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Kinney County Is Home To County Judge Tim Ward - Happy Birthday!

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SPEEDY RECOVERY

Frank, Leigh and Brackett News Weekly wish a speedy recovery to our loyal subscriber, friend and neighbor Pat Moffatt.

EMS WEEKLY REPORT

For the weeks of March 13 - 26: Kinney County EMS responded to a total of 5 medical calls. All five calls were transported to area hospitals.

BRACKETT RELAYS

Today, Thursday March 31 @ 3:30pm at the Brackett Track Field

RELAY WEBSITE

ATTN Brackettville, Our Very Own Relay for Life Website is up and running, be sure to check it out. www.relayforlife.org/kinneycotx

PRIVATE WATER WELL TESTING

Private water wells should be tested annually. The Kinney County Office of the Texas AgriLife Extension Service and the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board are sponsoring a water well screening day for area residents on Wednesday, April 13th in Leakey. Samples must be turned in that morning by 11 a.m. to the Kinney County Extension Office. Samples from private water wells will be screened for possible, common contaminants including fecal coliform bacteria, nitrates, and high salinity. The cost is \$6 per sample. The presence of fecal coliform bacteria in water indicates that feces (bodily waste from humans or animals) may have contaminated the water. You will need to pick up a sample bag and instructions from the Kinney County AgriLife Extension Office. You can contact the Kinney County Extension Office by calling 830-563-2442.

BJH/BHS CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March 31: HS Track meet in Brackett
 April 1: HS Tennis meet in Sabinal; District Baseball game in Sabinal at 4:30pm; District Softball game vs. D'Hanis at 6pm
 April 2: UIL Academic District Meet in Center Point
 April 5: District Baseball game vs. Charlotte in Brackett at 4:30 p.m. and 7pm; District Softball game @ Sabinal at 6pm
 April 6: District Track meet @ Ingram
 April 8: District Baseball game vs. LaPryor in Brackett at 4:30 and 7pm; District Softball game vs. Charlotte in Brackett at 6pm; Knippa Dual Tennis Tournament to be held in Knippa
 April 11: District Tennis meet in Kerrville

ONLINE ISSUE IDENTIFICATION FORUM

An online Issue Identification Forum is being held in Kinney County, to assist local Extension Agents and the Leadership Advisory Board identify the most critical issues affecting local citizens. We invite your participation in the Online Issue Forum. To participate, go to <http://extensionissues.tamu.edu>. The online survey should take you no more than 10 minutes to complete, and will provide us with valuable insight into the issues facing citizens in Kinney County. Your opinion is highly valued in our community, so we truly hope you will take a few minutes to participate.

RANGE MGMT WORKSHOP

The Texas AgriLife Extension Service in Edwards and Kinney County will be having a Range Management Workshop on Monday, April 19th at the Gilmer Memorial Library in Rocksprings. This workshop is meant to educate area ranchers and the community on range and pasture improvement and the different options they have to manage their properties. It is vital that ranchers and land owners understand the options they have to become better stewards and improve their land. The time for this workshop has been set for 8 a.m. to 11:30. The cost of this program will be \$10. Please contact the Edwards County AgriLife Extension office to R.S.V.P. by April 15th.

Bank tellers find funny money

By Leigh Jenkins
Contributing Writer

Tellers at the Bank & Trust in Brackettville discovered counterfeit currency in two separate deposits the week of March 14.

Brackettville Bank & Trust President Lynn McCarson said a counterfeit one hundred dollar bill was included in a deposit from a local business, but trained tellers were able to detect the phony note upon a visual inspection. McCarson said the bill was also put through a

machine that can detect counterfeit money, and the machine rejected it as a fake.

During the same week, an individual presented a counterfeit twenty dollar bill in their deposit and once again the teller and the special machine both identified the small note as a phony.

McCarson said the bills will now be sent to the Federal Reserve where they will be tested and an official report will be issued as to whether or not the bills are counterfeit.

The local business and the individual did not receive credit in their deposit for the counter-

feit bills.

On Monday, March 28, Kinney County Sheriff LK Buddy Burgess warned businesses to carefully inspect money presented to them and to take the proper precautions before accepting currency they suspect might be fake.

Painted sanctuary attracts hungry birds & people



Brackett News Weekly Photo By Leigh Jenkins - The Fillin' Station Restaurant in Brackettville is celebrating the completion of an outdoor mural painted by Jean and Terry Originals, of Alpine. The Fillin' Station is located on Hwy 90 in Brackettville. Visit mybrackettnews.com to see all the photos taken at the Fillin' Station.

Isaacs; Farlow sworn in at FCSA meeting

By Leigh Jenkins
Contributing Writer

Debbie Isaacs and Larry Farlow were sworn in following the Fort Clark Springs Association 40th Annual Membership Meet-

ing on March 26. As it is done each year, the Fort Clark Springs Association (FCSA) announced the results of the board of directors election at its meeting. Isaacs received 816

votes. Farlow received 722 votes. Also on the ballot this year was Ray Reyna who received 443 votes.

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Mestas makes top 5



Photo Courtesy to Brackett News Weekly

Nicole Mestas was invited to attend the Cheer Power Individual High Point Awards Ceremony in Galveston on March 12 and 13.

This event is for individuals that placed in the top five in the south.

For National Championship, Nicole received second place honors for Best Cheerleader with a bid to compete at the 2011 Best Individual Championship May 14, at the South Point Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas.

Nicole also competed the following day at Cheer Power Individual National Championships placing second in jumps and Best Cheerleader with another bid for jump to compete in Las Vegas.

Nicole is the daughter of Debra Buantello and Ruben Mestas.

Saddle shop manager arrested for theft

By Leigh Jenkins
Contributing Writer

Lora Childress, 31, of Brackettville, was arrested for theft on March 24.

