire to.

Schools will always have personnel issues, money issues, facilities issues and discipline issues, just to name a few.

Mr. McDaniel and Mr. Davis have helped shepherd the district through all of these numerous times and have never lost their "true north." Gentlemen, it was a pleasure to work with you.

### KINNEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S REPORT

**Monday, May 3**  
6:36 p.m., A woman said she almost ran over a 10-year-old on a motorcycle on Beaumont Street. Deputy Ron Ring was dispatched to the area, but could not locate the boy or the motorcycle.  
11:58 p.m., A Fort Clark Springs security employee requested assistance at the garages located on Connally Road.  
**Tuesday, May 4**  
12:37 a.m., A Fort Clark Springs security employee reported finding some doors left open.  
5:24 p.m., Gerardo Meza, 17, of Del Rio was arrested by Deputy Ring for possession of 72 pounds of marijuana. He was released four days later after posting a bail bond.

5:55 p.m., A man reported hearing shots fired around E. First Street, near the County Cemetery.  
**Wednesday, May 5**  
7:18 p.m., A woman reported that a dog was out of its yard and was chasing his daughter down E. Fulton Street. City officials were notified of the situation.  
9:35 p.m., An anonymous caller reported a fire on W. Fulton Street.  
**Thursday, May 6**  
12:14 a.m. A woman reported that an elderly woman had fallen and was having trouble getting up at her residence on E. El Paso Street. Deputy Donald Paige and EMS personnel were dispatched to the residence.  
7:10 a.m., A man reported

that his vehicle may have been stolen from his residence on W. El Paso Street. Deputy Ring was notified of the situation. He informed the man that the vehicle had been repossessed.  
10 a.m., Joel Rodriguez, 35, of Mexico was arrested by Constable Bobby Guidry on a fugitive warrant out of Colorado. Rodriguez was booked into the Kinney County Jail, where he was still being held at press-time.  
10 a.m., A man reported goats on his property on F.M. 2804. The owner of the goats was notified.  
5:05 p.m., An anonymous caller reported a child on a motorcycle riding up and down Brown Street.  
10 p.m., A man reported an 18 wheeler driving all over

### OBITUARY

#### Dr. James Lawrence Schaefer

Dr. James "Jim" Lawrence Schaefer, 78, of Park Rapids, Minn., died Tuesday, May 4, 2004, here at the St. Joseph's Area Health Services.  
Schaefer was born July 19, 1925, at home in Straight River Township, Minn., the son of Rueben Simon and Lillian Emma (Hoch) Schaefer.  
He was united in marriage to LaVerne Marjorie Kelly on March 26, 1949, in Kingston, Minn. After three years of farming they moved to St. Paul, Minn., where he earned his bachelor of science degree from the University of Minnesota, graduating in 1956. He then completed his doctor of veterinary medicine from the University of Minnesota in 1958.  
Following graduation, they moved to Staples, MN, where Schaefer built a clinic and established a veterinary practice from 1958-1974. He served as president of the Rotary Club and was youth group leader for the United Methodist Church, in addition to contributing to many committees as a member of the Staples Chamber of Commerce.  
An auto accident in 1972 resulted in a severe right wrist injury and the practice proved too difficult to continue. He sold his practice and entered government service with the USDA's Meat and Poultry Inspection Program.  
The couple moved to Park Rapids, Minn., in 1974, to Chisholm in 1976 and Hill City in 1979. They spent the next two decades in Arkansas and Kansas.  
Beginning in 1996 he retired from the USDA and they wintered in Brackettville while enjoying the pristine beauty of summers in Park Rapids, Minn.  
Schaefer was an active community 4-H leader and a devoted 55-year member of the Shell Masonic Lodge No. 184 of Park Rapids, where he was a past master. He was also a Shriner.  
He will be remembered as loving husband, father, brother, and a gentle healing instrument of his Creator.  
He is survived by his wife: LaVerne Schaefer of Park Rapids, Minn.; his children: Glen Schaefer and wife DeeAnn of Park Rapids, Minn., and Katherine Meredith and husband Jeff of Cokato, Minn.; sister: Helen O'Dair of Park Rapids, Minn.; brothers-in-law: John Kelly of Park Rapids, Minn., and Rollo Kelly of Ventura, Calif.; five grandchildren: Danielle Tuschmid, Caitlan Isaacson, Isabella Schaefer, Lydia Meredith and Eric Meredith; and several nieces and nephews.  
He was preceded in death by his parents: Rueben and Lillian Schaefer, and one brother, Glen Schaefer.  
Memorial Services were held Saturday at the Cease Family Funeral Home Chapel in Park Rapids. Visitation and a Masonic service was held Friday night.  
A private family inurnment will be at the Greenwood Cemetery in Park Rapids.  
The family suggests memorials in lieu of flowers.

