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COMMUNITY NEWS

Rabies Clinic

The City of Brackettville will be hosting a Rabies Vaccination Clinic Saturday, April 5, from 9 a.m. until 12 noon at City Hall located at 119 W. Spring Street. Please call Joe Kelly at 563-2412, for more information.

Catholic Youth Group

The youth of St. Mary Magalene Catholic Church will be hosting a Jewelry "Loteria" Game at the SMM Parish Hall on Sunday, March 30 at 3 p.m. to pay for a trip to visit Our Lady of San Juan De Los Lagos in San Juan, Texas. Please see members for additional details.

Send Beauty to the Desert

Local Mary Kay Consultants are asking the public to sponsor beauty gifts that will be sent to female soldiers in the Middle East. Their goal is to brighten the days of our female soldiers serving our country. Contact Alana Flurry, 563-9453; Yvette Clementz, 830-488-1488; Jenifer Harris, 830-968-7397; Allison Taylor, 563-2852 or Paige Weatherby, 563-9134 for more details.

Domestic Violence Prevention

BCFS Families For A Future will be offering FREE parenting and youth workshops. For more information please call Raquel Torres or Marie Broadhead at 830-762-2788 or toll free 877-441-4188. Meals and childcare services will be provided FREE of charge.

LEPC

The Kinney County Local Emergency Planning Committee will hold the monthly meeting on Monday March 31, 2008, in the Kinney County Fire Rescue classroom at 7 p.m.

KCGCD Town Hall Meeting

Dr. Robert Mace of the Texas Water Development Board will be the featured speaker at a town hall meeting hosted by the Kinney County Groundwater Conservation District on TODAY, Thursday, March 27, 2008 at 1:00 p.m. in the District Courtroom of the Kinney County Courthouse in Brackettville, Texas.

Children's Miniature Garden Contest

The Mountain Laurel Garden Club at Fort Clark is having a Children's Miniature Garden contest at their annual Flower Show on Sunday, April 6. The contest is for children in grades K through 5th grades. Gardens may contain flowers, herbs, cactus - use your imagination! Container size is limited to 2 foot by 2 foot, or smaller. Miniature gardens should be brought to the Flower Show for display and judging. Call 563-2010 with any questions.

Weekend WEATHER

Friday
High: 91
Low: 61
Isolated T-Storms

Saturday
High: 86
Low: 63
Partly Cloudy

Sunday
High: 87
Low: 64
Isolated T-Storms

RETURN OF THE REPUBLICANS Elephants re-emerge for county convention

Many Kinney County Republicans were recently ousted from their secret hiding places after Dr. Kent Lowery was installed as the new Kinney County Republican Party Chairman in mid-February. Lowery, a charismatic Republican and doctor of chiropractic medicine, has taken his new position seriously and aims to see a local Republican challenger on every ballot, for every position in all future elections.



Lonely Elephant

Photo by Leigh Volcsko
From left: Kinney County Republican Party Chairman Dr. Kent Lowery promises to work hard for Kinney Commissioner Precinct 3 Candidate Doug Davis, the only local Republican that will appear on the November ballot.

With two organizational meetings behind him, Lowery is working to fill positions on the newly formed executive committee.

At the first party meeting held in early March, approximately 35 people attended and contributed more than \$700 in support of the Republican cause.

"It's kinda' like church, we need volunteers and money," said Lowery.

A second meeting held on March 4, the night of the state caucus, more than 30 people met to continue organizing the party and plan for a county party convention. At the second meeting, attendance was nearly the same as the first, but the crowd sported different faces, a good sign for the group according to Lowery.

The Republicans will host their county-level convention on Sunday, March 30, at 4 p.m. at the Grey Wolf Lodge on Fort Clark Springs.

Lowery says the purpose of the convention will be to elect two people to represent Kinney County at the State Republican Convention in Houston.

History proves Kinney County, rarely having any Republican challengers for local races, elects a Democratic candidate, but in a strange twist, votes Republican in the national presidential elections. Information obtained from the Texas Secretary of State website reports in 1992, Kinney County voted 41 percent for the Republican presidential candidate to the 39 percent for the Democratic candidate; in 1996: 52 percent Republican to 40 percent for the Democratic challenger; in 2000: 65 percent Republican to 34 percent Democratic and in 2004: 66 percent Republican to 34 percent Democratic.

Old Quarry presents "Funny Money"

Submitted by Lynn McNew

Tickets are \$5, and are available at the Adult Center, RV Park, from cast members or by calling 563-9229. Season ticket holders, this is the last play on your season ticket.

The final production for the Old Quarry 2007-2008 season will be presented on Friday, April 4, and Saturday, April 5, 7:30 p.m. at Post Theatre.

An adult comedy by Ray Cooney, "Funny Money" details a day in the life of Henry Perkins after he discovers a huge surprise in his briefcase.