Childress, an office manager for Alamo Saddlery at the time of her arrest, is being charged with theft greater than \$100,000, and less than \$200,000.

Alamo Saddlery, based in Brackettville, designs and manufactures western saddles and tack.

An investigation conducted by the Texas Department of Public Safety disclosed a representative from the bank used by Alamo Saddlery became concerned about, "unusual" activity being processed on the company's credit card machine and contacted them.

The bank representative reported each time she contacted the company about her concerns, she spoke to a person identified as "Amanda", who readily justified the transactions. The banker, still suspicious, later pretended to be a potential client and was di-

rected straight to Leisha Ashley, owner of the Alamo Saddlery. The banker informed Ashley that more than \$100,000 in "refunds" had been processed, by way of her company's credit card machine over a period of approximately nine months and was deposited into a debit account in Childress' name.

Investigators stated in their complaint Childress had been recorded pretending to be "Amanda" and justifying the transactions to the credit card processing company. Ashley later identified the voice on the recording to be her office manager, Childress, and not that of "Amanda", a former employee at the saddlery.

Childress was confronted by Ashley with the information and terminated from her position.

Childress was arrested last Thursday and released the same day after securing a \$50,000 bond.

Kinney County Sheriff LK Buddy Burgess said Childress' case will be presented to the grand jury in the near future.

Super S sold to Lowe's

Pay and Save Inc. dba Lowe's based out of Littlefield, Texas with 90 locations throughout the Texas, New Mexico and Arizona has purchased Super S Foods store chain based out of San Antonio.

Lowe's has a rich family history that can be traced back to the 1940's. They are a family owned and operated chain of supermarkets and was founded in Olton, Texas in 1964. The entire family is involved and dedicated to ensuring the success of Lowe's. The chain currently employs over 3,300 teammates and is serviced by Affiliated Foods

in Amarillo, Texas. The acquisition became final on Wednesday, March 23.

Lowe's will retain all teammates at each location of the Super S Foods Stores. "Customers will begin to see a transformation of products and expansion of departments within the next three to four weeks. Customers will still find the same great prices and friendly faces that have been serving them with all their grocery needs," said Roger Lowe Jr. The stores will remain operating with the same store hours and will be open seven days a week.

Letter To The Editor:

On Behalf of the Kinney County Little League I would like to thank the following Sponsors, Board Members and those of you who made monetary donations. Your generosity made the opening ceremony a huge success.

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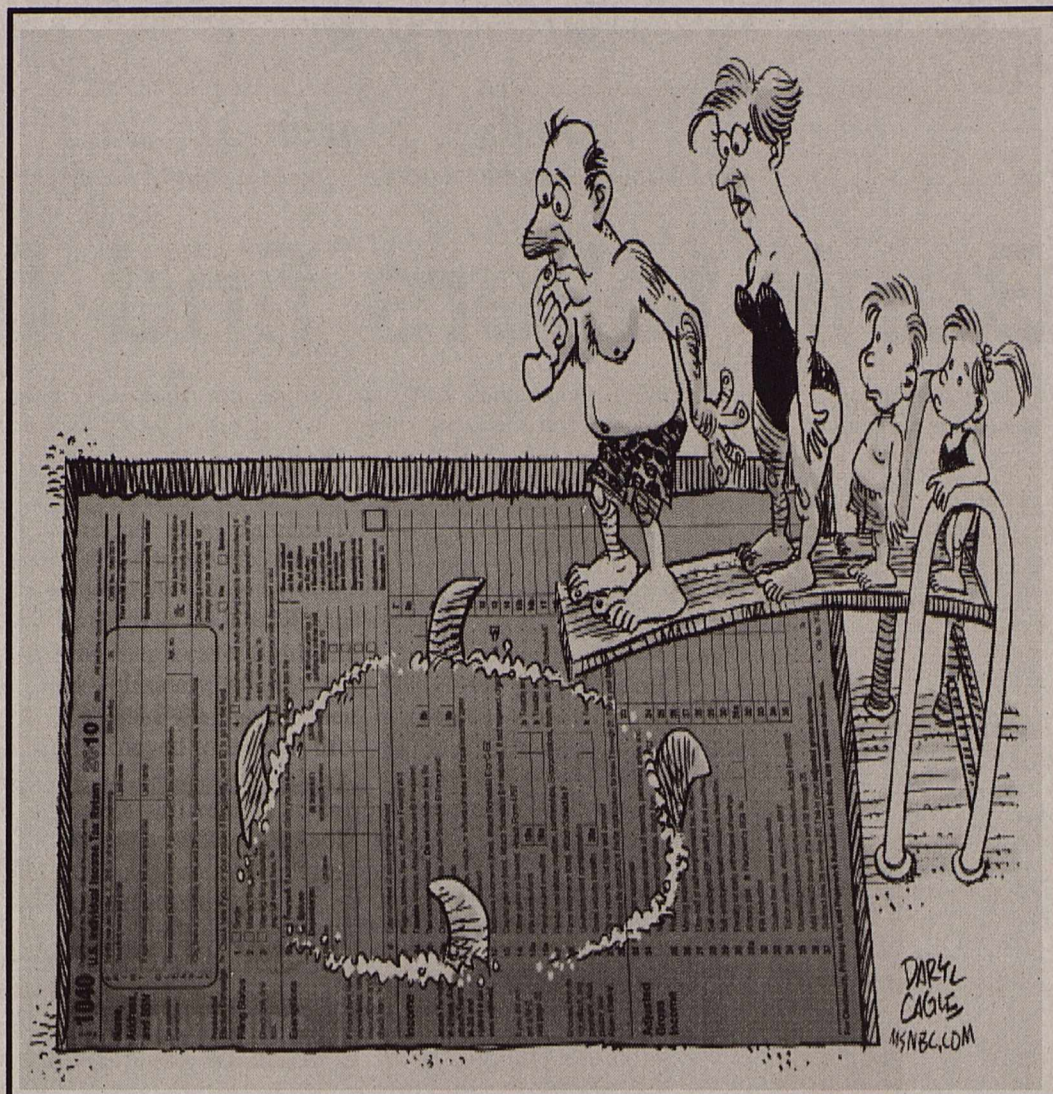
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Thank you to the Board Members for making it possible to have the field ready for the Opening Ceremonies.

