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Christmas Play

The Junior High Theatre Arts Class will be performing a Christmas Play on Thursday Dec. 22, 8:30 p.m., at the BISD auditorium

KC 4-H News

The Kinney 4-H Junior and Senior Clubs will be having a Christmas party Friday, December 16th from 6-9 p.m. at the Fort Clark Service Club. This will be your monthly meeting. Also, Kinney County Stockshow Entries are due Friday, December 16th by 5:00 p.m.

Council meeting rescheduled

Last Monday's regular city council meeting was cancelled due to lack of a quorum.

The meeting has been rescheduled for Monday Dec. 19 at 6:00 p.m.

RGEC Blood Drive successful

Rio Grande Electric's pre-holiday blood drive was deemed a success by the cooperative.

19 people donated, 5 were deferred. Each unit drawn helps at least 3 people.

"On behalf of those 57 people, thanks for making a difference," said Cathy Kelly, blood drive coordinator.

KC Heritage Museum closed on Dec. 24rd

Due to the holidays the Kinney County Heritage Museum will be closed next Saturday.

Department of Public Safety local office hours

The Brackettville driver's license office hours are 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., the first and third Thursdays of each month. The office is located upstairs at the county courthouse.

Bank and Trust holds Christmas Open House

The Bank and Trust will hold an open house next Monday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the bank lobby.

Merry Christmas

By Woodie Hornburg
Contributing Writer

Christmas in Kinney County is herald in with many traditional happenings and numerous organizations sponsor their own events. Thank goodness our area still acknowledges the real meaning of Christmas. The school, The Brackett News, Kinney County Church Alliance, Chamber of Commerce, Lions Club, Kinney County Arts Council and other community clubs incorporate their field of interests to prove that "Merry Christmas" is alive and well in Kinney County.

The winner of the KCAC's "Christmas Basket" was Debbie Shaffer, the manager of Southwest Research, of San Antonio, which indicates that people from a wide area also contribute to local projects. The delivery of the gift basket should cheer Debbie's feelings since it has been learned that she fell, broke her leg and is recovering in the hospital. So Christmas in Kinney County means just that - "Merry Christmas".

INSIDE

Vada Baldree

I have to admit I've not fixed quail or dove in many years. Consequently I am unable to share many ideas. It would be appreciated if any of my readers would send me their tasty recipes.

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Junior High places second overall at UIL competition

Brackett Junior High placed second overall in the University Interscholastic League competition on Dec. 11.

Sixteen students traveled to Rocksprings to compete in the annual event.

"This is the fourteenth year I have taken a team to this event and I believe this is the best they've ever done," said the Junior High UIL Coordinator, Mary Petrosky. "The students behaved well, represented the school well and competed well. I couldn't have been more proud of them," she continued.

Brackett Jr. High students were awarded 32 medals and 11 ribbons. The following individual and team results are unofficial.

Number Sense:

Seventh grade: Individually, Brandon Allen placed second and Kelsey Bruce placed third.

Eighth grade: The team took first place. Individually, Jeff Sitgreaves placed first, Chris Blake and Cody Clark tied for sixth place.

Mathematics:

Seventh grade: Brandon Allen placed fourth and Kelsey Bruce placed fifth. Eighth grade: The team placed first. Individually, Jeff Sitgreaves placed first, Chris Blake placed fourth and Lauren Hernandez placed sev-

enth.

Calculator:

Seventh grade: The team placed first overall. Kelsey Bruce placed second. Ayland Letsinger placed third and Josh Smith placed fifth. Eighth grade: Jeff Sitgreaves placed first and Chris Blake placed fifth.

Dictionary Skills:

Seventh grade: Josh Smith placed first and Kelsey Bruce placed third. Eighth grade: Charles Conoly placed fifth and Lauren Hernandez placed seventh.

Listening Skills:

Seventh grade: Josh Smith placed first and Ayland Letsinger placed fifth.

Maps, Graphs, Charts:

Eighth grade: Lauren Hernandez took fifth place.

Readywriting:

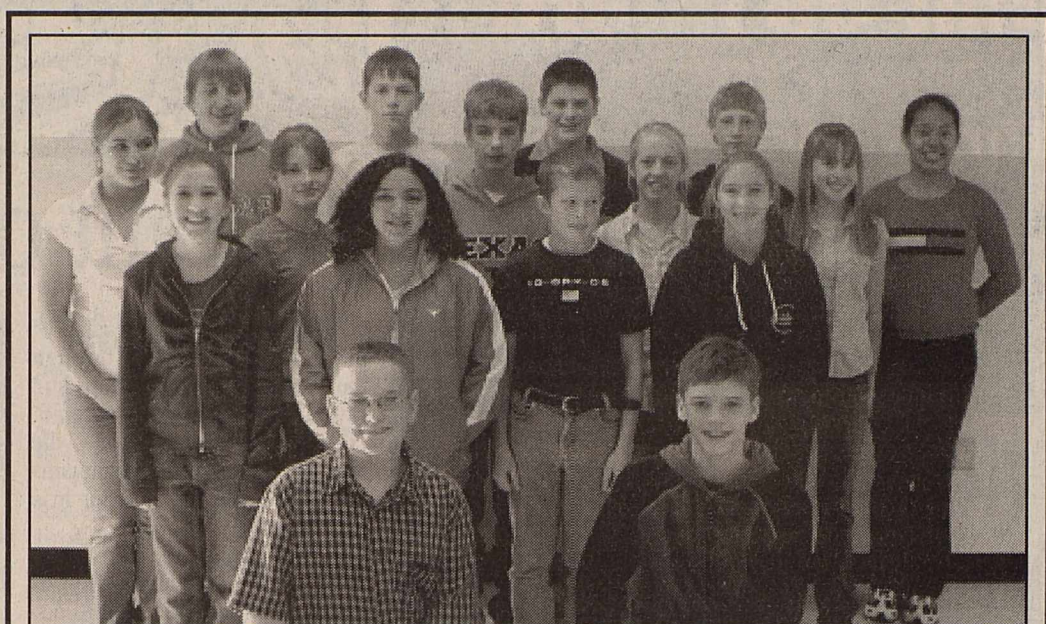
Seventh grade: Brandon Allen placed first. Bryan Calk placed second. Courtney Kirkland placed fourth. Eighth grade: Charles Conoly placed second and Jeff Sitgreaves placed third.

