

The Brackett News

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Kinney County Is Home To Ernestine Paiz, Happy Birthday Nov 7 and Edward Paiz, Happy Birthday Nov 8

What's Happening

VETS PLEASE ATTEND
The BISS Jones Elementary-Intermediate students are hosting their annual SALUTE TO VETERANS on Thursday, Nov 11 at 1pm at the BHS Auditorium. Please call Martha Padron for information 830.563.2688.

PARISH FESTIVAL
The St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church Parish Festival will be held at the parish parking lot on Sunday, November 7 from 11:30 am to 5 pm. There will be music, BBQ from 11am - 2pm (eat in or carry out) with dessert booth/ cake auction, silent auction, bingo (starts at 2pm) and castle bounce. Come and join us.

XC TEAMS ADVANCE
BHS Varsity Boys and Girls Cross Country teams will both advance to Regionals to be held in San Antonio on November 6. It is believed this is the first time a boys team has advanced to this level in many years. SEE PG 3

HUNTER'S ROUND UP
The annual Hunter's Round Up will be held Saturday, November 6 @ the Kinney County Civic Center from 6p to 10p. The Wild Game Dinner will be \$10 or FREE to individuals with a valid hunting license. Music and entertainment by David Murray, Prize Drawings, Door Prizes and booths of all kinds.

FLAG RAISING
U.S. MILITARY VETS NEEDED: Attend the 11 Nov. 2010, U.S. Flag raising @ the KINNEY Co. Court house @ 0900. After Flag raising, Info will be handed out to Vet's about a up and coming Vet-to Vet support group forming and may be meeting @ the Kinney Co. Library. This Group WILL NOT be affiliated with any Gov. group. The Public is invited to the Flag Raising on 11 Nov. For Info. Contact: Monty Montgomery, 830-719-5113

EMS WEEKLY REPORT
The week of October 24 - 30: Kinney County EMS responded to a total of 11 medical calls. Seven of the calls were transported to area hospitals including one Air Life transport to San Antonio.

CASINO NIGHT
Following the PTO Meeting Thursday, November 18 in the new BISS Cafeteria at 6:30pm. Fundraising Hold 'Em and Fundraising Black Jack tables. For more info contact Crystal Fisher, 214.505.0036.

NATIVITY SCENES
Frontier Baptist Church corner of Ann and El Paso Streets wants to invite the community to their second annual Christmas Nativity Scenes Event. The nativity scenes will be on display in the church's educational building from November 1- December 9th. On Mondays, the Nativity Scenes will be shown from 6:30PM to 8:30 PM, and on Thursday's from 2:30-4:30PM. This event is free to the public.

ANGEL FOOD ORDERS
Place your orders early this month because of Thanksgiving. Order dates are Nov 4 10-12; Nov 5 4-6; Nov 8 10-12 and Nov 9 4-6. Orders taken at Slaton Hall. Distribution will be Sat Nov 20 9:30 - 10:30

BHS/BJH CALENDAR OF EVENTS
Nov 4: JH Football @ Center Point at 5p.m.
Nov 5: Varsity football against Center Point at 7:30 p.m.; ACT Registration Deadline; SAT Registration Deadline
Nov 6: SAT Test Date; Regional Cross Country meet at Brooks Air Force Base, San Antonio
Nov 12: JV and Varsity Girls Basketball team vs. Rocksprings at 5 p.m.
Nov 13: High School Cross Country state meet in Roundrock, Texas
Nov 15: JH Girls Basketball B/A teams vs. Sabinal at 5:00/6:15 and JH Boys Basketball B/A teams vs. Sabinal at 5:00/6:15

JONES ELEM-INTER CALENDAR OF EVENTS
Nov 8 - Get Fit Club starts
Nov 11 - Veteran's Day Presentation @ 1:00 in the school auditorium
Nov 11 - SHAC @ 3:30

Ward wins; Solis works 50th election

By Leigh Jenkins
mybrackettnews.com

Kinney County citizens turned out in large numbers to cast their votes for what became an interesting local election.

A total of 725 voters turned out during the early voting period, 108 voted by mail while 627 voted on Election Day, November 2, said Kinney County Clerk Dora Sandoval.

Tax Collector Martha Padron said there are 2,387 registered voters in Kinney County.

Tim Ward (R), appointed as Kinney County Judge two years ago after the passing of Johnnie Fritter, won his bid with nearly a three to one vote margin over Joe N. Garza, Jr. (D), 1031 votes to 374 votes, respectively.

Kinney County-District Clerk Dora Elia Sandoval (D), ran unopposed and received 970 votes.

County Treasurer Diana L. Gutierrez (D), ran unopposed and received 945 votes. Gutierrez' name was erroneously printed in recent articles by this publication as Ward.

County Commissioner Precinct 2 Joe Montalvo (D), ran unopposed and received 241 votes.

Incumbent County Commissioner Precinct 4 Pat Melancon (D) barely defeated his challenger, David Tinney (R), with 254 votes to 249, respectively.

Justice of the Peace Narce Villarreal (D), ran unopposed and garnered 931 votes.

In the most contentious races of the year, the water board seats for precincts 1, 2 and 3 were settled at the ballot box and to the surprise of many, not in court.

Incumbent Kinney County Groundwater Conservation District Director Precinct 2 Lloyd Lee Davis won his reelection bid

over Rose Mary Slubar, 181 votes to 126 Slubar's votes.

Incumbent District Director Precinct 1 Beth Ann Smith defeated Ida Diane Holley with 164 votes to Holley's 122 votes.

Jim McDaniel handily won over Vada F. Baldree in the District Director Precinct 3 race with 135 votes to Baldree's 86 votes.

Holley and Baldree submitted applications to run for positions on the water board in xxx, but their applications were rejected because they did not meet the required rural residential qualifications.

Holley and Baldree sued the water district and 63rd Judicial District Judge Enrique Fernandez allowed their names to appear on the ballot pending a hearing on October 28.

At the hearing five days before the election, Judge Fernandez dismissed the case due to his lack of jurisdiction.



Brackett News Photo By Leigh Jenkins - Alternate Election Judge Paulita Solis, of Spofford, proudly worked her 50th election in Kinney County. Solis says she worked the election when Kennedy was elected, through last year's historic election of Barack Obama and then to Tuesday's election makes the big FIVE-O.

Remembering Garcia

By Leigh Jenkins
mybrackettnews.com

The late Ignacio P. Garcia not only served his country in the U.S. Army, but served as a local deputy sheriff for over twenty years until his untimely death in 1971.

Kinney County records show

Garcia was honorably Discharged from the US Army on June 22, 1919 at Camp Travis, Texas, "by reason of expiration of term of service."

The records, found in Volume 1, page 189 of the Kinney County Discharge Records, state Garcia enlisted at age 26 and was a bar-

ber by occupation at the time, but in the Army, Private Garcia was part of the Permanent Detachment, School for Bakers and Cooks. Garcia is further described as having, "brown eyes, black hair, Dark complexion and was 5 feet, 4 inches in height," married and of "Excellent" character.

Garcia was strangled to death on June 8, 1971, when two men broke out of the Kinney County Jail, according to newspaper clippings from the Del Rio News Herald.

The American Federation of Police presented his widow, Victoria Garcia, with their Medal of Honor shortly after his

death to honor, "his supreme sacrifice."

Garcia's grandson, Ruben Garcia, an employee of Fort Clark Springs Association, said he believes his grandfather worked as a civilian in the Fort Clark Mess Hall when the base was a active.



MEDAL PRESENTED—Mrs. Victoria Garcia, widow of Ignacio P. Garcia, 75-year-old deputy sheriff of Kinney County, received the Medal of Honor Award from the American Federation of Police at a brief ceremony Tuesday at her home in Brackettville. Making the presentation, standing left is Police Chief J.R. Koog of Del Rio with Kinney County Clerk Alvin Hall, Kinney County Judge Tommy Seargeant and Lt. R. Z. Andrade of Del Rio Police Department. Seated in the foreground are Gabriel Garcia, son of the slain deputy, and Kinney County Sheriff John Sheedy. The deputy was strangled to death June 8 in the County Jail when two men broke out. The American Federation of Police is a national fraternal organization of 30,000 law enforcement officers. The award reads, in part, that Garcia's performance of his duties as a law enforcement officer, pumping in a manner that will not have a negative effect on our groundwater. The goal is to make certain the rules, policies and procedures are in place that will provide and protect the water supply for the next 50 years and beyond.

Photos Courtesy To The Brackett News/Newspaper Clipping Used With Permission From Del Rio News Herald - Top Left: Private Ignacio P. Garcia in an undated picture between September 1917 and June 1919. Lower Left: Dedication plaque hangs in the Kinney County Sheriff's Office to honor Deputy Garcia who was killed in the line of duty. Right: Newspaper clipping tells the story of how Garcia was honored posthumously by the American Federation Of Police.

Water district to comply with TCEQ demands

Submitted by KCGCD

A lot of attention has been generated concerning the Kinney County Groundwater Conservation District during this election. Many ads and flyers have been circulating questioning the District's ability to operate. Since the election is over, it is time to set the record straight.

On September 9, 2010 the District entered into a compliance agreement with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. The agreement was set up to provide time tables for the

District to report its progress to TCEQ. The first reporting deadline is November 9, 2010. This is the first of several reports. Information contained in this report concerns the policies and procedures put into place by the Board of Directors. These documents outline how the District will operate to comply with its rules and Chapter 36 of the Texas Water Code. Along with the policy and procedures, the District will provide documentation that it is indeed following the Rules and Chapter 36 of the Texas Water Code.

Another aspect of the District operations being reviewed is its financial records. The Board has developed a set of policies to fully account for the revenue and expenses. An operating budget was developed and approved. All audits of the District finances for 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009 have been completed. The Board has contracted to have the District audited for 2010 before the end of the year.

"Yes we will continue to answer to TCEQ for the next 18 months until they are satisfied that the District has the proper

policies and procedures in place for staff to operate the District in a proper and prudent manner. The current Board has done everything possible to clean up the deficiencies they found when they were elected," said Ken Carver, General Manager. These problems are not unique to Kinney County GCD. Other groundwater districts have been audited by the State Auditor's Office and found to have deficiencies that have to be addressed.

The citizens of Kinney County should take pride that they have a District that is try-

ing to do the best for all residents in the county. The Board has set a goal of protecting Las Moras Spring and to allow pumping in a manner that will not have a negative effect on our groundwater. The goal is to make certain the rules, policies and procedures are in place that will provide and protect the water supply for the next 50 years and beyond.

The Board will continue to welcome input from the citizens whether they live in Fort Clark, the City of Brackettville or rural areas of the county.

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

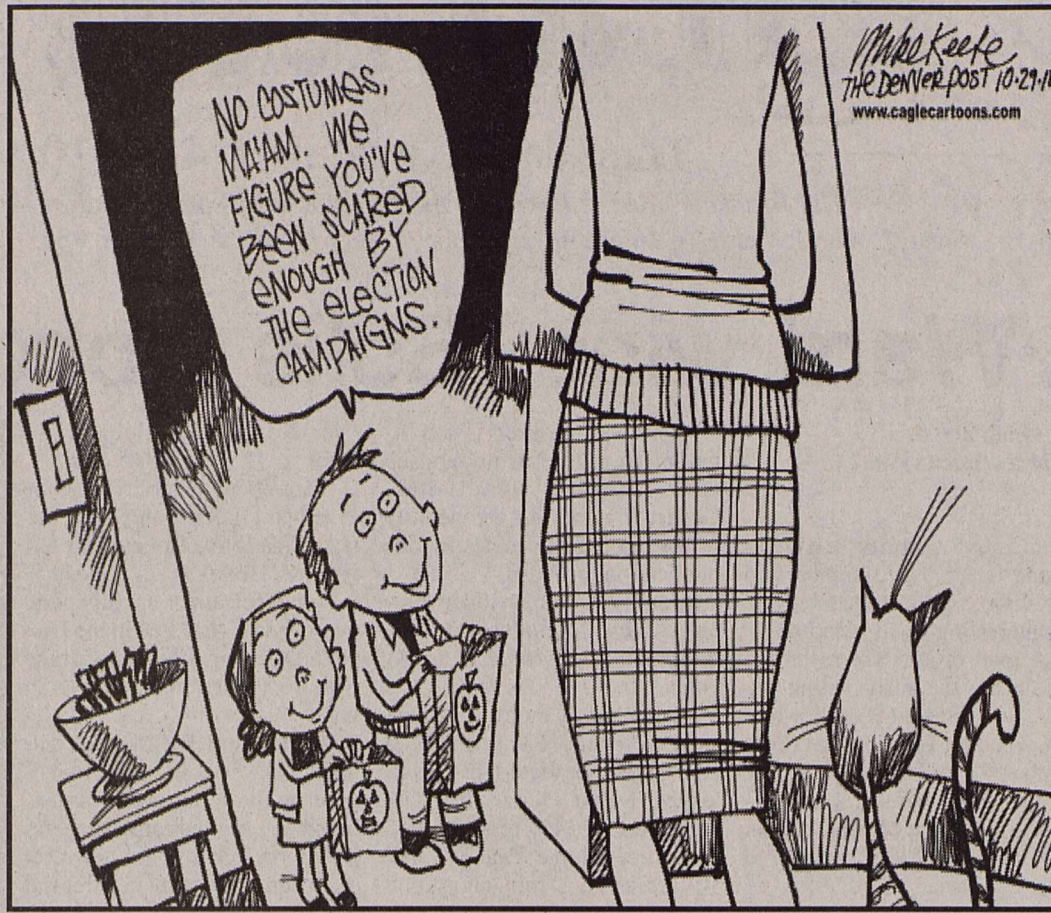
Publishers PLOG (or Paper Log)

Glad the election is over? Yeah? Me too. I was tired of talking bad about people, or should I say listening to everyone speak so poorly of everyone else.

The Republicans had a good day. As a former Republican, my new Independent/Swing Voter status feels a little funny. I think I'm independently happy for Ward and swing voter sad for Bill White.

