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Clif Yearly scores again to lead the Patriots to a 48 - 0 Victory over Meadow!

## Yearly Leads Patriots To Homecoming Win

Clif Yearly ran around, over, and through would be tacklers enroute to 177 yards and three touchdowns in Valley's 48 - 0 victory over the Meadow Broncos. Yearly, who carried the ball only eight times, also led the defense with 14 tackles.

Senior tailback Derrick Cruse matched Yearly's three touchdowns while chipping in 108 yards rushing and 50 yards receiving. Senior quarterback Justin Wilks threw a 20 yard pass to Douglas Payne for the additional Patriot touchdown.

Wilks completed three of six passes for 70 yards to move Valley's total yardage to 357 for the game compared to 101 yards for Meadow.

Cruse recorded nine tackles while Robert Mendoza, Adam Ortiz, and Wilks each tallied eight. Albert Espinoza had seven tackles, while Senior nose guard Manuel Chavez recorded 6 tackles and recovered a fumble.

"Offensively we just ran the ball and were successful at it," Coach Bret Tyler said. "Rodney, Ramiro, Frank, and JC did a nice job up front to open up holes."

Clif Yearly started the scoring for the Patriots when he ran 65 yards only 64 seconds into the game. The first touchdown was followed by a safety after the Patriots forced an attempted punt that sailed over the punter's head and into the end zone.

Yearly scored again with 5:37 left in the first quarter, this time from four yards out. Wilks hit Payne for the 20 yards aerial touchdown and Cruse scored on a one yard plunge to make the first quarter score 28 - 0 in favor of Valley.

Cruse rushed for a 51 yard touchdown and Yearly for a 45 yard touchdown to bring the halftime score to 42 - 0. After the halftime break, Cruse cruised 17 yards to end the game with 4:59 left in the third quarter.

"I was pleased with the game," Tyler said. "We knew we were going to have a tough Homecoming opponent, but the boys took the challenge and played well. Our defense was much improved over the previous two games."

Fidel Valdez and Alex Espinoza each scored two touchdowns to lead the JV to a Thursday night win over the Meadow JV. Fernando Regalado added a short touchdown run as Valley won 36 - 0.

Matt Whittington, Charley Walden, and Zack Ramsey led a defense that completely shut down the Bronco offense.

This is an off week for the JV, while the Varsity will host #10 ranked Follett on Friday night.

### Soft Taco Supper Friday Night

There will be a Soft Taco Supper at the Valley School Cafeteria this Friday before the Follett football game. Tickets may be purchased from any Valley Family, Career and Community Leaders of America member or at the door. Food will be served from 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. A plate will consist of 3 soft tacos, beans, chips, hot sauce, dessert, and tea.

Proceeds from the supper will go toward contest entry fees, leadership meetings, and banquet preparations. The Valley FCCLA would love to see you there! You will be able to enjoy a great meal and make it to the football game to see Valley play Follett.

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### Ruidoso Vacation Winner!



Tommie Jo Cruse of Flomot was this year's winner in the Ruidoso Vacation Give-A-Way! We would like to thank everyone who participated in this year's contest.

### Turkey & Quitaque Ambulance Services Remind Everyone "Farm Safety & Health Week... ..Is Not Just For Farmers Anymore"

The Turkey and Quitaque Ambulance Services want to join with the National Safety Council in reminding everyone that September 15 - 21 is National Farm Safety and Health Week. The theme this year is "Farm Safety and Health Week... Is Not Just for Farmers Anymore".

According to the Turkey and Quitaque Ambulance Services, agriculture is one of the most hazardous industries in the United States with a death rate of 21.3 per 100,000 workers and approximately 130,000 disabling injuries. The death and injury rates do not include victims who are not occupationally active in agriculture but died from an incident involving farm and ranch equipment. The most common place to be involved in an incident with farm and ranch equipment is on the public roadway system.

As you know, we live in a health conscious society and many of us exercise as part of our daily routine. Walking and running are common forms of exercise in rural areas. The safest way to walk or run on rural roads is to travel on the side of the road with traffic coming at you. In this way you can see the situation ahead. Not all drivers of automobiles to operators of farm machinery are paying attention to the road and may have become distracted by something. The driver/operator may then drift their vehicle in your direction. If you are facing traffic then you can react to the situation. Remember that we all share the road, so take safety in your own hands.

It is important to remember, farmers know the limitations of their machinery. What they don't always realize is the general public is not familiar with what their machines can and cannot do. This is especially important when a tractor is travelling by itself or when it is towing an agricultural machine. Also, self propelled machines, such as sprayers, combines and other harvesting equipment travel on public roadways, as well. These machines have limited speed and maneuverability. Tractors and self propelled machines generally can travel no faster than 25 per hour. Machines with this speed limitation are identified to motorists on the road with a Slow Moving Vehicle (SMV) emblem. The SMV emblem has a central fluorescent orange triangle. The orange triangle is bordered by red strips of retroreflective tape.

Be alert and watchful when traveling down our highways and farm to market roads. Remember farm machinery is slow and difficult to maneuver. Also, when walking be sure to face traffic so you can see what is coming at you. Your alertness could save a life, your own.

### Cloud Seeding Meeting

"Cloud Seeding - The Rest Of The Story" will be presented on Wednesday, September 25, 2002 from 9 a.m. until Noon at the Lamb County Ag Center in Littlefield, Texas. Registration begins at 9 a.m. and the meeting begins at 9:30 a.m.

This informational meeting about Cloud Seeding will be sponsored by area farmers, ranchers, and concerned citizens.

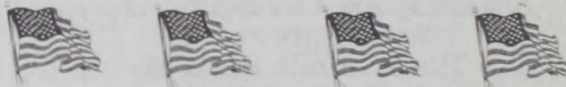
There will be two guest speakers during the program. Dr. Charles Doswell, Senior Research Scientist, Cooperative Institute for Mesoscale Meteorological Studies, Associated with the University of Oklahoma and Dr. Edwin Kessler, retired Director of National Severe Storm Laboratory in Norman, Oklahoma.

There will also be a Panel Discussion featuring Dr. Charles Doswell, Dr. Edwin Kessler and Dr. William Woodley.

Everyone interested is invited to attend.

### Calendar Of Events

- September 20**
  - \* Valley Varsity vs Follett- Here @ 7:30 p.m.
  - \* Soft Taco Supper at Valley School @ 5:30 - 7 p.m.
- September 21**
  - \* Carrock Canyons State Park Family Nature Hike @ 9 a.m.
  - \* Carrock Canyons State Park Cycling In Carrock Canyons @ 8 p.m.
- September 23**
  - \* Autumn Begins Today!
  - \* Turkey Lions Club Meeting @ 7 p.m.
  - \* Quitaque Fire Department Meeting
- September 24**
  - \* Turkey Senior Citizens Meeting @ 6 p.m.
- September 26**
  - \* Drivers License Office at Briscoe Co. Courthouse 9:30 a.m. - 3p.m.
  - \* Turkey Economic Board Meeting @ 7 p.m.



