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Powerlifting Results

This past weekend the Panther/Lady Panther powerlifting teams traveled to Dublin for their second meet of the year. All competitors did a great job and represented our school well.

Summer Olvera took first in the 198lb division and totaled a personal best 755lbs. Amanda Naeseth won second place in the 114lb division with a personal best 450lbs. Kendra Swanner also reached a career best with a 575lb total that notched her third place in the 165lb division. Sandra Lara hit her personal best of 460lbs and Nikki Keith hit her best as well with a 435lb total.

J.T. Whitfill finished 5th in the 275lb division with a personal best total of 1110lbs. Ryan Wright took 5th in the 114lb division with a total of 675lbs. Zach Bryan accomplished his personal best by totaling 845lbs. Tim Guerra completed his last competition as a Gorman Panther this past meet and finished with a total of 1000lbs. We would like to wish Timmy G good luck in his future endeavors and we will miss him very much.

The boys and girls powerlifting teams will travel to Cisco on Saturday for their third meet of the year.

Tired of Them Old Tires?

The City of Gorman Commissioners has designated March 13, 2004 as Amnesty Day. Bring up to 10 tires next to the Community Center on this day and they'll be taken from you. Let's cleanup Gorman.

If you have a non-running, non-registered vehicle on your property, you need to do something with it or call the City and they will.

A reminder, you are entitled one major appliance to be removed by BFI per month, if you need help contact the City.

Eastland County Livestock Show Schedule

It is beginning to look like Stock Show season. The Eastland County Stock Show is scheduled for February 11-14, 2004 at the Eastland County Stock Show Grounds. Here is the schedule of events:

Wednesday - February 11, 2004:

8:00 p.m. - All livestock to be on show grounds, weighed and in proper places.

Thursday - February 12, 2004:

8:00 a.m. - Judging Beef Cattle
10:00 a.m. - Judging Dairy Cattle
11:00 a.m. - Judging Broilers
1:00 p.m. - Judging Breeding Swine
3:00 p.m. - Judging Market Swine

Friday - February 13, 2004:

8:00 a.m. - Judging Dairy Goats
9:00 a.m. - Judging Angora Goats
10:00 a.m. - Judging Breeding Sheep
11:00 a.m. - Judging Market Lambs
2:30 p.m. - Judging Meat Goats
Followed by Breeding Meat Goats

Saturday - February 14, 2004

9:00 a.m. - Judging Market Rabbits
Followed By Breeding Rabbits
6:00 p.m. - AUCTION

Desdemona Cemetery and Baptist Church Settle Suit

The Desdemona Cemetery and First Baptist Church of Desdemona have settled a long-standing legal battle with Carol Coolidge, Executor of the Nina Farrow Emde Estate, for an undisclosed sum, according to Leo Williams, President of the Cemetery Association.

The estate bequeathed a considerable sum to them and other cemeteries in the area. The suit alleged that Carol Coolidge gave preferential treatment to some recipients while withholding distributions to others. There were other allegations in the suit, but this was the main contention.

Williams, Bob Wisdom, Wayne Eaves, and Gary Hughes were the representatives of the cemetery and church.

Gorman Livestock Raisers Association Thanks To Trophy and Rosettes Donators

The Gorman Livestock Raisers Association would like to say thank you to those who donated trophies and rosettes for the Gorman Project Stock Show. The show is always a great success due to the support of this community!

Donations of Trophies 2004

Grand Champion Market Lamb-Shawn Boles
Reserve Grand Champion Market Lamb - Glenn and Gloria Glasson
Grand Champion Market Goat - James and Ellen Tucker
Champion Yorkshire Gilt - Alan and Shellie Little
Champion Spot Gilt - Bo Roberts Concrete Construction
Champion Hampshire Gilt - Johnny and Vickie Majors
Champion Duroc Gilt - Daryl and Cecilia Hirst
Champion Chester Gilt - Darrell and Renae Carlton
Champion Poland Gilt - John and Kaymie Wells
Champion Berkshire Gilt - Laminack Construction
Champion Crossbred Gilt - B.E. and Francis Simpson
Grand Champion Breeding Gilt - Randy and Lisa Laminack
Reserve Grand Champion Breeding Gilt - James Trophy House
Champion Market Hampshire - Phil and Melissa Osborne
Champion Market Yorkshire - Thomas Hurd
Champion Market Duroc - S & S Farm
Champion Market Berkshire - Larry and Kristi Thompson
Champion Market Spot - Sandra and Pam Osborne
Champion Market Poland - Bill and Angela Underwood
Champion Market Chester - Darren and Julie Clark
Champion Market Crossbred - Cecil and Christine Self
Grand Champion Market Hog - Bo and Pat Caraway
Reserve Grand Champion Market Hog - Charlie and Betty Morris

Showmanship Plaques

Junior Breeding Gilt - S & S Farm
Senior Breeding Gilt - Leslie and Melody Vann
Junior Market Hog - Texas Creations
Senior Market Hog - The Johnston Family
Junior Market Lamb - Strawbridge Trucking
Junior Market Goat - Kay Henry
Senior Market Goat - Ronny and Dee Dee Wright

Donation of Rosettes

Reserve Champion Yorkshire Gilt - Darrell and Renae Carlton
Reserve Champion Spot Gilt - B.E. and Francis Simpson
Reserve Champion Hampshire Gilt - Charlie and Betty Morris
Reserve Champion Duroc Gilt - Bobby and Vicki Rich
Reserve Champion Poland Gilt - Leslie and Melody Vann
Reserve Champion Berkshire Gilt - Phil and Melissa Osborne
Reserve Champion Crossbred Gilt - Tacy Warren
Reserve Champion Market Hampshire - Lola Graham
Reserve Champion Market Yorkshire - Marvin and Louise Rich
Reserve Champion Market Duroc - Michael Moore and Joni Ettinger
Reserve Champion Market Berkshire - Johnny and Ina Smith
Reserve Champion Market Spot - John and Marissa Osborne
Reserve Champion Market Poland - Wanda Pack
Reserve Champion Market Crossbred - Charles and Carolyn Little

Marlow Named to Dean's List

Sharon Marlow qualified for the Dean's List at Texas Tech University for the Fall 2003 semester with a 3.825 grade point average.

Shari is the daughter of Tim and Lynn Porter and Layne and Kathy Marlow. Her grandparents are Bob and Carolyn Wilkerson and Gail Crouch.

Shari is a 2003 graduate of Gorman High School.

Gorman Senior Travel Club

The Gorman Senior Travel Club will be taking orders for Krispy Kreme doughnuts to be delivered on February 13th. To order please contact a travel club member or call 734-3311 or 734-3496.

Gorman High School Honor Roll 3rd Six Weeks

7th Grade-Distinguished Honor Roll--Emily Lewis, Valerie Longoria;
Honor Roll--Matthew Cogburn, Marsela Gonzalez, C.J. Grumbles, Sonia Hipolito, Olivia Jackson, Audrey Johnston, Lindsey Laminack, Jordan Perry, Tyson Swanner, Matt Underwood, Miles Vann, Veronica Walton
The Seventh grade was omitted last week in the progress.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Monthly Men's Prayer Breakfast - Third Wednesday each month at 7:00 a.m. at First United Methodist Church. Various community Men's Groups will be hosting the breakfast.

4-H - Meets Second Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

Gorman Masonic Lodge No. 716 A.F. & A.M. Regular stated meetings are 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Members are urged to attend. Visitors are always welcome. Daryl Hirst, Master - Bob Wilkerson, Secretary.

LIBRARY - Charlie Garrett Memorial Library will be open Monday thru Friday from 3 to 5 p.m.

FOOD BANK

New Hours - 10 to 11:00 a.m.
Second Thursday

WEIGHT WATCHERS MEETING - The Weight Watchers Meeting will be held at Gorman Hotel on Wednesdays. Weigh-in begins at 5:00 p.m. and meeting begins at 5:30 p.m.

Oakland Cemetery Association is accepting donations for the Care of the Cemetery. Donations can be sent to Oakland Cemetery Association, 503 N. Fisher, Gorman, Tx 76454, or American State Bank, Gorman, Texas 76454.

BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS - Blood Pressure Checks by Heritage Manor of Gorman. Every Wednesday at Senior Citizens at 11:00 a.m. Other week at Gorman Hotel at 10:30 a.m.