Also all the people who volunteered their time, especially Samantha Sheedy, Julie Creel, and Mr. Ellison.

Thank you to the Frank Castillo Family for donating the flag brought from Iraq and Kinney County Library for their assistance in helping us organize.

Isauro Rivas
 President



Are Your Investments Getting Enough Exercise?



Emily Cooper
 Edward Jones in Del Rio

Now that spring is here, you may find it easier to get outside to run, bike or take part in other physical pursuits that you enjoy. As you know, the more active you are, the more efficiently your body will work. And the same can hold true for your investments: The more exercise they get, the more potential to work on your behalf.

Just how do investments get "exercise"? Through lots of activity. And you can keep your investments active in at least two ways: through systematic investing and dividend reinvestment. Let's take a look at both these techniques.

When you engage in systematic investing, commonly called "dollar cost averaging," you are continually putting your money "in motion." Essentially, you put the same amount of money into the same investments at regular intervals. For example, you might decide to invest \$100 per month in Company ABC stock. To impose this investment discipline on yourself, you could even have the money sent directly from your checking or savings account.

Of course, since the price of ABC stock, like those of all stocks, is constantly changing, your \$100 investment will most likely buy different numbers of shares each month. This can work to your advantage, because when the stock price of ABC goes down, your \$100 will buy more shares. When the price goes up, you'll automatically be a smart enough "shopper" to buy fewer shares, just as you'd typically buy less of something when its price goes up.

Over time, systematic investing typically results in a lower average cost per share than if you were to make sporadic lump-sum investments. If you can lower the cost of investing, this may help boost your investment returns. This also can be an effective way to fund your retirement account(s) each year. (Keep in mind, though, that systematic investing does not guarantee a profit or protect against loss. Also, you'll need the financial resources available to keep investing through up and down markets.)

Dividend reinvestment is similar to systematic investing in that it allows you to build more shares of an investment. But when you reinvest dividends, you don't even have to take money from other sources to increase your shares — you simply request that a stock or a mutual fund, instead of paying you a dividend in cash, reinvest the dividend into that same stock or mutual fund. It's an effortless way of adding shares. Similar to dollar cost averaging, dividend reinvestment imposes investment discipline — you automatically keep putting money in the market during up and down periods. (Don't forget, though, that dividends can be increased, decreased or eliminated at any point without notice.)

Exercising your investment dollars in these ways can help you go a long way toward keeping your portfolio in good shape — enabling you to make healthy progress toward your important long-term goals.

Make it easy on yourself



Fly Lady Marla Cilley

It started getting organized in 1999 with two ideas in my head. The first one was to establish one habit at a time. The second was the most important and it was to be nice to me. These two ideas have formed the foundation for FLYing!

That New Years Day I began my journey. I was so tired of living in CHAOS and beating myself up because I didn't know how to keep our home clean. As I tried to figure out why I had so much trouble with housework; I realized that I was being mean to myself. Those negative words kept coming into my head and I was feeling sick to my stomach. I made the decision right then to stop the negative self talk and make it easier on myself by building me up

instead of pulling me down.

Recognizing when I would be mean to myself was the first step to stopping the negative self-talk. Then I turned that thought to a positive affirmation. I realized that I would never say those ugly words to my son so why was I saying them to me.

Our negativity manifest itself in more than words; we do things to set us up to fail and make excuses. Those excuses don't make us feel better; they just make us feel worse. As part of being nice to me I decided to come up with ways to make it easier on myself to do my routines.

With my first habit of shining my sink, I realized that if my dishwasher was not emptied as soon as it was finished that I would pile dishes on the counter till I got around to doing it. That got in the way of my feeling good. Not emptying the dishwasher was not being nice to me.

To make it easy on yourself; empty your dishwasher as soon as it finishes.

Another way to be nice to myself and eliminate excuses

was to pick out my clothes before I went to bed. This set me up for success by making "getting dressed to shoes" easier the next morning. I didn't have to drag my feet about getting dressed. My clothes were picked out and was being nice to me!

To make it easy on yourself; pick out your clothes before you go to bed.

Another way I was nice to me was keeping my favorite cleaning product under every sink in my house. For only a couple of bucks I could have Windex bottle within my reach for my morning swish and swipe and my evening shiny sink ritual. There are no excuses when you look for ways to make it easy on yourself. This saved me steps and eliminated those words, "I don't have time" from popping in my head.

To make it easy on yourself; keep Windex under every sink in your home.

When it comes right down to it; establishing one habit at a time is just another way I was nice to me. Isn't this what Finally Loving Yourself is all about? Being nice to yourself in everything you do!

Are you ready to try my strategy for getting your home in order? It really does work when you are nice to yourself.

For more help getting rid of your CHAOS, check out her website and join her free mentoring group at www.FlyLady.net or her book, Sink Reflections published by Random House and her New York Times Best Selling book, Body Clutter published by Simon and Schuster. Copyright 2010 Marla Cilley Used by permission in this publication.

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One Act Play advances for second week in a row to next level

Submitted By Bisd
For the second week in a row the Brackett High School One Act Play has competed and advanced to the next level of competition. The District 29 A competition was held in Kerrville on March 30 and the following students were recognized:

All-Star Crew- Abigail Gutierrez.

