

# The Brackett News

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The Brackett News is Loved by many, Cussed by some, Read by them ALL!  
Kinney County Is Home To Courtney Kirkland - Happy 17<sup>th</sup> Birthday Baby Girl!

## Community News

### CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

Frontier Baptist Church will be having a Christmas Eve candlelight service at 6pm. The church is located on the corner of Ann and El Paso St. in Brackettville.

### FFA WINTER DANCE

Tickets for sale, \$2 per person for the FFA Winter Dance, Friday, December 18 at the High School Cafeteria from 8:00pm to midnight, concession available. Must have ticket to get in, see any FFA member for a ticket. Junior High and High School students only. (not open to the public)

### OLD QUARRY SOCIETY CHRISTMAS PLAY

"The Best Christmas Pageant Ever" will be held at The Post Theater on December 18 - 19 at 7:30pm. Admission will be \$5.00, refreshments following the play. Tickets are available at RV Park, Adult Center or call 830-563-9229.

### 2010 ESSAY CONTEST

West Nueces-Las Moras Soil and Water Conservation District will be having an open essay contest to boys and girls, 14 to 18 years of age, and does not jeopardize Texas University Interscholastic League eligibility. The subject of the essay is "What Soil and water Conservation means to me." The deadline for entries will be Friday, January 22, 2010 by 5pm. For more information contact Carey at 830-563-2414.

### GOLF SCRAMBLE

First Baptist Church Golf Scramble will be Saturday Dec.19, at 10am. Everyone welcome; men, women and youth! \$20 per person includes cart fees, green fees and lunch. Sign up at the FBC. Contact Trent Brown 563-3455 or Larry Isaacs at (682)365-2751 for more info.

### 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.

### CORRECTION

In the ULL story published December 10: Karina Terrazas, a third grade student at Jones Elementary, and Katie Tuch, a sixth grade student Jones Intermediate were inadvertently left out. Karina placed first in the Storytelling event. Katie placed third in the Listening event.

### 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.

### TIGER AUTO DECALS

Show your love for the hometown team with a window decal for your automobile. Stop by the newspaper office at 111 W. Spring. The decals are on sale for \$6 each or two for \$10 and feature the new tiger logo. Both Tiger and Tigrette decals are available.

## Nine local teens pay price for partying

Nine local teenagers were recently caught drinking at the campground located at Fort Clark Springs on October 3.

The young people, three females and six males, were cited by Kinney County Sheriff's De-

partment (KCSO) deputies for underage drinking.

The teens ranged in age from 16 to 18.

KCSO reported more than nine children were at the campground party that night, but

some managed to abscond into the woods and avoided being caught.

All the cases have been adjudicated and punishments are currently being served. Eight plead guilty and received

as required by law 8-10 hours of community service, they must complete an alcohol awareness course and each pay a fine.

One youth was found not guilty.

## Old Quarry presents... "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever"



### Best Cast Ever

Brackett News Photo By Leigh Volcsko - Ever wonder what would happen if the school bullies had the lead roles in the Christmas Pageant? Go see The Old Quarry Society theatre group as they present Barbara Jordan's, "Best Christmas Pageant Ever" Friday and Saturday, December 18 and 19 at the Post Theatre. Admission is \$5 per person. Information: Please call Play Director Wendy Knox 830-313-6695. Cast pictured from left: Adrienne Loftus, Shelby Schuster, Adam Perry-Beard, Morgan Knox, Kaitlyn Partlow, Rivers Maddox, Erica Loftus, Daniel Loftus, Graci Maddox and Heather Knox.

## A house divided...

By Katie Brown  
The Brackett News

Fort Clark Springs General Manager, Felix Cerna, addressed the City Council on behalf of the FCS Board of Directors in response to comments by City Manager, Henry Garcia, at the November meeting of the FCS Board. He began by saying that he came to address the Council with the permission of the FCS Board of Directors.

Cerna stated that in an agreement with a previous City Council, dated 11/16/07, the City of Brackettville agreed to pay FCS for the use of the brush burn pit for the amount of \$500 per month. He said that Garcia was not aware of the agreement but requested that Bob Walker, Head of Maintenance at FCS, come up with some expense figures.

Another issue that was addressed was the deer carcasses that the city wished to dispose of at the FCS landfill. A meeting was set up to discuss the aforementioned issues and Cerna said that when he suggested the City handle the carcasses as they had in the past Garcia abruptly ended the meeting without discussing the brush pit issue.

Cerna cited several instances where the Fort has endeavored to work with the City to the benefit of both entities. Although the Fort only uses the landfill one day per week, they have opened and staffed the landfill an extra three days a week to accommodate the needs of the City. In addition, they have loaned heavy equipment to Brackettville at no charge. The Fort Clark mechanic has worked on City equipment at no charge

to the City, save the cost of parts. The City has used several Fort Clark facilities such as the Transfer Facility, at no charge; whereas the Fort pays a monthly rental fee whether the facility is used or not. By contrast the City intends to charge the Fort to dispose of its cardboard although a previous agreement stated that if the Fort hauled their cardboard to the City collection site there would not be a cost to the Association.

Garcia was given the opportunity to respond and he did so stating that the above referenced agreement originally tied together the use of the landfill and the brush pit. A new agreement was negotiated with the Fort regarding fees for the use of just the landfill, thus negating the contract that included both the landfill and the brush pit.

Garcia said that his door was open and he would be willing to sit down with Cerna and negotiate an agreement.