I received a lot of requests to print sample ballots this year. I know I've never done this but I wrote three articles leading up to the election that named all the local candidates individually and the positions they were running for. I'm not big on printing an entire ballot, besides sample ballots have become a touchy subject for me. I usually get them for writing articles for the paper, but after my spring disaster with my son and my county commissioner, I'm not sure I want to be seen with a sample ballot. So I found it safer to leave the courthouse wearing dark sunglasses and with all four of them stuffed under my shirt. And I swear I didn't speak to anyone. What's so funny for those of you who don't know is that my son and I were found NOT GUILTY after being accused of violating the election code when a candidate saw us talking outside the election site....my defense was that: I was not speaking to my son about the election, I was yelling at him about his Spanish grade and I just happened to be holding a sample ballot in my hand....it was more complicated than that but I can't remember the episode of Law & Order that I stole my defense, but that's another whole story for a later date. ANYWAYSSSSSS....I believe all elections are local. Sometimes I wonder if counts who I vote for President, but it makes a huge difference here at home when voting for a county commissioner when just a few votes (like five) can make one guy the winner and the other sent home without a prize. I hope for those of you who did not vote that you will get more involved in the spring.

Leigh J.



Mike Keefe
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Throwing out the life line



Fly Lady Marla Cilley

Do you ever feel like you are drowning? And you are going down for the last time and no one is there to save you! In fact the whirlpool is about to suck you into the dark abyss. This is how we all feel when we are living in CHAOS! The whirlpool is the vicious cycle we are living in and we don't know how to stop it! You can't even remember how you got into the dangerous waters in the first place! I can tell you exactly why! Procrastination! You didn't want to look at the problem so you put it off. You probably still don't want to address the issues that are drowning you! But we do this every single day. You see it is not one thing that is pulling you under it is all the things that got our homes in the shape they are in! Everything is connected and one thing starts getting sucked into the whirlpool the rest will follow! UNLESS you start to pull your own self out one bad habit at a time.

I know you don't believe me, but as strange as it may seem, FLYING can give you the life preservers when nothing else will! We put off paying bills! We put off buying groceries! We put off planning menus! We put off doing our taxes! You name it we can find a way and an excuse for putting it off! We have to stop this right now! Just stopping one thing will keep your head above water. Wednesday is always Anti-procrastination day, menu planning day and clean out the refrigerator day. Look at what taking care of these things will do for this whirlpool you have gotten yourself into. With the refrigerator cleaned out, you can see what food you need to buy, what you need to use up and what leftovers can be used in a pot of soup. Just the act of doing it starts your mind thinking about menus and a grocery list. While you are cleaning out the refrigerator, keep your grocery list handy so you can jot down a few ideas for next week's meals. Now after you have cleaned out the refrigerator, sit down with a cup of tea for 10 minutes and think about what you can cook next week. Having groceries in the house is half the battle to cooking. When you don't have it on hand it is just much easier to call for pizza or takeout! Which is why you are gaining weight and losing money; could this be a reason you are in the whirlpool in the first place? Think about the life preserver of just cleaning out the refrigerator: could this be the key to not falling into the abyss! You have it in your head that menu planning it going to take a long time, it is hard or that you have people that won't eat what you cook. Your excuses are just another form of whining and procrastination.

If the truth be told, menu planning only takes a few minutes if you will do it. Eventually you will have several week's worth of menus and grocery lists that you can recycle and not even have to go through this process except to clean out the refrigerator so you won't forget to utilize some produce. Cleaning out the refrigerator along with menu planning saves you money! This is money that can be used to pull yourself out of this whirlpool! You have to start someplace! So go clean out your refrigerator! My hand is out; grab it and we will FLY together!

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"Elect" investments to help pursue your goals



Emily Cooper
Edward Jones in Del Rio

It's election time again, so you take time to learn about the various candidates and their positions on the issues. But you also need to make informed decisions in other areas of your life — such as when you "elect" the investments to help pursue your goals.

Actually, you can find some similarities in selecting candidates and choosing investments. Here are a few "votes" that can apply to either situation:

• Vote for vision. When you vote for political candidates, you

expect that they have a solid vision for what they want to accomplish. And when you put together an investment strategy, you also need a vision of the goals you're hoping to reach — and this overall vision should help guide your moves over the years.

• Vote for potential. When you vote for candidates, you are showing your confidence in their potential to be effective legislators. And when you choose specific investments, you are counting on their potential to help you attain your objectives. For example, when you purchase growth-oriented investments, you are anticipating that their value will grow so that you can eventually sell them and make a profit. Of course, the price of these investments will fluctuate, and if you sell when the price is down, you could lose

some or all of your principal. But if you purchase quality investment vehicles, and you hold them for the long term, you may be able to "smooth out" some of the market's volatility and take advantage of your investments' potential.

• Vote for suitability. In choosing a candidate, you're looking for someone who will represent your views, as well as the best interests of your community or state. And you also want to choose investments that are suitable for your individual preferences and goals. So, if you're naturally a conservative investor, you won't want a heavy exposure to riskier investments. Or, if you need a specific amount of money in a set number of years, you may want to choose an investment that offers greater protection of principal and possibly a fixed rate of return.

• Vote for clarity. Before you vote for a candidate, you'll want to be sure you really understand his or her messages and promises. And you'll need a similar clarity in choosing investments. Never invest in something unless you understand its risks and potential rewards.

• Vote for experience. In any election, you want to vote for someone who has the ability to carry out the office that he or she is seeking. And before you choose an investment, you should have the experience necessary to evaluate the pros and cons involved. You can gain some of this knowledge by studying up on the investments that you're considering, but, given the complexities of the financial world, you also may want to work with an investment professional.

As a responsible citizen, you know how important it is to make your voice heard on Election Day. As a diligent investor, you understand how important it is to "elect" the right investments for your portfolio.

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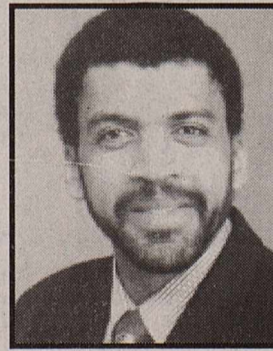
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Girls and Boys XC teams advance to Regionals



Shelby Schuster

On October 27, the Junior High Cross Country Boys and

Girls ran at the District 29-A Meet in Bandera.

In the 8th Grade Girls Division, Emma Palmer won first place with a time of 14:04. Gabby Sandoval placed 2 with a time of 14:31. Gage Brown placed 3 with a time of 14:34. Vyviana Flores placed 9 with a time of 15:33. Amber Resendez placed 12 with a time of 15:52.

In the 7th Grade Girls Division,

Kate Frerich placed 10 with a time of 17:29 Hannah Baggett placed 15 with a time of 18:19. The Girls were District Champions.

In the 8th Grade Boys Division, Dante Luna placed 8 with a time of 13:25. Saul Talamantes placed 10 with a time of 13:50. In the 7th Grade Division, Rafael Martinez placed 8 with a time of 15:50.

On October 27, The High School Boys and Girls and the Junior High Boys and Girls Cross Country teams ran at the District 29-A District meet in Bandera. In the High School Varsity Girls Division, Kelsey Bruce won first place with a time of 12:27. Jaelyn Abbey placed 2 with a time of 13:02. Bianca Cruz placed 4 with a time of 13:43. Haley Hale placed 8 with a time of 14:09. Cheyenne Smith placed 21 with a time of 15:17. Erica Villanueva placed 25 with a time of 16:08. Mercedes

Ocasio placed 27 with a time of 16:31.

The Girls were District Champs and advanced to the Regional Meet.

In the JV Girls Division, Haley Smith placed 27th with a time of 21:52.

In the High School Varsity Boys Division, Joelson Terrazas won 2nd place with a time of 18:44. Adrian Hernandez placed xx with a time of 19:32. Hayden Turkett placed 15 with a time of 20:07. Victor Roman placed 20 with a time of 20:34. Wyatt Blake placed 21 with a time of 20:37. Garon Rueda placed 23 with a time of 21:01. Bradley Edwards placed 28 with a time of 21:38.

The team placed 3rd behind Mason and San Antonio Stacey and also advanced to the Regional Meet.

The Regional Meet will be Saturday, November 6, in San Antonio at the Brooks City Base.

Tigers vs. Johnson City Stats By Cash Letsinger

	TIGERS	Johnson City
Points Scored	27	48
First Downs	20	17
By Rush/Pass/Penalty	12/6/2	8/9/0
3rd Downs Made/Att/Eff	8/14/57	7/9/78
4th Downs Made/Att/Eff	2/4/50	0/1/0
Total Yards / Avg per Play	380/5.8	561/11.4
Total Yards Rushing	206	167
Rushing Att/Avg	50/4.1	30/5.6
Total yards Passing	182	396
Pass Att/Comp/Int	15/8/3	19/15/0
Average Yards per Pass	12.1	20.8
Punts /Avg	2/21.5	1/36.0
Punt Returns/Yards/Avg	0/0/0	0/0/0
Punts Blocked	0	0
Kickoff Returns/Yds/Avg	7/88/13	4/51/13
Fumbles /Lost	4/1	3/2
Total Turnovers	4	2
Penalties /Yards	6/40	7/56
Sacks /Yards	1/3	1/5
TDs	4	7
TDs Rush/Pass	1/3	1/6
Field Goals Att/Made	0/0	1/1
Time of Possession	27:51	20:09

Score by Quarter	1	2	3	4	OT	Final
JC	19	20	6	3	-	48
TIGERS	6	7	14	0	-	27

Scoring Summary

Johnson City: 3 Plays, 55 Yards, at 9:52 1st Q, V, 30 yard passing TD.
PAT Kick Attempt - No Good

TIGERS: 7 Plays, 46 Yards, at 6:29 1st Q, Brandon Allen pass to Ayland Letsinger for 37 yard TD.
PAT Kick Attempt - No Good

Johnson City: 5 Plays, 79 Yards, at 5:46 1st Q, 73 yard passing TD.
PAT Kick Attempt - Good

Johnson City: 1 Play, 77 Yards, at 1:21 1st Q, 77 yard passing TD.
PAT Kick Attempt - No Good

Johnson City: 1 Play, 69 Yards, at 11:35 2nd Q, 69 yard passing TD.
PAT Kick Attempt - No Good

Johnson City: 6 Plays, 65 Yards, at 7:41 2nd Q, 59 yard passing TD.
PAT Kick Attempt - Good

TIGERS: 12 Plays, 57 Yards, at 2:16 2nd Q, Brandon Allen pass to Erbey Martinez for 12 yard TD.
PAT Kick Attempt - Brandon Allen - Good

Johnson City: 6 Plays, 38 Yards, at 0:24 2nd Q, 2 yard rushing TD.
PAT Kick Attempt - Good

TIGERS: 11 Plays, 58 Yards, at 6:53 3rd Q, Sam Stewart 3 yard rushing TD.
PAT Kick Attempt - Brandon Allen - Good

TIGERS: 7 Plays, 85 Yards, at 3:11 3rd Q, Brandon Allen pass to Victor Robledo for 95 yard TD.
PAT Kick Attempt - Brandon Allen - Good

Johnson City: 7 Plays, 57 Yards, at 0:09 3rd Q, 29 yard passing TD.
PAT Kick Attempt - No Good

Johnson City: 13 Plays, 47 Yards, at 0:14 4th Q, 18 yard field goal attempt - Good

Red Ribbon Week



Tyler Schuster

Red Ribbon Week is the nation's oldest and largest drug prevention program in the nation reaching millions of Americans during the last week of October every year.

By wearing red ribbons and participating in community anti-drug events, young people pledge to live a drug-free life.

Enrique (Kiki) S. Camarena was the man for whose life inspired Red Ribbon Week twenty five years ago.

On Thursday, February 7, 1985, at 2 p.m., Special Agent Enrique Camarena left the American Consulate in Guadalajara to meet his wife, Mika, for lunch.

Known to his friends as "Kiki," Special Agent Camarena

had been in Mexico for more than four years on the trail of Mexican marijuana and cocaine drug traffickers. Kiki was due to be reassigned in three weeks because he had come dangerously close to exposing the top leaders of a multi-billion drug pipeline. As Kiki walked to his truck, he was approached by five men who shoved him into a beige Volkswagen.

One of the men threw a jacket over Kiki's head, and the driver sped away. Kiki never saw his wife or family again. Shortly after Kiki's death, Congressman, Duncan Hunter, and high school friend Henry Lozano launched Camarena Clubs in Kiki's hometown of Calexico, California.

Hundreds of club members including Calexico High School teacher David Dhillon wore red ribbons and pledged to lead drug-free lives to honor the sacrifices made by Kiki Camarena and others on behalf of all Americans. This week at our school we had themes. Some wear green and wear your favorite team. This is the 25th anniversary of Red Ribbon Week.

JH Volleyball ends season

On October 25, the 8th Grade Volleyball team ended their season playing against the LaPryor Lady Bullpups. Their best setters were Karina Perez: 2, Morgan Brown: 2, Maddie Frerich: 1, and Peyton Bonner: 1. Their best hitters were Morgan Brown: 2, Maddie Frerich: 1, and Rivers Maddox: 1. Their best serv-

ers were Karina Perez, Maddie Frerich, and Peyton Bonner with a combined total of three aces.

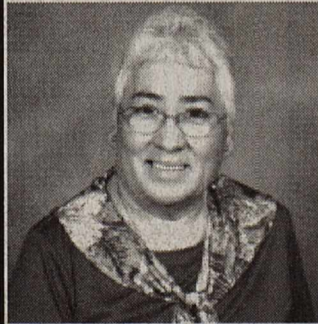
The Cubettes defeated LaPryor in two games: 25-7, 25-11. The team ended up Undeafated District Champs and only lost two games the whole season to Del Rio and Eagle Pass.