Honorable Mention All-Star Cast- Judy Adams.
All-Star Cast- Susu Seargeant & Ayland Letsinger.
Best Actor- Brandon Allen.
Flowers for Algernon- Cast & Crew: Suzanna Seargeant, Ayland Letsinger, Grant Westbrook, Brandon Allen, Josh Smith, Judy

Adams, Jared Shirkey, Travis Titchnell, Jaime Sandoval, Selina Gerrardo, Leslie Allen, Madison Koontz, Abigail Gutierrez, Britany Hale, Haley Hale, Kelli Kennedy, Daulton Woodson, Ryan Ahern
OAP Directors- Lisa Conoly & Christina Meek

The next level of competition is Saturday April 9, in Fredricksburg.

The students performed "Flowers for Algernon" by playwright David Rogers based on the novel by Daniel Keyes

Charlie Gordon, (Brandon Allen) a mentally retarded adult, is chosen by a team of scientists and doctors to undergo an experimental surgery designed to boost his intelligence. Charlie's teacher, Alice Kinnian, (Suzanna Seargeant) has recommended

Charlie for the experiment because of his eagerness to learn. Dr. Strauss, (Ayland Letsinger) and Professor Nemur (Grant Westbrook) ask Charlie to keep a journal of his everyday life as his intelligence increases. A series of tests are performed by the lab technician, Burt (Josh Smith) where Charlie is introduced to a mouse named Algernon who has also had the injection of brain proteins and is showing great signs of increased intelligence. Charlie works at Mrs. Donner's (Judy Adams) bakery as a janitor and delivery boy. He does not understand that he is the center of all jokes and is teased by his coworkers, Frank (Travis Titchnell) and Joe (Jared Shirkey). Charlie begins to recover lost memories of his childhood and has dreams of his abusive mother (Selina Gerardo) and

his caring father, (Jaime Sandoval) and remembers his sister Norma (Leslie Allen). As Charlie becomes more intelligent he realizes that he is deeply attracted to Alice and she shares the same feelings toward Charlie. As time goes by Algernon's intelligence begins to slip and his behavior becomes erratic and simultaneously Charlie is having his own problems with the old Charlie wanting to come back and take his place. Charlie worries that whatever happens to Algernon will soon happen to him. Will Charlie have enough time to finish his research on retaining artificial intelligence or will it be too late for both of the man made geniuses?

The actors performed for the public during The Old Quarry Society Variety Show on Saturday, March 26 at the Fort Clark

Post Theatre. Plans are being set for a stand alone public performance in the coming weeks and will be advertised in the paper.

In the first round of competition last week, OAP District Awards were given to the following students:

Brandon Allen - Charlie - Best Actor
Susu Seargeant - Alice - All Star Cast
Grant Westbrook - Prof. Nemur - Honorable Mention
Josh Smith - Burt - Honorable Mention
Judy Adams - Mrs. Donner - All Star Cast
Selina Gerardo - Mother - Honorable Mention
Leslie Allen - Norma - Honorable Mention
Lights - Haley Hale - Outstanding Crew



Photo Courtesy to Brackett News Weekly By Bryan Calk - Pictured Brandon Allen and Susu Seargeant



Photo Courtesy to Brackett News Weekly By Bryan Calk - Pictured Haley Hale and Daulton Woodson

Golf teams improve scores

By Coach Lee Abbey

Boy's Varsity Golf at Uvalde Tournament:

They played Friday and Saturday March 11th and 12th. They were the only 1A school at the two day tournament and they held their own. The Boys placed 7th out of 11 schools. San Antonio Marshall won the team title and Uvalde placed second.

Forrest Maddux placed 16th
Gil Turner placed 27th
Joelson Terrazas placed 33rd
Levi Gutierrez placed 42nd
Wyatt Blake placed 50th.

Boy's and Girl's Varsity Golf (Mason Tournament at the Flying L in Bandera- 3/16/11):

The Brackett golf teams were invited to attend this tournament during Spring Break. The teams got a chance to compete and preview the course for the upcoming district tournament. The girl's team managed to win 1st place as a team and place well individually. The boys team only had three players present and were unable to enter as a team. They did play as individual medalists. The Llano boy's team won the Tournament. I am happy that the kids are dedicated enough to give up time

during their spring break to compete.

Girl's Results:

Abby Gutierrez 2nd
Jaclyn Abbey 6th
Lauren Duncan 7th
Nadia Rodriguez 8th

Boy's Results:

Forrest Maddux 14th
Wyatt Blake 17th
Levi Gutierrez 19th

Girl's results from Uvalde Tournament 3/22/11:

The girl's came back from Spring Break to hit the Tournament Trail in Uvalde on Tues-

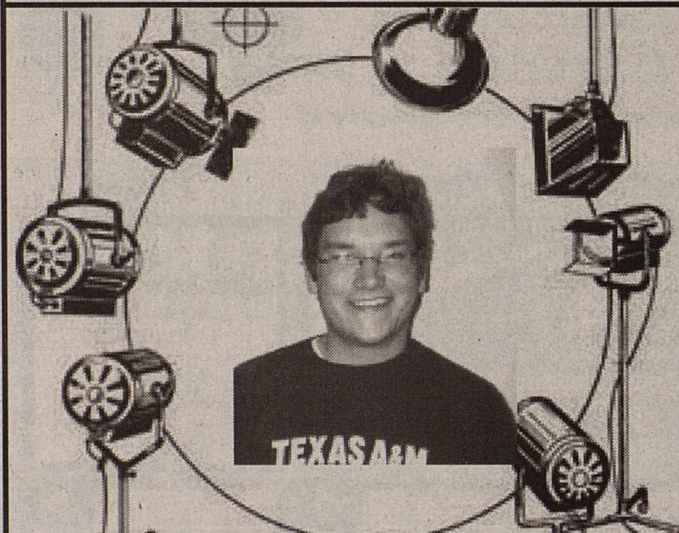
day the 22nd. Our golfers played well and managed to place 3rd of 6 teams in the 1A-2A Division.