### HONORING THOSE WHO SERVED A Salute To Local Veterans

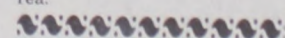


Ray Corgill

Ray Corgill served in the Army Medical Service as a member of the Medical Company, 9th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Infantry Division during the Korean War.

During his tour of duty he saw many conflicts and was on the front of the battle lines much of the time. He was giving medical care to the wounded soldiers regardless of weather, intense enemy fire and other adverse conditions.

Ray was awarded the Bronze Star Medal and three Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters. Each additional Oak Leaf Cluster represents another time he was awarded the Bronze Star. Along with the Korean Service Medal with five Battle Stars and the Combat Medical Badge in Korea.



David L. Driskill

David L. Driskill served in the Armed Forces from January 6, 1969 until December 7, 1972. He served in the U.S. Navy and achieved the rank of Yeoman 3rd Class.

David served his first five months in Boot Camp, medical, and survival schools in San Diego, California. He then served one year in South Vietnam at Da Nang and Chu Lai, stationed on a harbor tug moving barges loaded with all types of supplies and war materials, and assisting ships to and from piers.

The next two and one half years he spent stationed on the USS Ault, a destroyer, out of Galveston. They made numerous cruises in the Gulf of Mexico, Caribbean Sea, and Atlantic Ocean with stops in many of the southern coastal states, Cuba, Puerto Rico, Jamaica, and Mexico.

David received the National Defense Service Medal, Navy Achievement Award, Vietnam Service Medal, and the Vietnam Campaign Medal.

# STARS OVER TEXAS

The Center for Texas Culture, producers of Lone Star Rising and the Gem Theatre in Turkey are proud to present Stars Over Texas on September 28 at the Gem Theatre. Show time begins at 7:30 p.m. Admission is \$6 per person. If you have never seen Lone Star Ballet or Lone Star Rising, now is your chance. If you have seen them before, you better get your tickets early because you know they will go fast. For more information call 806-423-1273.

Stars Over Texas features performers from Lone Star Rising, Lone Star Ballet, and West Texas A&M University. It is a high energy variety show of Country, Western, Broadway, and other forms of music, dance and theatre.

The performers from Lone Star Rising just finished their second season at the beautiful Lake Meredith Amphitheater to over 25,000 patrons, and received critical acclaim from theatre enthusiasts from around the world. Audience members came from Malaysia, Germany, New Zealand, China, Russia, Canada, Chili, Poland and other distant countries.

Stars Over Texas will perform production numbers such as Cold, One For My Baby, Respect, Gypsy, Winter Dreams, Texas Razzle-Dazzle, Orange Blossom Special, Vine Street Rumble, World On A String, Young At Heart, Sing Sing Sing, and others. Performers for Stars Over Texas were recently featured in articles in the Houston Chronicle, Fort Worth Star Telegram, El Paso Times, Hobbs News Sun, Texas Highway, Texas Monthly and other noted publications.

Make plans now to attend Stars Over Texas, and let this outstanding group of performers treat you to a thoroughly delightful evening.

## TDOA To Host An Eco-Tourism Workshop At Quitaque Monday

The Texas Department of Agriculture will help host a Rural Economic Development and Nature Tourism Workshop Monday, September 23 for those interested in learning about growing businesses and tapping tourism development opportunities in their communities.

The event, which is sponsored in part by the Quitaque Chamber of Commerce, will begin at 6:30 p.m. at the Valley School Cafeteria, located between Quitaque and Turkey on Highway 86.

The workshop will focus on the challenges and opportunities of tourism and economic development in rural Texas, and speakers will discuss examples of nature tourism enterprises, how to locate resources and how to develop plans for success. The event concludes at approximately 8:45 p.m. with an open discussion.

"This is a great time to get together and strategize about rural community development beyond the traditional means," said Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs. "We must all work together to grow businesses and help rural Texas prosper. Tapping nature tourism opportunities is just one of many ways we can make this happen."

TDA Rural Economic Development Specialist Sheila Martin will be on hand to discuss opportunities available through the department. Remelle Farrar and other Texas Prairie Rivers representatives will also give presentations.

For registration information call the Quitaque City Hall at 806-455-1456, Turkey City Hall at 806-423-1033 or TDA's Sheila Martin at 806-358-7285. The event is open to the media.

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Thu Sep 19	73°/53°	20%
Fri Sep 20	86°/58°	0%
Sat Sep 21	85°/59°	10%
Sun Sep 22	83°/59°	10%
Mon Sep 23	84°/58°	10%
Tue Sep 24	82°/59°	10%
Wed Sep 25	83°/58°	30%
Thu Sep 26	83°/58°	30%
Fri Sep 27	83°/58°	60%

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## Turkey Roost Museum News

**By Margie Pinkerton**  
The Turkey Roost Museum received a gift of three hundred dollars this past week from Turkey Proud. This money was given to help with the window project. We appreciate the help and support of our community. We are striving for a museum that everyone can enjoy and be proud of.

Fund raising is a never ending task, but it continues to be successful. We will be selling changes on two gift certificates, some cash money, baked goods, and other items to be given after the December Jamboree. At that time we will be having a stew supper with the proceeds to go to the museum.

We voted not to do the Christmas in November project which we have done in the past at Thanksgiving. We hope we can still raise money without being a burden to anyone.

The museum will also be hosting a Craft Show November 16th at the museum. For information or to have a booth at the show call 423-1240.



## TURKEY SENIOR CITIZENS NEWS

**By Oleta Randell**  
The Turkey Senior Citizens had 20 members at their last meeting. Margie Pinkerton and Don Turner administered blood pressure checks. Officers were elected for the next year as follows. President Louis Randell; Vice President, Bob Warner; Secretary/Treasurer, Cleo Jordan; Reporter, Oleta Randell.  
We had our annual Sandwiches and trimmings and homemade ice cream. Table games were enjoyed after the meal. The next meeting will be Tuesday, September 24th. So come on out and enjoy the fun, food, and fellowship!

## TURKEY TALK

Carl and Betty Smith, of Irving, spent Sunday night with Louis and Oleta Randell.