The state no longer provides for the licensing of golf carts. Therefore, regulations pertaining to the use of golf carts on public thoroughfares within the City limits of Brackettville, have, fallen on the City. City Manager Garcia has been issued the authority by the City Council to establish procedures necessary regarding the use of golf carts/ATV's on public thoroughfares.

The Council suggested that the public be provided a forum to discuss their concerns before any action is taken.

Mayor Feagley and alderwomen Flores, Mendoza, Garza and Buitron were present. Alderman Williams was absent.

## School board votes to move central office by summer

The Brackett ISD Board of Trustees voted to finalize the plans for the new central office at a regular meeting on December 14.

The trustees purchased a renovated house at 201 North Ann Street located directly across the street from the entrance to the high school gym and voted to convert it into a new central office building. The plans include a new board room with auditorium-like seating to better accommodate

the participants of the meetings that regularly feature presentations by students and a variety of business related organizations.

The offices currently used by the central office staff will be used to house those teachers and programs currently operating out of portable buildings. BISD School Superintendent Robert Westbrook said the new central office should be completed by July 2010.

Westbrook, in an interview with this newspaper, stated he was in the process of creating a committee that will evaluate the district's facilities and make recommendations on the future needs to the board of trustees. Westbrook noted although all the school buildings are in good shape, they are still quite old. The high school is the youngest at approximately ten years old; the high school annex is nearly 80 years old; the elementary and in-

termediate buildings are over fifty years old.

The trustees accepted the resignation of Belinda Schroeder. Schroeder, an eighth grade science teacher, is moving out of the area and will not return after the Christmas holidays.

"B. Schroeder is an excellent teacher. She is dearly loved by the students, faculty and staff and she will be sorely missed," said Westbrook.

## Christmas Decorations You Just Gotta' See....



Don't forget about...

## TBN's Fourth Annual Christmas Decorating Contest

Prizes will be given for the Best Decorated House In Brackett, Best Decorated House In Spofford and Best Decorated House at Fort Clark and Best Decorated Business. Best Decorated House winners will receive Dollar General Gift Cards and certificates. The Best Decorated Business will be given a gift basket and certificate.

Already on this year's list is:

- Pena-Martinez House, 312 E Fulton
- 202 E Third Street
- City Hall, 119 on West Spring
- Hall House, 201 Gove St
- Martinez House, 101 N Sheedy Street
- Fort Clark Admin Office
- 15 Colony Row, FCS
- Brackett Cleaners, 201 E. Spring

Nominate your favorites, Call 563-2852

### Brackettville's 7-Day Forecast

Dec. 17-23

### This Week's Local Forecast

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Mostly Sunny 64/41	Mostly Sunny 62/40	Mostly Sunny 60/38	Mostly Sunny 59/39	Mostly Sunny 60/41	Mostly Sunny 64/45	Mostly Sunny 65/43
Precip Chance: 5%	Precip Chance: 5%	Precip Chance: 5%	Precip Chance: 5%	Precip Chance: 5%	Precip Chance: 5%	Precip Chance: 5%

### Weather Trivia

What is sleet? ?

ANSWER: Frozen raindrops.

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*"Nemo me impune lacesset - No one will provoke me with impunity"*

## LETTER to the Editor

Over the past several days and weeks there have been wonderful decorations put up by residents, local businesses, the City of Brackettville, Kinney County, and Fort Clark Springs. These decorations really have transformed the look of our community and in my opinion put out the welcome mat to visitors. I want to thank the City, County, and Fort especially for going the extra mile this year. It looks fantastic! Over the years when my family and I have traveled through small towns during the Christmas Holidays we have taken special notice of those communities that take the time to decorate. I hope that our community will build upon this in the future. Have a fantastic day and a Merry Christmas!

Jeff Janca

## First Baptist Church

301 N. Ann Street • Phone: 563-2245

### Sunday

Bible study for all ages 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service - 11:00 a.m. (nursery provided)  
youth 4:30 p.m.  
Evening Service 6:00 p.m.

### Wednesday

7 p.m. Bible Study  
Phone 563-2245  
website fcbbrackett.org  
Pastor Jeff Janca

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Sunday Evening Service, 6:30 pm

Wednesday PM 6:30 Classes

Minister: Ray Melton

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## The most precious gift



### The Fly Lady Marla Cilley

All of our lives we have spent putting out fires. These fires were started by our perfectionism and our procrastination. Along with panic of these fires come the squeals of martyrdom and yells of dissatisfaction. We have all done this and it is our family who have had listen to it. Why do we torture our family with hurtful words? I can tell you why! You are so stressed out and feeling like a martyr! This has got to stop! I can help you get rid of the stress, but it is up to you to curb those angry words. The first step is to follow our directions for your routines, getting dressed to shoes, hair and face.

It is up to you to change your attitude toward your family! Once you change your martyred outlook to one of blessing your family and giving teaching moments, you will see a change in

them. I know that you don't believe me, but you can only change yourself. It is by your example that your family will begin to help and support your efforts to secure a peaceful home.

What does your wicked tongue do to your children, your husband and most of all you? It doesn't tell them you love them. It makes them feel less than; it hurts their self-worth. They feel that they have no say in things. It makes your husband feel that he is married to his mother! I don't even want to go there. They feel like servants, instead of family members. Those harsh words are worse than a whipping. You cut your family out of the conversational loop. The family can't even say what is on their mind because they are afraid of you. Home life is based on the fear of not making mother mad. Your family members hide from you. They become afraid to tell you when something happens.