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### SACROILIAC SYNDROME

Signs and Symptoms  
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Pain accompanying sacroiliac syndrome is typically one-sided, dull in character, and located over the buttocks. It is often mistaken for sciatica or disc disease. The pain may radiate down the back of the thigh or to the groin and front of the thigh. Occasionally, it may extend down the outside or back of the calf to the ankle, foot and toes. Pain from a hypermobile sacroiliac joint may be experienced in the hip on the opposite side of the body due to contraction of the piriformis muscle. When this muscle contracts, it tends to press the sacrum and ilium together in an attempt to stabilize the joint.

The nerves of L1 to L5 and S1 to S3 are involved in the sensory supply of the sacroiliac joint. Pain may be referred throughout the area affected by these nerves. This is one reason why low back, buttock and thigh or leg pain originating in the sacroiliac joint may be easily and erroneously attributed to the lumbar spine or to hip disease.  
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1/4 cup grated parmesan cheese

Cook fettuccine according to directions, omitting salt and fat. Drain and keep warm.

Melt margarine in medium sauce pan over low heat. Add flour, stirring into smooth paste. Cook three to four minutes, stir-

ring constantly. Gradually add milk, stirring constantly until thickened and bubbly.

Reduce heat to low and add cheese, stirring constantly, until cheese melts and sauce is smooth.

Pour sauce over fettuccine and toss gently to coat. Serve immediately.

This recipe includes eight 1/2-cup servings.



### A family tradition

Hannah Kaplan (left) had the champion southdown lamb and her sister Rachael (center) showed the third place southdown at the Houston Stockshow, held in March. They are the daughters of Brackettville native Kevin Kaplin and granddaughters of the late Molly Audrey, who was a great supporter of the Kinney County Livestock Show and the youth of Kinney County.

Photos Special to The Brackett News

## FCS woman volunteers for Workfest

Norma Conner of Fort Clark Springs recently returned home from almost six weeks as head cook for the Workfest 2004 in the Appalachian Mountains of eastern Kentucky.

This was Conner's eighth year of cooking for the Christian Appalachian Project. The college students give up their spring break to come to Kentucky to repair or build homes for the underprivileged people.

This year Conner cooked for an average of 100 students and crew leaders.

"It was very hard work and long hours but very rewarding," she said. "The students are very polite, outgoing and energetic. It was wonderful to visit with them."

On Saturdays, her only free afternoon, Conner would visit the families whose homes had been built or repaired this and past years.

The Christian Appalachian Project is a nondenominational organization.

## Harrison completes Marine training

Pfc. Jarrett R. Harrison of the United States Marine Corps has been assigned to the 3rd Delta Company's amphibian assault team.

He graduated from basic training at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego on March 6.

Harrison is a member of the Brackett High School Class of 2000. He completed Culinary Academy in Austin in December of 2002.

Harrison is the son of James "Sonny" and Susan Harrison of New Braunfels, and the brother of Courtney Harrison of Toledo, Ohio. His maternal grandparents are the late Marvin Adams and Thelma Adams of New Braunfels. His paternal grandparents are the late Willie Harrison and Mrs. Beatrice Newton of New Braunfels.



Jarrett Harrison

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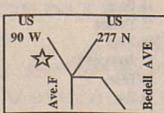
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33 Actor Jimmy  
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40 Stupid and clumsy  
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45 Escargots  
46 Frozen dripping  
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**ROARING TWENTIES**

In the grid below, twenty words can be found that fit the category for today. Circle each word that you find and list it in the space provided at the right of the grid. Words can be found in all directions—forward, backward, horizontally, vertically and diagonally. An example is given to get you started. Can you find today's 20 words?