## Happy Birthday

- September 19**  
Charla Morgan, Randy Linhart, Bettie Green, Ty Cranmer
  - September 20**  
Tana Saul, Maddie Ramsey, Weldon Purcell
  - September 21**  
Shannon Kane Beavers, Carolyn Scoggins
  - September 22**  
Flavia Ortiz, Miranda Zanardi
  - September 23**  
Carrie Ball, Kurt Henry, Cole Calvert, Bryce Reagan, Vance Chandler, Opal Hamilton, Clay Washington
  - September 24**  
Faye Pointer, Billy Neal Shannon, Jessica Lockhart, Lisa Coker, Marie Hurst
  - September 25**  
Jessica Wellman, Mary Stark, Christine Walls, Lynette Barefield
  - September 26**  
Bubba Turner
- Happy Anniversary**
- September 20**  
Mr & Mrs Arnold Castillo
  - September 25**  
Mr & Mrs Willie Scoggins

## OBITUARIES

### Ruby Joice Hester

Funeral services for Ruby Joice Hester, 74, of Silverton were held Sunday, September 15, 2002 at the First Baptist Church in Silverton. Rev. Randy Mullin and Mr. Doug Cherry officiated. Burial was in Silverton Cemetery under the direction of Myers-Long Funeral Directors of Silverton.

Ruby Joice Hester was born on September 18, 1927 at Roff, Oklahoma. She passed away on September 13, 2002 at Tulia, Texas at the age of 74 years, 11 months and 25 days. She married Ted Hester in 1944 at Matador, Texas. He preceded her in death on January 26, 1988. She was a member of the First Baptist Church. She played and taught the fiddle all of her life. She was past Worthy Matron of the Order of the Eastern Star.

Survivors include a daughter: Janise Hill of Silverton; 2 sons: Ronnie Hester of Dalhart and Rick Hester of Silverton; 2 sisters: Inez Richardson of Tulia and Winnie Smith of Silverton; by a brother: Grover Thomas of Silverton; 7 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. She was also preceded in death by 3 sisters: Mattie Shockley, Ida Mae Hardin and Josephine Cagle; and by 2 brothers: Buster Alan Thomas and Wendle Thomas.

Memorials may be made to the Silverton Ambulance Service, the American Cancer Society or to the Tulia Health and Rehabilitation Center in Tulia.

## WANTED LOCAL NEWS

If you have news you would like in **Turkey Talk** you can call or fax it to The Valley Tribune at 806-455-1101 or drop it in our folder at Turkey City Hall.

On **The QT** news may be dropped off at The Valley Tribune, by using our door mail slot or you can call or fax it to 806-455-1101.

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BY EARLYNE JAMESON

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CHILD: "Yes."  
COACH: "When a strike is called or attack the umpire. Do you understand?"  
CHILD: "Yes."  
COACH: "Good, now to over and..."

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**"Home For The Holidays"**  
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# FLOMOT NEWS

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 COACH: "Good, now to over and explain it to your mother."

Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin had lunch with Mrs. Sunni Parsons in Lubbock, Wednesday. They visited Johnny Turner and he gave them a tour of his and Carol Ann's new home recently built in Lubbock.

Visiting during the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Clois Shorter were daughters and families, Mrs. Keri Sehon and son, Brian of Ropesville and Mrs. Christi Milam and daughters, Emily and Haley of Petersburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Lee attended the Floyd Cramer Tribute performance at the Gem Theatre in Turkey Saturday night. They visited in Lubbock, Sunday and enjoyed entertainment with her niece and husband, Shannon and Earl Jones of Carlsbad, N.M.

Connie and Coy Franks were in Idalou, Saturday and had fun at the Motorsports Drag Races. Since the good rains the past couple of weeks around Flomot, Coy remarked, "The wilted and burned cotton is a good looking failure," appreciate his good sense of humor!

L.T. Starkey of Ralls visited Thursday with Mrs. C.W. Starkey and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Starkey.

Mrs. Geneva Martin enjoyed the Floyd Cramer Tribute at the Gem Theatre in Turkey Saturday night.

Tom Ross attended the Valley vs Meadow Homecoming football game in Turkey Saturday night. He and Mrs. Ross were in Plainview, Sunday attending to business.

Mrs. Marihelen Wason of Matador visited during the Valley Homecoming, Saturday with daughter and family, Brenda and Darrell Cruse and son, Derrick. They saw Derrick give another outstanding football performance at the Meadow vs Valley football game Saturday night with Valley being victorious 48-0.

Mrs. Wanda Lane of Lockney visited the weekend with sister and husband, Trula and Wilburn Martin. They enjoyed the Floyd Cramer Tribute performance Saturday night at the capacity filled Gem Theatre in Turkey. Mary Ellen Barton of Flomot was a luncheon guest in their home, Sunday.

## Cooks Corner

By Virginia Salsbury

**CROCK-POT PEPPER STEAK**  
 2 pounds beef round steak  
 2 tablespoons oil  
 1/4 cup soy sauce  
 1 cup chopped onion  
 1 clove minced garlic  
 1 teaspoon sugar  
 1/2 teaspoon salt  
 1/4 teaspoon pepper  
 1/4 teaspoon ground ginger  
 1 can diced tomatoes with juice (16 oz.)  
 2 large bell peppers, cut into strips  
 1/2 cup cold water  
 1 tablespoon cornstarch  
 Cooked noodles, mashed potatoes, or rice

Cut beef into strips; brown in oil in a skillet. Transfer to a crock pot. Combine the next seven ingredients and pour over beef. Cover and cook on low 5-6 hours or until meat is tender. Add tomatoes and bell peppers; cook on low 1 hour longer. Mix cold water and cornstarch; stir into liquid in crock pot and cook on high until thickened. Serve over your choice of noodles, Mashed potatoes or rice.

**SLOW-COOKED CHILI**  
 2 pounds ground beef  
 2 cans (16 oz.) pinto beans, drained  
 2 cans (16 oz.) diced tomatoes, undrained  
 1 can (8 oz.) tomato sauce  
 2 onions, chopped  
 2 cloves minced garlic  
 3 tablespoons chili powder  
 2 teaspoons salt  
 1 teaspoon pepper  
 Brown beef in a skillet; drain.

Transfer to a crock pot. Add the rest of the ingredients. Cover and cook on low 8-10 hours or on high for 4 hours. Garnish each serving with cheese if you like.  
**GOD BLESS AMERICA!**

## "Home For The Holidays" Southwest Airlines Offers Free Tickets To Seniors

Southwest Airlines and the Area Agency on Aging of the Panhandle have announced the start of the 23rd annual "Home for the Holidays" program, which will provide Panhandle seniors with complimentary airline tickets to visit family and friends over the holidays. Over the years, the airline with the big heart has allowed thousands of seniors the opportunity to be reunited with family and friends during the holiday season.

Fifteen applicants from the Panhandle area will be selected to receive complimentary round trip tickets based on their need for economic assistance and their reason for travel. This year marks the 23rd anniversary of the "Home for the Holidays" program.

