

# The Brackett News

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**Old Quarry Society**  
The Old Quarry Society proudly presents "Twas The Night Before Columbus Day...I mean Christmas", a comedy in one act for an evening of Christmas fun for the whole family. Thursday, December 13 and Friday, December 14 at 7:00PM. in the Post Theater. The 2nd half of the program features Christmas music provided by a local talent with a very special finale. Tickets are \$5.00 per person, regardless of age. Refreshments following the program are furnished by The Old Quarry Society. The Old Quarry Society has begun a project to send greeting cards to veterans at the VA Hospital in Kerrville as well as returning wounded soldiers at Brooke Army Medical Center in San Antonio. Blank cards will be available for you to sign and write a message.



**Christmas Recital**  
The music students of Lynn McNew are presenting a Christmas Recital. The event will be held at the United Methodist Church on Sunday, December 16 at 3:00 p.m. The public is invited to attend. Refreshments will be served.

**Children's Christmas Program**  
First Baptist Church is having a Christmas Program presented by the children this Sunday, December 16 at 7:00 p.m. The public is welcome to attend.

**Aging Center Bingo**  
Bingo will be held on Tuesdays and Fridays from 10:30 to 11:30 am at the Aging Center. For more information call 563-2015 or 563-9141.



**Letters to our Troops**  
If you would like to send out a postcard or letter to our troops in Iraq and Afghanistan please contact Bonnie French at 563-5372. Letter and notes are the most requested since it boosts their morale and reminds them that they are not forgotten.

**Fill the City with Lights**  
With the Christmas Season almost here, Las Moras Realty and Casa Verde Nursery are asking owners to participate in decorating their business with lights this year. Please use white lights to add an elegant, unified look to the town. We would like to add sparkle to our quaint town. D&D Hardware, Super S Foods and Dollar General are currently selling white lights and other Christmas decorations.

**Weekend WEATHER**

**Friday**  
High: 64  
Low: 47  
AM Showers

**Saturday**  
High: 58  
Low: 31  
Mostly Sunny

**Sunday**  
High: 57  
Low: 33  
Mostly Sunny

## City gets down to business Slubar commended by council

By Allison Taylor  
Managing Editor

City of Brackettville council members met Tuesday, December 12 for a regular meeting at the City Annex.

Council discussed splitting

the cost for a cement slab at the Fort Clark Springs transfer station since the City of Brackettville will now be using that station for garbage. Pending legal review, the council decided to pay for \$6,000 of the total cost for the new slab.

Unanimously, the council voted to reenter into negotiations with Fort Clark Springs regarding an agreement on disposal of household garbage and brush.

After a lengthy discussion with members of the

Brackettville Volunteer Fire Department, council voted unanimously to allow Kinney County EMS or other authorized (certified) personnel to use City of Brackettville fire equipment for controlled brush burns on Fort Clark Springs property. In addition, to allow the City Attorney Katrina Longoria to work up an agreement that will cover the liability as well as any equipment that may be broken.

Council also approved the construction of a storage building for cardboard.

Discussion and possible action on a water line request by Ray Reyna of the Alibi Lounge was tabled until Reyna could be present during discussion.

No action was taken during executive session and open session regarding pending or contemplated litigation on the swim pool lease on the recommendation of the city attorney. The City attorney has already been authorized to enter into negotiations with the Kinney County Attorney regarding this matter.

Interviews have been set for the applicants for the City Secretary position during a special called meeting next Thursday, December 20 at 6 pm.

The council each thanked Leroy Slubar for his efforts and accomplishments as the interim City Secretary.

Alderwoman Mary Flores thanked Slubar for his accomplishments, including a purchase order system he has put in place, at City Hall.

Bland added Slubar has been donating his time, without compensation, for the benefit of the community, while acting as the Interim City Secretary.



**Brackettville gets new PAIC**

Photo by Tara Eckenrod

Don Lee, of Brackettville, was recently promoted to Patrol Agent in Charge of the Brackettville station.

## Lee promoted to Patrol Agent in Charge

By Allison Taylor  
Managing Editor

Brackettville resident and long time CBP Border Patrol Agent Don Lee was recently promoted to Patrol Agent in Charge of the Brackettville station.

Lee was previously the Assistant Patrol Agent in Charge of the Del Rio station.

Accompanied by his wife, Trina, family, friends and colleagues, Lee was honored at a Change of Command ceremony on Tuesday, December 11, at

the Fort Clark Service Club.

After receiving his badge, a presentation on Brackettville station operations and the Secure Border Initiative was given by Lee and the Assistant Patrol Agent in Charge Matt Donaldson of the Brackettville

Station.

They discussed programs such as BORSTAR, Operation Streamline and other special projects the Del Rio Sector is working on. The presentation concluded with a barbeque meal for everyone in attendance.

## 6<sup>th</sup> grader chosen for Region 20 Christmas card

By Allison Taylor  
Managing Editor

The Brackett ISD Board of Trustees held a Regular Meeting on Monday, December 10, in the Central Office board room.

Sixth Grader Hernan Talamantes, son of Jesus and Juanita Talamantes, was recognized for winning the Education Service Center (ESC), Region 20, first annual Christmas card contest.

Dr. Terry Smith, of ESC, Regions 20, presented Talamantes with a certificate for winning first place. Grades 3 through 6 have been taking art classes taught by Intermediate Art Teacher Sandra Tate.

Talamantes' artwork will be featured on Region 20's 2007 Christmas card.

According to the ESC, Region 20's website, they are a regional education service agency within Texas which assists school districts in improving student performance and increasing the efficiency and effectiveness of school operations. ESC is a non-regulatory agency; their relationship with school districts is collaborative and supportive.

The BISD High School girls cross country team was also recognized at the board meeting for their outstanding accomplishments this season.

