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News BRIEFS

Relay for Life tops goal of \$15,000

Brackett Bash This Weekend

The US Border Patrol Brackettville Welfare and Recreation Association cordially invite you to the Brackettville Bash 2006 on May 13 at Rendezvous Park on Fort Clark Springs. The bash is a family affair so bring everyone. There will be golf, softball and volleyball tournaments. For questions or more information contact any Brackett Welfare and Recreation officer at (830) 563-6000.

Old Quarry "The Glory Road"

The Old Quarry Society will present "The Glory Road", a musical drama which tells the story of Fort Clark and the development of Brackettville, this summer. Production dates are June 29 and 30 and July 1 and 2 in Fort Clark Amphitheatre. Cast and crew members are needed. There are openings available for both speaking and non-speaking parts, for people of all ages. For more information, please call Lynn McNew, 563-9229.

Past Winners of Miss KC

If you know the names of any past Miss Kinney County pageant winners or have any historical information, please contact the editor at 830-563-2852 or thnews@sbcglobal.net.

Volunteers Needed

Terra Lingua (non-profit org.) is seeking Volunteers to host english speaking Foreign Exchanges from France, Brazil, Germany, Russia, Spain and Taiwan ages 15-18, who want to experience American Culture for the upcoming 5 month semester or 10 month school year programs. Students have their own spending money and health insurance. Anyone is invited to host including singles, single parents, married couples, empty nesters and retirees as long as they can provide a warm-loving home, room and board. Students can even share a room as long as they have their own bed. Join Terra Lingua in breaking down cultural barriers and training our future world leaders. To give a student and your family an experience of a lifetime, please visit our website www.terralingua-usa.org, or call toll free at (866) 540-4029 or TerraLingua-Info@yahoo.com.

Letter Writing Contest

2006 Congressional letter writing contest. The American Land Foundation, the Texas Sheep and Goat Raiser's Auxiliary, the Hill Country Chapter of the TSGRA Auxiliary, and the Riverside Landowners Protection Coalition are sponsoring a Congressional Letter Writing Contest to encourage young people to take an interest in writing members of Congress. The contest is open to American students/citizens who are juniors or seniors in high school the fall of 2006 or plan to enroll in a University in the 2007 school year. Current college students are eligible to enter. The top national prizes: 1st - \$1,500, 2nd - \$1,200, 3rd - \$1,000. The top two Texas entries will receive scholarships from the Hill Country Chapter of the Texas

The first Brackettville American Cancer Society Relay for Life opened May 6, with 38 local cancer survivors making the first lap around the field at Tiger Stadium.

According to event coordinators, fifteen teams and more than 150 participants raised an estimated \$26,960, nearly twice the original goal of \$15,000. These figures translate into nearly \$8 for every county resident. Funds raised will be used nationally to promote awareness and fund cancer research.

"Small towns usually raise more money per capita than larger towns because of the closeness," said American Cancer Society Regional Coordinator Clarise Kehoe.

United Medical Center Team Antibodies Team #1 and #2 topped the fundraising charts with \$2,152.63 and \$2155.12, respectively. Rosalva's Raza raised \$2113.76. Rio Grande Electric Co-op Pink Lightnin' raised \$1,966.21. The Aloha Bunch raised \$2027.50. The Frontier Walkers raised 1,898.15. Wisdom Seekers #1 raised \$1,072.00 and Wisdom Seekers #2 raised \$1,211.13. Moe's Angels raised \$1454.00. The Warriors collected \$1,021.00. The Cononly Clan raised \$631.95. Ismael's Falcons raised \$1,812.50. The Graceful Gaxelles raised \$1,142.00. The Pink Ladies of the '80's raised \$969.36 and the Pink Flamings collected \$991.10.

Early Friday evening, participants formed a circle of hope around the field and quietly hon-

ored those in their lives affected by cancer.

Throughout the night, team members took turns walking around the football field. The field was encircled by 480 hand decorated luminarias honoring loved ones including many locals that have recently succumbed to cancer.

The night progressed, but the energy levels were kept on high as walkers were entertained with music, games and prize drawings.

The event concluded with a sunrise service led by Rev. Nathan Lafrenz early May 7. Prayers were said for those already lost to cancer and thanks

given for the survivors.

The event, taken personally by so many residents, was led by local 16-year-old, Alison Carroll, whose life has been touched by cancer repeatedly. Carroll's own father is currently struggling with cancer of the larynx and all four of her grandparents were taken by the dis-

ease.