Applications are available at senior centers across the Panhandle and by contacting the Area Agency on Aging at 1-800-642-6008. To apply, a person must be 65 years of age or older and demonstrate a strong economic need. Southwest Airlines is sending senior citizens "Home for the Holidays" in each of the 57 cities they currently serve. Deadline for submission of applications is Monday, October 21, 2002.

Since the program began in 1979, thousands of senior citizens have been given the opportunity to go "Home for the Holidays". This worthwhile community service program has earned several honors including the Distinguished Private Service Award from the Nevada Governor's Conference on Aging, a Private Sector Initiatives Award from the Nebraska Governor's Conference on Aging, and the Presidential Award for Private Sector Initiatives bestowed by President Reagan in 1986.

## New Department On Aging Reports Describe State Government's Readiness For Aging Texas Population, Gaps In Current Services

If Texans were to vote on an official state color, silver would be the odds on favorite. It adorns the helmets of the Dallas Cowboys, reflects from the facades of our big city skyscrapers and dazzles the eyes on starlit West Texas nights. And, in the near future, it will symbolize the graying of our population as the baby boom generation moves en masse into older adulthood.

In two recently issued reports the Texas Department on Aging (TDOA) looks at the ability of state government to serve a 60 and older age group that will, in the next 30 years, nearly double as a percentage of the overall population.

Both reports seek to raise awareness of the urgent need to prepare now for rapid and profound demographic changes that will affect just for starters, our state's economy, tax base, political culture, educational system and workforce.

"These reports don't try to prescribe what every business, public agency and academic research program needs to do for the next half century," said TDOA Executive Director Mary Sapp. "Our purpose is to spotlight some of the major developing aging issues and show where we currently are in dealing with them and how we can more effectively work together to get the job done."

"Survey Responses on the Readiness of State Government to Meet the Challenges of an Aging Texas" and "Gaps and Coordination of Services for Older Texans: Survey Results" both are available for download from the Texas Department on Aging's website: [www.tdoa.state.tx.us](http://www.tdoa.state.tx.us).

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## LETTERS to the Editor

What do we live for if not to make the world less difficult for each other?  
 —Marian Evans

Dear Editor,  
 Do you know what the candidates for statewide office believe on the issue of unborn human life?  
 Tony Sanchez, Democratic candidate for Governor believes: "Women deserve the right to make decisions involving their own health and bodies. That's why as Governor, Tony Sanchez will protect a woman's right to choose. If the Supreme Court overturns Row v. Wade, Tony Sanchez will lead the fight to keep a woman's right to choose legal in Texas." excerpt taken from Tony Sanchez for Texas Governor March 12 primary campaign material.

Rick Perry, Republican candidate believes: "Our love for our fellow man must extend to the unborn. As a people, we must stand on an important principle: from conception, until the last drawing of breath, innocent human life is sacred. While not every child is born into ideal circumstances, let there be no mistake: there is no such thing as an unwanted child. Human life is precious in His sight, and worthy of our every vigilant effort to protect it." excerpt from a letter read at a greater Austin Right to Life banquet on October 18, 2001.

David Dewhurst, Republican candidate for Lieutenant Governor believes: "In the race for Lieutenant Governor - the state Senate's presiding officer - Republican David Dewhurst opposes abortion, except when the life of the woman is endangered. David's pro-life, and like many Americans, he feels there are too many abortions," spokesman Nick Voinis said. -Dallas Morning News, "Abortion Stances Follow Party Line", Christy Hoppe, January 22, 2002.

John Sharp, Democratic candidate for Lieutenant Governor believes "Democratic John Sharp, while he is personally anti-abortion, said he would defend current laws that provide abortion access," his spokesman Kelly Fero said. "He has said that he doesn't believe that he should use his personal decisions in his government role," Mr. Fero said. -Dallas Morning News, "Abortion Stances Follow Party Line", Christy Hoppe, January 22, 2002.

This information was obtained from an official publication of the Texas Christian Coalition dated September, 2002. Prov. 31:8 - "Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves."

Thank You,  
 Donna Hamilton

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**ACROSS**

1 TX golfer Nelson book: "\_\_\_\_\_"

5 longtime U.S. rep. "Tiger" Teague

6 TX-born Robin Wright's husband actor Sean

7 TXism: "too lazy \_\_\_ swat flies"

8 Congress voted to admit TX as a state in this mo. (abbr.)

9 TXism: "give me some \_\_\_ room"

14 TXism: "a sight for \_\_\_ eyes"

15 was 70s UT QB, now TN Titans spec. teams coach

19 what TX "Spanky" wrote on the flying red horse atop Dallas' Magnolia Bldg. (2 wds.)

21 a legal right

22 Brady hosts "\_\_\_\_\_"

27 TXism: "mobile mouse" (cat)

28 TXism: "as a horse on a merry-go-round"

29 mental numbness

30 sucks gas

32 TX Billy Sol Estes is an \_\_\_-con

33 TXism: "as clear as Red \_\_\_" (confusing)

36 TXism: "fast as \_\_\_ up a rafter"

**DOWN**

1 '50s dance

2 Grand \_\_\_ Opry

3 in Runnels Co. on hwy. 83

4 book about murder in Commerce, TX: "The Last \_\_\_\_\_"

8 TXism: "it'll \_\_\_ a pinch"

9 TX gunfighter Luke Short owned White \_\_\_

37 this Lupino was in "Junior Bonner" with TX Joe Don Baker

38 polite TX response to a woman (2 wds.)

39 popular attractions at Six Flags? (2 wds.)

41 "Friendship" (2 wds.)

44 TXism: "scared the dickens out \_\_\_"

45 TX Perot's naval rank (abbr.)

46 female sheep

10 TXism: "hasta \_\_\_ vista" (see ya' later)

11 init. of 1-across

12 the San Antonio Trail (2 wds.)

13 TXism: "\_\_\_ to a frazzle" (tired)

14 with "long," Houston dock worker

15 TXism: "do I have to draw you \_\_\_?"

16 old English for "wit"

17 the hens won't lay 'cause the dog \_\_\_ up"

18 Austin's constitution of 1827: "Coahuila \_\_\_"

20 west TX climate

22 Sinatra in "Four for Texas" (init.)

23 TX actor Rip (init.)

24 Austin: "War is \_\_\_ only resource"

25 TXism: "\_\_\_ a yarn" (lies)

26 Gov. "Ma" once opposed women's right \_\_\_

28 chew

31 popular cookie

34 barn rodents

35 TX Ella \_\_\_ Morse's "Cow-Cow Boogie"

37 TXism: "neon light \_\_\_" (inspiration)

40 TXism: "\_\_\_ hog had wings he'd be an eagle"

42 in debt

43 rationally defensible

49 \_\_\_ Pa Kettle

50 actor Asner

## ANNIVERSARY SALE EVENT

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Patio Burritos 3 \$1	Pork Sirloin 99¢	Washington Pears 99¢	Red Onions 2.91
Sour Cream 1.39	Cake Donuts 2.95	Sliced Bacon 2.49	Green Onions 2.91
Cottage Cheese 1.99	Jumbos Biscuits 99¢	Little Sizzlers 1.29	Dole Salad 2.93
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# The Patriot

NEWS OF AND ABOUT VALLEY SCHOOL



Valley FFA Post the Colors last Wednesday during a Memorial Program for the September 11, 2002 terrorist victims.

