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Turkey Council Votes To Enforce Stray Dog Ordinance Effective Immediately

The Turkey City Council met in regular session on Wednesday, November 14. Present for the meeting was Mayor Pat Carson, Council members Doyle Dean Proctor, Danny Stewart, Brian Wheeler, Mary Fierro, Vickie Lindsey, City Manager Jerry Landry, City Secretary Gail Hanna, guests Melvin Clinton and Monte Greene. After attending to regular monthly council business the following items were addressed:

* A motion passed to approve the payment of Turkey Economic Board to Mark Hooten for excess charge of \$1500.00 for roof repair. Council also asked if the prisoners can help with the clean up on the inside of the building.

* A motion passed to approve the payment of the Turkey Economic Boards audit for the fiscal year of 2006-07.

* Monte Greene met with the council to discuss some improvements to the City. No action was taken.

* The Mayor read Ted Crom's letter addressed to the council regarding Farley's dilapidated building on 3rd Street. A motion passed to have the Mayor talk with the owner about the building.

* A motion passed to deny the request of Atmos Energy Corp. for the annual GRIP rate increase.

* A motion passed to place all 61 votes of the City's for Curtis Scrivner at the candidate for Hall County Appraisal Board.

* A motion passed to contract with the City of Memphis to help with the City's stray dog problem and to put a notice in the paper.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned.

December Jamboree To Feature Christmas Favorites

By RJ Kalafus

Make no plans for Saturday, December 1 as the Gem Theatre will be holding its Christmas season Jamboree beginning at 7 p.m. Before the show a brisket dinner and fixings will be served, which will benefit the great works of the Hall County Historical Society.

Starting off the night will be country song stylist Kathy Whitten from Lubbock. She has pleased audiences before at the Gem. Following will be John and Maybell Frances of Silverton. They will do a Christmas season medley. Closing out the competition will be Matador's Pat Siegler, who's style and voice are reminiscent of Jim Reeves.

There will be a real treat for the crowd as the Sherry Fogelson Dance troupe will perform their routine, prior to their December 16 appearance at the Dallas Cowboy's game. The troupe includes Turkey's Haylee Wheeler. As always there will be a Talent Showcase and we encourage anyone who would like to perform to see Marie or Tommie Jo Cruse prior to the show.

Closing out the show will be the best band in West Texas, the Turkey Gems, with 8 of the finest individual musicians who come together and make great music. We are especially proud that they appear for free and their only payment is applause and fan appreciation, so give them both.

For first timers to the Gem Theatre, it is in beautiful downtown Turkey, where there is plenty of free parking and there is no admission for the show. The meal will be served at 6 p.m. and the show will start at 7. Don't forget to bring a friend or a stranger to the show, they will thank you for it. See ya'll there.

What's Happening In The Valley Area This Week?

November 22

* Thanksgiving Day

November 23

* Valley Patriots vs Throckmorton, at Lowrey Field in Lubbock, TX for Regional Play-Off Game @ 5 p.m.

* Valley Patriot Tailgate Party at Lowrey Field Football Parking Lot in Lubbock, TX @ 3-4 p.m.

November 26

* Basketball: Valley Patriot Jr High Boys & Girls vs Silverton, here @ 5:30 p.m.

* Caprock Partners meeting @ 5:30 p.m.

* Briscoe Co Historical Committee meeting @ 7 p.m.

* Quitaque EDC meeting

November 27

* Basketball: Valley Patriot Varsity & Jr Varsity Boys & Girls vs Kress, there @ 4 p.m.

November 29

* Basketball: Valley Patriot Varsity Boys & Girls - Idalou Tournamnet/TBA

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Patriot Tailgate Party This Saturday

There will be a Tailgate Party at the Lowrey Football Field parking lot in Lubbock, TX from 3-4 p.m. Saturday, November 24 before the Regional Play-off game against Throckmorton. The Booster Club will be serving turkey legs and sausage wraps. Everyone is invited to come out and enjoy the fellowship & then cheer the Valley Patriots on to a Regional win!

Quitaque Craft Show December 1

Mark your calendars for Saturday December 1 that's the date for the Quitaque Juan Diego Catholic Church's annual craft show at the Hope Center in Quitaque. Get your booth space early as spaces are limited and going fast. There will be plenty of homemade crafts, baked goods, and gifts available just in time for Christmas. The church will also be serving Mexican food all day, take out orders are welcome. The Craft show will run from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

For more information contact Maria Merrell at 455-1456 day, 455-1466 after 5 p.m. or 269-1010 anytime. There will more information available at a later date.

Patriots Swat The Hornets

By Susan Ramsey

The Valley Patriots made their ninth consecutive trip to the playoffs a successful one as they handed the Lorenzo Hornets a 75-30 loss.

The Patriots were led by the rushing duo of Jacob Hancock and Justin Rucker, who combined for 276 yards and six touchdowns. Jacob also added a 40 yard punt return for a touchdown. Justin added four pass receptions for 80 yards and two more touchdowns. Cole Brown also had a nice night throwing the ball, as he connected on seven of ten passes for 149 yards and three touchdowns. Roger Ramos contributed a touchdown on a 41 yard run and Isaac Smith had a 52 yard touchdown reception to round out the scoring for Valley.

Defensively, Roger Ramos led the way with 13 tackles. Jacob Hancock and Justin Rucker each had ten tackles, and Cole Brown and Brady Ramsey added nine and eight tackles, respectively.

Valley will next be in action this coming Saturday at Lowrey Field, in Lubbock, against the Throckmorton Greyhounds. The game is the first of a double-header that will also feature a match up between Rule and Happy. The first game is set to begin at 5:00 p.m. The tailgate party will begin around 3:00, so come out and support your Valley Patriots in their quest for a State Championship.