Individually they competed with schools from all levels. Most of the players improved their scores.

Jaclyn Abbey 45th
Tyler Roberts 55th
Abby Gutierrez 60th
Lauren Duncan 66th
Nadia Rodriguez 70th
Leslie Allen 78th

District golf will be at Bandera on Monday, April 4th for both boys and girls.

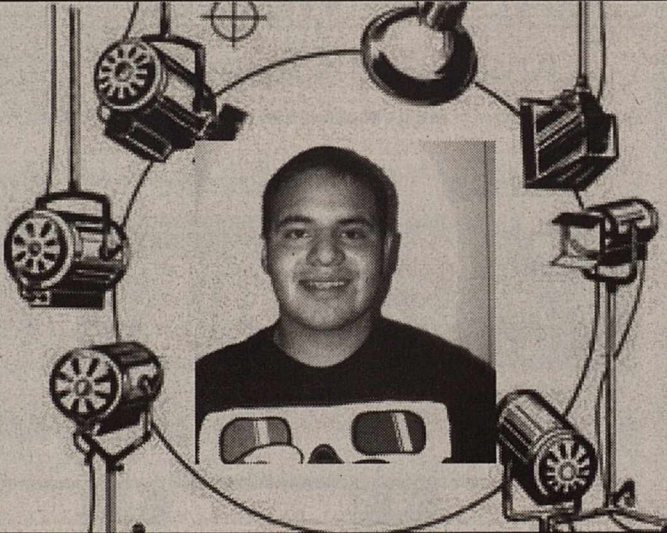
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BHS SENIOR SPOTLIGHT



Bryan Calk

Parents: Kathy and Philip Calk
Siblings: Justin and Emily
What grade did you start attending school at Bisd? 2nd
Where will you be attending college? Texas A&M University, College Station
In five years I will be... broke.

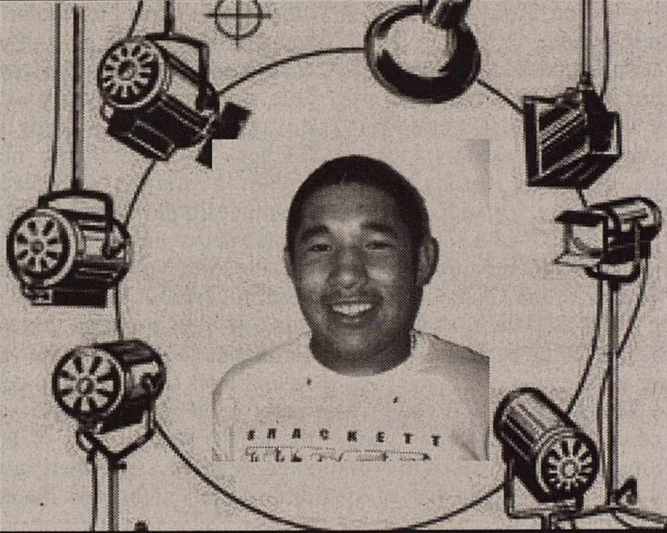
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Vincent Garcia

Parents: Claudia and Vincent Garcia
Siblings: Mark, Isebell and Crystal
What grade did you start attending school at Bisd? Pre-K
Where will you be attending college? Gallen or Kaplan
In five years I will be... working in a hospital.

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BHS SENIOR SPOTLIGHT



Michael Anthony Flores

Parents: Glenda and Michael Flores
Siblings: Marissa and Marley
What grade did you start attending school at Bisd? Kinder
Where will you be attending college? ASU, Sul Ross or SWTJC
In five years I will be... making that money.

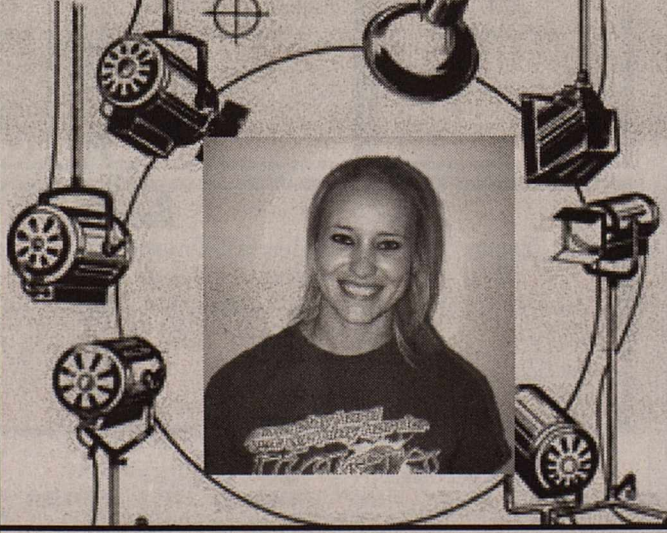
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Celina Calvillo

Parents: Celia and Sergio Calvillo
Siblings: Sergio and Alex
What grade did you start attending school at Bisd? Pre-K
Where will you be attending college? SWTJC
In five years I will be... working and have my own place

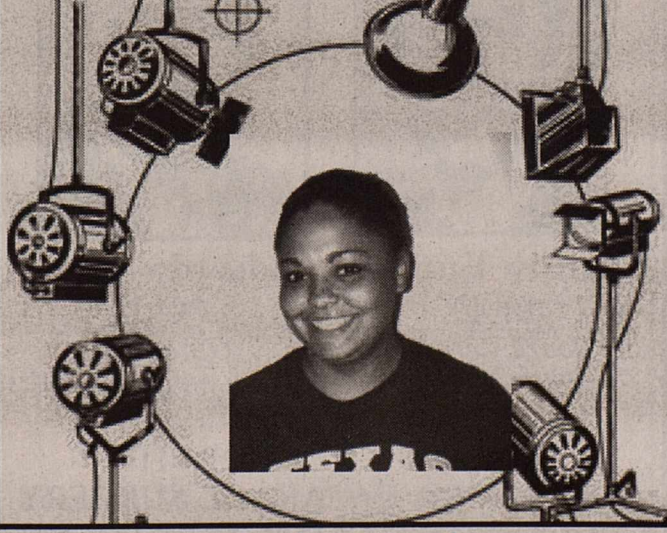
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Sarah Davis