## Valley School Holds September 11 Memorial

On Wednesday, September 11, 2002 the students and faculty at Valley School took time out to honor the memories of those who died one year ago in the terrorist attacks.

All of the students and staff, dressed in red, white, and blue, gathered in front of the flag pole. The Memorial began with the FFA Posting the Colors, then everyone sang the Star Spangled Banner. The Student Council read a dedication and remembrance to the victims, followed by a poem by the Jr. High and High School Head Cheerleaders. Next the FCCLA gave an interpretive version of the Pledge of Allegiance. The program closed with everyone singing America the Beautiful.

## FCCLA Attend Leadership Workshop

Valley FCCLA attended a Fall Leadership Workshop in Pampa on Tuesday, September 10. Along with 150 other FCCLA members from around the Panhandle, the Valley students learned leadership qualities, teamwork, and decision making. The workshops were led by two state and two regional officers. Attending the meeting were Roxanne Trout, Melissa Leal, Rosalie Villareal, Amy Hughes, Ana Rosa Pozos, Zena Mora, Erica Gujosa, and Veronica Barrios accompanied by their advisor, Kathy Taylor. These members are excited about the new year and their involvement with Family, Career and Community Leaders of America.

## SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

### Monday, September 23

**Breakfast:** Donuts, Sliced Oranges, OJ/Milk

**Lunch:** Pepperoni Hot Pockets, Corn, Salad, Pudding, Milk

### Tuesday, September 24

**Breakfast:** Cereal, Sliced Oranges, OJ/Milk

**Lunch:** Tacos, Spanish Rice, Refried Beans, Salad, Jello & Cool Whip, Milk

### Wednesday, September 25

**Breakfast:** Pop Tarts, Sliced Apples, OJ/Milk

**Lunch:** Beef & Cheese Nachos, Corn, Hot Sauce, Orange Slices, Milk

### Thursday, September 26

**Breakfast:** Breakfast Pizza, Applesauce OJ/Milk

**Lunch:** Brisket, Potato Salad, Pinto Beans, Pickles, Apricots Milk

### Friday, September 27

**Breakfast:** Blueberry Muffins, Bacon, Sliced Apples, OJ/Milk

**Lunch:** Pizza, Corn on the Cob, Pickle Spears, Pears, Milk



Chelsea Wheeler was crowned the 2002 Football Sweetheart by Katherine Pigg, the 2001 Sweetheart.



Derrick Cruse, escorted by Natalie Wheeler, was chosen as the 2002 Cheer Squad Beau.



## This Week In Texas History!

Sept. 6, 1876

Camp Del Rio established near the town of Del Rio. First call Post San Felipe but changed name on March 18, 1881. Garrisoned until May 8, 1892.

Sept. 8, 1863

Battle of Sabine Pass. Dick Dowling and his men repulsed federal troops.

Sept. 8, 1900

Greatest natural disaster in U.S. history. Hurricane and tidal wave struck Galveston, killing 6,000 and causing \$40 million in damage.

Sept. 9, 1850

Texas-New Mexico boundary set by act of U.S. Congress. Texas was paid \$10 million by the federal government to compensate for the lost territory.

Sept. 9, 1861

Terry's Rangers mustered into service at Houston.

Sept. 11, 1842

Mexican Army under command of General Adrian Woll occupied San Antonio. When they withdrew on September 20 they took several citizens captive.

Sept. 12, 1841

Advance party of the Santa Fe Expedition arrived at first Mexican settlements. They were arrested.

Sept. 13, 1816

Galveston declared a port of the Mexican Republic. Privateer Louis Arty put in charge.

Sept. 14, 1847

Mexico City fell to troops in the Mexican War.

Sept. 14, 1849

Permanent U.S. military post established in El Paso. After several relocations the post was named for Colonel William Wallace S. Bliss on March 8, 1854.

Sept. 14, 1926

Port of Corpus Christi opened.

Sept. 15, 1849

Fort established on the Rio Grande at San Elizario, about 20 miles below El Paso. Evacuated in Sept. 1851.

Sept. 15, 1883

First classes held at The University of Texas.

Sept. 16, 1810

Mexico declared independence from Spain.

Sept. 17, 1841

Texas signed agreement with rebel state of Yucatan to rent out Texas Navy for \$8,000 a month.

Sept. 18, 1840

Treaty with the Netherlands signed by the Republic of Texas.

Sept. 18, 1842

Dawson Massacre took place near the Salado Creek in Bexar County.

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**CLINIC NOTES:**

Calling all healthy people! The Briscoe County Clinic would like to remind you that even "healthy" people should have an annual physical exam or check-up for the detection and prevention of disease. To all men: September is Prostate Cancer Awareness Month. The American Cancer Society recommends that all men age 50 or older should have an annual PSA blood test and a rectal examination of the prostate. Men at high risk should begin these screening tests at age 40. "High risk" candidates are those with a family history (prostate cancer in a father or brother) and African Americans. Early detection of this disease truly can save lives. If you have any questions, please stop by the clinic. For more information call (806) 823-2283.

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BRIEF EXPLANATORY STATEMENT OF PROPOSED  
**CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT**  
Special Election  
NOVEMBER 5, 2002

**Explanatory Brief for HJR 2**  
HJR 2 would amend the constitution to allow the commissioners court of a county to declare the office of constable dormant if that office has been vacant for at least seven consecutive years. The records of a constable office that is declared dormant will be transferred to the county clerk. If the office is declared dormant, the previous officeholder does not continue to hold the office. The office may not be filled by election or appointment unless the commissioners court votes to reinstate the office or a majority of votes cast in an election held on the issue favor reinstatement. The reinstatement election may be held if the commissioners court on its own motion orders such an election, or the reinstatement election must be held if the commissioners court receives a petition signed by 10% of the registered voters of the constable precinct.

**The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows:**  
"The constitutional amendment authorizing the commissioners court of a county to declare the office of constable in a precinct to be dormant if the office has not been filled by election or appointment for a lengthy period and providing a procedure for the reinstatement of the office."