"It's very emotional for me to speak about Alison. To see the youth come out and be so dedicated.

"So many adults are unwilling to take the challenge, but the youth make it their own. I was honored to work with her," concluded Kehoe.



Aloha Girls
From left: Beverly Wright, Adela Avila, Mary Jane Garcia and Francine Collins walked hula-style at the Relay for Life on May 6 and 7 at Tiger Stadium.



Mr. and Miss Cinco De Mayo
Sam Stewart and Brianna Escamilla were crowned Mr. and Miss Cinco De Mayo on May 6 by the Las Moras Hispanic Organization.

Braesicke awarded scholarship from Del Rio Ford

John Braesicke, a senior at Brackett High School, has been awarded a \$1,000 scholarship by Del Rio Ford, Lincoln-Mercury LTD and Ford Motor Company.

Braesicke is the son of Dudley and Cindy Braesicke of Brackettville and plans to study Business at Texas State University-San Marcos.

The scholarship is one of 540 scholarships awarded by Ford Division, Ford Motor Company Fund and the Ford Dealers to FFA members who are high school seniors planning to attend college in the fall of 2006. The Built Ford Tough Trucks/FFA Scholarship Program recently celebrated its ninth full year.

Del Rio Ford, Lincoln-Mercury LTD is proud to support FFA and the Built Ford Tough Trucks/FFA Scholarship Program.

For 57 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. Educating aspiring young people to become the leaders of tomorrow is just another way of ensuring a successful future.

FFA is a national youth organization of over 490,000 student members preparing for leadership and careers in the science, business and technology of agriculture approximately 7,210 local chapters in all 50 states. 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.

City audit presented

The much anticipated 2004-2005 financial audit was presented by Allison Rosenow of Hardin & Newsome at the regular City Council meeting on May 9.

"I would suggest that you use this data as a managerial tool," said Rosenow.

Rosenow also suggested the council meet and amend the current budget using the figures and information from 2004-2005 to create a more realistic financial picture of the City.

The figures used for the current budget were based on estimates because the city did not have any financial records for fiscal years 2001-2004. "For three years, the City had no data, absolutely none," said Rosenow.

Rosenow briefly summarized the audit, "...you do have assets exceeding your liabilities and in financial terms that is where you want to be. The City, in spite of the last few years, is still currently in that position. The general fund shows a profit and the utility fund shows a loss. The audit shows an overall loss of \$22,000, including \$79,000 worth of depreciation."

Rosenow then turned towards City Secretary Bonnie

Mayes and her staff and commended the City for paying off all but one outstanding debt. The Texas Municipal League is still owed \$29,500 for insurance premiums not paid during the David Luna administration.

No action was taken to approve the audit, but the council did schedule a workshop for May 18, to discuss the matter further.

Action to approve an ordinance to set monthly salaries for the Mayor and Council was tabled.

The Mayor is currently paid \$541.42 gross every month. Each council member is paid \$270.71 gross every month.

Councilman Tully Welch does not accept any monthly compensation for his service to the City each month.

Currently the only documentation the City has regarding the monthly salaries states that the Mayor should receive \$250 per month and each councilperson \$175 per month.

Councilwoman Mary Flores recalled the ordinance detailing the pay increase passed in Nov. 1998, but the actual ordinance has not been found to date.

Failure to act on this item leaves the Mayor and Councilpersons unprotected

against any potential legal action from citizens that claim the council is overpaying themselves.

Wes Robinson, the new Secretary/Treasurer for the Brackettville Volunteer Fire Department reported new officers had been elected in April.

Joe Williams was elected Fire Chief. Leo Luna was elected Assistant Fire Chief; Joe Luna, Captain.; Lieutenant, Nat Terrazas; Gina Terrazas, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer and Bobby Cortes, Chaplain.

The interlocal agreement with Brackett ISD and the resolution to move the water tower project from Sweeny Street to the track field off FM 334 were both passed and approved.

These actions coupled with the similar actions taken by the BISSD Board of Trustees on May 8, secure a building site for the proposed water tower project and prevent the loss of more than \$500,000 in grant money.

In other city news, former utility clerk Rina Villarreal was found guilty by unanimous decision of harassment through phone calls to the City offices.

Sentencing in this case will be held later this month in County Court.