Spelling:

Seventh grade: Courtney Kirkland placed fifth and Stella Guajardo placed seventh. Eighth grade: Cody Clark placed first.

Impromptu Speaking:

Seventh grade: Brandon Allen placed first. Ayland



Junior High UIL participants:

Photo by Leigh Volcsko

Front row from left: Bryan Calk and Brandon Allen. Second row from left: Courtney Kirkland, Abigail Gutierrez, Josh Smith and Icela Rueda. Third row from left: Lauren Hernandez, Cheyenne Billings, Cody Clark, Kelsey Bruce and Sarah Davis. Back row from left: Charles Conoly, Chris Blake, Jeff Sitgreaves, Ayland Letsinger and Stella Guajardo.

Letsinger placed second. Sarah Davis placed third. Eighth grade: Jeff Sitgreaves placed first. Charles Conoly placed third.

Oral Reading:

Seventh grade: Brandon Allen placed third. Eighth grade: Jeff Sitgreaves placed

first and Charles Conoly third place.

The students were coached by teachers: Jamie Ballew, Julie Bruce, Candace Bader, Bonnie Brotherton, Charles Marquardt and Mary Petrosky.

All Jr. High students were invited to participate in the com-

petition. Many students have been practicing since September.

"These results are tremendous," said George Burks, Jr. High Principal. "They speak well for our teachers, curriculum and our student's desire to compete," Burk added.

Two survive T-38 Talon crash East of Brackettville

LAUGHLIN AIR FORCE BASE, Texas — A T-38C Talon aircraft assigned to Laughlin AFB crashed Tuesday afternoon approximately five miles east of Brackettville.

Emergency personnel from Kinney County and firefighters from Spofford Airfield were on scene and reported two pilots survived and were in stable condition.

Maj. Marc A. Montgomery was the instructor pilot. The student pilot was 2nd Lt. Jonathan Ballard. Maj. Montgomery is assigned to the 96th Flying Training Squadron; Lt. Ballard to the 87th Flying Training Squadron.

Maj. Montgomery was transported to Brooke Army Medical Center in San Antonio for evaluation. Lt. Ballard was transported to the 47th Medical

Group clinic here for evaluation.

The two pilots were on a low-level student training mission when their T-38C crashed after an apparent bird strike. Both pilots ejected safely.

The jet crashed in open rangeland and there were no fatalities or injuries on the ground.

A board of officers will investigate the accident.

Spofford receives \$623,000 grant

By Elizabeth Jaso
Contributing Writer

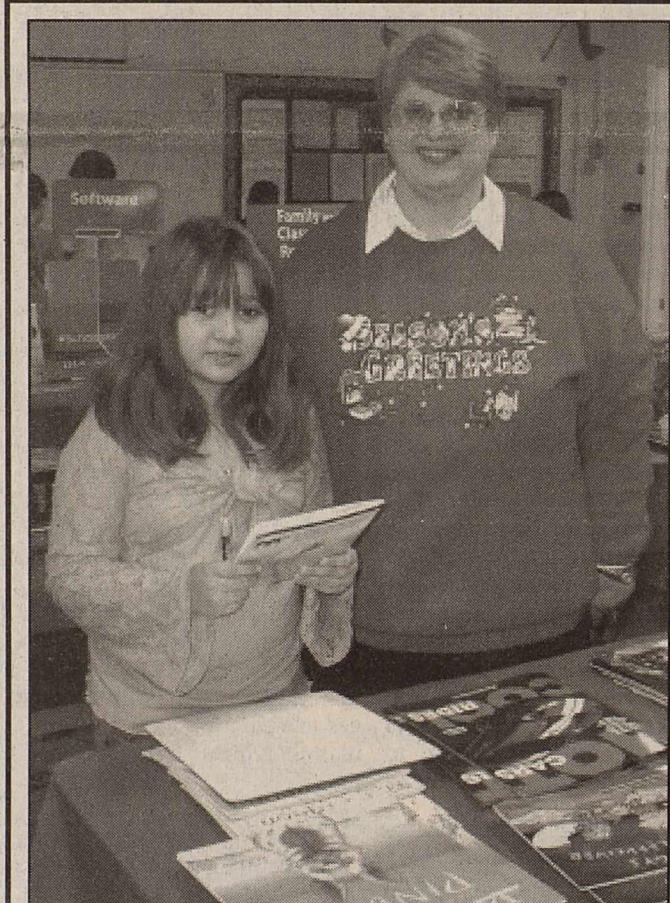
During the regular meeting of the Kinney County Commissioners Court on Monday December 12, the bid from TRC Texas Infrastructure was accepted to pave roads in Spofford. Spofford has been awarded a Colonia Grant in the amount of \$623,000 from the Texas Department of Transportation. Mayor Pro Tem Tootsie Herndon exclaimed, "Ye Haw! That's Santa

Clause to Spofford! Merry Christmas everybody; without ya'll we couldn't have done it!" The City of Spofford, Kinney County, and Middle Rio Grande Development Council have worked closely on this grant for well over a year. The contract for administration of the grant was awarded to the Middle Rio Grande Development Council pending legal review.

