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## Herndon named to water board



Tootsie Herndon has been appointed to fill a vacancy on the
Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors.
Directors to discuss election $\underset{\text { Editor }}{\text { Br J.J. }} \mathbf{G}$
The Kinney County Ground-
water Conservation District is water Conservation District is
slated to order an election durSlated to order an election dur-
ing its monthly meeting, which
is slated for 4 this afternoon in he district courtroom in the Courthouse.
Tootsie Herndon, who was
appointed to the water board by appointed to the water board by
the Commissioners Court on
Monday, will also take the Oath ing, all seven of the directors All seven of the directors-
Herndon, Chuck Hall, Don
Hood, Dub Miller, Christopher Hood, Dub Miller, Christopher
Ring, Cecil Smith and Hadley
Wardlaw - are up for election in November.
The water district is paying The water district is paying
the county $\$ 1,000$ to have the canc county $\$ 1,000$ to have the
candidates for the water board
ncluded on the ballot for the general election in November. Filing is already underway
for candidates to apply for placefor candidates to apply for place--
ment on the ballot. Candidates
can file to run for the water board through Sept. 9 .
The board will consider two
resolutions today. One is a request by the Texas A\&M Extenstation in the county. The secstation in the county. The sec-
ond is in support of a USGS
study on the Pinto Creek watershed.
The agenda also includes an update on Ring's efforts for
monitoring wells and the general manager's report.
"I have a real interest in water due to ill. He may not be able to be the fact Spofford didn't have any until we "This appointment will give got a pipeline and began purchasing wa- quorum for this process which ter from the City of Brackettville." is starting in August," he adde Spofford Mayor Pro-Tem Tootsie Herndon The board seat is a county(Hemen wide position. The only requireappointment. Commissioner Joe All of the water board mem- registered voter and resident of Montalvo was absent from the bers, including Herndon, will be the county. meeting. "I up for election in November. The county advertised "I appreciate your vote," said "I know this is short-term, vacancy in The Brackett Ne Herndon, the mayor pro-tem of but beginning next month we and asked that interested citizens
Spofford. "I will do my best. I start our permitting process. I submit a resume. County Judge Spofford. "I will do my best. I start our permitting process. I submit a resume. County Judge
have a real interest in water due must have a quorum," Smith Herb Senne said the county reto the fact Spofford didn't have said. "It all was supposed to hap- ceived only one resume by the
any until we got a pipeline and pen in the month of July, so ev- July 7 deadline. any until we got a pipeline and
began purchasing water from City of Brackettville. $\quad$ erybody on the board set up "I'm not implying that it has
their business to be here in July, to meet that deadine," Senne Water is very important - Hadley (Wardlaw) had set some told the court. "It's a good pro-
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Francie Wylie all approved the water," she added.
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Blount and Harris resign from BISD teaching staff
Bracket ISD officials have history teacher, and Haris, a hired four new teachers in the home economics teacher.
past two weeks, as well as ac-
During Monday night's regu-
cepting the resignations of Rod lar meeting, Steven Hutcherson Blount and Jennifer Harris. was hired to replace Blount. He
"We "We are fully staffed as of will be coaching and teaching
right now, but we may have a high school history, and Char-
few more resignations" right now, but we may have a high school history, and Char-
few more resignations," Brack- lie Marquardt will move to the
ett Superintendent Bobby Temeet more resignations, Brack- lie Marquardt will move to the
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planday night dur- Brackett High School Principal pleton said Monday night dur- Brackett High School Principal
ing the Board of Trustess regu- Paula Renken announced.
lar meeting. Yolando Rueda will take over
Iar meeting.
In addition, Ken Newman has $\begin{gathered}\text { as the home economics teacher. } \\ \text { resigned as counselor at Brack- }\end{gathered}$ She will also continue to teach resigned as counselor at Brack- She will also continue to teach
ett High School to take a simi- sixth grade social studies. lar position at Eldorado High "Yolando Rueda is very ex-
School. His resignation, how- cited about teaching three secSchool. His resignation, how- cited about teaching three sec
ever, has not been formally ac- tions of home economics," Ren-
cepted by the Board of Trustees. cepted by the Board of Trustees. ken said. "She has started cleanNewman was hired by the ing out at the home ec cottage.
Schileicher County ISD Board of "Her goal is to make the proTrustees as its high school coun- gram one that prepares students
selor on Monday night. That for the work force Her experisame night, Eldorado officials ence in this area is invaluable.
hired J.J. Guidry, editor of The She would like to use this year Brackett News, as a middle as an opportunity to promote the school history teacher. He will program and recruit
also coach high school football, dents," she added.
girls' basketball and softhall
girls' basketball and softball. Also hired were Sunni Jones
During a special meeting on Cates, severe and profound speJune 28, the BISD school board cial education; Laurel Plunk,
accepted resignations from second grade; and Belinda accepted resignations from second grade; and Belinda
Blount, a coach and junior high Schroeder, fifth and sixth grade


House fire
A vacant house on E. Veltman was gutted by a fire last week. The cause of the fire

