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The Brackett News is Loved by many, Cussed by some, Read by them ALL!
Kinney County Is Home To Bob Hendricks

Community News

H1N1 INFLUENZA VACCINE
Dept. State Health will be giving H1N1 influenza vaccine to high risk population and children at these clinics. Brackettville- Dec.10 at Civic Center 1pm-7pm. Leakey- Dec 10 at American Legion hall 1pm-7pm. Rocksprings- Dec 10 at School auditorium 1pm-7pm. Uvalde- Dec 14 at Civic Center 1 pm-7pm.

TREK TO BETHLEHAM
Join us as we join Mary and Joseph in their search for lodging. Saturday, December 12 starting at 3:00pm will be the second annual Kinney County Church Alliance "Trek to Bethlehem" a multicultural, ecumenical Las Posadas. Will they find shelter in Brackettville? We pray that you will join us for this Christ centered Christmas celebration.

COMMISSIONERS COURT
Kinney County Commissioners Court will be held on Monday December 14, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. in the Kinney County Courtroom. Commissioners Court will resume regular scheduled meetings in January 2010. Regular meetings are held on every third Monday of the month at 9:00 a.m. Requests to have an item placed on the Agenda must be submitted to the Kinney County Judge's office by 12:00 noon Wednesday prior to the commissioner's court meeting.

CHRISTMAS CAMP
Slator Hall at the United Methodist Church on Wednesdays, December 2, 9, and 16 from 4 - 5 pm. Stories, light snacks, songs and crafts. First through third grade children welcome.

MOAA CHRISTMAS DINNER AND PARTY
The annual Christmas Dinner and Party for Active, Retired and Former commissioned officers of all services will be held at the San Felipe Country Club Saturday, December 5 commencing at noon. The Del Rio/Fort Clark Chapter of the military Officers of America Association will host the event. The guest speaker will be COL. Phillip A. Mahalik, Senior Roman catholic Chaplain at Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio. His talk will include his experiences with the 10th Mountain Division in Kuwait, Iraq, Afghanistan and Qatar. All officers are invited to attend whether or not they are presently a member of MOAA. Wives are also invited. Please call CAPT Roger Hatfield at 830-775-0100 if you plan to attend.

LIVE NATIVITY
"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men." Luke 4:2 You are invited to come celebrate His birth with a free tour of Nativity and town scenes. Beginning December 1, every Tuesday and Friday evening, 6-8 pm, Frontier Baptist Church education building, corner of Ann and El Paso Streets.

BIBLE STUDY
Bible Study at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, located on the corner of Henderson and Fort, will be on Wednesday evenings at 7pm. Challenges of caregiving for alzheimers, dementia and any other health care concerns.

AA MEETING
AA closed meetings will held at 109 Spring Street on Saturday at 7pm. Info: 830-261-9596.

PICTURES AVAILABLE!
Parents Night pictures are available for purchase at the news paper office for \$2 each. This includes Varsity Football, JV Football, Cross Country, Cheerleaders, Volleyball and JH Volleyball Info: 830-563-2852.

Judge dishes out judgement in restaurant case

By Leigh Volcsko
The Brackett News

The Honorable Judge Tom Lee issued his judgment in favor of Fort Clark Springs Association, Inc. in the eviction case they brought against Billy Jack Dorris, dba J & J Investments for his snack shop known as the Duck Inn on the retired cavalry base on November 30.

Dorris entered into a lease contract with the Fort Clark Springs Association (The Fort) on December 20, 2008, to lease the Duck Inn, but was sued this spring for not vacating the premises after the Fort said he had violated the terms of the contract by not opening for business by March 1 of this year, as stipulated in Paragraph 25 of the lease.

The Fort's attorneys Patrick Kelly and Catrina Longoria of Langley & Banack in Eagle Pass proved the Fort had attempted to settle the matter with Dorris before seeking court action, but he had refused their offers. In court Dorris offered a myriad of reasons for not being open to include the new board of directors did not like him and the utilities had not been properly

separated from the Fort's, but documents, testimony from former Fort board member John Carlson, testimony from current board member Sam Holloman and Dorris' own statements led to the jury to evict him anyway.

A jury sided in favor of the Fort on July 24, however, Dorris appealed and the case eventually ended up in the Lee's court where he also said Dorris needed to pack his dishes and, "vacate immediately the following premises: the "Duck Inn" located at 196 Swim Park Lane, Fort Clark Springs, Brackettville, Texas."

Judge Lee also ordered Dorris to pay the Fort \$5,000 for attorney's fees. An amount due immediately or it will accrue interest until paid in full.

Dorris has the option to appeal this decision, but a source close to the Dorris Camp says it is highly unlikely.

Dorris still has another pending case against him regarding his eviction from the two other locations on the Fort. The Fort claims Dorris has violated his lease contracts for Dickman Hall and Creekside, most commonly known as the

golf facility. At press time, the case was still awaiting district judge Enrique Fernandez to appoint a judge to hear the case, as Kinney County Justice of the Peace Narce Villarreal recused herself.

Most recently, this newspaper discovered Dorris was also ordered by Zapata County Justice of the Peace Fernando Munoz, Jr., to pay Houston Carpets, dba Ismael Hinojosa \$2,502.50, after he failed to satisfy a returned check in the amount of \$2,000 for a balance owed for work and materials purchased in December, 2008.

On December 10, 2008, Dorris purchased more than \$6,500 in tile to be reportedly installed in Dickman Hall.

Dorris put down a \$4,000 deposit, part of which was paid for with funds from Fort Clark. The Fort reports no tile has been installed in Dickman Hall to date.

An inspection of the documents also revealed Dorris purchased tile for Dickman Hall ten days prior to the Fort's board of directors voting to approve the lease that would have allowed him to install the tile.

