

The Brackett News

No city pool again this summer

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NATIONAL HONOR STUDENTS RECOGNIZED *Courtesy photo*
Front row from left, Courtney Frerich, Cody Edwards, Clarissa Aguirre, Monica Gonzalez, Kristin Meyer, Whitney Hobbs and Cody Robinette. Top row from left, Brandon Kluzek, Jaclynn Duncan, Shanae Simmons, Oscar Sierra and Kody Yeager. Not pictured: Stephanie Bonner, Tillman Davis, Celina Terrazas, Danielle Moore, Whitney Massingill and Juliann Ashabranner. NHS students were recognized during a banquet hosted by The Bank and Trust in Del Rio.

Kesteloot, Massingill awarded Built Ford Tough/FFA Scholarships

Mark Kesteloot and Whitney Massingill, 2005 graduates of Brackett High School were awarded a \$1,000 scholarship each by Del Rio Ford Lincoln Mercury and Ford Motor Company.

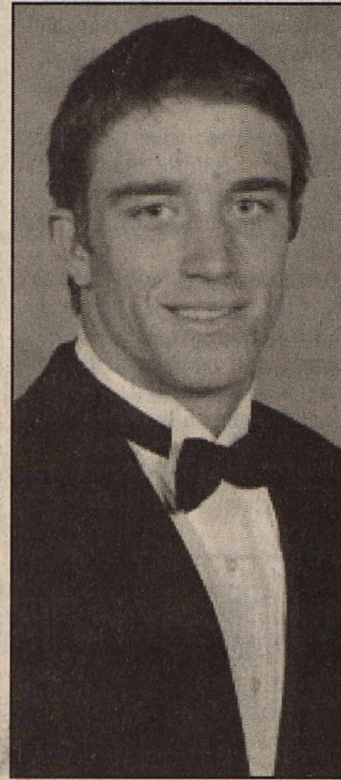
Kesteloot is the son of Mark Kesteloot and Terrisa Kesteloot of Brackettville. Mark plans to study Wildlife Management at Angelo State University.

Massingill's parents are Woody Massingill and Debra Massingill of Brackettville. Whitney plans to study Biochemistry at Texas Lutheran University.

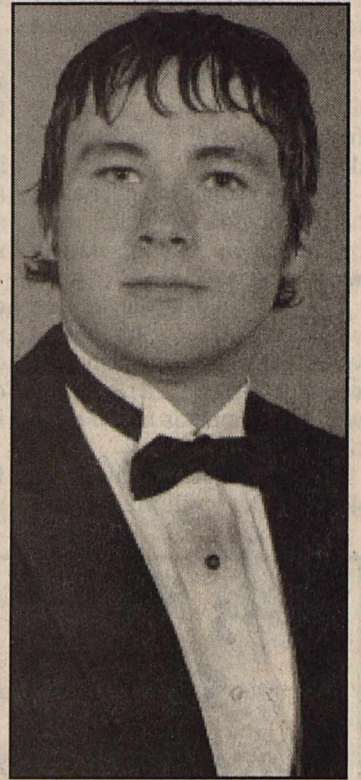
The scholarships were awarded by Ford Division, Ford Motor Company Fund and the Ford Dealers. Eligible recipients must be FFA members who are either a high school senior planning on attending the fall of 2005 or current collegiate students. The Built Ford Tough Trucks/FFA Scholarship Program recently celebrated its eighth full year.

There are 583 scholarships being award on behalf of individual participating Ford Dealers. Additionally, five \$1,000 national scholarships are being awarded on behalf of Ford Division.

The Built Ford Tough Trucks/FFA Scholarship Program is designed to recognize FFA members; talents and accomplishments while encouraging their past and future academic achievements. Built Ford Tough Truck and Ford Motor Company Fund Sponsor these scholarships as a special project of the National FFA Foundation.



Kesteloot



Massingill

Del Rio Ford Lincoln Mercury is proud to support FFA and the Built Ford Tough Trucks / FFA program.

For 56 years, Ford has supported FFA, and for more than 50 years, people all over America have been putting Built Ford Tough Trucks to work. Ford knows the value of hard work and believes that hard work should be rewarded. That's why Ford has increased the Built Ford Tough Trucks/FFA Scholarship each year since its inception. Educating aspiring young people to become the leaders of tomorrow is just another way of en-

sureing a successful future. FFA is a national youth organization of more than 471,000 student members preparing for leadership and careers in the science, business and technology of agriculture with approximately 7,200 local chapters in all 50 states, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. FFA strives to make a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education. Visit www.ffa.org for more information.

Tigers baseball heads to Regional Quarter finals

Steven Hutcherson
Tiger Baseball Coach

After finishing District play as District 27A champions, the Brackett Tigers earned their first playoff trip since 1996.

Their first round opponent was the District 28 runner-ups, Charlotte Trojans.

It was a great game between the Tigers and Trojans with a lot of last inning heroics.

Going in to the last inning the Tigers were ahead 3-2 and with two outs.

The Trojans managed to get a couple of baserunners on and then a couple of hits to take the



lead 4-3 going into the bottom of the last inning.

The Tigers were able to get two baserunners in with no outs but could not manage to move them past second with their first two outs.

With two outs and a full count, Robert Davis hit a single to center field to tie the game at 4-4.

The next hitter, Ivan Pinales hit a shot down the right field line to push across the winning run to make it 5-4, sending the Tigers to the Regional quarterfinals.

Leon Woolsey dominated the Trojan hitters all night striking out 17 of Charlotte's 21 total outs.

The Tigers will battle Miles High School in Kerrville at Schreiner University on Friday, May 20 at 5 p.m. and again on Saturday, May 21 at 11 a.m. If a third game is necessary it will be played one hour after the 11 a.m. game on Saturday.

BRIEFS

LEPC hosting raffle

The Local Emergency Planning Committee is raffling a Bud Breen original oil painting as a fund raiser.

Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Tickets are available from Jewel Robinson or by calling the EMS office at 563-9090.

Church in need

The First Baptist Church asks the community to save 1/2 gallon round ice cream cartons, large baby wipe boxes, powered drink containers with plastic lids, small coffee cans.

These items will be used for Vacation Bible School, July 18-22.

Please drop them by the church Monday-Thursday from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Juneteenth Celebration

June 18-19, 2005, 9 a.m. until ? Emancipation Day will be

celebrated by the Seminole Indians Scouts Association.

Everyone is welcome to join and help celebrate Juneteenth at Carver school grounds.

The parade will start at 9:30 a.m. Gathering at the Alternative school building on Ann Street up from Super S store.

The parade will start at 10 a.m. and will end at the Carver School parking lot.

Brackett Border Bash Saturday

The U.S. Border Patrol Welfare and Recreation Association cordially invites you to the Brackettville Bash 2005, Saturday, May 21.

Golf, softball, volleyball tournaments will be starting at approximately 8 a.m.

Other activities include swimming at the swim park, games for the young and old, live entertainment and a barbeque.

Tickets can be purchased at the gate for \$10 for adults and Children 6 and under are free.

You may also RSVP by calling 830-563-6000.

Co-Ed Volleyball teams are needed for the tournament. The fee is \$60 per team.

For more information please contact Tony Molinar at 830-563-6000 or Blanca McHazzlett at 563-6000 or 830-486-8414 by Friday.

Garden Club meeting held

The Mt. Laurel Garden Club held its final meeting of the season on April 28, at the home of Lisa Stuart, followed by a potluck luncheon.

Election of officers were held. Mary Jane Olson will be president next year.

We also voted for "Yard of the Month" again.

Helen Miller and John Osborn won for May and the month of June will be Jack and Norma Schram.

No more meetings until September 2005.

Prom attendees taking red carpet walk Saturday night; public invited to watch

"You've seen us in our diapers, our swimsuits, our t-shirts and jeans.

"You've cheered us on in our uniforms and you will soon see us in our cap and gowns."

The Seniors and Juniors of BHS, along with their dates, invite the community to come see them in their Prom finery.

The event is Saturday, May 21, at the Kinney County Courthouse Lawn at 7:30 p.m.

The public is invited to see the students in their prom attire, on the front steps of the Kinney County Courthouse.

Cameras are encouraged. Everyone attending the prom will be introduced and able to take

the red carpet walk.

The event is the brainchild of Yolanda Rueda, a junior class sponsor.

The Brackett High School Junior/Senior prom is Saturday night at the Fort Clark Springs' Red Room, above the former Restaurant with the theme "Fairytale Come True".

Flores, Welch sworn in; no city pool this summer

Two citizens took the oath of office to join the Brackettville City Council.

Incumbent Tully Welch and Mary V. Flores were sworn into office Tuesday night.

But before he stepped down, Tomas Gomez was lauded by

City of Brackettville Mayor Joe Garza. "Mr. Gomez, it's been an honor and privilege to serve on the council with you."

Gomez thanked the mayor and stepped down.

In the City of Brackettville election, Mary V. Flores defeated Anita M. Ertle 155 to 151, a margin of four votes.

At press time, there was no indication Ertle would ask for a recount.

Both were campaigning for Place 3 post being vacated by council member Tomas Gomez.

In a three-way race for Place 1, incumbent Tully Welch fended off contenders Camilo Cruz and Charles Bushart.

Welch garnered 155 votes while Cruz received 118 and Bushart brought in 41 votes.

Garza asked city secretary Bonnie Mayes if anyone had asked for a recount, Mayes said "No."

Mayes then read the vote totals to be canvassed by the council.

Candidates had until 5 p.m. Wednesday to ask for a recount.

Council member Matt Bland made the motion to accept while Francisca Garza made the second.

The resolution canvassing the votes was approved unanimously.

Mayor Garza then proceeded to administer the oath of office to Welch and Flores.

Francisca Garza nominated Bland, Bland nominated Flores for mayor pro-tem.

Welch moved to cease nominations.

Mayor Garza called for the vote; Bland received three while

Flores received one. Bland was voted as Mayor Pro-Tem.

Mayes reported that the city is up to date with the auditors and that there was about \$10,000 in the city's coffers.

She noted that after payroll on Friday, May 20, there should be about \$5,000 left.

But she did mention that all the city's bills are paid.

"We are slowly but surely financially sound," Mayes said.

"We are no longer working on a day-to-day basis," Garza asked.

"We're doing okay," Mayes answered. "I know the citizens are expecting more out of us than what we are providing, but should be thankful we have come this far."

"We really have come a long way in nine months."

Mayes recommended the city does not open or rent out the swimming pool.

"I recommend we don't open it this year. Reason why is that we will be at a cost of \$3,407 just to get it started," Mayes added.

"It would take us about a month to get it ready," Mayes said.

She also said that she'd like to speak with the county attorney to see what else can be done with the swimming pool.

"That would be council's decision," Mayes said.

Council member Flores asked to postpone the idea of renting it out until next year; Bland made the second and the motion passed.

The council agreed to hold off on the swimming pool.

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■ Adams	■ Baldree
The same came to Jesus by night, and said unto him, Rabbi, we know that thou art a teacher come from God for no man can do these Miracles, that thou doest except God be with him.	Ah, the delightful fun of eating muffins! I like them anytime and any flavor. Seems to be just the right size to satisfy and if lucky enough to have a frosted one, each bite is frosted. Don't have that with a slice of cake.
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■ Camp	■ Bro J
SEGUIN - The Texas Lutheran University basketball program is hosting the TLU Big Man Camp specifically for 2005-2006 high school male athletes who play the post position.	Not too long ago my wife ordered some baby chickens. She put them in a big box in the middle of the living room (it's a lot more entertaining than TV).
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Tigerettes compete in state track meet

Tigerettes Senior Courtney Frerich, Freshman Bianca Stewart, Freshman Daphne Hunt and Junior Rachel Swinson competed in the State Track meet in Austin, Texas on May 13 and 14.