Today's Category: Things Often Found in a Bathroom

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

- May 13.....Arianna DeLeon  
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May 13.....Ryan Garcia  
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May 14.....Robert Aguirre  
May 14.....Valerie Garza  
May 14.....Anne Rose  
May 14.....Connie Serrano  
May 16.....Angela Childress  
May 16.....David Samaniego  
May 16.....Amanda Simmons  
May 16.....Malcolm Young  
May 17.....Daniel Garza  
May 17.....Chita Lopez  
May 18.....Jania Finkerbinder  
May 19.....Reyes Diaz  
May 19.....Sam Hunt  
May 19.....Maria Alicia Duran  
May 19.....William Patenaude

**Roaring Twenties Solution:**

1. Aspirin 11. Shampoo  
2. Cabinets 12. Shower  
3. Comb 13. Sink  
4. Counter 14. Soap  
5. Cup 15. Tissues  
6. Faucet 16. Toilet  
7. Make-up 17. Toothpaste  
8. Mirror 18. Towel  
9. Mouthwash 19. Tub  
10. Powder 20. Washrag

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**HOROSCOPES**

by Charles Cooper

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) You're surprised by how energetic you feel at the beginning of the week. Channel this. You can accomplish much by expending this wisely.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) Things are looking up for you this week. The unpleasantness you recently experienced is behind you. It's a good time to start over.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) It's important to take stock of your long-term goals this week. This way, you can implement a plan that will help you accomplish this. Over the weekend, it's a great time for fun and games.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) You know what you want to say. Unfortunately, you're not as glib this week as you can be. Before articulating an idea, be sure you have it all down on paper so you're organized.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) If at all possible, avoid traveling this week. It's just not a good time for you. Take some time later in the week to tend to an elderly relative.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) You remain at the top of your game this week. It seems there's nothing you can't do once you set your mind to it. At the end of the week, you're quite satisfied with your progress.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) The answers you seek aren't easily forthcoming. Tap into that famous creativity. In the long run, it will all work out.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) A co-worker grates on your nerves a bit this week. It seems this person is full of questions. Do your best to be patient.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) Take some time to pamper yourself this week. Sometimes, people need this, and this is the time for you. This weekend, a surprise visitor arrives on your doorstep.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) Look inward for the solution to that personal problem. You need to take responsibility for your part in it. Later, work keeps you quite busy until the weekend.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) You may have a problem keeping your temper this week. When you really think about it, though, it's not worth it. Words said in anger often linger long after they're spoken.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) You need some down time desperately. Even though you feel those chores are necessary, nothing will happen if you let them slide a bit. Just take it easy this week.

# Fun is being a happy grandma

Four-year-old Jenny studied her Gramma's face. The story Gramma was reading brought a smile. "Gramma," Jenny began. "Are you old?"

Gramma looked at Jenny. "You see my gray hair, Jenny?" Gramma asked.

Jenny reached up and touched the soft graying hair.

"You see these little wrinkles in the corners of my eyes?" Gramma continued.

"Gramma, is it fun being old?" Jenny asked.

"Well, Jenny," Gramma said. "Its no fun when my body aches and when I can't run and play like I used to."

Gramma's eyes sparkled: "But you know what?"

"No what?" Jenny asked.

"Now that I'm old, I can be a gramma. And that's really fun."

"How do you get to be a gramma?" Jenny asked.

"Well sweetheart," Gramma began. "Once upon a time I was a little girl like you, and I found the secret of becoming a happy gramma in the Bible.

"In the Bible a very wise man advised me to marry a good Christian who would share my faith. (Sirach 26:1)

"So I did what he said. You know what else the wise man told me?"

"No what?" Jenny asked excitedly.

"He said to honor my father and mother all my life. (Exodus



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20:12) So I decided that I would always follow their wisdom and instruction. That way I would become a good mommy and a good gramma. You know what else the wise man said?"

"What else, Gramma?" Jenny asked.

"Well," Gramma said. "This is the hardest one of all. He told me to always be a person of gladness and cheerfulness no

matter what kinds of bad things happen." (Sirach 30:22)

"Why is that one hard, Gramma?" Jenny asked.

"Because sweetheart, sometimes things happen that make it hard to be happy. Like yesterday when you fell and skinned your knee."

Gramma paused. Thoughtfully she continued: "Jenny, if you remember those three things and follow them when you grow up, then someday you'll be a happy gramma."