Coach Dusty Brotherton introduced the team, Icela Rueda, not present, Freshman Bianca Cruz, Freshman Courtney Kirkland, Freshman Kelsey Bruce, Sophomore Brook Gose,



**Talamantes wins Christmas card contest**

Photo by Allison Taylor

Dr. Terry Smith, of ESC, Region 20 presented Hernan Talamantes with a certificate declaring him first place for the Region 20's first annual Christmas card contest. Pictured left to right, Dr. Terry Smith, Intermediate Art teacher Sandra Tate, Hernan Talamantes and Hernan's mother, Juanita Talamantes.

Sophomore Brianna Escamilla, Freshman Haley Hale, Senior Gabby Schroeder and Freshman Cheyenne Smith.

The girls were District Champions, placed third in Regionals and placed sixth in State competition, the highest record in school history.

Megan Flores, seventh grader, was chosen for Uvalde National Bank's Scholar of the Month for December. Flores received a \$100 savings bond, t-shirt and a certificate.

The Scholar of the Month is nominated by the teachers at BISD.

Ashley Stephenson was recognized by Secondary Principal Frank Taylor. Stephenson is the drum major for the Tiger Band, she recently competed at Regionals for the fourth time, making the All Regional Band. This is also the third year for Stephenson to make it to Area.

The Board accepted the resignation of Band Director Charlie Goodson, effective at the

end of the 2007-2008 school year.

Trustees voted to hire Marlene Estep, of Castroville, a Secondary Science teacher to replace long time High School Science teacher Karen Crumley. Crumley submitted her letter of retirement resignation at the last school board meeting.

The board members conducted Superintendent Paula Renken's Evaluation but tabled offering her a contract due to the absence of two board members.



**Fort Clark Springs Calendar**  
Aerobics every MWF 9am @ Dickman Hall, RV Breakfast every Saturday 7-9am, Bingo every Friday 7pm @ Shafter Hall, Ceramics every Thursday 1-3 pm, Saturday, Dec. 15: Christmas Party @ Service Club from 7-11pm. Music by Carolyn Kay-FREE. Sunday, Dec. 17: Christmas Potluck 6pm @ Service Club-bring a dish. Tuesday, Dec. 25: Administration and Adult Center closed. Saturday, Dec. 29: Golf Scramble 9am. Monday, Dec. 31: New Years Eve Party @ Post Theatre.



### Holiday Deadlines

The deadline for the Dec. 27 issue will be Friday, December 21 at 12 noon. The deadline for the Jan. 3 issue will be Friday, Dec. 28 at 12 noon.



### Local Governmental Meetings

The regular meeting of the Kinney County Groundwater District will be held on December 18, 2007 at 2:00 p.m. in the District Courtroom of the Kinney County Courthouse. A preliminary hearing on Grass Valley Water, L.P.'s permit applications will be held. The Board meeting will be held following the preliminary hearing.

### Christmas Card Crafts

Frontier Baptist Church wants the fronts of your Christmas cards to send to children who use them to make craft items when they are long term patients in the hospital. Please give them to any member or place them in the box outside the front door of the church. Remember we need to recycle items, and this is one way to do it.



### Christmas Cantata and Christmas Eve Candlelight

Frontier Baptist Church choir will present their Christmas cantata at the morning worship service on December 23rd at 11am. Come and hear the story of Jesus birth in song. Frontier Baptist Church will also have their Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at 5pm. Come join us on Christmas Eve.

### Miss/Mister Kinney County Scholarship Pageant 2008

The Kinney County Chamber Office has added a scholarship package as well as a Mister Kinney County Age Category after a meeting this past weekend in Brackettville. Pageant date has been confirmed and will be Saturday March 1, 2008 to coincide and celebrate Texas Independence Day. Pageant will be held at the Brackett High School Auditorium with a \$5 admission for spectators. Pageant contestants should be Kinney County residents and the age range starts at 4 for both boys and girls. The title of Miss and Mister Kinney County will be given to a local resident who competes at the age division of 15 and up and single and will receive a \$500 Scholarship. Prizes will be given to everyone who enters. First ten to enter will receive a gift on stage! For questions on the pageant or to get your entry forms contact the Kinney County Chamber of Commerce at 830-563-2466 or Texas Choice Pageants at 210-273-2974.



## LETTER to the Editor

The Brackett News use to print a column written by Reverend Joseph Townsend, pastor of the Frontier Baptist Church, a column which recognized the quiet selfless acts of kindness and generosity performed by local citizens for the common good of the community. The column was called, "Unsung Heroes." This very positive weekly feature regrettably passed on with Reverend Joe.

I observed a quiet selfless act of kindness and generosity this week so I thought I would find out who did it and see if I could recognize him or her as an "unsung hero." Have you noticed that the security building at the entrance to Fort Clark Springs is beautifully decorated for the Christmas season as is the bridge over Las Moras creek? I've never seen the bridge decorated before. Robert Acirre on his own initiative is responsible for making the entrance to Fort Clark Springs look like someone cares. Robert is an employee of the FCSA Security Department who I'm confident works for minimum wage and endures a considerable amount of abuse from mean spirited people. Nonetheless, Robert always has a smile and a friendly wave for me when I come in the gate. Robert is therefore my "unsung hero" and the next time I see him I'll take the time to shake his hand and say thank you. Maybe you should too!

William F. Haem

We would like to thank the person who painted the Eagles in front of the empty saddle monument. They look great! Also a big thank you to whoever decorated the main bridge. It is truly impressive! It is nice to live in a place where people volunteer their time and talents to make our Fort so inviting to visitors and residents.

Roger and Georgia Martin

## Put out your hot spots



The Fly Lady Marla Cilley

Do you feel like the whole world is crashing in on top of you? Believe it or not it happens to all of us from time to time! Especially during the Holiday Season.

When we get busy, we feel that we don't have time to do even the simplest of routines. So what do we do! We let our HOT SPOTS take over our homes!