Frerich competed in the high jump placing 7th with a 5'0"

jump. Stewart, Frerich, Hunt and Swinson made up the 1600 meter relay team that took 8th place with a time of 4:14.4.

Swinson previously competed in 2 other state meets while Frerich, Hunt and Stewart was new to the experience.

Smith named to top 25 freshman list at Texas Tech University

Ashley Smith has been selected as one of the top 25 freshman students at Texas Tech University. She was selected for Who's Who among the freshman class by the Texas Tech Student Government Association.

The selection honors Ashley for her involvement in activities and dedication to academics during her first year at Texas Tech.

This is a very prestigious honor which is awarded by the Freshman Council in conjunction with the Student Government Association each year to only 25 freshman students.



Smith

More about my grandson

Little Tyler Bowman, all 15 months of him, will undergo his sixth operation next week. He has to have open heart surgery again. I ask for your prayers.

He has to go to Dallas for the procedure. The doctors in San Antonio did a marvelous job. They have kept him alive. But he's just not getting any better. I, along with others, don't feel like enough is being done now.

It's time to get more help. On the 23rd of May, the small, fragile, tyke will have to go under anesthesia.

I wish I could shoulder all of his problems. I would do it with out hesitation. But life doesn't work that way.

I wish I could fully understand why birth defects happen. I would like to understand the reason why suffering is a part of our world. But mine is not to question why.

I have great faith that all will go well. But I still ask for your



But I Could Be Wrong

Chuck Hall

prayers. I have no doubt that God will guide the surgeon's hands.

His eye is on the sparrow and I know He watches me. I don't know what Ty will become years from now.

I can not see what the future holds for this little man. All I know is that in his short time here so far, he has made great impressions on me.

He has drawn our family closer than before. He has made me stronger in my faith. He has caused me to examine all aspects of my life. Examine it, evaluate it, and redefine a lot of it.

Thanks for reading. Thanks for praying. Thanks for letting me be wrong.

Tax relief has worked

Nobody likes someone who says "I told you so," but I have to admit I am mighty tempted to say it anyway after hearing the latest economic news.

Government revenues for April 2005 were 29 percent higher than they were a year ago. As a result, the Department of Treasury will be paying down \$42 billion in debt in the April-June quarter.

The good news was compounded with the news that 274,000 jobs were added in April, reducing the unemployment level from 5.5 percent a year ago to 5.2 percent. These Department of Labor statistics showed stronger-than-expected employment growth.

This news is welcome vindication of tax relief passed by Congress and signed by President Bush starting in 2001. When I joined my colleagues in passing tax relief for hard-working Americans, we were accused of busting the budget. Many critics painted a rather dark picture of our economic prospects, even though we had based our legislation on America's long experience of seeing tax reductions spur economic growth and higher

government revenues. In fact, according to data collected by the Congressional Budget Office, total federal revenues in 2004 were higher than those for 2002.

The first modern example was the tax relief passed by Congress under President John F. Kennedy in the 1960s.

That tax relief sparked a long economic boom. President Ronald Reagan passed substantial tax relief which started an economic expansion which lasted, with one interruption, into the presidency of William Clinton, who signed increases in taxes. President George W. Bush inherited a stalled economy which he believed would benefit from tax reductions.

I supported the tax relief packages because they removed many unfair provisions in the code. I led the fight and authored the legislation to eliminate the Marriage Penalty, which taxed married couples at a higher rate than unmarried couples. We increased the tax deduction for children. Perhaps the most important part of the relief package is that it reduced marginal rates, so every American who pays income taxes got relief.



Capitol Comment

Kay Bailey Hutchison

Economists report that the Gross Domestic Product measurement of the economy has improved as a result of the tax relief. GDP in 2002, the first year relief took hold, increased by 1.9 percent. In 2003 growth accelerated to 3 percent. By 2004, the economy averaged an extremely high annual growth rate of 4.4 percent. The preliminary growth figures for the first quarter of 2005 shows a healthy growth rate of 3.1 percent despite sharply higher energy prices.

President Reagan was fond of saying that a rising tide lifts all boats to illustrate the fact that economic growth provides better jobs, a higher standard of living and more government revenue. He was right. Economic growth, spurred by lower taxes, increases the total government revenues even when taxes have been decreased.

Some may wonder how it can be that the U.S. deficit has increased even though tax relief boosted the economy and thereby raised revenue. The answer is government spending has increased at an even faster rate. After the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks, our nation has had to invest heavily in improved security as well as prosecute a war against terrorists in Afghanistan and Iraq. I do not begrudge these expenditures. They were necessary to make the United States safer. But we must work to rein in unnecessary spending.

The recent good financial news strengthens my resolve to work to make our tax relief permanent. Much of the tax relief we passed was scheduled to sunset, or end, in 2010. I would like to see tax relief, particularly marginal rate reductions, capital gains tax reductions, abolition of the Death Tax on inheritance and Marriage Penalty tax relief made permanent.

You have heard the old expression, if it ain't broke, don't fix it. I would like to add, when it comes to tax relief, if it ain't broke, and it is working great, then don't end it.

Big Mama Sez!



Love cures people - both the ones who give it and the ones who receive it.

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Gov. Perry: Enterprise fund grant secures 4,200 new jobs for Texas

Washington Mutual expansion is largest job creation announcement in U.S. this year

AUSTIN, TX - Gov. Rick Perry today announced that Washington Mutual, a financial services company, will bring 4,200 new jobs to Texas over the next seven years thanks to a grant from the Texas Enterprise Fund (TEF).

The planned expansion is the largest job creation announcement in the United States for the first five months of 2005.