**Editor's note:** This column is brought to you by the St. Henry deOsso Family Project, working in Brackettville to strengthen family, faith and education.

# Live by the example of God's love

As I'm writing this column, I'm reflecting on Mother's Day. I of course think of my mother who is 1500 miles or so away.

I remember all the countless ways she expressed her love for me and my brother throughout our lives.

She has lived a full life, accomplished much personally and professionally, yet she was always able to be there for her two boys, yet also allowing for independence.

She is a model of motherly love in my life. Her love was expressed not only in words, but primarily through actions. She did not have to tell her boys what love was, rather love was



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as she did.

A man was watching another man whittling the shape of a dog into a piece of wood. He asked him how he made a dog out of a piece of wood.

The whittler replied, "I just whittle away everything that doesn't look like a dog."

The apostle Paul takes that approach in his first letter to the

Corinthians as he writes about love. He tells us what love is not before he completes his definition of love.

He writes, "Love does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. Love is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered. Love keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil. Love never fails."

Paul writes that love is patient, love is kind. Love rejoices in the truth.

Love always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

May we live out that kind of love in our families, schools, jobs, neighborhoods, and in our

community. May we seek not so much to tear down, but to build each other up.

Our example to live by is the love shown to us by our God. He loved the world so much He sent His Son, Jesus, to live and die for us, so that we might live abundantly today and eternally.

Remember Jesus giving His new commandment prior to His arrest, crucifixion, death and resurrection: "Love one another as I have loved you."

Come and celebrate this love which is available to all in Jesus Christ each Sunday morning at 9 and 11 at Our Redeemer Lutheran and St. Andrew's Episcopal churches.

# Garza speaks about reports from Kenedy

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and the state, along with their attorneys, heard a complaint filed by a disgruntled employee that was the basis for the tampering with government records indictment and ruled in my favor," Garza said in a political flyer he distributed entitled "Set the Record Straight" in response to defamatory letters about him that were sent to voters throughout the city.

Baker said the statement is "a bald-faced lie — there's just no nice way to say that."

"The State Board for Educator Certification investigated and determined that Garza violated the professional educator's code of ethics," Baker said. "SBEC ruled in favor of the complainant — not Garza."

In his political flyer, Garza said: "The fact that the indictments were dismissed and that the case never went to trial might lead reasonable and impartial people to conclude that the charges were politically motivated."

The record tampering charges accused Garza of altering a purchase order written by district employee Rickey DeLeon, to harm him.

DeLeon was reassigned from high school principal to alternative school principal. He claimed, in part, that he had been retaliated against because of grievances he filed.

In a story published in the *San Antonio Express-News*, Karnes County District Attorney Lynn Ellison called the dismiss-

als "part of a comprehensive settlement of civil and criminal litigation against Joe N. Garza."

The charges were dropped at the request of DeLeon as part of a settlement of his civil lawsuit against Garza.

The perjury indictments alleged that Garza lied to a previous grand jury about asking another employee to use district property to make fencing materials for Garza's personal use.

Ellison told the *Express-News* he offered to drop those charges if Garza quit as superintendent because pressing the case could take years, and he wanted to resolve the matter and speed Garza's departure.

"The board never took action to terminate my contract," Garza said in his statement.

"They were very supportive and agreed to pay the remaining portion of my contract for that school year upon my retirement and resignation."

In September 2002, the Kenedy School Board agreed to pay Garza a lump sum of \$46,325 and keep him on administrative leave for the first 90 days of the school year so he could maintain his retirement eligibility. Garza's estimated retirement benefits are approximately \$4,000 per month.

Garza's attorney, Tony Conners of Austin, told the *San Antonio Express-News* that Garza resigned from the Potet School District in 1998 and at the time reported receiving about \$100,000 from the district in a settlement.

# Are we ever really finished?

Graduation is in the air. Various students in our local public school system are due to graduate, to move on from the present into the future: some from elementary grades to junior high — to learn more; some others from junior high to high school — to learn more; and some more others from high school to the next phase of student life to continue learning. Junior college is in sight, perhaps a university.

Some others will join a branch of the military — to learn something different. But then, let's not forget those who will be moving on to even higher endeavors: receiving their bachelor's or master's or doctorate degrees.

And so it goes. However, the question remains: "Are we really ever finished?"