Area Wide November Sales Tax Allocations

City	Current Sales Tax Rate	Net Tax Payment This Period	Comp. Tax Payment Prior Year	% Of Change	2007 Tax Payments To Date	2006 Tax Payments To Date	% Of Change
Quitaque	2.00%	\$4,026.42	\$3,871.84	3.99%	\$33,810.35	\$32,530.03	3.93%
Silverton	1.75%	\$4,354.12	\$3,860.50	12.78%	\$40,782.79	\$28,564.83	42.77%
Turkey	2.00%	\$2,795.80	\$3,273.49	-14.59%	\$27,890.93	\$30,909.02	-9.76%
Memphis	2.00%	\$28,695.09	\$20,771.07	38.14%	\$223,470.39	\$236,037.25	-5.32%
Lakeview	1.00%	\$139.32	\$114.88	21.27%	\$1,624.06	\$2,141.64	-24.16%
Estelline	1.25%	\$1,546.68	\$2,008.52	-22.99%	\$16,610.61	\$17,441.36	-4.76%
Matador	2.00%	\$5,962.45	\$5,812.84	2.57%	\$60,364.83	\$56,782.83	6.30%
Roaring Spgs	2.00%	\$2,395.69	\$2,603.63	-7.98%	\$18,288.74	\$32,436.32	-43.61%

This Table Compiled By The Valley Tribune From Information On The Texas Comptroller's Website
(* indicates a change in rate in the past 14 months.)

Comptroller Combs Says Sales Tax Collections Continue to Rise

The state collected \$1.65 billion in sales tax revenue in October, up 3.1 percent compared to October 2006.

"This increase is less than the growth seen in recent months, but it is an increase over exceptional October 2006 collections," Texas Comptroller Susan Combs said. "The lower growth rate is a reflection of a general easing of sales activity, most noticeable in the retail trade sector, and is consistent with a slowing economy."

Today, Combs distributed \$525.3 million in November sales tax rebates to cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts. Local sales tax allocations are up 4 percent compared to November 2006.

Combs sent Texas cities \$359.4 million in sales tax allocations, up 3 percent compared to November 2006. So far this calendar year, city sales tax allocations are up 6.6 percent compared to the same time period last year. Texas counties received November sales tax allocations of \$30.4 million, up 6.4 percent compared to one year ago. For the calendar year-to-date, county sales tax allocations are running 8.2 percent ahead of 2006.

The 122 special purpose taxing districts around the state received \$16.6 million in sales tax, up 14.8 percent compared to last November. Ten local transit systems received \$118.9 million in November sales tax rebates, up 4.9 percent compared to a year ago.

October state sales tax collections and November sales tax allocations to local governments represent September sales reported to the Comptroller in October by monthly tax filers and July, August and September sales reported to the Comptroller in October by quarterly tax filers.

Woman Facing Delicate Surgery Because Brain Too Big For Skull

By DEBORAH WILLIAMS, Special Projects Writer, Plainview Daily Herald

On Oct. 21, the television program Extreme Home Makeover built a brand new home for Chiari patient, Julie Carter and her family.

Watching from a hotel room in Colorado were an emotional Mike and Lana Turner of Plainview.

Lana, 43, had been diagnosed with Chiari (pronounced kee-AR-ee) Malformation in August, and the couple was on their way to visit with Dr. John Oro at The Chiari Care Center in Aurora, Colo.

"It was surreal to watch the show and the next day talk to a doctor who could answer all our questions," Mike, superintendent at Plainview Municipal Golf Course, said.

Lana began noticing something was wrong in February 2005 as symptoms began to alter her life. She was extremely fatigued all the time, mornings were extremely difficult for her and she had pressure headaches that popped up at random times.

She went to her regular doctor six months after the symptoms started. Tests were run, but everything came back normal.

So she began investigating things herself.

As the summer progressed, she knew something was different, but no one could explain exactly what or why.

Last January, a new problem popped up, one that made it more difficult to live a normal life. Now not only did Lana have the random headaches, she had difficulty breathing. At times she felt like she couldn't catch her breath.

After having symptoms for almost two years, it began to take a real toll on her.

"I can't get well enough to have a normal life," Lana said.

Her strange illness did not allow her to make plans because some days she would feel fine and others she wouldn't.

Even taking trips to visit her three daughters — Kaci Anderson and Annie and Joanie Reecer — in Lubbock were difficult to plan.

In May, Lana was sent to a neurosurgeon to have an MRI in order to check for multiple sclerosis because of the symptoms she was displaying.

Instead of MS, the doctor told her she had a "tilted brain," and it was nothing to worry about. The doctor also mentioned another name, but had said it so fast and nonchalant that the Turners didn't worry too much about it.

Lana again took matters into her own hands to research the diagnosis of a "tilted brain," but couldn't find any information.

Then, one day while watching a TV show, Chiari was mentioned — and something her doctor said rang a bell. Lana researched the symptoms and discovered they were very similar to her own. She searched online and found The Chiari Care Center in Aurora, eventually sending them her MRIs then setting up an appointment to see Dr. Oro.

The doctor explained that Lana's skull was too small for her brain and it was causing the lower cerebellum to herniate on to the brain stem. This also blocks the flow of cerebrospinal fluid and causes the symptoms that Lana had been experiencing.

The only way to relieve the pressure is to have brain surgery.

During the surgery, Dr. Oro will enlarge the base of her skull, so the brain can expand, and place a metal titanium plate on the base of her skull for support and to keep it from moving further down. He will also perform a laminectomy, which means he will trim the C1 vertebrae to widen the spinal canal, allowing more space for the nerves.

The success rate for the surgery is 85 percent, which is good enough for the Turners.

Still, it will take up to six months before they will know if the surgery worked.

"I don't have any other choice," Lana said. "I'm not getting any better."

With one problem solved, another burden has set in.

The brain surgery the doctors must perform to relieve the pressure is extremely costly. The Turners, who are presently without medical insurance, are looking at a bill of \$50,000, and that only covers the surgery and the hospital stay. They still will have to pay for transportation to and from the Aurora clinic and other miscellaneous expenses.

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ON THE QT

By Patsy Herrington

'Tis the season of gathering. Gathering with family and friends, for visiting and eating pumpkin pies and turkey with all the trimmings. Some will gather in the fields of high cotton. We're supposed to have the second best crop in history this year. My son, Max Ham and family, Anne Marie and Chase will be in the fields gathering pecans off their 400 pecan trees between Turkey and Quitaque. It is quite fascinating for one to watch the machines work. First (with one on a tractor) the shaker grabs the tree and shakes it until hundreds of leaves and pecans come off. Then the thrasher takes over and gathers the pecans and puts them in the trailer with the leaves falling off. Still there's the hulling and shelling to do late. It's backbreaking labor. Anne Marie said, "We planted the trees when we were young and stupid." They lived in Quitaque many years, but now live in Crosbyton.

Ruby King's nephew, Coy Hawkins, and family arrived Sunday for a visit. The five great-grandchildren had a great time in the country. They family lives in the Dallas area and always look forward to their visits here. They visited the State Park where they hiked and reported a great time. They left for home Wednesday.