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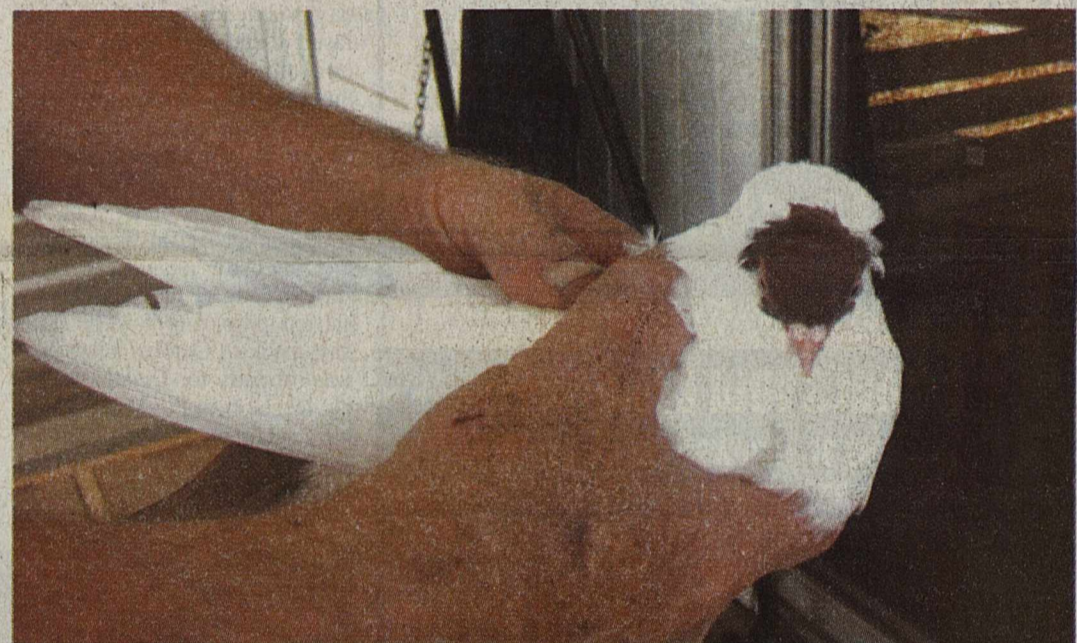
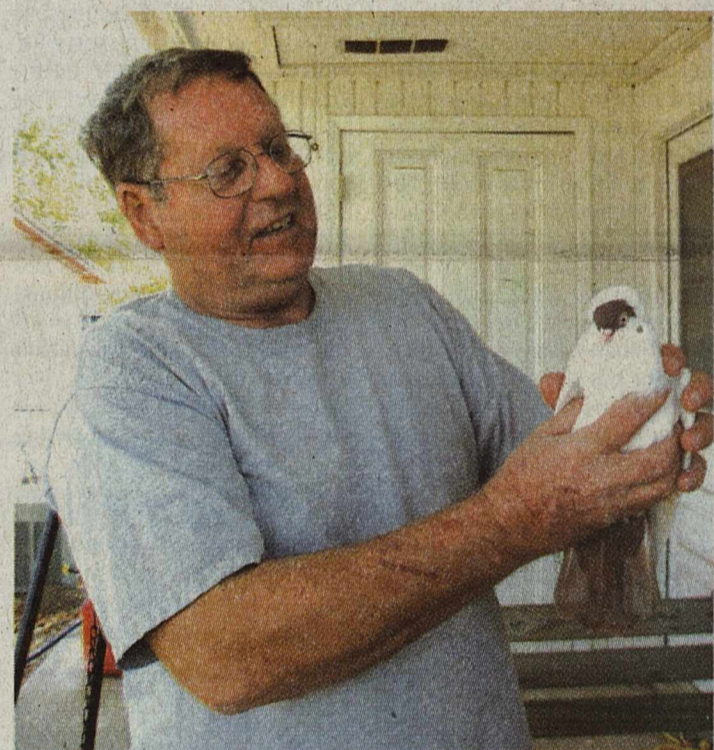
Celebraron con sus 20 hijos, 96 nietos, 139 bisnietos, 2

tataranietos.

Dios los bendiga y muchas, muchas felicidades por su

aniversario.

The Fancier, The Better: Bob Jackson and his feathery hobby



Fancy Birds Are Jackson's Fancy

Brackett News Photos By Katie Brown - Bob Jackson holds one of his Helmet Pigeons at his home at Fort Clark Springs.

By Katie Brown
The Brackett News

Bob and Linda Jackson are Helmet Pigeon fanciers. Fanciers are people who have a real enthusiasm or special interest in something and that something is the Helmet Pigeons they raise for competition in pigeon shows. These beautiful birds are related to the dove but are tamer.

The Helmet marked pigeons have been mentioned in history since the 15th century. Today, most of the Helmet varieties seem to have origins in Germany. In the later half of the 20th century they have been developed and selectively bred to the refined domesticated bird they are today.

The Helmets are jubilant birds with an enthusiasm for life and a prideful stance with chest thrust out as they proudly display the colored cap on their head that resembles a "helmet". The helmet and the tail are colored with the rest of the bird being white. The color of the head and tail are the same.

Among the colors accepted for competition and recognized by the American Helmet Association (AHA) are Black, Yellow and Red; varieties that the

Jackson's raise. While in species of wild birds the male has the more vibrant colors, in pigeons the male and female look alike with the exception that the male is larger in size and has the more dominant personality.

Most of us equate pigeons with those nuisance birds that hang out in city parks begging for a bite of your lunch or perched atop buildings and bridges in large flocks, making a mess. Others recognize the important role these birds (carrier pigeons) played in saving lives during wartime by carrying vital information. Today they are raised, shown and raced around the world. Homing Pigeons are the ones most people know. They are trained so that when they are released as much as 70 miles from home they will return home without landing anywhere in between. While the white dove has always symbolized peace it is more likely that the doves often seen released at weddings are actually white Homing pigeons.

Pigeons mate for life and will not choose another unless their mate is taken away or dies. The female lays just two eggs on breeding and both male and fe-

male take turns sitting on the nest. Once the baby has hatched, the parents share in the feeding. The hatchling generally does not leave the nest until it is full feathered. There was just one pigeon baby in the Jackson's coop; it was twelve days old and just a handful of soft down.

