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Kinney County is Home to Richard Ortega - Happy Birthday

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November 26 **Lighting of Downtown**

The Kinney County Frontier Christmas Celebration will kick off Saturday, November 26, with the lighting of downtown Brackettville and hayrides. At 6:30 p.m., there will be festivities at the Courthouse square, which will serve as Santa's Frontier Outpost for the synchronized lighting of downtown businesses, lots of music, and fun. There's plenty of room for those wishing to participate in the hayrides, with five different hayrides! It is recommended that a parent/guardian accompany minor children. The hayrides will depart from the Civic Center after the light display, and will make their way along one of five designated routes. Tune up the pipes, because what's a hayride without Christmas caroling?!

Community News

PARKINSON SUPPORT GROUP

Tuesday Nov. 29th, 10:00am McNurlins: call: 830-563 9587 for directions If you have Parkinson disease or similar movement disorder, or are the spouse or partner of someone who does, please join us. We are starting a new support group at Fort Clark, for people in the Brackettville, Fort Clark area. It will give us an opportunity to learn about the latest findings to help with this disease. We are also here to help each other as we travel on this journey. There is new technology and medicines being developed everyday. Join us and please call if you have questions.

FORT CLARK HISTORICAL SOCIETY

will hold its monthly meeting on Satruday Nov. 26 at 9 am in hte Palisado Building. Board member elections will be held during the meeting. Coffee and donuts will eb served from 9-9:30. Election and meeting will begin at

TRAIL RIDE

Benefit for Ida Pacheco November 26 starting at 9:30 am on Hwy 334 and ending at Salvador Pacheco Res. Chicken plates for sale \$6. Tamales for sale \$7/dozen. Loteria and jewelry raffle. Any questions contact Fermin Villanueva 830.563.5513.

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Honduran man captured on Fort

By Leigh Castillo Contributing Writer

Brackettville Border Patrol Agents apprehended a Hondu- ing foot sign and as the tracks on November 20.

Supervisory Border Patrol was received by the Brack- Marine responded by sending ettville Station about a group a helicopter that flew low over Brackettville Station was estab-

making their way onto Fort of many curious onlookers. Clark property around 4 p.m. Agents responded by follow-

a call for air support was made. The US Customs and Bor-Agent Chavarria said a report der Protection Office of Air and

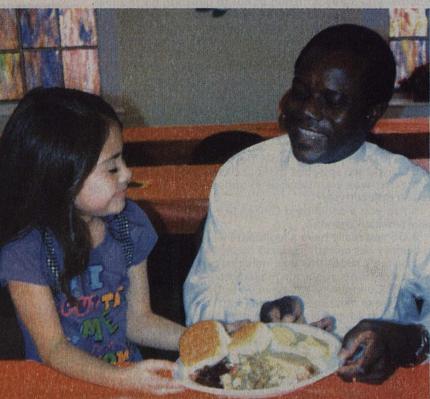
proceedings have been com-

of possible illegal immigrants the Fort, drawing the attention lished was established at the buildings before the current fabeginning of WWII and origi- cility was constructed in 1991 One man was taken into fed- nally located in Spofford, at the western edge of town. eral custody for being in the Texas. The station was re- The Brackettville Station area United States without proper named and moved about 10 of responsibility is approxiran man on Fort Clark Springs led closer to a residential area, documentation and will be remiles north to the town of mately 3,000 square miles of patriated after immigration Brackettville in 1952, follow-rough and brushy rangeland, ing a water shortage in the town which contains more than 250 of Spofford, Through the years privately owned ranches. The According to cbp.gov, "the the Brackettville offices were station is also responsible for housed in several smaller local over 16 miles of river border."