Debbie Cagle says that her brother James Thrasher, had a stint put into his heart last week, but is doing fine now.

The construction on the water tower is finished! It is so tall! Now all it lacks is to be sandblasted and painted.

We had sad news this week of the passing of Eva Reagan Jouett, Amarillo. She was only 41. She was the daughter of Odis and Jessie Reagan, Quitaque, sister of Elaine Harmon, Quitaque and sister of Elois Edmonson, Tulia. She will be greatly missed!

Julia Morrison, daughter of Colvin and Tish Morrison, former Quitaque residents, was 4th runner-up at the Miss Wayland Contest, Plainview, and won the talent contest which included a nice scholarship.

The Colvin Morrison's have recently bought a home in Sterley because of the long drive he and the girls had each day to Plainview. They drive to Quitaque still, though, on Sundays to the Church of Christ where Colvin leads the singing.

I met Janice Mester, new resident of Quitaque, who along with her husband bought Russ and Marsha Heskett's house north of town on the way to the State Park. She is so gracious and nice. Welcome to our community!

I heard that Clyde and Renee recently went to Florida to visit their daughter. More about that later.

Dean Hamilton and Henryetta Price visited the Do Gooders Christmas Bazaar at Flomot Saturday, and they said it was wonderful! Then they drove all around the country, over to Turkey, and ended up at Patsy Herrington's house where they had coffee and cookies and they supplied the brownies. Jill Johnson also dropped in.

Many people gathered to eat and worship at the Hope Center to celebrate Quitaque's Community Thanksgiving Service Sunday night.

The days have been so gorgeous that it has been almost sacrilegious to stay indoor.

Have a Happy Thanksgiving everyone!



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Brain Surgery Best Option

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A "Lana Turner Surgical Fund" has been set up at Hale County State Bank to help pay for medical expenses.

Going through this process herself, Lana now wants to help others who are struggling with this condition.

She's made connections with two people from Washington and North Carolina who have been through the surgery. She met those two and countless others through a support group she joined online.

"It's nice to talk to people who get it," Lana said. "I would love to help somebody."

With support from her children, parents Joe and Jan Payne, and sister Jana Penka, Lana will have brain surgery Dec. 18 in Aurora.

"With the surgery I can maybe get my life back. I want that."

This story was provided to The Valley Tribune by Jan Payne, former resident of Quitaque and Lana Turner's mother. If you would like to make a donation to help Lana with expenses she will incur as she seeks treatment for this condition, please send to Lana Turner Surgical Fund, Hale County State Bank, 201 W. 6th, Plainview, TX 79072.

Turkey Senior Citizens News

The Turkey Sr. Citizens met Tuesday evening with 11 present. The nurses from Accolade Home Care were there to do the blood pressure checks, cholesterol, and blood sugar tests. G. P. Driskill said the said the prayer before the meal. A table of Mexican train and Spinner were played after the delicious pot luck meal.

Our next meeting will be November 27th. If you are a senior, come and join us for some food! fun! and fellowship!

We will have our Christmas party with a Chinese gift exchange at our December 11th meeting. We will have finger foods and your favorite Christmas dessert. The Accolade nurses will be there to enjoy the fun.

Filing Deadline For 2008 March Primary Elections

The first day to file for a place on the ballot for the March Primary is December 3, 2007. Deadline for filing is January 2, 2008. In Briscoe, Hall and Motley Counties the following positions are up for re-election: Sheriff, Tax-Assessor/Collector, County Attorney, Commissioners for Precinct 1 & 3.

Last day to register to vote in the March Primary is February 4, 2008.

OBITUARIES



Eva Gayle Jouett

Eva Gayle Jouett, 41, of Amarillo died Friday, Nov. 16, 2007.

Services were held Monday, November 19, 2007 in the First United Methodist Church in Quitaque with Rickey Pierce and Kevin Keltz officiating. Burial will be in Resthaven Cemetery.

Mrs. Jouett was born Jan. 20, 1966, in Lockney to Odis and Jessie Reagan. She married Danny Jouett on Feb. 28, 1988, in Childress. Eva was a 1983 graduate of Valley High School and continued her education to become a licensed vocational nurse in 1992. She was employed by Goodcare in Amarillo and had a passion for working with Alzheimer's patients.

Eva enjoyed traveling and some of her fondest memories were of the vacations with her parents. She loved the holidays and more specifically, the shopping! She was the spark to all the holiday gatherings. Eva dearly loved being "MeMe" to her grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by an older brother, Ernest "Ernie" Reagan.

Survivors include her husband, Danny; her parents, Odis and Jessie Reagan of Quitaque; a son, Danny Jouett II; four daughters, Destinie Jouett, Tiffany Darnell and Bre'Ann Land, all of Amarillo, and Farrah Starnes of Forth Worth; two sisters, Elaine Harmon of Quitaque and Elois Edmonson of Tulia; and six grandchildren.

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FLOMOT NEWS

By Earlyne Jameson

OVERHEARD

Gratitude and thankfulness unlocks the fullness of life. It turns what we have into enough and more. It can turn a meal into a feast, a house into a home, a stranger into a friend.

Western Theme On Display At Do Gooders Club Meeting

The Do Gooders' Club met Tuesday afternoon, November 13 at the Community Center in Flomot. The meeting was postponed from the regular meeting the first Tuesday of each month due to the election November 6 being held at the Center.

Mrs. Kathy Shorter conducted the business session. Mrs. Suzie Shannon read the minutes that were approved. Following the session they made preparations and arrangements for the 22 reserved booths and checked kitchen supplies for their concession stand for the Fall Bazaar at the Community Center, Saturday, November 17.

Mrs. Waydette Clay, hostess presided at a Western designed service and autumn colored decor. The centerpiece was a ceramic cowboy boot with hues of foliage and the Texas state symbol. Intermingled on the table laid with an ecru cloth were man-made spurs, horse reins and bits and a miniature saddle. She served cheese squares with crackers, vegetables and dips, pound cake, assorted nuts, coffee and punch.

Mrs. B. Rogers was the lucky winner of the hostess gift when her name was drawn. It was a sparkling decorated centerpiece Christmas tree and a cookbook.

Those attending were Mesdames Anna Beth Clay, Geneva Martin, Connie Franks, Waydette Clay, Suzie Shannon, Kathy Shorter, B. Rogers, Brenda Browning and Erma Washington.