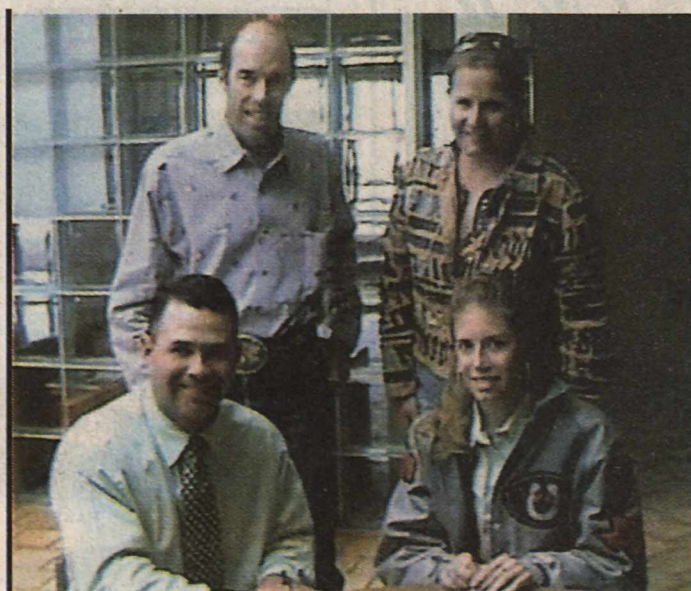
What happens next is a continuous parade of mistaken identities, mixed up policemen and missed air flight connections.

Several of our cast members are new to our stage: Brian Gretsky plays the role of Henry Perkins and Garland Young plays the part of Police Officer Slater. Also appearing in the cast are: Cindy Rhinesmith as Jean Perkins, David Rhinesmith as Bill, the cab driver; Dave Crowe as another policeman, Davenport; Kitten Fohn as Betty Johnson; Nathan Lafrenz as Vic Johnson and Hoagy Nelson as the Passerby. Directed by Charlene Simmons, "Funny Money" is a British comedy, not suitable for children.



Funny Money Makes For Lots Of Laughs

Photo by Leigh Volcsko
From left: Nathan Lafrenz as Vic Johnson, Kitten Fohn as Betty Johnson, Brian Gretsky as Henry Perkins, Cindy Rhinesmith as Jean Perkins and David Rhinesmith as Bill the cab driver brush up on their accents as they prepare to present "Funny Money" in the Old Quarry's final performance of the season.



Rodeo Cowgirl

Courtesy Photo

Brackett High School Senior Hayley Harris signed her letter of intent for Mesalands Community College in Tucumcari, New Mexico recently.

Harris received a paid, two-year scholarship and will be competing on the college rodeo team in the fall. Mesalands is member of the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association and competes in the Grand Canyon Region, which includes New Mexico and Arizona.

Pictured seated from left: Rodeo Coach C.J. Aragon PRCA Steer Wrestler and Hayley Harris. Standing from left: Proud parents Roy Jay and Jenifer Harris.

City Council ballot order announced

The City of Brackettville recently announced the candidates that will be running for the mayoral and council positions.

The ballot order was drawn as follows:
Mayor: Incumbent Eddie Esparza will be challenged by Charles Feagley.

Place 2: Stephanie B' Ann Gomez Buitron will challenge Incumbent Matt Bland.

Place 4: Incumbent Francisca "Chica" Garza Hernandez will be challenged by Anita Ertle.

Place 5: Demitrius Williams and Sylvia Torres will square off for the position being vacated by Lydia Tipps.

KINNEY COUNTY RELAY FOR LIFE

MARCH 29, 2008

EVENT SCHEDULE:

- 9:00 am Open site for setup of Luminaries
- 12:00 noon Gates open for team tent setup
- 4:30 pm Purchase of Luminaries
- 5:00 pm Survivor Registration
- 5:45 pm Call for line up: Department Of Homeland Security Honor Guard Patty Lopez - National Anthem Relay For Life Flag
- 6:00 pm EMCEE - Welcome everyone to 2008 Kinney County Relay for Life Department of Homeland Security Honor Guard Patty Lopez - National Anthem
- 6:20 pm EMCEE - Introduction of Relay For Life Chair Elena C Luna - Speech and Presentation of Committee Members
- 6:30 pm Begin Ceremony with survivor lap and Recognize Caregivers
- 7:00 pm EMCEE - Introduction of Miss Kinney County Relay for Life, Miss Kinney County Bianca Stewart and Little Miss Kinney County Mya Garcia
- 7:30 pm Begin walking and thank all sponsors
- 8:00 pm Walking
- 8:15 pm Simon says with Tiger Mascot
- 9:00 pm Luminaria Ceremony and Silent lap
- 10:00 pm EMCEE - encourage participants to sign the fight back Banner and make the pledge and commitment to saving a life
- 10:15 pm Surprise Contest
- 11:00 pm Limbo Game
- 11:30 pm Thank sponsors
- 12:00 am Pajama Contest
- 1:00 am EMCEE - Fight Back Ceremony Speech by person on fighting back Fight back lap with everyone carrying the flags
- 2:00 am Thank Sponsors
- 2:30 pm Walking
- 3:00 am Thank Sponsors
- 3:30 am Scavenger Hunt
- 4:00 am Thank Sponsors
- 4:30 am Walking
- 5:00 am Clean up begins Thank Sponsors
- 5:30 am Walking
- 6:00 am Closing Ceremony

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Benefit for St. Judes Children's Hospital
The greeting cards you receive during the year are needed to help benefit the St. Judes Children's Hospital. Only the front of the card depicting any and all occasions is needed. For details, call Vada at 563-9377.