After those words have come from your lips, just how do you feel then? Do you feel laden with guilt or do you even realize you are barking nasty remarks their

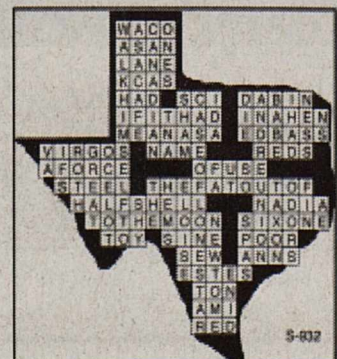
way. Oblivious to the torture you have inflicted upon your loved ones. There is absolutely no excuse for this. I don't want to hear that this is the only way I can get my family to do anything. This is the lie that you tell yourself to not feel guilty. It is time to forgive yourself and then ask them to forgive you. Many times in our lives we are faced with things that are difficult. As sidetracked people we allow our perfectionism to hurt us and our children. We just do not know that is what is causing us to be raving banshees. Now you have a chance to change by taking actions. You may not have known how to change in the past but you are learning. Take these words into your heart and forgive yourself. You know the things you have said.

This can be the beginning of a new relationship with your family. I would like to suggest that you start writing your feelings down too. Not just the pain you are feeling but how you can change. First you have to forgive yourself. You are just learning these things; the more you write the more you will discover about yourself. You are not expected to be perfect. Love yourself enough to take these words and go forward from here. This is not the end but the beginning of a new life. After you forgive yourself and get in touch with your own feelings; then you can ask for forgiveness. My heart goes out to you! My prayers are with you and your whole family. You can do this; you found us because you were looking for a change in your life. You are willing to make changes. Your tongue can criticize or it can encourage.

The choice is all yours. If you have not changed your attitude, then how can you expect to see a change in them! It has to come from the heart. If not they will see right through you. They may not even believe it at first, because you will not be sounding like the mother that have been used to all your life. The children may think the aliens have taken their real mother away. Prove to them and their father that you have changed. Sprinkle your words of love, encouragement and teaching, all over your home. Apologize for your tongue. Don't play the martyr game anymore. No one loves a martyr. Not even you! It is time to FLY without the Guilt; forgive yourself!

What's your opinion?

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## Smart financial moves can help brighten holiday season



Emily Cooper  
Edward Jones in Del Rio

If you're like many people, you're watching your dollars extra carefully this year as you do your holiday shopping. And that's a good thing, because even in the best of times, it's never wise to go overboard on gifts. But by making the right moves during this holiday season, you can also help ensure that you stay on track toward your long-term financial goals.

Specifically, what steps should you be taking during these weeks? Here are a few suggestions:

**Avoid racking up big debts.** In a time of economic uncertainty, the last thing you want to take on a new debt load. Everyone in your life who is important enough to receive a gift from you will understand if you don't splurge on presents you can't afford. And winter can be pretty gloomy when you're trying to pay off big credit card bills from the past holiday season.

**Establish a gift fund.** For next year's gift-giving season, you may want to open a special "gift fund." Of course, it's not easy for any of us to find "extra" money after we're done paying our bills, so the best way to set up your gift fund may be to have the money moved automatically each month from your checking or savings account to another liquid account — one that you wouldn't normally touch for your day-to-day expenses. Even if you can only afford to put in a small amount each month, you might be surprised at how much you'll accumulate in a year.

**Don't touch long-term investments to pay for gifts.** Some people tap into their long-term investments to pay for holiday gifts, telling themselves they'll re-fund the investment when they "get caught up" — but that rarely happens. In fact, once you cash out part of an investment to pay for a gift or an everyday expense, you'll set yourself back in your pursuit of your financial objectives — so do whatever you can to help preserve those investments. Apart from setting up a gift fund, you'll also want to make sure you have a reasonable amount of "cash" and cash equivalents in your investment portfolio.

**Protect yourself from identity theft.** Victims of identity theft can testify that it's an enormous — and possibly expensive — hassle. Unfortunately, identity theft seems to go up during the holiday season, so take steps to protect yourself. When you go out shopping, just take one debit or credit card with you — and look around whenever you use it. Identity thieves have been known to copy down credit card numbers and even photograph credit cards with cell phones. Also, if you're shopping online, make sure you're on a secure web site. One way to check for a secure site is to look for "https" in the Web address, along with the icon of the locked padlock on your browser's status bar.

**Shop early for bargains.** As you probably know, some of the best bargains come during stores' "after-holiday" sales. By taking advantage of these sales, you can stock up on gifts for the next holiday season. By following these suggestions, you may be able to remove a lot of the financial stress that often accompanies the holidays — and that, by itself, can help you enjoy the season even more.

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A Bible Based New Testament Church

9:45 am Bible Study/Sunday School

11:00 am Worship Service

6pm Sunday Evening Service

7:00 pm Wednesday Night Service

Pastor: Ned Sitzes 830-563-5529  
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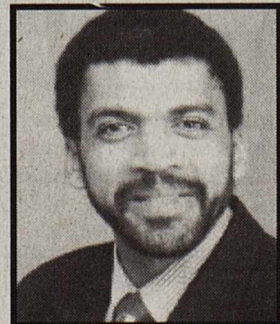
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## 4H officers selected



**Abigail Gutierrez 2010 4-H Sweetheart**

*Brackett News Photo by Leigh Volcsko*

On December 5, the 4-H awards banquet was held at the Service Center in Fort Clark Springs.