Yes that is all it is! You come in the door tired and ready to drop your load where ever you can put it! Then you crash! No wait you have to throw something together for supper and I mean throw! Because when you are finished the kitchen looks like a bomb went off and you feel like you could get out of the way. By this time you are so overwhelmed

that you just want to hide so you go to bed without doing the smallest of a before bed routine and all of a sudden your home has exploded in your face and your husband is pitching one of his usual fits! Ugly words are exchanged and you feel terrible!

Here is the secret to stopping this explosion before it starts. When you hear yourself saying that you don't have time or you don't have the energy to do something. Stop dead in your tracks and set a timer for 5, 10, or even 15 minutes and do a quick pick up and put away. That is all it takes to make you not feel so overwhelmed. Our Hot Spots attack more than our home. They hurt us inside by causing us to feel bad because we can't keep up, as well as zap our energy! Now I want you to pay close attention! You can start over anytime! You are never behind! Do you hear me?

That stinking thinking of "I don't have enough time" is for the birds! It is what got your home in the shape it was in! It's our perfectionism rearing its ugly

head one more time! You can stop the downward spiral by replacing those terrible words, "I don't have time!" with "I can do just 5 minutes!"

This is a huge attitude adjustment for most of us. It takes time and worst of all we don't even realize we are doing it. Now that it has been brought to your attention, you will hear yourself say those words. When you do; turn them around and just set your timer and do just a little. I can hear you now! "BUT! I really don't have the time! She doesn't understand. Well I am here to tell you that I used to think the same way and I have changed my negative thoughts into positive ones and you can too. It all starts with the realization of what you are doing to yourself with those words. It is a form of WHINING! You know I don't allow whining! I want for you what I have: PEACE! This peace came for letting go of negative thoughts and replacing them with positive actions. Even a little will go a long way toward helping you find this peace!

## What is Chronic Pain?



Dr. Kent Lowery, D.C. FIAMA

Chronic pain-continuous pain lasting longer than 3 months afflicts an estimate 50 million Americans, with costs in disability and lost productivity totaling more than \$100 billion annually.

Whether that pain results from an injury or disability, or takes the form of low back pain, recurring headaches, or just muscle aches that don't seem to go away, the tendency is to say "Well, I'll just have to live with it."

More and more Americans are turning to alternative care to relieve chronic pain.

They have discovered the medication is not solving the problem-only treating the symptoms and that their quality of life has been compromised by the side effects of those medications.

Recent studies show that Americans are spending 13 billion dollars a year out of their own pocket on alternative or complimentary therapies.

Regular chiropractic adjustments can help the body return to a natural balance and reduce or eliminate chronic pain.

Chronic pain is like water damage to a house-if it goes on long enough, the house collapses.

Don't accept that chronic pain has to be a part of your life. Call Dr. Kent Lowery, D.C. in Brackettville for an appointment at 563-6249 in Brackettville.

Our clinic is located at #1 Mesquite Alley.

We now offer acupuncture and accept most major insurances.

## Benefit BBQ

BBQ Fundraiser: Brisket plate w/ trimmings \$6.00 donation to benefit John Resendez (of Union Pacific Railroad)  
Date: Sat. 12-15-07  
Place: 2116 Veterans Blvd. (next to Pizza Hut) Del Rio, Tx  
Time: 11 am to 2 pm  
Thank you for your support!

## Investments can make great holiday gifts



Emily Cooper

Now that the holidays are here, you're probably looking around for the right gifts for your loved ones.

Of course, as you know, it's not always easy to find gifts that are both meaningful and useful. This year, why not add financial gifts to your shopping list?

What types of financial gifts should you consider giving? Let's look at a few possibilities:

**Contributions to Section 529 plans** - If you have a child (or grandchild) that will be headed off to college in a few years, you may want to contribute to a Section 529 college savings plan. Your earnings and withdrawals will be exempt from federal taxes as long as the money goes toward paying college costs.

There may be additional tax

benefits to those who participate in their own state's plan. Also, you can contribute generous amounts to your savings plan. Plus, you can change beneficiaries; if you've been putting money in a Section 529 plan for your child or grandchild, and he or she decides to forego college, you can transfer the money to another family member.

**Contributions to an IRA** - If you know a loved one has an IRA, consider making a contribution. Many people don't fully fund their IRA each year - so any help you can give toward that goal will be important.

**Stocks** - Consider giving shares of a company that produces products or services that are used by your intended recipient. If you're going to give away some of your own shares, you'll need to know what you originally paid for the stock, how long you've held it and its fair market value at the date of the gift. Recipients of your gift will need this information to determine gains or losses if they decide to sell the stock. (You'll also need to determine if you have to pay gift taxes. You can give up

to \$12,000 per year, free of gift taxes, to as many people as you want; over your lifetime, you can give up to \$1,000,000 without incurring gift taxes.)

**Savings Bonds** - They may sound old-fashioned and stodgy, but U.S. Savings Bonds can still make nice financial gifts, especially for young people who can use the money in the future. Among the most popular savings bonds are Series EE Bonds, which can be purchased in denominations ranging from \$50 (or \$25.00 for Electronic EE Bonds) to \$10,000. Paper EE Bonds are sold at half their face amount and will increase in value until they are cashed in or reach final maturity in 30 years. Electronic EE Bonds are sold at face value and reach maturity immediately. You can learn more about Series EE Bonds and TIPS, or even purchase them directly, from the Treasury Department's web site devoted to savings bonds: [www.savingsbonds.gov](http://www.savingsbonds.gov).

A financial gift may not be traditional, but it can have a big impact on the recipient's life - and it won't be forgotten after the holidays are over.