Este es el informe explicatorio sobre la enmienda propuesta a la constitución que aparecerá en la boleta el 5 de noviembre de 2002. Si usted no ha recibido una copia de los informes en español, podrá obtener una gratis por llamar al 1/800/252/8683 o por escribir al Secretario de Estado, P.O. Box 12060, Austin, TX 78711.

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Oct 26	*Happy	H-3:00	
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Nov 8	*Motley Co.	H-7:30	

#District Games  
#Homecoming

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# VALLEY PATRIOT FOOTBALL 2002

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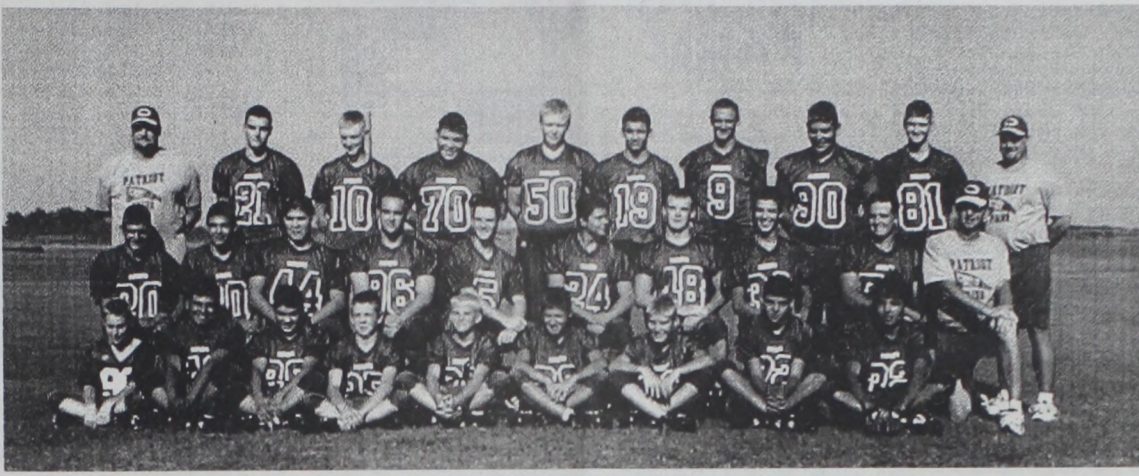
**VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL ROSTER**

Player	Ht	Wt	Cl	Pos
Daniel Alanis	5-8	155	So	E-CB
Cody Barrett	5-9	160	Fr	QB-S
Manuel Chavez	5-10	195	Sr	E-E
Derrick Cruse	6-2	190	Sr	RB-LB
Albert Espinoza	5-8	175	So	RB-LB
Alex Espinoza	6-1	165	Fr	RB-E
Rodney Fuston	5-7	220	Jr	C-E
Dylan Gaddis	6-2	185	Jr	RB-S
Rhiane Gaddis	5-6	140	Fr	RB-S
Jake Maupin	5-6	145	So	E-E
Chance Maynard	5-6	140	Fr	E-E
Chase Maynard	6-0	165	Jr	QB-S
Robert Mendoza	5-8	195	Jr	RB-E
Adam Ortiz	5-9	175	Jr	E-E
Anthony Ortiz	6-3	185	Jr	E-E
Douglas Payne	5-10	170	Jr	E-CB
J.C. Pigg	5-8	205	Sr	C-E
Ramiro Ramos	5-9	220	Jr	E-E
Ruben Ramos	5-9	200	Fr	E-E
Zack Ramsey	5-7	155	So	QB-S
Fernando Regalado	5-8	150	Fr	E-E
Juan Regalado	5-11	165	Jr	E-CB
Kellan Roberts	5-8	160	Jr	RB-LB
Frank Rodrigues	5-7	170	Jr	C-E
Fidel Valdez	5-9	170	So	RB-S
Cody Varnell	5-8	145	So	QB-S
Charlie Waldon	6-0	170	Fr	E-E
Matt Whittington	5-7	150	So	E-CB
Justin Wilks	6-1	180	Sr	QB-S
Cliff Yeary	5-9	180	Jr	FB-LB

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**VALLEY vs FOLLETT \* HERE \*  
 FRIDAY, SEPT. 20, 7:30 P.M.**

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By: Brandon McGinty, CEA-Ag, Briscoe County

**DCP Signup Period Approaching Fast, Growers Urged to Get Prepared**

Nobody can say for certain what the signup process for the new Farm Bill will entail or how fast the process can be completed. One thing that is for certain is that a little homework beforehand will most definitely ease the process and make things easier for both grower and Farm Service Agency employees gearing up to help them.

Among the important pieces of the puzzle that growers need to try to get completed is the updating of Power of Attorney forms and the gathering of planting and yield data for the 1998-2001 growing season.

With those pieces in place the signup process should be accelerated considerably. Growers wanting to make the process even easier will also utilize one of the many Base/Yield Update Calculators available on the Internet. Doing so can help a grower figure out which Base and Yield Update portion will be the best choice for their farm.

Some growers might wonder why they should go through the process of running a Base/Yield Comparison when many of the rules governing the calculations are still in the formative stage. The answer is simply that even though some changes will no doubt be made the results they receive will provide the clearest picture of how the new program can impact their operations.

**Home Lawn Winter Weed Control Time**

Now is the best time to apply herbicides for controlling annual grassy and broadleaf weeds. Winter weeds start germinating in early September in northern parts of Texas, and in mid to late September in southern areas. So homeowners should be applying preemergent herbicide now. It is very important to water the turfgrass once herbicide is applied. Over applying herbicide, and applying herbicide in heavily shaded areas damages turfgrass plants. Preemergent herbicide has no effect on weeds once they germinate and start to grow. But there is no effective post-emergent control. Read the label when purchasing a preemergent herbicide for the correct type of grass, and to determine the amount needed.

By Cory Edwards, Briscoe County Extension Agent, FCS

**Free Blood Pressure & Blood Sugar Clinic**

Texas Cooperative Extension, Briscoe County is collaborating with Covenant Home Health Care to provide a free blood pressure/blood sugar clinic. The clinic will be held in the basement of the Briscoe County Courthouse on Thursday, September 26, 2002 from 9:00 a.m. to approximately 12:00 noon. Everyone is invited to take advantage of this free service!

**4-H County Bake Show Winners Named**

Chancey Campbell of Turkey claimed first place with her Banana Nut Coffee Cake at the Briscoe County 4-H Bake Show held September 3, 2002 in the basement of the Courthouse. For being the top winner she received a 3 piece baking set. She also won the opportunity to participate in the District 4-H Bake Show held at the Tri-State Fair in Amarillo last Saturday where she placed 16th overall.