Weekend Weather

Friday
Sunny
High: 90
Low: 67

Saturday
Mostly Sunny
High: 97
Low: 71

Sunday
Isolated T-Storms
High: 92
Low: 68

Local Elections

School Board	M.U.D.	City Election
Vote at the Hunt Library on May 13	Fort Clark Springs Municipal Utilities District	Vote at City Hall on May 13
Mark Frerich Sondra Meil John Paul Schuster	Vote at the MUD Board Room on May 13	Mayor Eduardo Eddie Esparza Joe N. Garza Alderman Place 2 Matt Bland Beverly (Bev) Garcia Alderman Place 4 Francisca "Chica" Garza-Hernandez Betty M. Ward Alderman Place 5 Joe V. (Joe Boy) Williams, Jr. Lydia Morin Tipps
Early Voting Total: 204	Hubbert McKelvy Tom McNew Don Ralston James Jim Spencer Russell Williams Early Voting Total: 160	Early Voting Total: 162

Don't forget to VOTE this Saturday

Editors Weekly PLOG

Do you like gossip? Just can't get enough of it?

Brackett is notorious for its rumors. I have never lived in a small town before, so living in Brackett has been a real eye opening experience for me. I wish I could print all the stuff I hear. My circulation would triple, but I would probably get sued and the joy would end. According to rumor, I myself have been involved in torrid love affairs and shady business deals, but mostly I think its funny (and if I didn't think it was funny - I would call you directly or just start something nasty and painfully embarrassing about you-Yeah! Take that!).

Why are we so bent on dragging people down? If you have to talk about people like that, you're avoiding what you have going on in your own house! Gossip and jealousy are signs of a guilty heart. If you are spreading rumors - especially ones that can hurt people - NOT TO MENTION PEOPLE'S INNOCENT CHILDREN- then you are feeling guilty about something.

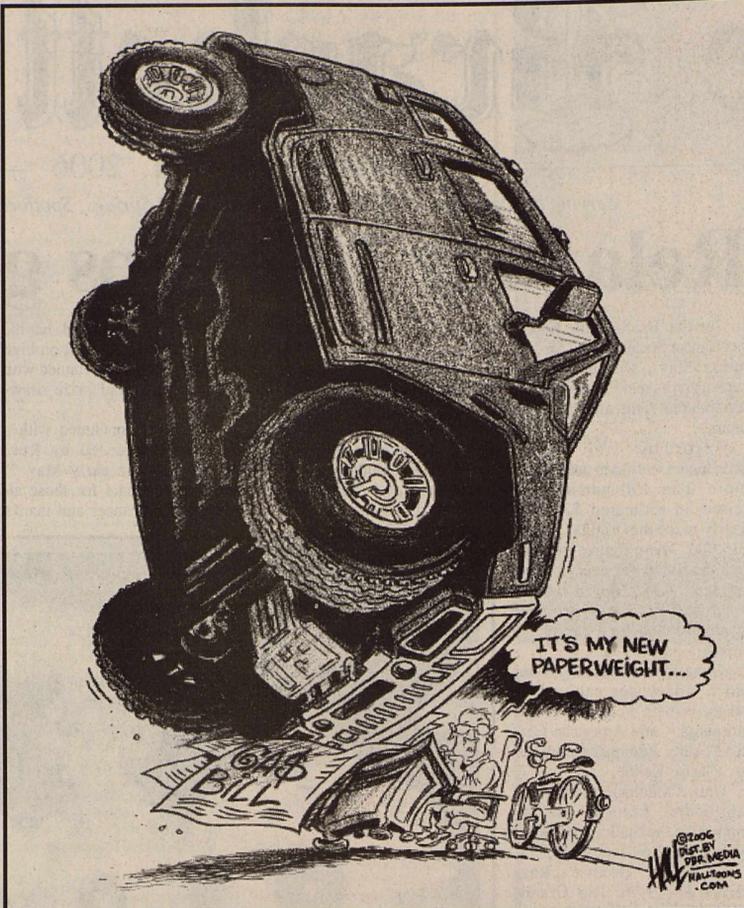
I think the hardest part of living in Brackett has been dealing with people's appetite for watching others fall from grace. I used to ask myself why don't more "locals" get out there and run for office or start a business? I was in business 20 minutes and I figured that out. People want others to fail - they love it! The minute someone starts something - "they don't know what they're doing", "she just wants to run everything", "he'll never make it" and of course "he got that money from an insurance policy".