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**"Tiene la tez morena pero es hermosa, hijas de Jerusalén"**  
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**El Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica, en inglés o en español, VIVA BOOK STORE 1-800-826-1143 . De \$8.99 a \$19.00 dolares cada libro.**  
Como nos aseguró **Rosalba De Favero**, en su comentario celebrado, *El Catecismo, una joya inestimable*:  
"Después de la Biblia y junto con la Biblia, no busquemos nada mayor que el Catecismo. Los niños reciben con él la semilla de la doctrina en el corazón. Los mayores la hacemos crecer hasta su pleno desarrollo, hasta conocer y entender bien el misterio de Dios y de Jesucristo."  
**En cuanto a las tarjetas católicas - del tipo "flash card" - Defensores Amigables / Friendly Defenders, mencionadas la semana pasada, tenemos aquí unos ejemplos.**  
Ejemplo uno. **"Tradicición: ¿Tradicición, La Biblia o ambas?"**  
**"Roberto el Retador dice: Todo lo que Dios quiere sepamos está únicamente en la Biblia."**  
**"Araceli la Sólida responde: La Biblia no dice esto. La Biblia dice que recibimos la Palabra de Dios a través de la Tradición escrita al igual la oral. Por lo tanto, hermanos, manténganse firmes y guarden fielmente las tradiciones que les enseñamos de la palabra o por carta. 2 Tesalonicenses 2:15. Tradición se refiere transmitir. Los primeros cristianos transmitieron su fe oralmente antes de que fuera escrita. Vea estos versos relacionados: Juan 21:25; 2 Pedro 3:15-16; 1 Corintios 11:2; y 2 Tesalonicenses 3:6."** [Today's Catholic, el 23 de noviembre de 2007. Martha Fernández - Sardina]  
Ejemplo dos. **Tradicición: ¿Tradicición, La Biblia, o ambas?"**  
**"Inés la Investigadora: ¿Por qué los católicos enseñan cosas que no están en La Biblia?"**  
**"Candelario el Caritativo: "No todo lo que Dios quiere que creamos está plenamente especificado en La Biblia. Por ejemplo, la palabra Trinidad no está allí. Ese es el caso también con otras verdades de fe. Jesús hizo también otras muchas cosas. Si se escribieran una por una, creo que no habría lugar en el mundo para tantos libros (Juan 21:25). A pesar de que una enseñanza no esté plenamente dicha en La Biblia, nada de lo que enseña la Iglesia Católica contradice a La Biblia. Vea estos versos relacionados: Juan 14:16-26; Juan 16:13; y 1 Timoteo 3:15."** [Today's Catholic, el 7 de diciembre 2007. Martha Fernández - Sardina]  
**Novedades en la frente: Mons. Malcolm Ranjith a unos católicos Holandeses.**  
**"Lo que el Santo Padre dice debe ser obedecido en la Iglesia. Si no seguimos ese principio, estaremos permitiendo que nada más ni nada menos que el Demonio nos utilice como sus instrumentos. No tenemos tiempo que perder. Las iglesias se están vaciando, no hay vocaciones, los seminarios están vacíos. Los sacerdotes envejecen y los curas jóvenes, escasean."** Discurso del 6 de Octubre, 2007.  
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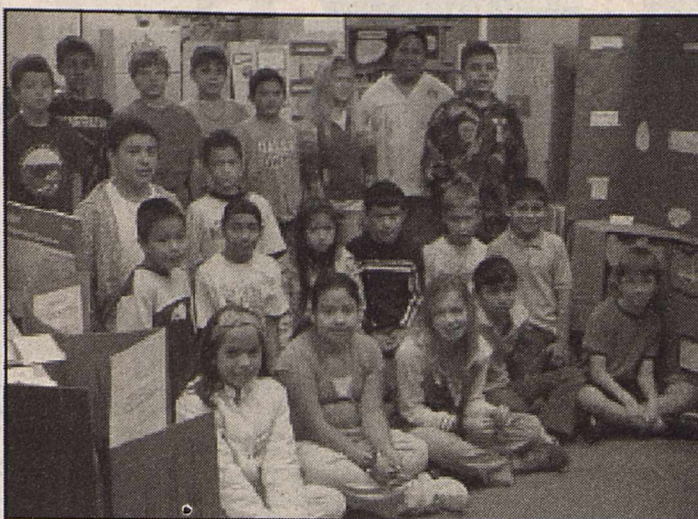
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## Jones Elementary-Intermediate Science Fair



### 4th Grade Science Fair Project Results

Consumer Science: Nolberto Martinez and Jairo Pinales.  
 1st Place: Isabel Garica and Angie Caceda.  
 2nd Place: Josh Gose and Anthony Aldaco.  
 3rd Place: Eleazar Salazar and Elizabeth Rocha.  
 Life Science:  
 1st Place: Walt Ashley and Benjamin Rodriguez.  
 2nd Place: Victor Villanueva,

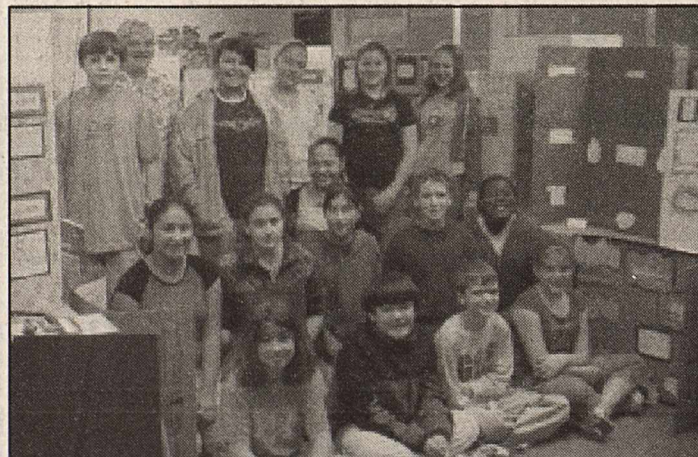
3rd Place: Alyssa Martinez and Kaitlyn Partlow.  
 Physical Science:  
 1st Place: Gage Brown and Max Stoffel.  
 2nd Place: Jeyson Price, Rafael Martinez and Albert Flores.  
 3rd Place: Katee Flores, Ramior Flores and Erika Ortiz.