Do Gooders' Bazaar A Resounding Success

The Community Center in Flomot was filled to capacity Saturday, November 17 at the Do Gooders' Club Fall Bazaar. They had 22 booths and the aisles were jammed packed with patrons. They were standing in line to buy H. Joaquin Jackson book, "One Ranger" and for a book signing.

They sold out of taco soup and sandwiches at the concession stand, but still had coffee, iced tea and lemonade. Mrs. Keri Sehon of Ropesville won the Bazaar quilt.

Martin Family Reunion

Descendants of Wade and Opal Barton Martin held a family reunion Saturday and Sunday, November 17-18. They enjoyed the Do Gooders' Club Fall Bazaar Saturday at the Flomot Community Center. Before returning to their respective homes Sunday morning, they were guests at a bountiful breakfast at the home of Ronald and Waydette Martin Clay.

The special guest was their aunt, Mary Ellen "Dude" Barton. Others attending were Nita and Ervin Merritt, Tom Merritt, Debbie Allen and Steve Merritt, all of Granbury; Rusty and Amber Terrell and son, Zane of Saginaw; Cole Martin of Portales, NM, Wilburn Martin, Geneva Martin and Kathy Shorter of Flomot.

Joe Ike and Anna Beth Clay were in Panhandle last Wednesday and enjoyed the PHS girls basketball game in which granddaughter, Kelsey Clay, a sophomore played. She and teammates defeated Clarendon High School team. Kelsey is the daughter of Angelia and Larry Clay.

Mrs. Mary Jo Calvert accompanied home her husband, Doyle Calvert Monday from Cogdell Hospital in Lockney where he had been a patient the past ten days.

Visiting this week with Janice and Butch Hughes are son and daughter, Bengie Hughes and Kaitlynn of Royce City. A visitor during the weekend was Jimmy Pearson of Celeste. Joining them to visit Saturday were sons, Roger and Rickey Hughes of Floydada.

Visitors this week in the home of Shonda and Roger Lee are her daughter and family, Jessica and Jordan Schubbach and daughter, Waveland and their pet dog, Banjo of Denver, Colorado.

Weekend visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Clois Shorter were daughter and family, Mrs. Christi Milam, Haley and Emily of Petersburg and grandson, Brian Sehon of Ropesville.

Visiting Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Calvert and Glen Calvert were Sherrilyn and Dan Foster of Lubbock, Visiting the weekend were Gwen and Tim Mandrell and daughter, Peyton of Lubbock. Other luncheon guests Sunday were Brandon Lee of Plainview and Josh Lee of Flomot.

DR. PAIGE PATTERSON TO APPEAR AT CHURCH IN SPUR

Dr. Paige Patterson, the eighth president of SOUTHWESTERN BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY will minister in both the morning and evening services Sunday, November 25th at COMMUNITY BIBLE CHAPEL, 209 East Third Street, Spur.

Dr. Patterson, known as "Mr. Conservative" has served two terms as president of the Southern Baptist Convention, 17 years as president of Criswell College in Dallas, 11 years as president of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Wake Forest, North Carolina, before coming to his present position.

Dr. and Mrs. Patterson have traveled to and ministered in more than 85 counties of the world and have authored numerous books and articles. An avid hunter and SCUBA diver, Dr. Patterson has spoken at many Christian sportsman banquets throughout the United States.

Dr. Ned Hicks, pastor of Community Bible Chapel stated that "we are privileged and honored to have a man such as Dr. Patterson come into a rural area and a small church. I hope everyone possible will take advantage of both seeing and hearing this man of God. Our Sunday morning service starts at 11:00 a. m. and our evening service is at 6:00 p. m. We do ask that if groups are coming, we be notified in advance to insure seating. For additional information, you may call (806) 271-3387."

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The Trace online database includes all identifiable property reported stolen to the FBI by hundreds of Texas police agencies. Texans can access the Trace database, free of charge, to:

- * Research items before purchasing them to determine whether or not they are stolen,
- * Report recently stolen property to law enforcement, and
- * Create a secure, anonymous inventory of their valuable property that could aid in recovering the property if it is ever stolen.

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- TX "Spanky's" trademark cap
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- TXism: "_____ as a lap dog"
- Rockets Moses from 1981-82
- Mexico-U.S. trade agreement
- speed detector used by TX DPS
- TXism: "first _____ the box"
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- TXism: "lathered up"
- town in El Paso Co.
- ballpark of Ranger Baltimore foe: _____ Yards

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- TXism: "_____ no foam" (respected)
- TXism: "tinhorn"
- TXism: "lastest _____ old dishwasher"
- TX Audie Murphy's "Kid _____ Texas"
- camera device
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- TXism for against New Orleans school
- TXism: "Texas _____" (Rolex)
- TXism: "_____ sin"
- TXism: "I _____ like death warmed over"
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Valley School Lunch Menu

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Monday, November 26

Breakfast: Breakfast Hot Pocket, OJ/Milk

Lunch: Pizza, Salad, Carrot Sticks, Peaches, Milk

Tuesday, November 27

Breakfast: Cereal, Toast, Jelly, OJ/Milk

Lunch: Chicken Nuggets, Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Biscuits, Honey, Milk

Wednesday, November 28

Breakfast: Biscuits, Jelly, Sausage, OJ/Milk

Lunch: Soft Tacos, Salad, Chips & Hot Sauce, Apricots, Milk

Thursday, November 29

Breakfast: Breakfast on a Stick, Syrup, OJ/Milk

Lunch: BBQ on Bun, Pickles, Apples, Chips, Milk

Friday, November 30

Breakfast: French Toast, Syrup, OJ/Milk

Lunch: Chili Cheese Dogs, Pickles, Carrot Sticks, Brownies, Milk



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Valley School News

2nd Six Weeks Honor Roll

1st Grade

All A's: Issiah Castillo, Branson Cruse, Kelsey Flowers, Kara Luckett, Iracema Mendoza, Rebecca Santos, Kaytlin Shipley, Ismael Valdes
A's & B's: Joshua Galvan, Suzanna Santos

2nd Grade

All A's: Daxon Allen, Jace Bland, Kylie Brown, Jessie Browning
A's & B's: Jacob Kendall, Juan Villarreal