Catholic feast feeds 600







Brackett News Weekly Photos by Leigh Castillo - Nearly 600 people were served a traditional Thanksgiving dinner by the St. Mary Magdalene Catholic parishioners on November 20. The First Annual Feast of Giving was supported by more than 40 volunteers who prepared 23 turkeys, while others cooked up all the trimmings and served the massive amounts of food. Approximately 100 pies were donated for the event. Meals were delivered to the Kinney County Nutrition Center and to employees at Lowes Grocery, PICO #15, Fort Clark Security, Kinney County Detention Center, Stop N Shop, Kinney County Sheriff's Office and Kinney County EMS. Pictured above: Brianna Quiroz and Father Pius Ezeigbo. Organizers thanked everyone for their support and hard work and said they hoped this was the first of many feasts. Top Left: Nancy Herrera, Benita Villareal, Diana Gutierrez, Nancy Rodriguez, Theresa Quiroz, Martha Gerrado and Janie DeHoyos. Bottom Left: Becky Resendez, Julia Terrazas, Rebecca Moore, Ramona Falcon and Amelia Reyes.

Second drug take back successful

By Leigh Castillo

Contributing Writer tration officials together with the their unused, unwanted and ex-Kinney County Sheriff's Department hosted a second drug take back event Saturday, October 29.

tration Resident Agent in tions for falling into the hands of Charge Armando Ramirez, Jr. explained, "Operation Got



Brackett News Weekly Photo by Leigh Castillo - Steve Gallegos and DEA RAC Armando Ramirez, Jr.

Drugs afforded the citizens of our communities the opportunity Drug Enforcement Adminis- to rid their medicine cabinets of pired medications. It also allowed for the disposal of these medications in a safe and non-hazardous Drug Enforcement Adminis- manner, preventing these medicajuveniles, into the illicit market within our communities, or being disposed of down sink drains, which is having a direct impact

on our local environments.' Ramirez reported the DEA National Take Back Initiative III, the Eagle Pass Resident Office and the Del Rio Post of Duty established four collection sites located in Eagle Pass, Del Rio, Uvalde and Brackettville, Texas. The weight of medication collected at those sites is as follows: Eagle Pass 37.5 lbs. / 17.0 kgs; Del Rio 86.5 lbs. / 39.2 kgs; Uvalde 42.5 lbs. / 19.2 kgs; and Brackettville 3.5 lbs. / 1.6 kgs. The total weight collected by the Eagle Pass Resident Office was 168.5 lbs. / 76.4 kgs.

Conseco spends day listening



Brackett News Weekly Photo by Leigh Castillo - Helen Marie Jones, center, introduces constituent Katie Brown, left, to Congressman Francisco Quico Canseco.

By Leigh Castillo Contributing Writer

constituents on November 22.

Canseco started his day by spending time with Kinney Zandra Negrete at the Kinney Canseco promised both officials County Library Annex. Ward he would find information that Nutrition Center at 6 p.m.

ing the necessary funding for issues. Congressman Francisco new ambulances and for engi-Brackettville. Negrete said the streets of Brackettville and the lack of housing were the two County Judge Tim Ward and most pressing concerns for the

said the county was need of find- would help them resolve their

Throughout the day Canseco Quico Canseco spent the day in neering services for the two wa- met with local business owners Brackettville listening to his tershed dams located north of and was treated to luncheon by the Kinney County Chamber of Commerce at the Gray Wolf Lodge at Fort Clark Springs.

Canseco concluded his day in City of Brackettville Mayor city. After a lengthy discussion, Brackett by hosting a Town Hall Meeting at the Kinney County

Mr. Brackett says...

did you know that... I was told those pesky surcharges to run them water pumps has been going on since the 1970's. Though I couldn't make sure that the surcharge started in the '70s it was dang sure on there from 1998 to present day. Got some old utility bills from my friend, first thing I noticed was that from '98 up 'til '03 the surcharges ranged from .14 cents to a one time high of \$1.03. Seems the way cost of the electricity was charged was by taking the cost of the pump electricity and dividing by the number of meters. This would account for the different charges each month, hmmm... that seems fair... just pay for what we used. About July of '03 and before March of 2004 (can't be exact cause I don't have all the bills) the rate jumped to \$6.00 per month. Now March '04 thru September '05 that would be 19 months at \$6.00 and considering that the number of meters ain't changed much I'll just use 774 for figuring purposes. Now 19 X \$6 x 774 = \$88,236. Now on the November '05 bill that surcharge jumped to \$8.00 and is still there today. Now that would be about 6 years or 72 months x $$8 \times 774$ meters = \$445,824. Why that means for the last 7 years and 7 months people of Brackettville have paid out of pocket about \$534,000, give or take a little. Well... I guess in tough economic times you gotta find \$62,000 anywhere you can.