The Commissioners awarded the bid for pest control services to Orkin and the bid for electric

service to Central Power and Light. A motion to allow the use of the Civic Center for a holiday season luncheon for county employees was passed unanimously. A motion to prohibit and regulate fireworks in the unincorporated areas of the county was passed with Commissioner Terrazas opposing.

In executive session, interviews were conducted for the position of EMS Director, but no action was taken to hire. **See Spofford/Page 6**



Just Book It

Photo by Leigh Volcsko

Courtney McDonald, left, shops for books with her teacher Judy Burks at the Jones Elementary PTO Book Fair.

Old Quarry and Voices present Christmas play

By Lynn McNews
Contributing Writer

The Old Quarry Society and Voices of Fort Clark will present "A Country Christmas Carol", on Saturday, Dec. 17, Post Theatre, 7:30 p.m. This comedy is a Western version of Dickens' "Scrooge". Set in Sadie's Soda-pop Saloon, the play features a large cast, including: Pat Melancon plays Scrooge, Lois Carlson is Sadie, Kent Lowery is Ace Diablo and Duke Meek plays the part of Digger, just to mention a few well-known Old Quarry players. Newcomers include David Rhinesmith as the Sheriff, Nathan LaFrenz as Bob Crachett and Anna Renken as Mrs. Crachett.

The Voices of Fort Clark provide the background chorus and help set the scenes with music.

Directed by Suzanna Lowery, "A Country Christmas Carol" is sure to provide an evening of entertainment. Individual tickets are available at the Adult Center and RV Park or from members of the cast and crew.



"A Country Christmas Carol"


Photo by Leigh Volcsko

Some of the cast from "A Country Christmas Carol" from left: Tyler Schuster, Pat Melancon, Stetson Schuster, Shelby Schuster, Lois Carlson, Kent Lowery, David Rhinesmith and Mary Petrosky.

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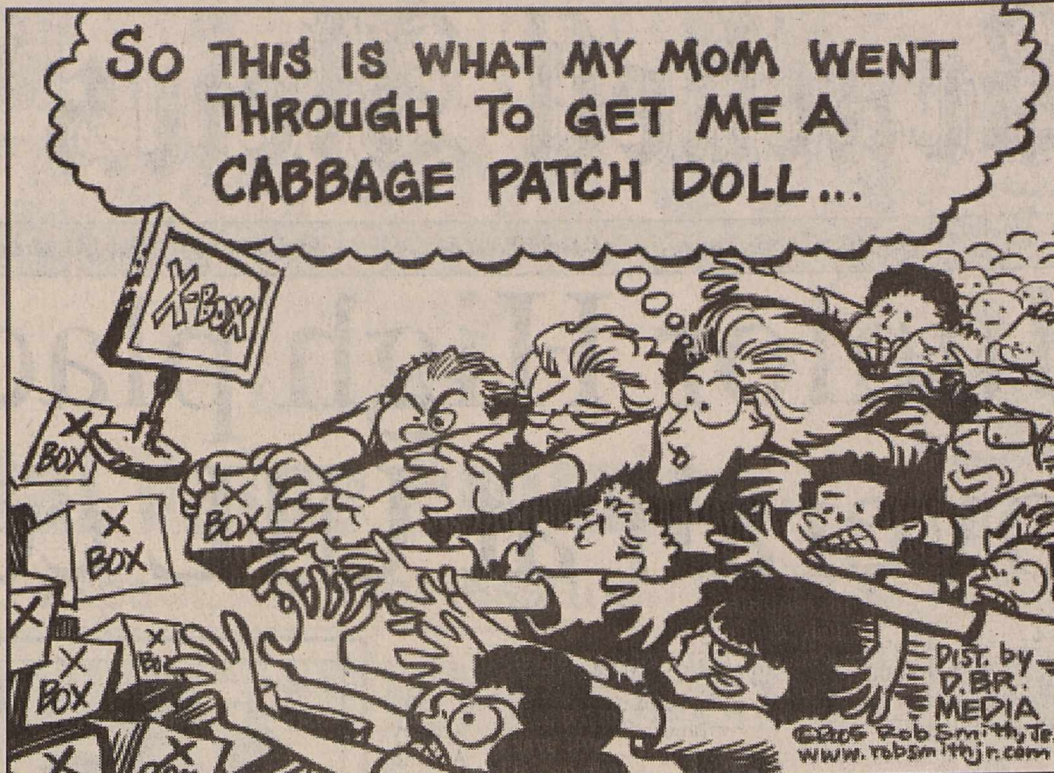
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What happens when Santa doesn't come?

