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COMMUNITY NEWS

Old Quarry Dinner Theatre
The Old Quarry Society Dinner Theatre is fast approaching. The event is planned for Friday, February 8 and Saturday, February 9. Dinner choices on Friday are either fish or chicken cordon bleu. Saturday's entree selection is chicken fried steak. Reservations are required and no tickets will be sold at the door. Due to an illness in the cast, the program for the Old Quarry Society dinner theatre has been changed. The evening will be a musical program featuring several local, very talented musicians. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. for BYOB, dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m. and the play will begin at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are available at Member Services, Adult Center and the RV Park or by calling 563-9229. Remember, reservations must be made in advance, no tickets will be sold at the door.

BISD Activity Calendar
Thursday, January 31 JHG/JHB Bsktbl A-team @ Comstock Tourney TBA. **Friday, February 1:** JHG/JHB A-team Comstock Tourney, JVG/JVB/VG/VB Dist. Bsktbl v. Charlotte (A) 5:00pm. **Saturday, February 2:** JHG/JHB A-team Comstock Tourney, Prom @ FCS Restaurant.

Local Governmental Meetings
The Management Plan Committee will meet on Friday, February 1, 2008 at 5:00 p.m. at Slater Hall. Additional meetings have been set for Tuesday, February 5th at 2:00 p.m. and Thursday, February 7th at 2:00 p.m.

Upcoming Elections 2008
Last to Register to vote for the March 4, 2008 Primary is February 4, 2008. The First Day of Early Voting is February 19, 2008 for the March 4, 2008 Primary. The First day to file for a place on the ballot is February 9, 2008 for the May 10, 2008 Uniform Election Date.

Miss/Mr Kinney County Scholarship Meeting
Last informational meeting for the Miss/Mr Kinney County Scholarship meeting will be held on February 9th at 12:30pm at Ken Barnett Realty Office on Spring Street. A FREE raffle of door prizes will be held as well. More info from Mary Martin at the Kinney County Chamber of Commerce at 563-2466.

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 Frerich at 563-5372. Letter and notes are the most requested since it boosts their morale and reminds them that they are not forgotten.

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.

Weekend WEATHER

Friday
High: 65
Low: 38
Sunny

Saturday
High: 71
Low: 48
Partly Cloudy

Sunday
High: 74
Low: 51
Partly Cloudy

County FD hosts training

Kinney County Fire Rescue (KCFR) held its first of many planned training courses on January 26.

Val Verde County Rural Volunteer Fire Department Lieutenant Chad Schaffer, a level two instructor with the Texas Fire Fighter and Fire Marshal's Association and Laughlin Air Force Base Assistant Chief Bill Phaneuf, led an

introductory course in fire fighting.

Kinney County EMT Basic Nick Powanda described how nearly a dozen people were trained in basic fire suppression techniques that included tasks in properly connecting water hoses to fire hydrants and the proper use of breathing masks.

One exercise used over the

weekend was intended to help train fire fighters to escape a smoke filled building. Volunteers were equipped with a breathing mask that had been "blacked out", turned in different directions to disorient them to their surroundings and then allowed to navigate their way out of the room filled with obstacles and hazards.

Excited about the training

and new services residents will have access to, KCFR Director Bruce Hudgens said, "Kinney County Fire Rescue, formerly known as Kinney County EMS, is expanding the scope of emergency operations and based on the county's 'frontier' status and without a local trauma center, KCFR will bring a greater level of emergency services to the people."

WHAT'S HAPPENING

5K Run/Walk set for Ft. Clark Festival 2008
Fort Clark Springs Festival 2008 will feature the 7th Annual 5K Run/Walk and Children's Fun Run on Saturday, March 8th. This year, the race will begin at the Youth Recreation Center at the corner of Scales and Fort Clark Roads on Fort Clark. Race Day Registration and Packet Pickup will begin at 7:30 a.m. at the Youth Center, with the 5K Run/Walk beginning at 8:30 a.m. and Children's Fun Run at 9:30 a.m. This year the children's walk/run event will be on the new walking track at the Youth Center. Entry fees will include \$17.00 for Early Registration (ends 2/15/08), with \$20.00 Late Registration Fee through Race Day. Children's Fun Run Entry Fee will be \$9.00 for Early Registration (ends 2/15/08) and \$12.00 for Late Registration (through Race Day). Awards will be given to the overall male & female winners in the 5K & Children's Fun Run, as well as the top 3 male & female winners in each age division. This year we hope to offer prizes as well as ribbons to all division winners. 5K Age Divisions are 13-20, 21-35, 36-49, 50-65, 66 & over. For the Children's Fun Run age groups are 6 & under, 7-8, 9-10, 11-12. Contact Judie Winchell at (830)563-9530 with any questions. Entry blanks are available at Fort Clark Administration Office, FCS Adult Center, Laughlin AFB, and at www.fortclark.com. Entries should be mailed to Fort Clark Springs 5K Run - c/o Judie Winchell - P. O. Box 1390, Brackettville, TX 78832. For additional information and/or entry forms contact Helen Marie Jones (830-563-9492). Applications must be received no later than February 29, 2008.

AARP Safety Program
An AARP Safety Program will be offered for motorists age 50 and older. This is an eight hour course taught in two four-hour sessions spanning two days on February 25 & 26 from 1-5 p.m. You do not need to be an AARP member to participate. Significant three year discounts on insurance are available upon completing the course, and it is suggested that you contact your insurance company to see what it provides as a discount for policy holders. The course will be held at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall located at Fort & Henderson Streets. There will be a fee of \$10 per participant. If you are interested in taking the course, please contact Natalie at 563-2585 by February 10, 2008.

Aging Center Bingo
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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. 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.

Income Tax Information
The (VITA) Program will be offering services to qualified individuals and families in the Middle Rio Grande region this month. For more information call the Workforce Center nearest to you or dial 211.



8th Annual Chili Cook Off Winners

Courtesy Photo
Chili cook off winners from left: Art Miller, fourth place, Flo Dean, third place, Rick Dunbar, People's Choice, Darlene Sandwick, Event Coordinator, Red Tucker, second place and Gary Eberhart, first place.

Eberhart spices up chili cook off with 1st place

By Allison Taylor
Managing Editor

The Eighth Annual Fort Clark Chili cook off was a hit with approximately 200 people attending on Monday, January 28, at the RV Park.

Gary Eberhart took first place with his customized chili recipe. Red Tucker placed second, Flo Dean placed third and Art Miller took fourth place.

The winner of the People's

Choice Award was Rick Dunbar. The People's Choice Award is voted on by the cook off attendees.

The first through fourth place winners were judged by Don Sandwick, Kathy Warm, Phil Coburn and Steve Diller.

19 contestants competed in the cook off for first place.

The Chili cook off is coordinated by Darlene Sandwick to benefit the Annual Fort Clark Springs Festival.



Gammill To Attend NASA program

Courtesy Photo
Principal Frank Taylor, left, congratulates BISD student Serenity Gammill on her accomplishments. Gammill will be attending a NASA summer program.

Gose to attend Gold Leadership Seminar

By Allison Taylor
Managing Editor

BISD hosted a special award's assembly on Wednesday recognizing students chosen to attend seminars and selected for special awards.

Sophomore Victor Cantu was chosen as the scholar of the month by Uvalde National Bank.