Letter To The Editor:

"Mr. Brackett" made me steal a Brackett News newspaper last night at PICO.....Do I stand behind this statement, Absolutely; is there more to the story, of course there is. Like many of you that read the Brackett News every week I have seen "Mr. Brackett" write (in his paid advertisements) about our elected officials and members of our community that he has a difference of opinion with, but he is unwilling to sign his name to any of his articles. So I, Jim Titchenell decided to call and see if Mr. Brackett would like to respond to a few questions that I had for him and the individuals that are allying themselves with him. I made a call to this man and was told he would call me back.....in an attempt to get my facts straight, I set off for PICO to pick up a copy of the Brackett News; as I was waiting in line he called me back-not wanting to miss anything he had to say, I immediately ran out of the store thus inadvertently Shop-Lifting a copy of the paper.....Of course I later returned to pay for the paper but my slanderous statement in my opening sentence is still fresh in your mind isn't it.

I can honestly say that most people who know me would say that I have a servants-heart and that I want to see this Community that I have grown to love so much flourish—that said, I am not looking to pick a fight, but I see some extremely destructive forces at work within our Community and I cannot

The man that I and most of you know to be Mr. Brackett will not acknowledge that he is indeed the one who is penning these articles-this should cause each and every one of us, whether you agree with him or not to question his motives. Because of his unwillingness to come out of the shadows and take ownership of what he has penned, I will not post his answers to the questions I asked him-I will in turn show you some of the questions that I asked him-if I was to post all of the questions you would most definitely know exactly who he

1.Did you check your facts prior to submitting your articles?.....His answer was no.... darn it, I said I wasn't gonna do that - my most recent crime-spree must have caused me

2. What direction would you like to see this community headed in that it isn't currently moving toward?

3.Do you see any good that our current leaders have done? 4. What was your purpose in opposing the street paving here in Brackettville?

5. Are you a concerned Citizen like most of us or do you have a hidden agenda?

6.Do you really have a legitimate issue or are you just out to destroy our current leaders?

This isn't about this one individual who hides behind his keyboard; this is about the masses here in Brackettville who love this Community and have up to this point sat silent, allowing these destructive forces to attack our leaders. I truly believe that when you disagree with someone's freedom of speech you shouldn't attempt to silence or destroy them, you should engage in more speech-this folks is the beauty of our 1st Amendment, let's have more speech but with civility this

Mr. Brackett accused me of being Judge Tim Ward's Minion (I about blew Coffee outa my nose, I have been called a lot of things in my life but a Minion—sounds sooo ominous) all the while maligning the Mayor and City Manager. I would like to disclose my allegiance so there is no confusion on this matter-I believe that Public Service is a Calling not a Career; actually I am a Minion of my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and I'm confident Tim and Henry are also Minions of Jesus too. I had what some might call a "Come-to- Jesus" experience last summer when my Wife and I volunteered to be chaperones at Alto Frio Children's Church camp—we saw 115 Children and Adult come to Christ and this changed our li home from camp and vowed to give back to this Community who have Blessed us both financially and spiritually—that week we put our Ranch, Bowhunter's Paradise up for sale and I volunteered to become the New EMS Director for Kinney County Fire & Rescue. I am proud to be serving this Community and I am equally proud to call Judge Ward and Henry Garcia mentors and Friends....now of course there are some things that I don't agree 100% with them on, but I can say this much; these men are Godly Men of character who have that Servant's-Heart that we should all attempt to emulate.

I now see why soo many individuals shy away from trying to serve their community—there are those out there that lurk in the shadows like a Roaring Lion seeking to whom they may devour. Hopefully this is a wake-up call for those of us whose silence has been deafening up to this point. I implore you to pray for our Leaders and if they're not leading, vote them out of office—when you lay your head down on your pillow at night you will know that your actions are honorable and you are willing to put your name on them.

God Bless each and everyone of you and this wonderful Town we call home - please get out there and serve your Community, there is great need all around you if you will just open your eyes.