The Order of the Eastern Star holds its regular stated meetings on the first Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Gorman Oaklawn Cemetery Association is accepting donations for the Care of the Cemetery. If you would like to make a donation in memory of or In Honor of someone, please send to Aline Garrett, P.O. Box 711, Gorman, Texas 76454, or American State Bank, Gorman, Texas 76454.

SANDRA CAGLE WILL BE IN GORMAN THE THIRD WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT THE CITY OFFICE TO RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES. HER NEXT VISIT - FEBRUARY 18TH FROM 9 - 12 NOON.

Gorman Senior Travel Club

The Gorman Senior Travel Club will be taking orders for Hugs and Kisses Valentines to be delivered at Maxfield Elementary (display in elementary office). To order or for more information, please contact a travel club member or call 734-3496 or 734-3311.

Peanut Queen - Miss and Little Miss

Gorman Appear On Rehab Telethon '04



Pictured above are Peanut Queen Kaci Seaton, Miss Gorman Rachel Granado and Little Miss Gorman Kourtney Seaton with singer Joe Nichols.

Saturday, January 17th, Peanut Queen Kaci Seaton, Miss Gorman Rachel Granado and Little Miss Gorman Kourtney Seaton had the privilege of representing Gorman at the "West Texas Rehab Telethon 2004" in Abilene.

They presented a donation of \$230.00 they collected from individuals and businesses of Gorman to State Representative Bob Hunter and Bob Bartlet on KTAB-TV.

Other celebrities the girls met and were photographed with include Joe Nichols, Susan Hayes, Red Steagall, Charlie Chase and several others.

Also joining the girls were Crystal Thackerson, Timmy Guerra and Kimberly Seaton.

Thank You

We would like to say "Thank You" to the businesses and individuals who gave donations that we presented on the West Texas Rehab Telethon. We had a great time and were proud to represent Gorman to such a large television audience. Thanks again for your continued support and giving us the opportunity to represent out town.

Peanut Queen Kaci Seaton
Miss Gorman Rachel Granado
Little Miss Gorman Kourtney Seaton

Obituaries

Ethel Weaver

Ethel Weaver, age 94, of Gorman passed away Thursday, January 22, 2004 at the nursing home in Gorman. Services were Saturday at the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Richard Watson officiating. Burial followed at the Oaklawn Cemetery.

Mrs. Weaver was born December 25, 1909 in Caldwell County to Willie Moore and Docia Ellen Richburgh Moore. She married James Ernest Weaver on March 21, 1926 in Comanche County. He preceded her in death on January 31, 1990. Mrs. Weaver was a homemaker and a member of the New Hope Baptist Church.

Survivors include: two daughters, Marjorie Treadway of Gorman and Ernestine Campbell and husband Lane of Gorman; five grandchildren, Brenda Boyd of Gorman, Windell Treadway and wife Terry of Gorman, Brad Campbell and wife Ruth of Gorman, James Campbell and wife Robin of Springtown, and Gary Campbell of Gorman; fourteen great grandchildren and four great-great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, five brothers and one sister.

Bobby Joe Wright

Bobby Joe Wright, 65, of DeLeon, passed away on Friday, January 23, 2004 in Hempstead, Texas. Services were Monday, January 26, 2004 at the Nowlin Funeral Home Chapel with Bill Williams officiating. Burial was in the Oaklawn Cemetery in Gorman.

Mr. Wright was born on December 30, 1938 in Gorman to the late Ernest E. Wright and Mary Mollie Turney Wright. He married Frances Cogburn on August 29, 1970 in Comanche. He was a pipeline inspector; served in the U.S. Navy during peacetime; had resided in DeLeon several years coming from Gorman.

Survivors include his wife, Frances Wright of DeLeon; two sons, Mike Wright of De Leon and Joey Wright of San Jose, CA; one stepson, Jim Cogburn of Colorado City; daughter Sherri Barefoot of DeLeon; and 11 grandchildren.

Preceded by two brothers Alton E. Wright and James W. Wright.

Note of Appreciation

Thanks to everyone who was so kind and thoughtful of me during my three weeks in Hendricks Hospital recovering from pneumonia and heart attack. Your visits, prayers, flowers and get well cards meant so much to me.

On returning home, word got out that I had lost my taste for food and could not eat. Family and friends began bringing me home cooking and restaurant dinners to help me get strong. Welcome home spring basket and six red roses arrangement was sent to brighten my day. With this and the many get well cards and visits, all helped me to feel better.

I appreciate and love each one of you.
s/Estelle Craddock

Note of Thanks

Thank you dear friends and family, who sent cards, flowers, visited or called during the illness and loss of our loved one. Your many kind words, thoughts and prayers helped us through this sad time.

We express our sincere gratitude to Dr. Sandra Hazelip, Girling Health Care Hospice staff, and Heritage Manor Nursing Home for their kindness and tender loving care.

Thank you Bro. Campbell, Mrs. Campbell, and Mrs. Kinser for a heart touching message and music service. The ladies of the First Baptist Church served a delicious meal. We greatly appreciate all of those who helped and brought food.

Our family was honored to have Jerry Skaggs, E.G. Henderson, Richard Watson, Ray Shipp, Wesley Warren, and Gene Skaggs serve as pallbearers. We are grateful for your services.

Higginbotham Funeral Home and Foster Floral fulfilled our needs with thoughtfulness and very special care.

Everyone's concern and compassion consoled our hearts and will always be remembered. Bless all of you.

The family of Bobbie Joe Barnett
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12 Years Sentence For Possession of Drugs

Timothy Sharp, age 34, was sentenced to 12 years confinement in a Texas Department of Criminal Justice facility by 91st District Court Judge Steven Herod for the offense of Possession of a Controlled Substance, Methamphetamine, more than one gram but less than four grams.

The case was tried to a jury, but after the State, represented by the Eastland County District Attorneys Office, put on the evidence in its case through testimony of two state troopers, a jailer and a DPS chemist, the Defendant elected to withdraw his initial plea of not guilty and enter a plea of guilty directly to the Court. The Defendant had previously elected the Court to assess punishment in the event of a conviction. 91st District Judge Steven Herod presided over the trial and sentencing. Attorney David Hooper of Abilene represented Sharp at trial.

The punishment range for the offense included up to a maximum of ten years confinement and a ten thousand dollar fine. Because Sharp had previously been convicted and imprisoned on three prior felony offenses, the District Attorneys Office sought an enhancement to the punishment, extending the range available to the Court to a maximum of twenty years.

District Attorney Russ Thomason stated "This conviction was made possible by collaboration of officers of the Eastland Police Department and Troopers from the Texas Department of Public Safety here in Eastland."

The Blackwood Singers Concert

De Leon Hospital Auxiliary is again sponsoring "The Blackwood Singers" in concert, Thursday, February 12, at the De Leon High School Auditorium. The program will begin at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are available at De Leon Hospital, 254-893-2011, and prices are \$15.00 for VIP seating; Adults-\$12 at the door, \$10 in advance; Children (6-12) are \$6.00 at the door, \$5.00 in advance. Proceeds from this inspiring and entertaining event are to be used to purchase equipment for the De Leon Hospital, which in turn will be used in the soon-to-be constructed County Hospital.