The awards banquet was a real success with all of these members receiving awards: Senior Club President, Austin Pettett; Vice President, Kelsey Bruce; Treasurer, Cheyenne Smith; Secretary, Abigail Gutierrez; Reporter, Sarah Davis and Council Delegates, Levi Gutierrez and Ryan Clark.

Junior Club honors were presented to President, Shelby Schuster; Vice President, Tyler Schuster; Treasurer Matt Gutierrez; Secretary, Korlee Allen and Council Delegates Ayme Bruce and Shannon Gammill.

Abigail Gutierrez was named the 2009-2010 4-H Sweetheart.

Abigail was also named co-winner of the Senior Club's 2008-2009 4-Her of the Year with her brother Rolando Gutierrez.

Peyton Bonner was named the Junior Club's 2008-2009 4-Her of the Year.

Haley Smith earned her Gold Award.

County Recordbook Pins for 2008-2009 went to: Tyler Schuster, First at District in Public Speaking; Shelby Schuster, Third at District in Public Speaking; Korlee Allen, Fourth at District in Beef and Cheyenne Smith and Haley Smith participated at District with Rabbit Recordbooks.

Honored project leaders included: Shooting Sports, Brian Blake; Photography, Kim Bleau; Public Speaking and Leadership, Donna Schuster; Clothing and Foods, Yolanda Rueda and Dogs and Horses, Carey Fowler.

Club Managers for 2008-2009 were Dee Dee Brown and Jackie Smith.

Pam Hale was named 2008-2009 Friend of 4-H for her years of support to 4-H.

Keith Gose was given a special Citizen 4-Her of the Year award for his support of 4-H.

## Tiger Football 2009 District 30-A All District



**District Defensive Co-MVP**  
1<sup>st</sup> Team Tight Back  
Jeff Sitgreaves



**1<sup>st</sup> Team Defensive Lineman**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Team Offensive Linemen  
Raul Rivas



**1<sup>st</sup> Team Defensive End**  
1<sup>st</sup> Team Offensive Linemen  
Jaime Rodriguez



**1<sup>st</sup> Team Inside Linebacker**  
1<sup>st</sup> Team Offensive Linemen  
Ramon Gutierrez



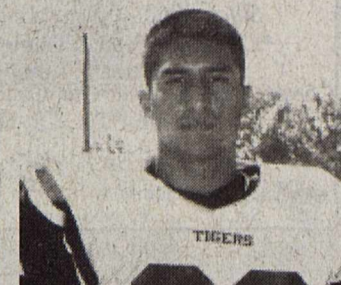
**1<sup>st</sup> Team Outside Linebacker**  
Cody Clark



**1<sup>st</sup> Team Defensive Back**  
Isaac Talamantes



**2<sup>nd</sup> Team Inside Linebacker**  
1<sup>st</sup> Team Center  
Shaun Davis



**2<sup>nd</sup> Team Outside Linebacker**  
1<sup>st</sup> Team Running Back  
Victor Robledo



**2<sup>nd</sup> Team Defensive Back**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Team Running Back  
Brandon Allen



**2<sup>nd</sup> Team Offensive Linemen**  
Colten Simmons



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BLT	5.00

All burgers 1/3 pound patty w/ fries or rings

### Mexican Favorites

Chalupa Plate (3)	4.00
Tacos, (1.00ea) or 3	2.75
Taco plate	w/ beans, rice, salad, tortillas, salsa
	5.00
Enchiladas (3)	4.00
Enchilada plate	6.00
Fajita plate w/ grilled onions	8.00
Alibi platter	Fajitas, 2 enchiladas, 1 taco, rice, beans, tortilla, salad, salsa
	11.00
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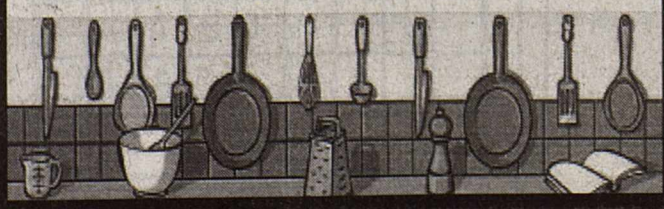
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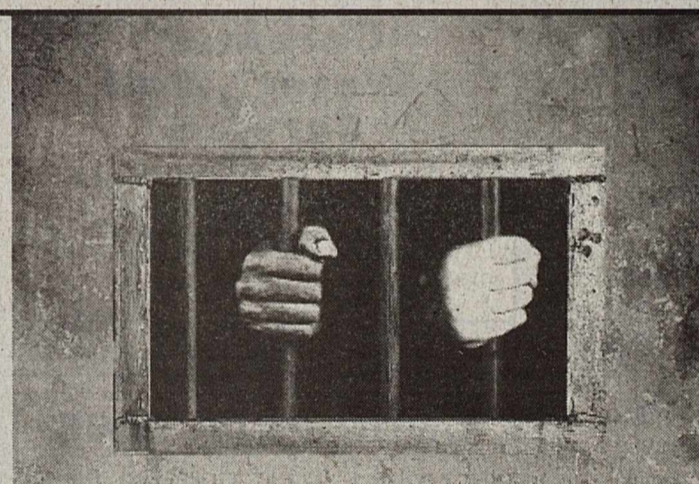
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## RGEC Holiday Season Office Closures



Rio Grande Electric Co-op's offices will be closed December 24-25 for the Christmas holiday, and January 1 for New Year's Day.