### 5th Grade Science Fair Project Results

Life Science  
 1st Place: Webb Ashley and Jose Talamantes  
 2nd Place: Cheyenne Pena, Dante Luna and Morgan Brown  
 3rd Place: Martin Guzman and Joaquin Solis  
 Physical Science  
 1st Place: Zachary Bowers

2nd Place: Rivers Maddox and Gabriella Sandoval.  
 3rd Place: Maddie Frerich and Vyviana Flores.  
 Consumer Science  
 1st Place: Travis Earwood and Leo Elizondo. 2nd Place: Christian Lopez. 3rd Place: Sierra Falcon and Kate Castillo.



### 6th Grade Science Fair Project Results

Physical Science  
 1st: Jemma Musgrave  
 2nd: Korlee Allen and Dolores Garza  
 3rd: Samantha DeHoyas and Celes Molano  
 Life Science  
 1st Place: Wyatt Blake  
 2nd Place: Shelby Schuster  
 3rd Place: Forrest Maddox  
 Behavioral Science  
 1st Place: Vance Rietz

2nd Place: Heather Knox  
 3rd Place: Tristan Ostby and Shannon Gammill  
 Consumer Science  
 1st Place: Leslie Allen  
 2nd Place: Nadia Rodriguez and Consuelo Rodriguez  
 Environmental Science  
 1st Place: Judy Adams and August Stephenson  
 Overall 6th Grade Winner: Wyatt Blake

## Nowlin named All-Tournament at SWTJC

Submitted by Southwest Texas Junior College

On Friday, the Tigers played their first game for the 48th Annual SWTJC Basketball Tournament against the Leakey Eagles. The first quarter the Tigers took the lead scoring 14 and the Eagles with 11. The Eagles decided to take a slight lead in the second quarter scoring 19 and the Tigers with 13. After halftime the Eagles commanded the court scoring 20 points in the third quarter and the Tigers scoring 9. The Tigers picked it up a bit in the fourth quarter scoring 18, but the Eagles maintained the lead scoring 22 with a final score of 72-54 and remain undefeated.

Stevan Rivera was the lead scorer for the Tigers with 16 points. Jacob Schroder and Lane Nowlin each contributed 12 points for the Tigers.

Moises Gonzales added 5 points. Caesar Cantu added in another 4 points for the team. Sam Childress had 3 points and Joe Sanchez had 2.

The Tigers record stands at 2-4.

The Tigers second game was against the Utopia Buffalos.

In the first quarter Utopia took a slight lead scoring 20 and the Tigers with 13.

The Tigers stepped up in the second quarter scoring 16 while Utopia scored 12.

Utopia took charge in the third quarter with 9 and the Tigers scoring 6.

In the fourth quarter, both teams had 11 points each. The Tigers were defeated by the Buffalos 49-33.

Rivera was the lead scorer again with 9 points.

Cantu scored 8 points for the team.

Nowlin put in 6 points for the Tigers.

Schroder had 4 points for the team.

Childress added in 3.

Chuy Balderas and Gonzales each contributed 2 points.

The Tigers record stands at 2-5.

On Saturday, the Tigers went up against the Nueces Canyon Panthers for 7th place in the tournament. In the first quarter the Tigers took a definite lead scoring 15 points and the Panthers with 1. The Tigers continued their lead with 14 in the second and the Panthers scoring 7.

In the third quarter the Tigers scored 12 and the Panthers scored 1. The fourth quarter the Tigers continued to dominate the court scoring 11 and the Panthers with 9. The Tigers ended the game with a major upset to the Panthers 53-18 and taking 7th place in the tournament.

Nowlin was the lead scorer with 17 points. Gonzales added in 13 points. Rivera had 11 for the Tigers. Cantu had 4 for the team. Childress put in 3 and Balderas with 2.

The Tigers record stands at 3-5. Lane Nowlin was named All-Tournament for the Brackett Tigers.

## Tigerettes take fourth at SWTJC tournament

Submitted by Southwest Texas Junior College

On Friday, December 7, the Tigerettes traveled to Uvalde for the 48th Annual SWTJC Tournament.

The first game was against the Leakey Lady Eagles. In the first quarter the girls took charge with 6 and Leakey scoring 4. Leakey then scored 7 in the second quarter and the Tigerettes with 6. The Tigerettes took control of the court in the third quarter scoring 14 and Leakey with 6. Leakey tried to take the lead in the fourth quarter with 10 and the Tigerettes with 9, but it was not enough to win the game.

The Tigerettes upset the Lady Eagles in game one 35-27.

Bianca Terrazas was the lead scorer with 14 points.

Bailee Allen scored 6 points for the team.

Daphne Hunt and Julie Castillo each contributed to 4 for the team.

Hayley Harris added in 3 and Bianca Martinez put in 1 for the Tigerettes.

The current record is 5-2 for the Tigerettes.

The second game was against D'Hanis Cowgirls. D'Hanis took a dominate lead in the first quarter scoring 21 and Brackett with 3. D'Hanis continued to

dominate the court with 12 points in the second and 18 in the third quarter and Brackett had 6 in the second and 12 in the third. Brackett had a change of pace in the fourth quarter scoring 8 and D'Hanis with 7. The Cowgirls upset the Tigerettes 58-29.

Harris was the lead scorer with 8.

Castillo added in 6 points for the girls.

Allen, Nena Molinar, and Martinez each put in 4 for the Tigerettes.

Hunt put in 3 for the team.

Tigerettes record is 5-3.

On Saturday, the Tigerettes went up against the Nueces Canyon Lady Panthers for 3rd in the SWTJC Tournament. The girls played a close game, but suffered an upset 38-36.

Terrazas and Allen were the lead scorers for the team with 8 points each.

Martinez put in 6 points for the Tigerettes.