Bob Jackson began raising pigeons as a child growing up in Carlsbad, New Mexico. He used to go downtown and take baby pigeons that were feathered out and remove them from their nests on top of the two story buildings. At home he built coops for them. "Once they have been raised in a coop you can let them out and they will come back," said Bob, "around here Red-tailed Hawks would get them. That's why you don't see very many wild pigeons here in Brackettville, the hawks would get them." He did not know there were "fancy" pigeons but later discovered the Helmets and they captured his attention. That was when he first started entering pigeons in competition.

Linda's father was Air Force and they moved around. Although she claims San Antonio as home they lived everywhere

from England to New York and Washington state. Her father retired in San Antonio and her parents bought a place here on the Fort in 1973. Bob and Linda brought their family here for visits; the kids enjoyed movies in the Post Theater on Saturdays; the hay rides and the pool. When Bob retired after a career in the Air Force they moved to Fort Clark. Linda knew of Bob's childhood hobby but she did not want to raise pigeons. Then one year Bob and his brother conspired to win her over. Linda said, "His brother brought two pair and I heard them....and I said 'oh no' and it started." That was fifteen years ago. Today, Linda is very involved in their endeavor and according to Bob she is better able to pick the birds that will place in competition.

"Most of the fanciers are just in it for the hobby, the enjoyment. Some use it as an income. I use it as a hobby, to see if I can breed a better pigeon," said Bob. The money is in the breeding and selling. The monetary awards for placing rarely cover the entry fees and travel expenses. Bob and Linda returned from a show in Lubbock about

three weeks ago. "They have classes; every class is that specific kind of pigeon. These are called helmets; all the helmets look exactly the same, the colors vary. "We won best of breed, best of fancy, which has about thirteen different pigeons in the fancy grouping, and the Reserve Champion Fancy and Reserve Champion for the entire show which is all the rare, the performing and the fancy. All the winners go up against each other," said Linda. They took those same birds to the show in Carlsbad and they did not place. It depends on the judges. However, Bob did sell a lot of birds and gave several away to children to get them started in a hobby.

It is a great hobby that all of the family can take part in. About ten years ago there was a picture in the Brackett News showing Bob, his brother and their grandson Stevie who all won trophies at a show in Carlsbad. Their grandson still attends all of the bird shows in Carlsbad; except this time, because he attended the show in Lubbock where his eight year old brother won in the Junior division.

Brackettville's 7-Day Forecast

This Week's Local Forecast						
Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Mostly Cloudy	Mostly Cloudy	Sunny	Mostly Cloudy	Mostly Cloudy	Mostly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy
55/36	46/30	57/38	62/45	63/41	61/38	58/36
Precip Chance: 10%	Precip Chance: 20%	Precip Chance: 0%	Precip Chance: 10%	Precip Chance: 10%	Precip Chance: 10%	Precip Chance: 10%

Weather Trivia

Is it true that no two snowflakes are exactly alike?

ANSWER: All snow crystals have six sides, but no two snowflakes are exactly alike.

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AND I HEARD HIM EXCLAIM AS HE LOGGED OFF THAT NIGHT

VISIONS OF UPS PACKAGES DANCE IN MY HEAD! MY BUDGET IS TIGHT - CAN'T GO IN THE RED!

MY CLICKER'S CLICKED OUT. TELL FACEBOOK: I'LL BE ARIGHT.

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Everyone wins when you make charitable gifts



Emily Cooper
Edward Jones in Del Rio

It's Thanksgiving time again. Like everyone, you have many things in your life for which you are thankful. And you may want to show your appreciation for what you have by making a gift to a charitable organization. If you do, both you and the charitable group can come out ahead.

Of course, it's no secret that 2009 has been a pretty rough year, with most of us feeling the effects of the recession in one way or another. Consequently, you may feel that you can't really afford to make charitable gifts right now. But there's probably never been a more urgent need for these gifts, as the distressed economy has led to a decline in contributions for charities across the country. Furthermore, your charitable gift can provide you with some distinct economic advantages.

Specifically, by making charitable contributions, you can gain these tax benefits:

You can take an immediate tax deduction. If you itemize your taxes, you can deduct your contributions to charitable organizations, as long as they are "tax qualified." (Be sure to ask the organization if it has tax-qualified status.) Your tax deductions for charitable contributions are generally limited to 50 percent of your adjusted gross income. (If you want to claim a deduction for the 2009 tax year, you'll need to make your contribution before Jan. 1.)

You can avoid capital gains taxes. If you want to support a charitable group, you're not limited to making cash contributions — you can also donate other assets, such as stocks or real estate. If you've held these assets for a long time, their value may have risen considerably, despite the volatility of the financial and real estate markets the past couple of years. If they have appreciated, and you wanted to sell them, you'd have to pay capital gains taxes on your profits. But if you donate these assets, you can avoid the capital gains liability while still claiming the tax deduction.

You can remove assets from your taxable estate. In 2010, the estate tax is repealed, but it will be back in 2011. Estate taxes can be heavy, and if your heirs aren't prepared for them, they may have to sell assets to pay them. To possibly help avoid this problem, you may want to reduce the value of your taxable estate. One way of doing this — and of also receiving an immediate income tax deduction — is to donate assets, such as investments and property, to a charitable group. If you want to still enjoy the benefits of these assets while you're alive, you could transfer them to a charitable remainder trust, which can then sell them and reinvest the proceeds, out of which you could receive an income stream for life. Upon your death, the charity you have designated will receive the remainder of the trust's assets. (To properly establish this type of trust, you'll need to work with a qualified legal advisor.)

As you can see, the old saying "when you give, you also receive" is certainly true when it comes to making charitable donations. So, during the upcoming holiday season, be as generous as possible — to charitable groups and to yourself.

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Gratitude is a state of being



The Fly Lady Marla Cilley

Here we are, we have just finished celebrating our Thanksgiving Day. The pilgrims had our first thanksgiving. They had three days of festivities. We do one big day and then we start shopping! We can't wait to jump right to the next holiday. Well I don't know about you but holidays seem to be coming much faster these days! I don't think our clocks are moving any quicker.