Do you ever wonder why you hardly ever see the same leaders in little league, 4H, local politics or civic organizations? Because half the people involved come out right away and criticize you - mostly on the way you look in your clothes (and Brackett women know what I'm talking about) and then how unfair you are and then the way you organized things just did not suit them and then back when so-and-so did it "blah,blah, blah" and then finally back to how bad you look in your clothes. And then the other half waits until you just plain give out and then talks about you being a quitter.

Just because you don't like someone doesn't mean you have to want bad things to happen to them. There are people that I don't care, but if they win the lottery I'm not going to say "well, maybe they can afford to get their stomach stapled now". If someone's marriage is on the rocks - be concerned about the children involved and not what a floozy she is! (But if there's no children involved consider setting that guy up with your spinster sister!)

If you are just a jealous person and you can't stand for anyone else to have something you don't - then you need a job and a paid therapist.

Try saying something nice today. Try walking through your office or down the hall and saying something nice to the person you like the least. If they have a nice shirt on - say "your shirt is pretty" - even if the rest of their outfit looks trashy, say something nice! Leigh V.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

As one of the many participants of Kinney County's first Relay for Life I want to say thank you to Allison Carroll and all her volunteers for bringing our wonderful community together for such a worthy event.

It was so heart warming to see all ages joining together to promote awareness and to raise money to combat Cancer.

The opening ceremonies, the singing of the national anthem by Brackett's own Monica Talamantes, the presentation of the flags by the Border Patrol, the survivor's lap followed by the beginning of the all night participant's laps, bingo carried on by the youth, cake walk, Andrea being prodded by Mary Jane, Jean Hood's paintings, future Tigers playing touch football on the field, too foch girls cheering, unbelievable quilt raffle, luminary roll call as all were holding hands around the field, HOPE spelled out in the visitor stands with luminaries, God's good weather, the staying all night and the sunrise service.

God Bless America and everyone who made the Relay a possibility for Kinney County.

Tulisha Wardlaw

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Tell a Hairdresser
If you could hear what I hear

By Ida Holley
Professional Hairdresser

A hairdresser not only does your hair. Your hairdresser listens to everything you say, whether it involves your hair or skin or just dealing with everyday life. People confide in their hairdresser. When a person attends beauty school, he or she learns the basics of cosmetology. The rest is a learning experience. Remember that "knowledge is power".

Sometimes there are disappointments in our lives. Mistakes are made. We tend to make poor choices and usually suffer in the process. We should learn from our mistakes. Remember, learning is very powerful.

Getting your hair cut is a very personal thing. Therefore, it should be cut to suit you. I have seen grown women cry when they are forced to cut their long hair to secure employment.

However, long hair is not for everyone. That does not mean that all older women should cut their hair so short that they have no style. I can remember when I was a child, hearing people say that as a woman ages, she should wear her hair in a short style. That does not mean that you should lose your identity or femininity, ladies!

People are living longer lives, and women live longer. So just because you no longer have to

report to work does not mean you should lose your sense of style. Women are beautiful in all shapes, sizes and ages. Sometimes, we as women are very critical with ourselves. Life is too short for that. Your hairdresser is there to help you with the right style and also listen. If you could hear what we hear. However, as professionals, we are there to listen not repeat.

You would be amazed at how some people confide in their hairdresser, and that don't even have a drink in their hand. I know that bartenders hear a lot too. But that is a different atmosphere. Being very observant, on my many visits to the beauty salon with my mother, I noticed that women actually looked better when they arrived than when they departed. So I decided then that I would go to beauty school and would help people look their best.

As time passed, I realized that some people reassurance in other areas of their lives. That they simply need to "vent". That's where the psychology part come in. If you have a question about your hair, etc., or you simply want to share an experience or need to vent. Write to "Tell a Hairdresser." P.S. You know why men look good at any age? Because they usually know what looks best on them. They see the whole picture. They are also the most loyal clients, and yes, they do "vent".

No more amnesty

Dear Editor,

In 1986, we granted amnesty to 2.7 million illegal aliens who were within our borders. This was supposed to solve our illegal immigration problem. Predictably, it only made the problem worse. Today, there are between 11 million and 20 million illegals in our country. And the number will continue to increase if we grant them amnesty.

The only solution is to de-

mand that our federal government enforces our immigration laws. It certainly is not doing that today. We have troops all over the world protecting other nations. Let's bring some of them home and beef up security of our southern border.

Next we must enforce laws pertaining to document fraud and the hiring of illegals. If we do so, many illegals will leave our country because no one will

hire them. Also, we must cancel granting automatic citizenship to infants born to illegals, a violation of our 14th Amendment. We then should begin deporting the remaining illegals and encourage them to apply for legal entry and eventual citizenship. What we must not do is to reward illegals with amnesty for breaking our laws and compromising our security and sovereignty.