"Today I am proud to announce that we are investing \$15

million from the Texas Enterprise Fund to secure the largest job creation announcement in the United States for the first five months of 2005," Perry said. "Washington Mutual's expansion will create jobs for 4,200 Texas families, significantly boost our entire economy and will once again direct the national spotlight to the record-setting feat Texas is able to accomplish because of the Enterprise Fund."

Previously, the TEF helped

Texas secure the largest capital investment in the nation for 2003 and the largest job announcement for 2004.

Over the past two years, Texas has used almost all of the available Enterprise Fund dollars to secure projects that will bring 28,000 jobs to Texas and pump more than \$6 billion into the state's economy, an amazing return 20 times greater than the legislature's original investment.

"Today's job announcement

demonstrates how vital it is that we replenish the Enterprise Fund in this legislative session so we can continue to attract jobs and provide health insurance for so many Texas workers," Perry added.

"It was wise for lawmakers to set aside \$295 million for job creation during tough budgetary times in 2003, and now that the economy has improved, it only makes sense to continue our strong economic momentum."

Don't bend it, amend it

By Marc A. Levin

The contentious debate over judicial confirmations is often portrayed as a referendum on the notion of a "living Constitution." Conservatives like U.S. Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia believe that judges should adhere to the original text of the Constitution as expressed in the meaning of the words and their understanding at the time the Constitution was ratified. Liberals respond that the Constitution must be adapted to reflect changes in society's values and attitudes. However, these viewpoints are not, in fact, mutually exclusive.

In truth, no one seriously believes the Constitution is "dead." America's founding fathers provided a procedure for amending it, recognizing that the Constitution must change to some extent over time.

The controversy that now embroils our judiciary is a result of judges effectively amending the Constitution to create new rights, like abortion and sodomy, while reading out of the Constitution rights specifically enumerated, such as the right to bear arms.

Some might say these changes are positive and reflect the evolution of public opinion, but if they had been made through the formal amendment process rather than by judges, a judge's political views would be irrelevant and judicial selection would be a non-controversial task of finding the best lawyers to faithfully interpret the Constitution as if it were a contract.

For this reason, none other than America's leading critic of the "living Constitution" judicial philosophy recently announced he supports making the Constitution easier to formally amend. Speaking at the George H.W. Bush Presidential Library at Texas A&M University on May 5, Justice Scalia suggested that the one provision in the Constitution he would change is the amendment process.

Currently, two-thirds of each chamber of Congress must approve the same language, which then must be approved by three-quarters of state legislatures. Scalia noted that twelve states with only two percent of the population could block any amendment.

Did the founders err by making the Constitution too inflexible? Not necessarily. There were thirteen states at the time of the founding so only ten states would have been needed to amend the Constitution. Also, the populations of the colonies did not vary that much.

That the Constitution couldn't be much harder to amend is borne out by recent history. There have been only five amendments since 1934. The

only amendment ratified since 1971 was a minor change to the procedure for approving congressional pay raises. The Supreme Court has picked up the slack. The Court has most controversially amended the Constitution by adding new rights, such as to abortion and sodomy. The Court's death penalty jurisprudence perhaps most clearly demonstrates that judges are amending the Constitution. In the last several decades, the death penalty has been upheld, struck down completely, upheld again, and just last year struck down as it applies to minors. Of course, the text of the Constitution has remained the same over this period, but the Court in its *Roper* decision last year concluded that "evolving standards of decency" had changed, relying in part on international rulings.

Amending the Constitution to streamline the amendment process would combat judicial activism in several ways. First, it would obviate the perceived need for judges to update the Constitution. Much like water building up at dam, when a supermajority exists for changing a fundamental part of our social contract, the country could more easily turn to the formal amendment process rather than judicial lawmaking.

Indeed, making the Constitution easier to amend answers one of the most common critiques of originalism - that the Constitution shouldn't be a legal straight-jacket in the face of changing times and needs.

Second, when judges alter the Constitution through activist decisions, the public would have

effective recourse. An amendment could be passed clarifying, for example, that a new right created by the Court is not in fact conferred by the Constitution.

Of course, a supermajority requirement should be retained so that stability is preserved and the Constitution is not reduced to mere statutory law. A minor change would reduce the requirements to three-fifths of Congress and three-fifths of the state legislatures.

Better yet, just as state legislatures no longer select the Senate, they could be eliminated from the amendment process altogether. After a congressional supermajority approves an amendment, it could be submitted to the public for ratification in the next federal election. To address emergencies, if three-fourths of Congress approves an amendment, Congress could be empowered to call an immediate election at which three-fourths of voters would have to approve the emergency amendment.

Some degree of flexibility is desirable so long as it is the people are doing the flexing and the judges doing the interpreting. Ironically, the best way to preserve the integrity of the Constitution and restore the judiciary to its proper role is by making it easier to amend.

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Delightful strawberry-cream cheese muffins

Ah, the delightful fun of eating muffins! I like them anytime and any flavor.

Seems to be just the right size to satisfy and if lucky enough to have a frosted one, each bite is frosted. Don't have that with a slice of cake.

When making a batch of muffins recently I did a little research in the making and decided maybe these hints will be helpful for you too.

Why not try this yummy recipe to try out these tips. By the way, if you ever have any extra left overs, I know how to solve your problem.

Why grease only the bottom? If you not using paper liners, it's important to grease the bottoms of the muffin cups so the muffins release easily. Also the muffins will rise better and more evenly during baking since it can't cling to the sides as it rises.

Why cool muffins in the pan? Muffins should be cooled about 10 minutes in the pan on a rack upon taking them out of the

oven.

If removed immediately, they may break apart because they are fragile when hot. Also, if baked without liners, the cooling allows them to release from the sides of the pan.

Don't let them cool too long in the pan or they won't release as easily.

What causes peaks?