I heard the other day that one of our largest retailers was already thinking about Valentine's Day. Give me a break! I am all for planning but this is just a bit too much for me! Now don't start fussing at me. I know we started preparing for the holidays back in October. Our goal was to be ready for December 25th by December 1st. Many of us have accomplished just what we set out to do! We named our preparations "Cruising Through

the Holidays" because on December 1st we were going to relax and have some fun! Isn't it a nice feeling to know that there is nothing that really needs to be done! OH You don't have that feeling? There is hope! We start our Super Cruising Mission this next week! You can still have some fun while you jump in and get started!

We are too busy thinking about the future to enjoy today! How sad is that! Some of us are sad thinking about holiday's in the past to enjoy today. I still want to savor the feeling of Thanksgiving! You know Thanksgiving doesn't have to be just one day a year! Thanksgiving is not really a holiday it is a state of being! Being grateful for what we have keeps us from continually looking outside of ourselves to fill an empty hole. This means shopping has a whole new meaning.

We no longer have to shop for things we don't really need! We go in a store with a list! We know what we are looking for! We are not combing the aisles of the store in search of that elusive item that is going to change our lives. We have already found it; it is in our hearts and souls.

The elusive item is being thankful!

Being grateful also helps you to find the silver lining in a bad situation. This relieves the stress of tough events. The holidays can be a hard time for many of us. We may find ourselves being criticized in sarcastic ways or that criticism could be in the form of rolled eyes and awkward glances. Then there is the imagined critic that is in your head! Be thankful! I know you can find something to be grateful for!

Some of you are separated from family and missing them terribly! You are remembering holidays of the past and not making the most of the present because you are feeling sorry for yourself. That is not being thankful for what you have! You can make the most of what you have by being grateful for where you are and who you are with right now. Being thankful is your gift for living in the present! You can establish new memories and create your very own traditions! Finally Loving Yourself is all about being thankful for you and what you have!

For more help getting rid of your CHAOS, check out her website and join her free mentoring group at www.FlyLady.net or her book, *Sink Reflections* published by Bantam and her New York Times Best Selling book, *Body Clutter* published by Fireside. Copyright 2007 Marla Cilley Used by permission in this publication.

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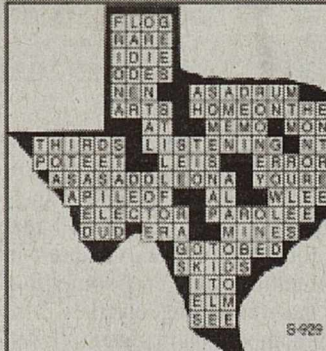



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Elementary/Junior High UIL News:

From The Desk Of
Alma Gutierrez
Jones Elementary Principal

ing paint and clean the elementary playground during the Thanksgiving Holidays in preparation for the Elementary/Junior High UIL Meet: Cody Clark

Brianna Escamilla, Raul Rivas, Ramon Gutierrez, Jonathan Pinales, Abigail Gutierrez, Chris Blake, Nevada Coe, Rolando Gutierrez, Adam Castillo and Sarah Davis.

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During this holiday season and every day of the year, we wish you all the best.

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Cool At School

Brackett News Photo by Leigh Volcsko - Luz Mendez attends Head Start and is very busy practicing her flash cards.

News on Thanksgiving Food Drive

From The Desk Of
Rhonda Marquardt
BISD FCA Sponsor.

THANK YOU for all of you who helped out with the Thanksgiving Food Drive. It was a huge success. We collected 2033 items.

We fed 144 people, 23 families. This event could not take place without the volunteers who help get it done. We appreciate all you did!

Just wanted to send a BIG

School events for December:

Dec. 5th - J.H. & Elem/Int. UIL Meet 8am - 4pm (please visit in the gym).


Dec. 8th - Christmas Concert in the auditorium @7p.m. (5th & 6th grade bands will be performing).

Dec. 18th - Santa is visiting our younger students starting at about 8:30am until about 11am (please check with office about the location)

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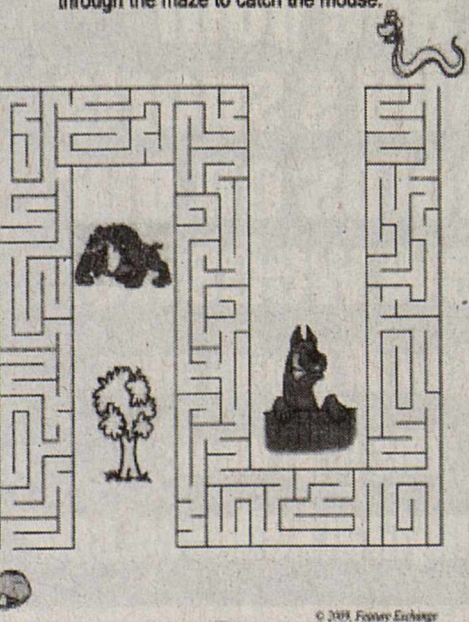
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 A cryptogram is a puzzle where a sentence is encoded by substituting the actual letters of the sentence with different letters. The challenge of the puzzle is to 'decode' the sentence to reveal the original English sentence. We have provided a few of the decoded letters to help get you started.
 Hint: Quote by Babe Ruth