3rd Grade

All A's: Ryleigh Carson, Will Farley, Jolee Hill, Sydnee Meyer, Jack Price, Micah Willey, Savannah Young
A's & B's: Adrian Espinoza, Alyssa Mott, Janet Salgado

4th Grade

All A's: Kennadee Buchanan, Rachel Hancock, Jere Kendall, J.D. Schnitker
A's & B's: Francisca Alanis, Emily Barrett, Germain Mendoza, Lisette Mendoza, Shae Lee Thacker

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5th Grade

All A's: Barrett Bland, Haley Wheeler, Tyler Campbell, Brandon Pointer, Walker Carson, Baylie Pointer
A's & B's: Colton Bowman, Nick Farino, Esmarelda Cruz, Blayne Young

6th Grade

All A's: Morgan Hawkins, Ketch Smith
A's & B's: Kaylee Addison, Monica Alanis, Caleb Bernal, Jerrica Galvan, Gunnar Luckett, Jessie Messer, April Villarreal, Cory Williams

7th Grade

All A's: Brennan Allen, Colleen Hancock, Sunny Helms, Abby Hill, Ben Seth Ramsey, Kodie Saul
A's & B's: Kameron Buchanan, Ian Farley, Cody Heck, Joanna Perkins, Blake Pigg, Carson Proctor, Macy Valdez

8th Grade

All A's: Caitlyn Brown, Danielle Gwinn, Kristen Jenkins, Madison Meyer, Alyssa Pointer, Jessie Price
A's & B's: Mary Elizabeth Bowman, Courtney Galvan, Casen Hawkins, Keri House, Pablo Marinez, Kammi Warr

Freshmen

All A's: Landon Allen, Kelsey Kelley, Khaki Scrivner

A's & B's: Autumn Phillips, Jarrett Valdez, Grant Wheeler

Sophomores

All A's: Jacob Hancock, Mariela Mendoza, Lacie Pointer, Payton Price, Jacy Proctor, Isaac Smith, Courtney Thibodeaux, Lauren Young

A's & B's: Gavin Luckett, Monica Mendoza, Ilsa Ortiz, Johnathan Perkins, Alejandro Valdez

Juniors

All A's: Chancy Campbell, Mitchell Farley, Callie Helms, Jordan Jenkins, Cade Luckett, Laura Martinez, Brady Ramsey, Justin Todd, Yessenia Valdes, Townlii Ziegler
A's & B's: Dalton Allen, Dulce Chavez, Angelica Cruz, Tyler Garvin, Leslie Payne, John Luke Shannon, Ana Karen Valdez, Maria Valdez

Seniors

All A's: Cole Brown, Mary Kate Davidson, Jasmin Ivory, Justin Rucker, Savannah Smith
A's & B's: Bryce Reagan, Ana Iris Valdez

Valley FFA Wins Four Area I Leadership Contests - Advances Five Teams To The State Leadership Contest

Five teams representing the Valley FFA Chapter advanced to the State FFA Leadership Contest at the Area I Leadership Contest at West Texas A&M University this past Saturday. Four of the teams won first in their respective contests and one placed second in order to advance to the State Leadership Contest which will be held at Sam Houston State in Huntsville on Saturday, December 1st.

The Valley FFA Senior Chapter Conducting team placed first at Area I competition. Members of the Sr. Chapter Conducting team include: Jordan Jenkins - President, Lauren Young - Vice President, Mary Kate Davidson - Secretary, Chancy Campbell - Treasurer, Brady Ramsey - Reporter, Dalton Allen - Sentinel, and Savannah Smith - Student Advisor. Khaki Scrivner and Landon Allen also participated on the team as members.

The Senior FFA Quiz team also placed first advancing to the State Contest. Senior Quiz Team Members include: Cade Luckett, Justin Todd, Khaki Scrivner and Landon Allen. Cade Luckett was the 2nd High Individual of the Area in the Senior Quiz Contest and Khaki was 5th.

The Senior Farm Skill Team placed first at the Area competition advancing to State. Team members Cade Luckett, Mitchell Farley, Jacob Hancock and Isaac Smith presented a Sprayer Calibration skill in that competition.

Valley's Agriculture Issues team also placed first at the Area competition and advanced to State. Members of this team are Cole Brown, Jacy Proctor, Jarret Valdez, Courtney Thibodeaux, Payton Price, Gavin Luckett and Autumn Phillips. This group gave an impressive presentation on the development of wind energy in our local agriculture economy.

The Public Relations team placed second in their contest. This team also qualifies for the State contest. Members of the Public Relations team are Mary Kate Davidson, Townlii Ziegler, Chancy Campbell and Savannah Smith.

Lauren Young placed third in the Senior Creed Speaking Area competition after winning the Greenbelt District contest. Jordan Jenkins placed 5th in the Area I Job Interview contest.

Valley High School was well represented Saturday by these hard-working Valley FFA members and Advisor Kevin Kelley. We wish all of the teams the best of luck at the State Contest.



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Ag Issues Team members pictured: Gavin Luckett, Courtney Thibodeaux, Payton Price, Jacy Proctor, Autumn Phillips and Cole Brown. Not pictured Jarrett Valdez.



Senior Skill Team members pictured: Jacob Hancock, Isaac Smith and Cade Luckett. Not pictured is Mitchell Farley.



Public Relations Team members pictured are: Townlii Ziegler, Chancy Campbell, Mary Kate Davidson and Savannah Smith.



Senior Quiz Teams members pictured: Khaki Scrivner, Cade Luckett, Justin Todd and Landon Allen.

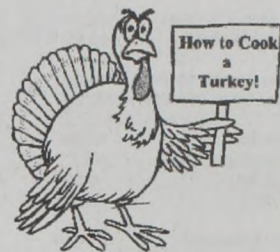


Senior Chapter Conducting Team members pictured: Back row: Savannah Smith, Chancy Campbell, Khaki Scrivner, Dalton Allen and Brady Ramsey. Front row: Mary Kate Davidson, Lauren Young, Landon Allen and Jordan Jenkins.