When I was growing up, my parents didn't have a lot of money. I was nearly twelve before I realized that not all moms and dads hold down two or three jobs a piece.



Weekly Report
Henry Bonilla

I know my parents must have dreaded Christmas. When you're little, everybody's quick to tell you that Santa Claus brings toys only to good little boys and girls.

If you don't get much under the tree on Christmas morning, you must have done something to get on the wrong side of Santa.

A tree was a luxury we couldn't always afford at Christmas. But, until the year I turned ten, there were always presents.

That year, 1964, things were harder than usual. By then our family had grown to include five children, including me.

My dad would stay up late at night, adding, subtracting, and dividing the bills in a crazy kind of math that never gave him the answers he wanted.

About two weeks before Christmas, my mom took me aside. "Henry," she said, "you're the oldest, so you should know what's happening. It looks like we're not going to be able to buy any presents this year. I need you to help your brothers and sisters understand."

I nodded, but inside I was worried. How do you tell a five year old that Santa won't be coming this year?

The next two weeks went faster than I would have wanted. Suddenly, it was Christmas Eve.

That evening, my mom made her famous tamales and bunellas. Dad read the Christmas story, and we sang a few songs. But I noticed my brothers and sisters weren't as excited as usual. They'd been warned days before that there were lots of kids in the world, and the North Pole toy factory was having a hard time making all of the toys.

The next morning, as I was just waking up, I heard my brother Nate shout. I ran into the next room. There, in the corner, was a Christmas tree, standing about four feet tall with shiny red, blue and yellow balls on it. But that wasn't what surprised me the most.

Under the tree were presents! There were new coats, games, and dolls for my sisters. Somehow, my parents had found the money for Santa to come.

My throat tightened as I thought about the extra shifts mom must have taken, and the nights when dad could barely sleep before heading off to the next job.

Now, thirty seven Christmases later, my son and daughter have never gone to sleep on Christmas Eve afraid that Santa's forgotten them. But that doesn't mean we haven't tried to show them what it's like for other children who aren't as lucky as they are.

Every year, Project "Any Baby Can" here in San Antonio matches us with a family that doesn't have enough money to give their kids the Christmas they deserve. The families that Project ABC helps all have children with expensive medical problems.

One year, our family was matched with a family that had a boy my son's age who had muscular dystrophy. Our family goes out and buys presents we think the children (and their parents) will like. We also bring them everyday things like canned food or pots and pans.

We're not the only family who plays Santa. Today, there are dozens of charities that try to make sure that "all" good girls and boys have a Merry Christmas.

They do it not because of some rule or regulation the government has passed. They do it because they care about their fellow Americans.

They are what Christmas and our country are all about.

A giant of the nano-world

Under the nurturing gaze of his mother, he peered through the eyepiece of a microscope and saw a whole universe: paramecia, diatoms, and amoebas — the various single-celled organisms they had collected together in a nearby pond.

To most of us, the many creatures he found in just a drop of water would be too small to notice, too insignificant to make us pause and consider them further. But, for Dr. Smalley, microscopic things held gigantic possibilities.

Those pond creatures were actually among the biggest objects he studied. The universe in which he would later blaze trails, was much, much smaller — 100,000 times smaller in fact.

To explore that universe, Dr. Smalley, had to be, not only bold and creative, he also had to create his own tools.

He studied at some of the best schools in the country, from his education in chemistry at the University of Michigan and Princeton, to his work at the University of Chicago and Rice, work that would earn him a Nobel prize in 1996. To see molecules, an ordinary microscope would not do. Since molecules are constantly moving, he pioneered new methods of slowing them down so that it was possible to learn more about them.

It was his amazing combination of expert chemist and basement inventor that made his success possible.

He started out as a boy building gadgets with his father and ended up building the most advanced supersonic beam apparatus of its time for his own lab at Rice University, as well as for Exxon.

As his vision of the nano-world improved, he discovered the fullerene, a soccer ball-shaped carbon molecule, commonly known as a buckyball.



Capitol Comment
Kay Bailey Hutchison

Further research led him to identify a tube-shaped carbon molecule, known as a nanotube.

I was extremely fortunate to work with Dr. Smalley when I began my effort to make Texas one of America's top research states in the hard sciences. He was a very generous man. Rather than seeking to maximize the profits he might have made on his new discovery, he provided other researchers with access to high-quality nanotube so they could learn from his research and it would help mankind as quickly as possible.

Dr. Smalley was not only a scientist, he was a gallant leader of scientists, affirming his mother's intuition in naming him after Richard the Lion-Hearted, one of the great kings of England.

When I developed a consortium to use nanotechnology to improve our military equipment (SPRING), Dr. Smalley was happy to lead other scientists in the new endeavor. The group's work has already produced new, lighter, yet stronger, body armor that will save many soldiers' lives.

He was also eager to use his knowledge to save lives by curing diseases. Dr. Smalley played a key role in the formation of the Alliance for NanoHealth, a group that unites Texas's top medical institutions in the mission to cure diseases like cancer with the new technologies his discovery made possible. Scientists are now developing buckyballs they can load with drugs or radioactive atoms to more precisely attack cancer and

other diseases.


Finally, Dr. Smalley added his insight to my most ambitious plan to fuel the work of researchers in Texas: The Academy of Medicine, Engineering and Science of Texas (TAMEST). This group was designed to bring together Texas doctors, scientists, and engineers who are recognized as leaders through membership in the national academies. Their goal is to share their work in order to increase research collaboration.