Runoff Election Early voting
Early voting for the April 8 runoff election begins Monday, March 31, and ends Friday, April 4.

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.

Publishers PLOG

Saving the environment
My resolution for 2008 was to start recycling. I recycle newspapers. (Big surprise). I recycle cardboard boxes, including cereal boxes, etc. I recycle plastic jugs and containers.

But my biggest recycling effort has been to stop using plastic grocery bags. I read a newspaper article once and believed that this was a type of recycling in which I could be successful. Since I have failed miserably year after year in my New Year's resolutions to lose weight and stop swearing, I figured this year I would resolve to change something else - like the environment! Stop thinking small I tell myself. Think big - like the environment big. So here I am...not using plastic bags. I am doing pretty well. This is my most successful resolution yet. The hardest part is remembering to take my new, brightly colored, cloth, reusable bags into the store with me. In a way its good that I forget the bags because just as I am passing the people greeter in the foyer of the Wal-Mart, I drop the S-word on them and have to walk all the way back to my non-environmentally friendly truck to get the bags - and I have managed to lose three pounds - but obviously the swearing is still an issue. The second hardest thing about not using plastic bags is explaining to cashiers why I am not using plastic bags. There's just not enough time to explain myself. My resolution, swearing and weight loss all form the perfect storm in caring for the environment, so I just end up saying something like, "Don't you know that Methodists don't believe in using plastic bags?" Just throw down your religion card and everyone shuts up fast. No more questions for the lady with the cloth bags! One last thing on recycling...Start counting how many bags you get from each store - it adds up quicker than you think.

I did see that Super S has a box where customers can recycle their bags so they don't end up wrapped around every sage and black thorn bush in Kinney County. You may not be able to do a lot, but eliminating or reducing the amount of plastic bags will significantly improve the look of our town.

Some of these efforts are new to my children and I am constantly passing by the trash can and yelling about how most of the trash in there should be put in the recycle bins. I bet we have cut the amount of garbage we put at the curb by half. See, now I am making a difference in the amount of trash the City of Brackettville has to haul away - and as we all know that costs each of us big bucks! Recycling saves the city money! Right now I am taking advantage of a recycling center out of town, but maybe in the future, Brackett can have its own center. If trash in Brackett were gold we'd all be filthy rich!

PS Old cars in our yards must be recycled, too - not used as an extra storage shed!

Leigh V.

What can investors learn from gardeners?



Emily Cooper

Spring is here. If you're a gardener, you know it will soon be time for you to put in your flowers or vegetables. But even if you don't have a green thumb, you can still take advantage of the season by "planting the seeds" for the growth of another valuable piece of property - your investment portfolio.

Actually, you can find a few similarities between successful gardening and effective investing. For starters, both gardeners and investors need to consider their individual circumstances. If, for example, your garden is in a shady part of your yard, you might be able to grow some nice geraniums, but you'll have tougher time with roses, which crave the sun. As an investor, you'll also find that some investments are more appropriate for your situation than others. So, before you purchase a

stock, bond, certificate of deposit or government security, you'll need to determine if it's suitable for your risk tolerance, time horizon and long-term goals.

Furthermore, just as gardeners don't usually grow only one variety of flower or one fruit or vegetable, you, as an investor, shouldn't stick with one type of investment vehicle. If you own nothing but aggressive growth stocks, you'll likely take on too much risk. Conversely, if you "are too conservative" and invest only in government bonds and certificates of deposit, you'll probably never achieve the growth you need, and your earnings may not even keep pace with inflation. Instead, build a portfolio containing a variety of investments that, when put together, is designed to help you make progress toward your objectives.

Another trait exhibited by gardeners and worthy of emulation by investors is patience. If you were dissatisfied with the growth of a plant after just a few days, would you uproot it and put another plant in its place? Probably not. Instead, you'd nurture the original plant, hoping that, in the long term, it is

possible for it to grow. The same thinking can apply to investments. Over the short term, your investment choices will fluctuate in price, and sometimes you may be frustrated by what you perceive as the lack of progress. But instead of constantly selling off investments and buying new ones, you'll likely be better off choosing quality securities and holding them for a period of many years. Eventually, your efforts may be rewarded.

What else do gardeners do that might be relevant to investors? For one thing, they get rid of weeds that can choke off the growth of flowers or vegetables. As an investor, you too may benefit from occasionally "pruning" your portfolio of those investments that no longer meet your needs, and, in fact, take up space that could otherwise be more profitably used. That's why it's a good idea to review your holdings at least once a year.

Finally, just as backyard "diggers" may turn to master gardeners for advice and guidance, you, as an investor, could quite likely benefit from the services of a financial advisor - an experienced professional who knows the markets and who will take the time to understand your situation, needs and goals.

So the next time you see some industrious gardeners making something beautiful and productive in their yards, watch them closely. Their skills and habits might be productively transferred to you as you invest for the future.



The Fly Lady Marla Cilley

FACE the music

Every time we turn around we are slammed in our face with the speculation thrown at us as fact that our economy is in a recession. What we think about we bring about. I am not about to allow some talking head to tell me how I am doing financially. I know what is going on with my checkbook balance and I know where my money is going. I don't have to rely on someone else to tell me what to think. I am armed with my own numbers and can think for myself.