> Respectfully, Jim Titchenell

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Here's your year-end investment checklist



Emily Cooper Edward Jones in Del Rio

As an investor, you've pretty much seen it all in 2011 - including slow-but-steady gains early in the year, a market correction during the debt ceiling debate and the U.S. credit downgrade, and huge one-day price movements, both up and down

and there's still a month to go. But despite the volatility of the past 11 months, you can make some positive year-end investment moves, including the

Boost your 401(k) contributions. If your employer permits you to make extra contributions to your 401(k), put in as much

Letter To

Editor:

Please tell Mr. Brackett that (he) has no knowledge of how

the system is supposed to work. A community hires a profes-

sional manager to run the cities business because he is trained

to do it. As for the council deciding the daily activities, they

normally have very little idea of the situation. I think the city is

very fortunate to have Mr. Garcia, as is the Fort. He is a true professional. The council's job is to set policy and let the man-

ager handle it. Why do you think all cities have a manager?

on a tax-deferred basis.

(IRA), which offers tax-deferred ment discipline. earnings, to a Roth IRA, whose drawals until you're at least age 591/2 and you've held your account for five years. Keep in qualified tax professional.

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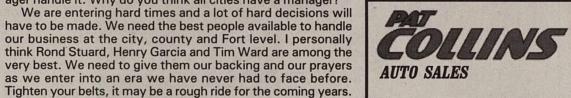
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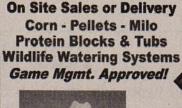
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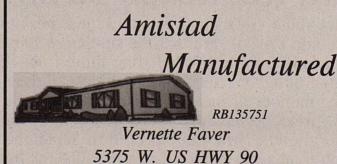
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BISD Employee of the Week



Twilley Young 5th Grade Teacher, Jones Elementary School

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

- 1. I had a 3-legged dog for ten years.
- 2. I still have my '65 Mustang from college.
- 3. I started college at 17 years old.
- 4. I'm in a band. 5. My nickname is Fe-fe.

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6. I was a yearbook sponsor for 6 years.

TGCA names 2011-12 Cross Country All-State Team



Submitted by Texas Girls ber for Cross Country. Abbey **Coaches Association**

team for each conference in cross in a row.

country. These athletes are selected by the TGCA Cross Country Committee, which is composed of cross country member coaches of the Association, at their annual meeting. Selections are made from nominations submitted by member coaches. Athletes need not be seniors to be

Sophomore, Jaclyn Abbey, was selected as an All-State memcompeted at the State Cross TGCA selects an All-State Country meet for the 2nd year

Teens in Driver's Seat Talent Show



Grant Westbrook Leslie Allen



Madison Koontz



Judges: Lisa Conoly, Jim Titchenell and Kathy Kluzek.

Brackett News Weekly Photos by Ashley Castillo Sandoval

Submitted by BISD

Misty Rose

the Drivers Seat Club held a talent show at the BISD auditorium.

testants entered into the talen a trio of Ryan Clark, Charlie show: ranging from singers, gui- Resendez, and Webb Ashley.

tarists and famous handshakes. Shelby Schuster was first On November 21, Teens in place. Madison Koontz was second place. A tie for third was Kaitlyn Partlow and Brittney There was a total of 17 con- Sweet. Honorable mention was

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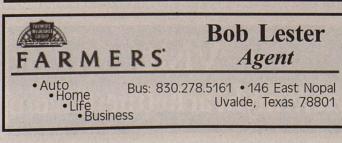
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Brackett News Weekly Photo by Leigh Castillo - The undefeated Brackett Prep Tigers caged the Del Rio Lions on November 20 at Ram Stadium to claim the 2011 championship title for the Del Rio Youth Football League.