In the event of an emergency or outage, you may still reach us by calling 1-800-749-1509. RGEC's own Call Center personnel will be manning the phones around the clock.

Wishing you a Safe and Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year!

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## The "Whole" Note



Heather Knox

One of the greatest and most poignant Christmas carols is

"Silent Night". Coming from humble beginnings, Joseph Mohr was born on December 11, 1792 in Salzburg.

He grew up with his mother Anna Schoiber, his grandmother, Maria, his two half-sisters and his cousin Theresia. They all shared one small, damp room and earned their living by spinning and knitting. His father, Franz Joseph Mohr was in the army and never married his mom. His mother was sentenced to a fine of nine florins for her "carnal offence", the crime of bearing an illegitimate child.

This was as much as Anna earned in a whole year so she was forced to accept the offer of the rich town executioner, who adopted Joseph as his godchild. At that time and with those origins, young Joseph would never have been allowed to learn even a humble craft. However, the cathedral choir-master, happened to hear Joseph singing; he recognized the boy's musical talent and helped him receive an education and to become a priest.

Joseph wrote the carol while serving as an assistant priest in the small village of Mariapfarr. There he lived the simple life of the villagers, walking many miles in the countryside, it is unknown if any event inspired the carol.

On December 24, 1818 Joseph asked a music teacher, Franz Gruber, to add a melody and guitar accompaniment so that he could sing it at Midnight Mass. It is believed that the organ in the church was broken and so he planned to use his guitar to add music to the midnight service.

Over the years "Silent Night" has been performed by thousands of choirs and performers. Perhaps the best known is the arrangement by the Mormon Tabernacle Choir.

The original words, translated from German are:

"Silent night! Holy night!  
All's asleep, one sole light,  
Just the faithful and holy pair,  
Lovely boy-child with curly hair,

Sleep in heavenly peace!  
Sleep in heavenly peace!"

Perhaps the greatest miracle of the carol is that it was written by a pastor who died penniless and never received fame for it - it was a gift given to the world!

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**Cryptogram**

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 Henry Ford

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**Sudoku** Answer  
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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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## "Happy 17th Birthday"



## "Happy Birthday Courtney"

May God bless you with happiness & health for many more years to come. With love from your family who loves you and your friends at The Brackett News!

## Kinney County Sheriff's Report



**Monday, December 7**  
6:14pm, A man called asking if somebody could check on his parents because he was unable to make contact with them. Chief of police was notified and dispatched to the residence, reporting everything was okay.  
7:14pm, A man called to report someone was leaving the gates to his ranch open, and he was tired of it. The man also stated he was carrying a .45 pistol. A deputy was notified of the situation.  
**Tuesday, December 8**  
5:57pm, A woman called stating an individual had hit her vehicle and drove away earlier in the day in a parking lot. Chief of Police was notified of the incident.  
6:25pm, A call was received from a woman stating she wanted to speak with a deputy about somebody dumping trash on Coffin St. Chief of Police was notified to contact the individual.  
7:05pm, A man called requesting to speak with a deputy, stating he had information about a case that he was working on. The deputy was notified.  
10:20pm, A woman called to report the back door to the Civic Center was open. Chief of Police was notified and later reported it was open because it was being cleaned.  
10:50pm, Fort Clark Security called requesting a deputy to as-

sist with finding the owner to a unoccupied vehicle that had been running for over a hour. A deputy was notified.  
**Wednesday, December 9**  
3:53am, A woman called in reference to a EMS call at her neighbors house, stating the neighbors need help and she felt that protective services needed to intervene. A deputy was advised.  
12:59pm, A man called to report there was a dead deer on the road and the bumper to the vehicle that hit the deer was on the road too. A deputy was informed.  
**Thursday, December 10**  
6:09am, A call was received to report a semi truck had struck the railroad light pole on Hwy 90 and there was still debris on the road. Uvalde Police Department was contacted.  
7:43pm, A woman called requesting a deputy to her residence to assist with a family member causing problems. A deputy was informed and dispatched to the residence.  
10:33pm, A 911 call was received from a woman stating she was having problems with her husband, who had been drinking. The husband also spoke with dispatch, stating they were both under the influence of alcohol. A deputy was notified of the situation.  
**Sunday, December 13**  
12:38am, A woman called 911 stating she heard a total of five gunshots behind her residence. A deputy was notified.  
12:39am, A woman called 911 to report someone was knocking on her window. A deputy was notified.  
11:30am, A call was received to report a reckless driver traveling on Hwy 90. DPS was notified.