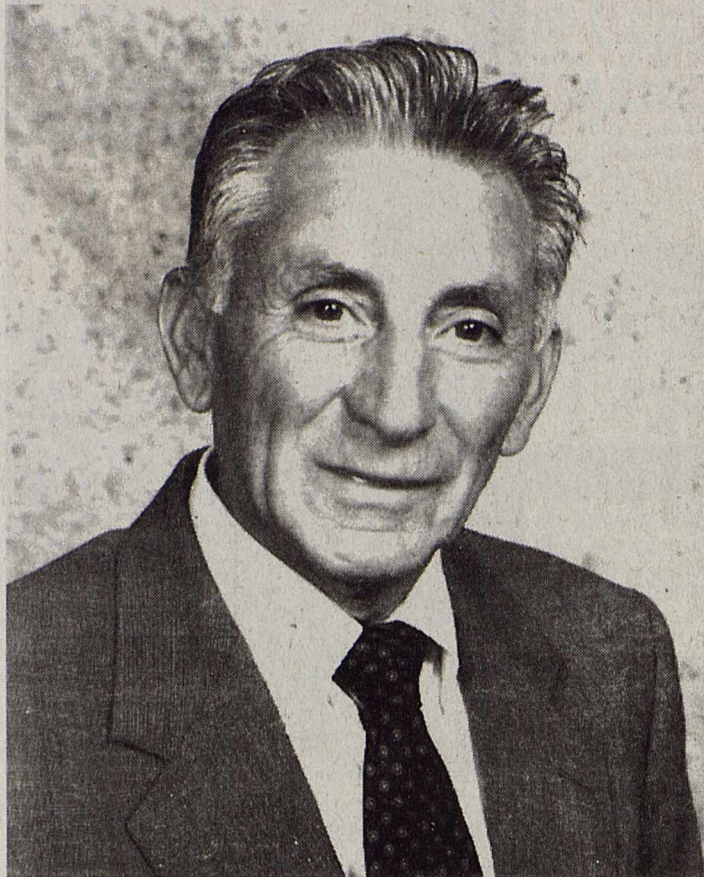
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Sudoku Answer Page 2
 The challenge is to fill every row across, every column down, and every 3x3 box with the digits 1 through 9. Each 1 through 9 digit must appear only once in each row across, each column down, and each 3x3 box.

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Kinney County Sheriff's Report



Monday, November 23
Leonel B. Olivares, 25, of Quemado, was arrested for states application to adjudicate guilt. Olivares was released the same day on a \$5,000. bond.

8:09pm, A call was received from a man requesting a deputy at his residence. A deputy was advised.

Tuesday, November 24
3:47am, A man called requesting a deputy to his residence, stating that his vehicle had been sprayed. A deputy was dispatched to the residence, the deputy informed the sheriff office that six vehicles had been sprayed.

7:33am, A woman called to report her vehicle had been vandalized with spray paint. A deputy and chief of police were informed.

8:10am, A man called to report his vehicle had been vandalized with spray paint during the night. A deputy was informed and dispatched to the residence.

12:50pm, A employee from a local business called stating there was a man who seemed very confused and just walking around. A deputy was dispatched to the location.

1:15pm, A city employee called to report a woman had called stating there was a fire on West Remote Alley. KC Fire Rescue was dispatched but unable to find a fire.

Wednesday, November 25
7:04pm, A man called to report he had been fighting with his wife all day, and she was threatening to kill him, no weapons were mentioned. A deputy was notified.

2:00pm, Ryder Hadman, 24, of Rocksprings, was arrested for a warrant out of Edwards County,

forgery of checks. Hadman was released on a \$20,000. bond.

9:28pm, Robert Manuel Revilla, 38, of Brackettville, was arrested for public intoxication. Revilla was released with a \$305.00 fine, \$100.00 jail credit (2 days served), \$205.00 balance due by December 15, 2009 written promise made by JP Villarreal.

Thursday, November 26
10:49am, Gene David Lopanecc, 70, was arrested for driving while intoxicated, first offense, and unlawful concealed weapon. Lopanecc was released the same day on two \$1,200. bonds.

3:42pm, Val Verde dispatched called stating they had received a call about a loose cow along the side of the road. A deputy was notified.

5:37pm, A call was received from Val Verde dispatch to report they had taken a call about two loose longhorns on the side of the road. A deputy was notified.

8:34pm, A woman called to report there was two vehicles racing in the parking lot of the football field. A deputy was notified of the incident.

10:32pm, A woman called requesting a deputy assistance, stating there was a vehicle parked by her residence and she did not know who it belonged to. A deputy was notified and enroute to her residence.

10:52pm, Eleazar Talamantes Fuentes, 46, of Brackettville, was arrested for public intoxication. Fuentes was released with a \$305.00 fine, \$100.00 jail credit, \$205.00 balance due November 27, 2009, paid JP and released Friday, November 27.

Friday, November 27
10:44pm, A man called to report a vehicle was driving all over the road, he stated the vehicle was headed towards Brackettville from Spofford. A deputy was informed.

Saturday, November 28
9:40am, A woman called requesting a welfare check on her children because she had received a call from her daughter who stated she and her sister were by themselves and they could not find their father. A deputy was informed and stated he would call the father.

10:05am, A call was received from Fort Clark Security requesting a deputy in reference to someone had broken into Dickman Hall. A deputy was informed.

6:00pm, A woman called to report possible hunters on her property. She stated there was a black vehicle parked at her property where there is always a lot of deer. Game Warden was notified of the situation.

6:35pm, A man called to report he thought there was some people at a local establishment possibly intoxicated and arguing. A deputy was notified.

Sunday, November 29

12:10am, A woman called stating someone was driving by her residence taking pictures of her goats. The woman requested a deputy to her residence so she could report who she thought it was taking the pictures. A deputy was informed of the incident.

2:40pm, A call was received from Val Verde dispatch stating a male was walking on Hwy 277. A deputy made contact with the individual and transported him to the Val Verde County line.