Who knows why the media has decided to jump on this bandwagon, but we don't have to follow it all the way to the poor house. I think their method of reporting is akin to yelling fire in a crowded theatre. We are in control and all we have to do is FACE our own numbers and adjust our spending.

FACE stands for Financial Awareness Continually Empowers. When we know the numbers we are in charge. When we allow the talking heads to tell us what our bank balance is then we are no better than an ostrich sticking its head into the sand. By the way an ostrich is smarter than that and this is a myth.

Are you scared to look at your checkbook balance? Do you know where you are spending your hard earned dollars? We only have so much money in our bucket. When you don't know where your money is going then you are carrying all your money in a bucket filled with holes. No wonder you feel poor! You are not in control! Your emotions are? You feel sorry for yourself, so you head down to get a café mocha to drown your sad feelings. Well guess what after you consume that over-priced, over sugared caffeinated cup of coffee, your bank account suffers too and so does your waistline! I have even heard on television of people taking a job at a well known coffee house to get their coffee fix for free. How sad is that! Creative but is it really free if you have to drive there and take time away from your family to get your coffee addiction satisfied. Why not make it yourself?

I know what it is like to be poor. My car has been my home, I have slept at the box office that I ran and showered at a friend's house. I have had 13 cents to my name and have not known how I was going to pay for a flat tire to be fixed. This is not a fun place to be. I thank God that I am not there any longer but He taught me a great lesson; To do what I could with what I had to make the best of my situation.

There was only one point when I succumbed to tears. I quickly realized that those tears were lack of faith in God and the common sense He gave me. I pulled myself up with the help of some wonderful people who reached out to me at my lowest. I had to be willing to ask for help in order to give them the opportunity to lend a hand. They were the people at the Charlie's Tire who notice that in order to get the flat tire out of the trunk, they had to move a bunch of imperfect sweatshirts my brother-in-law had put there for me to get rid of for him. It just happened to be a very cold day in February. I had already told Mr. Charlie and his son that I didn't have any money and they told me not to worry that they would figure something out. About that time one of the guys from the shop came in and wanted to buy a sweat shirt. In only a few minutes I had \$200 in my hand by selling them for a few bucks each. This was enough to buy a new tire to replace the one that could not be fixed.

We have a choice. We can believe the people who tell us we are poor or we can know what our bank balance is and where it is going. When the talking heads say these things it reminds me of all the years we were told that we were lazy and stupid. We are neither of these!

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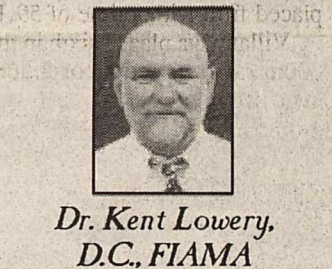
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Girls tra Spring I

Submitted by Coach Brotherton

The Brackett Tiger competed in the Spring Brays held in LaPryor on day, March 20, 2008. Kelsey Bruce placed the 3200m run with a 12:36.1 and Sahara R placed sixth with a 12:48.7. Icela Rueda placed first 800m run with a time of Cheyenne Smith fourth in the 100m dash time of 13.5 and placed

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Thursday, March 8:27 pm A 911 reported a Fort Clark had an accident at course, where his gold hit the gate that he closed. EMS was dispatched. The individual was Uvalde and then notified to San Antonio trauma injuries.

10:36 pm Seo Coston, 54, of Som arrested for driving intoxicated, first offense was released the following on a \$1,200 cash bond. 11:45 pm A local reported loud music. advised the caller the would be taken care.

Friday, March 1:26 am A Fort C reported dogs barking deputy was notified. 2:40 am Maverick Sheriff Office report being hit by a train 131. Kinney County erick County were route to the location.

Saturday, March 4:40 am A report arguing loudly was deputy was notified route. 4:54 pm A woman an individual at her who was not allowed there. A deputy was and en route. 5:10 pm A man reported missing searched. A deputy fied.



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Texas Parks & Wildlife Regulations: Texas Spring Turkey Hunting for Kinney County-Brackettville: The annual bag limit for Rio Grande and Eastern turkey, in the aggregate, is four (4), no more than one of which may be an Eastern turkey. Spring: Rio Grande turkey: Open season: March 15-April 27 (gobblers only). Special Youth-Only (Rio Grande turkey): Open season: March 8-9 and May 3-4, 2008.

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Turkey were almost exterminated in Texas by late in the 19th century. However, the first step was taken to protect these game birds in 1897 when trapping was outlawed for five months of the year. In 1903, a bag limit of 25 turkey per day throughout a five-month season was initiated. These liberal restrictions failed to help the turkey in most of its range, since there were few game wardens to enforce the laws.

In 1919, the legislature created a bag limit of three bearded gobblers per season. Increased protection by conservation-minded landowners and additional game wardens in the 1920s helped turkey populations to begin a steady increase. Also, since that time, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department has trapped over 10,000 turkey and restocked them to suitable habitat throughout the state in an effort to restore the wild turkey to its historic range.

The Rio Grande turkey, *Meleagris gallopavo intermedia*, is found in most of South, Central and North Texas.

Turkey are primarily vegetarians, although they eat many insects, snails and other invertebrates. Major food items during the spring and summer are green grasses and forbs (weeds), buds, flowers, seeds and insects. In the fall and winter, turkey take fruits, mast such as pecans and acorns and green forage such as Texas winter grass, oats or wheat, depending upon availability.