## OBITUARY

### Alice I. Seargeant



December 11, 2009

Alice I. Seargeant of Fort Clark Springs in Brackettville, Texas, was called to the arms of the Lord at the age of 93 on December 11, 2009.  
Alice was born in Centerville, Pennsylvania, to Ralph and Elva Martin. Alice and her family moved to Texas when she was young. Alice attended school in Garwood, Texas, and upon her graduation from high school she attended Southwest Texas State Teacher's College in San Marcos, Texas. Alice married Albert J. Seargeant Jr. on December 29, 1943. They had a son and two daughters to bless their lives. Albert's Air Force duties called the family to different locations, and Alice taught school in most of them. Alice and Albert finally settled down to live in Brackettville, where she taught school for many years. Alice was an active member of the United Methodist Church in Brackettville. She and Albert were among the first homeowners in Unit One at Fort Clark Springs, where she continued to live. Alice was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, and sisters Ellen Battelle and Edith Tribby. Alice leaves behind many loved ones: son Albert James Seargeant III and wife Ann of Edgewood, New Mexico; daughter Judith Lynn Blackburn and husband Jim of Stephenville, Texas; daughter Catherine Ann Cano and husband Al of San Antonio, Texas; brother Samuel Martin and wife Jennie; and sisters-in-law Jean Seargeant and Nell Walker. Other loved ones include: 7 grandchildren—Melissa, Mark, Matt, Bobby, Travis, Rachel, and Nicole; 14 great-grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews; special friend Wally Cooper; and her extended family and friends at Ft. Clark Springs and Brackettville.  
Alice's family expresses thanks to all who have shown their love and attention through the years. The family also thanks Dr. Luz and Jill and Dr. Lindsey for their care during her illness. Many thanks are extended to the nurses at Val Verde Regional Medical Center for the excellent care given to Alice during her stay and to the wonderful staff of Val Verde Hospice during her final days with us. Memorial Services will be on Saturday, December 19, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. at the United Methodist Church in Brackettville with Pastor Jean Reardon officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 93, Brackettville, Texas 78832. Arrangements under the direction of G. W. Cox Memorial Funeral Home, 114 Fletcher Dr. Del Rio, TX 78840. PH 830-775-2000.

## The Word made flesh



Pastor Judith Adams

And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth. John bare witness of him, and cried, saying, This was he

of whom I spake. He that cometh after me is preferred before me: for he was before me. And of his fulness have all we received, and grace for grace. For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ.

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## The Texas Perimeter Hike



The Texas Perimeter Hike by Smatt

"We envision a world where everyone can explore and create meaningful connections with the people and places [they] encounter." - Couchsurfing.org  
Vision Statement When I reached the Texarkana city limits, the first thing I did was place a phone call to a complete stranger. His name was Michael, and he had agreed, sight unseen, to host me for the evening. Only a few weeks prior, I had heard a mountain lion scream just a dozen yards from where I was camping, so an evening with a fellow human sounded like an absolute vacation. Both Michael and the mountain lion bring to mind probably the second most frequently asked question I've received while hiking the perimeter of Texas: "Where do you sleep?"  
A glance at my backpack with its attached sleeping bag is usually answer enough. Along the way, however, I have also been put up by family, friends, and the occasional good Samaritan, but many of these visits have been spontaneous and without much planning. Showing up to a big town and not knowing a soul can be a daunting reality, so two hundred miles into the trek, I signed up for an online resource, a website whose name reflects the values and goals of many a lonely traveler. The site I turned to was Couchsurfing.org. "Couchsurfing" is slang for sleeping on some-

one else's couch. On its most basic level, Couchsurfing.org is a way to travel around on a shoestring budget, introducing travelers to potential hosts (and their couches) for a night or more. It's a more intimate, less spontaneous version of hitchhiking, but because the first point of contact is done online, there's a nice buffer zone for careful reflection. Since 2004, it's been something of an international phenomenon with members in over 230 countries and territories around the world. To the uninitiated, the very mention of couchsurfing is usually accompanied by the question "Is this safe?" As luck would have it, there is a button on the website labeled "Is This Safe?" loaded with general advice and suggested guidelines, the most straightforward being "Use Your Common Sense." Perhaps attributable to some of these tips and built-in safety mechanisms, Couchsurfing.org boasts an incredible 99.6% positive feedback from all its facilitated connections between travelers and hosts. Of course, my parents were not excited about the idea, but once something as big as my Texas hike slipped through their defenses, it's hard to put up much resistance to anything else. Still, they voiced their opinions and told me to be on my guard, as if the other guy was the one who was dirty, disheveled, and hiking around the state.  
As it turns out, Michael was an incredible host. On top of the comfy couch that I slept on, he arranged an interview with the Texarkana Gazette, made breakfast every morning, introduced me to his family and friends, showed me around town, and lent me a computer to work

on. We also discovered we shared a mutual friend. My visit, which ended up being three days long, was so far removed from camping near a wild cat that it's hard to reconcile the two events as part of the same trip.  
And yet they are. These very different experiences are united not only by my project but by a common penetration into uncharted territory. There is a general perception that the unknown is something to avoid, but I disagree. Sure, I may not have fully embraced this ideology in the moments that followed the most piercing demonic scream I've ever heard in my life. However, I still believe it's a higher good to jump into something new every now and again, if for no other reason than to affirm the belief that the world is an enormous, wondrous creation, not all of it uninviting. Smatt is the penname of S.Matt Read. A writer, inventor, baker, and hiker, he is currently hiking the entire outline of the state.

Michael Boyd



## Medicare Rx

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 New Listing-247 Airport Rd: nice 2/2 home, metal roof, storage & enclosed golf cart parking, appliances included. Spacious lot backs up to golf course fairway.  
 Let's Make a Deal-38 Sunset Lane: well maintained 3/3 split level home in great area, large kitchen, FP, upgrades, REDUCED!  
 127 Bowie: Unique 3BR, 5B home, patios, upgrades, UNDER CONTRACT  
 155 Avenida Juarez: 3/2 townhome, FP, interior upgrades, beautiful setting overlooking Las Moras Creek!  
 Unit 3: Furnished 3/2 mobile home, sunroom add, 2 carports, fenced, recent upgrades!  
 Unit 7: 2/1, recent upgrades, remodeled bath, CHA, just \$30,000!  
 Unit 14: 1/1 cottage, needs work but has potential, \$16,500 Make Offer!  
 705 N. Ellen: 3/2 brick home, custom remodeled, 1,953+/-sq.ft., metal roof, workshop & fenced yard, just \$79,900!  
 New Listing-Tiger Alley: Darling 3BR, 1.5B home, remodeled, hardwood & tile floors, new CHA, carport, fenced, \$\$\$ Below Appraisal!  
 New Listing: historic building downtown area, 1,900+/-sq.ft., large covered patio, great buy at \$49,500!