Brackett High Basketball

2010  2011

Date	Opponent	Time	Place	Teams
Nov. 12	Rocksprings	5	Brackett	JVG/VG
Nov. 19	Dilley	5	Brackett	JVG/VB
Nov. 22	Comstock	5	Comstock	JVG/JVB/VG/VB
Nov. 23	Nueces Canyon	5	Brackett	JVG/JVB/VG/VB
Nov. 30	Utopia	5	Brackett	JVB/VG/VB
Dec. 2	Big Spring Charter	5	Brackett	JVB
Dec. 2-4	Dilley Tourn.	TBA	Dilley	VG/VB
Dec. 7	Leakey	4	Leakey	JVG/JVB/VG/VB
Dec. 9-11	SWTJC Tourn.	TBA	Uvalde	VG/VB
Dec. 9-11	Dilley JV Tourn.	TBA	Dilley	JVG/JVB
Dec. 14	Rocksprings	5	Rocksprings	JVG/JVB/VG/VB
Dec. 16-18	Sabinal Tourn.	TBA	Sabinal	VG/VB
Dec. 21	Comstock	4	Brackett	JVB/VB
Dec. 21	S.A. Sendero	6:30	Brackett	VG
Dec. 28	Sabinal	4	Brackett	JVG/VG
Dec. 30	La Pryor	1	La Pryor	JVB/VG/VB
Jan. 4	Big Spring Charter	5	Brackett	JVB
Jan. 4	S.A. Gervin	6	Brackett	VG/VB
Jan. 7	S.A. Stacey	4	S.A. Stacey	JVG/JVB/VG/VB
Jan. 11	Charlotte	5	Brackett	JVG/JVB/VG/VB
Jan. 14	D'Hanis	5	Brackett	JVG/JVB/VG/VB
Jan. 18	S.A. Sendero	5	SA Sendero	JVB/VG/VB
Jan. 21	Sabinal	5	Sabinal	JVG/JVB/VG/VB
Jan. 25	S.A. Gervin	5	SA Gervin	VG/VB
Jan. 28	La Pryor	5	Brackett	JVB/VG/VB
Feb. 1	S.A. Stacey	5	Brackett	JVG/JVB/VG/VB
Feb. 4	Charlotte	5	Brackett	JVG/JVB/VG/VB
Feb. 8	D'Hanis	4	D'Hanis	JVG/JVB/VG/VB
Feb. 11	S.A. Sendero	5	Brackett	JVB/VB
Feb. 15	Sabinal	5	Brackett	JVB/VB

BISD Employee of the Week



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Six Things About Me You Probably Didn't Know...

1. I am the oldest of 11 children.
2. My favorite colors are purple & fushia.
3. I love to cook and enjoy living out in the country.
4. I have 2 children and 4 beautiful grandchildren.
5. I love going to the Casino with my sisters. We have great fun!
6. My dream is to go to Six Flags and San Juan.

MEMBERSHIP PETITION

In accordance with the Declaration of Protective Restrictions and the By-Laws Policy Resolution # 02-13, the following memberships in good standing of the Fort Clark Springs Association, Inc., request that the Board of Directors call a Special Membership Meeting IMMEDIATELY UPON VERIFICATION AND RECEIPT OF THIS PETITION for the following purpose:

Removal of William Haenn, Garland Young and recently appointed Henry Garcia, from the Fort Clark Springs Association Board of Directors and appoint Bruce Trautwein, Rick Keyes, and Russell Nowell, to the Board of Directors for the reasons listed below.

(NOTE: Mr. Garcia should not be included in the purposes below, however, he does sign and negotiate the contracts for the City of Brackettville with Fort Clark Springs to use the landfill and the burn pit, could be a conflict of interest.)

1. We believe the unjustified dismissal of Felix Cerna, Director of Operations on Wednesday, October 20, 2010. Felix was never counseled by the board of directors on his performance. There is no documentation of failure on Felix's performance of his duties as director of operations. Felix has tolerated not only implied racial slurs, but an almost constant string of demands, (not requested by the entire board) from an individual board member. Due to pending litigation we believe Fort Clark Springs will pay the remainder of Felix's contract, with attorney fees COULD be in excess of \$100,000.00.

NO MONEY LEFT FOR RESTURANT

2. We believe Fort Clark Springs has an \$87,811.60 common property tax bill, this is on property shared by ALL members as a result of the board passing Mr. Haenn's motion, members are required to pay \$11.50 per membership, the report for September showed 2,390 members in good standing, (those who pay their assessments and tax on a regular basis), the only income Fort Clark Springs can believe will come in, \$11.50 X 2390 = \$27,485.00. Fort Clark Springs will have to pay the remainder of the balance, \$60,326.60.

NO MONEY LEFT FOR RESTURANT

3. We believe The Chief Appraiser removed restrictions on land used in the deer hunt, applied when Mr. Haenn was Chief Appraiser, resulting in an additional tax and penalty, for a total of \$37,548.48. Why didn't Mr. Haenn, as ex-Chief Appraiser, board member, and member in good standing, rush down and talk with the Chief Appraiser, an ex-employee, and convince her to reapply these restrictions and avoid this tax and penalty? Mr. Haenn has stated he has saved Fort Clark Springs untold amounts of money in taxes.

4. We believe Board members Holloman, Haenn, and Young voted, a majority, to pay \$1,299.00 CIT Solutions and Lonestar Copiers to conduct a technology study of office computers, which gave them access to the member information in our office, with the possibility of information being copied, Barry of CIT Solutions took a backup, plugged it into his laptop, when it was returned the backup was gone. Lonestar Copiers illegally installed an information gathering and transmitting software (spy ware) on an office computer. Documents were given to President Sam Holloman, prior to the vote, showing Matthew Stavley of Lonestar Copiers had been indicted for Theft and Documents by Deception (spy ware) with a court date in October. The documents with a note from a staff member states that Matthew Stavley made a statement that he had just placed a machine at Mr Haenn's house, after Mr Haenn retired from the appraisal office.

5. We believe Violation of Declaration of Protective Restrictions. Part IV "Intended Use of Property" and Part XI "Duration of Declaration with Respect to Club Grounds":

Mr. Haenn attempted to transfer title and/or dedicate member owned buildings to special interest groups at three consecutive board meetings without a membership vote.

6. We believe Violation of Policy Resolution # 00-03:

"...Individual directors shall not give orders to employees of the Association, other than through the General Manager..." Criticism of employees, with implied threats of termination, which has created a hostile work environment. Deliberate and intended public embarrassment of employees during open meetings.

7. We believe Violation of Rules and Regulations, Section III - Member Responsibilities: "Personal conduct: no member or group of members or guests shall be allowed to issue orders or reprimand any employee. No abuse, including profanity or threats will be tolerated. No excuse will be accepted for violation of this rule. Any violation of this rule should be reported directly to the executive management for possible board action." William "Bill" Haenn cussed out two employees for doing a job they were instructed to do, using extreme profanity, calling them M----F----- idiots, and also used the same profanity in reference to Bob Walker and Felix Cerna. As a result of the action, Mr. Haenn was convicted of a Class C Misdemeanor, Mr. Haenn pled Nolo-contendere (no contest) and was ordered to perform community service.

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CO-OP'S COSTUME WINNER



Submitted By RGEC

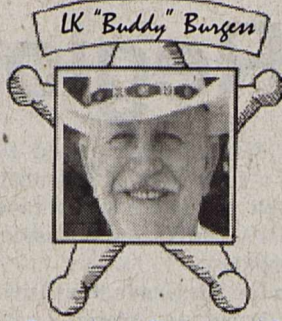
The winner of Rio Grande Electric Co-op's Organ & Tissue Donor Information Day Drawing was Jeff Janca, pictured below at right, of Brackettville. All those from the community who came to hear South Texas Blood & Tissue Center's presentation were eligible for the

drawing to win the Pfaltzgraff serving platter provided by RGEC. Approximately 24 people signed up to be potential organ and tissue donors Friday.

The winner of the costume contest among the Co-op's employees who participated in Organ & Tissue Donor Information

Day was Elena Luna, who dressed as a rock star, pictured center above. The costume contest was judged by the US Border Patrol's Brackettville station this year. Presenting the prizes were Liza Guzman, above right, and Jon Hudson, above left, of South Texas Blood & Tissue Center.

Kinney County Sheriff's Report



Tuesday, October 19
Fernando Rodriguez, 20, of Eagle Pass was arrested on a warrant for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.
Ramon Rodriguez, 53, of

Cameron was arrested for driving with a suspended license. Rodriguez was released after posting a \$1,200 bond on October 20.

Saturday, October 23
A. Luna, 25, of Fort Clark Springs was arrested for disorderly conduct. Luna was fined \$1,500. Luna was given credit for serving 2 days in county jail and released after paying the balance of \$50 on October 24.

Sunday, October 24
Ofelia Garcia, 30, of Austin was arrested for driving at an unsafe speed without a driver's license. Garcia was released after posting a \$500 bond the same day.

Monday, October 25

Yesenia Renee Torres, 20, of Del Rio was arrested for theft by check, over \$200, less than \$500. Torres was released after posting a \$1,000 bond the same day.

Thursday, October 28
Diego Marlon, 31, of New York City was arrested on a warrant from New York for rape. Marlon was still being held at press time.

Friday, October 29
Richard Vargas, 42, of San Antonio was arrested on an outstanding warrant. Vargas was still being held at press time.

Saturday, October 30
Frederick Welch, 65, of Dayton was arrested for making alcohol available to a minor. Welch was still being held at press time.

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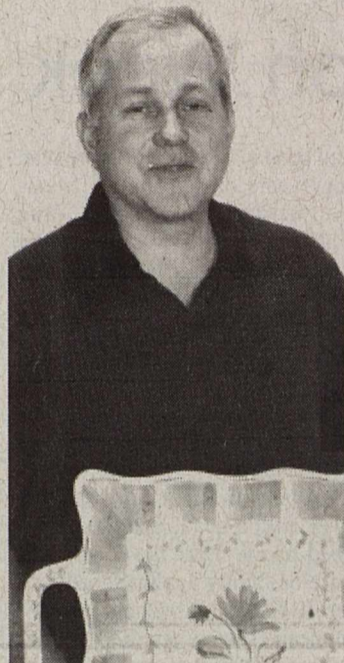
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I want to express my sincere thanks to the voters who have shown confidence and trust in me and my service as Precinct 2 Director of the Kinney County Groundwater Conservation District Board by re-electing me to this position. I look forward to serving you and all of the citizens of Kinney County. Thank you again.
LLOYD LEE DAVIS



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29 Dr. William McQueen ENT 1-830-278-2422	30	Happy Thanksgiving		

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Dog Park howls on halloween; Prepares for Wild West Show

Submitted By Kathy Kluzek
We would first like to thank every one who came out and supported the Fort Clark Dog Park Howling Halloween Event. We would like to give a special

thank you to the Holloman Band. They are really wonderful and talented group of people. If you missed it, you missed a lot. Make sure you make it to the next event with David Lee and Jana Murray. Also if you would

like to join in on the fun and great work of the Fort Clark Dog Park call 563-2010. Hurry and purchase your tickets for the November 19, Old West Show with David Lee and Jana Murray, benefiting the Fort Clark Dog Park. The tickets are only \$6 per person. The place is the Palisado Building, the doors will open at 7 p.m., the show will start at 7:30 p.m. We will be selling snacks, and soft drinks. Be prepared to listen and enjoy some of the greatest boot stomping, hand clapping music

from some of the most talented singers there are. David Lee and Jana Murray will lighten your heart, and uplift your spirits. You will have a great old western time. We are quite fortunate to have the opportunity to have them with us on November 19 at the Palisado Building here on Fort Clark. The show is called the Old West Show, and there will be all old western songs. The tickets are only \$6 per person, to purchase your tickets, and/or for any questions call 563-2010.



Proulx graduates Basic Training



Pfc. Jaleel Anthony Proulx graduated from basic training on Oct. 21, 2010 at Fort Jackson, South Carolina. Proud parents are Michael and Mary Proulx, of Brackettville; Brothers: Nathan D. Pearson and Michael Proulx Jr.; Grandparents: Mary I. Proulx and Phil Proulx and Ramon and Ramona Falcon; and Greatgrand mother: Maria A. Falcon. Proulx is currently attending AIT training in Pensacola, Florida

Rotary News



Submitted By Brackettville Rotary Club - Mary Gray-Partlow, (Left) presiding president at the regular noon meeting of the Brackettville Rotary Club presented Lynn McNew an official Rotary coin as a token of appreciation for presenting the program to the club. Lynn gave a brief history of the Old Quarry Historical Society and itemized several activities of repair and maintenance of the Fort Clark Post Theater and updating their sound equipment used in the theater and the old quarry amphitheater. She also outlined this seasons plays for the coming year and listed members of the cast in the upcoming play "Oliver".

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GARAGE SALE, Saturday, Nov 6 from 9-7 at 304 Fourth Street or far north end of Fort Street. Power tools, AC power generator; portable scaffolding, 26 inch 5HP Garden tiller, B/S Pressure washer, assorted hand tools, electronic items, const. material.

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MULTIFAMILY GARAGE sale Saturday, Nov.6 from 9-7 at 591 Fort Clark Rd. Tan leather chair, burgandy lazyboy recliner, tables, Christmas items home decor., linens, winter jackets, clothes and misc.

YARD SALE NOV. 5 & 6, unit 15 lot 21+22. Books, clothing, computer desk, some furniture and misc.