Are there more "graduations" in store for those who have passed through the education system to reach the particular goal they have decided upon?

"Got through high school and got a good job."

"Is this the end? No more 'graduations' in store?"

"Got my bachelor's."

"Got my master's."



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"Got my doctorate."

Are their no more "graduations" left? Nothing more to learn?

It seems logical to conclude that, no matter how far along we have come in life, we are never really finished until ... until ... until. You know where that "until" leads.

The Gospel of John (19:30) passes along to us the tradition he inherited about the last word Jesus of Nazareth uttered from The Throne of his Cross: "When Jesus had received the wine, he said, 'It is finished.' Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit."

He was finished only after he had completed keeping the commitment he had made earlier. (John 6:38)

"I have come from heaven not to do my own will, but to do the will of the one who sent me."

Think about it!

# The Spirit of God

"And, behold, Saul came after the herd out of the field; and Saul said, what aileth the people that they weep?"

"And they told him the tidings of the men of Ja-besh. And the Spirit of God came upon Saul when he heard those tidings, and his anger was kindled greatly.

"And The Spirit of the Lord came upon him, and he judged Israel, and went to war; and the Lord delivered Chushanrisha-



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thaim King of Mesopotamia into his hand: and his hand prevailed against Chushanrishathaim." (1 Samuel 11:5-6; Judges 3:10) Praise God!

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• Within a 2-3 hour drive time from the SA/ Austin metro areas

• No less than 1300 acres - the more the better!

• Priced less than \$1000 per acre - the less the better!

• Good elevation changes (min. 200' - 250') with some level land also

• Paved road frontage.

• Or maintained, unpaved road (as long as there aren't a lot of gates to go through)

• Water or water well, electric and phone lines to the property line

• Little or no live water

• Not many improvements, other than fencing. If you know of a parcel of land that fits the majority of these criteria, please write: TMTC PO Box 132161

The Woodlands, TX 773-2161, Attn: Carol L. Smith Property Acquisition

**Answers to Crossword Puzzle**

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**Temporary Restraining Order**

**CLERK OF THE COURT**  
Dora Elia Sandoval  
PO Box 9  
Brackettville, TX 78832

**ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER OR RESPONDENT**  
Jan London  
403 Cantu Road  
Del Rio, TX 78832

**THE STATE OF TEXAS**  
TO Sandra Marie Villarreal  
Greeting:

**WHEREAS, Petitioner** filed Original petition in the District Court of Kinney County, Texas, on the 23rd day of April, 2004, in a suit numbered 3412. On the Docket of said Court, wherein Dan M. Villarreal Petitioner and Sandra Marie Villarreal Respondent alleging

And upon presentation of said petition to him and consideration thereof, the Honorable Judge of said court, made the following order thereon:

- You are therefore commanded to desist and refrain from
1. Falsifying any writing or record relating to the property of either party.
  2. Misrepresenting or refusing to disclose to Petitioner or to the Court, on proper request, the existence, amount, or location of any property of one or both of the parties.
  3. Damaging or destroying the tangible property of one or both of the parties, including any document that represents or embodies anything of value.
  4. Tampering with the tangible property of one or both of the parties, including any document that represents or embodies anything of value, and causing pecuniary loss to Petitioner.
  5. Selling, transferring, assigning, mortgaging, encumbering, or in any other manner alienating any of the property of Petitioner or Respondent, whether personally or realty, and whether separate or community, except as specifically authorized by this order.
  6. Incurring any indebtedness, other than legal expenses in connection with this suit, except as specifically authorized by this order.
  7. Making withdrawals from any checking or savings account in any financial institution for any purpose, except as specifically authorized by this order.
  8. Spending any sum of cash in Respondent's possession or subject to Respondent's control for any purpose, except as specifically authorized by this order.
  9. Canceling, altering, failing to renew or pay premiums, or in any manner affecting the present level of coverage of any life, casualty, automobile, or health insurance policies insuring the parties' property or persons including the parties' children.
  10. Opening or diverting mail addressed to Petitioner.
  11. Signing or endorsing Petitioner's name on any negotiable instrument, check, or draft, such as tax refunds, insurance payments, and dividends, or attempting to negotiate any negotiable instrument payable to Petitioner without the personal signature of Petitioner.
  12. Discontinuing or reducing the withholding for federal income taxes on Respondent's wages or salary while this case is pending.
  13. Destroying, disposing of, or altering any financial records of the parties, including but not limited to records from financial institutions (including canceled checks and deposit slips), all records of credit purchases or cash advances, tax returns, and financial statements.
  14. Destroying, disposing of, or altering any e-mail or other electronic data relevant to the subject matters of this case, whether stored on a hard drive or on a diskette or other electronic storage device.
  15. Terminating or in any manner affecting the service of water, electricity, gas, telephone, cable television, or other contractual services, such as security, pest control, landscaping, or yard maintenance, at 306 E. Fulton, Brackettville, Texas or in any manner attempting to withdraw any deposits for service in connection with those services.
  16. Excluding Petitioner from the use and enjoyment of the residence located at 306 E. Fulton, Brackettville, Texas.
  17. Entering, operating, or exercising control over the 1985 Ford Pick-up motor vehicle in the possession of Petitioner.
  18. Disturbing the peace of the children or of another party.
  19. Removing the children beyond a geographical area identified by the Court, acting directly or in concert with others.
  20. Withdrawing the children from enrollment in the school or day-care facility where the children are presently enrolled.
  21. Hiding or secreting the children from Petitioner or changing the children's current place of abode at 306 E. Fulton, Brackettville, Texas.