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

FORT CLARK MUNICIPAL UTILITY District of Kinney County will receive sealed bids for the Fort Clark Springs 150,000 Gallon Water Tank Painting Project. Bids for proposed work will be opened at 10:00 am, Friday, January 15, 2010 in The Fort Clark Municipal Utility District Board Room. The proposed work consists of the preparation, painting, and coating the existing 150,000 gallon elevated water storage tank. The project is located at Fort Clark Springs, Texas. The Engineer is Rosin Group, Inc., 19230 Stone Oak Parkway, Suite 300, San Antonio, Texas 78258. Telephone: (210)-490-6001 FAX: (210) 495-9580 Bidding Documents will be on file for review in the offices of the Engineer after Sunday, December 20, 2009. After that date, such documents will also be on file at the following locations: (1) AGC Builders Exchange, San Antonio, Texas (2) F.W. Dodge, San Antonio, Texas. Bidders may obtain a set of bid documents on CD (in a .pdf format) for the nonrefundable sum of \$50.00. Submit application and payment to Engineer. Bidders may obtain a printed set of the bid documents for the nonrefundable sum of \$75.00. (Partial sets will not be made available.) Submit application and payment to Engineer. Bid must be accompanied by a bid security equal to 10 percent of bid sum. If a construction contract is awarded, successful bidder will be required to furnish performance and payment bonds, each equal in amount to contract sum. Interested parties are invited to attend a pre-bid meeting that will convene at 10:00 am, Monday, January 4, 2010, in the Fort Clark Springs Municipal Utility District Board Room. Attendance at the pre-bid meeting is not mandatory. All questions related to the proposed work should be directed to Engineer's Project Manager, Mr. Roy Rosin.

**O'Rourke Realty**  
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NEW LISTING- UNIT 1- FCS FOR SALE/RENT 2BED/2BATHS, living room, spacious kitchen with bar. Ceramic tile except in carpeted bedrooms, central AC/H, metal roof, tiled front porch, tiled covered patio. Fenced, faces beautiful green area. \$59,500.00 Owner finance possible.

IN HISTORICAL AREA OF FORT CLARK- loft bedroom, 2 baths, laundry room central air, furnished, appliances. Antiques and art negotiable \$70,000.

RENTALS

**WANTED**  
 CATTLE LEASE WANTED- 1,000 acres and up, with year round grazing and equipment available. Call 830-317-9409 [bj]

**Tejas Properties**  
 Phyllis & Les Meyer Broker/Ranch Sales 830-563-9911  
 Deborah Isaacs Agent/Residential Sales 830-563-7272

New listing- Unit 14, Lot 30- RV Lot w/ full living quarters, approx. 806 sf-living room, kitchen, bath and bedroom (upstairs), no maintenance yard.  
 4/2 on Ann Street, remodeled kitchen and bathroom, large corner lot with pecan trees, recently painted throughout, enclosed porches. Only \$129,995.00!  
 Unit 15- 3 bedroom, 2 bath mobile home. \$18,000.00  
 Unit 14- 2 lots with cover and small 5th wheel- \$25,000  
 Golf Course Lot on Fort Clark Road- \$5000  
 962 Acres off 674 north of Brackett, improvements, wells, good hunting --\$1195 an acre  
 Rentals Available-  
 • 1 and 2 bedrooms- long or short term leases. Call for more information.  
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 Ken Barnett - Melissa Davis  
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**FORT CLARK**  
 • NEW LISTING: Two Golf Course Lots Unit 27 - Fairway Circle. \$9,500  
 • NEW LISTING: 39 Oak Lane- Beautiful multi-level, steel-framed home with 3BR/2B, open floor plan + large alternate family room. Many upgrades. 2900 sq. ft +/- Home Warranty offered. Great Location! \$187,500  
 • 89 WARD: Price Reduced Awesome 4BR/3B Family Home with Bonus and Media Rms. 3000 sqft. +/- Huge Reduction to \$155,000  
 • 221 OAK LANE Fantastic 2 story home, 3BR/3B 2 car garage + separate workshop. Many upgrades, great location! \$199,500.  
 • 29 LAMOTTE: 3/2/2 Stucco hm w/ tiled floors, FP in large kitchen/breakfast rm. Screened porch overlooking green area. Reduced \$124,900.  
 • 132 DE ZAVALA: Adorable A-Frame 2BR/1B w/ 300sq. ft. Loft area, 1100 +/- sq. ft. Reduced \$35,000. UNDER CONTRACT  
 • 23 OAK LANE: Custom Built Home 3BR/2B on large, fenced corner lot. Backyard Cabana. Mature Oaks. 2100 +/- sq. ft. \$163,000  
 • ANDERSON/TRAVIS: Cute 3BR/1.5B on 1 lot \$42,500.  
 • 80 BAYLOR: Home in Historical District 3BR/2B Approx. 1836 sq. ft. \$60,000. UNDER CONTRACT  
 • FAIRWAY CIRCLE: 2 golf course lots. walking distance from Las Moras creek. \$25,000.  
 • UNIT 14: RV lot w/ metal cover 8 x 10 Morgan bldg. + washer/dryer hookups. \$32,000 Reduced to sell @ \$22,000  
 • NEW LISTING 240 POMPEY 3 lots. Great location \$30,000.