The proper or perfect baked muffin should have a gently rounded crown. Over mixing causes muffins to peak.

If you mix too vigorously or too long, the flours protein becomes active and gluten develops. We want gluten in our yeast breads, but it should be avoided in all other baking.

Tell tale signs of over mixing include dunce-cap peaks and large holes or tunnels inside. Irregular holes in the muffin are the result of uneven release of gasses in the batter, caused by improper mixing of dry ingredients.

Mix your dry ingredients



Goodies From G.G.

Vada Baldree

thoroughly, preferably with a whisk. But when wet ingredients are added to dry, stir minimally, just until blended.

Strawberry-Cream Cheese Muffins

2 cups, all purpose flour, 3/4 cup plus 3 tsp. sugar (divided), 1 1/2 tsp. baking powder, 1/2 tsp. baking soda, 6 tsp. unsalted butter (chilled and cut up), 1 cup chopped strawberries, 3/4 cup plus 2 tsp. buttermilk, 1 large egg, 1 (3 oz.) pkg. cream cheese (cut into 12 cubes).

Heat oven to 400 degrees. Grease bottoms of 12 muffin tins or line with paper baking cups. In medium bowl, stir together flour, 3/4 cup of sugar, baking powder and baking soda. With 2

knives or pastry blender, cut in butter until mixture is crumbly. Stir in strawberries.

In small bowl, whisk together buttermilk and egg until blended. Gently combine the dry mixture into wet mixture, just until combined.

Divide evenly among muffin cups. Dip cream cheese pieces in 2 tsp. of sugar then place in center of each muffin. Press cream cheese until level with batter. (Do not cover cream cheese with batter.) Sprinkle muffins with remaining 1 tsp sugar.

Bake 20 to 25 minutes or until light brown and toothpick inserted off-center comes out clean. Do not put toothpick in cream cheese.

Cool on wire rack 10 minutes. Remove from pan and serve warm or at room temperature. Store in refrigerator.

These muffins are almost like eating a cream cheese danish and are best eaten the day they are made.

Surplus/Salvage Property Sale

The Kinney County Commissioners Court will auction by competitive bid various miscellaneous items on Saturday, June 4, 2005 at 9:00 a.m. The auction will be held at the Kinney County Road and Bridge Department in Brackettville, TX.

Commissioners Court reserves the right to refuse any and all bids. Items purchased must be paid for and removed from said property immediately following the auction.

Volleyball Officials Needed

The South Texas Volleyball Officials Chapter is looking for officials for the 2005 volleyball season. Training will begin in June. For a few hours of training you receive great pay-offs.

You get paid mileage and a fee for each game officiated. Usually one nights pay is around \$100.00. If you are interested you can call Barbara Rippey at 830-896-5408 or Rhonda Marquardt at 830-563-9428. They are experiencing an official shortage in the state of Texas. Parents, senior citizens and former students are excellent possibilities for officials. This is a great second job opportunity, or a part time job.

Lions Club Thrift Store

Open May 21, 2005
8 a.m. to Noon
BAG SALE \$1

Lots of bargains, dresser, sofa, lamps

Questions? Call Norma 563-2072

BASEBALL FAN BUS TO KERRVILLE

FRI. & SAT. MAY 20 & 21
Cost is \$5 per person. Payment is required at time of reservation. Sign-up in central office. Must have a full bus to go!!!

Money refunded if bus is cancelled.
Friday Bus leaves at 1 p.m., game starts at 5.
Saturday Bus leaves at 7 a.m., game starts at 11 a.m.

SHOW YOUR TIGER PRIDE & RIDE!

Look for the Graduate's special section in next week's edition of the *The Brackett News*.

KINNEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S REPORT

Monday, May 9
5:18 p.m., A woman stated she had locked her keys in her car and needed a deputy's assistance. Deputy Ron Ring was advised.

Tuesday, May 10
6:30 a.m., Geraldo Garcia, 22, of Del Rio was arrested by Trooper Tully Welch for driving while license suspended. Garcia was later released after posting \$1000 bond.

8:45 a.m., A woman reported a man stacking chairs behind a trailer on S. Beaumont Street to gain access through a window. The owner was notified. The person was later reported walking west on El Paso street.

Wednesday, May 11
6:30 a.m., Ruben Rios, 44, of Brackettville was arrested by Sheriff Buddy Burgess for theft by check. Rios was later released after posting \$2000 bond.

9:50 a.m., Samuel Fernandez, 25, of Brackettville was arrested by Deputy Kenneth Freitag for probation revocation and assault with bodily injury. Fernandez was still being held when this report was made.

10:15 a.m., Eulalio Garza, 21, of Brackettville was arrested by Deputy Freitag for probation revocation sentence and burglary of habitat. Garza was still being held when this report was made.

11:15 a.m., Micheal Falcon, 27, of Brackettville was arrested by Constable Bobby Guidry for warrants out of Midland County for theft and Houston County for non-payment of child support. Falcon was later released after posting a total of \$3500 in bonds.

2:50 p.m., Rina Villarreal, 26, of Brackettville was arrested by Deputy Freitag for harassment. Villarreal was later released after posting a \$1500 bond.

7:18 p.m., A man stated that the city had dug up his sewer and did not cover it back up for safety reasons. Sheriff Burgess was informed and a report was faxed to city hall. The city secretary later came into the office and spoke with Sheriff Burgess.

Thursday, May 12
8:23 a.m., Sentry Security reported an alarm sounding off at a local ranch. Constable Bobby Guidry was informed.

4:45 p.m., A man reported an accident with four injuries on Ranch Road 277, south of Del Rio. Del Rio and Kinney County Police department were notified. Del Rio and Kinney County EMS were also notified.

5:41 p.m., A woman reported her dog missing. It's name was Luches, a friendly, brown pit bull with white spot in it's forehead and bottom of it's neck. Chief Deputy Johnny Fritter was advised.