Parents: Kayla and Zack Davis
Siblings: Zachry, Susannah, Dietrich, Tillman and Robert
What grade did you start attending school at Bisd? Kinder
Where will you be attending college? Texas A&M University
In five years I have... my degree from A&M, have my own house and a good job.

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BHS SENIOR SPOTLIGHT



Rachael Nash

Mother: Tonia Harris
What grade did you start attending school at Bisd? 7th
Where will you be attending college? ASU
In five years I will be... working as a teacher or a nurse.

Birding group to meet; finds another owl dead



Photo Courtesy to Brackett News Weekly - Pictured from left: Len Zorn and Randy Castilla

By Anne Watts

The Fort Clark Birders Group will be meeting on April 12, at 4:30 p.m. at the Adult Center. The second Tuesday of the month is our regular meeting date. Randy Castilla the Manager of MUD will be giving us a talk about the Water Treatment Plant—who it serves and how it works including the waste treatment facilities. This talk should be of special interest to our group because the ponds at the Water Treatment Plant will be the site of the Fort Birders New Bird Watching Blind.

The Water Treatment facilities are enclosed by a locked and gated 6 foot fence and unauthorized people are not permitted. The Blind will be within this enclosure at the edge of one of the raised berms. There are four ponds that are used for water purification and all of them are home to hundreds of Waterfowl. Soon Bird watchers will be able to study these birds from the comfort of a 12' x 6' blind. They will be able to access this without disturbing the birds that are on the water or on the banks of the various ponds. It is very rare that several species of Ducks, Coots and Cormorants and the Hawks that prey on them can be seen actually going about their grooming, fishing and everyday interactive behavior and they seem to be always present on these ponds.

The Blind will be built by the Bird Watching Group but will be within the MUD fenced compound and accessed by a locked gate for safety reasons. It will be available for individual or group access with the permission and accompaniment of a Member of the Club and should be a big asset to Fort Clark as Bird watching is an up and coming hobby.

The Club has already received several generous donations to get us started from people who realize what an as-

set this blind can be and we will be very grateful to anyone wishing to add to our funds. We need to buy lumber for the building and also the chain link fencing for the 60 foot enclosed walkway to access the blind from the surrounding outside fence. This walkway will allow access to the Bird watchers without actually encroaching on the working part of the plant. Work has already started on the foundations of the building and we hope that everything will be completed in the early Fall. The MUD Board has approved our plans and all that remains to do is the purchasing the materials to complete the job. Anyone wishing to make a Donation or just take an interest is welcome to attend our next meeting on April 12, or contact our President Louisa Stone at 830 563 3762, as she is a year round resident of Fort Clark Springs.

Loving Spring:

We love Spring—we have seen the Redbud and the Mountain Laurel in flower and now the Mesquite is showing its fresh, green lacy leaves. Spring brings more birds to our area, some just passing through being just occasional visitors so its good to get out and Bird watch every day. This time of year its getting more difficult because more leaves means its harder to spot the bird and it is so frustrating to hear an unrecognizable song and not see who is doing the singing. Every day can bring new sights. Yesterday a different looking bird perching on a dead branch above the water showing off its long yellow beak and beautiful reddish brown neck. I think it was a Green Backed Heron but he flew down into the water plants before I could get a really good view. Hard to see the length of tail, color of legs even relative size when quite distant even with good binocu-

lars. However it is great to spot something new even if you can not put a name to it.

It is good to belong to a Bird Watching Club, because when we see something interesting we can email each other right away and alert other members. It does not even have to be a Life Bird Sighting to make me happy. Today just to see the beautiful bright orange, black and white of the Hooded Oriole, looking very punk with his feathers all ruffled up, splashing away madly in my Bird Bath and shining like a beacon in the sunlight made my day.

Another Owl found dead:

It was with a sick feeling of sadness that once again one of our Fort Clark Birders found yet another dead Barred Owl on March 22. Only a few days ago we reported the first drowned Barred Owl caught by an abandoned fishing line and we thought it a freak accident, This second Owl died in exactly the same way—again entangled in abandoned fishing line. This time the area of the death was along Las Moras Creek just North of Scales Road. Birders have known for several years

that there were at least two families of this type of Owl and had enjoyed trying to catch a rare glimpse of one of them. The best time was early in the morning or as night was falling and always they would be seen near water. Unfortunately these night hunters were not aware of the trap that was awaiting them as they swooped silently over the water looking for their prey. A dangling fishing line was the end of two rare Owls which were both protected species. Both birds were probably male and out catching food for their mates who either would be sitting on eggs or protecting new hatchlings. Without a food supply being provided by the male it is likely both broods would die. This accident not only killed two adult perfectly healthy birds but indirectly also was the cause of the loss of two sets of hatchlings—probably six more Barred Owls. We do hope this will not mean we no longer will hear their call "Who Who Who Who cooks for you?". Again we ask Fishermen to please cut down your entangled lines as best you can or other wild creatures will meet with similar fates.