Juniors Summer Allen, Laura Adams, Moises Gonzalez and Jacob Schroeder attended the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA). Students were nominated by their teachers for this award.

According to the Rotary website "RYLA emphasizes leadership, citizenship, and personal growth, and aims to demonstrate Rotary's respect and concern for youth, provide an effective training experience for selected youth and potential leaders, encourage leadership of youth by youth and recognize publicly young people who are rendering service to their communities."

Sophomores Victor Cantu and Elena Molinar were chosen to attend the Hugh O'Brien

Youth Leadership seminar (HOBY). Elena Molinar was chosen as the alternate. According to HOBY's website, their mission is to "motivate and empower individuals to make a positive difference within our global society through understanding and action based on effective and compassionate leadership."

Junior Serenity Gammill has been selected to participate in a National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) program. She is taking online courses through NASA and will attend a summer program at NASA.

Sophomore Brooklyn Gose was selected to attend the Gold Leadership Youth Seminar. According to the Gold Leadership website, "The GOLD Seminar is a regional youth leadership program which covers the area of Central and South Texas. The seminar area includes 360 schools. Targeted toward sophomore students, the program is designed to provide a setting of education and motivation for sophomores who have exhibited leadership qualities."

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Publishers PLOG

Here's my take on the never ending Presidential Race... Hilary: Can you imagine 4 to 8 more years of Clinton Scandals? I don't think I could watch HIM eat McDonalds and HER make excuses for that long. And on top of everything else she dresses just like a man would if he were a woman. Finally she should be careful about the whole socialized medicine thing. The government needs to think about solving Social Security & Medicare for the Baby Boomers! Like the federal government should be given such an important issue like health care for EVERYONE when it can't solve the healthcare issues for the people on the roll right now- Give me a break! Why make more problems? Solve social security and then maybe I'll vote to let you take on healthcare for the ENTIRE nation.

Obama: Can we call him that or do we have to call him Barak Hussain Obama? Are we ready for a black president? That's all we hear in the media. Would we ask this if he were applying for a job at Super 8? Are we ready for a black cashier? Obama's views steer a little too far left for me, but I think his socialist views could be balanced out in the House and Senate. PLUS he dresses beautifully and he's easy on the eyeballs - no saggy eyes and jowls- take note Queen Hilary. Everyone is going to be harder on the way you look, especially women!

Edwards: How did this guy even get elected to anything? He's so worried about his hair. I would be afraid he'd miss something big, like a terrorist attack because he could not get his stylist through security. He's far too interested in dividing the country in two halves. And no matter what he says, I'll never believe he cares about poor people. He quit anyway.

Now for the sake of proper disclosure I grew up in a staunch Republican household. It took me a long time to tell my family back home that I even voted for Democrats when I moved to Texas. I still vote PRO-business, but I vote for the candidate that will BEST serve me locally. Are you doing what's best for your circle of family and friends or are you doing what is best for the community as a whole - UNDIVIDED? And I do mean NOT dividing your favors based on race. I wrote it down. Race is still a big issue in Kinney County. Anglo and Hispanic politicians beware. Fair is fair. Leave race out.

Huckabee: Don't want to listen to that name for a minute longer. I don't care how many times he plays the guitar for the press. Can you see the terrorists trying to say and spell his name in their internet videos? Let him be a spokesperson for Weight Watchers and we'll get somebody else to run America.

Giuliani: I like him the best. He most likely will not get the nomination, but I just get the warm fuzzies from him. I like him because he says I am "the man for the job" and stay out of my personal life. He's a cool cat that ran New York and I'd trust him with the rest of the country too. Oh well...he's gone, too.

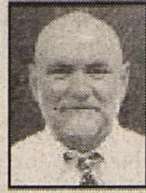
Mitt Romney: And the best hair award goes to...My Pal Mitt! And you can't get a better name than that. Mitt. Mitt. Mitt. Everyone talks about his religion. I think he's a proven leader and looks good on a political poster. I'd vote for him over Hilary. I'd vote for anybody over Hilary. (Does it read like I just don't like Hilary? And I'm trying so hard to be neutral. Ha. Ha.)

McCain: I respect his service and think he'd be a great leader in the times we're in. Huckahooooo just doesn't make me think he could handle the tough times. I guess if I had to vote right this minute I'd vote for McCain, because he loves America and fought for everyone in it. He was a prisoner of war for EVERYONE and I believe out of all the candidates, he's the most genuine, but Mitt could be Co-president and head cheerleader.

Do you think this is serious? I guess part of it, but I hope you think real hard about choosing a leader for our country. And if you don't really care about Hillary and how much I think she needs Botox, then at least vote in the local election.

Leigh V.

How Well Educated is Your Chiropractor?



Dr. Kent Lowery, D.C., FIAMA

The facts may surprise you. Your chiropractor has over 3 years of graduate level college training, 600 hours of internship and must pass National Board exams identical to medical doctors to qualify for licensure in all states. They must also pass a rigid state Board exam and continue to meet the state's continuing educational requirements for annual license renewal.

Subject	Medical	Chiropractic
Anatomy/Embryology	452	456
Physiology	170	243
Pathology	564	296
Chemistry	100	161
Microbiology	128	145
Diagnosis	122	408
Neurology	120	149
Radiology	56	271
Psychiatry/Psychology	241	56
Obstetrics/Gynecology	108	66
Orthopedics	0	168
Total Hours	261	2419

Grand Total Class Hours (includes specialty class requirements) Doctor of Chiropractic 4,485 Doctor of Medicine 3,979

*Class hours compiled from curricula review of 22 medical schools and 18 chiropractic colleges

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Will Presidential Election Year Affect Investors?



Emily Cooper

As you are no doubt aware, 2008 is a presidential election year. As a citizen, you may well have a great deal of interest in the election. But how about as an investor? How does an election year affect the investment climate? And - again from the perspective of an investor - does it matter who wins?

To begin with, let's examine how the stock market reacted in the past to the selection of a president. The Dow Jones Industrial Average rose in nine of the past 11 presidential election years, with an average gain of

slightly more than nine percent. So it's clear that, for the most part, the market has done pretty well when America goes to the polls.

Does the election or re-election of a president just make us more optimistic, leading us to invest more heavily and thereby drive up the markets? Probably not. In reality, many factors - such as corporate profits, geopolitical concerns, interest rates and inflation - drive stock prices. And this is true in all years, whether an election is held or not. Consequently, stock returns from past presidential election years, while impressive, cannot serve as a reliable predictor of what the market might do in 2008.

Now, let's turn to the next question: As an investor, how will the outcome of the election affect you? There's not really a simple answer. In the past, the stock market has performed

well - and performed poorly - under both Democrats and Republicans. Of course, candidates of both parties will have different priorities and try to enact different economic agendas, and these priorities may have some impact - although one that's notoriously hard to predict - on different market sectors. In short, no one can accurately forecast the effect of this November's election on the financial markets, and that won't change even after the nominees are known.

Instead of pondering the "what-ifs" involved in a presidential election, you're much better off following some tried-and-true investment strategies. Here are a few to consider: Keep on investing. World events may be good or bad, and the stock market may be up or down - but no matter what happens, the most successful investors stay in the market. Look for quality investments and hold them until either your needs change, or the investments themselves undergo some type of transformation.