Eugene E. King

Dear Editor,

A few weeks ago I read your blog about getting involved in volunteer activities in the community.

It was great and we need more volunteers for many activities. I am attaching an article that I hope you will publish about the St. Henry De Osso Family Project.

We have been working here in Brackettville since 1999 and depend upon willing volunteers. The literacy project goes on during the fall semester.

We are now in the process of getting names of children who will need help next year from Jones Elementary and soliciting volunteers to work with the children and their families.

I hope you will publish my article. Each year we have more calls for help than we have volunteers so this year we are starting now to get volunteers to sign up. I might add that we do not solicit money just willing volunteers.

Thank you so much.

Don Smith

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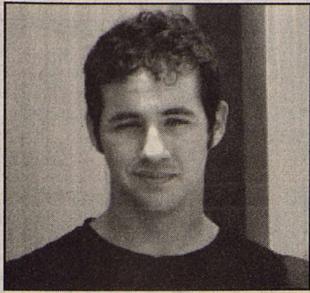
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Miles Braesicke

Mother: Cynthia Kathleen Braesicke
Father: Dudley Keith Braesicke
Siblings: Katie Braesicke
Plans after graduation: I plan to Attend Texas University under the field of Business and participate in the AFROTC.
What teacher influenced you the most? I would like to say that the teacher that influenced has been Mrs. York. In my early years (1st grade) she taught me how to enjoy learning, and so much more. Thanks Mrs. York!
What are you looking forward to after graduation? I'm looking forward to going to college and being involved in a new atmosphere. I'll be meeting new people and starting new friendships. I'm also looking forward to establishing a strong basis of a college education to help me in the future with whatever career I choose to pursue.
What do you think you will miss the most after graduation? I will miss all of the friends that I have made over the past thirteen years of attending school in Brackettville. I will also miss representing my school by playing in sports. And of course I will miss my parents and my little sister.



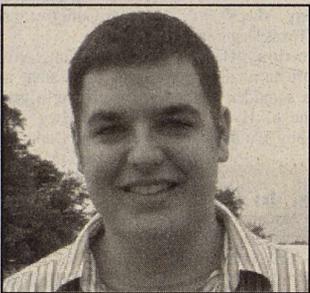
Kai Lani Glass

Mother: Jennifer Grayson
Father: Larry Grayson
Siblings: Griffin & Tyler Beth Grayson
Plans after graduation: Move to Austin and take a year off to prepare for college in the fall of 2007
What teacher influenced you the most? Mrs. Curry
What are you looking forward to after graduation? Leaving Brackett starting a new life, having more freedom and more responsibilities, and preparing for my future.
What do you think you will miss the most after graduation? My family and friends.



Tigers win Regional Golf for the 1st time

The Brackett Boys Golf Team won the Region IV Championship in Brenham and will advance to the first time in school history. Lane Nowlin lead the first team finishing in 3rd place with rounds 82-81. Martin Flores finished 6th overall. Other members of the first team included Justin Calk, Seth Frerich, and Travis Nowlin. The Brackett second team finished 4th in the field of 16. Members of the second team included Miles Braesicke, Sam Childress, Mason McWilliams, and Tres Rueda. Ashley Stephenson finished 4th overall in the girls competition and placed 4th.



Ryan Koog

Mother: Gina Tartalia
Father: Joel Koog
Plans after graduation: Southwest Texas Junior College
What teacher influenced you the most? Mrs. Ballew
What are you looking forward to after graduation? College
What do you think you will miss the most after graduation? My Friends



Shaddine Gum

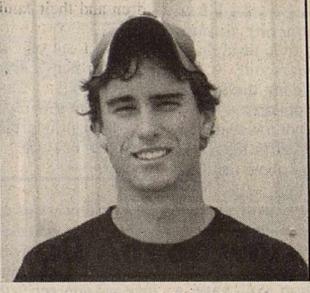
Mother: Walela Gum
Father: Erick Gum
Siblings: Whitney Gum
Plans after graduation: plan on attending UTSA
What teacher influenced you the most? Mrs. Kathy Bader
What are you looking forward to after graduation? I am looking forward to going to college and meeting new people, a new experience.
What do you think you will miss the most after graduation? Not seeing all of my peers.