Droughts lasting several months may cause reductions of up to 50 percent in wild turkey flocks. During dry weather, turkey are weakened by poor forage conditions and are more susceptible to disease, parasites and predators. Most turkey eggs will not hatch in hot, dry weather and the few poults that do hatch must soon have moisture to survive. Sufficient rainfall during the late spring and early summer months is essential to good turkey production and survival.

Turkey provide thousands of hours of recreation for sportsmen as well as a delicious addition to the menu. Legal hunting pressure has never been a limiting factor on turkey in Texas since less than 10 percent of the entire population is harvested by hunters annually. Turkey can withstand an annual harvest of at least 20 percent of the population. If these birds are not taken by sportsmen during the hunting season, they will eventually die and be wasted.



Photos courtesy of David Mann of Mann Outfitting

Ramona The Pest

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Newspapers in Education

Chapter 1 of 16: Ramona's Great Day, Part I

"I am not a pest," Ramona Quimby told her big sister Beezus.

"Then stop acting like a pest," said Beezus, whose real name was Beatrice. She was standing by the front window waiting for her friend Mary Jane to walk to school with her.

"I'm not acting like a pest. I'm singing and skipping," said Ramona, who had only recently learned to skip with both feet. Ramona did not think she

she have to sit on her tricycle watching Beezus and Henry Huggins and the rest of the boys and girls in the neighborhood go off to school. Today she was going to school, too. Today she was going to learn to read and write and do all the things that would help her catch up with Beezus.

"Come on, Mama!" urged Ramona, pausing in her singing and skipping. "We don't want to be late for school."

"Don't pester, Ramona," said Mrs. Quimby. "I'll get you there in plenty of time."

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Turkey were almost exterminated in Texas by late in the 19th century. However, the first step was taken to protect these game birds in 1897 when trapping was outlawed for five months of the year. In 1903, a bag limit of 25 turkey per day throughout a five-month season was initiated. These liberal restrictions failed to help the turkey in most of its range, since there were few game wardens to enforce the laws.

In 1919, the legislature created a bag limit of three bearded gobblers per season. Increased protection by conservation-minded landowners and additional game wardens in the 1920s helped turkey populations to begin a steady increase. Also, since that time, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department has trapped over 10,000 turkey and restocked them to suitable habitat throughout the state in an effort to restore the wild turkey to its historic range.

The Rio Grande turkey, *Meleagris gallopavo intermedia*, is found in most of South, Central and North Texas.

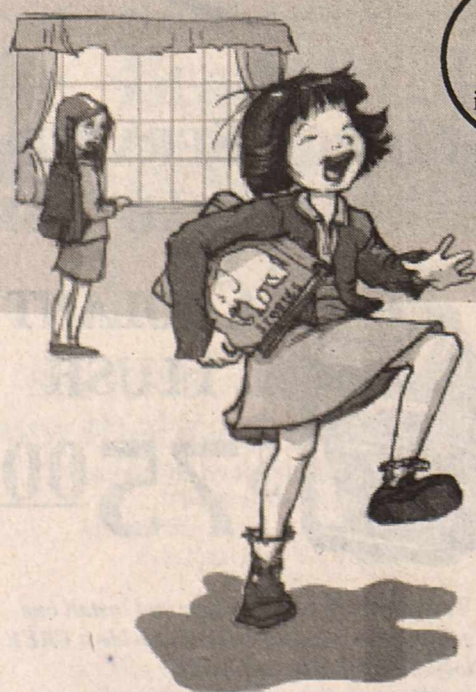
Turkey are primarily vegetarians, although they eat many insects, snails and other invertebrates. Major food items during the spring and summer are green grasses and forbs (weeds), buds, flowers, seeds and insects. In the fall and winter, turkey take fruits, mast such as pecans and acorns and green forage such as Texas winter grass, oats or wheat, depending upon availability.

Droughts lasting several months may cause reductions of up to 50 percent in wild turkey flocks. During dry weather, turkey are weakened by poor forage conditions and are more susceptible to disease, parasites and predators. Most turkey eggs will not hatch in hot, dry weather and the few poults that do hatch must soon have moisture to survive. Sufficient rainfall during the late spring and early summer months is essential to good turkey production and survival.

Turkey provide thousands of hours of recreation for sportsmen as well as a delicious addition to the menu. Legal hunting pressure has never been a limiting factor on turkey in Texas since less than 10 percent of the entire population is harvested by hunters annually. Turkey can withstand an annual harvest of at least 20 percent of the population. If these birds are not taken by sportsmen during the hunting season, they will eventually die and be wasted.