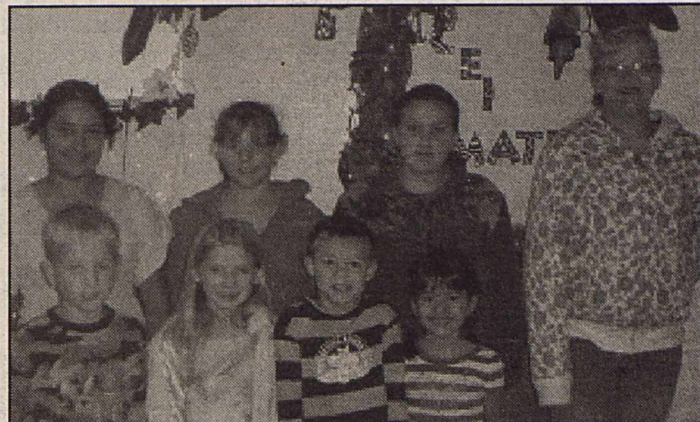
Veronica Talamantes, Hunt and Castillo each added in 4.

Bailee Allen was named All-Tournament for the Brackettville Tigerettes.

## Jones Elementary and Intermediate Citizen of the Week

Week of December 3-7

From left to right-back row: Nadia Rodriguez, Leslie Allen, August Stephenson, Shelby Schuster. Front row: Stetson Schuster, Sarah Titchnell, Logan Fisher, Andie Gerardo.



## JV girls take 2nd

Submitted by Coach Rhonda Marquardt

The Brackett Junior Varsity girls competed in the Carrizo Springs Tournament this past weekend.

The JV Tigerettes defeated LaPryor 29-22, Crystal City 33-

11 and Carrizo Springs 31-16 and lost to LaPryor in a tight game 30-31.

The girls took second place at the tournament and Karley Harris and Kelsey Bruce were both named All Tournament players.

## Cubs defeat Comstock

Submitted by Coach Scott Swilley

Fans who made the journey to Comstock on Monday night were rewarded with two exciting Junior High basketball contests. Both Brackett A and B teams won their games by a 1 point margin. The B team won by a score of 12-11 in an abbreviated two quarter game while A team triumphed with a 26-25 advantage. Both games featured third quarter rallies to overcome a point deficit. Key contributions by Daulton Woodson,

Adam Resendez, and Ricardo Rojas were prominent in the A team's victory. Caesar Castillo lead the B team with 5, second half points.

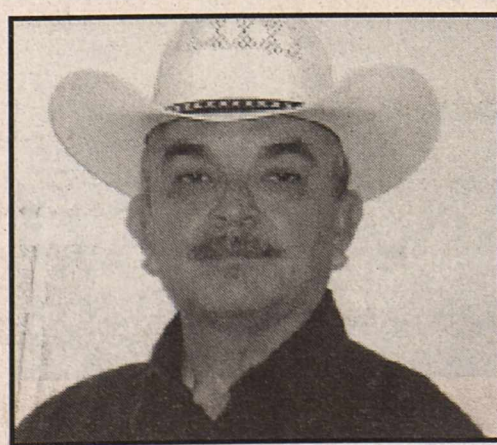
Adam Resendez was the lead scorer for the A team with 7 points. Ervey Rodriguez and Daulton Woodson both had 6 points. Ricardo Rodriguez had 4 points scored for the team. Erbey Martinez put in 3. Cesar Castillo was the lead scorer for the B team with 5 points.

B.J. Hernandez and Daniel Falcon each put in for the team and Tony Flores added in 1.

## Valenzuela joins Air Force



Emily Valenzuela, 2007 graduate of Brackett ISD, daughter of David and Mary Campos and Ernest Valenzuela, granddaughter of the late Francisco and Stella Guajardo. Emily joined the U.S. Air Force and left for basic training on December 10. After basic training she will go into Special Forces at Lackland AFB.



My name is Raymond "Ray" Gonzalez. I am asking for your vote in the upcoming March 4 elections for Constable.

I served 9 years in the U.S. Marine Corps (1968-1977). I served one tour of duty in Vietnam (1968-1969). I retired from the U.S. Border Patrol after serving 21 years. I served for 3 years as a background investigator for the U.S. Office of Personnel Management and am on my third year as a Deputy Sheriff.

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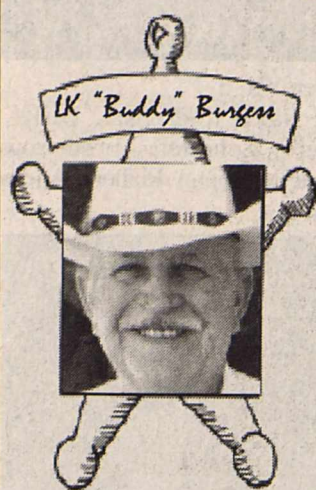
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### Kinney County Sheriff's Report



was arrested for possession of dangerous drugs and a warrant out of Wilson County. Escamilla was still being held at press time.

**Friday, December 7**  
2:45 pm Richard Flores Antu, 35, of Brackettville, was arrested for indecency with a child by contact, 2nd degree felony. Antu was released the same day on a \$10,000 bond.

**Saturday, December 8**  
1:30 am Jose Alfredo Gutierrez, 25, of San Antonio, was arrested for public intoxication. Gutierrez paid a fine of \$300 and was released the same day.

1:32 am Hector Sandoval, 42, of Uvalde, was arrested for driving while intoxicated, first offense. Sandoval was released on a \$1,200 bond.

5:45 pm A minor accident was reported on Hwy 334 that went through a fence. A deputy was dispatched.

**Wednesday, December 5**  
8:30 am Cellio Barrientos Jr., 52, of San Antonio, was arrested for theft of service in Bexar County. Barrientos was released the following day on a \$800 bond.