It's a Girl



Lei'La Rei Garcia

March 23, 2011
7lbs, 3oz
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4 Dr. Timothy Herr ENT 1-830-278-2422	5 Dr. Mehrdad Salamat Pediatric Cardiologist 1-800-242-0008	6	7 Dr. Carlos Morales Pulmonary Diseases 210-616-9999 Dr. Michael DeGaetano Nephrologist 1-830-278-5386	8 Dr. Flavio Alvarez Nephrologist 1-830-278-5386
11 Dr. Timothy Herr ENT 1-830-278-2422	12	13 Walter W. Strash, D.P.M. Podiatrist 1-210-829-8770	14 Dr. Randall Bell Pulmonary Disease 1-830-278-6251 ext. 1430	15 Dr. Flavio Alvarez Nephrologist 1-830-278-5386
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Other Specialists

Amadi, Fidelis, M.D. 278-7105	Family Practice	Gregory Baber, D.M.D. 278-7105	Dental Surgeon	Sridham Beeram, M.D. 210-595-5300	Hematology/Oncology	Jamil Bhat, M.D. 591-1294	Internal Medicine & Cardiology	David Friedman, M.D. (210) 595-5300	Hematology/Oncology
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Isaacs; Farlow sworn in at FCSA meeting

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Genell Hobbs stated there were 56 write-in votes, with former board member Hattie Berleth receiving the most write-ins totaling 13 votes.

Both propositions placed on the ballot were voted down. Proposition 1 was to amend the size of the club grounds from 1,600 acres to 1,000 acres. It was defeated with 663 votes against the measure and 421 votes in favor.

Proposition 2, calling for the restructuring of the Building Site Impound Fund was also defeated with 565 votes against the measure and 518 votes in favor.

FCSA Director of Operations Ron Stuard expressed his appre-

ciation to the Fort's 52 employees with a combined 387 years of combined service and all the volunteers that donate their time and talents to the betterment of the facility.

An overall positive financial report was given by Randy Gallo-way of Susan Newsome & Associates of Del Rio despite hard economic times.

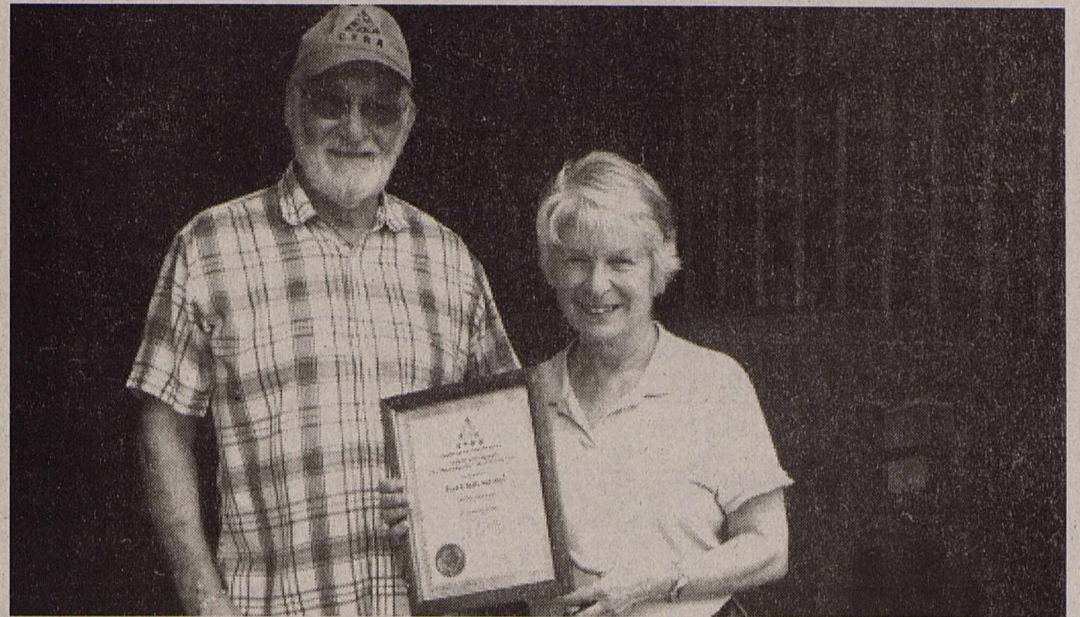
Special recognition was given to Members of the Year Lee and Judy Winchell. Security Director Matt Bland was named Employee of the Year. Joe Avila was recognized for 40 years of service to the Fort that did not include his employment when the retired cavalry base was owned by Brown &

Root. Albert Payne was given a plaque for being the top BBQ chef for the last ten annual meetings.

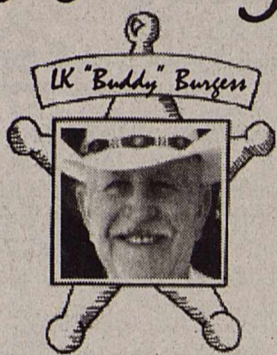
Immediately following the meeting, a board of directors meeting was called for the purpose of electing new officers. Sam Holloman was re-elected as Fort Clark Springs Board of Directors President; Debbie Isaacs: Vice President; Larry Farlow: Secretary; and Garland Young: Treasurer. William Haenn remains on the board as a member.

The Membership BBQ followed the meetings and 366 plates were served.

Information in this article was supplied by the FCSA administration office.



Kinney County Sheriff's Report



Monday, March 21

A woman called to report a possible break-in on the west side of town.

A woman requested a deputy's assistance while she removed her property from her ex husband's house on the east side of town.

A man called to report stray cattle on his property. He wanted them removed because they were making a mess.

Tuesday, March 22

Edward Zapata, 30, of Del Rio, was booked and serving time due for an earlier offense. Zapata was still being held at press time.

Christopher Sandoval, 23, of Del Rio, was arrested on a mo-

tion to revoke probation. Sandoval was still being held at press time.

Michael Cox, 38, of Caney, was arrested for bail jumping. Cox was still being held at press time.