Know your risk tolerance. If you're losing sleep at night over your investments, you're probably taking on more risk than the amount with which you are comfortable. At the same time, if your investments are putting you to sleep, they may be too conservative, which could mean they're not providing the growth necessary to help you meet your goals. Strive for a balance that fits your investment personality.

Think long-term. If you're constantly adjusting your investment mix in response to short-term events, you'll probably rack up big commissions and you almost certainly won't make the necessary progress toward your important objectives, such as a comfortable retirement. So, train yourself to ignore daily or weekly or monthly price fluctuations and keep your eyes on the far horizon. If you've chosen the right investments, they should be designed to help you work towards your goals in exchange for your patience.

This November, don't forget to vote. But before and after Election Day, cast your ballot for solid investment technique.

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Never Give Up!



The Fly Lady Marla Cilley

This morning I woke up with these words on my mind; Never Give Up! What I have noticed over the years is that we give up before we ever get started. This has me thinking about why we do this. I am just going to write till I figure this out. I am not going to give up on you. The answer lies within each of us and all we have to do is figure out this little puzzle.

We have been beaten down for years because of our personalities. We are creative, spontaneous lovers of life. We don't fit the born organized mode. Yet we were probably raised by someone who wanted to make us conform to their way of thinking. That was never going to happen but that didn't stop them from trying.

In their efforts to make us fit their ideal of how we should think they called us names and punished us. We were told we were lazy and were day dreamers. We were accused of being stupid for not thinking like them. If the truth were really known; we are probably much more intelligent than those who tried to beat us down and they were afraid of our creativity and joy. I can't even imagine being scared to have fun! I think you can understand this deep down in your soul. In fact I feel sorry for them. How sad that they did not realize that it take all of us to make this world revolve!

If all of us thought alike there would be no diversity; no new ideas! Just the same old boring thing, day after day; no smiles just stress. Now the tears are starting to come. Those precious little children were told that they were not worthy of being loved unless they fit into that mold. This was not said out loud but we all knew that if we didn't perform to their standards we would be punished. In the scientific world this is called conditioning. In pet terms we were being trained to follow their commands even when they didn't say what they really wanted.

All we ever wanted was to feel loved. If we could not be loved for who we are we would settle for any kind of attention. They told us if we can't do it right don't do it at all. We were forced to repeat task after task till it was right. Even then it probably was not good for them and we were left feeling unloved and punished.

All these years of conditioning has gotten us to where we are today; defeated before we ever get started. Our negative thinking that was put in our heads by people who thought they were doing what was right and this was how they were taught. This is why I feel sorry for them. We can learn to be organized because we can make it game and have fun with it. We have to ability to keep changing things with our creativity so we don't get bored. We don't have to push for perfection when good enough is good enough.

I am your cheerleader. I don't want you to give up before you get started. Let's think of this in computer terms. Your operating system has been corrupted by negative thinking. All we have to do is a virus sweep of those bugs that have been causing you to not have fun. When we eliminate the bugs we can accomplish more than we ever dreamed possible.

When I got up this morning the words to a Ryan Shupe song were running through my head. I looked up the words to "Never Give Up" online and listened to them on my Dream Big CD. This whole CD is inspiring. Please don't give up!

Never Give Up!

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First Grade
Plunk's Class:
Sam Palmer, Lucero Rodriguez, Tanner Slubar, Natalee Terrazas and Tyler Winfree.

Voyles' Class:
Kaili Price and Karina Terrazas

Wiebush's Class:
Matthew Steedy and Brendan Turkett

Second Grade
Bonner's Class:
Juan Morales and Lyna Salazar

Melancon's Class:
Eddie Argil, Kirstin Frerich and Lizet Ortiz.

Rogers' Class:
Ayme Bruce, Haley Pearson and Nathaniel Talamantes.

Third Grade
Burks' Class:
James Amescua, Marissa Flores, Briana Flores-Martinez, Patrick Ortiz, Julian Quiroz, Alexa Solis and Angel Villarreal.

Faulkner's Class:
Britney Castilla, Justin Gallegos, Daniella Gerardo and Tyler Schuster.

LaMascus' Class:
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Childress' Class:
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Perry's Class:
Walt Ashley.

Fifth Grade
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Robinette's Class:
Peyton Bonner and Maddie Frerich.

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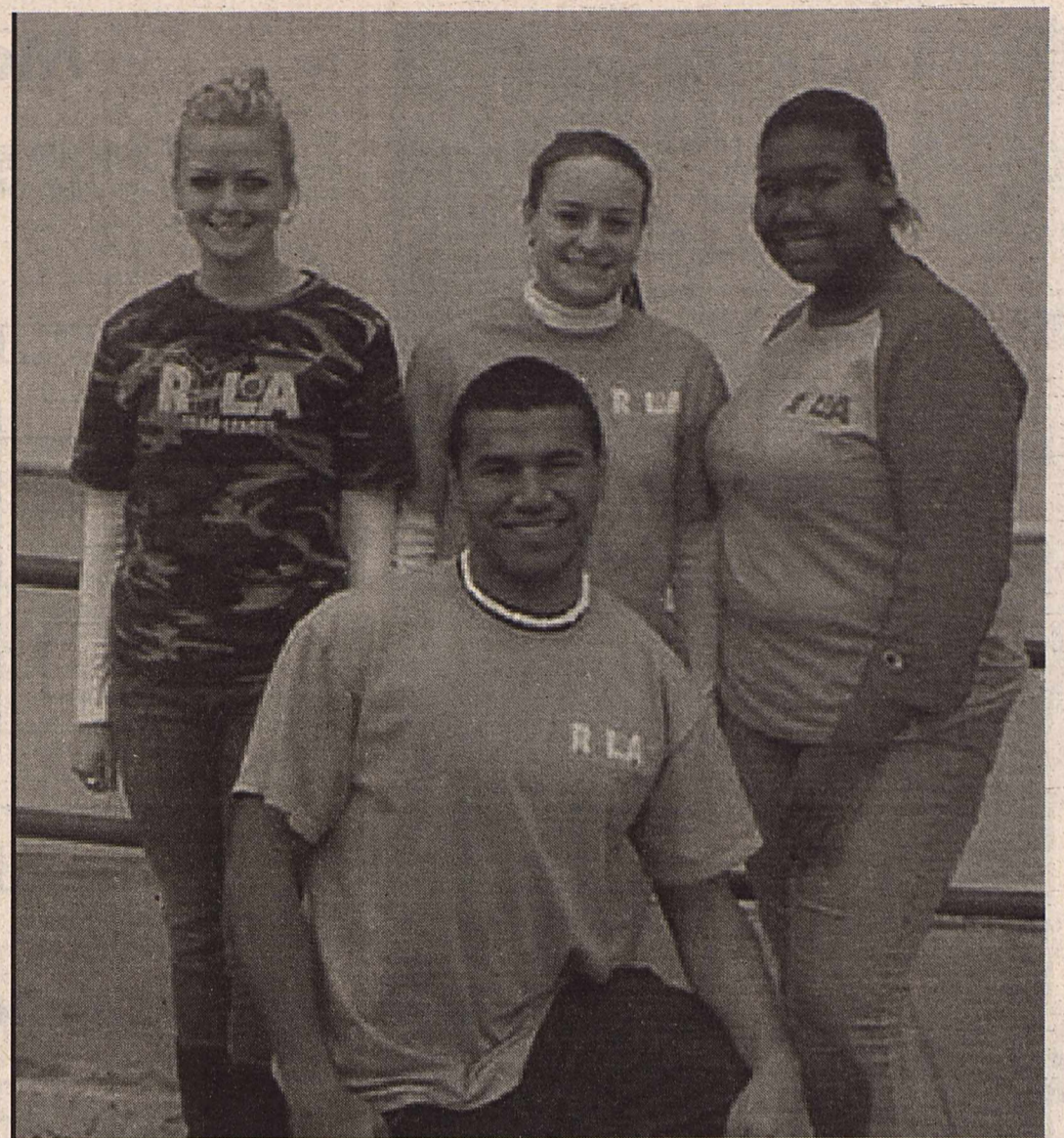
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Robinette's Class:
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Rose's Class:
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BHS Students Attend RYLA Conference