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Ramona The Pest



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Chapter 1 of 16: Ramona's Great Day, Part I
"I am not a pest," Ramona Quimby told her big sister Beezus.
"Then stop acting like a pest," said Beezus, whose real name was Beatrice. She was standing by the front window waiting for her friend Mary Jane to walk to school with her.
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OBITUARIES

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Margaret Cantu Sifunetes, age 64, passed away at her home in Brackettville, TX, after a courageous battle with cancer. Born on October 17, 1943, she spent most of her life in San Antonio, TX. She married Eloy Sifunetes on September 20, 1964 and enjoyed 43 years of marriage and was blessed with four children, Veronica, Eloy, Christina and Deborah. The Sifunetes Family were active members of Holy Rosary Catholic Church for over 20 years. Margaret worked within the Archdiocese of San Antonio at Little Flower Catholic School, Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Holy Family Catholic Church and The Catholic Consolation Center for Priests and Religious. She is survived by her husband, Eloy Sifunetes; Parents, Rodolfo and Margarita Cantu; brother, Rodolfo and wife Sheri Cantu; sister, Mary Teresa Cortez; children, Veronica and husband Rene Arguello, Eloy and wife Terry Sifunetes, Christina and husband Carlos Garcia, Deborah Sifunetes, Elvia Sifunetes, Arthur Rangel and Donna Sifunetes; grandchildren Eloy and wife Felicia, Kimberly, Alexis, Krystal, Monica, Billy, Jonathan, Mia, Sofia, Samantha, Corey, Hayley, Gregory, Zachary, Victor, Julian and Brianna; and great-granddaughter, Analia. She is greatly loved and will be deeply missed by a multitude of extended family and friends. Visitation will be held at Castillo Funeral Home, 520 N. General McMullen, San Antonio, Texas on Thursday, March 27, 2008 from 2:00 to 9:00 p.m. with a rosary recited at 7:00 p.m. Funeral procession will depart March 28, 2008 at 11:00 a.m. for 11:30 a.m. Mass at Holy Rosary Catholic Church, 159 Camino Santa Maria, San Antonio, Texas. Interment will be at Sa Fernando Cemetery. A reception will follow at Holy Rosary Catholic Church hall. The family requests in lieu of flowers, donation should be sent to The American Cancer Society in Honor of Margaret C. Sifunetes.

Aurora R. Davalos April 14, 1913 - March 20, 2008

Aurora R. Davalos, age 94, entered into rest March 20, 2008 in Port Arthur, Texas. She was born on April 14, 1913 in Brackettville, Texas. She was preceded in death by her husband Jesus Davalos Sr., parents Gregorio Rodriguez and wife Ninfa. Brothers Rodolfo Rodriguez and Federico Rodriguez. Sisters Maria Sandoval, Hortencia Castro, Guadalupe Uresti and Maggie San Miguel.



Left to cherish her memory is her son Jesus Davalos Jr. and wife Linda of Port Neches, Texas, daughters Emma Esqueda of Port Arthur, Texas, Berta Sandoval and husband Joe of Brackettville, Texas, Oralia Cortez and husband Adolfo, Teresa Frerich and husband Freddy. Sister Nancy Rodriguez. Seventeen grandchildren and numerous other relatives. Gentlemen left with the honor of Pallbearers: Charles Davalos, Jesus Davalos IV, Stewart Davalos, Antonio Esqueda, Gustavo Sandoval, Ruben Terrazas Jr., Faustino and Julio Sandoval. Visitation was held on Tuesday, March 25, 2008, from 3:00PM to 9:00PM, Brackettville Sunset Chapel, 302 E. Spring, Brackettville, Texas. Funeral Mass was held on Wednesday, March 26, 2008 at St Mary Magdalene Catholic Church at 10:00AM. Interment followed at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Cemetery.

Sidney Harrison, Sr. March 18, 1913 - March 18, 2008

On March 18, 2008, Sidney Harrison, Sr. passed away peacefully at the age of 80 with his wife and children by his side at the University Hospital in San Antonio, TX. He was born on March 8, 1928 in Hopewell, VA to Sidney & Georgia M. Harrison. He graduated from Hopewell High and served his country in the Air Force for 4 years. He was retired from Smurfit-Stone after 39 years of service. He was a lifetime member of the VFW Post 637 in Hopewell, VA and a member of the American Legion #0284 in Colonial Heights, VA. He was an avid golfer and fisherman. He was previously married and divorced to Christine Johnson and Mary McFadden. In 1975 he married his wife of 33 years, Nancy Brown. He was preceded in death by his parents Sidney & Georgia Harrison his sister Jewel Goodyear and a daughter Janet Harig. He is survived by his wife, Nancy; daughters Georgia Rybar of Leesville, LA, Susan Lewis of Fayetteville, NC, Jodi Harrison of Ithaca, NY and son Sidney Harrison, Jr. of Colonial Heights, VA; along with eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Mr. Harrison was cremated and requested no services. Any donations can be made to the Fort Clark Breakfast Fund or the Fort Clark Historical Society at PO Box 345, Brackettville, TX 78821 or to the charity of your choice.

Gloria Flores Sandoval March 23, 1943 - March 13, 2008

Gloria Flores Sandoval, age 64, entered into rest March 13, 2008 in Uvalde, Texas. She was born March 23, 1943 in Brackettville, Texas. She was preceded in death by parents Tomas and Alejandra Flores, brother Paul Flores Sr., sister Eufemia Garcia.



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FCS 19th Annual Men's Golf Tournament

Submitted by Wally Jones

Flight Ned and Greg Carta, Del Rio.

Local Golfer Bill Conoly and Christi finished fourth in the his brother David of Corpus Fifth Flight.