Re-elect Mark Frerich School Board Trustee



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Travis Nowlin

Mother: Julie Nowlin
Father: Gregg Nowlin
Siblings: Lane and Paige
Plans after graduation: Go to college in San Antonio
What teacher influenced you the most? Mrs. Ballew
What are you looking forward to after graduation? Playing Basketball
What do you think you will miss the most after graduation? The long lunch period and the dress code.

Re-Elect



Sondra Meil

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2005 Ford Escape.....18210 miles	SN65624	2004 Ford F150 Supercrew.....39439 miles	SN71222	2003 Dodge Durango.....57477 miles	SN82452
2005 Chevrolet Cavalier.....26100 miles	SN62277	2004 Chevrolet Impala.....39107 miles	SN85089	2003 Chevrolet Silverado C3500.....70525 miles	SN06130
2005 Ford Mustang.....21368 miles	SN54944	2004 Ford Expedition.....48821 miles	SN67403	2002 Ford F-350 Super Duty.....52463 miles	SN63182
2005 Ford Focus 4-cyl.....21228 miles	SN69506	1997 Chevrolet 1500 pickup.....124949 miles	SN50284	2002 Ford F150 Supercrew.....41315 miles	SN36088
2005 Ford Explorer.....30242 miles	SN52195	1997 Chevrolet 1500 pickup.....124949 miles	SN50284	2002 Ford F-150 Pickup V-8.....70154 miles	SN48615
2005 Ford Explorer.....26250 miles	SN51164	2003 Mitsubishi Galant.....29049 miles	SN69021	2001 Ford F-150.....71162 miles	SN38945
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2004 Ford F-150 Supercrew.....54212 miles	SN36201	2003 Chevrolet Cavalier.....54155 miles	SN71924	2000 Ford F-350 Super Duty.....93127 miles	SN57673
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French bread slices (or croutons)
Parmesan cheese or

Mozzarella
Combine soup and broth in saucepan to heat slowly. Meanwhile, brown onion in butter, stirring often until a rich brown color.
Add to soup and broth mixture. Heat. Divide among oven proof bowls.
Top with toasted bread slices or croutons. Cover with lots of cheese. Heat in 400 degree oven to melt cheese or broil.
Makes about 5 cups.
Note: If bowls aren't ovenproof broil cheese-covered toast separately and add to soup before serving.

Thank You

Over the years, I have had a wonderful opportunity to watch and groom a special member of your family. As most of you know I am closing the doors to Pampered Pups. I would like to thank each person for the many years of service and the trust which was generously given with your four legged friends while in my care. Each and every dog is very special to me however; in June, God will bless me with a grandson. I plan to devote my time to him and watch him grow.
Thanks Again,
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Thank You

The family of Gregorio Juarez would like to extend our sincere thanks and appreciation to everyone who called, sent flowers, cards, food and especially those who prayed for our beloved father, grandfather, brother and uncle. Special thanks to the Guadalupians, Gloria's Botanas, Father Anton Quang Dinh Van of the St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church. Thank you all for your prayers. They were all greatly appreciated.

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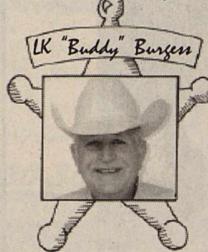
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Kinney County Sheriff's Report



Monday, May 1
12:35 p.m., William Leslie Evans, 21, of Campwood was arrested by Deputy Ramon Gutierrez for aggravated assault with a deadly weapon. Evans was released after securing a \$5,000 bond on May 2.
7:00 p.m., Michael Lamont, 49, of Del Rio was arrested by DPS Trooper Tully



Fire Department receives donation

Fort Clark Springs R.V. Breakfast Club donated \$500 to the Brackettville Volunteer Fire Department.

Photo by Leigh Volcsko

Welch for a fugitive warrant for theft of property that originated in Comal County. Lamont was released after securing a \$200 cash bond on May 2.

8:20 p.m., Jonas Ernesto Martinez, 33, of Duncanville was arrested by Trooper Welch for driving while intoxicated. Martinez was released after securing a \$1,200 bond on May 2.

Tuesday, May 2
12:52 a.m., A 911 caller reported a reckless driver westbound on Hwy. 90. Deputy Ron Ring found the vehicle parked on the side of the road and the driver was sleeping.

6:15 a.m., A Union Pacific Railroad dispatcher called to report a body on the side of the tracks on the spur line on 1572, three miles south near Eagle Pass. Deputy Gutierrez and Reserve Deputy Manny Pena, Sr. searched the area and did not find a body. Border Patrol officials reported illegal had sleep-

ing in that area and had been taken into custody.