Courtesy: Photo

Pictured (top, left to right) Lauren Cornelius, Summer Allen and Laura Adams. (Bottom) Moises Gonzalez

Brackettville Rotary Club Sponsors Brackett High School Students at RYLA Conference

Submitted by Brackettville Rotary Club

BHS junior class members Laura Adams, Summer Allen, Moises Gonzalez and Jacob Schroeder were selected by faculty and staff to attend the annual Rotary Youth Leadership Award Conference at the John Newcombe Tennis Ranch in New Braunfels on January 18-21. There were more than 160 junior class students led by 38 re-

turning senior peer counselors. BHS senior Lauren Cornelius was selected to return as a counselor. The RYLA concept is simple but effective. Participants engage in hands on workshops in leadership, trust, cooperation, communication and teamwork. They meet in small groups to discuss the topics and their views and share with the others in their group and the students have lively debates and discussions. The students joined the Rotary members for lunch on Jan 24th to share their experiences. Laura Adams is the daughter of Pastor Bill and Judith Adams. She would like to pursue a career in nursing. Summer Allen is the daughter of Brett and Nadalee Allen. She plans to earn a teaching and coaching degree from Texas A & M. Moises Gonzalez is the son of Moises and Rosa Gonzalez. He is interested in studying astronomy at the University of Texas. Lauren Cornelius is the daughter of Kris Nelson. She will be attending St. Edwards University in Austin in the fall. She will be studying political science and then pursue law school. Jacob Schroeder is the son of Todd and B Schroeder. Jacob is interested in attending a military school with aspirations to become a helicopter pilot. Jacob was unable to attend the conference because of scheduling conflicts. Laura, Summer and Moises were so impressed with RYLA, they applied to return next year as peer counselors. The Brackettville Rotary Club is proud to have sponsored these outstanding young citizens and use the RYLA forum to promote service above self.

Tigerettes lose in tight matches

Submitted by Coach Ricky Creel

The Tigerettes suffered a loss in a tight games against the Nueces Canyon Lady Panthers this past Friday, January 25.

The Tigerettes started the first quarter almost neck and neck with the Lady Panthers leading 7-6. The second quarter, the Tigerettes fell short scoring 5 and Nueces Canyon scoring 10 points. The Tigerettes trailing behind scoring 7 with the Lady Panthers scoring 8. In the fourth quarter both teams scored 12 points, which gave the Lady Panthers the win 37-30.

Julie Castillo lead the team scoring 12 points, Bailee Allen scored 9 points for the team, Daphne Hunt added in 4, Nena Molinar with 3 and Bianca Martinez had 2 points scored. Castillo and Hunt lead the team in steals with 5 each. Hayley Harris had 3 steals, Allen with 2 and Bianca Terrazas, Molinar and Meghann Davis each had 1.

Terrazas and Harris each had 1 assist
Harris lead the team in block

with 2.
On Tuesday, January 28, the Tigerettes went up against the Stacy Lady Eagles.

The Lady Eagles led the game by a 6 point lead in the first quarter 18-12. The Tigerettes stepped up their game scoring 18 in the second quarter and Stacy with 14, leading by 2. In the third quarter, Stacy took a demanding lead scoring 20 and the Tigerettes with 15. The Tigerettes picked up again scoring 22 points in the fourth quarter and Stacy scoring 18. It was not enough for the Tigerettes, they lost 67-70.

Allen was the lead scorer with an outstanding 25 points for the game. Terrazas scored 11 points, Hayley Harris added in 10 for the team, Castillo had 8 points scored, Molinar with 7 and Martinez and Hunt contributing to 3 each.

Terrazas was the steal leader with 3 for the game. Allen, Harris and Castillo all had 2 steals and Hunt with 1.
Hunt lead the team in assists with 3. Castillo and Terrazas had 2 assists and Allen with 1 steal.

Rio Grande Electric Student Essay Contest

Submitted by Rio Grande Electric Cooperative

Eligible students ages 14-18 could win a new computer system, if selected as the winning entrant in the 2008 RGEC Essay Contest!

To be eligible, a student's parent or legal guardian must be a bona fide member of Rio Grande Electric Cooperative (RGE). (This means they must have an electric account in their name at RGE.)

Entrants must submit an original, typed essay, containing no less than 500 words, nor more than 700 words entitled "The Cooperative Advantage". The essay should describe how and why the cooperative business model is preferable. (Word count will be according to Microsoft Word.)

Rules
1. A completed entry form must be attached to the front of the essay. Forms are available at every RGE area office, on the Co-op's web site, www.riogrande.coop, or by calling 1-800-749-1509.

2. References to family names, specific locations, or any information that might reveal the identity of the writer must NOT be included in the body of

the essay.

3. Entries must be submitted to Rio Grande Electric Cooperative, Inc., P.O. Box 1509, Brackettville, TX 78832, in a sealed envelope, clearly marked "ESSAY CONTEST". Entries must be received at the specified address by April 25, 2008. Late entries will be disqualified without regard to postmark dates.

4. Essays will not be submitted to individual directors. Any essay so submitted will be disqualified.
5. A blind judging of all qualified entries will be conducted by RGE's board of directors at the regularly scheduled May board meeting, and winner(s) notified thereafter. The decision of the judges is final.

Additional Information
Applicants may find helpful information about the Cooperative Business Model online at the following sites: www.riogrande.coop; www.ncba.coop/primer.cfm; www.rurdev.usda.gov; www.coop.org, as well as many other sites.

Contestants are reminded that judges will be familiar with the information contained on these sites, and plagiarism will result in disqualification.

Tigers conquer

Submitted by Coach Charles Marquardt

This past Friday, January 25 the Tigers faced off with the Nueces Canyon Panthers at home. The Tigers dominated in the first quarter 22-5 and continued on top through the second and third quarters, scoring 30, while the Panthers lagged far behind only scoring 13. The Tigers finished them off in the fourth quarter with a final score of 70-26.

Cesar Cantu and Lane Nowlin lead the team with 16 points each. Travis Bonner added in 14 points. Adam Pinales and San Childress each put in 7 points.

Jacob Schroeder and Chuy Balderas contributed to 4 each and Joe Sanchez had 2 points scored.

Bonner was the leader in blocks with 4. Teammates Cantu, Nowlin, Childress and Sanchez all had 1 block.

Schroeder lead the team in assists with 4. Nowlin and Balderas each had 3 assists, Pinales had 2. Bonner and Childress each had 1 assist.



The leaders in steals were Nowlin, Schroeder and Balderas with 4 each. Bonner and Pinales each had 3 steals. Sanchez and Cantu contributed to 2 each.