Capturing second place was Scarlett Sperry of Quitaque. For her Sour Cream Coffee Cake, she received a 21 piece utensil set. Emily Garcia of Silverton placed third with her Cinnamon Swirl Coffee Cake. She received a hot pad, a dish towel, and an oven mitt.

There was a tie between Kaitlyn Kinsey and Jesse Campbell for 4th place. Payton Campbell received 6th place and Seth Fuston received 7th place.

4-H Clover Kid participants included Sierra Burleson, Brittany Deckard, Brewster Garcia, and Derrick and Gavin Smith.

All participants received a cake mix, an icing mix, and sprinkles.

The purpose of the contest is to promote the use of wheat, which is one of the Panhandle's leading agricultural commodities. In addition, 4-H members participated in a Bake Show Workshop where they learned baking techniques, purposes of ingredients, measuring tips, and troubleshooting.

For the contest, 4-H members prepared Coffee Cake using a recipe of their choice. Products were evaluated on appearance, color, texture, and flavor.

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**Farmer-Stockman Show, October 10 - 12**

Farm Progress is proud to present the 10th anniversary Farmer -Stockman Show, October 10 - 12 in Lubbock, Texas. The largest outdoor working farm show of its kind in the southwestern United States, the Farmer -Stockman Show promises to be better than ever, with patrons traveling from many neighboring states and as far away as South America to attend the three day event. The show will kick off Thursday, October 10 with the traditional ribbon cutting and anniversary activities. State and local officials will be on hand to welcome the guests and exhibitors.

Exhibitors will demonstrate the latest in agricultural products, services, and technologies. Acres of cropland are reserved for field demonstrations daily. Scheduled demonstrations include the latest in harvest equipment, tractors, tillage and specialty implements.

The Farmer-Stockman Livestock arena features a variety of events this year, including the popular chuck wagon and cowboy camp exhibit, horse training seminars by Craig Cameron, cutting horse seminars, and live cattle handling demonstrations. Equipment manufacturers will be on hand to discuss the newest designs, techniques and equipment availability.

The show also has something for everyone in the family! Unique crafts, Country and Bluegrass music, antique tractors and farm equipment, quilting demonstrations, quartet and chorus performances and educational seminars are just a part of the Farm & Fireside section of the show. The "Ag In The Bag" educational exhibits also return to the show this year. Adults and children can learn more about agricultural commodities produced on the High Plains of Texas.

Mark your calendar! Everyone is invited to attend the Farmer -Stockman Show, October 10 - 12 in Lubbock, Texas. The show is located just 1.5 miles east of Loop 289 on east 50th Street (FM835). Show hours are 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday and Friday, and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday. Adult admission is \$5 per person, visitors 17 years of age and under are admitted free of charge. We'll see you there! For more information also contact [www.farmprogress.com](http://www.farmprogress.com).



Farmers and ranchers are busy and active daily in a number of dangerous activities on the farm or ranch. This week, take extra precautions to keep safe. Remember, that horse or that tractor may be replaceable -- you are not.

**USDA Agreement To Help Expand Economic Markets In Rural America**

Agriculture Under Secretary of Rural Development Thomas C. Dorr announced recently the signing of an agreement between the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the National Credit Union Administration (NCUA) in support of President Bush's efforts of increasing economic opportunity in rural America by improving access to capital for businesses and home ownership.

"This agreement is important because it will provide USDA a unique economic development opportunity to increase the availability of financing for business, housing and community development while promoting the creation of new jobs in rural America," said Dorr. "The opening of new markets will bring credit unions greater flexibility in developing lending strategies and stimulating further local economic development in historically underserved areas."

Under this agreement, USDA and NCUA will promote the availability of resources through USDA to assist the low income population in communities served by credit unions. In addition, the partnership will focus on and heighten credit union awareness of USDA Rural development programs and the potential use of these resources as funding sources for credit unions involved in the asset building strategies for low income members.

Partnership efforts between USDA and NCUA are another way in which the Bush Administration is working to foster the creation and expansion of businesses, employment opportunities and community development in rural communities through unique public/private partnerships.

The National Credit Union Administration is an independent federal agency that supervises and insures approximately 6,000 federal credit unions and insures approximately 3,300 state chartered credit unions. Headquartered in Virginia, NCUA has six regional offices in New York, Virginia, Georgia, Illinois, Texas and California.

USDA Rural Development serves as the lead federal entity for rural development needs and administers financial and technical assistance through three agencies: Rural Housing Service, Rural Business-Cooperative Service and Rural Utilities Service. Further information on USDA Rural Development can be obtained by contacting any USDA Service Center or by visiting USDA's website at <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov>.

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**Cotton** **PCG** **News**  
 By Shawn Wade  
 from Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.

**Disaster Aid: Yes, No Or Maybe?...Continued**

Last week we noted that the road to Securing Crop Loss Disaster Assistance for the 2001 and 2002 crop years had so far been one with more twists, turns and detours than usual.

It was also noted that should the Senate finally approve the measure as an Amendment to the Interior Appropriations Bill, which they did by a vote of 79-16 earlier this week, that it could signal the homestretch for this critically needed assistance package.

At the time of this writing the full Senate, due to unresolved differences on other issues, has not approved the Interior Appropriations Bill.

While the Interior Appropriations Bill is still the number one candidate to carry the disaster provision, there is some speculation that it may not be the vehicle that finally carries the disaster package across the finish line.

There is always the chance that the wheels could fall off either in conference, if it gets that far, or elsewhere that would require a change in approach. Most observers still feel that the assistance will be approved sooner or later. The question of when it will arrive and what appropriations package it is included with is still uncertain.

Plains Cotton Growers continues to push the importance of disaster assistance to growers who continue to drag carryover debt from losses incurred in 2001 forward.

New developments on this front will continue to be reported via PCG's Email news service as it becomes available. Anyone interested in subscribing to PCG's Email Service can do so by sending an email message, with the word Subscribe included in the body of the message, to this address: [cotnews@plainscotton.org](mailto:cotnews@plainscotton.org).

**U.S. WTO Negotiating Position Meeting Resistance From The Usual Suspects**

When the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 was approved the vocal reaction from our competitors signaled that U.S. policy might have finally found an effective balance between protecting U.S. growers and maintaining a competitive position in the world marketplace.

It appears that the same can be said about the U.S. negotiating position at the recently opened agricultural trade talks in Geneva, Switzerland.

The U.S. position is being called the "Swiss formula" for reducing tariffs and boils down to a requirement that countries with the highest tariffs would have to make the steepest cuts to achieve an average tariff rate of 25 percent on agricultural products.