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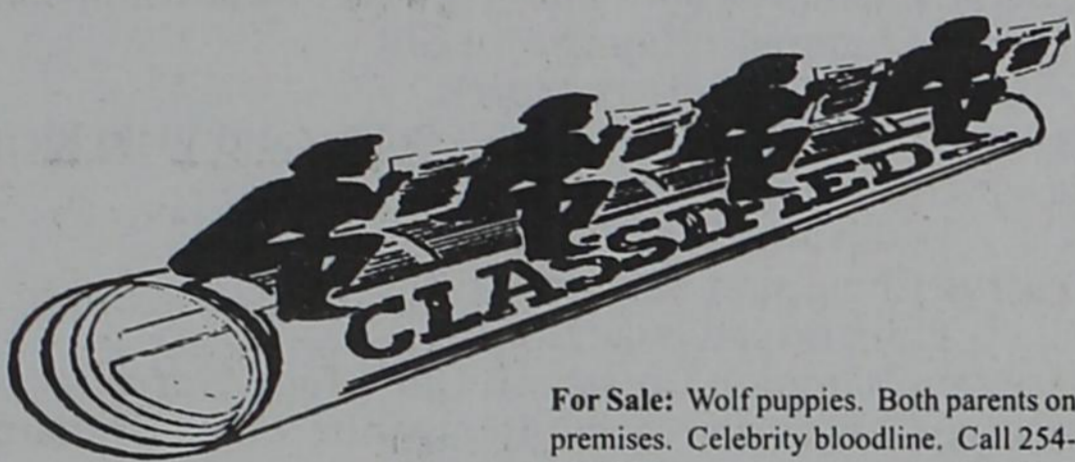
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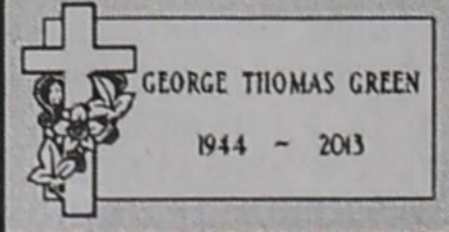
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KOKOMO NEWS

BY ZELDA JORDAN

The special music at the Kokomo Baptist Church on Sunday morning was rendered by Daryl Hirst. Doug and Carol Adkins of Dallas were visitors. "Happy Anniversary" was sung to Doug and Carol on their 40th wedding anniversary.

Billie Joe Craddock of Sundown, Dena Cornelius of Lake Palo Pinto and Bob and Beverly Pharris of Haskell visited with Larry and Betty Strube on Saturday.

Roy and Sharon Davis of Odessa, Johnnie B. Griffith, Bertie Stacy of Gorman and Sylvia Buchanan visited with Nancy Hendricks.

Norma Webb visited in Sweetwater on Sunday and Monday with her Aunt Helen McMullan and cousins, Janet and Gary Setliff. Norma took a birthday cake and they helped Aunt Helen celebrate her 89th birthday on Sunday.

Betty Little and Karen Patterson of Eastland visited with Jimmy and Verna Lee Little. Jimmy and Verna Lee were in Abilene on Monday for Verna Lee's medical check-up.

Zelda Jordan and Daisy Slaton spent the weekend in Abilene and attended the birthday parties of their great-

I. What is an EDC? Submitted by Mark Simmons

AN EDC IS A NON-PROFIT CORPORATION THAT IS CREATED BY A MUNICIPALITY. THESE NONPROFIT CORPORATIONS ARE ALSO CALLED DEVELOPMENT CORPORATIONS. THE ACT DETAILS THE MANNER OF CREATING AN EDC.¹ THE PURPOSE OF THE EDC IS TO PROMOTE THE CREATION OF NEW AND EXPANDED INDUSTRY AND MANUFACTURING ACTIVITY WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITY. IN OTHER WORDS, AN EDC WORKS TO PROMOTE LOCAL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT.

AN EDC OPERATES SEPARATELY FROM A MUNICIPALITY, WITH A BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO OVERSEE ITS EFFORTS. HOWEVER, EDC ACTIONS ARE REVIEWED AND SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE MUNICIPALITY THAT CREATED THE EDC.²

VERY BRIEF HISTORY OF EDC'S

FROM 1979 TO 1989, EDC'S WERE DEPENDENT ON FUNDING FROM PRIVATE SOURCES, OFTEN DIFFICULT TO OBTAIN. DURING THIS TIME, EDC'S WERE PROHIBITED FROM RECEIVING FUNDING FROM THE STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS BECAUSE OF A TEXAS CONSTITUTIONAL PROHIBITION AGAINST THE EXPENDITURE OF PUBLIC FUNDS TO PROMOTE PRIVATE BUSINESS ACTIVITY.³ AN AMENDMENT TO THE TEXAS CONSTITUTION WAS PASSED IN NOVEMBER OF 1987 ALLOWING THE USE OF PUBLIC FUNDS FOR THE PUBLIC PURPOSES OF DEVELOPMENT AND DIVERSIFICATION OF THE ECONOMY OF THE STATE.⁴ THEREAFTER, THE TEXAS LEGISLATURE PASSED LAWS ALLOWING STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT FUNDS TO BE USED TO PROMOTE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

IN 1989, THE ACT WAS AMENDED BY ADDING SECTION 4A, ALLOWING THE CREATION OF A NEW TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION THAT COULD BE FUNDED BY THE IMPOSITION OF A LOCAL SALES AND USE TAX DEDICATED TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. THE TAX COULD BE LEVIED ONLY AFTER APPROVAL OF THE VOTERS BY THE CITY. A SECTION 4A EDC USE OF PUBLIC FUNDS WAS GENERALLY LIMITED TO THE PROMOTION OF NEW AND EXPANDED INDUSTRIAL AND MANUFACTURING ACTIVITIES.

1991 BROUGHT SEVERAL AMENDMENTS TO THE ACT, ONE BEING THE AUTHORIZING OF A NEW SALES TAX CALLED A SECTION 4B SALES TAX. CERTAIN CITIES (A TOTAL OF 73) WERE AUTHORIZED TO IMPLEMENT A ⁹ CENT SALES TAX, PURSUANT TO VOTER APPROVAL, TO PROMOTE A WIDE RANGE OF CIVIC AND COMMERCIAL PROJECTS TO PROMOTE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. FROM 1991 TO 1993, 19 CITIES ADOPTED THE NEW SECTION 4B SALES TAX.

THE RESULTING POPULARITY OF THE SECTION 4B SALES TAX WAS THE IMPETUS FOR THE 1993 AMENDMENT MAKING A SECTION 4B SALES TAX AVAILABLE TO ANY CITY ALSO ELIGIBLE TO ADOPT A SECTION 4A SALES TAX. ACCORDING TO THE AG, MORE THAN 475 CITIES HAVE EITHER A SECTION 4A OR A SECTION 4B SALES TAX FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. PRIMARY USES BY CITIES OF THESE TWO TAXES ARE:

- I. BUSINESS ATTRACTION;
- II. INCENTIVES TO BUSINESS;
- III. LAND AND BUILDING PURCHASE, LEASE, AND UPGRADE;
- IV. INFRASTRUCTURAL UPGRADE AND PLACEMENT RELATED TO COMMERCIAL AREAS; AND
- V. TRAINING AND EDUCATION.

II. PROJECTS

SECTION 4A PROJECTS

THE USE OF SECTION 4A TAXES IS MORE RESTRICTED THAN A SECTION 4B CORPORATION. SECTION 4A TAXES MAY BE USED FOR THE MORE TRADITIONAL FUNDING OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES THAT FACILITATE MANUFACTURING AND INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITY. THE 4A TAX MAY BE USED TO FUND THE PURCHASE OR PROVISION OF LAND, BUILDINGS AND EQUIPMENT FOR PROJECTS. THE TERM "PROJECT" IS DEFINED UNDER SECTION SPECIFICALLY, UNDER SECTION 2(11)(A) OF THE ACT:

"Project" shall mean the land, buildings, equipment, facilities, targeted infrastructure, and improvements to promote new and expanded business development or found by the board of directors to be required or be suitable for the promotion of development and expansion of...

The 12 categories of expenditures listed in Section 2(11)(A) that 4A taxes may be used for are:

1. *Manufacturing and industrial facilities*- (note that there is no definition under the Act of what constitutes a manufacturing or industrial facility);
2. *Recycling facilities*;
3. *Distribution Centers*- (distribution centers are more favorable to cities with access to major airports or ports and areas that have passed the Freeport exemption);
4. *Small warehouse facilities*- (capable of serving as decentralized storage and distribution centers, again, more favorable to cities with access to major airports or ports);
5. *Closed or realigned military bases*- (a project designed to promote the development of or the redevelopment/or expansion of a closed or realigned military base). The military base must have been closed or realigned pursuant to the action/recommendation of the Defense Closure and Realignment Commission;⁵
6. *Related facilities*- (any facilities related to any of the above, whether in existence or to be constructed);
7. *Facilities to promote new and expanded business development*- (the broad wording appears to expand the term "project" and authorized the use of 4A tax proceeds to also promote certain commercial and retail business development);

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Thank You

To the people of Gorman:
I would like to thank you for all the prayers, cards, and calls during my recent illness. I sure miss Bob's Grocery and all the customers and the people of Gorman. My new address is P.O. Box 341, Moulton, TX 77975. I would love to hear from you all.