2011 Tiger Football All District Honors



Daniel Falcon Co-District MVP



Amadeo Martinez Co-Defensive MVP



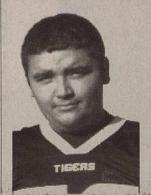
David Ortega Newcomer of the Year



Jonathan Quiroz-QB 1st Team Offense 1st Team Defense



Jonathan Pinales-R 1st Team Offense



Austin Delbosque-OL 1st Team Offense



1st Team Defense 2nd Team Offense



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1st Team Defense



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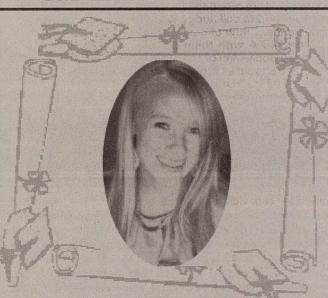
Gil Turner Academic All District



Bradley Edwards-DL



Webb Ashley Academic All District



Lauren Duncan

Parents: Jeff and Jill Duncan Sibling: Blake

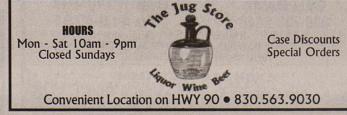
What grade did you start attending school at BISD? Kinder What are your future plans? I plan to attend Texas A&M University.

In five years I will be...attending med school.



Tigerettes defeat Comstock

Brackett News Weekly Photos by Ashley Castillo Sandoval On November 21, the Tigerettes hosted the Comstock Lady Panthers, winning their first home game. The Tigerettes will go on to play in Utopia on November 29. Sophomore Jaclyn steals the ball and takes it to the hoop for 2 points.







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This Thanksgivng I am thankful for...



"That this awesome lady is cancer free for another year!!!!" -Christina Luna Moore



"I am thankful for my best friend, McKenzie Castillo. She is with me in everything I do and I can trust her with anything!" -Nadia Rodriguez



"I am thankful that my only job is to be a wife and a stay at home mommy. Family is the most important thing in life." -Ivory Davis



"I am thankful for my wonder family...my amazing husband Rob and our beautiful daughter Abigail." -Nicole Deatherage Frets

OBITUARY

Carroll Lee Petrosky

February 22, 1949 - November 16, 2011



Carroll Lee Petrosky, age 62, of Seguin, Texas, claimed his baptismal promise on November 16, 2011. Carroll (Toby) was born on February 22, 1949, in Georgetown, Texas to Lewis and Malinda Homann Petrosky. Carroll was raised in Georgetown and grew up with a love for sports and competition, often organizing neighborhood baseball and football games. A talented and accomplished athlete, Carroll received numerous awards in football, baseball, and track; including All-Centex and All Super-Centex in football and holding the Georgetown High School record in shot put for many years. He earned a Bachelor of Science in Education from Sam Houston State University. On March 2, 1979, he married Mary Rushing at the Abbey Wedding Chapel in Austin, Texas. Together they raised three beautiful children.

Carroll devoted his life to teaching and coaching. Carroll was lovingly called "coach p" by the many students whose lives were greatly influenced by his mentorship and guidance both in the classroom and on the field. He taught and coached in Georgetown, Manor, Eagle Pass, and Brackettville. While he was very dedicated to his students' success in the classroom, his great passion and life-long love was coaching. With great enthusiasm and joy, Carroll coached hundreds of students on his teams over the years; he was greatly respected and loved by them all. Serving as the Athletic Director at Manor and Brackettville, Carroll's leadership resulted in numerous district championships with teams advancing in the UIL play-off system, including several state track contenders.

Understanding the value of an education, Carroll compassionately worked with struggling students and troubled youth during the latter part of his career. As a result, he taught GED classes in the evenings and spent many hours providing tutoring and assistance to students. He ended his career as the director of the Brackett Alternative School. Even after retirement, his commitment to youth continued as he educated troubled students in the Texas Youth Commission. Carroll made a tremendous impact in the lives of multitudes, through his selfless dedication to teaching and coaching.

Carroll enjoyed vegetable gardening; nurturing plants with the same tender care he gave his family. Loving the outdoors, he enjoyed hunting and fishing as well as working on his parents' farm. With a passion for cooking, he loved to spend time reading through recipe books and creating new recipes for his family and friends. Many friends, neighbors, and family received his famous home-made jellies, salsa, breads, and

Carroll loved bringing life to antiques, often spending many hours restoring furniture with great care. He shared his knowledge and skills with his son and took pride in their time together working side by side.