Dr. Smalley's true legacy to our state and the world is not yet fully realized because the brightest gems of his discovery have not yet been mined. In the decades to come, computers may be made with tiny, nanotubes circuits, making the smallest computers of today look gigantic; tiny robots may be placed in a patient's bloodstream to clean out his arteries, making intrusive heart surgery unnecessary. By looking at the smallest of things, Dr. Smalley made one of the biggest discoveries in recent history.

He once wrote that when he was 18, he was "convinced that Kansas City, Missouri was the exact center of the known universe." During his life, he changed the center of his universe by seeing the grandest possibilities in the world's most minute details.

Last October, Dr. Smalley died after a long battle with cancer. Now, we mourn the loss of his brilliant mind and great heart. We cannot replace his remarkable vision of the world. But, at the same time, we know that his discovery will continue to revolutionize science.

I will continue to miss this giant of the nano-world, and I will do everything in my power to ensure that our state continues to build on — the life work of this dedicated, lion-hearted man.



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Schroeder selected for HOBY seminar

By Louisa Stone
Academic Advisor BISSD

Brackett High School has selected Gabriella Schroeder to attend the 2006 Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership (HOBY) Seminar at Concordia University in Austin, Texas.

Gabriella was first choice and will be attending the seminar in the spring. Meghann Davis was

selected as the alternate. All sophomores were eligible and were invited to turn in essays describing the most rewarding and challenging aspect of being a leader in the school or community.

Selected students were then interviewed by past winners and community representatives.

For nearly five decades, HOBY has worked diligently at

helping young people make a difference and become positive catalysts for change in the home, school, workplace and community.

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highly interactive weekend programs, students are introduced to distinguished leaders of the community from various sectors such as business, technology, education, government, arts, and science. Through intense but informal panel discussions, HOBY participants get a realistic look at their nation, its people, and their own role in the world community.



Gabriella Schroeder Meghann Davis
Gabriella Schroeder was selected to attend the 2006 HOBY Seminar. Meghann Davis was selected as alternate.

SHERIFF'S REPORT

Monday, Dec. 5
6:46 p.m., A woman called to report a tractor trailer driving recklessly on Hwy. 90, five miles, east of town. Deputy Ramon Gutierrez was advised of the situation.

9:38 p.m., A 911 caller reported hitting a deer on Hwy. 90 and that her vehicle was damaged. The caller did not require medical attention.

The dispatcher requested a wrecker service and Deputy Gutierrez was advised of the situation and en route to the location.

Tuesday, Dec. 6
12:42 a.m., A woman called to request the assistance of a deputy regarding a domestic disturbance. Deputy Gutierrez was informed of the situation.

5:05 p.m., A woman called to request the assistance of a deputy at a local business regarding her sister being harassed by two elderly ladies. Deputy Gutierrez was advised of the situation.

Wednesday, Dec. 7
10:17 a.m., Manuel Del Los Reyes, 17, of Del Rio, was arrested by Deputy Kenneth Freitag for possession of marijuana, between five and fifty

pounds. Reyes was released the next day on a \$5000 bond.

10:17 a.m., Jose Luis Chavera, 17, of Del Rio, was arrested by Deputy Freitag for possession of marijuana, between five and fifty pounds. Chavera was released on Fri., Dec. 9, after securing a \$5000 bond.

1:00 p.m., A city official requested a deputy's assistance in regards to a possible theft.

3:01 p.m., A man requested the assistance of a deputy at the high school. Constable Bobby Guidry was dispatched.

Thursday, Dec. 8
9:03 a.m., Guadalupe Luna, 50, of Laredo, was arrested by DPS Trooper Fernandez for driving with an invalid license. Luna was released the next day after securing a \$1000 bond.

2:02 p.m., A woman called to request a deputy at a local business in regards to an individual that she believed was stalking her. Deputy Ron Ring was dispatched.

7:29 p.m., A woman called to report a raccoon in her front yard. Deputy Freitag was advised of the situation and en route to the location.

Friday, Dec. 9
6:50 p.m., A woman from Val

Verde Hospital called to report that a boy had been accidentally shot with a BB gun.

9:10 p.m., A Border Patrol Agent at the Cline Checkpoint called to request assistance from a deputy in regards to an individual in possession of marijuana.

Deputy Freitag was advised of the situation and en route to the location.

10:20 p.m., Numerous calls were received in reference to an individual being disorderly and screaming profanities.

11:40 p.m., A woman called to request assistance from a deputy. Deputy Freitag was advised of the situation and en route to the location.

11:40 p.m., Steven Allen Gilliam, 48, of Del Rio, was arrested at the Cline Checkpoint by Deputy Freitag for possession of marijuana, under 2 ounces. Gilliam was released on Sun., Dec. 11, after securing a \$1500 bond.

11:50 p.m., A woman called to report hearing gun shots on West Thorn Street. Deputy Freitag was dispatched to the location.

Saturday, Dec. 10
6:18 a.m., An employee of a

business on Ann Street called to report a possible burglary. The employee was advised not to enter the facility. Deputy Ring was dispatched and an investigation was started.

5:07 p.m., A man called to report a stranded vehicle on Hwy. 90, 14 miles east of Brackettville. Reserve Deputy Pena was dispatched to the location.