**BRACKETTVILLE**  
 • 109 W. SPRING ST.: Downtown Brackettville 4,400sq. ft. Great Rental Property!  
**ACREAGE**  
 • 191 ACRES - Carta Valley  
 • NEW LISTING 110 ACRES: 25 miles N. of Brackettville 12x20 Hunters cabin, several feeders and deer blinds. \$1195.00 per acre  
**OFFICE: 830-563-2446 or 830-563-5121**

**10 WORDS \$3 IN THE CLASSIFIEDS**

**PUBLIC AUCTION**  
 ABANDONED MOTOR VEHICLES  
 BY KINNEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FOLLOWING VEHICLES WILL BE SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION ABANDONED MOTORVEHICLES

- DATE: DECEMBER 19, 2009  
 TIME: 10:00 A.M.
- LOCATION: KINNEY COUNTY DETENTION CENTER  
 2.5 MILES SOUTH OF BRACKETTVILLE ON HWY. 131  
 BRACKETTVILLE, TEXAS 78832
- 2001 FORD EXPLORER SPORT TRAC - VIN # 1FMZU77E01UB47432 (FORF.)
  - 1996 TOYOTA COROLLA - VIN # INXBA02E0T2486087 (FORF.)
  - 2002 FORD TRUCK FX4 - VIN # 1FTRW08L02KE31773
  - 2004 FORD TRUCK F250 DIESEL - VIN # 1FTNW21P34ED71030
  - 1997 PONTIAC BONNEVILLE - VIN # 1G2HX52K1VH277523
  - 1998 CHEVROLET TAHOE - VIN # 1GNEK13R9WJ357638
  - 1991 FORD F150 - VIN# 1FTDF15Y4MLA82761
  - 1998 BUICK LESABRE - VIN # 1G4HP52K7WH517540
  - 1996 SATURN 4 DOOR - VIN # 1G8ZK5271TZ378881
  - 1996 FORD RANGER - VIN # 1FTDR15XXTPA43887 (NOT ON PREMISES)
  - 1997 CHEV. TRUCK - VIN# 1GCEC19R3VE213376
  - 1999 FORD EXPLORER - VIN# 1FMYU22E5XUA75657
  - 1996 FORD EXPLORER (2 DOOR) - VIN# 1FMCU24X0TUC43465

TERMS OF SALE:  
 CASH / CASHIER'S CHECK / MONEY ORDER  
 VEHICLES WILL BE SOLD AS IS WITH NO GUARANTEES OF ANY KIND.  
 FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:  
 KINNEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT  
 (830) 563-2788

SIGNED THIS 20th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2009  
 L.K. BURGESS, SHERIFF  
 KINNEY COUNTY  
 BRACKETTVILLE, TEXAS

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**ACROSS**

- this TX city is only in U.S. that has radio station that spells name of city
- TXism: "cold outhouse seat in January"
- HOV in Dallas
- McCook FM
- TX Ginger Rogers "It \_\_\_ to Be You"
- TX Roddenberry's genre: \_\_\_
- TXism: "smack the middle"
- TXism: "been a snake it would have bit you"
- TXism: "lested as long as a June bug house"
- TXism: "\_\_\_ caged cougar"
- Fort Worth businessman who financed "Biosphere 2"
- zodiac signs of TX Larry Hagman, et al.
- "Bevo" is the \_\_\_ of the UT mascot
- '81 film with TX-born Bessie Love
- TX rancher Chuck Norris '79 film: "\_\_\_ of One"
- terms \_\_\_
- TX Rip Torn '78 film: "\_\_\_ Cowboy"
- TXism: "pulled \_\_\_ the \_\_\_" (saved the day)
- little dish for some TX seafood (2 wds.)
- during this Comaneci's tour in '81, Bela Karolyi defected to Houston
- sung by TX-born Mathis: "Fly Me \_\_\_"
- TX George Strait's age on 5/18 of 2013 (2 wds.)
- Metropolis bikers ride in "Big Texas \_\_\_ Run" every December
- trigonometric function
- penniless
- stitch
- Gov. Richards and TX-born actress Miller
- TX pro golfer Bob \_\_\_ 2,000 lbs.
- TX Charley Pride's "Then Who \_\_\_?"
- TX Tanya's "Texas When I \_\_\_"
- Athens, TX event: "Fiddlers Contest"
- this Laufenberg was back-up to Troy & now a sportscaster
- TX Trini sang "If \_\_\_ a Hammer"
- not in TX: "Loch \_\_\_ Monster"
- state nurses group (abbr.)
- this Sonju got the Mavs in Dallas (init.)
- TX has five \_\_\_ medical centers for veterans
- "no \_\_\_ ands, or butts"
- IRA type
- "Texas, our Texas, so wonderful so \_\_\_"
- small TX wild cat with black spots
- "la la"
- Austin univer.
- TX Linda Ellerbee's "And \_\_\_ it Goes"
- Colony, TX \_\_\_ and haws"
- this TX-born Broady was '88 "Playmate"
- TX does not have a \_\_\_ income
- boot aromas
- fish appendage
- TXism: "he's a few bricks \_\_\_ of a load"
- "E=MC<sup>2</sup>" guy (init.)
- Marie's "You're Still \_\_\_" ('86)
- mineral springs
- OK town

**ANSWER PG. 2**