6:05pm, A woman called stating she would like to make a report because someone had bro-

OBITUARY

Cathryn C. Conrey



December 2, 1924 - November 23, 2009

Cathryn Carrie Carpenter Conrey of Fort Clark Springs Texas; beloved wife of 65 years, mother of five, grandmother of twelve, Great-Grandmother of thirteen, ascended our world on November 23rd, 2009. Born in Denver, Colorado on December 2nd, 1924 to Alice and Clifford Carpenter, Cathryn spent her early years on the family farm in the grasslands and wheat fields near Yuma, Colorado. She left her home with her childhood sweetheart and traveled the world with her fighter pilot husband Robert (Bob) and their five children. From Germany to the Far East, she lovingly nurtured and guided her family through 23 moves in 28 years, returning to reside in San Antonio and finally Brackettville, Texas. An accomplished pianist, accordionist and organist with 70 years of musical contributions she accompanied worship with ministries from Yuma, Colorado to the Philippines and Europe to John Hagee's early congregation's youth choir, to the voices of her beloved Brackettville First United Methodist Church. She accompanied the theatrical performance "The Glory Road" and accompanied such musical collaborations as The Voices of Fort Clark. Cathy was a member of the Mountain Laurel Garden Club, a lifetime member of the Beta Epsilon Omicron Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi Service Sorority and instrumental in acquiring a new organ for her church family. Her enduring legacy is the gift she gave to countless aspiring piano students around the world who acquired, through her tutelage of seven decades, the joy of musical expression and the gift of song. Cathie is remembered by her husband, Lt. Colonel, retired, Robert L. Conrey, her children, Gail Chapel and husband Bob, Lynda Conrey, David Conrey and wife Maddie, Barbara Marrou and husband Frank and Neal Conrey and wife Beth, her sister Cheryl Thurston, her brothers, Lyle Carpenter and Lee Carpenter, her grandchildren, great grandchildren, and the countless others she touched. A memorial celebration will be held on Saturday, Dec. 5th beginning at 10:00 at the Brackettville First Methodist Church, 105 James St., Brackettville, TX, where she was the organist for twenty-eight years. In lieu of flowers the family has requested that offerings be gifted to the Brackettville First United Methodist Church, PO BOX 93, Brackettville, TX. 78832. To leave a note for the family, go to meadowlawn.net and select Obituaries.

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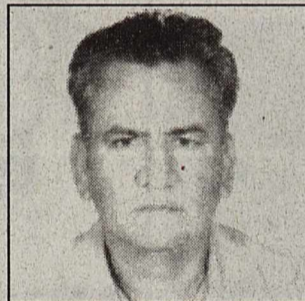
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OBITUARY

Refugio Martinez



April 27, 1923 - November 25, 2009

Refugio Martinez, age 86, entered into rest on November 25, 2009, in Del Rio, Texas. He was born April 27, 1923 in Mexico. He was preceded in death by his Parents Natividad Martinez and Juliana Talamantez Martinez. Brother David Martinez, Sisters Micaela Martinez, Aramita Martinez and Juanita Martinez. Left to cherish his memory are his son's, Homero Martinez and wife Ester, Natividad Martinez and wife Maria, Baldemar Martinez and wife Herlinda. Daughters, Ludivina Martinez, Refugia Salazar, Estela Valdez and husband Honorio. Brother, Encarnacion Martinez and Sister Maria Aleman. Also survived by numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Numerous nieces and nephews. Gentlemen left with the honor of Pallbearers: Refugio Martinez, Eric Martinez, Alex Salazar, Javier Valdez, Carlos Martinez, Baldemar Martinez, Jr. Visitation was held Monday, November 30, 2009, Brackettville Sunset Funeral Home. Recitation of the Holy Rosary was held at 7:00pm. Mass of Christian Burial was held Tuesday, December 1, 2009, 10:00am, St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church. Interment followed at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Cemetery. Please visit our website at www.sunsetfuneralhomes.com and sign our online guest book.

OBITUARY

Felisitas M. Beloz



August 6, 1921 - November 24, 2009

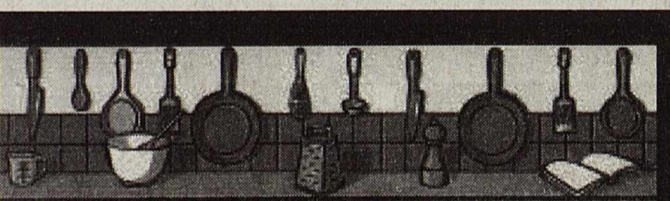
Felisitas M. Beloz, age 88, entered into rest November 24, 2009, in Del Rio, Texas. She was born August 6, 1921, in Eagle Pass, Texas. She was preceded in death by her husband, Cruz P. Beloz, parents Eulalio and Estanislada Martinez. Brothers, Eduardo Martinez, Eulalio Martinez, Juan Martinez, Alfredo Martinez. Sister, Eufemia Martinez. Left to cherish her memory is her son, Cruz M. Beloz and wife Bonnie. Daughters, Ernestine Longoria and husband Johnny, Mary L. Alcala and husband Arminio, Linda Fitzgerald and husband Mike. Brother, Raul C. Martinez. Sister, Herminia Diaz. 8 grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren, numerous nieces and nephews. Gentlemen left with the honor of Pallbearers: Larry Mendeke, Mark Alcala, Javier Alcala, Johnny Longoria, Ambrosio Martinez and Shannon Martinez. Visitation was held Friday, November 27, 2009, 5:00PM-9:00PM, Brackettville Sunset Funeral Home Chapel, Brackettville, Texas. Funeral Mass was conducted Saturday, November 28, 2009, at 10:00AM, St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church. Interment was followed at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Cemetery. Please visit our website www.sunsetfuneralhomes.com and sign our guest book.

OBITUARY

Josie Meyer

November 29, 2009

Josie Meyer entered into rest November 29, 2009, in San Antonio, Texas. Services are pending. Please visit our website at www.sunsetfuneralhomes.com and sign our online guest book. Funeral arrangements are entrusted to Sunset Memorial Oaks Funeral Home, 2020 Bedell Ave., Del Rio, Texas 78840, (830) 778-2020.