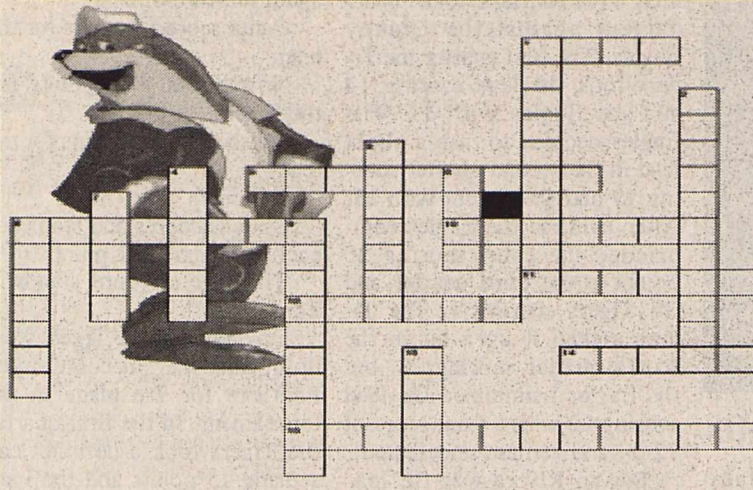
12:42 pm A local business reported an employee was hit by a vehicle. Deputies and EMS were dispatched.

**Thursday, December 6**  
8:30 pm Tomas A. Escamilla, 18, of Del Rio,



### Bubbles Crossword Challenge

Try to fill in the letter blocks using these clues



#### Across

1. Two wheels, handlebars, spokes what am I?
5. You are small now but in the \_\_\_\_\_ you will be much taller.
8. You need this to make cookies?
10. Another word for tricked is?
12. I stand for "Unidentified Flying Object?"
15. Chew me up and blow a big \_\_\_\_\_ to pop!

#### Down

1. I bend my knees and push myself up to \_\_\_\_\_?
2. I am green with big eyes and from space what am I?
3. Use your brush to \_\_\_\_\_ a beautiful picture.
4. I have strings and love to get loud what am I?
6. You wear skates and chase a puck in this sport?
7. Wiggle, shake and through your arms around because this is called?
8. This can wake you up in the morning for school?
9. A big rubber band around your ankles is used in the sport of \_\_\_\_\_ jumping.
13. Big Ben is a big clock that tells you what?

**Math Challenge!** Count the blocks on the crossword puzzle and compare numbers with your friends.

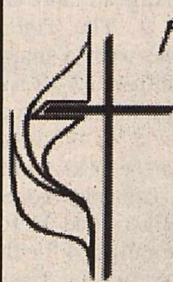


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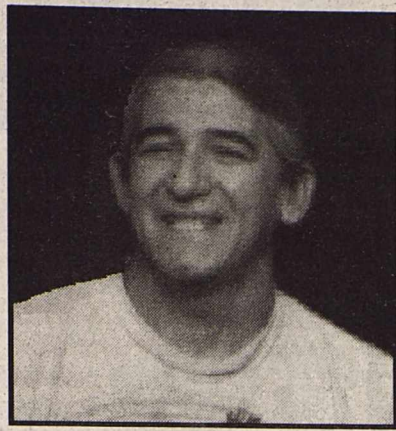
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## OBITUARY

### Ernest Jaso, Jr.

July 23, 1956 - December 9, 2007



Ernest Jaso, Jr., age 51, entered into rest December 9, 2007 in Brackettville, Texas. He was born July 23, 1956 in Del Rio, Texas.

Left to cherish his memory is his son Angel Ernesto and wife Lorenza Jaso, daughter Angelica Marina Flores. His loving parents Ernest and Mary Jane Jaso. Brothers Joe Henry and wife Elizabeth Jaso, Richard Jaso. Sisters Juanita and husband Robert Lunderville, Victoria and husband Curtis Walters. Grandchildren, Angel Ernesto Jaso II, Esperansa Alexia Jaso, Avion Emmanuel Jaso, Vianey Anyeze Flores and Vyviana Marie Flores. Also left to cherish his memory are his numerous nephews, nieces, distant family and many close friends.

Visitation was held Thursday, December 13, 2007 from 3pm to 9pm at Sunset Memorial Oaks Funeral Home.

## Good Attendance at first annual RGEN Community Christmas

Submitted by RGEN

Brackettville turned out in great numbers for the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Community Christmas held Thursday, December 6, in front of Rio Grande Electric Co-op.

The festivities kicked off at 6:00 p.m. with a welcome by RGEN's GM/CEO Dan Laws, followed by a hayride for kids of all ages.

Young and old alike piled on the trailer for Christmas caroling.

The first stop was the Senior Citizen's Apartments, and then a trip through Fort Clark.

For safety sake, the hayride was escorted by RGEN trucks with flashing lights, and Kinney County Sheriff's Deputies provided traffic control on highway 90.

Upon the return of the hayride to the Co-op, a beautiful candle lighting ceremony was held.

A handful of youngsters went among the crowd lighting candles, until finally, the area shown with the light of a hundred candles.

Then it was time for the lighting of the Christmas Tree, and a visit from Santa, complete with little gifts for the kids.

Approximately 200 boys and girls received toys, (because they all said they have been very good this year).

While Santa was handing out toys, everyone joined in the singing of Christmas carols.

This is the first year for the event, but it is hoped that next year will be even bigger and better, as more groups and organizations take active roles.

Plans are already underway for the addition of a second trailer to accommodate the large number of carolers on the hayride, and a change of name to avoid confusion between "Community Christmas" and "Community Unity".

If you, your group, church, or organization would like to be part of next year's event, tentatively called "Kinney County Christmas", please call 563-2444, ext. 1181.

Special thanks to the following for their contributions to Community Christmas: Frontier Baptist Church, for providing candles; Kinney Co. Sheriff's Department, for traffic control; Fort Clark Springs, for chairs; RGEN employees & spouses for donation of refreshments; Randy Edwards for the hayride; and Santa for making the long trip from the North Pole!