Thanks again,
s/Janie Broom

grandchildren on Saturday afternoon. Zelda spent Saturday night with her daughter and son-in-law, Glenda and Leon Black, and Daisy spent Saturday night with her daughter and son-in-law, Sunny and Charles Black. Leon came and picked them up on Saturday and Leon and Glenda brought them home on Sunday afternoon.

RYAN AND KODY DANIELL CELEBRATE 7TH BIRTHDAY

Wade and Sheri Daniell honored their twin sons, Ryan and Kody, with a birthday party at their home in Abilene on Saturday, January 24, 2004 in celebration of their 7th birthday which was January 23rd. "Star Wars" was the theme of their birthday cakes baked by their "Mimi" Glenda Black. The cakes were inscribed with "Happy Birthday" Ryan and "Happy Birthday" Kody. The "Star Wars" theme was used in the plates and napkins. The cakes were served with ice cream and cold drinks.

The children enjoyed jumping on the trampoline, riding bicycles and outdoor games. Those attending the party were some of Ryan and Kody's first grade classmates from Wylie Elementary School, friends from their church, and children from the neighborhood.

Others attending were their little sister, Emily Daniell, grandparents, Glenda and Leon Black and Gail and Loyd Daniell, great-grandmother, Zelda Jordan of Kokomo and friends, Eddie and Klesha Magaee of Abilene.

Darby and Sydney Harrison Celebrate 3rd Birthday

Mark and Tanya Harrison of Moran honored their twin daughters, Darby and Sydney with a birthday party on Saturday, January 24, 2004 at the Discovery Center in Abilene in celebration of their 3rd birthday.

The "Ballerina" theme was used in the Birthday cakes and party decorations. There was lots of entertainment to enjoy.

Among those attending were Darby and Sydney's brother, Evan Harrison, grandparents, Sunny and Charles Black of Abilene, great-grandmother, Daisy Slaton of Gorman and several other relatives.

Desdemona News

By Vonnie Guthery

Larry and Gay Moore visited the past weekend in Vanderbilt, Texas with Kathy Rivera and family. The reported a good trip.

Bill Camron of San Angelo visited last Sunday eve in Desdemona with his cousins, Bernard and Ann Keith. Dorothy Roberts was in Fort Worth on Thursday and Friday to be with her daughter Ulenda Weaver who is recovering from recent surgery.

Get well wishes goes out to Jo Holdman who is recovering from recent surgery.

Tillman Fonville, 83, of Granbury was buried on Thursday, January 22, 2004 in the Oakwood Cemetery. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. Survivors include his wife, Dicie Fonville of Granbury; daughters, Dorothy Casey, Barbara Clayton, Darlene Walston, Marlene Reynolds, Betty Moon; sons, Phillip Fonville, Richard Fonville, Eddie Williams, Jerry Wood, Melvin Wood. Tillman Fonville attended school in Desdemona with his brother, Paul Fonville (now deceased). Our sympathy goes out to this family.

A large crowd attended the Desdemona monthly musical last Saturday night. Thanks to all those who attend regular and thanks to those who donate food each month. It takes everyone pulling together to keep our community strong.

Thought for today--"Patience is a virtue, but opportunity knocks but once."

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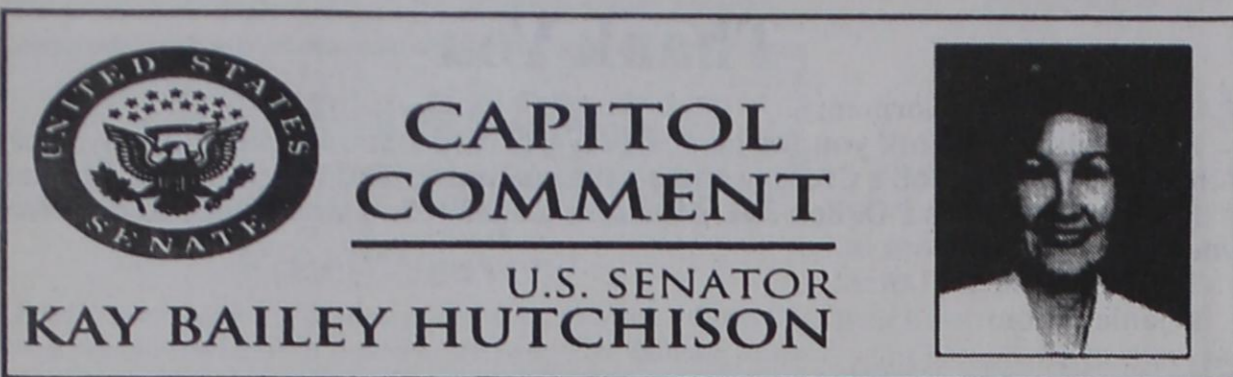
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February 1, 2004 is the one year anniversary of the Space Shuttle Columbia disaster. In light of that anniversary and President Bush's recently announced plan, Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison has devoted this column to America's role in space exploration.

Mars 2020

In January President Bush set forth a bold and far-reaching vision in search of what lies beyond the stars. By 2015 we will again land on the moon. By 2020 we will set our sights on another landing – Mars. Future generations will determine what follows, but it will undoubtedly be beyond the wildest imaginations of today.

Space exploration is more than a science fiction tale – it is our destiny. Americans have expanded frontiers since the first settlers arrived, so it is entirely fitting that the U.S. lead the exploration of space. That spirit challenges today's scientists and researchers to search for cures for cancer, AIDS and diabetes; develop lighter, stronger and more resilient materials; and create new technologies to transform our military, our economy and our healthcare industry.

As a Houston reporter in 1969, I had the privilege of covering Neil Armstrong's extraordinary first steps on the moon. Growing up with the Johnson Space Center in my back yard and the first generation to plant a flag on the moon, the mysteries of space have always held a deep fascination for me. I have been awed by the tremendous discoveries our space program has produced, from insulin pumps to hurricane monitoring systems. When the Columbia disintegrated in the skies above North Texas last year, I heard the sonic boom as I was walking in my neighborhood and ached for the loss of those astronauts. But beyond my personal connections, I have come to understand that an ambitious agenda for NASA will help secure America's leadership in the 21st century, and ensure we continuously push the envelope to discover that which remains unknown. No one exemplifies that spirit more than Texans.

The president's plan is threefold. First, the shuttle will return to flight and America will complete its work on the International Space Station by 2010, fulfilling a commitment to our 15 partner countries. Second, we will begin developing a new manned exploration vehicle to explore beyond our orbit to other worlds – the first of its kind since the Apollo Command Module. Finally, the United States will return to the moon as early as 2015, and use it as a stepping-stone for more elaborate missions into space. To achieve this goal, the president is asking for a \$1 billion increase over NASA's current \$86 billion five-year budget, and the reprogramming of \$11 billion already allocated. Funding this vision is a priority, but we must not shortchange or under-fund existing programs within NASA. While the costs may seem staggering, the price of inaction is even higher. Consider that investment in NASA has led to the development of CAT scans, MRIs, kidney dialysis machines and fetal heart monitors, it's a small price to pay for the lives – present and future – saved through these advances.

A renewed vision for our space program will also ensure the continuation of basic research, one of NASA's fundamental tenets. NASA fulfills one of the most critical roles of the federal government. Private industry neither has the financial wherewithal nor the capability to conduct basic research on a mass scale. Industry specializes in applied research – the art of crafting real-world products from pure research, and keeping the production jobs in America. Everyday applications like satellite television and cellular technology are tangible results of the Agency's activities, but are merely byproducts of a much greater endeavor. Without their core research, we'd be decades behind in every field.

The mission to Mars will also inspire the next generation of scientists. Those young boys and girls who sat wide-eyed as man first stepped on the moon, grew up to become the scientists, engineers and mathematicians of the digital revolution. Today's youth are more apt to name athletes or actors, rather than astronauts, as their role models. We need to resurrect the explorer's spirit that has lain dormant for too many years.