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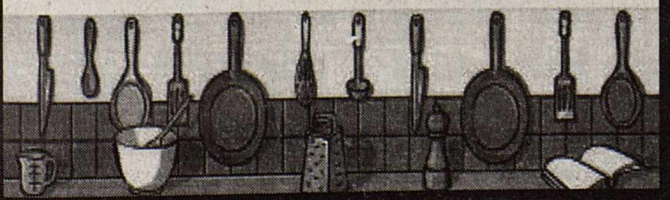
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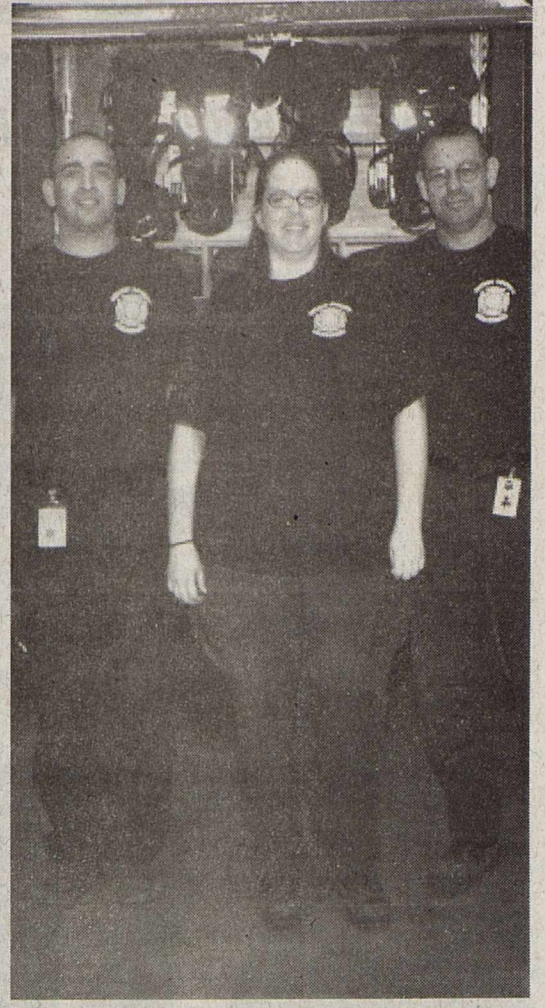
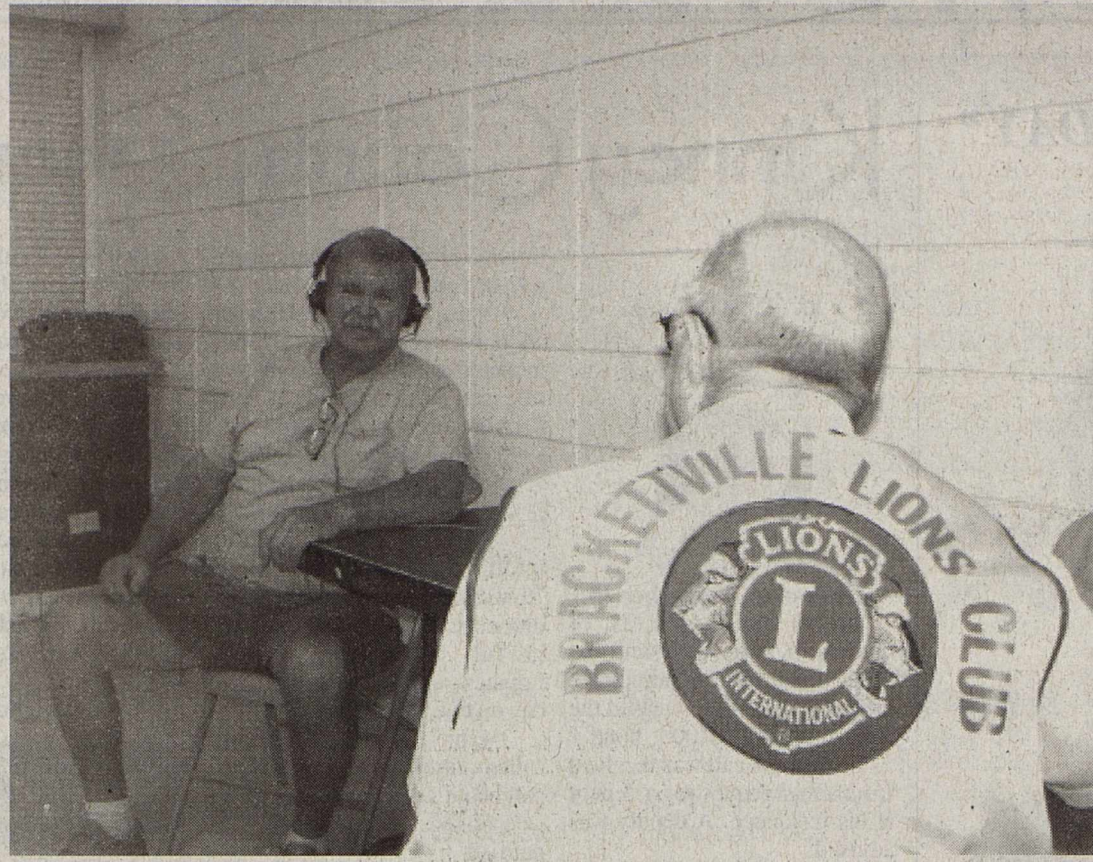
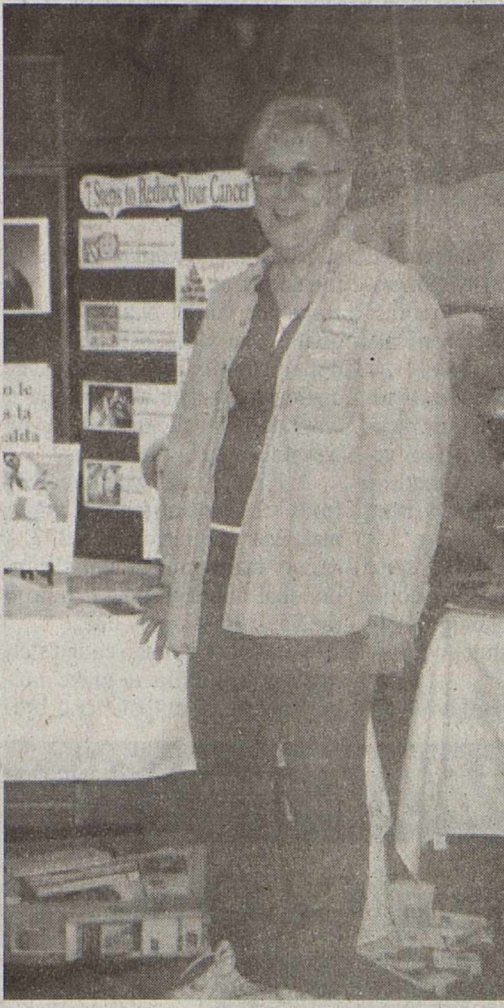
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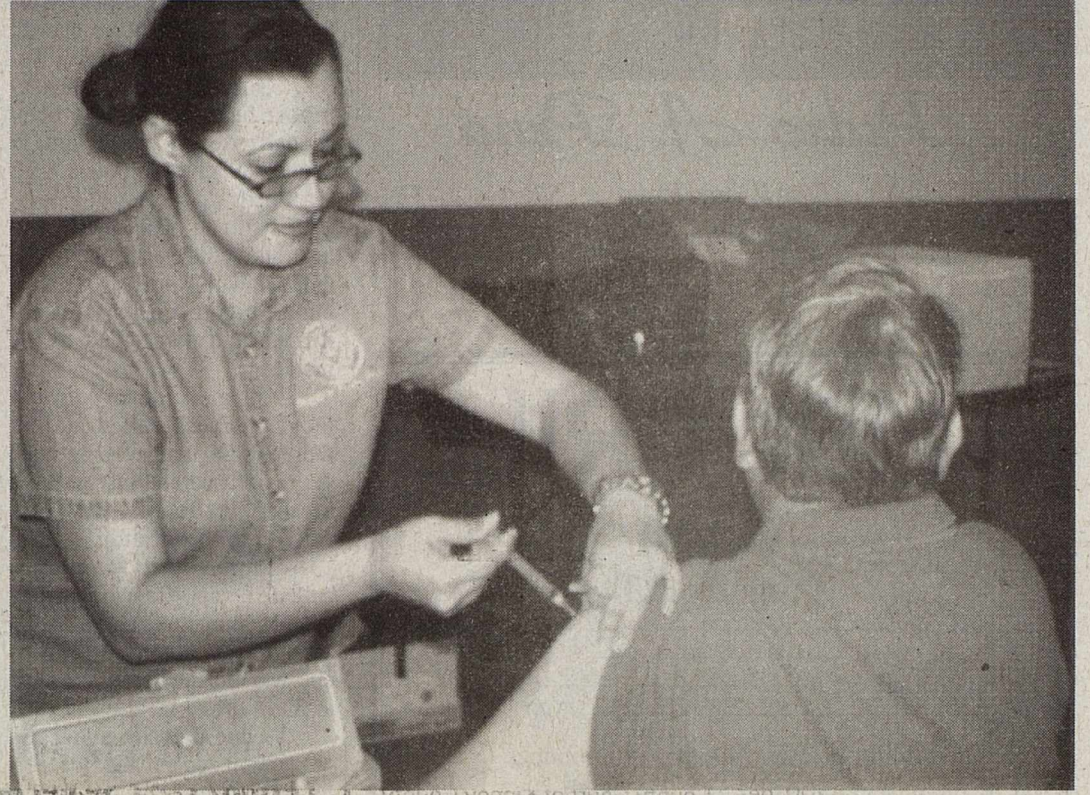