HOW TO COOK A TURKEY

By Valley 2nd Grade Students

- ~ Jacob Alen Kendall's Recipe
Ingredients: First you need spices, cooking oil, a knife and a turkey.
Directions: First get the bones out with the knife. Then spise the meat with the spices. then carv the turkey. then stuff it. Kooock the turkey for 20 minets at 26 bigrees then eat teh thrky. That is how you kooock a turkey
- ~ Daxon Allen's Recipe
Ingredients: This is what you need you need flour, sugar, vinala, milk, cooking oil and a turkey and a pan, a knife too. and water and eggs, and butter.
Directions: First cut the the turkey open. Then put the butter in. Then put 1/2 of milk and put 3/2 of water, then put the eggs, cooking oil, the flour, vinala and sugar in. Next, warm up the oven for three minutes. Last put it in the oven for one our. Then get the turkey out and theres a turkey.
- ~ Kylie Brown's Recipe
Ingredients: eggs, flour, spices, a turkey, turkey stuffing, vinger.
Directions: First get a turkey then make the suffing. Get a bole crack 4 eggs. then put 2 cups fo flour then upt some vinger 2 cups, stur that then after that's done stuff that in the turkey and cook it then eat it!
- ~ Jace Bland's Recipe
Ingredients: flower, shuger, owl, a pan, some milk, turkey a knife, eggs water plate.
Directions: You put the flower in with the turkey and the shuger, owl, some mil eggs water and then put it in the ovin and wen it is done wate until it drys and then eat it.
- ~ Jessica Fern Browning's Recipe
Ingredients: soses, turkey
Directions: Put a little bit of soses cook for 30 minits and the temperature 90 dgrees and thats how to cock a turkey.
- ~ Juan Villarreal, Jr's Recipe
Ingredients: flower, nutmeg, spices, and poter
Directions: You need a plate and a turkey to cook. Then put it in the mikerwave for 10 minuts. Wale you are waiting for the turkey to cook watch T.V.



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~ David Grayson

To find the good life you must become yourself.

~ Dr. Bill Jackson

Turkey-Quitaque CISD Receives State's Highest Fiscal Accountability Rating

Turkey-Quitaque CISD Superintendent Jerry Smith announced that the District received a rating of Superior Achievement under Texas Schools FIRST (Financial Accountability Rating System). The Superior Achievement rating is the state's highest, demonstrating the quality of Turkey-Quitaque CISD's financial management.

"The FIRST accountability rating ensures that Texas schools are accountable not only for students learning, but also for achieving these results cost effectively and efficiently," stated Turkey-Quitaque CISD Superintendent Jerry Smith. "It also shows that our district is making the most of our taxpayers dollars."

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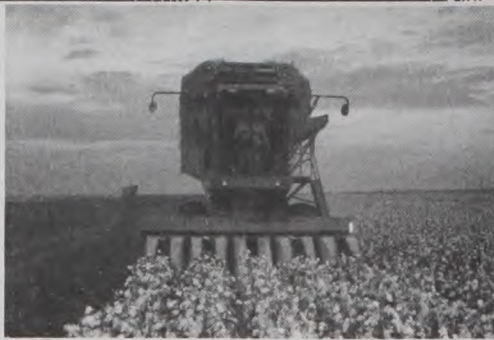
TDA Market Recap November 19, 2007

For the week ending November 17, 2007, feeder steer prices at Texas auctions increased from a week ago to average \$107.69 per hundredweight. Demand was high, especially for the limited supply of yearlings as some producers held back on sales in hopes for higher prices in the coming weeks. Fed cattle prices were modestly higher on improved beef values. Cotton, grain sorghum, wheat and corn cash markets all closed the week somewhat lower as volatile energy markets and the fluctuating value of the U.S. dollar spilled over to the agricultural sector. As for futures markets, feeder cattle futures closed the week higher, while cotton, wheat, corn and finished cattle ended the week lower. Cool and dry weather conditions persisted statewide for most of the week, with some scattered rainfall reported at week's end. Cotton harvest continued in the Panhandle and was virtually complete in South Central Texas and the Blacklands. Grain sorghum harvest is nearing completion. Soil moisture was reported short to adequate across the state. Pasture conditions continue to decline statewide because of the dry conditions.

----- Week Ending -----

Cash Markets:	11/17/07	11/10/07	11/11/06
Feeder Steers (\$/cwt)	107.69	104.19	99.75
Fed Cattle (\$/cwt)	92.62	92.34	86.85
Slaughter Lambs (\$/cwt)	110.00	101.00	101.00
Slaughter Goats (\$/cwt)	115.50	111.00	106.50
Cotton(¢/lb)	61.00	62.00	48.38
Grain Sorghum(\$/bu)	6.17	6.26	6.27
Wheat(\$/bu)	6.99	7.09	4.75
Corn(\$/bu)	3.83	3.94	3.81
Oranges(\$/carton)	9.71	9.84	10.42
Futures Markets:			
Feeder Cattle(\$/cwt)	109.13	107.95	
Finished Cattle(\$/cwt)	95.30	95.50	
Cotton(¢/lb)	60.90	64.64	
Wheat(\$/bu)	7.75	7.85	
Corn(\$/bu)	3.80	3.87	

The cash prices above are market averages for locations covered by the TDA Market News program and do not reflect any particular sale at any specific location. Feeder cattle prices are for 500-600 pound medium and large #1 steers. Futures prices are quoted for the nearest month contract on the last trading day of the week.



Reed Farm Cotton Variety Trial Gives Local Farmers Insight For Next Years

On Saturday, Oct. 10, Wayne Reed harvested his cotton field 6 miles east of Silverton which included a cotton variety trial conducted by Briscoe County Agriculture Extension Agent, Seth Manney and the Agriculture Experiment Station at Lubbock. This variety trial included 6 cotton * All Tex Marathon B2RF * ST 5327B2RF * FM 9063B2RF * AC 1532B2RF * DG 2242B2RF * DP 143B2RF

Each variety was five rows wide, the length of a 120 acre pivot irrigation sprinkler and replicated 3 different times for research efficacy. Wayne donated his field, equipment, and time to make the research possible. The final data are not in as of yet on how the varieties performed. When this information is received, Seth Manney, will make the information available for producers. Hopefully this trial will help aid producers decisions on which varieties to plant next year.

Weather Will Play Big Role In Wheat Crop

Weather will play a big part in the overall national and Texas wheat crop in the coming months, a Texas Cooperative Extension economist said.

Dry conditions have hampered Texas wheat statewide, said Dr. Mark Welch, Extension grains economist. Though planted acres of wheat have increased across the Southeast, Texas and Oklahoma, weather will be a big factor on yields this spring.

"In the drier areas of the Panhandle, if they plant later, it improves the yield potential for grain," Welch said. "That may bode well for yield, but negatively impact the stocker cattle folks."