6:40 p.m., A 911 caller reported that she had run out of gas on Hwy. 90, near Mud Creek. Deputy Pena was en route to the location.

7:00 p.m., A woman reported that her truck window had been broken. Deputy Freitag discussed the matter with her at the Sheriff's Office.

10:30 p.m., A 911 caller reported a young man being intoxicated and breaking things at his residence.

Deputy Freitag and Deputy Gutierrez were advised of the situation and dispatched to the location.

10:49 p.m., Joaquin Rivas, 17, of Brackettville, was arrested by Deputy Freitag for evading arrest/detention and public intoxication.

Sunday, Dec. 11
4:20 a.m., A Union Pacific Railroad conductor reported a grass fire two miles past the intersection of 693 and Standard Lane to the Del Rio DPS officials. DPS subsequently called the Sheriff's Department and BVFD was dispatched.

Spinal Subluxation

By Dr. Kent Lowery, D.C.

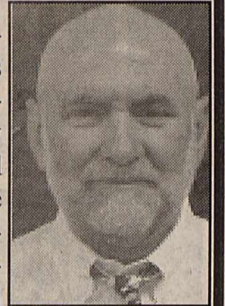
Back pain is often the result of recurring or persisting subluxation in the spine. Subluxations (spinal misalignments) cause ongoing stress to the bones, nerves, and muscles, causing tightness and loss of motion. When the body can no longer handle stress and irritation, pain often occurs. Normal everyday stresses such as lifting, bending, sitting, driving, and sleeping improperly are main causes of subluxations in adults.

When a person stops exercising, their muscles often go back to being weak. When a person stops getting adjusted, their subluxations often re-

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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— forwards, backwards, horizontally, vertically and diagonally. An example is given to get you started. Can you find today's 20 words?
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by Charles Cooper
ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You're full of vim and vinegar this week. However, try not to be overly critical as a result. Enthusiasm is fine, but don't accompany this with a sour attitude.
TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Restlessness mars the beginning of the week. You feel trapped in a boring routine. Be patient as things heat up pretty soon.
GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A fresh financial venture is on the horizon for you. Be sure to keep your eyes open for this opportunity. Later in the week, trust in a friend's advice.
CANCER (June 21 to July 22) While you'll want to park yourself in front of the tube this week, get up and get moving! There's plenty to do concerning holiday preparations. Over the week-end, domestic chores need tending to.
LEO (July 23 to August 22) You're right to consider a co-worker's idea as half-baked. However, you can put on the finishing touches and make it work. Later in the week, pay attention to matters of health.
VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) There's some minor trouble on the home front. If you just stay out of the way, it resolves itself. This weekend, shopping is in order.
LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You're rather introspective as the week begins. This results in new insights. By week's end, you're sure of the changes you want to make in your life.
SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Get out those vacation brochures. This provides a great "break" from the holiday frenzy. Later in the week, children require extra attention.
SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Legal and contractual matters are favored this week. These could very well relate to real estate. Over the weekend, family members come up with great holiday ideas.
CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) An outing of a cultural nature is possible midweek. On the work front, bigwigs are particularly demanding. Fortunately, you're up to the task.
AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Indulging in nostalgia is fine. Just don't let it make you melancholy as you're wont to do at times. Later in the week, an opportunity for advancement arises at work.
PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Your mate is concerned with your work hours. Perhaps you have been neglecting this person. If so, remedy this over the week-end with a romantic dinner for just the two of you.
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Varsity girls win Consolation at Tourney

The Varsity Tigerettes won consolation in the Southwest Texas Junior College Tournament last week.

On Dec. 6, Brackett came out strong dropping Crystal City, 45-31 putting them into a strong position for tournament play.

Ashley Castillo was 2 for 3 in shooting, scoring 6 points. Timmeke Simmons shot 1 for 8, scoring 2 points; Julie Castillo was 3 for 8, scoring 6 points; Emily Valenzuela was 5 for 11, scoring 14 points; Bailee Allen was 1 for 7, scoring 3 points and Daphne Hunt was 5 for 10, scoring 13 points.

In the first round of tournament play on Dec. 8, the Tiger-

ettes fell hard to Knippa with a final score of 30-61. A. Castillo was 4 for 10 in shooting, scoring 11 points. Simmons shot 2 for 7, scoring 5 points; Cano shot 1 for 1, scoring 2 points; Valenzuela was 3 for 8, scoring 8 points; Allen was 1 for 4, scoring 2 points and Hunt was 1 for 4, scoring 2 points.

In the second game Brackett hammered La Pryor, 68-28.

A. Castillo was 9 for 13 in shooting, scoring 22 points. Simmons shot 8 for 14, scoring 16 points; J. Castillo shot 0 for 2, scoring 3 points; Cano shot 2 for 6, scoring 4 points; Valenzuela was 4 for 9, scoring 8 points; Allen was 2 for 7, scor-

ing 6 points and Hunt was 5 for 8, scoring 10 points.

In the third and final game of the tournament the Tigerettes defeated Leakey, 39-27, giving them their consolation title.

A. Castillo was 8 for 14 in shooting, scoring 17 points. J. Castillo shot 1 for 13, scoring 3 points; Valenzuela was 4 for 22, scoring 10 points; Allen was 3 for 7, scoring 7 points and Hunt was 1 for 7, scoring 2 points.

Ashley Castillo was selected to the All-tournament team.