One year ago, the Columbia disaster renewed questions about the mission of our space program. It also exposed critical flaws within NASA and validated the nagging suspicion the Agency was floundering without clear direction. The Administration's new proposal will help revitalize the Agency with the vision and mission it has lacked for too long. The initiatives offer tremendous potential to further research in energy, geology, and health sciences, keeping us at the forefront of space exploration and maintaining our economic viability and defense prowess. And it will keep the dream of reaching new frontiers alive. Going to space is mankind's destiny and leading that effort is America's.

IPAA RECOGNIZES STENHOLM'S LEADERSHIP ON OIL, GAS ISSUES

Washington, D.C.-The Independent Petroleum Association of America (IPAA) recently honored Congressman Charlie Stenholm (TX-17) with its Independent Oil and Gas Award of 2003. The IPAA presents the award each year to "elected representatives who work vigorously to maintain and enhance America's domestic oil and natural gas resources."

"I am pleased the IPAA has seen fit to present this award to me," Stenholm said. "For many years, I have worked to represent the interests of the independent oil and gas producers of West Texas in Congress.

"Whenever independent producers come to Washington, I always make sure they have an opportunity to present their views and concerns to Congressional leaders from around the country," Stenholm said. "It's very important for Members of Congress who are not as familiar with the oil and gas industry of West Texas to get to know more about the industry and its importance to our economy."

Last November, Stenholm worked to prevent the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) from implementing overly burdensome regulations regarding stormwater runoff from oil and natural gas drilling construction sites. The legislation would have requested the EPA to extend the stormwater permit to include runoff from the production site before drilling actually occurs.

Stenholm and Congressman Joe Barton (R-TX) of Ennis worked together to encourage members of Congress to vote against a motion that would harm Texas oil and gas production. They were successful and defeated the motion by a margin of 210 to 188 with Stenholm leading 18 other Democrats to vote against the measure. Stenholm and Barton engaged in a lengthy discussion on the floor of the House and described the problems these regulations would cause for independent oil and gas producers in West Texas.

"When it comes to developing an energy policy, we have to separate the wheat from the chaff so we can meet our country's short-term energy needs and still plan for our long-term energy demands," Stenholm said. "That's why I have always been an advocate for increased domestic oil and gas production. We've got to continue producing from the low-volume, marginal wells around West Texas, fully using the resources we already have."

According to the IPAA, independent producers drill 85 percent of the nation's wells and produce 75 percent of the country's natural gas and more than 40 percent of the country's crude oil supply, including 60 percent of the crude oil in the lower 48 states. The members of the IPAA are generally small businesses, employing fewer than 15 people.

Jake received this email the other day. He thought he would share it with us.

But Of Course!!

Chocolate is a Vegetable

Chocolate is derived from cocoa beans.

Bean = vegetable.

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If you delete this message, you will gain 10 pounds immediately.)

That's why I had to pass this on - - - - I didn't want to risk it."

What is an EDC? Continued From Page Three

8. *Facilities to promote job creation and retention-* (section 4A corporation may aid in the retention as well as the creation of new jobs);
9. *Job training facilities-* (EDC's may help provide facilities needed for job training that meets certain statutory requirements);
10. *Educational facilities-* (this may include any public technical institute, public junior college, public senior college or university, medical or dental unit, or other agency of higher education as defined under Section 61.003 of the Texas Education Code);
11. *Targeted infrastructure-* (expenditures for infrastructure should be reasonably related to an authorized project under the Act, not just the funding of the general infrastructure needs of the city); and
12. *Research and Development Facilities.*

←←← It must be noted that Section 4B taxes are also authorized for use of the above 12 categories of expenditures. ←←←

Two additional expenditures are authorized under Section 4A(i) of the Act for 4A taxes:

- i. *Business airports-* (a general aviation business service airport that is an integral part of an industrial park; and
- ii. *Port-related facilities-* (port-related facilities to support water-borne commerce).

Additionally, in 1997, the Act was amended to allow the voters to approve the use of the Section 4A sales tax to do projects authorized under Section 4B.⁶ This was done to allow cities with a Section 4A tax the flexibility to propose Section 4B projects to the voters without having to both repeal or reduce the Section 4A tax and adopt a Section 4B tax. This amendment also allows Section 4A corporations to use the 4A tax towards a sports venue facility.⁷

What types of specific expenditures are allowed? How can you spend the money?

Knowing the general categories of expenditures under the statute does not advise what types of specific expenditures are allowed. Consequently, cities should review the definition of the term "cost" under Section 2(4) of the Act. Section (2)(4) states that costs for a project may include:⁸

Land and facility improvements- the costs related to acquiring, construction, improvements, and expansion of land and buildings;

Machinery and supplies- costs of machinery, equipment, inventory, raw materials and supplies;

Financial transaction costs- the cost of financing charges and interest before and during construction and the necessary reserves;

Planning costs- the cost to research and to develop projects, legal services, development of plans and specifications, surveys, cost estimates; and other necessary or incidental expenditures to determine the feasibility and practicality of undertaking projects;

Cleanup costs- cleanup of contaminated property is allowed, but only after approved by the voters in an election called and held for that purpose. The wording for the ballot is provided by Section 4A(t) of the Act.

Section 4B Projects

Section 4B of the Act expands the use of the sales tax to civic and retail projects. Section 4B EDC's have greater flexibility on the uses of the sales tax. In addition to expenditures for land, buildings, equipment, facilities and improvements for items that fit under the definition of "project" under Section 2(11)(A) of the Act, the 4B sales tax may also be used for:

Air or water pollution control facilities.

Athletic facilities- Professional and amateur sports, including stadiums and ballparks;

Parks and related public space improvements- Projects that promote athletic, park, or tourist related facilities or activities including; public parks, park facilities and events, open space improvements, museums, learning centers, and municipally-owned buildings. Expenditures for open space improvements, museums, and learning centers can only be made to the extent they promote sports, entertainment, tourism, or public park purposes;

Tourism and entertainment facilities- Entertainment, tourist, and convention facilities, including auditoriums, amphitheaters, concert halls, and exhibition facilities;

Commercial facilities- Related store, restaurant, concession, and parking facilities;

Certain public facility improvements- Facilities such as public safety facilities that will promote new or expanded business enterprises;

Transportation improvements- Related streets, roads, and area transportation facilities;

Infrastructural improvements- Related water and sewer facilities; drainage, and demolition. It should be noted that the use of the Section 4B tax for residential water or sewer improvements that are not related to an existing or anticipated business entity or area would probably not qualify as a Project. Tex. Att'y Gen. Op. 95-072 (1995), (unlikely that the construction of sewer facilities in a residential subdivision would promote or develop new or expanded business enterprises);

Other business-related improvements- Any other improvements or facilities to promote new or expanded business enterprises;

Affordable housing- Projects required or suitable for the development and expansion of "affordable housing" as defined by federal law (42 United States Code Section 12745);

Water supply facilities; and

Water conservation programs.⁹

¹ Article 5190.6, Section 4,4A & 4B

² Article 5190.6, Sections 21 & 23(a)(12)

³ Tex. Const. Art III, Section 52.

⁴ Tex. Const. Art III, Section 52-a.

⁵ Article 5190.6, Section 2(11)(A) (as amended in 2001).

⁶ Article 5190.6, Section 4A(s)(1) (Vernon Supp. 2001).

⁷ Article 5190.6, Section 4A(s)(2) (Vernon Supp. 2001).

⁸ Article 5190.6, Section 2(4) & 4A(t) as amended by Texas House Bill 1027, 77th Legislature, Regular Session (2001).

⁹ Article 5190.6, Section 4B(a)(2)(D&E).