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The Community Council of Southwest Texas, Inc. is hereby providing a public notice on funding and its intent to accept applications for the USDA Housing Preservation Grant Program. The type of financial assistance available is a grant up to \$7,500.00 for the repair/rehabilitation of 32 owner occupied homes of very Low-income applicants. The work will consist of performing minor home repair such as; structural repair, new roofs, replacement of windows, siding, insulation, and interior alterations; etc. Applicants must meet the Weatherization Program requirements administered by Community Service Agency of South Texas, Inc. to qualify for

PUBLIC NOTICE

additional Weatherization funding of up to \$6,500.00 per dwelling to use as a combination with the Housing Preservation Grant Program. Dwellings should be located in the following counties: Dimmit, Edwards, Kinney, Real, Uvalde, and Zavala. Assistance for Maverick and Val Verde will only be provided for dwellings located in the rural areas. Eligibility requirements for the housing preservation grant is based on: (1)

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Marketable title to property (2) All property taxes must be currently paid (3) No loss mitigation or foreclosure proceedings pending (4) No previous assistance from the Weatherization Program. For more information on this program, please contact Aida Hernandez, Housing Manager at Community Council of Southwest Texas, Inc., 713 E. Main, Uvalde, Texas 78801 or call (830) 278-6268 Ext. 3008. Equal Housing Opportunity .

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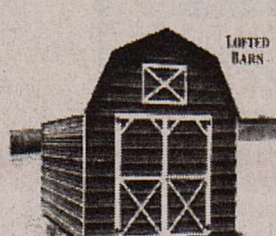
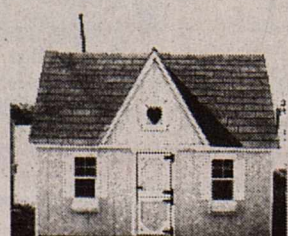
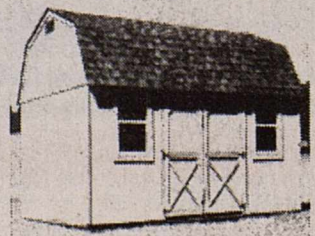
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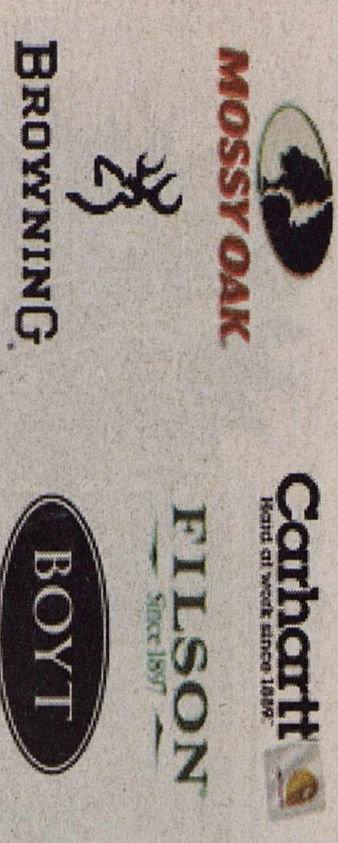
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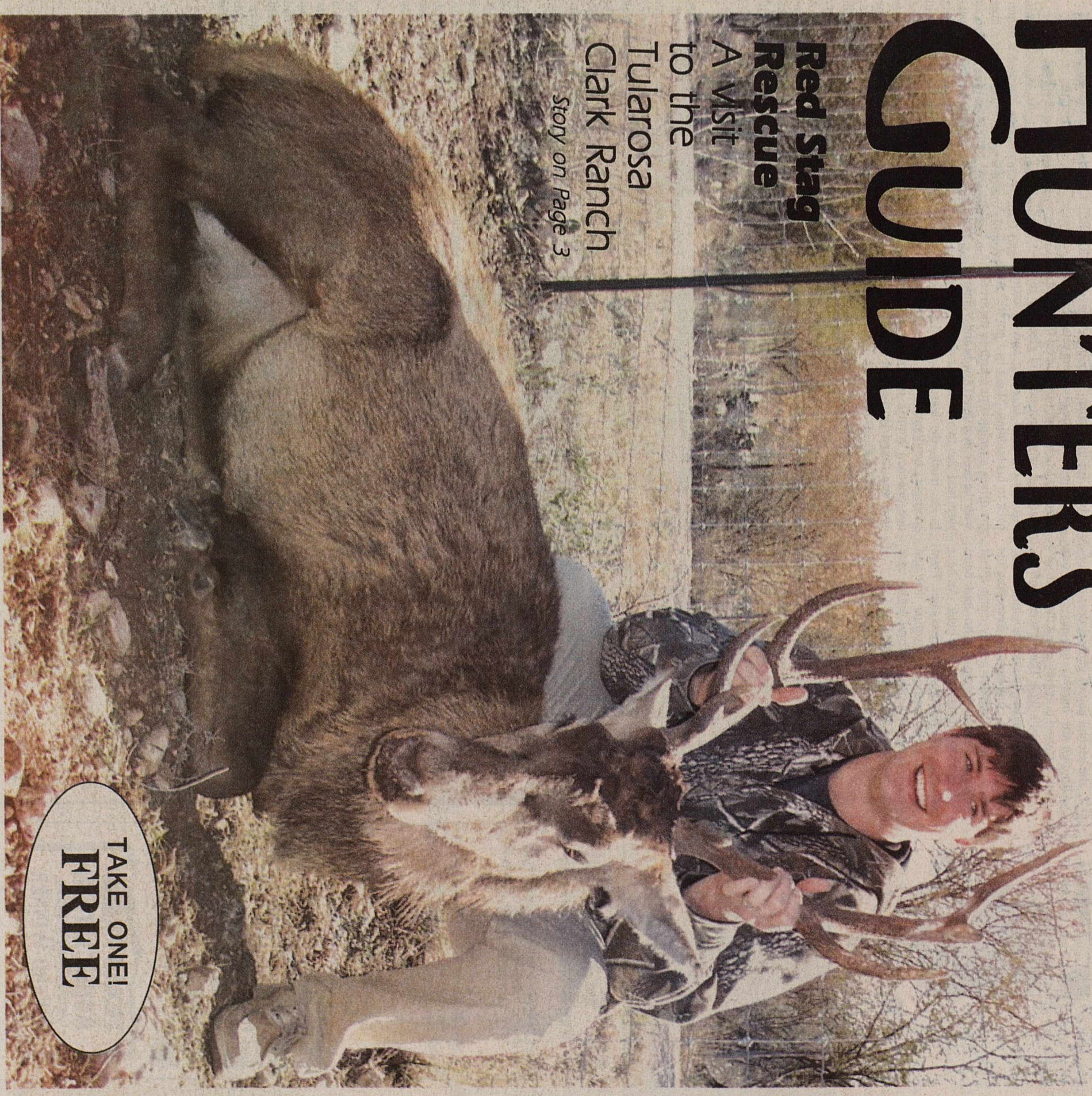
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Game Warden Field Notes:



Rob Frets Game Warden

The following items are compiled from recent Texas Parks and Wildlife Department law enforcement reports as of November 18, 2010.

Sometimes modesty's the best policy

Val Verde County Game Warden Chrissy Plant made contact with hunters at a camp in West Val Verde County Nov.

7, the second day of general deer season. Although the hunters had no deer, one hunter started bragging about the four javelinas he had killed. They'd scared off his deer at the feeder, he said. Not impressed, Warden Plant cited him for exceeding his bag limit. At another nearby camp, Plant checked some hunters who had been lunker, having taken a nice buck. An hour and a couple flashlight batteries later, Plant found the carcass of a javelina that had been dumped the day before, and a case for waste of game is pending.

Unwise poaching in Wise County

Nov. 5, Wise County Game Warden Chris Dowdy and Tarrant County Game Warden David Vannoy were patrolling Wise County on the eve of the rifle season opener. While investigating a call about a possible poacher, warden Dowdy received another call from a landowner about a deer that had just been shot from the road. After the first call was cleared, the wardens responded to the second call. When they arrived, the wardens found two very upset landowners and one dead white-tailed doe. Darkness had not yet fallen, and the wardens figured that the poachers would soon

be back for their take. They didn't have to wait long before the poachers returned. As a pickup truck crept to a stop on the county road, the driver got out and gleefully ran through the field laughing and shouting back to his buddies, "I got it, I got it!" As the driver attempted to return to the truck with the deer, wardens Dowdy and Vannoy surprised the two men and one juvenile. In the truck, the wardens found a rifle, spotlight, headlamps, and beer. Another doe poached from a neighboring county also was found in the bed of the truck. Multiple cases are pending.

Case made by just a hair

Houston County wardens Eddie Lehr and Zak Bengé were checking camps in the national forest on opening day of general deer season when a truck pulled up. When asked, the men said they had not killed anything. But Lehr noticed what appeared to be a red stain in the bed of the freshly washed truck and dropped the tailgate. After the wardens found a single deer hair, the suspects finally confessed to killing an illegal buck. After a short interview, the suspect also admitted shooting the deer with a shotgun from Highway 7 near

Ratcliff. Cases and restitution pending.

Case of the Misplaced Anger

Sabine County Game Warden Sam Smith and Capt. Tom Jenkins checked a hunter coming out of a wildlife management area on opening day. The man did not have an annual public hunting permit, and as warden Smith wrote the citation, the subject said he was angry at the store that sold him the license for not informing him that he needed a permit to hunt on a wildlife management area, and that he would be having the store pay his fine. Capt. Jenkins, who had walked into the woods while Smith talked with the annoyed license holder, found a permanent stand, corn, and a freshly killed white-tailed doe. The man admitted to all the violations and said he was no longer mad at the store that sold him his license. Cases pending.

Nice deer...too bad it's illegal

Tyler County Game Warden Roy Eddins received a call Nov. 7 that a hunting club member had exceeded the bag limit by killing two bucks with antlers greater than 13 inches. A 10-point buck was seized, and a citation was issued for exceeding the bag limit for a single county. The buck scored 128 5/8. Case pending.

Sometimes waiting's a good thing

Houston County Wardens Eddie Lehr and Zak Bengé checked a camp Nov. 7 and found two untagged deer. After interviewing a father and son, it was determined that they had each killed a deer. Unfortunately, the son hadn't wanted to wait in line the previous Friday to buy his license so the father offered to tag each deer. Case pending.

I Spy

On Nov. 6, Hutchinson County Game Warden Lance Lindley was contacted by a citizen watching a group of hunters through a spotting scope across Lake Meredith. He said one of the hunters had shot a mule deer doe. Warden Lindley went to the location and contacted the hunters. One of them was found to have shot two doe mule deer. Cases and civil restitution filed accordingly.

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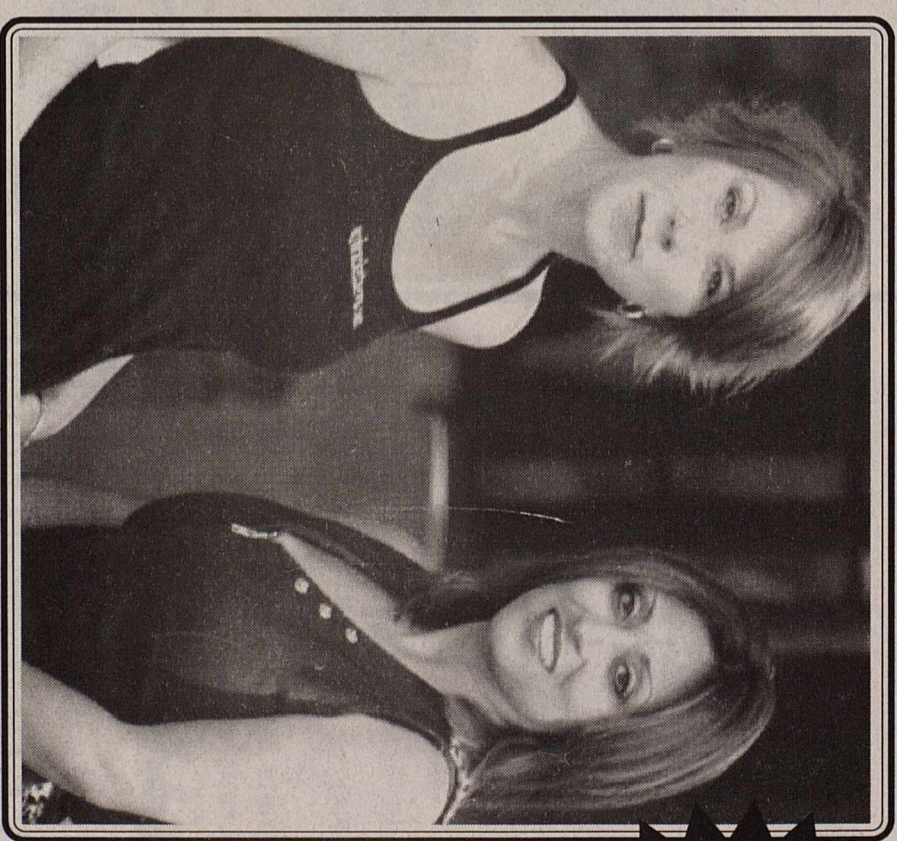
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Kickapoo State Park opens in Kinney County

BRACKETTVILLE, Texas - After operating as a limited-access park for more than 20 years, Kickapoo Caverns State Park will host an all-day grand opening event free to the public on Saturday, June 12, commemorating the park's official

opening of its doors on a daily basis. Thanks in large part to increases in appropriated funding from the Texas Legislature in the previous two bienniums, the Texas State Park system was able to hire staff and develop more public facilities and

trails, making it possible to safely accommodate a higher volume of visitors at the scenic Hill Country park, and operate regular business hours seven days a week.

Previously, park users could gain access past the locked gate only by advanced appointment and guided tour; now folks will be able to enjoy year-round recreation at Kickapoo for camping, hiking and biking on the more than 12 miles of developed and undeveloped trails, diverse birding opportunities, and viewings of popular seasonal bat flights.

The grand opening event, coined the Kickapoo Kickoff, will feature free camping for the weekend, as well as free admission on June 12, and an opening ceremony to dedicate the new Sergeant Memorial Trail near the park's newly renovated visitor center is set for 10 a.m. that day. The trail is being dedicated in honor of the late Tommy Seargeant, former Kinney County Judge and rancher. Mr. Seargeant owned the property before selling it to Texas Parks and Wildlife Department to become a state park, fulfilling his wishes that the public be able to enjoy what he considered a special and unique part of Texas.