Until and pending the hearing of such petition upon petitioner's application for a temporary injunction before the judge of said court at 9:00 A.M., on the 17th day of May, 2004, in the District court room in the courthouse of Kinney County, in the City of Brackettville, Texas when and where you will appear to show cause why injunction should not be granted upon such petition effective until final decree in such suit.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Brackettville on this 10th day of May A.D. 2004

*Dora Elia Sandoval*  
Dora Elia Sandoval  
District Clerk of the 63rd District Court  
Kinney County, Texas  
P.O. Box 9, Brackettville, Texas 78832

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The Brackett Independent School District announces the sponsorship of the Summer Food Service Program. Meals will be provided at the school cafeteria, located at 400 N. Ann St., Brackettville, TX Beginning May 31, 2004 through June 18, 2004. Breakfast will be served beginning at 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. and lunch will be served beginning at 11:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Brackett Independent School District will also provide meals at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church Parish Hall for the week of June 7, 2004 through June 11, 2004. Meal service there will be at 11:30 a.m. till 12:15 p.m. People who are eligible to participate in the program must not be discriminated against because of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, religion or political belief. Anyone who believes that they have been discriminated against should write immediately to: Director, Civil Rights Division, MCW-106, Texas Department of Human services, P.O. Box 149030, Austin, Texas 78714-9030 or the Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250. NOTE: Discrimination complaints based on religion or political beliefs must be referred only to the Director, Civil Rights Division, Texas Department of Human Services.."

**CITATION BY PUBLICATION**

**NOTICE TO THE DEFENDANT:** "You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of twenty days after you were served this citation and petition, a default judgment may be taken against you."

**THE STATE OF TEXAS**  
TO: Sandra Marie Villarreal Respondent, Greeting:  
**YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED** to appear and answer before the Honorable 63rd Judicial District Court Kinney County, Texas, at the Courthouse of said County, 501 S. Ann Street in Brackettville, Texas at or before ten o'clock A.M. of the Monday next after the expiration of twenty days from the date of service of this citation, then and there to answer the Original Petition For Divorce, of Dan M. Villarreal, Petitioner, filed in said court on the 23 day of April, 2004, against Sandra Marie Villarreal, Respondent, in said suit being numbered 3412 on the docket of said court, and entitled, "In the Matter of the Marriage of Dan M. Villarreal and Sandra Marie Villarreal and in the Interest of Dan Villarreal Jr., Danika Marie Villarreal, Donovan Villarreal and Deven Villarreal, Children. The nature of which suit is a request for dissolution of marriage. The name and address for the attorney for the petitioner is: Jan London 403 Cantu Road, Del Rio, Texas 78840. The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree dissolving the marriage and providing for the division of property which will be binding on you, and appointing a managing conservator and a possessory conservator of said minors. Issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court at Brackettville, Texas, this 10 day of May A.D. 2004.

*Dora Elia Sandoval*  
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District Clerk of the 63rd District Court  
Kinney County, Texas  
P.O. Box 9, Brackettville, Texas 78832