Wednesday, May 3
4:19 a.m., Gregorio Estrada, 19, of Brackettville was arrested by Reserve Deputy Manny Pena, Sr. for public intoxication and disorderly conduct. Estrada was released with time served later the same day.

Thursday, May 4
3:57 p.m., Texas Department of Transportation officials called to report an abandoned vehicle on the shoulder of the eastbound lane of Hwy. 90. Constable Bobby Guidry was dispatched.

Friday, May 5
6:30 p.m., Armando Rojas, 39, of Houston reported to the County Jail to serve one day of confinement for driving while intoxicated. Rojas was released on May 6.
10:30 p.m., A ranch owner

reported a lost child. The boy was on a 4-wheeler. Deputy Ring, Deputy Vito LaGioia, Constable Guidy and the U.S. Border Patrol were advised of the situation. The boy was later found.

Saturday, May 6
9:28 a.m., A woman called to request deputy assistance in regards to a domestic problem. Deputy Gutierrez responded to the call.

10:38 p.m., A woman reported a possible intoxicated youth driving a green Chevy pickup on Hwy. 674. Deputy Freitag and Deputy Page were advised of the situation and later found the subject.

Sunday, May 7
3:19 a.m., A woman called to report two men arguing in the alley behind the grocery store on Ann Street. Deputy Freitag and Deputy Page were dispatched to the scene.

High School Exposition

The Hunt Library will be hosting a High School Exposition on May 15-17. Please come see out students work.

SPIRITUAL LIVING

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The Little Plate

Hanging on our dining room wall is a little plate that is over thirty years old. It was given to my wife for Mothers day by one of our children.

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It is faded and hard to read. It has a hand drawn picture of our house with two trees and two little flowers. The words read, "Mommy I hop you have a Happy mother's day".

Mothers are a special gift from God for the family. They have shown us that special love, unconditional and sacrificial, time and time again just as God has shown us a special love, (Romans 5:8, Psalm 36:5&7).

We are to show our mothers love and respect, (Exodus 20:12) just as we are to love and respect God, (Deuteronomy 6:5). This week let's call or send a

Jerry Davenport
Brother J.

card or flowers or take them to dinner or go visit them. We may even make our own little card that tells them how much we love and appreciate them. It may not be our mother but a step-mother, mother-in-law, grandmother, great-grandmother or just someone that is special in our life.

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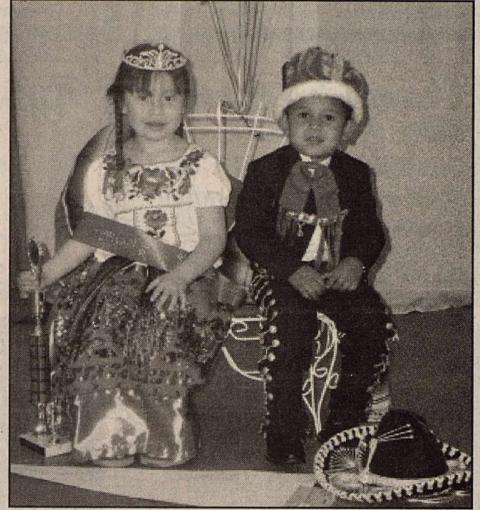
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- There is no doubt that our streets need repair and the golfcart/walking paths on Ft. Clark Rd. and Scales Road will provide not only convenience, but safety for all of us.
- The question is **WHY NOW?** Let's face it, if we wait another year or more the interest rate on a loan may be higher and with the cost of everything going up-I'm sure the cost of needed street repair , etc. will be much higher as well.

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Harris double team at SA Rodeo

Submitted by Renee Wheat
Chairman Calf Scramble Committee

As a sponsor of the 2006 Calf Scramble Event at the 57th Annual San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo, H-E-B along with the Calf Scramble Committee are helping the youth of Texas grow and prosper in their agricultural endeavors.

Haley and Jared Harris were winners at the Feb. 19, 2006, 2 p.m. performance of the San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo Calf Scramble.

All Calf Scramble winners and starters were: Starter Bailey Zibelin, Jill, Zibelin, Hayley Harris, Jared Harris, Calf Scramble Starter Jimmy Zibelin, John Padulo, Climber and Bryan Mabe.