Carroll was a true family man. He took great joy and pride supporting his family in their many activities and endeavors; including attending sporting events, daughters' cheerleading and dramatic productions, and church activities. In addition to being a devoted husband, he was a loving, compassionate, and caring father, always supportive and encouraging his children for their hard work, education, and success.

Carroll will be remembered most as a man who treasured his faith and his family always giving of himself to others and steadfast in his allegiance to the Lord. He is a member of Gethsemane Lutheran in Austin, Texas and an associate member of Redeemer Lutheran in Brackettville, Texas.

He leaves behind to cherish his memory, his wife, Mary Rushing Petrosky of 32 years; daughters, Amanda Petrosky of Burnet, Emily Komarek and husband, Jim, of Salina, KS; son, Christopher Petrosky, and fiancé, Bonnie Barton, of New Braunfels; father, Lewis Petrosky of Lockhart, brother, Jim Petrosky and wife, Gee, of Wichita, KS, sisters, Carolyn Marlatt of Buda, Linda Simonson of Georgetown; mother-in-law, Robena Rushing of Norman, OK; brother-in-law, Jack Rushing and wife, Julie, of Norman, OK; sister-in-law, Diana Rosenthal and husband, Lewis, of Rockport; nieces and nephews, Janie Adams and husband, Nick, and children, Reed, Lindsay, Scott, and Abbie, Beckie Avery and husband, Mike, and children, Carson, Suzanne, and Josh, Charlotte Buchanan and husband, Mike, all of Wichita, KS, Terri Marlatt and son, Tanner, of Temple, Joe Bob Marlatt of Lockhart, Kathy Smith and daughter, Sheridan, of Kyle, Melissa Revier and husband, Scott, of Plano, and Grayson and Samuel Rushing of Norman, OK.

Carroll was preceded in death by his mother, Malinda Petrosky and his father-in-law, Jack Rushing.

Visitation will be Sunday, November 20th from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Weed-Corley-Fish North Funeral Home in Austin. Family interment will be the morning of Tuesday, November 22 at Clover Hill Cemetery in Lott, Texas. A Celebration of Life Service will be held on Tuesday, November 22 at Gethsemane Lutheran Church in Austin at 4:00 P.M.

Serving as pallbearers will be Steve Golemon, Charlie Marquardt, Frank Taylor, Jeff Nash, Nick Adams, Mike Avery, Mike Buchanan, Ford Wisdom, Ford Wisdom, Jr., and Don-Hoffman. Honorary pallbearers include Milton Denham, Don Chandler, Tom McNew, Larry Ivy, Hub Sherman, Dale Hudspeth, Steve Mares, and all former football players.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Brackett High School FCA Scholarship Fund, American Heart Society, and American Cancer Society.

Arrangements by Weed-Corley-Fish Funeral Home, 3125 N Lamar Blvd, Austin, TX 78705 - (512) 452-8811

RGEC Announces Promotions ager of technical services, a po- gan his career with RGEC as a ate of Brackett High School, sition he held until his promonetwork manager in 2005, after Solis began his career as Ware-

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Rio Grande Electric Cooperative announces the promotion of Frank Rodriguez to the position retirement of Clinton Brown ear- came information technology groundman, and in 1998, a stakof director of operations. A lier this year. graduate of Brackett High School, Rodriguez began his Nancy, are active in various groundman in 1994. He climbed efitting the youth of the area. to the rank of Apprentice Lineman in 1996, and became an new director of technical ser- in their abilities to lead the until becoming Manager of Utilelectrical technician in 1999. In vices, and will manage both the Cooperative's rapidly expanding ity Privatization Services Octo-2000, Rodriguez was made engineering services coordinator, Technical Services departments. the members of RGEC. prior to becoming technical ser-

tion to director of operations to having worked with the Co-op houseman in 1996. Shortly fill the vacancy created by the as a consultant. In 2007, he be-thereafter, he became a

tenure with RGEC as a community organizations ben- outstanding accomplishments of nator in 2006. In 2007, he was

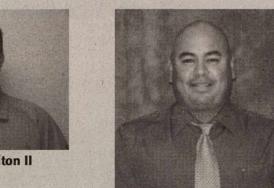
Dalton, who earned his in 2006, that he became man- Administration from UTSA, be- Privatization Services. A gradu- Laughlin AFB, in Del Rio.