6:06 p.m., An employee of a local store reported finding a bag of drug paraphernalia at the store. Deputy Fritter was dispatched.

7:05 p.m., A woman stated she had lost her dog at a ranch and knew where it was and wanted to speak with a deputy concerning the black rottweiler with a red collar. Deputy Ring was advised.

9:00 p.m., A woman stated that lightning had hit a light pole at the little league field. Deputy Ring, Fire Department, a city employee and the electric company were notified.

9:08 p.m., A man reported a family was fighting. Deputy Ring

was advised.

Friday, May 13
1:25 a.m., A woman stated that someone was outside her residence and had knocked on her door and the night before someone tried to break in. Deputy Ring was notified.

2:34 a.m., A U.S. Border Patrol agent reported goats loose about 5 miles west of the Cline check point. Deputy Ring was informed and found nothing.

5:00 p.m., A man reported his house had been broken into. Food and jewelry had been taken. Deputy Ring and Border Patrol were notified.

5:35 p.m., Bernardo Hernandez Alfaro, 30, of La Costa, Texas was arrested by Deputy Freitag for a warrant out of Kinney County for driving while license suspended and a warrant out of Bexar County for driving while intoxicated, 3rd offense. Alfaro was later released after posting a total of \$21,000 in bonds.

10:30 p.m., Daniel Ponce, 29, of San Antonio was arrested by Trooper Hernandez for driving while license suspended. Ponce was later released after posting \$1000 bond.

Saturday, May 14
12:10 a.m., A man called asking if there was a curfew in town and requested to speak with Deputy Manuel Pena. Deputy Pena was off duty at the time. The man stated that he was tired of his daughter staying out late and was at a friend's house. He asked which deputy was on duty and after the reply of Deputy Ring, he decided to forget it and hung up the phone.

12:30 a.m., A man requested to speak with a deputy. Deputy Ring was informed.

9:12 a.m., A U. S. Border Patrol agent reported goats out just west of the check point on Highway 90. Owner was notified.

4:24 p.m., A man requested a deputy at his house in regards to a man chasing a girl saying he was her father. Deputy Pena was advised about the matter and at that time another man called stating he was the one at the residence.

8:13 p.m., A man stated that his daughter called saying she had gone to work and she was feeling sick and was going home but she never made it. All deputies were advised.

Sunday, May 15
6:07 a.m., An employee of a local restaurant reported a break in during the night. Deputy Pena was notified.

3:58 p.m., A woman stated that there was an accident 8 miles east of Knippa, Texas. She was asked if there were any injuries. There were no injuries reported. She was told that the Uvalde police department would be notified and she stated that the accident was 8 miles east of Brackettville. Again she was asked if there were any injuries. She reported no injuries. Trooper Tony Ashley was dispatched. Trooper Ashley reported that he had gone all the way to the check point and there was no accident. At that time Deputy Ring called and stated that a motorist stopped at a local business and told him that the accident was about 5 miles west of Brackettville. Trooper Ashley was notified and he advised to dispatched EMS and the fire department. Deputy Pena was at the scene at that time.

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Safety Foundation International has named May National Electrical Safety Month. CPL Retail Energy has prepared electrical safety tips to educate the public about the importance of using electricity safely in the home.

Safety Tips Outlets: * Install safety covers on all unused outlets to protect children. * Install additional outlets where you need them instead of relying on extension cords or overloading power strips.

Power Cords: * Do not place power cords in high-traffic areas or under carpets, rugs or furni-

ture. * Never nail or staple cords to a wall or baseboard. * Extension cords should only be used on a temporary basis; unplug and safely store them after every use.

* Never alter a three-prong plug to make it fit into a two-prong outlet. * Properly use extension cords only for their intended use, indoor or outdoor, and be sure to meet or exceed the power needs of an appliance or tool.

GFCIs and AFCIs: * Make sure your home includes ground fault circuit interrupters (GFCIs), which prevent accidental electrocution by automatically shutting

off the circuit when they sense electrical current "leaks". * Test your GFCIs monthly and after every major electrical storm. * Check to ensure that arc fault circuit interrupters (AFCIs) are installed in your home. These help prevent fires.

Finally, regularly test and change the batteries in smoke detectors and create an escape plan to ensure that if a fire occurs, everyone knows how to get out safely.

While it may seem unnecessary to follow these guidelines, national electrical fire statistics

illustrate the need to be proactive and prepared. In this case, it is better to be safe than sorry.

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Barabra Hogan, PHN
Contributing Writer

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* Make sure an adult supervises children any time they are swimming, playing or bathing in water.

* Always wear a life jacket

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* Leave fireworks to the professionals.

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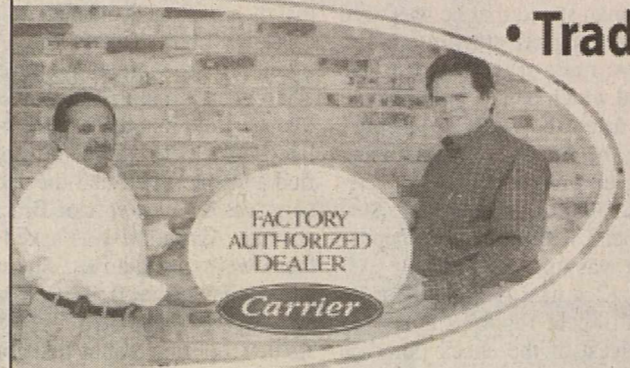