Hiking tours, birding tours, plant and nature walks, hands-on archaeology activities, mountain biking (bikes and helmets provided), and wild cave tours of Kickapoo Cavern are also scheduled for visitors throughout the day, beginning early at 7:30 a.m., with the last activity scheduled for around 5 p.m.

Later in the evening just before sunset, staff and volunteers will also be leading visitors to one of the park's most renowned attractions: bat flight viewing tours of Smart Bat Cave, where hundreds of thousands of Mexican free-tailed bats emerge at dusk for their nightly hunting trip for insects during warm weather months. "Kickapoo Caverns is just a wonderful place to see nature. It's had little traffic for all these years, and now we're able to

open it up for all of Texas," said Mike Knezek, park superintendent. "We're known for our bats, but the park is 6,400 acres with lots of other things to do. We also have 20 campsites for folks to use, and being a camping park, we can do programs like night hikes and star gazing. Otherwise, there aren't many neighbors or cities to emit a lot of light pollution or distract from all the sights and sounds of the outdoors. And, we think being open all the time will be a boost to the local economy as people find out what we have."

Visitors are encouraged to bring some essentials to attend Kickapoo Cavern State Park's grand opening: sunscreen for outdoor activities, and sturdy shoes and flashlights for hiking and cave tours. And because much of the park is undeveloped and in a remote location—23 miles north of the nearest town of Brackettville on Ranch Road 674—folks will also want to bring drinking water and pack a picnic lunch. Some restaurants, food and convenience items are also available in surrounding towns, all of which are at least a half-hour's drive from the park.

Reservations are required for those who are interested in camping anytime during the weekend of June 11-12 for the grand opening event.

"Kickapoo is a park that has so many treasures: the bats, the cave resources—and it is rich with birds, even endangered species such as the black-capped vireo; Kickapoo is always abuzz with bird sounds," said Linda Hedges, state park regional interpretive specialist. "The park is home to all of those things and more, and we want to give it its moment in the sun with a kickoff event, and showcase another unique part of Texas."

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ON THE COVER: A visit to the Tularosa Clark Ranch

By Leigh Jenkins
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Every now and then my job will take me to a place that I really want to go to and given the opportunity to visit the Tularosa Clark Ranch during hunting season, I went without hesitation.

Stepping out of my vehicle at the main ranch house, my hair was blown back by the landing of a helicopter. Ranch owner Mark Clark hired a chopper out of Kerrville to count his animal and livestock population and a second opportunity to go somewhere I really wanted to go presented itself.

Into the hell I went. If you are a newspaper dork like me, you think wearing a hardhat at a construction site is fantastic, so when I got to wear a headset and speak into a little micro-

phone in the helicopter, I was in heaven.

On one of the first flights out that morning, the pilot spotted a Red Stag with a ball of barbed wire entangled around its antlers and I happened to be on the flight that was going to tranquilize it and set it free from its bondage.

From outward appearances the pilot and the gunman both looked like they could be church deacons, but once the chase was on, IT WAS ON! Speedily over the hills and through the brush we went with the shadow of the aircraft ever present on the ground that seemed ever so near to me. The stag was quickly located and the gunman loaded his syringe like a combat medic and with unbelievable precision,

darted the beast. I however was trying not to be so impressed with the pilot's aeronautical skills and the gunman's marksmanship and photograph the event.



Photo: By Leigh Jenkins - Tularosa Clark Ranch Supervisor Fernin Villanueva, of Brackettville, (center) clips the wire tangled around the antlers of a Red Stag temporarily tranquilized.

Once the wire was removed, there was only a short time before the animal started to wake up, but I was still able to get a few good mock trophy photos (as seen on the front cover).

The stag took to his feet and off to the safety of his brushy home. The day was topped off by a tour of the ranch, a peek at the swimming hole, a few glimpses of some exotics and a small sip of vodka.

The Brackett News wishes to thank Mark Clark, his staff and visiting hunters for such a wonderful experience. Thank you for being the right kind of good stewards of the land.

Photo: By Leigh Jenkins - A marksman at the Tularosa Clark Ranch aims to save a Red Stag from his barbed wire entanglement.

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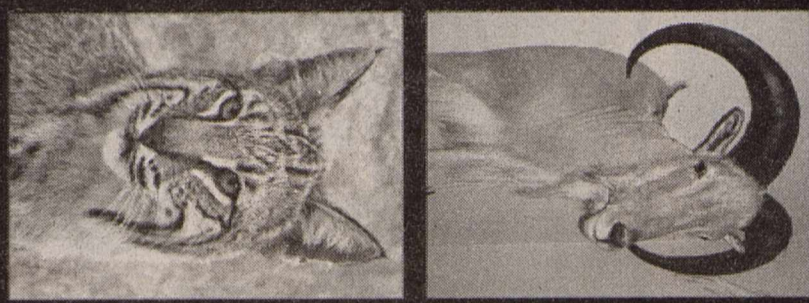
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Fatal shooting not ambush

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One young man now faces murder charges after reporting he and two friends were ambushed by undocumented aliens on

April 10, 2010. William M. Loyd, 20, was taken into custody late Saturday after he claimed he was walking across a field on the Black Mountain Ranch in northern Kinney County with Reynaldo Rodriguez, 19, and Michael Hernandez, 19, when they were ambushed by unknown gunmen hiding in the brush that resulted in Rodriguez being shot and killed. All three men were from Corpus Christi. According to information obtained at the

Kinney County Sheriff's Department (KCSO), Loyd initially claimed his friend, Rodriguez, was shot in the back by, "illegal aliens," and he and Hernandez carried his body back to their camp about a mile away from the alleged accident scene. Loyd reportedly stated he did not have cell phone service, so he and others proceeded to drive Rodriguez into Brackettville in a red Suburban.

A KCSO incident report filed at 4:25 p.m., stated the victim's friends flagged down a Kinney County resident on Highway 674 at Cedar Creek Road and asked her to call 911.

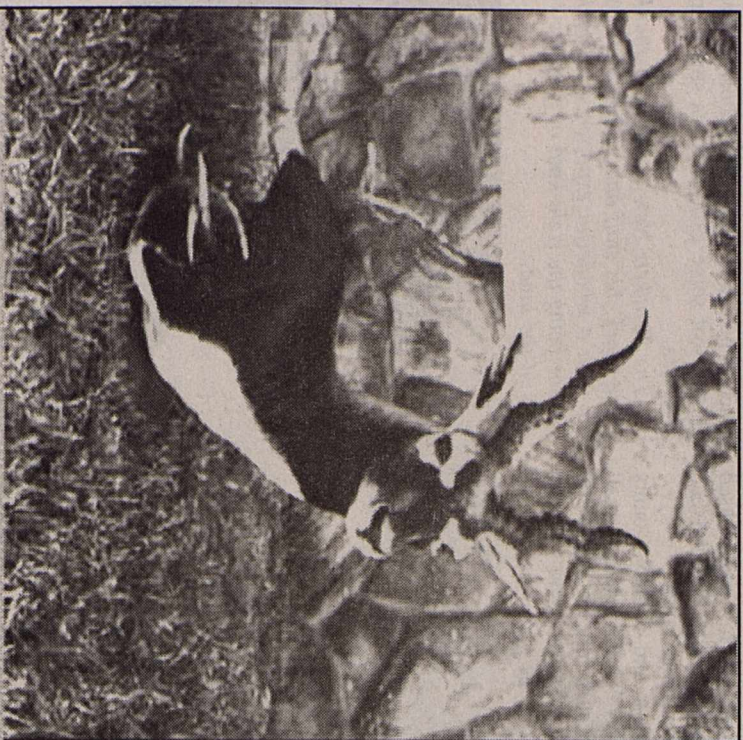
KCSO deputies responded immediately and were assisted by Texas Ranger Juan Lozano, Texas Department of Public Safety troopers and aircraft, United States Border Patrol agents, K9s and aircraft. Kinney County Constable Bobby Gundry and Texas Game Warden Rob Freis.

Interviews later revealed Loyd was the gunman that fatally shot Rodriguez in the back. Loyd will be charged with murder according to information released on April 14.

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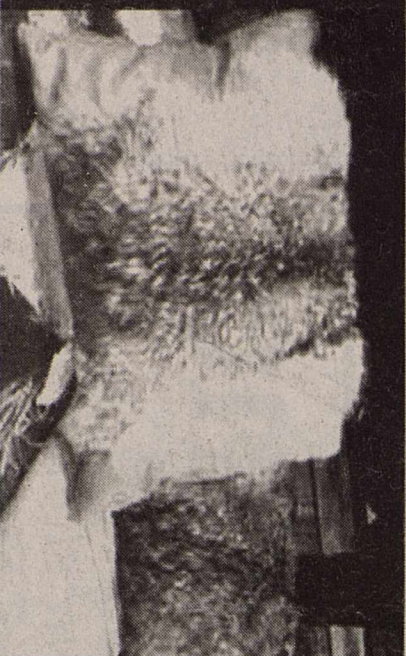
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Kinney County Judge Tim Ward was the magistrate and declared Rodriguez dead at 6:35 p.m. Ward ordered an autopsy and Rodriguez was taken to Bexar County Medical Examiner's office in San Antonio. It is unknown if Hernandez will face any charges. The shooting is still under investigation.

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- 1 tablespoon garlic powder
- 1 teaspoon onion powder
- 1 teaspoon black pepper
- 1 pound venison, cut into 1 x 1/4 inch strips

Directions: Stir together Worcestershire sauce, soy sauce, liquid smoke, lemon juice, teriyaki sauce, ketchup, and hot pepper sauce in a bowl. Season with garlic powder, onion powder, and pepper. Mix in the sliced venison until completely coated. Cover tightly, and marinate at least 8 hours in the refrigerator.

Prepare jerky in a food dehydrator according to manufacturer's directions, or dry on racks in the oven at 150 degrees F (65 degrees C) until the jerky has dried and will snap when bent, 10 to 12 hours.

Salmon reels in an exotic Pacu

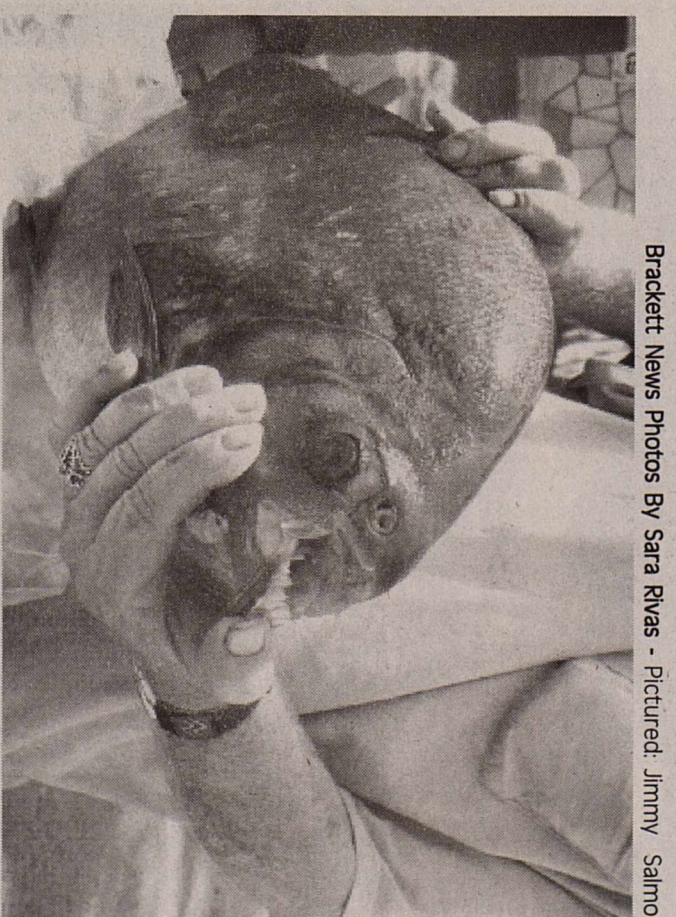
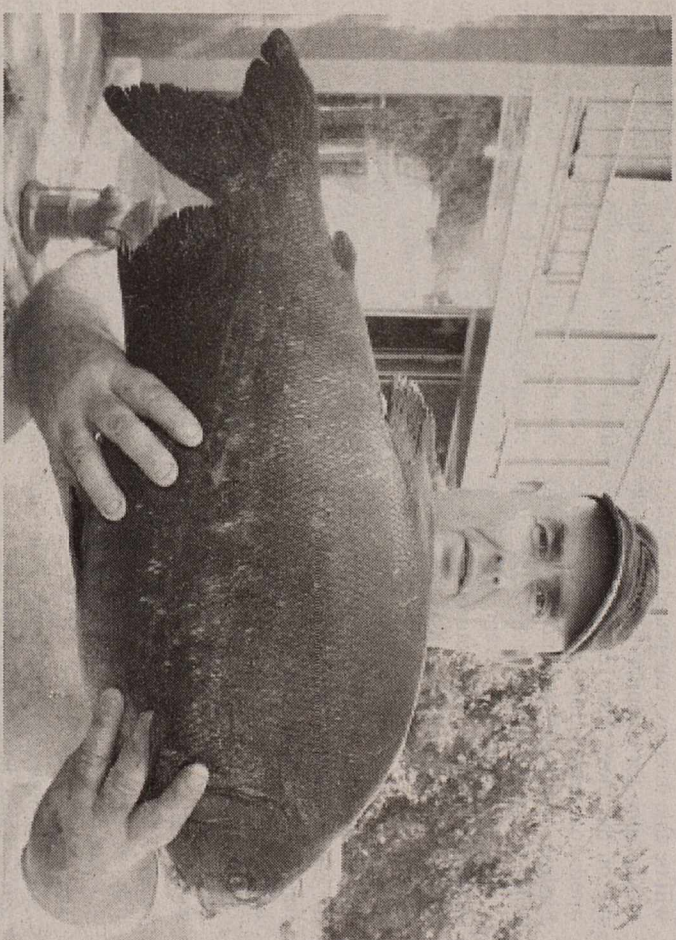
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Fisherman Jimmy Salmon, of Brackettville, caught an exotic Brazilian Pacu in the Las Moras Creek at Fort Clark

Springs on October 12, 2010. Salmon was fishing around 12 noon, last Tuesday, when he reeled in the mysterious big, black fish he had been telling his friends and family about. The Pacu, according to wikipedia.org,

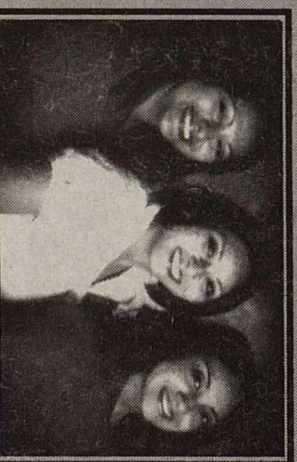
is a fresh water fish with large square teeth, and a cousin to the piranha. Pacu are pet store novelties in the United States and their overwhelmed owners are to blame for illegally releasing them into America's waterways.