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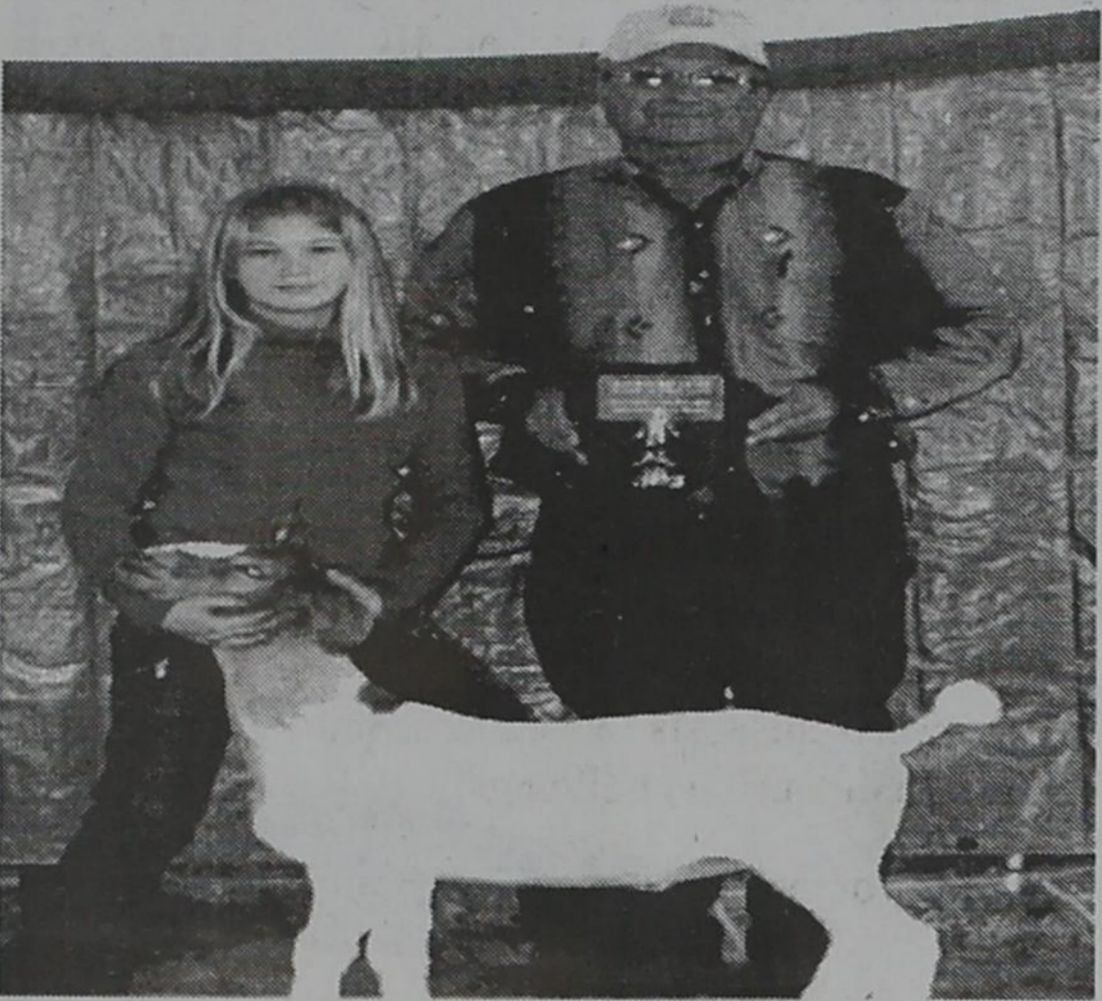
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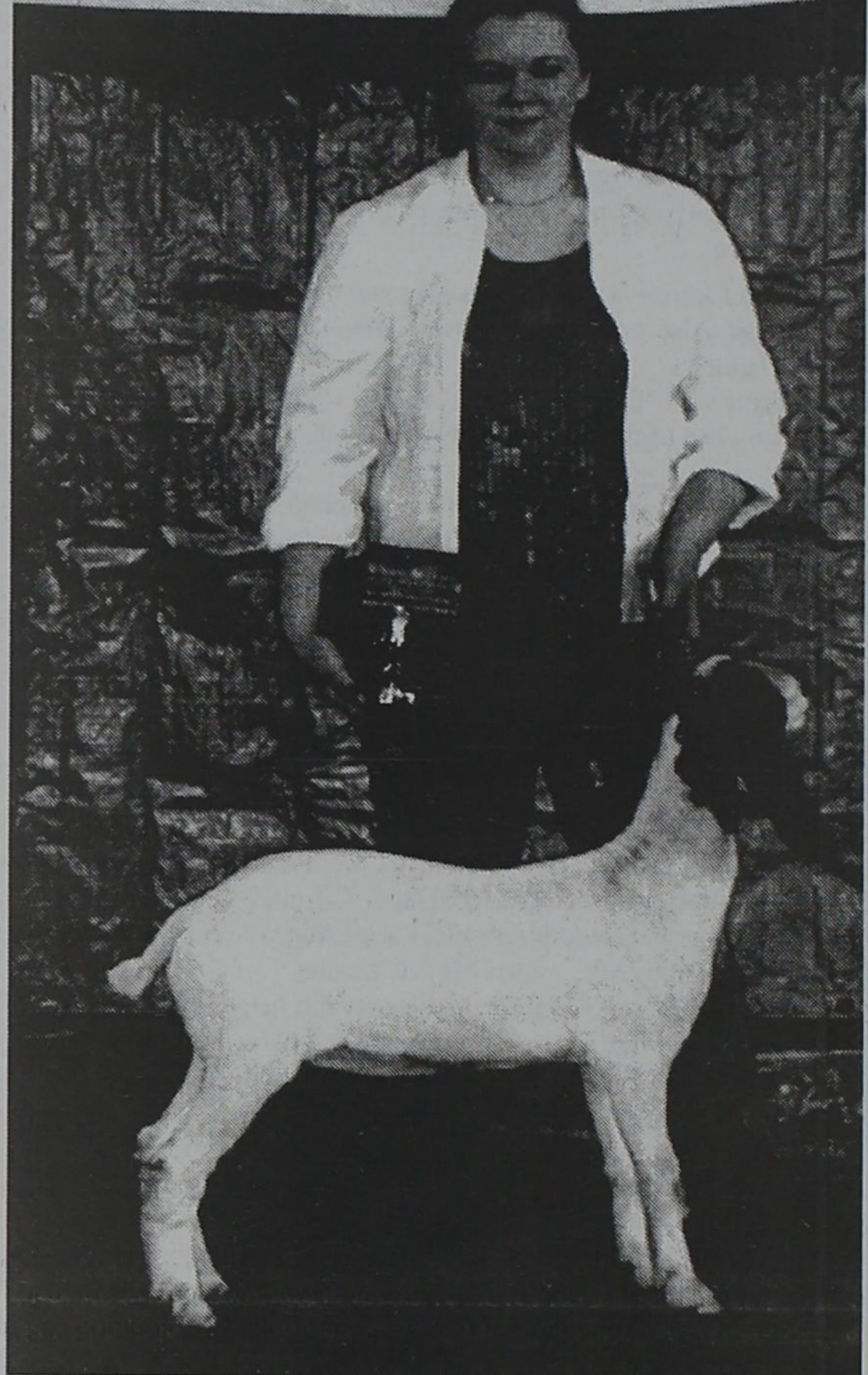
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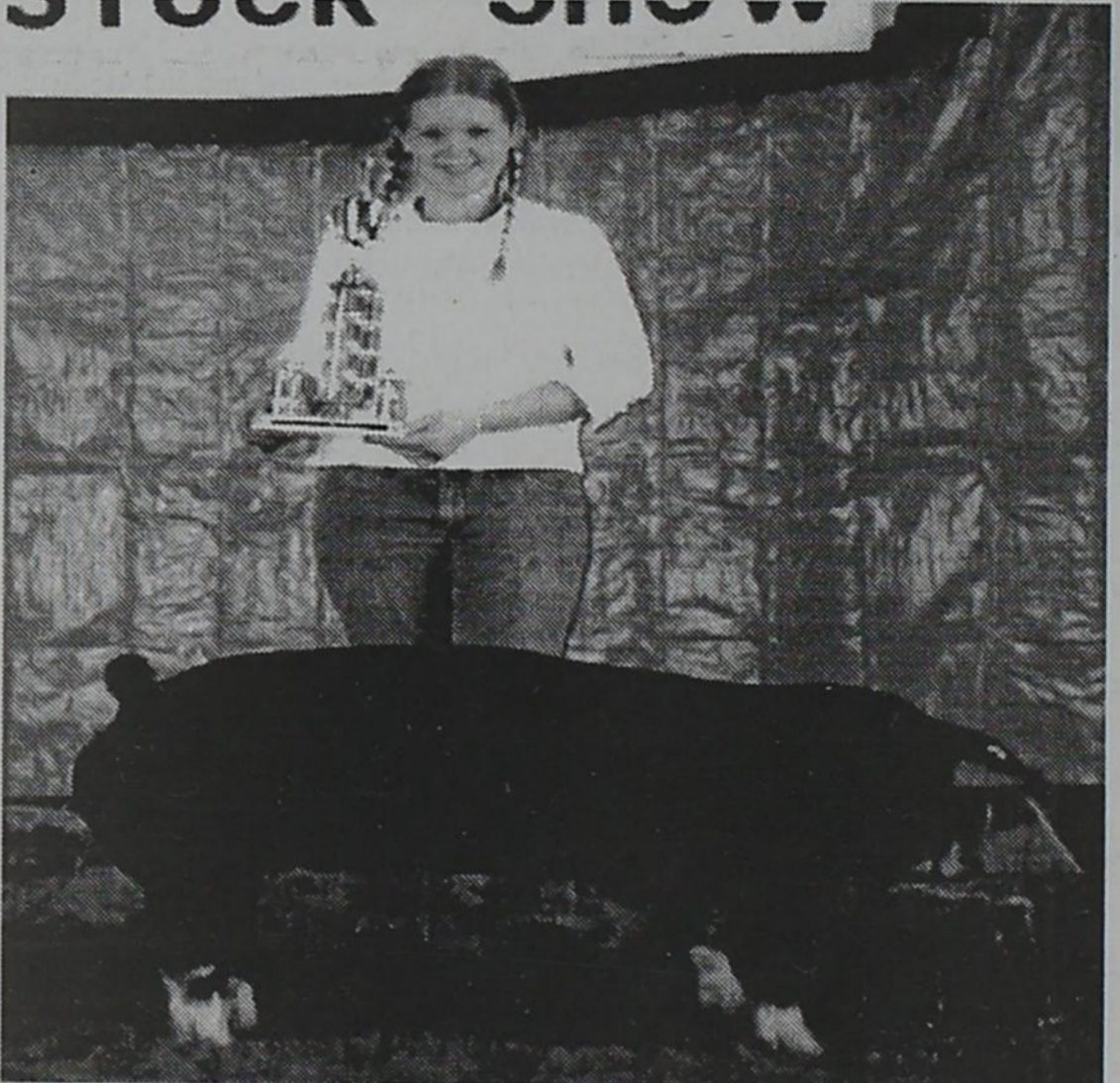