If the crop is established and doesn't get grazed, it will be in better shape when it comes out of dormancy next spring, Welch said.

"From a yield standpoint, it's not hurt yet, but there is concern if it doesn't rain and the root system doesn't develop," he said.

Despite record wheat prices, consumers will see minimal effects on food products containing wheat since much of it is already in processed form, Welch said.

"Most of the wheat in many food products is highly processed and goes through baking and milling," Welch said. "Even though the wheat component is important, it's small in terms of adding to the cost of the product."

About 73 loaves of bread can be made from a bushel of wheat. At \$8 per bushel, the value of wheat in a one-pound loaf of bread is about 11 cents, or about 7 percent of the cost of the loaf, Welch said. The remainder of the cost is tied up in processing, baking, packaging, transporting and advertising, he said.

Subtle increases in some food items have been directly related to the rise in transportation fuel. Record wheat prices were recorded during the latter part of September. Kansas City wheat reached \$9.50 bushel during the first week of October, but has dropped back about \$2 a bushel, Welch said.

"Much of the market driven by panic buying is gone," Welch said. "Wheat from the southern hemisphere (Australia and Argentina) is being harvested and available for export and the Russians are aggressively selling wheat as well."

AT A GLANCE:
* The ethanol boom is contributing to high wheat prices as increased corn production is shifting acreage away from other crops.

* High input costs make wheat an attractive option. Even though quality-planting seed was expensive and hard to find this fall, planting cost per acre is lower and wheat requires less fuel and fertilizer than traditional row crops. Budget-minded producers tend to favor wheat since they can plant more acres for fewer dollars.

* While rising grain prices contribute to higher food costs, the impact of the price of wheat on consumer budgets is small since most products containing wheat are highly processed. That means processing costs may contribute more to the price of the product than the price of wheat.

* Several areas of major wheat producing states are experiencing increasingly dry conditions. Wheat conditions continue to deteriorate in the Southern High Plains, especially Oklahoma and Texas.

Hall County FSA Reminds Voters of 2007 County Committee Election

Billy Foster, Executive Director for the Hall County Farm Service Agency reminds eligible voters that County Committee elections are underway. On November 2, 2007 FSA mailed ballots to all eligible voters. Completed ballots must be postmarked by midnight on December 3, 2007.

"FSA County Committees make decisions on commodity loans and payments: allotments, yields, marketing quotas, eligibility for conservation programs as well as disaster assistance," said Foster "This committee is the producer's voice in making national programs fit local situations, representing the customers for the individuals USDA programs are designed to serve," he added.

Foster stressed that the FSA County Committee system will only work well if all of FSA's customers are actively involved in how the agency's programs are administered. FSA's County Committee system needs diverse representation, small and large farm/ranch operators, truck farmers, specialty crop producers, livestock producers and local businessmen and women.

Foster encourages all eligible voters to cast their ballots this year. He emphasized that if you are eligible to participate in FSA programs, you are eligible to vote and if you are eligible to vote, you are eligible to serve on the County Committee.

Nominees for the Hall County Committee are Kelly Clark and Patti Lindley. The elected person will represent LLA 1-Lakeview Area.

USDA Seeks Public Comment On Emergency Conservation Program

The Farm Service Agency is still offering members of the public an opportunity to voice opinions about the Emergency Conservation Program (ECP) and suggest ideas about improving ECP for the future. Interested individuals have until close of business on December 24, 2007 to submit comments for consideration.

ECP provides emergency funding and technical assistance for farmers and ranchers to rehabilitate farmland damaged by natural disasters and for carrying out emergency water conservation measures in periods of severe drought. Funding for ECP is appropriated by Congress.

"FSA is inviting public comment on ECP to ensure that the full range of issues and program alternatives are addressed," said Billy Foster, Executive Director for the Hall County FSA.

According to Foster, ECP currently offers qualified applicants assistance of up to 75 percent of the cost to implement approved emergency conservation practices as determined by FSA county committees. Approved conservation practices include but are not limited to debris removal, fence and conservation structure restoration and livestock watering measures during drought.

Written comments on and requests for copies of the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) should be directed to ECP SEIS, geo-Marine Incorporated, 2713 Magruder Blvd., Suite D, Hampton, VA 23666-1572.

Insect CD Good For What Bugs Homeowners, Gardeners, Farmers

Texas Cooperative Extension agents often refer to their compact discs on insects when they help people deal with pests on farms, ranches or around homes.

Now the CD is available to the public. "The Insect Pest Management CD should have broad appeal as it covers pests in homes and gardens, ornamental and fruit trees and those on farms and in other rural areas," said Dr. Allen Knutson, an Extension entomologist in Dallas. "For only eight bucks you can't beat it."

The Insect Pest Management CD contains more than 150 publications on identifying and controlling pests, said Knutson, who compiled the information. It includes text on thousands of species, as well as color photographs, illustrations, maps and graphs.

Updated annually, the CD was first produced three years ago, Knutson said. They have been useful to Extension employees in every county.

The CD contains information on termites, roaches, spiders and other pests around the home. It has the latest information on controlling fire ants and mosquitoes. It includes 26 publications on stinging and biting insects. Links to Texas A&M entomology department Web sites are also included.

For farmers and other residents of rural areas, there are specifics on managing pests that affect row crops, livestock, trees and other plants and animals.

In addition to insects, the CD covers other potential pests such as snakes and wild fowl.

"These illustrated publications are organized in a series of easy-to-use menus," Knutson said. "A search option makes it easy to find information."

The publications are organized in an Adobe Acrobat format, which is included on the CD.

The CD's detailed publications vary in length. A one-page piece, for example, covers flea control. A 44-page guide discusses 300 species of ants.

"Only 20 or so ant species in Texas are considered pests, and of these, only a few are serious pest," according to the ant publication. "The rest of the ant species are beneficial."

Most of the publications were researched and written by Extension entomologists and specialists in integrated pest management. Some were prepared by entomologists from other universities.

The CD can be ordered through the Texas Cooperative Extension Bookstore. Select "insects" from the menu and scroll down to item "SP-198 Insect Pest Management CD," and click to add to cart. The \$8 cost includes postage.

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This Week In Texas History!

Nov 25, 1937
The last surviving Donley County veteran of the Civil War died in Clarendon. Charles Bradshaw Dickson, 93, was a private in the 13th Tennessee Cavalry.