Salmon says the fish weighed in at 15.5 pounds, was 28 inches in length and had a girth of 25 inches. Salmon wanted to have the fish stuffed but found the price for the trophy to be a little too high.



Brackett News Photos By Sara Rivas - Pictured: Jimmy Salmon

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Welcome Hunters to Brackettville

Frerich Family Archers

Story Courtesy To The Brackett News

On September 11 and 12, Megan and Tristan Frerich traveled to Bastrop to compete at the Texas State Archery Association's State Target Championships. Megan, 8, competing in her first archery tournament shot 144 arrows over the two-day period and placed first in the Yeoman age division. She was awarded a replica 1984 Los Angeles Olympic Games medal for her accomplishment. Tristan, 11, shot 144 arrows at distances of 30, 25, and 20 meters in the Bowman division. Tristan brought home a silver medal despite battling illness and not being able to shoot the last 150 points.

Both Frerich siblings also braved the record torrential rains at Texas Bowman's Archery Club in Corpus Christi on Sunday, September 19th. Texas hosted it's final 3-D annual tournament of the year in driving rain, but it did not deter the Frerich archers. Both captured 1st place medals in their respective divisions despite rising flood waters.

Fall brings bow hunting and 4-H archery to the Frerich archers. This fall Tristan has set his sights literally on taking a buck with his compound bow in Kinney County. To keep his bow in hunting condition, Tristan has picked up an Olympic Recurve style bow to shoot 4-H com-

petition archery. Hard work and many arrows practiced has rewarded him with a 2nd place finish in just his 3rd tournament in District 11 4-H.

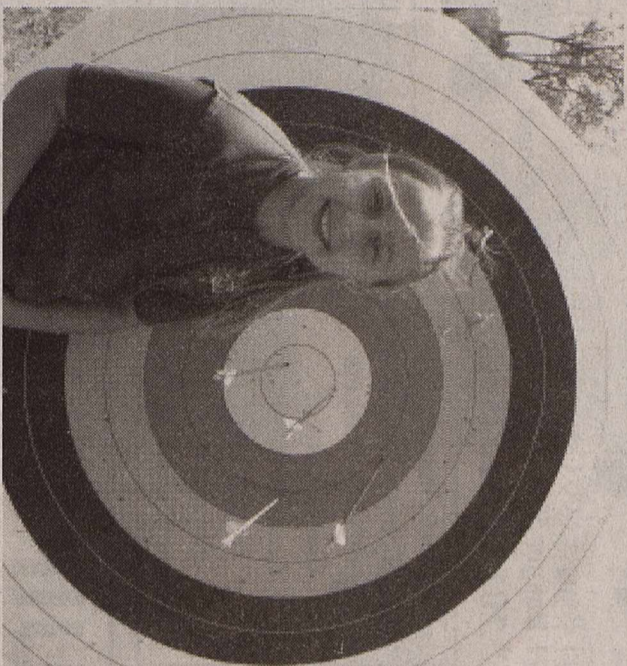
Megan began her 4-H archery career this fall with her recurve and has placed 1st and two 2nd in each of her first 3 District 11 tournaments. Next year she will

be old enough to compete in the State and National events with her new Olympic Recurve.

Tristan and Megan are members of the South Texas Junior Olympic Archery Division Club in Victoria, Texas. They are coached by Tom Barker & Gene Kacir, USA Archery Regional Coaches, at Straight Ar-

row Archery Learning Center in Victoria, Texas. They are also members of the San Patricio 4-H Archery Program.

Tristan and Megan Frerich are the son and daughter of Toby and Saei Frerich of Simton, Texas. Their grandparents are Tony and Nancy Frerich of Brackettville and Grace Glaze of El Campo.



Megan Frerich

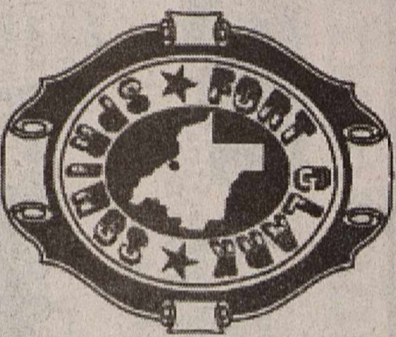


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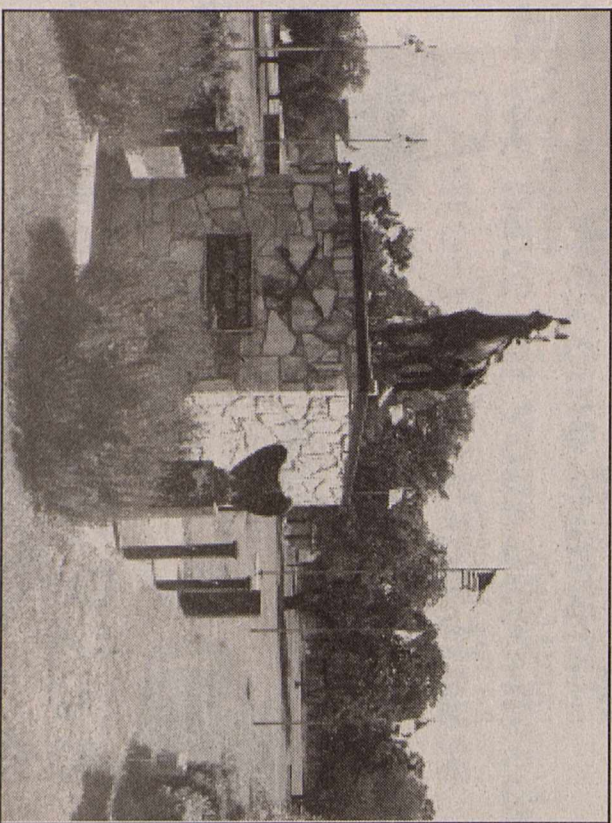


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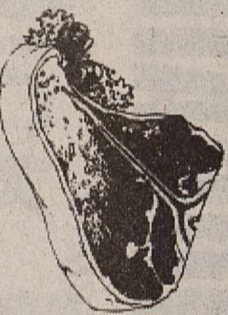
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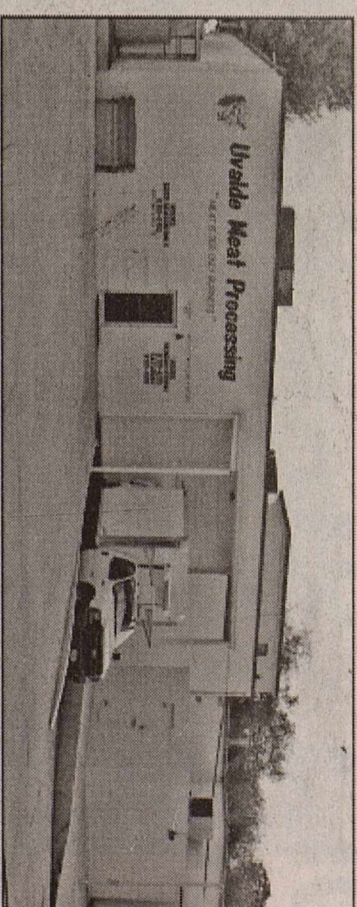
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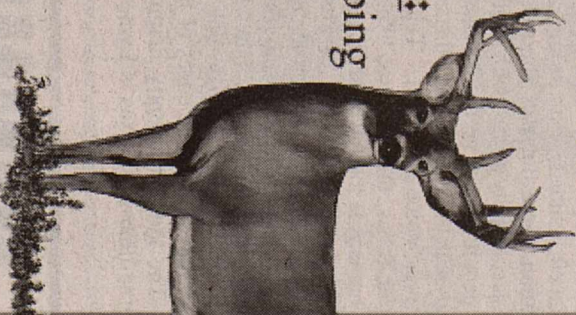
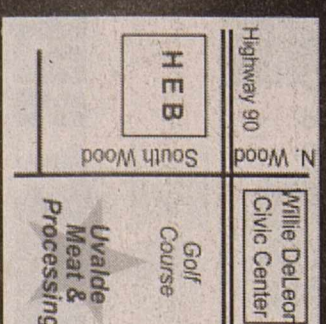
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Avoiding ticks is the best way to prevent diseases they carry

Texas Department of Health

Warm days and sunny skies draw many people outdoors this time of year. The same environment also brings out the insects, many of which carry diseases.

"It's tick time in Texas," said Glenna Tellow, a medical entomologist with the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS). "Ticks often are found in the same spots people like to visit - wooded, brushy and grassy areas."

"A bite from an infected tick can cause illnesses such as Lyme disease, Rocky Mountain spotted fever, tularemia and human ehrlichiosis. With prompt medical attention, these illnesses almost always can be successfully treated with antibiotics. But if people do not recognize the symptoms and seek treatment, the illnesses can be serious, some even fatal," Tellow said.

In Texas, the tick most likely to attach to humans is the lone star tick. "This tick, which is about the size of a watermelon seed, will readily feed on human blood," Tellow said. "The lone star female tick is easily recognized by a single white dot on her back, while the male tick has white markings around the edges of his back."

The most frequently diagnosed tick-borne illness in Texas is Lyme disease, a bacterial infection that can cause skin, joint, heart and nervous system problems. The disease usually begins with a characteristic "bull's-eye" rash followed by fatigue, headache, fever, stiff neck and joint pain. Symptoms usually appear in 7 to 14 days.

Rocky Mountain spotted fever is a serious disease transmitted most commonly by the bite of an infected tick. People who remove ticks also can become infected if they crush ticks between their fingers, allowing the bacteria to penetrate the skin or come in contact with mucous membranes. Initial symptoms, following an incubation period of 3 to 14 days, include sudden onset of high fever, headache, chills and muscle aches. A rash often appears a few days later. Prompt medical attention is extremely important because Rocky Mountain spotted fever can be fatal without prompt treatment with antibiotics.

Tularemia is a bacterial disease affecting animals and humans. It can be spread through a tick bite or through contact with blood or tissue from infected animals, especially wild rabbits, or by handling or eating undercooked meat from infected animals. Symptoms include fever, an ulcerative skin sore at the site of the tick bite and painful swollen lymph glands. If the organism is ingested, the person may have a throat infection, abdominal pain, diarrhea and vomiting.

In Texas, human ehrlichiosis is a rare disease with fewer than 10 cases reported each year. Most infections cause a sudden onset of illness with fever, chills, headache and in general feeling ill, usually beginning about 12 days after the tick bite.

"Avoiding ticks is always the best prevention for any of these diseases," Tellow said. "Keep ticks off pets and discourage unwanted animals such as rats, mice and stray dogs and cats around the home." Other suggestions from DSHS:

If you are in an area with ticks, check your body carefully for them every few hours. Ticks are small and can be hard to see, and they can attach to any part of the body.

Stay on trails, avoiding areas of overgrown brush and tall grasses.

Wear light-colored clothes so that ticks are more easily spotted. Protect skin from ticks by wearing a hat, long-sleeved shirt and long pants tucked into boots or socks.

Use insect repellent containing DEET applied to the skin or permethrin applied to clothing. Follow label directions.

Check pets frequently and remove ticks from them immediately.

For more information, contact your local health department, or the Texas Department of State Health Services.

Hard ticks found in Texas

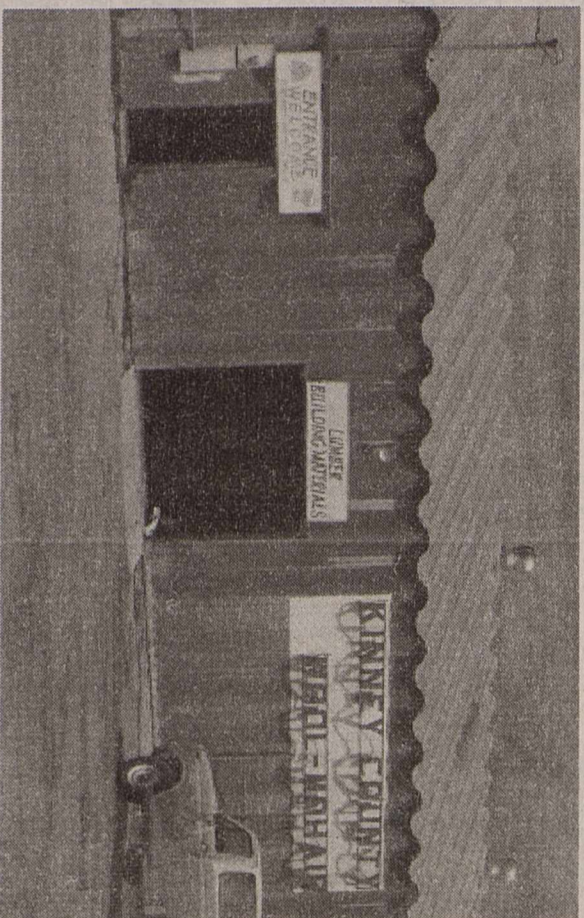
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Tru-Life Taxidermy takes on Kinney County

By Leigh Jenkins
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Chris Edwards of Tru-Life Taxidermy opened his doors this fall to Kinney County hunters. After relocating from his lifelong home in Rocksprings, Edwards has now brought his family business to Brackett. With nearly a dozen years in the business, Edwards says the White Tail Deer is the most common mount he does. Edwards has mounted a large cape buffalo and made small antler wire bottle holders, but laughs about turning down a request to mount a 16 foot giraffe due to the size of his shop. Tru-life says the turnaround for a normal mount takes about six months, but a popular choice for those wanting to quickly see their hunting trophies are the european mounts that take only two to three weeks. Edwards can be found at his new shop in Brackettville on Highway 90, or by calling 830.563.2515.