Rodriguez and his wife, until his promotion October 31. engineering technician in 2002,

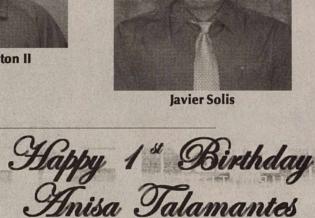
Conrad I. Dalton, II is the and has the utmost confidence supervisor, a position he held Information Technology and use of technology to better serve ber 31. Solis is charged with

Javier Solis is the new Manvices supervisor in 2002. It was Bachelor's degree in Business ager of Military Utility Fort Bliss, El Paso, and

(IT) manager, a position he held ing technician. Javier became an Rio Grande is proud of the and was named project coordiboth new departmental directors, promoted to engineering services overseeing operations at RGEC's military operations at



Conrad I. Dalton II



Titchenell receives Rotary coin

Frank Rodriguez



Submitted by Tom Collins

of the Brackettville Rotary Club, Program Chairman Dave Crowe, is shown presenting Kin-tional type course in the public ney County EMS Director, Jim schools for students and the pub-Titchenell the Rotary Coin. Mr. lic for individuals who would Titchenell was guest speaker at like to enter the emergency the meeting and told of some of medical field.

the activities of the local EMS At the regular noon meeting The EMS has future plans to upgrade some of the ambulances and someday initiate a voca-

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Services were held November 22, at St. Andrew Episcopal Church in Brackettville.

JK was born to Sterling and Jessie Dennis in New Hope, Texas on November 11, 1926. After serving in the U. S. Army he returned to complete high school and then married Betty Kelley. He is survived by his wife, Betty; daughters, Debbie Reeder (Wes), Donna Fowler (Eddie), Denise Locke (Roger); grandchildren, Kelly, Lane, Cole, Carey, Jennifer, Dennis and Candace; great grandchildren, Julia, Jacqueline, Jude, Aslyn, Avery, Brodie and Keaton.

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"I am thankful for my children, my wonderful new husband and for the community that has always supported me and the Brackett paper." -Leigh Castillo



"I am thankful for my sons, Troy and Trent, ya'll are my sunshine. Also my husband who has been there for me through the ups and downs.

Love ya'll!!!" -Ashley Castillo Sandoval

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Brackett News Weekly Photo By Leigh Castillo

Submitted by Rick Alvarado Subway District Manager

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Crusader Volleyball

Brackett News Weekly Photo By Ashley Castillo Sandoval -Back row from left Nicholas Velasquez, Lindsey Kunz, Bryan Fisher, Philip Munoz and Eric Titchenell, front row from left Bianca Terrazas, Natalie Aguirre and Marisol Aguirre. The Crusaders have competed in 3 tournaments and will be hosting a tournament, December 10. The community is invited to come out and support your local coed volleyball team.

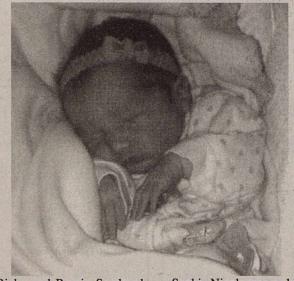
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I would like to thank everyone for their

prayers, cards, calls and visits.

-Deputy Manny

It's a Girl



Ricky and Rossio Sandoval are proud parents to baby girl Sophia Nicole Sandoval.

Sophia Nicole was born on Friday, November 18, 2011 in

San Antonio. Baby Sophia weighed 7 pounds, 7 ounces.

Sophia Nicole was welcomed into the world by brothers, Matthew Sandoval and Diego Reyes, maternal grandparents Mr. & Mrs. Emilio and Maria de Jesus Morales, of Nueva Rosita, paternal grandparents Greg and Norma Sandoval, of Brackettville.

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Submitted by StatePoint

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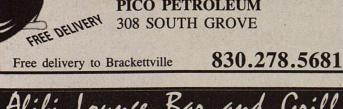
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