News BRIEFS

Coyote Workshop

The Kinney County Extension Office would like to invite the public to a Coyote Awareness Workshop, Wed, May 17 from 8 a.m. to noon at the Dink Wardlaw Agricultural Complex, 300 East 17th Street in Del Rio.

Participants eligible for 3CEU credits toward pesticide license re-certification. (2 IPM, 1 General)

Workshop: 8 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.: Registration & Lab Practical 8:30 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.: Coyote Profiles

The Workshop will cover Coyote profiles, Description, Legal Status, State-wide Distribution, Reproduction Capacity, Livestock and Evidence of Predation.

9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.: Predators Tracks and Scat

10:20 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.: Coyote Distribution and control efforts and control methods.

4-H Dates to Remember:

Horse Club Meeting 5/15/06 @ 7:00 p.m. @ Harris's Arena District Horse Show Entry Deadline 5/22/06

Kinney County Stock Validation Dates: Market Lamb, Meat Goats, Meat Goat Does, Commercial Ewes-Oct 7th & 14th, 2006

Market Steers- June 26th 2006 Market Swine -Nov 21st 2006

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Information regarding livestock projects is available at the Kinney County Cooperative Extension office. Anyone needing assistance in selecting or obtaining a livestock project can call our office @ 563-2442 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday.

Kinney County Library Summer Program

The Kinney County Library is once again preparing for its Summer Program. The program provides the children in our community a place to go during the summer months. The library offers educational and recreational classes, everyday from June 5-29, 10 am to 4 pm for children of all ages. Our Program has been a big success due to all the support we receive from donations and volunteers. Each year our program becomes bigger and better but materials needed keep getting harder to supply.

We would like to ask for your help in funding the program with either, supplies, Board games or snacks. We also know how valuable your time is but if you have an hour a day to spare we sure could use your help. Help us make a difference. For More Information: 830-563-2884

Local Emergency Planning Committee Meeting

When: Monday May 15 at 6:30 pm. Where: Small Gym - BISD Why: Planning for Bird Flu, Shot Clinic & other Emergencies

Who: County, City, Fort & Spofford leaders, clinic Nurses, clinic workers, and all interested citizens. We need you. Questions: call Elaine Ladeau 563-3678

New podcast targets bird hunting enthusiasts

Fort Collins, Colo. - Wild birds are not the only thing hunters will set their sights on this season. A new podcast, "Bird Dogs Forever," will deliver education, entertainment and habitat information to bird hunting enthusiasts. The premium podcast, which premieres this week, will feature hunting destinations around the country and globe; interviews with top sources on bird hunting, shotguns and bird dogs; and tips on selecting, training and caring for dogs. Two types of podcast subscriptions are available. The annual premium podcast subscription costs \$30 and includes three new 20-minute podcasts each week. The standard podcast subscription is free and includes shorter episodes approximately

once a week. Subscribers can access both podcasts at www.bird dogsforever.com. Podcast viewers will join host Chris Hageseth as he talks tactics with the experts and as he hunts for dozens of wild bird species in popular and obscure spots. Hageseth and his guests' hunting excursions highlight the skills of a wide variety of dogs, from common hunting breeds to lesser-known breeds. A sampling of their adventures includes a blue grouse hunt in the Rocky Mountains with a pointing Labrador Retriever; a hunt for ruffed grouse in Northern Maine with a rare French pointing dog; and a South Dakota pheasant hunt with a pair of German Shorthaired Pointers. Another series will feature lesser

known grouse including Blue Grouse, Sage Grouse and Columbian Sharp-tail Grouse. These episodes will focus not only on hunting, but will include wildlife biologists describing the ecology, life cycle and future of these less frequently hunted grouse.

The "Bird Dogs Forever" podcast is an extension of the "Bird Dogs Forever" television show, a program about upland bird hunting and bird dogs that aired from 2000-2003 on the Outdoor Life Network. The Sportsman Channel has recently re-broadcast the show and it is now available in Canada and the republics of the former Soviet Union.

Podcast viewers don't even need an MP3 player, only a com-

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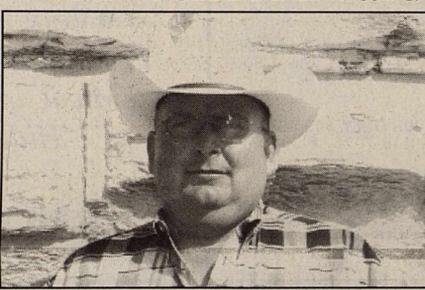
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