Columnist spends the Fourth with grandkids My grandson is home again.
He was home, then back to the
hospital, now back home again. hospital, now back home again. overcome. But he will. It may take all of my lifetime but he will be OK. He will heal.
His body will mend and His body will mend and grow
and get better every time his little heart beats.
 But I Could
Be Wrong Chuck little heart beats. Mhoes. He has to have his shoes spend some time with Grandma and I over the Fourth. I had lots
of fun. I know they did too. of fun. I know they did too. I wonder why that is? Maybe
We watched fire burned sparklers. Tanner We he wants to be ready in case his his mother, "I make a fire!" He"s Mom and Dad come to get him. at that age of wonderment. His pating the morrow's events. He whole world is full of awe. $\quad$ pating the morrow's events. He
come kids like to wait for dawn. As with some sort of security de- soon as it's light, he's moving. I guess he got that from me.
vice. Tanner does too. Other kids have a blanket, a person. I am at my mental favorite toy, or some other item physical and social peak just as
to hang onto just before falling the sun fade up. But it doe

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Tuesday, July 6 woman to Val Verde Regional was notified of the situation. that a stranded car appeared to 2:25 a.m., A U.S. Border Pa- Medical Center in Del Rio. Saturday, July 10 have hit a deer on Highway 131. in regards to two individuals assistance at his residence on ported that someone had broken bags were deployed and the with marijuana at the Cline Beaumont Street regarding a into her daughter's residence at windshield was broken. Deputy
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tatched to the scene. $\begin{array}{ll}\text { patched to the scene. } & \text { rez and Page reported an alarm } \\ \text { 7: }\end{array}$ Wednesday, July 7 that she had found her missing Central office. They found that 7...., A A11 calle reported daughe had found her missing Central office. They found that
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Thursday, July 8 .
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other man's house on Rock
Street Constable Bobby Guidry 7: 23 a.m., A man reported a Street. Constable Bobby Guidry woman reported that her juve-
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supervisor was and said he would owner of the house was notified located in town.
fill out an incident report. The of the break-in. fill out an incident report. The
man did not want to give his man did not want to give his Friday, July 9 ported that her husband would
name. 12:09 a.m., A man reported not give her, her child back. The
10:43 p.m., A woman re- that a vehicle was following his man later called 911 to report ported an alarm sounding at an wife's vehicle too close. He said man that his wife had stolen his truck.
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said she would not respond. He $1: 25$ p.m., An anonymous cense. He was booked into the
found a knife by her side. EMS ound a kife by her side. EMS caller reported that a man was Kinney County Jail, where he way 2523 a ranch on Highpersonnel were dispatched to the driving reckless up and down was still being held at press-time. Border Patrol officials were dis-


## Vacation over-packing can weigh you down

Weight Watchers offers helpful itinerary for managing eating habits during summer travel With summer finally here, plating vacation plans to ontiem-
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## OUTDOORS

## Texas plans to protect black-tailed prairie dog

LUBBOCK - A working began in 1999 following peti- footed ferret (currently extinc
group committee of representa- tions by environmental groups in Texas). Basic prairie dog biives from ranching and farming for the USFWS to list the black- ology and life history is on the organizations, environmental tailed prairie dog as threatened. TPWD Web site at http://
groups, state and federal biolo- The Texas working group is part www.tpwd.state.tx.us/nature gists, private landowners and others has completed a Texas
plan to conserve the black-tailed plan to conserve the black-tailed
prairie dog and its grassland prairie dog and its grassland
habitat. The species is currently habitat. The species is currently as threatened under the fede
Endangered Species Act. Endangered Species Act. The management plan created rie Dog Working Group sets a goal to have 293,129 acres of occupied prairie dog habitat in
Texas by 2011. This represents Texas by 2011. This represents able habitat in Texas as estimated by the U
Wildlife Service.
Wildlife Service.
Preliminary estimates indiPate there is currently 150,000 to 170,000 acres of occupied prairie dog habitat in the state, with a final inventory to be completed this summer. This acre
age figure is based on aeria age figure is based on aerial
photo interpretation and subsequent ground truthing from county roads.
"Part of the good news in "Part of the good news in
Texas is we have more than twice the occupied prairie dog habithe occupied prairie tat than was originally thought, which was around 68,000 acre based on a 1991 study," saic
Derrick Holdstock, the Texas Derrick Holdstock, tepartment's Parks and Wildifife Department coordinator.
"It's also important to not
that regardless of the final decithat regardless of the final deci-
sion on whether to list the praision on whether to list the prai-
rie dog as threatened, the State of Texas and our partners in the working group are committed to
implementing this management implementing this management
plan," Holdstock said. "It really plan," Holdstock said. It realy
doenst matter whether it is on or off the list in terms of the
Texas plan."
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| Baldree | $1 / 4$ cup grated parmesan c |

store in a glass jar or glass $\begin{aligned} & \text { ing to directions, omitting the } \\ & \text { salt and fat. Drain and keep }\end{aligned}$ store in a glass jar or glass con-
tainer fitted with a lid that makes a tight seal. cup. Each teaspoon hab aut $1 / 3$ cup. Each teaspoon has less than
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Take it easy: The variety
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their stomachs. Cut down your their stomachs. Cut down your
portion sizes to incorporate the portion sizes to incorporate the
variety of choices.
If available, use a side-dish size plate instead of a dinner plate. Serve your food with a
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ing a second trip, take a break
and listen if your body says it's ing a
and 1
full.

Watch the alcohol: Do Watch the alcohol: Dont let a good time undo your best
intentions. Research has shown hat drinking alcohol can cause nd make poorer choices. Alterdiet soda or water, or make your
drinks go furth drinks go further by mixing
them with diet sod them with diet soda, or seltzer
as in wine spritzer as in wine spritzer.
Finally, when vacationing,
consider the goal of maintaining your weight rather than losing weight. It's a real accomplishment when you know you'll be doing a lot of eating out and din-


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