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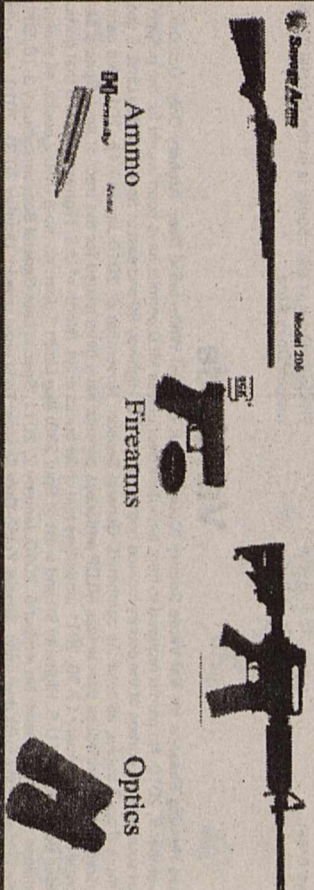
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Kimney County: a popular birding stop

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For the second week in a row, a birding tour group made an overnight stay at Fort Clark Springs to try and catch a glimpse of Kinney County's rarest resident, the Tropical Parula.

Birding tour group Penfeathers, of Tomball, led by Bill Goloby, brought a group of bird enthusiasts on a four-day Edwards Plateau tour.

The group, tipped off by local bird watcher Louisa Stone, lay in wait in a remote area to see a Tropical Parula, but unlike last weeks group, they never saw the bird.

Stone, a career counselor at Brackett High, notified the group via email about the exact location where she has seen the elusive parula.

The Field Guides group that passed through town two weekends ago, were able to see a male Tropical Parula and listen to him sing for nearly an hour. Field Guides leaders also reported they had hoped to see a female be drawn in by the male's musical talents, but did not.

From the Fort, the Penfeathers plan to visit Kickapoo Caverns State Park, Kerr Wildlife Management Area, Frio Bat Cave and the Lost Maples State Natural Area be-

fore returning to Houston tomorrow. For more information about birding with Penfeathers, call 832-698-1175. The Fort Clark Springs Association administration office distributes, free of charge to mem-

bers and guests, a comprehensive packet about birding at the Fort and throughout the county. The Fort stated in the last five years, the number of birding groups utilizing the

property and the hotel have increased significantly. So far this year three bird watching groups have taken advantage of the Fort's amenities and one more is scheduled in May.

Brackett News Photo By Leigh Jenkins - Bill Goloby of Tomball, Nina Sitra of Sugarland, Laurie Williams of Houston, Joann Rainie of Houston and Judy Behrens of Pearland completed a birding tour of Fort Clark.



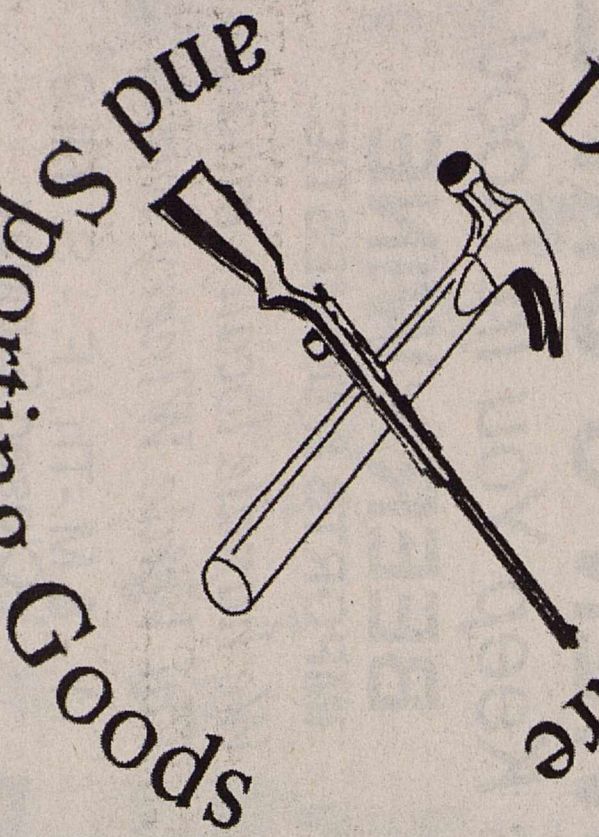
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10 Gun Safety Tips

You can never be too careful with certain things. Guns are one of those things. If you aren't careful enough with guns you own and with guns you're using, accidents can happen, and they can result in serious injuries, or even death. What can you do to prevent such horrible accidents? Here are the top 10 safety tips for preventing gun accidents.

1. Wear eye and ear protection when you can. If someone breaks into your house and threatens you or your family, it is understandable that you might not take the time to find and put on eye protection and ear protection, but when firing at a shooting range, there is no reason not to have this extra protection.
2. Only use the ammunition that your gun is designed to use. Using the wrong ammunition can cause the gun to become inoperable, or worse. Guns are designed with certain ammunition types in mind, and disregarding that could cause the gun to fire in unexpected ways.
3. Be sure that the gun you are using is in proper working order. A gun that fires when it shouldn't, doesn't fire when it should, or even simply jams on occa-

sion can be useless to you when you need it and dangerous to you and others when you are using it even for recreational purposes (a shooting range, for example).

4. When storing your gun, be sure to unload it. It is scary for any adult when their child or a friend's child finds and picks up a loaded gun, especially if the child doesn't understand what the gun is or how to use it safely.

5. Pay attention to your surroundings, not just your target. Accidentally hitting something or someone that you didn't mean to is not a fun experience.

6. Keep the gun out of reach of children, preferably locked away. No one wants their child to accidentally use a gun on something or, even worse, somebody.

7. Store the ammo in a different location than the gun, also locked away, and also out of reach of children. A gun is much less dangerous without ammo.

8. Avoid alcohol, drugs, and even over-the-counter medicine when firing a gun. The repercussions of a misfired weapon are simply too monumental to risk firing a gun under the influence of any kind of drug.

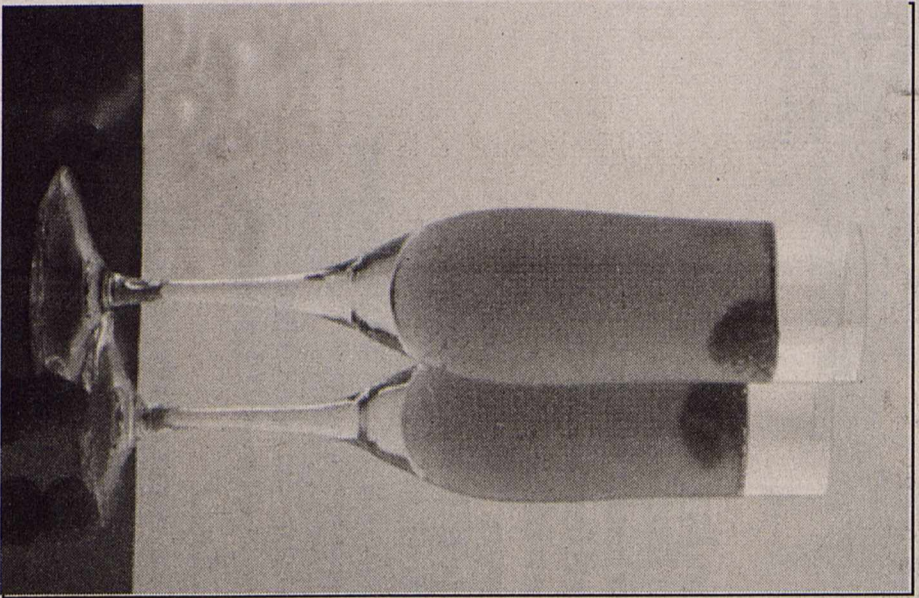
9. Teach your child gun safety. If your child understands how to safely use a gun, or at the very least, what to do if they find a gun, then they are far less likely to accidentally injure themselves or others.

10. Don't hold your finger over the trigger until you are ready to fire. Very little is more devastating to a gun owner than accidentally injuring or killing someone because they fired when they didn't mean to.

Following these tips could prevent an injury or an accidental death. Don't let an accident ruin the enjoyable experience of owning and operating a gun in a safe manner. For more information, please visit Total Home Security or their article on Gun Safety Steve McDowell is a freelance writer who's curiosity about security technology had led him into in-depth research about a variety of security and safety related topics. Steve has recently been working on Total Home Security (totalhomesecurity.com). How safe is your home? Steve McDowell wants to know. Do you?
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 FORE: 5-6 toe prints, claw marks
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FOX SQUIRREL
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SKUNK
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OPOSSUM
 FORE: 4-5 toe prints, claw marks
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COLLARED PECCARY (Javelina)
 FORE: 4-5 toe prints, claw marks
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WHITE-TAILED DEER
 DEWCLEAWS SHOW WHEN RUNNING
 FORE: 4-5 toe prints, claw marks
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COYOTE
 FORE: 4-5 toe prints, claw marks
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Tx wages war on \$400 million Feral Hog program

By Drew DeBerry
Texas Deputy
Agriculture Commissioner

The last thing any property owner wants to pay for is damage caused by feral hogs. An increasing menace to urban societies, feral hogs destroy lawns, parks and even golf courses, and they are life-threatening hazards to Texas drivers. That damage, coupled with the extensive destruction to crops, fencing and other property, costs urban and rural Texans an estimated \$400 million in damages each year.

Decreasing feral hog numbers in Texas is critical to the well-being of much more than just property. These wild hogs also prey on pets, livestock and wildlife, pollute water sources and pose a threat to humans through disease and vehicular collisions.

In Texas, the rapidly reproducing feral hog population is estimated at 2 million. To mobilize a coordinated and concentrated statewide effort to combat the feral hog problem, the Texas Department of Agriculture created "Hog Out Month - Get the Hog Outa Texas!" Through this effort, TDA has challenged all 254 Texas counties to help reduce the number of feral hogs wreaking havoc across the state.

Counties will be scored on the following criteria: the most hogs removed; the highest number of participants at TDA-approved education opportunities about feral hog abatement; and the highest number of acres made available to trappers for hog

removal. The three highest scoring counties will be awarded \$25,000, \$15,000 and \$10,000 for hog management.

It's time for Texans in all 254 counties to band together and reclaim our land by declaring war on feral hogs. For additional

information on "Hog Out Month - Get the Hog Outa Texas!" visit TDA's website at texasagriculture.gov. For tips and services available to control feral hogs, please contact your local Texas Agrilife Extension Service agent.

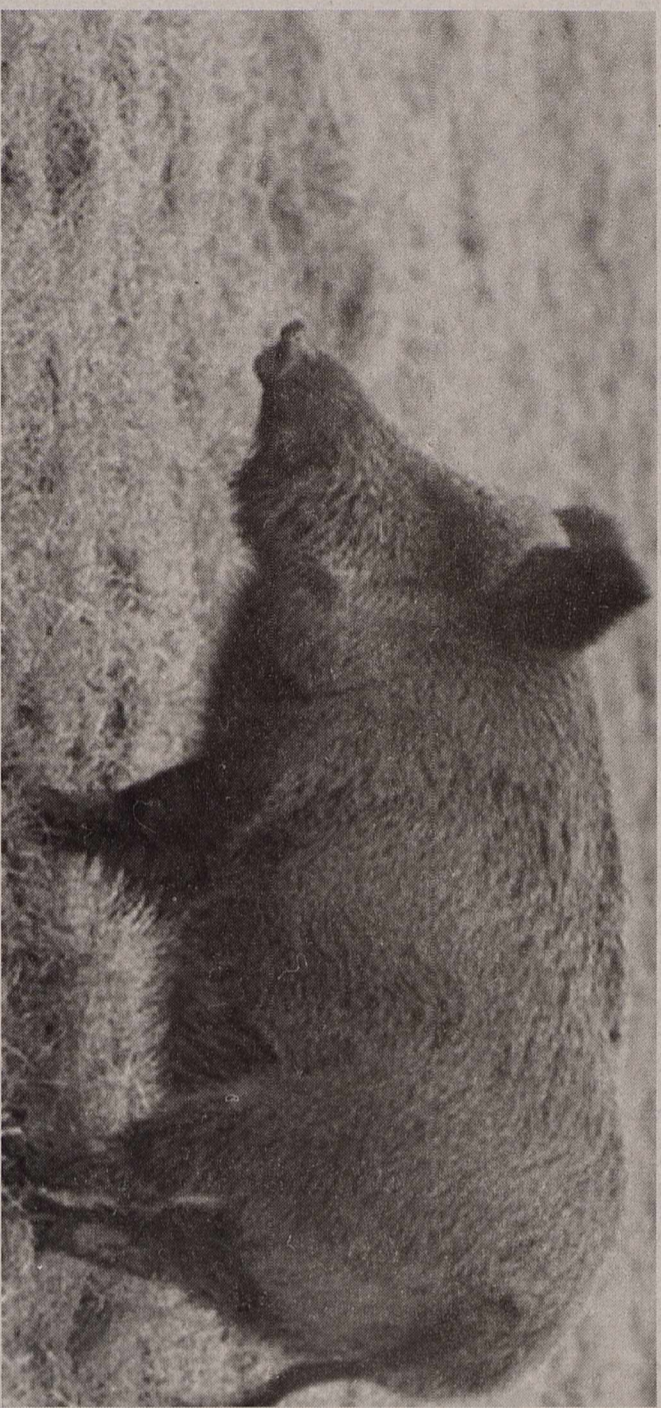


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Texas hunting is best

By Michael J. Stroff III

As we start another hunting season every Texan should realize how lucky they are.