On Saturday, March 15, the first day a friendly sun and benevolent winds gave 84, two-man teams a good scoring start at Fort Clark Springs 19th annual golf tournament. Teams from as far as Houston, San Antonio, El Paso and Phoenix, Arizona participated in the two day event that was sponsored by Fort Clark Springs Men's Golf Association.

The co-chairmen, Wally Jones and Larry Farlow, directed the competition and were helped by many of the Men's Association's members and their wives.

Sponsors encompassed 53 businesses from Acuna, Mexico, most of the towns in Southwest Texas and as far away as Austin and Florissant, Colorado and many in Brackettville and Del Rio.

Available in the mornings were breakfast tacos provided by Sydney's of Brackettville and lunch was served by Brackettville's Crazy Chicken.

Championship Flight winners were Gene Buckner, Campwood and Lance Lailer, Canton Lake; First Flight David Chisom and Beta Ochoa of Eagle Pass; Second Flight Michael Parker, Ft Stockton and Johnny Parker, Eunice, New Mexico; Third Flight Brian Swisher and Junior, Midland; Fourth Flight Kevin Carswell, Maxwell and Kirby Carswell, Fairview; Fifth



Nice shot!

Courtesy Photo

Martin Flores tee's off Hole 6 at the 19th Annual Las Moras Men's Golf Tournament at the Fort Clark Golf Course

Spring gumbo



Vada Baldree

- 1 onion, chopped
- 1 bell pepper, chopped
- 1 lb. smoked sausage
- 1 lb. chicken, boiled & deboned
- 1 lb cooked shrimp (optional)
- 2 cans 8 oz. tomato sauce
- 1 can Rotel tomatoes with green chilies
- 3 cups of water (enough to cover ingredients)
- salt & pepper to taste
- Saute onion & bell pepper.
- Combine onion, bell pepper, & remaining ingredients in large pot. Boil approximately 45 min. Serve over hot rice.

April flower show planned

Submitted by Florence Dean

Spring is here, and the annual Mountain Laurel Garden Club Flower Show is planned for Sunday, April 6, 2008. This year's theme will be *Victorian Days on Old Fort Clark*. The show will be held in the Arbor Area of the Member Services Building on Fort Clark from 2 to 4 p.m. The 2008 show features a Children's Miniature Garden Competition, open to all children from K-5th grades. Miniature gardens may be 2 x 2 feet or under and filled with anything a child imagines a garden to be - flowers, cactus, food plants, etc. Entries are to be taken to the show for exhibit and judging. The Fort Clark Art Club will host an exhibit and sale, and Len

Zorn's Wildlife Film Show will also be available throughout the show. The Flower Show is open to the public, and admission is free. There will be refreshments and live music. Three original flower arrangements will be raffled during the show, with plants and vases also offered for sale.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION FOR MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE PERMIT

PROPOSED PERMIT NO. 2354

APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION. Fort Clark Springs Association, Inc., P. O. Box 345, Brackettville, Texas 78832, an incorporated, non-profit homeowners association for a residential/recreational community of 800 residences, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for a permit to authorize a Type I-Arid Exempt (AE) municipal solid waste landfill facility that would be authorized to accept municipal solid waste resulting from, or incidental to municipal, community, commercial, institutional, recreational and industrial activities, including garbage, putrescible wastes, rubbish, ashes, brush, street cleanings, dead animals, abandoned automobiles, construction-demolition waste, yard waste, class III non-hazardous industrial solid waste, class III non-hazardous industrial solid waste, special waste, and other waste as approved by the Executive Director. A Type IV-AE sector will be authorized to accept brush, construction-demolition waste, and/or rubbish that is free of putrescible waste and free of household putrescible waste. The proposed site is a 457.21-acre facility, of which approximately 20 acres will be used for waste disposal. The facility is proposed to be located at 1629 Highway 90, Brackettville, Texas in Kinney County, south of U.S. Highway 90, approximately 1.5 miles west of the City of Brackettville. The TCEQ received this application on July 26, 2007.

The TCEQ Executive Director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit. The draft permit, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The Executive Director has made a preliminary decision that this permit, if issued, meets all statutory and regulatory requirements. The permit application, Executive Director's preliminary decision, and draft permit are available for viewing and copying at the Kinney County Clerk's Office, 501 Ann Street, Brackettville, Texas 78832.

PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC MEETING. You may submit public comments or request a public meeting about this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. The TCEQ holds a public meeting if the Executive Director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING. After the deadline for submitting public comments, the Executive Director will consider all timely comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. Unless the application is directly referred for a contested case hearing, the response to comments will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments and to those persons who are on the mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting a contested case hearing or reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision. A person who may be affected by the proposed facility is entitled to request a contested case hearing from the commission. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in a state district court.

TO REQUEST A CONTESTED CASE HEARING, YOU MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN YOUR REQUEST: your name; address, phone; applicant's name and permit number; the location and distance of your property/activities relative to the facility; a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the facility in a way not common to the general public; and the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing." If the request for contested case hearing is filed on behalf of a group or association, the request must designate the group's representative for receiving future correspondence; identify an individual member of the group who would be adversely affected by the facility or activity; provide the information discussed above regarding the affected member's location and distance from the facility or activity; explain how and why the member would be affected; and explain how the interests the group seeks to protect are relevant to the group's purpose.

Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for reconsideration or for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

The Commission will only grant a contested case hearing on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on issues that were raised in timely filed comments that were not subsequently withdrawn.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ACTION. The Executive Director may issue final approval of the application unless a timely contested case hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed. If a timely hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed, the Executive Director will not issue final approval of the permit and will forward the application and request to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

MAILING LIST. If you submit public comments, a request for a contested case hearing or a reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision, you will be added to the mailing list for this specific application to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk. In addition, you may request to be placed on: (1) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and/or (2) the mailing list for a specific county. If you wish to be placed on the permanent and/or the county mailing list, clearly specify which list(s) and send your request to TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

All written public comments and requests must be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TCEQ, P. O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087 within 30 days from the date of newspaper publication of this notice.

AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION. If you need more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Office of Public Assistance, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. Site information in Spanish, please call at 1-800-687-4040. General information about the TCEQ can be found at our website at www.TCEQ.state.tx.us.

Further information may also be obtained from Fort Clark Springs Association, Inc. at the address stated above or by calling Mr. J. Hechter Kelly, P.E. at (361) 364-1294.

Issuance Date: March 18, 2008

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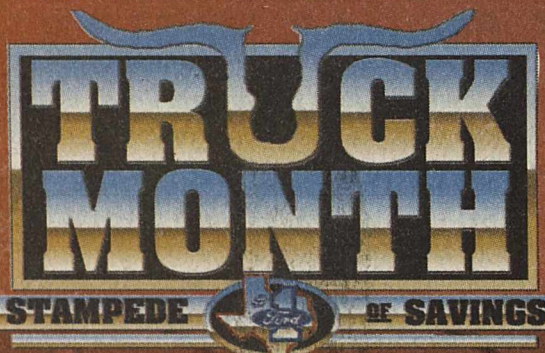
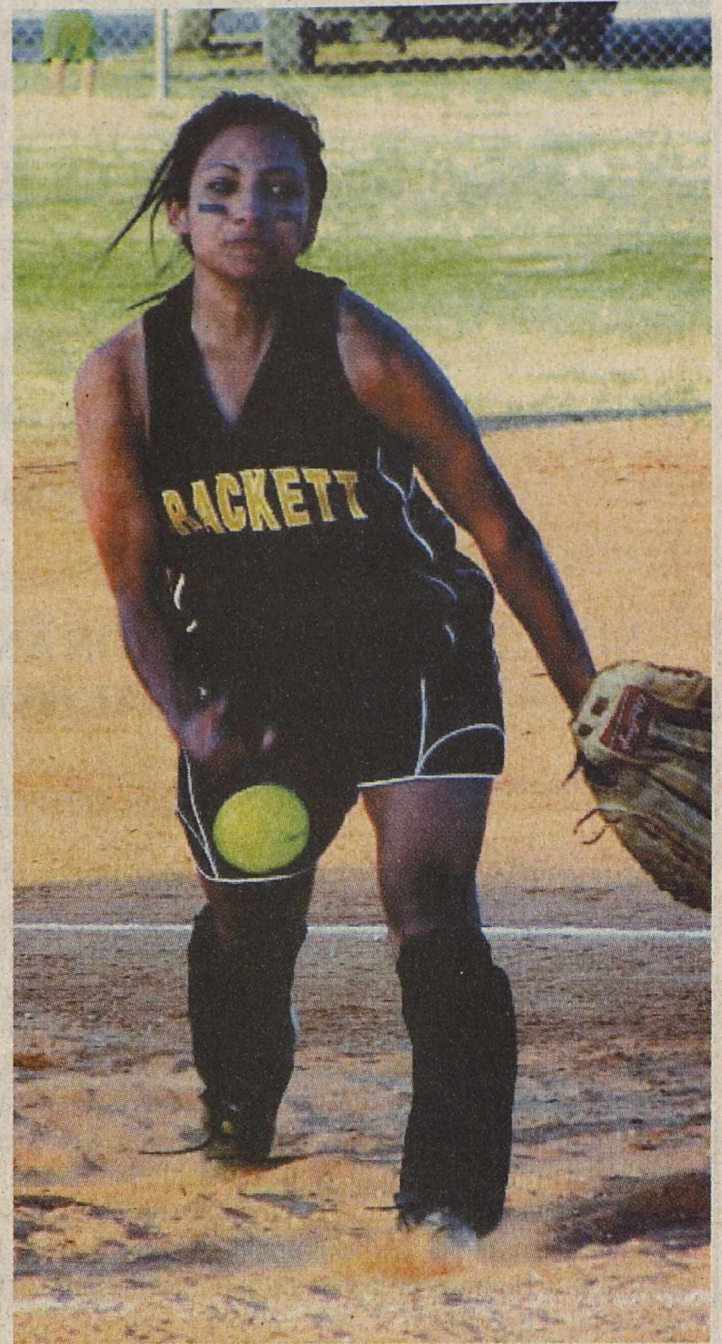
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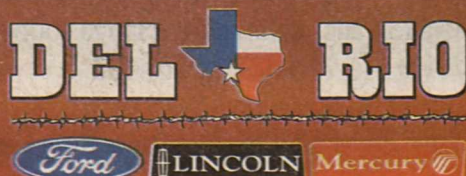
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