The varsity girls now have an overall season record of 8 - 2. The girls will hit the court again in La Pryor for a three-day tournament.



Varsity Tigerettes

Photo special to The Brackett News

Tigerettes from left: Emily Valenzuela, Ashley Castillo, Lola Cano, Timmeke Simmons, Bailee Allen, Daphne Hunt, Julie Castillo and Cassie Mata. Center on floor: Coach Ricky Creel.

Eighth grade girls lose to Rocksprings

The Brackett eighth grade girls lost to Rocksprings Dec. 8, 24-28.

Nydia Talamantes led the Tigerettes with a game total of eight points. Elidia Molinar scored six points. Ashley Shadwick finished with four.

Miranda Salmon, Ivy Garcia and Elena Molinar each put 2 points on the scoreboard.

Elena Molinar was able to regain possession of the ball with four rebounds while her teammates Shadwick and Garcia each

had three.

Stealing the ball three times each were Elena Molinar and Talamantes.

The girls will take the court again tonight at 8 p.m. against Centerpoint.

JV Girls defeat Crystal City

The Brackett Junior Varsity Tigerettes defeated Crystal City on Dec. 6, 31-19 on the road.

"This was a very physical game," said Coach B. Schroeder. "We did a good job on defense, but still need to continue working on the basics of the game," Schroeder added.

Playing for Brackett was Samantha Moore, Bianca Terrazas, Meghann Davis, Haley Harris, Jessica Jones, Capri Creech, Whitney Gum, Bianca Martinez, Summer Allen, Ashley Stevenson, Natalie Aguirre and Chaito Sanchez.

On Dec. 9, the JV girls traveled to Dilley to participate in a two-day tournament.

The Tigerettes fell, 35-42, against Cotulla in the first game. "We just didn't play up to our potential. We had a hard time getting off the blocks the first

quarter. The lead changed back and forth, unfortunately when the final buzzer went off the lead was in Cotulla's favor," Schroeder summarized.

In the second game, Brackett defeated Natalia, 38-17. "We played as a team this game, with everyone contributing both starters and those who came in did a great job off the bench! I saw things in the players that I hadn't seen before during practice. The girls played hard from the tip off until the final buzzer," said Schroeder.

The third game proved to be too difficult to pull out another win as the Tigerettes were put down by Lytle with a final score of 36-41. "Lytle was the best team we have faced so far this season," Schroeder concluded.

The team will play Sabinal at home on Dec. 29.

7th graders win 25-10

The seventh grade Tigerettes chalked up another win after shearing the Rocksprings Angoras, 25-10 last Thursday.

"We are driving into the basket more and shooting. We are putting lots of pressure on the ball and our defense is tremendously tough. They have proven themselves thus far to be real go-getters. Their determination and hard work are paying off," commented Coach Candi Voyles.

Scoring for the team was Paige Nowlin with five points. Kelsey Bruce and Rachel Nash each had four points. Karley Harris put three points on the scoreboard. Marisol Aguirre, Abby Gutierrez, Erica Villanueva and Nayellie Rojas each had two points and Ana Sandoval put up one point.



2005-06 Junior High Basketball-Eighth Grade Girls Photo by Leigh Volcsko
Front row from left: Nydie Talamantes, Shaela Schwiesow, Amanda Flores, Cheyenne Billings and Miranda Salmon. Back row from left: Elena Molinar, Amanda Del Bosque, Brooke Gose, Alexis Buecher, Ashley Shadwick, Ivy Garcia and Elidia Molinar.

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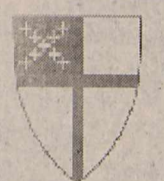
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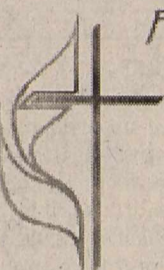


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Take every thought captive to Christ

Counseling sessions with Jordan continued at a rapid pace. Rick was learning to look deep inside where his attitudes and thought life give rise to his actions. Jordan helped him to forgive people in his past who had been perpetrators of hurt and pain. He was surprised to learn that he even had to forgive God whom in his childish thinking he blamed for such an awful life. As he forgave, his anger began to dissipate and he saw things much more clearly.

"You suffered a lot as a kid, Rick," Jordan had said. "You can offer all that pain and suffering up to God as your own private sacrifice on behalf of those who caused you pain. Offer it up for the sake of their souls and ask the Lord to open their hearts to His salvation through the sacrifice of Christ on the Cross."

As he daily offered up his heart with all its pain to God,



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Dr. Donald Smith

Rick began to see the Cross of Jesus in a whole new light. It wasn't just some ancient form of execution. Jesus actually bore in his body, the sin of every man, woman, and child, past, present and future. It brought him ever closer to the Lord.

Jordan worked with Rick in forming new mental images of himself. Together they cut out pictures from Christian magazines that portrayed what Rick wanted his life and his family to be like. Jordan taught him how to frame those pictures in his mind and to see himself as the person in the pictures. It was a lesson in true faith, being able

to see what isn't as though it were (Hebrews 11:1-3) and to live his life in ways that would make the images come true.

Rick continued to battle his old ways of thinking but Jordan taught him the link between his thoughts and his actions (Sirach 37:16-18); and how to take those thoughts into captivity to Christ (2 Corinthians 10:3-5). Rick began hearing new words coming

from his mind and his mouth, words of kindness and love.