My name is Michael J. Stroff III and although I've been coming to Texas for years, I recently realized how lucky this state is to be blessed with the best hunting in the lower 48 states. Think about it, we have great whitetail hunting, exotics, mule deer, javelina, wild hogs and the last best quail hunting left in the United States.

Being in the professional hunting business since the early 1970's, I've had the pleasure of hunting almost every state. What makes Texas so special is that private property owners still have their full bundle of rights to enjoy the wildlife of the great state of Texas.

As we get ready to start a new season all of us need to reflect on the opportunities that Texas gives us.

Whitetail deer are going to be in record numbers this year and although water was off in the spring we are looking to take some great bucks. Your best bet for trophy bucks will be in most South Texas counties, but border counties like Kinney, Val Verde, and Edwards may give up some great bucks. Water was better in Maverick

and Webb counties and even with the light rainfall, you have to spend time in the stand to get a real feel for what your lease or outfitter has to offer. Hunt hard!

Mule deer in West Texas are showing good size and some great mass. The Davis Mountain range and the Delaware range all offer some great opportunities.

There are some good outfitters out west and Texas Trophy Hunter magazine along with some other publications have some great guide services listed.

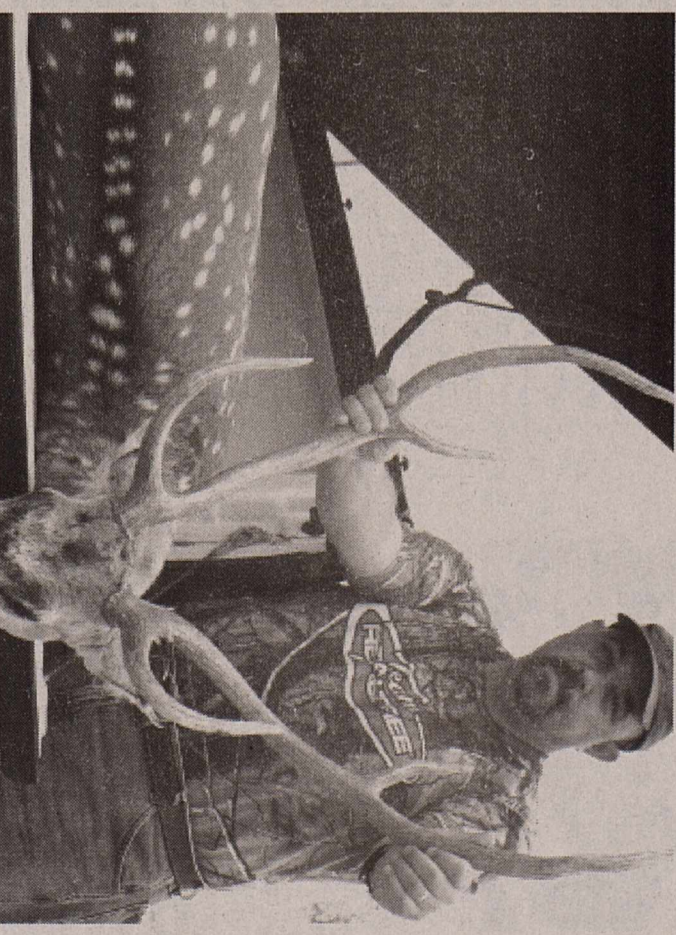
Axis deer are in great numbers in our area and many of the local ranchers have super packages available for the sportsman. Kinney, Real, Edwards and Maverick county have some great opportunities for trophy Axis and if you enjoy your venison, there is no better eating than Axis deer. I like my axis venison any way you cook it.

All of us taking to the field this fall need to remember safety is our #1 priority lets have a safe, productive season. Respect the ranchers land and work with our wardens to make this season is our best and safest ever.

Remember to keep your rifles sighted in and your broad heads sharp. Also for all you water fowlers, Val Verde County is a best kept secret.

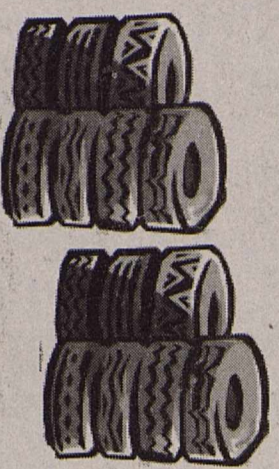
All the live water in the Del Rio area make a great winter playground for the ducks.

Let us know how your season goes. Please send in your photos and special moments afield.



Michael J. Stroff III, pictured here with an axis buck, is a retired Lt. Col. in the United States Marine Corps. His son, Michael J. Stroff IV is host of the TV show, Southern Outdoor Experience and has moved to Uvalde, Texas. They have a ranch in Kinney County and over 40,000 acres of leases. Hunting is what they do and they aim to please. Visit them at www.southernhunts.com.

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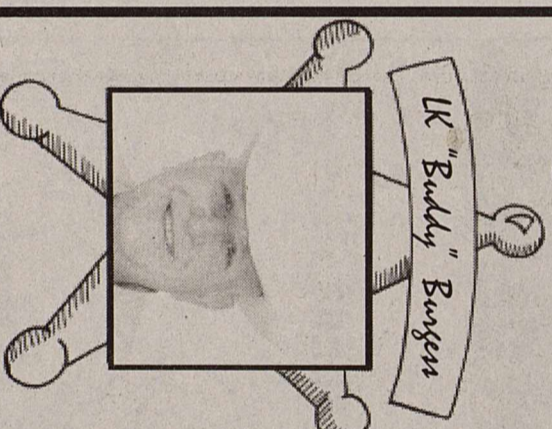
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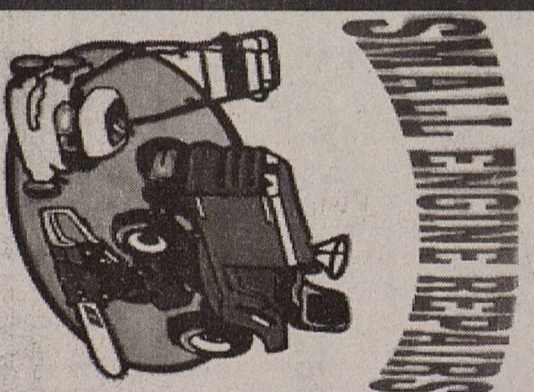


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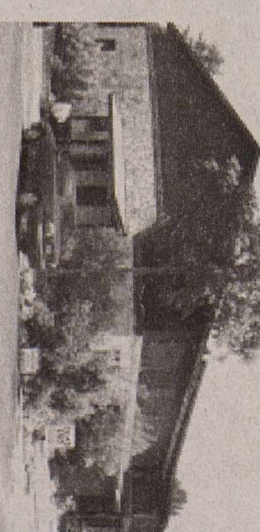
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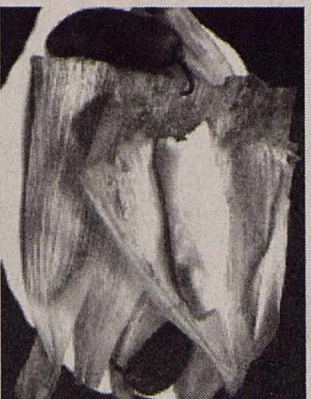
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How to make authentic pork Tamales



Tamales are a Christmas treat in Mexico

By Maria Scinto
Elbow Contributor

Tamales—steamed corn dough often filled with meat or cheese—are a traditional food native to many Latin American countries. The Mexican version of the dish, which is by now quite well-known in the U.S., is a popular Christmas dish throughout the Southwest, and there is even a children's book called "Too Many Tamales" by the award-winning Mexican-American author Gary Soto that shows a family making this treat. In Mexico, the head of the pig is often used to make the filling for traditional pork tamales, but if you'll be shopping for the ingredients at your local supermarket you'll probably find it easier to pick up a pork shoulder or butt. Difficulty: Moderately Challenging Instructions

Things You'll Need:
 • 3 1/2 lbs. pork shoulder or pork butt, cut into chunks
 • 10 cups water
 • 1 medium onion, cut in quarters
 • 3 garlic cloves, finely chopped
 • 3 1/2 tsp. salt
 • 4 cups red chile sauce (see below)
 • 3/4 cup vegetable shortening (or lard, to be really authentic)
 • 6 cups masa harina
 • 1 1/2 tsp. baking powder
 • 50 dried corn husks
 • Heavy, deep skillet or Dutch oven
 • Steamer basket
 • Aluminum foil
 • 15 large dried chiles such as pasilla, Anaheim or New Mexico
 • 5 cloves garlic
 • 2 tsp. ground cumin
 • 1 tsp. salt
 • Blender
 • 2 tsp. flour
 • 2 tsp. vegetable oil

Tamales
 1 Place pork in a large heavy saucepan or Dutch oven and add the water, onions, garlic and 1 1/2 tsp. of salt. Bring to a boil, then simmer for 2 1/2 hours or until the pork is tender and can easily be shredded.
 2 Remove the meat from the broth. Let

the broth and the meat cool down, then strain and reserve 6 cups of the broth. Shred the cooled meat.
 3 Heat the red chile sauce in a saucepan. Stir in the shredded pork, then cover and let it simmer for 10 minutes.
 4 Soak the corn husks for 15 to 30 minutes in warm water while you prepare the masa harina (Mexican wheat flour dough). When the husks have soaked long enough, rinse them in cool water and remove any corn silk, then let them drain.
 5 Beat the shortening in a mixer until it is soft and creamy. Mix the masa harina, baking powder and remaining 2 tsp. salt, then add the dry ingredients alternately with the six cups of cooled broth to the shortening, beating thoroughly after each addition. You may not need to add all six cups of broth; you want just enough to make a creamy, smooth paste.
 6 Assemble each tamale by spreading two tablespoons of the masa harina mixture on the center of each corn husk. Then place about one tsp. of the pork mixture in the middle of the masa harina. Fold in the sides and fold up the bottom of each husk to make a neat little bundle.
 7 Place a crumpled ball of aluminum foil in the center of the steamer basket, then place the basket in the skillet. Lean the ta-

males in the basket, with their folded sides pointing up. Fill the skillet with water to just below the basket.
 8 Bring the water to a boil, then reduce the heat to a simmer. Cover the skillet and steam for 40 minutes, adding additional water when necessary.
Chile Sauce
 1 Remove the stems and seeds from the chiles, then place them on a baking sheet and roast at 350 degrees for two to five minutes or until they smell roasted but not burned. Check them often to make sure they do not burn.
 2 Place the roasted chiles in a large bowl and cover them with hot water. Let them soak for half an hour or more until they are cool.
 3 Put the chiles in a blender with 2 1/2 cups of the water in which they have soaked (reserving the rest of the soaking water). Blend the chiles with the garlic, cumin and salt until smooth.
 4 Blend the flour into the oil in a heavy saucepan over low heat, stirring until it forms a smooth brown paste. Stir in the blended chiles a little at a time.
 5 Simmer the chile sauce uncovered for ten minutes or until it thickens slightly. If it gets too thick, you can stir in a bit of the remaining soaking water until it reaches the desired consistency.

An expert hunter's checklist

Before you send that hunter out this season, be sure they have everything they need. It is extremely important to check the weather advisory for your hunting location.

While hunting in Southwest Texas, be sure to pack both long-sleeved shirts for the brisk mornings and short-sleeved items for later in the day when it warms up.

Checklist:

- Alarm Clock
- Sleeping Bag
- Cooking Utensils
- Bottle Water
- Water-Proof Matches
- Fire Starter
- Space Blanket
- Insect & Snake Bite Kit
- Knife Sharpener
- Hatchet
- Saw
- Rope
- Mirror (Small Compact)
- Flashlights
- Spare Batteries
- Pillow
- Weather Radio
- Binoculars
- Hunting Equip
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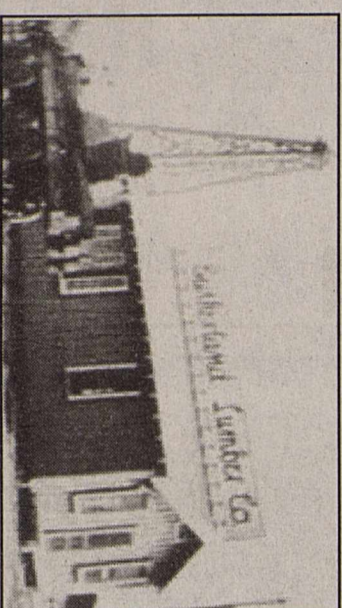
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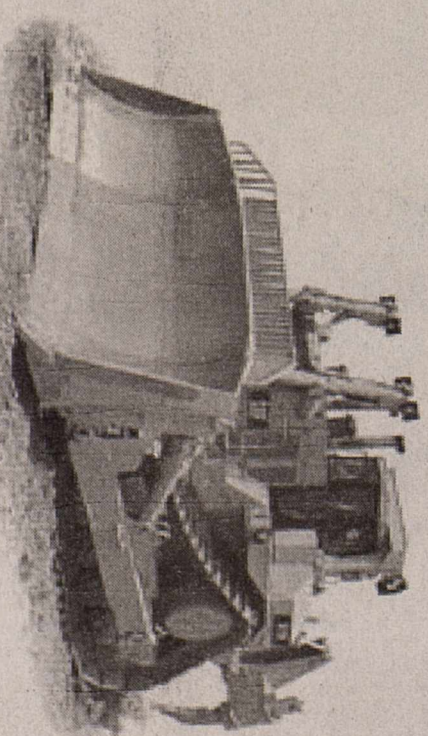


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