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Let's all join in welcoming visitors to our community this holiday season!

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ARE YOU GETTING WHAT YOU PAID FOR?

Income to Kinney County Groundwater Conservation District for the last 5 years

Year	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	<u>Total 5 years</u>
Property Tax	\$66,205	\$83,523	\$83,378	\$91,614	\$93,683	\$418,403
Pumping Fees	\$12,720	\$170,406	\$90,389	\$60,644	\$75,503	\$409,662

In addition the District has incurred but not yet paid and is still liable for:

Attorney Fees – Lloyd Gosselink	\$187,836
- Rick Lowerre	\$ 26,340
- Lou Rosenberg	unknown but substantial
- Plaintiff attorneys for prior lawsuits	more than \$500,000

What should the District Board have been doing with the money, according to their rules?

“The mission of the KCGCD is to develop, promote, and implement water conservation and management strategies to conserve, preserve, and protect the groundwater supplies of the District, to protect and enhance recharge, prevent waste and pollution, and to promote efficient and beneficial use of groundwater within the District.”

What has the District actually done in the last 5 years?

1. Issued Historic Use Permits. (Note – Prior to the District’s formation, historic users were already using groundwater without harming the aquifers. Now those farmers and ranchers get to pay for permission to continue doing the same thing.)
2. The ‘Old Board’ issued permits to a total of 2 non-historic use permits more than three years ago. The ‘New Board’ has issued none.
3. Defended lawsuits alleging inappropriate actions by the Board. **(Note – The District has compromised and/or lost every lawsuit to date.)**
4. Denied all Export Permit applications thus incurring more lawsuits. **(Note – Proper, scientifically and legally justifiable permits could have been issued to bring the District more than \$500,000 ANNUALLY thereby eliminating any need for additional future taxation of county property owners.)**
5. Ignored State Laws in the administration of the District thus incurring more lawsuits.

Current administrative status of District

1. Two State Agencies (State Auditor’s Office and Texas Commission on Environmental Quality) are conducting reviews of District actions for improprieties. (Note – No other Groundwater District in Texas has such reviews pending)
2. **CURRENTLY DEFENDING 5 ACTIVE LAWSUITS WITH MORE LAWSUITS PENDING. Legal bills for 2010 will be the highest ever.**
3. The District, by their own published statements, is **INSOLVENT** and has not proposed any plan of action to rectify the insolvency. Net result will be an **INSOLVENT District, no local control of groundwater AND the Taxpayers of Kinney County will still be liable for the incurred debts.**

ARE YOU HAPPY ABOUT WHAT YOU ARE GETTING?