A woman called to report her ex boyfriend was repeatedly passing by her location and she was afraid he was going to do something to her. A deputy was dispatched.

Wednesday, March 23

A supervisory border patrol agent called to report another agent had rolled his vehicle on the way to work on Hwy. 131 by the Mobley Ranch. EMS was paged out.

Fort Clark Security requested a deputy's assistance at the front gate. Fort Clark Security requested a deputy's assistance with a welfare check on a resident.

A deputy reported he hit two deer with his patrol unit.

Thursday, March 24

Lora Childress, 31, of Brackettville, was arrested for theft more than \$100,000, less than \$200,000. Childress was re-

leased the same day after posting a \$50,000 bond.

A Fort Clark man called 911 to report his neighbor was throwing trash in his yard.

Friday, March 25

Val Verde SO reported a possible abandoned car on Hwy 90 one mile west of the AJ Foyt Ranch.

A Fort Clark woman called to report her neighbor was yelling and cursing at her.

A woman called to report a possible water leak at El Paso and Sweeney. The city was advised of the situation.

A man reported a possible missing person. Deputies located the missing woman and she was in good condition.

A caller reported a possible abandoned 18-wheeler. Deputies reported the driver returned and had run out of fuel.

Sunday, March 27

A 911 caller reported a man and woman fighting in the street near her house on the east side of town. The woman stated the man was chasing the woman down the street and they were yelling at each other.



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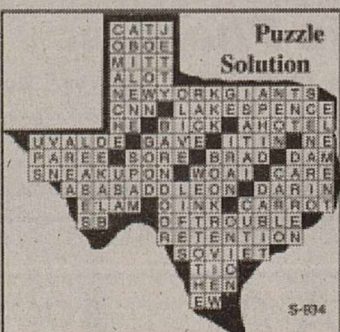
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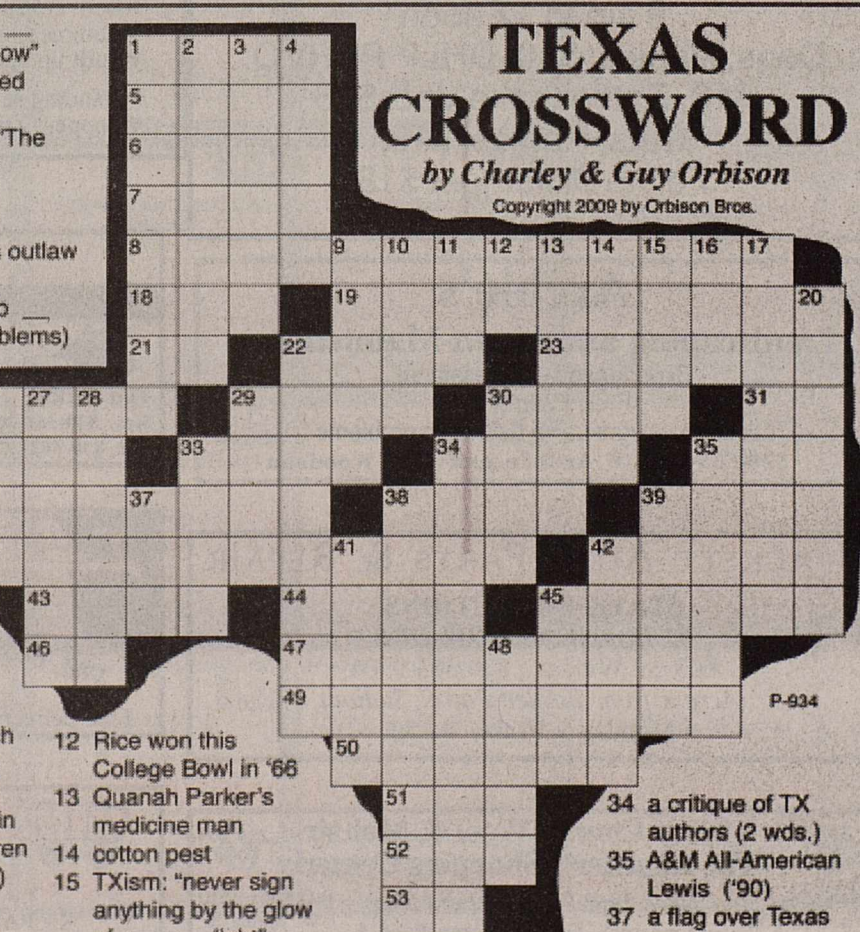
- Lady Bird's real init.
- woodwind in the Houston Symphony
- glove for Rangers' "Pudge" Rodriguez
- TXism: "got _____ of arrows in his quiver" (capable)
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DOWN

- TXism: "useless _____ a sow"
- Bobby of TX-filmed "State Fair"
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- pig sound
- Valley veggie
- Denton's famous outlaw Bass (init.)
- TXism: "in a heap _____" (big problems)
- students learning gauge
- TX Swayze fought _____ troops in "Red Dawn" ('84)
- former King Ranch manager Kleburg
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- head of JFK Warren Commission (init.)
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- home of ACU
- TX Kenny sang "Don't Take Your Love _____"
- _____ pier into the Gulf
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- Waco's "The Great TX Raft _____"
- political party of 1st female in TX legislature ('22)
- Rice won this College Bowl in '66
- Quannah Parker's medicine man
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- TXism: "never sign anything by the glow of a _____ light"
- cable network (or dynamite)
- "worst case"
- ATF lost _____ of surprise in '93 cult raid near Waco
- TXism: "nail his hide to the _____"
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- a critique of TX authors (2 wds.)
- A&M All-American Lewis ('90)
- a flag over Texas
- TXism: "_____ well once too often"
- Yvonne de _____ starred in film about 46-across
- "_____ little joke"
- TXism: "_____ on" (apply it)
- TXism: "_____ as a bug's ear"
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