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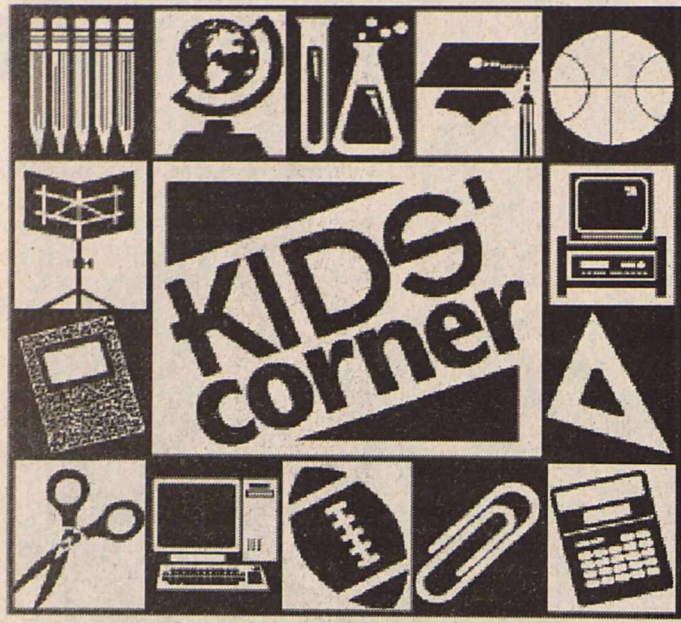
 

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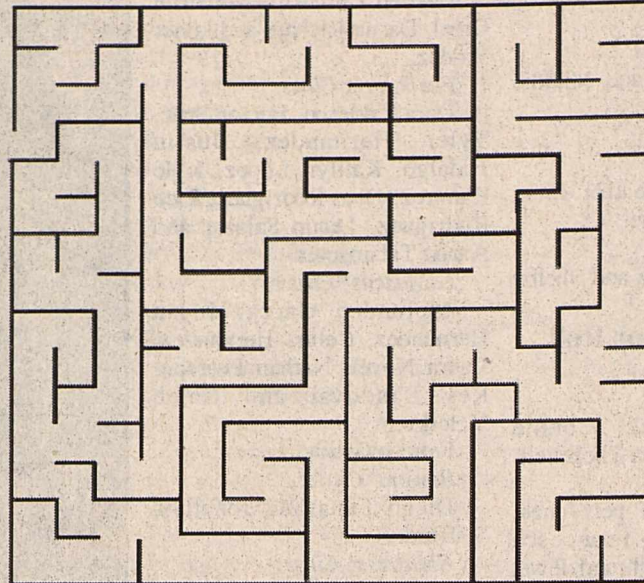
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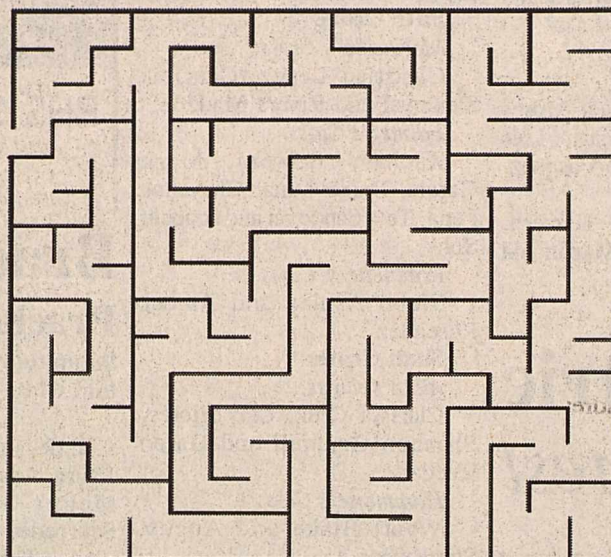


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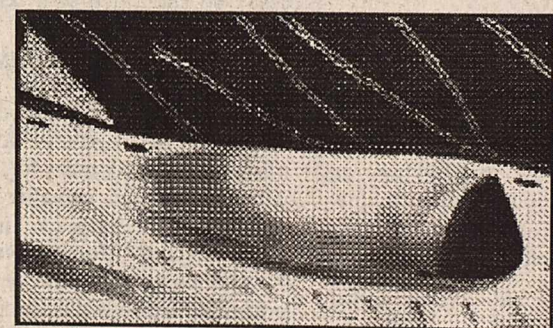
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OBITUARY

Josefina Estrada Lozano December 17, 1921 - January 22, 2008

Josefina Estrada Lozano, 86, entered into rest January 22, 2008 in Del Rio, Texas. She was born in Rosita, Coahuila, Mexico and raised in Nacimiento, Coahuila, Mexico on December 17, 1921 to the late Josefa and Reyes Lozano. She is preceded in death by her husband Gregorio Estrada and son Larry.

Left to cherish her memory are her six children Jesus Estrada from South Dakota, Nina Perry from Austin, Texas, Henry Estrada from Sudan, Texas, Julia E. Buruato from Woonsocket, Rhode Island, Roy Estrada from Brackettville, Texas, and Viviana Estrada from Rantoul, Illinois.

Visitation was held Saturday, January 26, 2008 at Sunset Brackettville Funeral Home.

Funeral Service was held Sunday, January 27, 2008 in The First Baptist Church, Brackettville, Texas.

Interment followed at Kinney County Cemetery in Brackettville, Texas.

Gentlemen left with the honor of serving as Pallbearers: Gregorio Estrada, Gregorio Buruato, Jessie Estrada Jr., Joey Davila, Henry Estrada Jr., Roy Estrada, Elda Terrezas, and Mary Buruato. Honorary Pallbearers Victoria Morales, Roy Lee Perry, Robert Estrada, and Issac Estrada.

The Family of Josefina Estrada gratefully appreciates your heart filled expressions of love and sympathy during this time of bereavement. This will always be cherished and remembered in our hearts. God bless each and every one of you forever.

The Estrada Family

Dorothy Anita Fithian December 26, 1925 - January 28, 2008

Dorothy Anita Fithian, age 82, entered into rest January 28, 2008 in Del Rio, Texas. She was born on December 26, 1925 in Alabama. She is preceded in death by her parents John and Belva Mae Brown.

Left to cherish her memory is her husband Walter Eugene Fithian of Brackettville, Texas, son Bobby Lee Fithian and wife Barbara of Clewiston, Florida, daughters Barbara Ann Brackins and husband Dewayne of Mobile, Alabama, Dianne Barlett and husband Art of Colorado Springs, Colorado, Pamela McClure and husband Alvin of Brackettville Texas. She is also survived by her wonderful grandchildren Lee Fithian, Trisha Fithian, Kevin Brackins, Nikki Farris, Debra Riker, Zana King, Will King, Eugene King, Tanya McClure, and 12 amazing great-grandchildren.

Cremation will follow and she will be laid to rest at Memorial Gardens in Mobile, Alabama.

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Rev. Bill Adams Sr.

Because the LORD was not able to bring this people into the land which he swore unto them, therefore he hath slain them in the wilderness.