Nov 25, 1850
Texas gave the United States 67 million acres of land in the current states of Oklahoma, New Mexico, Colorado, Kansas and Wyoming for \$10 million in bonds to be used to erase the debt caused by the Texas Revolution.

Nov 25, 1684
Explorer Rene Robert Cavelier, Sleur de La Salle's three ships leave Santo Domingo and sail toward the Mississippi River.

Nov 26, 1908
The Childress Masonic Temple cornerstone was placed.

Nov 26, 1864
The first Battle of Adobe Walls ended near present-day Borger when the Indians suddenly withdrew. It was one of the largest Indian battles on the Great Plains.

Nov 26, 1868
Maj. Joel Elliott was killed in the Battle of the Washita in Western Indian Territory. Fort Elliott in the Panhandle was named in his honor.

Nov 26, 1835
James Bowie and 100 Texans intercepted a Mexican pack train on its way to San Antonio. They thought the pack train was carrying silver to pay the Mexican soldiers, but when the packs were ripped open Bowie discovered only grass and forage for the Mexicans horses and mules. As a result, the battle has become known as the "Grass Fight."

Nov 27, 1528
Cabeza de Vaca's shipwrecked group came ashore near Galveston Island.

Nov 28, 1938
Bob Willis and the Texas Playboys recorded "Spanish Two Step" which later became "The San Antonio Rose."

Nov 29, 1936
The Texas Centennial Exposition closed. It open in Dallas on June 6, 1936.

Nov 30, 1869
Rigged election were held in Texas. They were rigged so only "carpetbaggers" could win.

Nov 30, 1837
Erastus "Deaf" Smith died. He was the chief scout for Gen. Sam Houston during the "Battle of Runaway Scrape" and the "Battle of San Jacinto" in 1836. He was also an army scout during the battles of Conception and San Antonio in 1835. Deaf Smith County is named in his honor.

Nov 30, 1544
Fray Juan de Padilla was murdered by Indians at a site north of present-day Amarillo near the Canadian River. He was along with the Spanish Explorer Coronado and became the first Christian martyr in America.

Dec 1, 1992
420 residents of Quitaque became part of the first "wireless" telephone system in the United States.

Dec 1, 1945
The Childress Army Airfield was officially disposed of by the government when it was given to the City of Childress.

Dec 1, 1863
Union military governor Andrew J. Hamilton arrived in galveston.

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Highway Patrol Urges Thanksgiving Drivers To Obey Traffic Laws

As Thanksgiving travelers hit the roadways, all available Texas Highway Patrol troopers will be looking for drivers who are endangering themselves and others by breaking traffic laws. Troopers are participating in Operation CARE-Combined Accident Reduction Effort-a nationwide effort by police agencies to reduce fatalities on major interstate highways during holiday weekends.

A few of the violations that troopers will be looking for are speeding, driving while intoxicated and drivers and passengers who are not wearing safety belts or who do not have children buckled in safely.

"DPS wants all drivers on Texas roads to have a safe Thanksgiving holiday," said Col. Thomas A. Davis Jr., director of the DPS. "Highway Patrol troopers will be out in force to remind drivers that in order to arrive safely at their destination, they should follow Texas traffic laws by driving sober, not speeding and remembering to buckle up."

DPS expects a large number of travelers on the road and encourages drivers to leave themselves plenty of time to get where they're going. Avoid bad driving habits that lead to road rage, such as: * Not using turn signals * Driving in the passing lane * Tailgating, flashing lights or honking * Using high beams in traffic * Not allowing adequate time for a given trip.

When confronted with aggressive drivers, the DPS recommends that you: * Put your pride in the back seat and move aside. * Do not speed up, block lanes, slam or tap on brakes. * Report extreme cases of reckless driving to the appropriate authorities when the incident occurs. * Do not retaliate, gesture or make eye contact. * Make sure everyone is buckled up.

Palo Duro Basin Oil & Gas Report

By Tom Musser
Floyd County: On Saturday November 17, 2007 the Apollo Energy Operating Company W.D. Miller lease well #2 horizontal drilling permit expired without being drilled. The surface location for the W.D. Miller #2 was built in November 2005 and was located 660 feet from the south line and 660 feet from the west line of Section 24, Block 1, AB&M Survey, 4 miles northeast of Floydada. The terminus location of the horizontal section was to be 2750 feet from the south line and 2820 feet from the west line of Section 24. This would have placed the terminus location of the W.D. Miller #2 2857 feet southeast of the location of the Apollo Energy Operating Company W.D. Miller lease well #1.

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Local Dance Team Performs In Dance Master Competition

Ms. Sherry's Dance Team competed in the Dance Masters Competition on Nov. 10 in Lubbock Texas. This competition was for all contestants in the Lubbock-Amarillo area to compete

against each other! The top teams of each group were invited to perform at the Mr. and Miss Dance 2007 after the competition. The Dance Masters Judges also put on dance workshops on Sunday morning for Tap, Jazz and Ballet before returning to California. This gives the team a chance to see the new and upcoming dance moves and learn better technique.

The Team performed a Christmas Mix Tap Dance where they recieved a Gold Medal, they performed their "Its Raining Men" jazz routine where they recieved a silver medal and they also joined a Dance Team from Pampa to perform a production to the musical Oklahoma where they recieved a silver medal.

The Dance Team consist of Haley Wheeler and Kennadee Buchanan of Turkey, Dixie Williams, Alexis Rodriguez, Lindsey Stewart and Ignasio Ascenio of Lockney.

Their next performance will be at the Dallas Cowboy's Christmas Spectacular Half-time!

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Cost of Thanksgiving Dinner Up Slightly

Rising demand for dairy products worldwide combined with a lack of frozen turkey storage will likely see Texans paying a bit more than last year to serve up a traditional Thanksgiving feast.

The average cost of this year's dinner for 10 is \$42.26, a \$4.16 price increase from last year's average of \$38.10, AFBF reports.

"When you consider that the average family pays \$80 more a month in gasoline this year than they did last for the same travel, I'd tend to think a \$4 increase in the price of a turkey dinner isn't much to worry over," he said.

The cost of a 16-pound turkey, at \$17.63 or roughly \$1.10 per pound, reflects an increase of 12 cents per pound, or a total of \$1.93 per turkey compared to 2006. This is the largest contributor to the overall increase in the cost of the 2007 Thanksgiving dinner.

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