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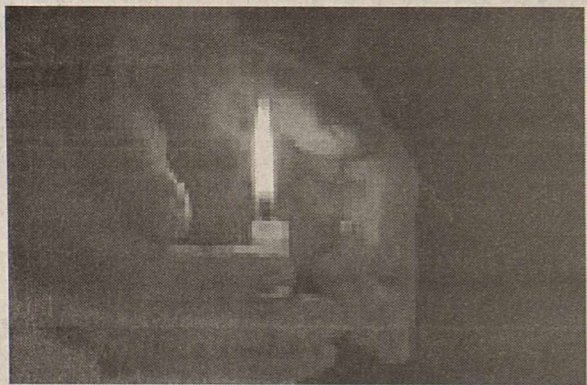
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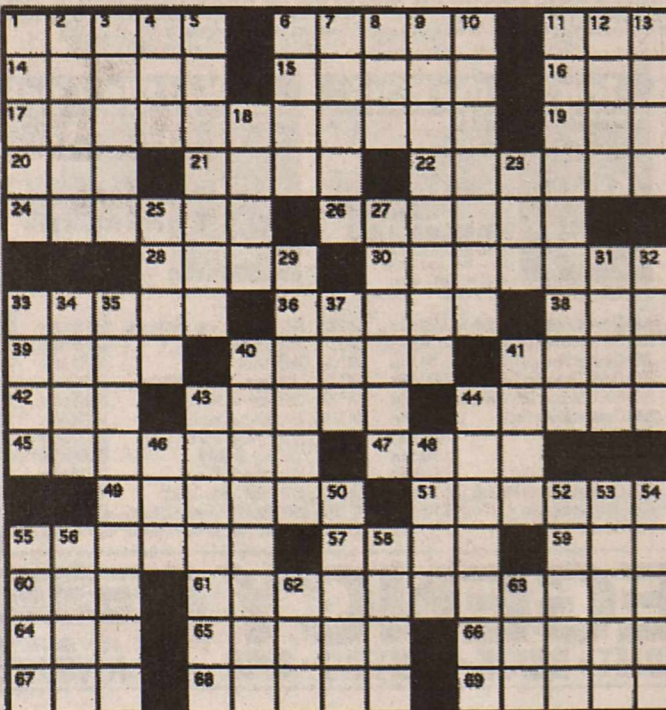
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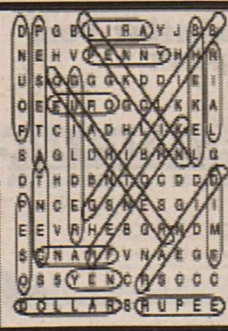
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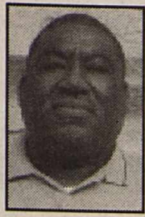
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LEO (July 23 to August 22) A co-worker surprises you with a personal remark. It just could be this person has romantic designs on you. Remember to remain professional at all times.
PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You're unsure of how to deal with a personal problem. There are two possible solutions, and both seem reasonable. Whatever you decide, you'll be okay.
VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) You may find yourself eating some crow this week. That certain family member you had an argument with turns out to be right. Fortunately, this person is open and forgiving.
LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) It's a good week to get out and about and go visiting. There are some friends you've neglected for a while. They've missed you.
SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Your social calendar is full this week. However, do be cautious. You can have a good time without breaking the bank.
SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) It's best this week to concentrate on career pursuits. Everything else will just be a distraction. This weekend, singles could find romance.
CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) You're on the right track where your personal life is concerned. Thus, pay no attention to busybody friends. They have no right to interfere.
GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You're a bit clumsy this week. This could lead to unfortunate accidents. Use caution, particularly if doing any repair work around the house.
CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Something you lost some time ago finally resurfaces. This brings great relief. Vow to be more organized in the future.
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Teacher Peep Peep

The same came to Jesus by night, and said unto him, Rabbi, we know that thou art a teacher come from God for no man can do these Miracles, that thou doest except God be with him.

Jesus answered and said unto him, verily, verily I say unto thee. Except, a man be born again he can not see the Kingdom of God.

Nicodemus saith unto him. How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and



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be born? Jesus answered, Verily, verily I say unto thee except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the Kingdom of God. Praise God! Glory! St. John 3:2-5.

Not too long ago my wife ordered some baby chickens. She put them in a big box in the middle of the living room (it's a lot more entertaining than TV).

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We finally found it trapped under the water bowl.

It was cold and had been lying there unable to move. She immediately started rubbing it and put it under the light so it could get warm.

He got warm and started eating but he sure walked funny for a couple of days.

I named him Shorty and now he runs and plays with the rest of them.

We never know when we may



Jerry Davenport

Brother J.

find ourselves in a situation like Shorty's.

If we find ourselves in a difficult situation don't quit or give up on calling upon God, (Psalm 3:4 & Hebrews 4:16).

Help may be upon the way. It could be that we caused the problem or we had nothing to do with it, (Exodus 22:23).

As I watched him recover I thought "boy that was close". I have had some close calls and God has delivered me every time I called upon Him, (Psalm 91:15).

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Arlington welcomes Texas Scottish Festival

ARLINGTON, TX—The 19th annual Texas Scottish Festival & Highland games are scheduled for June 3-4-5, 2005. Renowned for its outstanding entertainment, the festival again features some of the top Scottish performers in the world, along with top professional athletes, bagpiping and other music and Scottish dance.

The festival has five large entertainment tents this year to showcase the national and regional celtic, folk, and Scottish entertainers. Highlander Magazine rated the Texas Scottish Festival the Number One Scottish Festival in North America for entertainment and talent. Many people may discover they are a "wee bit Scottish" as they visit the colorful family clan tents associated with a Scottish gathering.

Scottish foods & ales including haggis, fish & chips, scotch eggs, meat pies, brides, and bangers will be available as well as American festival foods. Scottish vendors with a wide variety of merchandise from Scotland & Great Britain will be displaying their inventory of authentic tartan wear, kilts for the gentlemen, crafts, records, books, and gift items. People attending will also find unique Celtic designed crafts, jewelry, and art.

One of the most popular features of the event are the more than sixty-five colorful Scottish Clan tents representing various Scottish Clans and families including MacDonalids, Campbells, MacIntosh, Hendersons, MacIntyres, and Rosses.