And now, I beseech thee, let the power of my lord be great, according as thou hast spoken, saying,

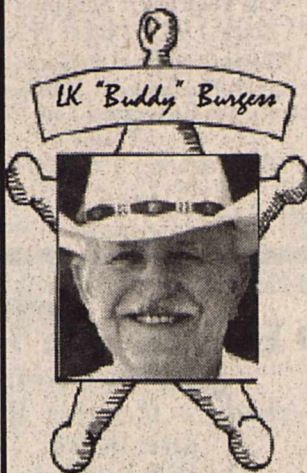
The LORD is longsuffering, and of great mercy, forgiving iniquity and transgression, and by no means clearing the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation.

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Kinney County Sheriff's Report



LK "Buddy" Burgess

Monday, January 21
9:10 am A woman reported her grandson's car had been stolen. A deputy was informed and reported that everything was okay.

11:24 am A woman called reporting stolen property at Maverick Self Storage. A deputy was informed, and waited for the woman to come in to state a report.

Tuesday, January 22
7:53 am A man reported he had run his vehicle into the guardrail on Hwy 90. DPS arrived at the scene, revealing that only one vehicle was involved and there were no injuries.

4:45 pm An unknown caller claimed that a local man was disturbing their residence. Deputies were notified.

11:00 pm Jaime Sandoval, 37, of Brackettville was arrested on a motion to revoke for DWI, and a violation of protective order. Sandoval is still being held at press time.

Thursday, January 24

7:00 pm Ryan Eddie Garcia, of Brackettville was arrested for violation of probation. Garcia was released on a \$1,500 bond on January 25.

7:50 pm Raul Escamilla, of Brackettville was arrested for violation of probation. Escamilla was released on a \$1,500 bond on January 25.

Friday, January 25
12:00 pm A man reported a grass fire on Hwy 90 west. Deputy and Fire Dept. were notified.

3:30 pm A local woman reported a woman's son had been dog bitten. A deputy was informed and then the woman went down to the station to file a report.

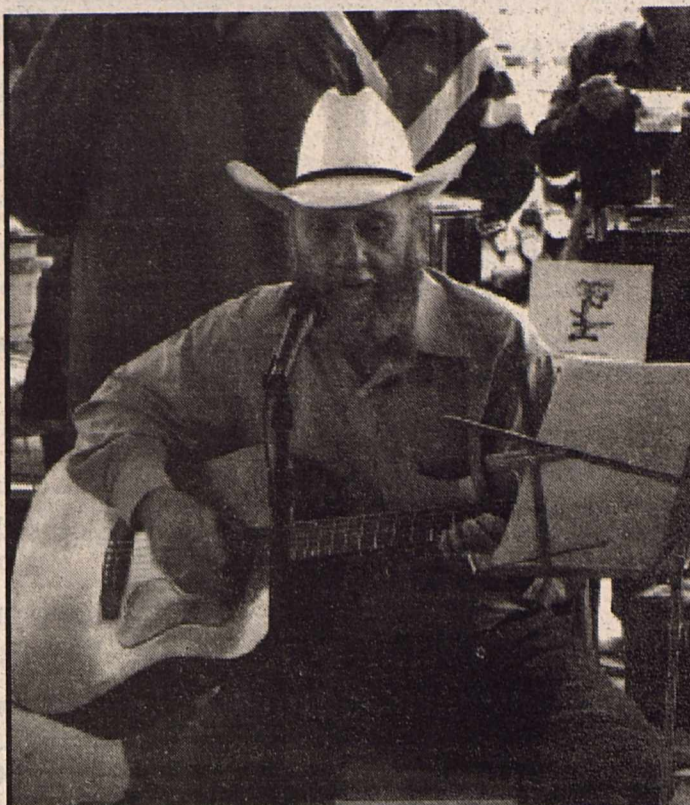
6:00 pm Justin Kevin was arrested on the account of reckless driving. Kevin was then released the same day on a \$1,200 bond.

Saturday, January 26
12:45 pm A 911 caller reported she and her husband were arguing and requested assistance removing him from the residence. A deputy was notified and went to the scene.

6:05 pm A 911 caller reported his brother was fighting with him. A deputy was notified.

Sunday, January 27
11:47 am A unknown caller reported that a alarm was going off on Highway 1572. A deputy was informed and en route.

7:40 A woman coming back from San Antonio requested assistance changing a flat tire. Units were sent to help the woman.



Chilli Cook-off

Photo by Allison Taylor

Jerry Jenkins was part of the musical entertainment for the 2008 Chilli Cook-off at the RV Park to help raise money for the Fort Clark Festival in March.

Cavalry Brigade Update

Submitted by Cavalry Brigade member

Last muster, the "Big Guns" were in charge; however the "Little Guns" will be assigning details on Saturday, February 2 at 9:00 am at Shafter Hall.

According to the documentation of Cavalry Brigade's last mission, all objectives were met and the troopers exceeded expectations. Saturday's muster is anticipating

a volunteer trooper stampede in order to prove that the "Little Guns" can almost match the "Big Guns" when it comes to spit and polishing up beautiful Fort Clark Springs.

In order to pump up troopers, after the work detail, a mouth watering lunch will be provided by a well known chef and desserts by FCS's best bakers

Flu precautions offer protection



Barbara Hogan
State Health Nurse

alcohol-based hand sanitizer; Cover your coughs and sneezes;

Stay home if you're sick. The Texas flu season typically runs October through March.

The flu vaccine, which takes about two weeks to become fully effective, can be given at any time during this period. People wanting the flu vaccine should call their health care provider, local public health department, 2-1-1 or check online at www.211Texas.org about availability.

Flu is not a reportable condition in Texas, but DSHS relies on reports from a surveillance network to classify flu activity in the state. The widespread classification applies when there are increases in flu-like illnesses and recent laboratory-confirmed flu cases in at least half of the state's regions.

With flu classified as widespread in the state for the last two weeks, Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) officials are reminding people to take precautions to reduce the risk of getting and spreading the viral illness.

According to health officials, getting a flu vaccination is one of the best ways to prevent getting and spreading the illness. Vaccination is recommended for people ages 6 months and older. Flu vaccines are available in shot and nasal spray forms. Only healthy people ages 2 through 49 years who are not pregnant may receive the spray form.

DSHS health officials offer the following additional precautions:

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5. 1995 Ford Truck - VIN# 1FTEX15H6SKA93684 (Not on location)

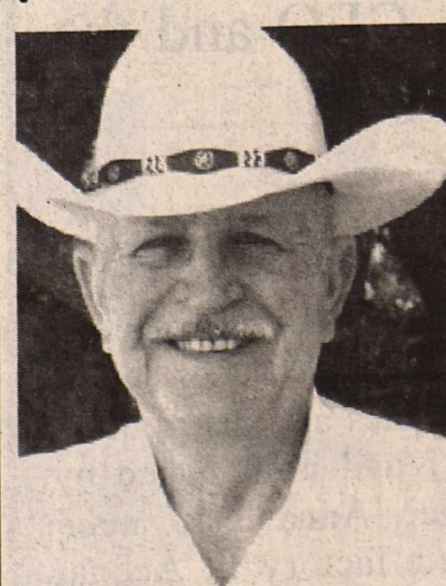
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I have been married to Carol for 48 years and we have two children and four grandchildren. Our daughter, Jenifer, is a teacher and our son, Jeff, is a DPS officer. I have been a resident of Kinney County for 40 years.



I hold a Master Peace Officer License and have been a Texas Peace Officer for 42 years; first as a State Trooper for 30 years and the last 12 years as Kinney County Sheriff. I would appreciate your continued support in the coming election.