Rick's meditation was interrupted by Donovan. "Hey Richardson, Warden wants to see ya!"

"What's he want?" Rick asked.

"Dunno," Donovan replied. "I jes carry the messages. Let's go! Ain't got all day!" Both men laughed.

Just one gift

Last week my wife and I went to town to do a little Christmas shopping. While we were in the store I found a lot of little gifts for friends and family. I really enjoy giving little gifts that my love ones enjoy. While I was in the store I noticed an older woman with a young girl maybe eight or nine years old, shopping.

They were poorly dressed and their clothes were not real clean. I passed them several times as I strolled up and down the aisles and it looked like they were looking for something special. As my wife and I left the store with our basket full I noticed that the lady and the little girl were leaving too.

There was only one little gift in their basket and I think it was for the little girl. I watched them as they left the parking lot and



Jerry Davenport

Brother J.

started across a vacant field because they didn't have a car. I saw that the lady loved the little girl very much and she probably spent most of what she had on the gift. I was reminded of how much God loves us and the special gift He gave to us. The thing most precious to Him, (Romans 5:8 & 8:32) His only begotten son, (John 3:16). With that gift came the forgiveness of sins, a new relationship to God and a new future, (Romans 6:22,23).

See you in Church next Sunday.

My redeemer liveth

How long will ye vex my soul, and break me in pieces with words?

For I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth;

And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God,

Whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and



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not another; though my heart be consumed within me. Job 19: 2, 25-27. Praise The Lord!

LIFESTYLES

Quail or Dove tonight?

I have to admit I've not fixed quail or dove in many years. Consequently I am unable to share many ideas. It would be appreciated if any of my readers would send me their tasty recipes. Send them to me direct in Brackett or at the Brackett News. One today is for "on-sight" cooking which you can

adjust to cooker or indoor oven.

Red Hot Doves

12 canned jalapenos
1 lb. Monterey Jack Cheese
24 doves or quail, breast only
24 slices thick bacon

Remove seeds from jalapenos. (If you like it hot, leave seeds in. If super hot, leave seeds in & use whole jalapeno



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for each bird.)

Cut cheese into 24 rectangles approximately 1 1/2 by 3/4 inches. Place a cheese rectangle on a pepper slice. If using the whole pepper, put the cheese between the two slices.

Bone out the breast section of the birds, making two sections of breast. On half the breast put the pepper & cheese. Press the other half of the breast on the other side so pepper & cheese are in the center. Then wrap one slice of bacon very tightly around the breast, making sure the bacon covers the entire breast. Secure with toothpicks. It is most important that the breast is tightly wrapped & secured at each end.

Cook over a hot bed of coals for 30 - 45 minutes, turning often. For best flavor of these little treasures, use pecan or mesquite wood.

Dove or Quail in Wine Sauce

15 doves or quail
salt & pepper to taste
1 cup flour
1/2 cup oil
2 lg. onions, finely chopped
2 lg. celery ribs, finely chopped.

2 cups sauterne wine
2 cups water
3 bay leaves
4 tbsp butter

Salt & pepper doves or quail, dust with flour & brown in oil. Place onions & celery in bottom of a large dutch oven; put bay leaves inside each bird & dot with butter. Pour wine & water over birds. Cover dutch oven & bake at 375 degrees about 2 hours or until birds are cooked. Baste often.

Braised Quail with bacon

6 quail
salted water
18 strips bacon
2 tsp. butter
1/2 cup hot water
4 tsp. flour
6 slices toast, optional

Before cooking, cover quail with salted water, using 1 tsp. salt for each quart of water. Let stand 15 minutes; drain and pat dry. Place one strip of bacon in cavity of each bird and place in shallow roasting pan. Layer a strip of bacon over the breast and over the legs of each bird. Bake at 450 degrees for 5 minutes; reduce heat to 350 degrees and continue to cook for 40 minutes, basting frequently with a mixture of butter and hot water. At the end of baking time, sprinkle with flour and increase heat to 450 degrees and brown 7 to 10 minutes.

Serve on toast if desired. Serves 6;

Spofford receives grant

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rent EMS Director, Steve, Burch, will be leaving at the end of this month. Once back in regular session, April Guerra was appointed as Interim EMS Director. Ms. Guerra will serve for six months or until a permanent director is hired.

changes to meal allowances and purchases of a pick up truck and tractor were reset. Bills were reviewed and approved for payment.

The Commissioners also voted to authorize the County Judge's signature on a grantee acceptance notice and application for Operation Linebacker. Operation Linebacker is a program initiated by 16 border counties, including Kinney County that seeks federal funding to help secure the Texas Mexico Border.

The next meeting is scheduled for December 27, 2005.


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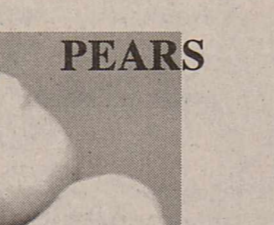


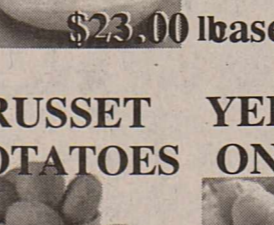

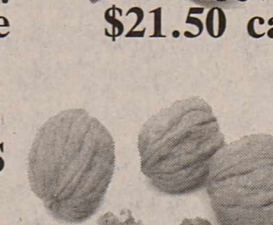
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