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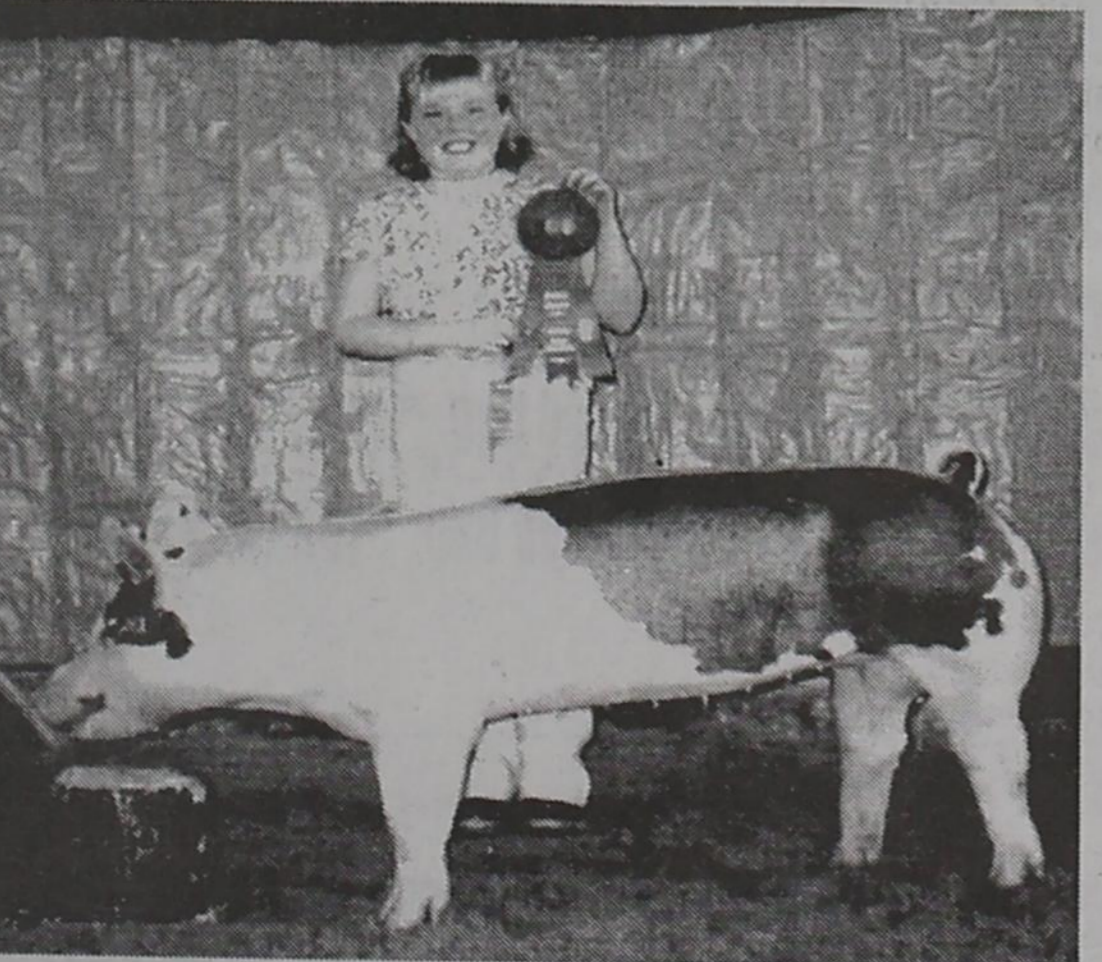
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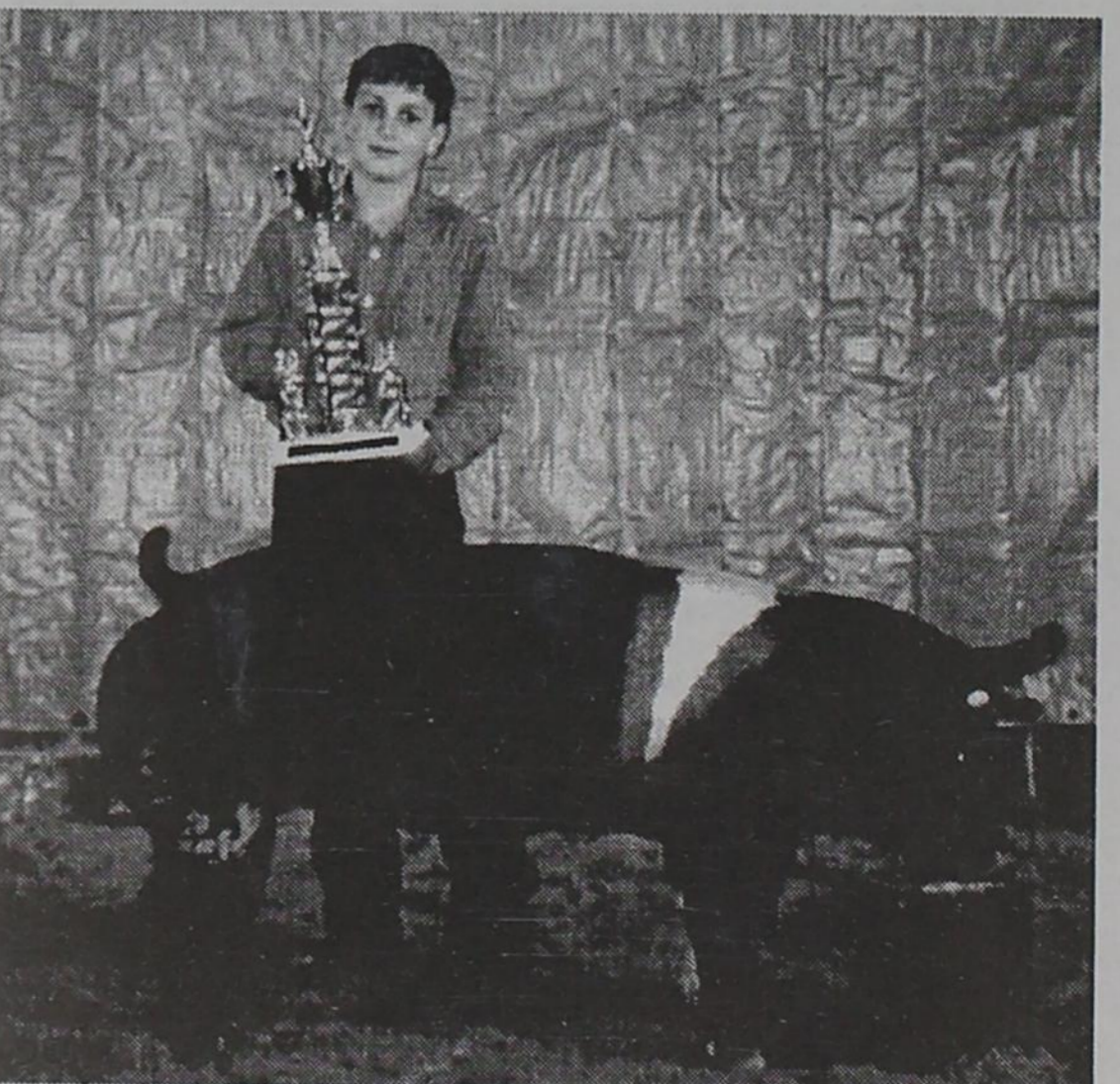
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Heritage Manor News