Thank you!

Sheriff L.K. (Buddy) Burgess

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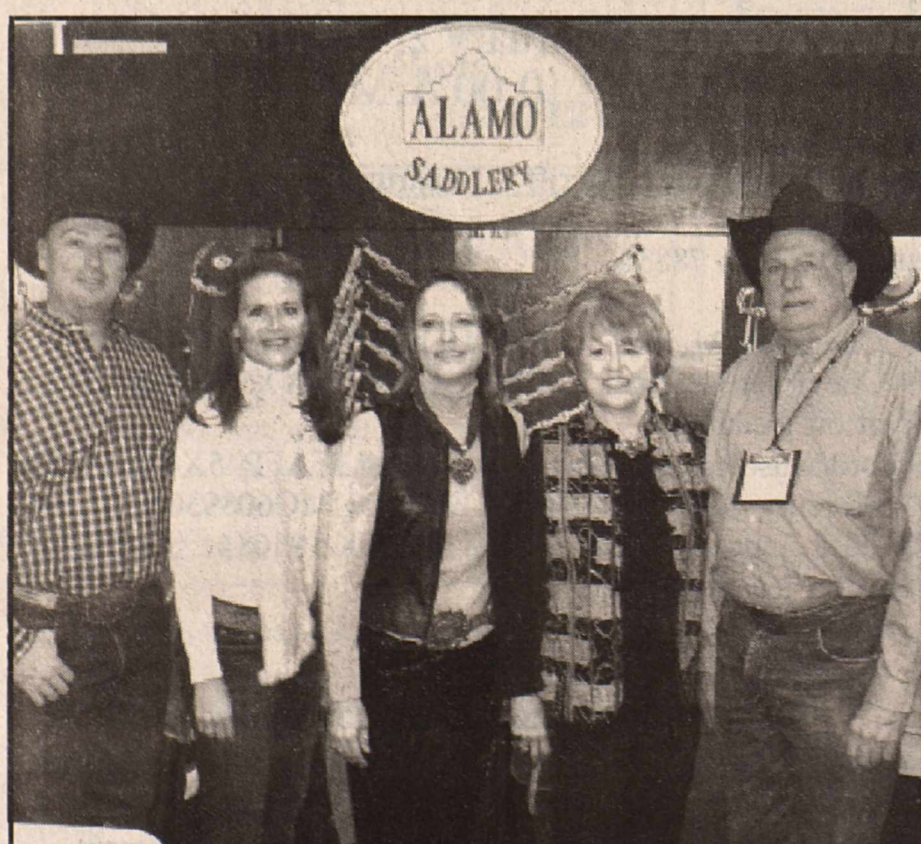
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Weekly Business Profile



The Wardlaws: From Left: Dutch Wardlaw, Lashawn McIver, CEO Leisha Ashley, Tulisha Wardlaw and Hadley Wardlaw at a recent trade show in Denver, Colorado.

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Address: 200 RR 693 In Brackettville
Phone Number: 830-563-3255
Owners: Leisha Ashley, CEO and the Hadley Wardlaw Family
In Business: Since 1996
Website: www.alamosaddlery.com

Alamo Saddlery is a wholesale manufacturer of western saddles and tack. They ship to retailers in all 50 states and to many other countries world-wide. The sales and distribution warehouse here in Brackett employs 7 and is managed by Corina Hernandez. Production Manager, Anna Diaz, manages more than 60 employees in their factory in Acuna, Mexico.

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Bids

THE CITY OF BRACKETTVILLE is now accepting bids for a CPA to perform an annual audit. Please remit all bids to the City of Brackettville, PO Box 526, Brackettville, Texas 78832 or call 830-563-2412.

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Proposals

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YOUR HOROSCOPE

ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20 Aries, those around you are very demanding this week, but you can pull through unscathed. Put up a defensive armor and focus only on what you need to get done.
TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21 Taurus, take the lead when a supervisor relies on his or her team to get a job done. By showing this person you can handle running things, you could be in line for a promotion.
GEMINI - May 22/Jun 21 Take the time to think about long-term plans, Gemini, and then rearrange daily activities to that end. Taking one step at a time makes things much more manageable.
CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22 Cancer, cabin fever sets in this week, so it's time to get out of town. A skiing or snowboarding trip just might provide the change of scenery you need.
LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23 Leo, you learn some hard lessons this week, but they are productive ones. We are all human and will slip up from time to time. Next week offers a chance for redemption.
VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22 Stop pressuring others to give in to your way of thinking, Virgo. There are more effective ways to get your point across without bullying others. Conflicts die down on Tuesday.
LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23 A romantic relationship has others gossiping. For attached Libras, you glow from the renewed interest of your mate. Unattached Libras are the life of the party.
SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22 Don't give in to pressure from others when you've already made up your mind, Scorpio. Second-guessing your decisions will only make you seem a pushover.
SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21 Sagittarius, the next few days bring a welcome change in your life. Unexpected news from someone is the positive reinforcement you need. Financial gains are waiting.
CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20 Familial ties seem to be holding you back, Capricorn, but they're really just keeping you grounded. When you really get down to thinking about it, you'll agree.
AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18 A slip up at work is quickly fixed, Aquarius, but you hold on to the memory of the deed longer than you should. Move on to brighter things.
PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20 Take this week to rest and recharge. You can use the break and others around you will benefit from the changes, Pisces.