Even though the new U.S. position is not nearly as strong as the line Plains Cotton Growers has advocated it is a step in the right direction.

PCG continues to take every opportunity to advance the thought that further cuts to U.S. tariff rates should not be considered until countries, with higher tariff rates, make the cuts necessary to reach our level.

Vocal opponents of the proposal include the European Union, Japan and India who prefer the "Linear" approach agreed to during the Uruguay round of WTO talks.

World Trade Organization rules agreed to during the Uruguay round of trade talks tied the U.S. to a "linear" approach for achieving reductions in tariffs and domestic agricultural support.

That "linear" approach also effectively locked in the advantageous trade policies of other countries over the U.S. By requiring the same percentage cuts to considerably lower U.S. tariff rates.

Keeping their advantage in this area is also why the newly unveiled U.S. position advocating an average tariff rate target of 25 percent for all countries has met with such resistance. Those countries that hold the advantage under the current system would be the ones to make the most significant changes under the "Swiss formula" advocated by the U.S.

There is a long way to go before the agricultural trade talks are completed, but it is nice to know that our negotiators are, for the moment, delivering a message U.S. growers like to hear: "We've done our part, now it's your turn."

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### DPS Issues 9,079 Open Container Citations In Law's First Nine Months

DPS issued 9,079 tickets for possession of open containers of alcohol in motor vehicles during the first nine months that the open container law was in effect.

House Bill 5 went into effect on September 1, 2001, making it a Class C misdemeanor to have open containers of alcohol in the passenger compartment of a motor vehicle.

Before HB 5 went into effect, DPS could only issue tickets if a trooper observed a person consuming an alcoholic beverage while operating a motor vehicle in a public place. From September 1, 2000, to June 30, 2001, the actual DPS trooper observation of a person consuming an alcoholic beverage in a vehicle resulted in 980 tickets. During the same time period of the previous years, 1999 to 2000, troopers issued 836 tickets for the same offense.

"We take open containers of alcohol in vehicles very seriously," said DPS Traffic Law Enforcement Chief Randall Elliston. "The open container law is an asset to our effort to reduce incidents of driving while intoxicated. This law provides us with a valuable tool to prevent motorists from drinking while driving."

Time Period violations: September 1, 1999 - June 30, 2000 - 836; September 1, 2000 - June 30, 2001 - 980; September 1, 2001 - June 30, 2002 - 9,079.

### Hall County Historical Commission Continue Work On Various Projects

The Hall County Historical Commission met on September 9 to discuss plans for the various projects they are currently working on.

The continuing work for the Veteran's Monument and Walk of Honor is still moving ahead. Four flags were donated to the County and Bill Grisson and his helpers made holders for them and placed them at the walk. Anyone who wishes to make a donation for a brick may still do so by contacting any member of the Historical Commission.

Work is progressing toward getting the Ozark Trail Marker at Tampico Junction restored. The Texas Department of Transportation notified the Commission that TXDOT can furnish material for this project. However equipment and labor to get this job done must be found. If you are interested in helping with this project please contact any Historical Commission member.

Plans were finalized for the appearance of "Lone Star Rising" dancers. They will perform at Memphis High School on September 30 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$5 each and may be obtained from any Historical Commission member.

Booths at the Hall County Picnic are still available. Also available are tickets to the "Lone Star Rising", applications for the Wall of Honor and autographed copies of "Ordeal By Sea", the story of the USS Indianapolis.

### Utility Assistance Now Available From Panhandle Community Services

Panhandle Community Services has received additional funding for the Comprehensive Energy Assistance Program (CEAP). This program provides emergency utility assistance for low income, elderly and disabled/handicapped people.

CEAP assistance is not an entitlement program. Assistance will be provided only to those families who have been determined by a priority matrix system as most in need.

To apply, Social Security cards for everyone in the household, proof of income, current electric and gas bill, and a 12 month billing history of electric and gas bills must be furnished. Applicants may call the local Panhandle Community Service office at 806-874-2573 for more information.

Whether our work is art or science or the daily work of society, it is only the form in which we explore our experience which is different.

—Jacob Bronowski

## 'TEXUN TAWK'

Observations Of Life From A Fellow Texan  
By Bill Sperry

### The Measure Of A Man

What is the benchmark? What measuring tool do you use? You think you have it figured out and it changes. What it was in the past now seems to be different. It must be a learned process as this is the way we set our standards but the people that we were using as measuring tools falter and we're back to square one. Are they supposed to change? I've thought and pondered this and I don't believe so.

What's the most important? I don't know but I believe that honesty should be up in the top somewhere. Not just in the everyday workings of dealing with people but to one's self. Old fashioned as it may sound, a person's word is supposed to count for something. If you're supposed to be somewhere at a certain time, then be there or earlier. If you say you're going to do something, then do it or break your leg in trying. If you make a promise, then keep it, even if it hurts.

A man should have a certain code that he lives by. The person that John Wayne always played in movies had a code. I hope that he was really that way. He seemed to cover the ground he walked on and didn't give other people grief but didn't take any either. He went his own way.

Integrity. Looked in the dictionary and it said, uprightness, perfect condition. Yep, that should be another benchmark. When we pass from here wouldn't it be nice for someone to say, he had integrity. You bet it would.

Kindness. This one gets overlooked somewhat. Good, loving is the definition. It doesn't seem to be a popular trait now days. I think it should be.

Responsible. Reliable, accountable, capable of rational thought. Yes, that should be in there somewhere.

Respectable. Decent, worthy of respect. Respectful. Showing respect. This is a double dipper but they go hand in glove.

Fortitude. Patient courage. I hope this is in my code.

Conscience. Recognition of right or wrong in one's self. Maybe I need work on this one. Honorable. Good reputation, high character. This is one that if you lose it, you can't get back.

Moral. Concerned with right conduct. Virtuous. Has to be.

Spiritual. Ethereal, religious. Each man may march to a different drummer just as long as you are marching.

Trustworthy. Reliance on a person's integrity. There's that integrity word again.

I'm sure that this isn't everyone's list and it could be added to by each. This certainly isn't a bible but all is spoken of in it. I guess that it all boils down to, 'to thy own self be true'. I guess the true measure of a man is that through life we try to gather all of this about us so we might look the Good Lord in the eye and say, I fought the good fight.

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### By Clint Harmon



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# Notice of Vote on Tax Rate

The Briscoe County Commissioners Court conducted a public hearing on a proposal to increase the total tax revenues of the Briscoe County from properties on the tax roll in the preceding year by 1.021 percent on September 17 at 10:00 a.m.

The Commissioners Court is scheduled to vote on the tax rate that will result in that tax increase at a public meeting to be held on September 24, 2002 at 6:30 p.m. at Briscoe County Courtroom.

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