Musicians appearing include the acclaimed Scottish fiddler Alasdair Fraser, renown Scottish balladeer Alex Beaton, noted folk singer Brian McNeill the Celtic groups Ed Miller with

John Taylor, Jiggernaut, Scottish Mayhem,

Smithfield Faire, Beyond the Pale, Jed Marum and Scottish Rogues. The festival celebrates the return of the high-energy Australian Celtic rock group Brother, and will host many other artists and performers.

Championship Scottish Highland Dance and Scottish National Dance competitions will take place during the event. The solo bagpiping contests will feature some of the premier bagpipers in the world. The host bagpipe band will be the Championship North Texas Caledonian Pipes & Drums.

Other scheduled events include professional and amateur athletics, a kilted golf tournament, Scottish fiddle workshop, children's games and activities, genealogy and history seminars, a Gaelic language seminar, Scottish military living history encampment, Scottish country dancing, a "Bonniest Knees Contest," a Medieval Scotland area, a Scotch whisky tasting and seminar, Celtic harp workshop, Celtic music, a photo contest, Texas championship sheep dog demonstrations, an all-Scottish breed dog show, Scotch ale brewing competition, a shortbread contest, Celtic art seminar, falconry demonstrations, a 9,000 square foot pub tent, a feature Ceilidh, and much, much more.

The Festival and Games are open to the general public and is an event for the entire family with most activities scheduled continuously for each day. Musical entertainment is continuous in several areas including the largest pub tent in North America.

An attendance again in excess of 40,000 is expected for the three day event.

DPS honors slain and injured Texas officers

DPS held its annual Peace Officer Memorial Service this morning to honor 14 Texas law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty in 2004 and 2005.

The service, held at the Department's Headquarters in Austin, was the 20th DPS law enforcement memorial service. The survivors of DPS officers killed in the line of duty and DPS officers who have been injured in the line of duty are invited to the service each year.

The guest-speaker for this year's memorial service was Public Safety Commission Chair Colleen McHugh.

Jennifer Knapp, wife of DPS Highway Patrol Trooper Kurt Knapp, placed a wreath at the DPS Memorial Monument. Trooper Knapp, who was stationed in Fredericksburg, died in a line-of-duty car crash last May in Kendall County.

Knapp was also one of those honored in the roll call of fallen Texas peace officers.

"Today, we pay tribute to Texas peace officers who lost their lives while on duty. Each officer's death was a loss to public safety," said DPS Director Col. Thomas A. Davis Jr.

"But we also know that each officer's death is an irreparable loss to family and friends, who still grieve for their loved one."

"We want them to know that they will always be a part of the DPS family."

Texas peace officers killed feloniously in 2005 are as follows:

Deputy Andy Taylor, Llano County SO, shot during traffic

stop on May 7, died on May 8.

Texas peace officers killed feloniously in 2004 include:

Officer John Logan, Huntington PD, killed during a traffic stop March 14;

Sergeant Gregory Hunter, Grand Prairie PD, killed while investigating a suspicious vehicle June 18;

Officer Angel Barcena, El Paso PD, killed while responding to a disturbance call Sept. 25.

OBITUARY

Teresa Grace Ramsey Stephens

November 29, 1942 - May 11, 2005

Teresa of Morrison, Colorado and Brackettville, Texas, went to be with the Lord on May 11, 2005.

She was born in Witata, Kansas Nov. 29, 1942, as Teresa Grace Ramsey.

She was a devoted and loving wife to Roger Duane Stephens since Oct. 15, 1960. She was a loving mother of three and a grandmother of five.

Teresa was preceded in death by her daughter Tessi Lyn Stephens who passed away on May 17, 1980.

She is survived by her husband Roger.

Her daughter and son-in-law, Kim and Steven Bianchi of Morrison, Colo. and son and daughter-in-law, Kevin and Brenda Stephens of Lake Jackson, Texas. Her grandchildren, Ronnie, Carly and Casey Bianchi and Bryan-Allan and Kyle



Stephens, mother Mildred Davis of Witata, Kan., sister Sue Ballard, brothers Scott A. Troy of Kansas and James Dean Williams of Colorado.

Services will be held in Morrison, Colorado on June 2, 2005. A Memorial Service at Fort Clark will be held at a time and date to be announced.

Strayhorn sees increase in local sales tax revenue

AUSTIN—Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn said today that state sales tax revenue totaled \$1.34 billion in April, down 8.1 percent compared to April 2004, when a tax amnesty recommended by the Comptroller caused a 26.4 percent spike in monthly sales tax revenue.

"Last year's tax amnesty program brought in \$256.5 million in sales tax that might not have been collected otherwise from delinquent taxpayers," Strayhorn said. "Adjusting for my successful tax amnesty program, state sales tax revenue in April 2005 increased 3.6 percent compared to April 2004."

Strayhorn said local governments will receive \$455.7 million in May sales tax allocations, up 8.4 percent compared to May 2004. So far this calendar year, sales tax allocations to cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts are up 6.9 percent compared to a year ago.

Comptroller Strayhorn sent May sales tax allocations of \$312.4 million to Texas cities,

up 8.6 percent compared to May 2004.

Calendar year-to-date, city sales tax allocations are up 7.3 percent compared to the same period last year. Texas counties received sales tax payments of \$26.5 million, up 13.8 percent compared to one year ago. Calendar year-to-date, county sales tax allocations are 10.4 percent higher than last year.

May's sales tax allocations to local governments represent March sales that were reported to the Comptroller in April by monthly tax filers, and January, February and March sales reported to the Comptroller in April by quarterly tax filers.

For details of May sales tax payments to individual cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose districts, locate the Monthly Sales and Use Tax Allocation Comparison Summary Reports on the Comptroller's Web site at window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/allocsum/compsum.html.

The Comptroller's next sales tax allocation will be made on Friday, June 10.

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