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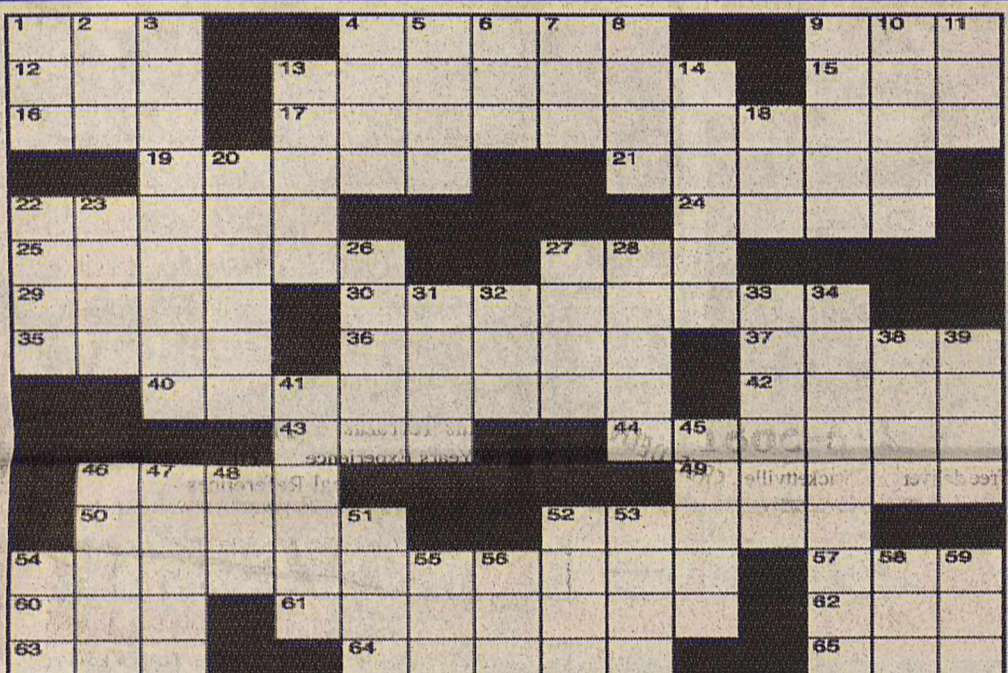
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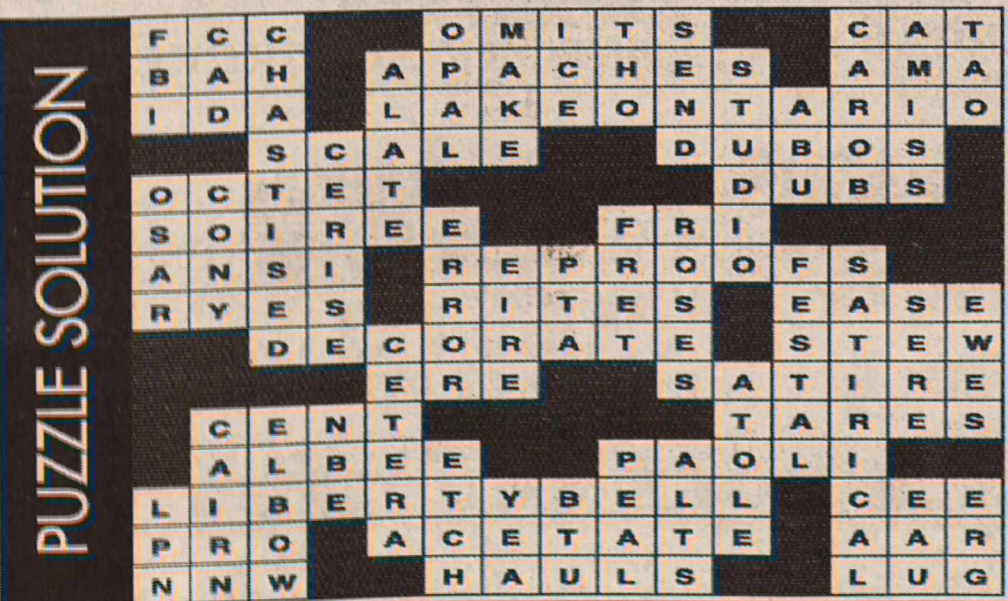


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21. Rene ____, bacteriologist
22. Eight singers
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25. An evening party
27. A weekday (abbr.)
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37. A prosperous state of well-being
40. Award a mark of honor to
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44. Sarcasm
46. Penny
49. Counterweights
50. Edward ____, author and writer
52. 47454
54. Icon of independence
57. After B
60. An athlete who plays for pay
61. A salt or ester of acetic acid
62. Swiss river
63. Point midway between N and NW
64. Transports
65. Wheel wrench

CLUES DOWN

1. Hoover's office
2. Blackguard
3. Reprimanded
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20. Purplish red
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23. Hyrax
26. Mistake
27. Worry
28. Blush wines
31. Republic of Ireland
32. School organization
33. Offering fun and gaiety
34. Exposing human folly to ridicule
38. Dried up (vegetation)
39. Female sheep
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46. Toto's breed
47. Arm joint
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51. Engrave
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55. Affirmative
56. British thermal unit
58. Cologne
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Fun By The Numbers

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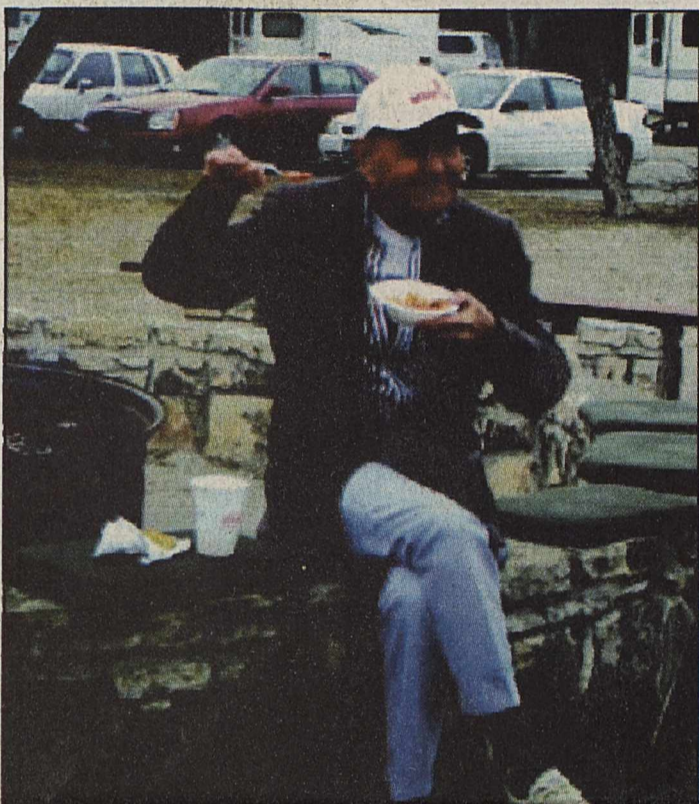
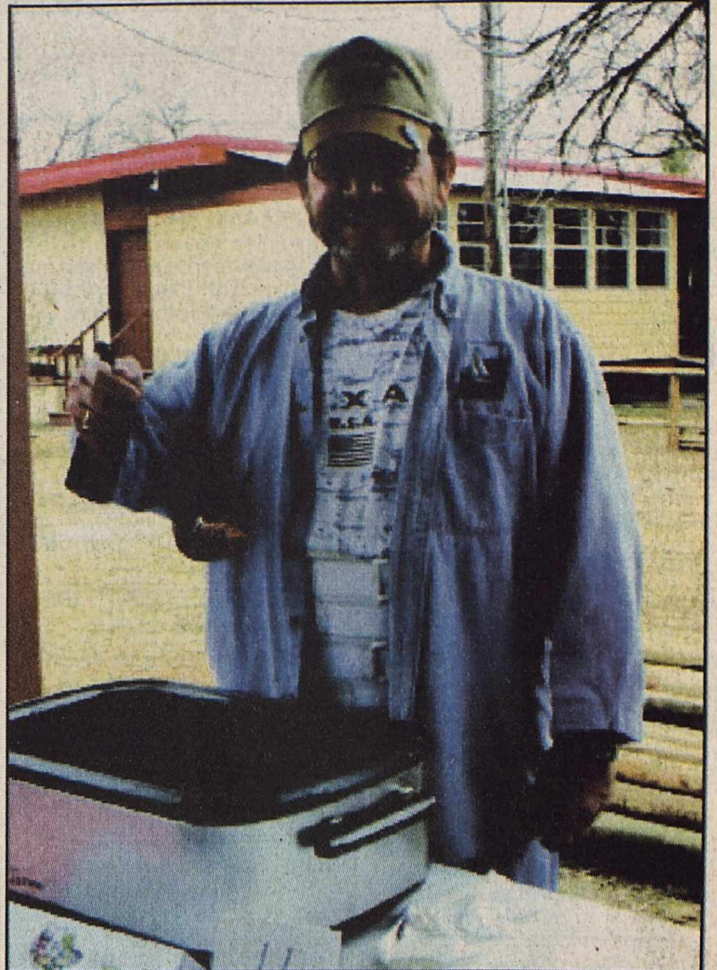
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