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## NB man arrested after fatal I-35 wreck

By Will Wright  
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Hours after a 54-year-old truck driver was struck and killed by a hit-and-run driver on Interstate 35 on Saturday, New Braunfels Police Department officers arrested a 29-year-old New Braunfels man suspected of driving the vehicle.

Bradley Joseph Knight, 29, of New Braunfels, was arrested without incident at his home in the 100 block of Granite Run, police said. Knight was charged with causing an accident resulting in death, a third-degree felony.

The victim, Jim Newcomer, 54, from Dale, Texas — located between Lockhart and Bastrop — was pronounced dead at the scene by Precinct 4 Justice of the Peace Jennifer Saunders, who did not order an autopsy.

"Thanks to tips from the public as well as the investigation by officers at the scene, the vehicle that struck and killed the pedestrian truck driver was located and the driver of that vehicle was taken into custody," David Ferguson, city communications coordinator, said on Monday.

Officers responded to the northbound main lanes in the 1000 block of Interstate 35 North, about a quarter-mile south of the State Highway 46 overpass, around 8:30 a.m. Saturday.

"They found the driver of an 18-wheeler had pulled over onto the shoulder of the highway and was standing near the back left corner of the trailer when he was struck by a vehicle traveling

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Bradley Knight



Members of the Honor Guard including New Braunfels firefighters and police officers and the New Braunfels community emergency response team march through downtown to Main Plaza during the Remembering 9/11 20th Anniversary Ceremony on Saturday, Sept. 11, 2021 in New Braunfels. **ALMA E. HERNANDEZ | Herald-Zeitung**

## Always Remembered



**ABOVE:** New Braunfels Mayor Rusty Brockman speaks at the Main Plaza during the Remembering 9/11 20th Anniversary Ceremony.

**LEFT:** New Braunfels Fire Department firefighter Jeff Satcher, left, and Assistant Chief Matt Bushnell raise the flag during the Remembering 9/11 20th Anniversary Ceremony.

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Community members watch the flag being raised at Main Plaza during the Remembering 9/11 20th Anniversary Ceremony on Saturday. **ALMA E. HERNANDEZ | Herald-Zeitung**

## Comal adds 2 additional virus deaths

Local hospitals report a decline in COVID patients

By Steve Knight  
The Herald-Zeitung

Comal County health officials reported two additional deaths from COVID-19 on Monday afternoon, but a bright spot in the news was 22 fewer virus patients in local hospitals.

Officials confirmed the deaths of a New Braunfels man in his 60s on Aug. 27 at a local hospital and a Spring Branch man in his 50s on Sept. 3, at a San Antonio hospital, bringing the number of fatalities to 394 since the pandemic arrived locally in March of 2020.

As of Sunday, 58,855 people who tested positive for the virus have died in Texas. More than 6,000 Texans have died in the last month.

The Texas Department of State Health Services counts deaths based on death certificates that list COVID-19 as the cause of death, which excludes deaths of people with COVID-19 who died of another cause.

### New cases

County health officials reported 235 new cases on Monday, bringing the total number of cases reported in Comal County since the pandemic began to 17,000. Of the new cases, 177 are confirmed and 58 are probable.

Ninety-one of the new cases, including an infant under 12 months old, are people under 20, 34 are in their 20s, 66 are in their 30s and 40s, 31 are in their 50s and 60s and 13 are older than 70.

Of the 17,000 cases reported since the pandemic began, the majority have been people younger than 50, and nearly half of the cases are people younger than 40.

Seventy-eight cases have

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## New Braunfels ISD Education Foundation honors Distinguished Alumni

By Lisa Dreher  
The Herald-Zeitung

This year's New Braunfels ISD Distinguished Alumni honors recognizes three New Braunfels natives whose volunteer journeys took them near and far.

The 2021 NBISD Distinguished Alumni are John Bormann (Class of 1962), James "Jimmy" Owens (Class of 1973)

and Robert Camareno (Class of 1983).

They exemplify tireless service work and unconditional care for others, according to the New Braunfels ISD Education Foundation which manages the awards.

It is bestowed upon NBISD alumni whether they still live in the community or elsewhere

doing exceptional volunteering in their spare time or while juggling careers.

The distinguished alumni were honored during the half-time show of the varsity football game last week.

### John Bormann

A New Braunfels native, John Bormann graduated from New



John Bormann

Braunfels High School in 1962. He said he is honored to receive the recognition among two other role models of community work.

"It was a surprise and a tremendous honor," Bormann said. "Especially being

awarded that at the same time two individuals who are also well-deserving and both of them had done a lot in the local community."

His calling was in math and physics, and he went on to work for the Johnson Space Center in Houston specializing in design,

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