KCAC drawing winner

## Annual arts council home tour successful

Submitted by KCAC

Kinney County Arts Council's annual Christmas Home Tour, showcasing four stylish Brackettville/Fort Clark homes, was again a success.

Arts Council wishes to extend special thanks, and wish most happy holidays, to the owners of the homes featured in this year's Christmas Tour: The Whitehead home; The Ward home; the Truax home; and the Hernandez home. As always, the Brackettville Bank and Trust provided great support and a wonderful backdrop for refreshments.

Mirra Hernandez was the lucky drawing winner of the handmade blue and white cross-stitched quilt. Quilters were Arts Council members under the direction of Mona Miller.

The Tour, Baked Goods Sale and drawing raised over a thousand dollars to continue the Council's support of fine arts awareness and experience for community children. Last summer the Arts Council sponsored the Missoula Children's Theatre and its week-long work with local children in a production of Cinderella.

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If others try to change you, Think who you want to be, And I'll be right here waiting For when you return to me.

You'll find you've reached your limit, When you can go no more, And you'll always have the memories Of good times you've had before.

So when your journey's ending, And you've managed to break free, Just remember I'm right here waiting And I always will be.

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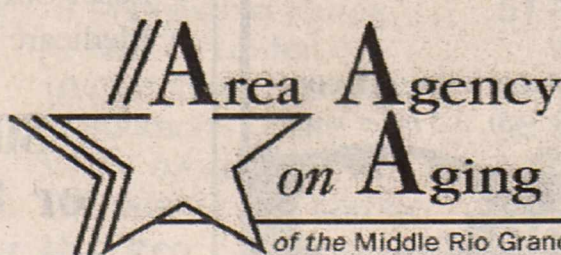
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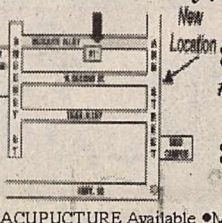
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**Employment**

**PART-TIME FOOD SERVICE WORKER:** Application/Description can be picked up at BIRD Central Office, 40 Street, or request by Brackettville, TX 78832. Application may be downloaded from website: www.t12.tx.us under Employment Opportunities. Applications will be accepted until position is filled. Applicant must be willing to learn and operate Nutri-Kiware program. Direct inquiry to HoneyBee Gomez, Food Service Manager, honeybee@t12.tx.us, or call 2491, ext. 554. Brackettville is an equal opportunity employer.

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### For Sale

MARY KAY COSMETICS, Alana Flurry 563-9435 www.marykay.com/afurry

BASKETS AND GIFTS New items just in! www.brackettville-gifts.com

### Garage Sale

GARAGE SALE Dec. 14 & 15 9am-1pm. 115 Wainwright Rd. Ft. Clark. Electrical handicap scooter, glass shower door, bathroom sink top & wall cabinets, dishes, x-mas decorations, misc.

YARD SALE. Unit 15 Lot 37, Friday and Saturday 8am-4pm hunter's camo clothing, and camping equipment and miscellaneous household items.

### Homes For Sale

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Unit 14 - nice RV apartment with metal roof  
Spofford - 2 homes for sale, \$15,000 & \$30,000.  
North St. - Great for hunters, 2/2 mobile home, fenced carport, RV hookups  
705 N. Ellen: A MUST SEE! 3/2 brick home, many upgrades. REDUCED!  
60 - 127 AC. tracts off Hwy 334, easy access, scenic tracts with oaks & good brush cover.  
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Ranches & Small Acreage For Sale

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**223 POMPEY:** Wonderful 3BR/2B w/detached guest house in great neighborhood. New carpet, paint and blinds throughout. REDUCED TO \$135,000.  
**FAIRWAY CIRCLE:** Gorgeous, new luxury home w/ many custom features. 4BR/2.5B/2 with large covered veranda on two lots overlooking golf course. Approx. 2,800 sq.ft.  
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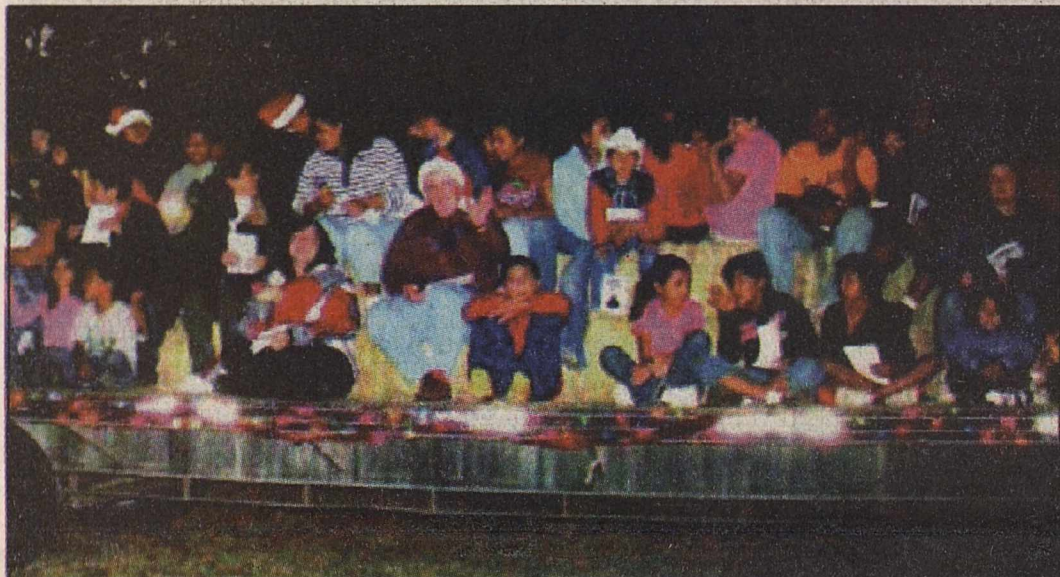


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