By Nancy Hendricks

From the Heart

Nails can be quite useful and most of us have varied assortment on hand for our use. Lives, like nails, have purpose, meaning and a reason for being. Nails come in various sizes and shapes as do lives. Some nails stand tall, straight, and sharp as do some lives. But sometimes nails and lives get rusty and bent out of shape so that their usefulness is minimized.

During World War II, when metal was diverted to the war effort, we salvaged used nails by straightening them so that they could be used again. In the same way, lives that have become bent out of shape and encrusted with the canker of dissipation and sin can be straightened and made useful again. It may require a lot of hammering before they yield to the straightening blows of God's grace and forgiveness, but it does work. They can be made to stand straight and tall again.

We have the hammer in the Gospel entrusted to our use, care and propagation. Its application straightens bent lives and makes them fit for the Master's use.

On Sunday morning, James Tucker of First Baptist Church came and taught the Sunday School lesson, "God Values Human Life." Background passage Psalm 139:13-16 and 2 Samuel 11:1-12-25. Key Bible verses Psalm 139:14-15. Also from the church were Ellen and Rachel Tucker. There were ten residents.

Some guests were J.B. Hamilton of Garland, Lee and Sue Pettigrew of Desdemona, Bobby and Peggy Ingram, Maudie Husband, Bill Moll of Cisco, Kenneth Welch, Linda Ogle, Johnnie B. Griffith of Lake Leon, Diana Snider, Larry and DeLinda Snider, Mary Ann Alexander of Brownwood.

On Sunday afternoon, those coming for church from the First United Methodist Church were Robbie Dodd, Joe and Kathi Williams, Howard and Pat Hagood. Joe and Robbie played their guitars for singing. There were 9 present.

Mary and James Jesse of Abilene brought their six-week old puppy 'Fife' to visit. Also were Sylvia Estes and Marie Cook of Carbon, Howard and Pat Hagood.

Residents send "Get Well Wishes" to E.G. Henderson of Eastland who has recently had back surgery at Baylor Hospital in Dallas. He is home now.

Guests visiting were Vickie and Rodney Roberts of Stephenville, Dorothy Roberts of Desdemona, Kennard and Doylena Roberts of Gustine, Kendra Roberts, Winston Brown, Levi Roberts, Shaler Roberts, Anna Lee and Bo Roberts.

On Monday morning, Karen Guthery came and opened the beauty shop for residents.

Guests were Donald Lee Joiner of Houston, Howard and Barbra Joiner of Arlington, Billie Jean Grisham of DeLeon, Lucy Joiner and Joyce Bramlett of Stephenville, Nancy Hendricks, Ennis and Nina Joiner, Robert and Becky Moore, Emily Green, Randy and Leslie Green of DeLeon.

The good magazines that were donated were greatly appreciated.

Some visitors were Betty Henderson, C.J. and Liz Henderson of Abilene, George and Nell Mason, Vicki Seay, Ann Warren, Thomas Seay, Daisy Slaton, Alpha Mae Andry, Mayvis Lasater.

On Monday morning, Pat Graham came and helped Ina Smith with bingo. Residents were happy to have bingo and liked the surprise treats.

Residents were happy to learn Estelle Craddock has returned home after several days in the hospital.

Recent visitors were Max and Janice Grice of Brownfield, Tisha and Daniel Grice of Stephenville, Jim and Melody Grice, Zoe and Keely Grice of Fort Worth, Bonnie Cox of Lake Leon, Irene West.

On Monday afternoon, those coming for the Gospel Singing were Ruby Lee Kinser, Daisy Slaton, Marjorie Treadway, Ernestine Campbell, Johnnie B. Griffith, Helen Browning, Alpha Mae Andry and Nancy Hendricks. There were eleven residents present.

Some guests were Carolyn Johnston and Roger Webb of Burleson, Ina Smith, Margie Treadway, Lane and Ernestine Campbell, Mark Landers of Boyd and Don Landers of Springfield.

Tuesday morning Betty Duke of Desdemona came played the electric keyboard and led singing for a large group of residents.

Guests were Larry and Jerry Majors of DeLeon, Steve and Dorenda Minton of Buchanan Dam, Jennifer Harper and friend of Lampasas, Kim Ryon and Kelli Williams of Desdemona, Durward Webb, Tim Dennis, Jim Rodgers, George Rodgers.

On Wednesday morning, Bro. Larry Stogsdill of the Church of Christ came and had chapel. Background passage lesson was Matthew 5:1-12. There were ten residents present.

Some guests were Clyde and DeSha Johnson of Stephenville, Paul Johnson of Lubbock, Roy and Charlotte Johnson of Desdemona, Glenn Glasson and Gena Rone.

Some guests were Dan and Jo Carey of Midlothian, Maxine Frasier of DeLeon.

On Friday morning, Pat Graham came and helped Ina Smith with bingo for residents. Every one enjoyed the breakfast coffee and apple juice.

Some visitors were Dr. Maeshell Clements of Pennsylvania, John and Georgia Lee Hopper of Georgetown, Stanley Porter.

The "End of the Week Party" was Friday. Brent Hagood and Janet Sanders hosted the party giving everyone ice cream sandwiches. Residents agreed they all love weekend parties.

Some guests were Jewel Dean Morris of DeLeon, Becky Smith of Cross Plains, Jennifer Brown, Annie Fay Foster, Bonnie D. Stewart of DeLeon, Lonnie and Edith Grumbles, Elmer and Rebecca Mor

gan of Dallas.

Guests were Jimmy Little, Joey Beauty of Ft. Worth, Ronnie Standridge, Tim Dennis and Daisy Slaton.

On Wednesday, Ina had 'crazy bingo' for residents.

Some guests were Jerry, Sherry and Mason Parrish of Comanche, Mike Parrish of New Braunsfel, Robert and Leah Phillips of Seguin and James Phillips.

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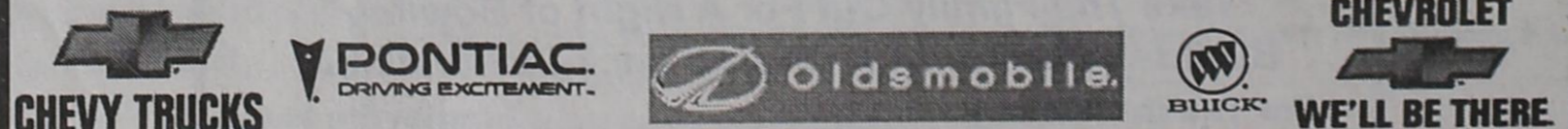
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College Compendium Calendar

Once again, the Comptroller's Office and the Minnie Stevens Piper Foundation present the Compendium of Texas Colleges and Financial Aid Calendar, a list of Texas colleges and universities, admission requirements, total expenses for an academic year, financial aid data and helpful hints to the college-bound, together with a calendar of scholarship and testing deadlines. For more information, go to <http://www.window.state.tx.us/scholars/>.



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